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THE CORRECT THING.

(From the Brooklyn Eagle.)
She was only a poor working girl, but he loved her devotedly; so, being in no haste an original man, he followed custom and asked her to marry him.
She hesitated.
"Do you not love me," he asked.
"Indeed, I do," she replied; "but my heart must ever be subservient to my sense of duty." Working girls don't talk this way except in historical novels—but let that pass. "All the customary and proper forms must be observed before I will marry anybody," she added.
"We'll be married by a priest, of course," he said. "Did you think I planned to take you to a justice of the peace?"
"It is not that," she explained. "I mean that your suit must be acceptable to others—that I will never marry without due regard for the—"
"Oh, as to that," he broke in, "of course I will speak to your father."
"My father has nothing to do with it."
"Well, your mother, then, if she rather out of date to consult the old folks, but—"

"Entirely out of date," he was puzzled.
"You love me," he said, "but you will not promise to be mine?"
"No, no!" she cried; "not yet! I cannot!"
"But may I hope?" he pleaded.
"You may do more than that," she said, blushing.
"What?"
"You may speak to the walking delegate of our union and see if he will give his consent."
She was only a poor working girl, but she was up-to-date.
There are 19,227 professional beggars in Spain, of whom \$1,948 are women. Seville is the only city in the kingdom which forbids begging upon the streets.
Tommy McTurff—I'll bet we're going to move this spring, sure. Next door Willie—How do you know so far ahead? Tommy McTurff—Why, cause ma lene me tear the wallpaper off and carve my name on the woodwork—Chicago Daily News.

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KAISER CAUSED
RUSSO-JAP WAR

Prominent Frenchmen Blames
Trouble on German Intrigues

Emperor William Wants to Unite
Europe Against Britain and
United States.

PARIS, Feb. 28.—Paul Drouot, the royalist refugee, who has been living in Spain since his expulsion in 1900, has been interviewed by the Matin at San Sebastian. He said that at the present moment, when he is advised by friends in the chamber of deputies to keep silence, it was not fitting for him to talk, but he upheld the principle that France must honor her engagements at whatever cost, postponing until afterward the discussion as to whether a pact signed by the president of the republic was really in the interest of the nation. However, he added that Foreign Minister Delcasse seems to act with a circumspection which lacks neither skill nor patriotism. "It is evident to me," said M. Drouot, "that M. Delcasse is doing his best to prevent a general conflagration in which we could only burn our fingers to the great delight and greater profit of the German emperor. It is impossible not to see that the Emperor William urged Russia to undertake this Asiatic campaign which temporarily draws the Russian forces out of Europe, as Bismarck formerly urged France to undertake colonial expeditions. The result the emperor indirectly aims at is to coalesce Europe against Great Britain and the United States, ensuring a monopoly for German commerce by the destruction of rivals beyond the seas. M. Drouot added that it was an open question whether Europe would be capable of overcoming the combined Anglo-American fleets, but that at all events the French coasts and the French colonies would be the first sufferers. Minister Delcasse understood this, said M. Drouot, and therefore it would be a mistake not to allow him liberty of action.

COTTON MILL BURNED
Five Hundred People Thrown Out
of Work by a \$25,000 Blaze
in Utica

UTICA, N. Y., Feb. 28.—A fire which caused the burning of the cotton mill of the New York Mills Cotton Co., this morning. The building destroyed is a stone structure that was erected in 1880, and which was worth \$25,000. It was fitted with machinery used in the manufacture of cotton goods and also contained a large amount of stock nearly or quite completed. The fire probably started from a heated waste and spread so quickly through the inflammable materials that it could not be checked. Other buildings were prevented. Probably five hundred people will be temporarily out of employment. The plant will be re-equipped as soon as new machinery can be secured and the building rebuilt.

MOROS MASSACRED.
American Opponents in the Philippines Refuse to Surrender and
Fight to the Death.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—General Wainwright in a cablegram to the department of the interior, yesterday, advised the department of a report of General Wood concerning an engagement between the Moros and the American expedition was in charge of Major Scott. During the fight General Wood states firing twice was stopped to give the Moros a chance to surrender but he was with the exception of Hassan, is either dead or captured and Hassan is located. Second Lieutenant Wainwright of the 10th Battery, Field Artillery, was seriously wounded in the thigh. A number of troops also were wounded.

GERMAN TROOPS REVOLT.

BERLIN, Feb. 28.—The native troops of the Cross and Nassau Rivers region of German Kamerun, equatorial West Africa, have revolted. Dispatches reached the colonial office today saying that several factories of the north-west Kamerun camp have been burned and that four Germans were killed. All the German African colonies are in a ferment over the statements spread by Harcourt runners that the Germans are being driven into the sea.

A DANGEROUS CLOCK.
The greatest care is taken at the czar's general receptions to prevent any attempt on his life. The system of espionage at court is the most elaborate that can be devised. Nevertheless, there are, from time to time, alarming indications that the precautions taken are inadequate. In the month of May last an explosive was found in the clock in the chimney-piece of the breakfast-room in Gatchina, in which the little daughters of the czar were accustomed to take their breakfast with their English governess. For some reason it was noticed that the hands of the clock pointed to five minutes to nine for several consecutive minutes, although the mechanism of the timepiece was operating as usual. On examination it was found that a high explosive had been inserted in the clock.

TRANS-SIBERIAN TRAFFIC.
PARIS, Feb. 28.—The Matin's correspondent at Harbin says that the last passenger train to the southward over the trans-Siberian railway left yesterday and that henceforth all mail and passenger cars for Port Arthur will be attached to the military trains. Traffic northward continues to be regular. The correspondent adds that snow is falling abundantly after several fine days.

AGAIN THE GOVERNMENT.
NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—A meeting at the Academy of Music, under the auspices of the Chan-na-Gad, to celebrate the 125th anniversary of the birth of Robert Emmet, has adopted resolutions.

MARCHING ON MANCHURIA.

120,000 Japanese Soldiers Hurrying to Meet the Russians.

Commander of Port Arthur Garrison
Declares He and His Troops Will
Fight to the Death.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—A cable from Che Foo to the Herald says that 120,000 Japanese troops have arrived at Seoul up to date, consisting of cavalry and infantry but with no artillery. Altogether 80,000 men have passed through Seoul and 40,000 through Gensan within a fortnight northward bound via Ping Yang. The harbor of Chemulpo and the approaches to the mouth of the Yalu River leading to Seoul are filled with submerged torpedoes, the army base being thereby protected from a sea attack. Japan fully controls Korea and the government is rendering assistance in the military operations. The Korean army barracks and not the disused imperial palace is used as quarters for Japanese troops. There is much talk also of the offensive and defensive alliance between Japan and Korea.

RUSSIANS WON'T SURRENDER.
PORT ARTHUR, Sunday, Feb. 28.—General Stoessel, commander of the garrison here, has issued a general order directing the attention of the troops and inhabitants to the fact that the Japanese intend to land and seize the fortress. The general declares the Japanese consider the seizure of Port Arthur to be a question of national honor, and from their obstinate attitude and bombardments of the fortresses and bays he can only conclude that the enemy will make every effort to capture the fortress, failing which the Japanese will destroy the railroad and withdraw.

"The enemy, however," proceeds the general order, "is mistaken. Our troops know and the inhabitants are herewith informed by me that there will not yield. We must fight to the finish, as I, the commander, will never give an order to surrender. I bring this to the notice of those less daring and call on all to become convinced of the necessity of fighting to the death. Those who leave without fighting will not save themselves. There is no way out. On three sides there is the sea. There is no means of escape except by fighting."

Notwithstanding the heavy gale, the lights of Japanese scouting vessels were visible in the offing during the night.

RUSSIAN REINFORCEMENTS.
SEUL, Feb. 28.—The Russian cruiser Aurora, with five torpedo boats, has arrived here. The British coal laden steamer Etrichville (owned by Barry Salomon) and Franky (from Barry for Hong Kong) were brought here by the Russian vessels which captured them. Both of them and the Norwegian steamer Matilda, from Barharth for Dasebo, also laden with coal, have been released by order of the czar.

RUSSIAN NOBILITY LOYAL.
MOSCOW, Feb. 28.—A large representative meeting of the nobility, nobility and chief government officials was held yesterday to discuss the best means of assisting the Russian wounded during the war in the Far East. At the close of the meeting, the nobility was despatched to the czar, expressing unbounded loyalty to him. His majesty immediately replied by presenting his heartfelt gratitude for the noble thought which inspired the message and the sentiments voiced to "wonder himself, adding:

"I see in those expressions new testimony of a determination on the part of Russian nobles to serve their emperor as they did in former days and to work in common with the sons of Russia for the welfare of our dear fatherland."

RUSSIAN FLEET WILL LEAVE
BLACK SEA.

PARIS, Feb. 28.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris, says orders have been telegraphed to Port Arthur that that place be fortified and defended as completely as possible. The correspondent adds that he learns that the Russian fleet will leave the Black Sea, contrary to rumors appearing in foreign papers. The Manchurian railway and telegraph lines are admirably guarded from Port Arthur to Mukden and from Mukden to Harbin.

The correspondent further says he is assured from high quarters that nothing is known concerning the rumor that Foreign Minister Lamoriniere is to be replaced by the present minister to Denmark.

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limited that the Russians have 200 guns mounted at Port Arthur, making it theoretically one of the strongest forts in the world.

THE LAST PORT ARTHUR FIGHT.
YIN KOW, Feb. 28.—The first reports by eye witnesses of the engagement at Port Arthur in the early morning of Wednesday last have been received here. They say that one Japanese coal hulk was sunk and one beached near the Retvizan and that nineteen Japanese in civilian clothes escaped ashore, where they were afterwards captured.

The Retvizan is serviceable as an auxiliary fort, but the foreign engineer has abandoned the hope of raising her, as the patching in the forty foot cleft made by a Japanese torpedo has given away and stopped progress, and the Russian engineers have interfered with the original plans of raising the vessel. The Casarevich, kept afloat by constant pumping, the Novik has been repaired and the Pallada has been docked.

Repeated attacks by the Japanese during the past week have resulted in the constant shifting of the troops, including the naval contingent organized from the crews of the disabled and idle warships, to all parts of the defenses and also to the hinterland.

Refugees arriving here yesterday report that the Russians momentarily fear a land investment of Port Arthur from Pigeon Bay.

VLADIVOSTOK BLOCKADED.
LONDON, Feb. 28.—Vladivostok has been blockaded by a Japanese fleet since Thursday, according to a Daily Mail despatch from Hakodate, which adds that in coming steamers report Russian cruisers on the east coast of Kinkwan, in the Bay of Sandai, Japan.

Japanese warships have been reported in the vicinity of Vladivostok, but this report of a blockade, although considered probable, has not yet been confirmed from other sources.

A TYPICAL RUSSIAN YARN.
LONDON, Feb. 28.—A Russian correspondent of the Associated Press at Port Arthur, writing under yesterday's date, describes a gallant combat between the Russian cruiser Novik and the Japanese squadron on the day before, as follows:

"The Novik impetuously bearing down on the squadron of the enemy, she observed to fire on the Japanese flagship and she then immediately opened fire with her batteries. The Japanese answered with a running fire.

"The guns of our squadron thundered and the batteries of the four torpedoes. The battle had begun. The Novik going at full speed did not give the enemy a chance to load, but few by, her bow guns belching forth solid shot. Then, turning at full speed, she showed him with shells from her stern batteries.

"The Novik was in the very midst of the enemy's fire, and shells hissed past and fell close by, raising tremendous columns of water. That's what you call serving guns.

"The officers remained cool and calm. The firing proceeded without the least confusion, and was reasoned with that humor which never deserts a Russian even in moments of terrible danger. With the accompaniment of the whistling of shells were heard the witty remarks of the gunners. One stoker could not help running on deck to see what was going on. Approaching the ammunition storekeeper, this stoker took a shell and handed it to a gunner with the words, 'God bless it, adding, 'Send them back with my compliments.'

"The Novik continued maneuvering, alternately approaching the enemy and withdrawing, until she received an injury to her stern. One gunner was killed.

"Still energetically sustaining her fire, the Novik turned to the shore. At this moment a column of fire and smoke was noticed on the Japanese flagship. After that the Novik repaired to her dock, but participated in another battle Feb. 25th without injury."

THE "OLD MAID" OF INDIA.
"No institution in India has been so exaggerated as that of the widow," says Edmund Russell in Everybody's Magazine for March. "She really occupies a place analogous to our antique 'old maid,' now so fast disappearing in the girl-bachelor. The aged widow who has remained true to her principles is regarded as a holy being who has withstood a thousand temptations and persecutions, and commands the respect of a saint from all persons. She is the mother of all the children in the neighborhood, the helpmate of all the neighbors. At evening they flock round to hear her repeat the ancient legends, the stories of Sita and Salvi, Draupadi, or sing the songs of Mira Bai. She is in great demand when cooking is needed for a sacred feast. She teaches the little ones their first hymns and prayers. She nurses the sick, comforts the dying.

She believes herself to be bound to her husband for everlasting time, through all births and deaths. The momentary separation here is but one shade of her marriage, an unbreakable mystery of destiny—it breaks no tie."

THIS WASN'T JOE MILLER.
"Young Spenderly has been flying high since the death of his millionaire uncle."

"Yes, he has found it smooth sailing since he came into his heirship."—Town Topics.

On the back of an old-fashioned clock recently taken to a Rockland, Me. jeweler for repairs was pasted the U. S. rates in force in 1820. The postal rates for a single letter carried 36 miles were 5 cents; not exceeding 30 miles, 10 cents; over 40 miles, 25 cents. Double and triple letters cost in ratio to the above. If, for instance, a resident of Rockland wished to send a triple letter to Philadelphia it cost 75 cents in one year, 1820, whereas the same amount of manuscript could now be sent for 2 cents. It cost 1 cent to send a newspaper, if not more than 100 miles.

THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, Feb. 28.—Forecast—Fresh northerly winds, fair, becoming a little colder; Tuesday—Fair and colder. Synopsis—A pronounced high barometer area is moving towards the Maritime Provinces from the west. Winds are northwest near the New England coast and northwest over the provinces. To Banks—Strong northwesterly winds, becoming variable on Tuesday. To American Ports—Fresh northerly today; easterly on Tuesday. The lowest temperature in the city today was 26; the highest 32 above. The wind is from the north at twenty miles an hour.

SPRING 1904.

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Lowest Prices.

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to Clear."

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Shaped and Square, Light and Dark
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Umbrellas made, Recovered and Repaired.
Hardware, Paints, Oils, Glass and Putty.

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GLASSES, CANES, UMBRELLAS,
CLOCKS, BRONZES, ET
A great variety.

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At 41 King St.

25 Lbs. Best Granulated
for \$1.00.

A lb. of regular 49c. Tea
for 29c.

Dates 5c. per lb. 6 lbs.
for 25c.

Good Valencia Oranges,
8c. per doz.

The 2 Bakers, Ltd

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Sweet and juicy ORANGES at a
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them. Valencia in two sizes, two
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BY AUCTION.
At Corner of Duke and Charlotte streets,
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o'clock, and continuing each Monday, Wednesday and Saturday evening until the
entire stock is sold.

I will sell a Large Consignment of Millinery and Dry Goods. Come for Bargains.

F. L. POTTS, Auctioneer

VALUABLE FREEHOLD PROPERTY

BY AUCTION.
I am instructed by the executors of the last will of Mary Graham, late of this city, deceased, to offer for sale at public auction at Chubb's corner, (so called), on Saturday, the 5th day of March, at 12 o'clock, noon, the valuable freehold property, No. 115 to 117, south side of Union street, consisting of freehold lot No. 228 on the city plan, fronting 40 feet, more or less, on Union street, running back 100 feet, more or less, with the three story wooden building thereon, occupied by J. A. Davidson and Frank Walker, as stores and dwelling house, together with lands and other buildings thereon. For further particulars apply to E. T. C. Keweenaw, Palmer Building.

F. L. POTTS, Auctioneer
Keweenaw, Palmer Building.

ST. JOHN STAR, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 1904.

The February Sale Ends Monday Night.

It has been an extraordinary sale; it has been a fruitful sale. We've won many a new friend for our clothing through its influence. It has cost us a sacrifice—but its advantages are worth the loss entailed.

The depth of the cutting evidences how determined we are to accomplish a clearance. Monday is your last chance.

Suits that were \$10 to \$18.50—now \$5, \$7.50, \$10.
Blue and Black Suits that were \$12 to \$18.50, now \$10 and \$12.
Trousers that were \$3.50 to \$5, now \$3.
Overcoats, at 20 per cent. reduction.

**A. GILMOUR, Men's Tailoring
And Clothing,
68 KING STREET.**

Choice Roll Butter 20c. per lb

3 packages of Pudding, Jelly Powder or Mince Meat, for 25c.
4 pounds California Prunes for 25c.
10 pounds Choice Onions for 25c.

Pure Leaf Lard, 11c. per lb.

3 lb. tin pail, 35c., 5 lb. tin pail, 55c.,
10 lb. tin pail, \$1.00, 20 lb. wood pail, \$1.95

Good Cooking Butter, 15c. per lb.

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We have a full stock of these celebrated instruments in our Warerooms,
31 and 33
KING ST. C. FLOOD & SONS.

RUNAWAY ON CHARLOTTE STREET.
A horse owned by G. Clayton, with a milk carrying sled attached, ran away on Charlotte street Saturday evening, and there was a big commotion in consequence. Finally the horse

was stopped near the head of King street, the sled having been considerably damaged. The police reports show that the reason the horse started off was that it heard the explosion of crackers placed on the street railway rails by unknown persons.

RECENT DEATHS.

DEATH OF MRS. JAS. REED.

The death occurred at her late residence, Mount Pleasant, early yesterday morning of Mrs. Jas. Reed, 68 years of age, who was a Miss Watts of St. Andrews, was the widow of the late Jas. Reed. She was born in 1835, and had two sons survive, Jas. Reed of this city and John T. Reed of Melrose, Mass., and four daughters, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Nesbitt and Misses Jessie, Julia and Lizette, who live at the old home, Mt. Pleasant. Another daughter was Mrs. Macrae, second wife of Rev. Dr. Macrae. She died some time ago in Quebec.

The late Jas. Reed was at one time the largest ship owner and ship builder in St. John.
MRS. CALEB BELVEA.
Mrs. Jane Belvea, wife of Caleb Belvea, retired mail carrier, died Saturday at her home in Paradise row, after but a brief illness. She was in her sixty-first year, and is survived by her husband, who recently was superannuated after twenty-eight years' faithful service in the postal department, and by four sons and six daughters. The sons are Albert E. John, Henry H. and Arthur F. S., all residents in St. John, and the daughters are Charlotte, married to Rev. James W. Gilson, of Everett, Mass.; Margaret J., wife of Louis A. Clavin, Winchester, Mass.; Estelle, wife of Robert G. Larsen, now prominent in Boston newspaper work; Kate, married to B. Burton Graham, of Birmingham, Ala.; Bessie, wife of P. W. Parrott, of the Parrott Varnish Company, of Bridgeport, Conn., and Miss Alice G. Belvea, at home.

FRANCIS ARMSTRONG.

The death is announced in today's Star of Francis Armstrong, aged 76 years. He was a native of Dunfermline,shire, Scotland, and as the last of a family of eight who came out to St. John in 1837, and who up to the recent years were the successful operators of the lime kilns at Green Head.

MISS JULIA WARNER.

Last Saturday died at the home of her mother, 78 St. Patrick street, Julia, eldest daughter of Catherine and the late William Warner. Deceased was in her twentieth year, and was employed in Macaulay Bros. & Co.'s dress making department.

MISS CATHERINE BRITTON.

Thursday evening Miss Catherine Britton, formerly a resident of Richmond, died in the Mater Misericordiae Home. Saturday the body was taken to Richibucto for burial. Richard O'Leary, manager of the Union Life Insurance Company died suddenly at his boarding house, Victoria street.

WM. M. McISAAC.

AMHERST, N. S., Feb. 27.—An unusually sad and pathetic death occurred last night, when William M. McIsaac, manager of the Union Life Insurance Company died suddenly at his boarding house, Victoria street.

Mr. McIsaac, who was in the grippe for the past week, but no serious results were anticipated until last evening. After having taken a fairly hearty tea he was taken with a sudden weakness and expired within a few minutes.

Miss McCarron, of St. John, to whom he was to be married in April, was with him when he died. She and Mrs. McDonald, of Fredericton, N. B., accompanied the body to Port Hawkesbury, C. B., where his people reside.

CHRONIC CONSTIPATION CURED BY MONEY BACK LAXA-CARA TABLETS.

Never fail. Small, chocolate coated, to take. Price, 25 cents. At druggists.

NO STRIKE FOR A YEAR.

British Columbia Fishermen to Try Novel Experiment.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 27.—The annual fishermen's strike is ended for good.

There will be no union, therefore no strike.

Captain Anderson, who is one of the best authorities in the province in this matter, states that at the last meeting of the union in Westminster, it was decided to call off the union for one year. That is, a resolution was passed that the meeting adjourn for one year to date. The union will still be in existence, but it will suspend operations for one year.

The matter was thoroughly gone into and it was decided that for one season the fishermen would try the experiment of falling in with the cannerymen in their idea of what was right and just, and that every fisherman would be allowed to shift for himself, and make his own contract.

Capt. Anderson was asked if this action was definite, and if it would be adhered to by the members of the union, and he said it was certainly definite and would be adhered to.

He was asked if the report was true that the cannerymen and fishermen understood each other better than ever before. He said he thought perhaps it was; that the items of reform suggested by the cannerymen of any importance were those objected to by the fishermen. He thought that if the cannerymen imported fish the fishermen had a right to export, and as for polluting the boundary, more nets were stolen by Canadians than by Americans, and more fish were caught on the American side by Canadians than on the Canadian side by Americans.

BICYCLISTS AND ALL ATHLETES DEPEND ON BENTLEY'S LINIMENT to keep their joints limber and muscles in trim.

SUICIDE OF MISS RUDOLPH.

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—News received here from Pike station, a small hamlet in northern New Hampshire, announces the suicide at East Haverhill, N. H., of Miss Anna Rudolph, daughter of Dr. James Rudolph, for many years a well known physician in this city.

Miss Rudolph had been in ill health for months. While at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ellen R. Richardson of East Haverhill, president of the W. C. T. U. of that town, she was found dead.

Miss Rudolph was born in St. John in 1854. She was educated in Boston and at Port Jervis, N. Y., and for a number of years was a grammar school teacher in the latter place. She had devoted the greater part of her life to teaching and was universally esteemed.

TO LET—Advertisements in the STAR will bring tenants. Try them.

FOURTEEN LIVES LOST.

Steamer Affre in Wild Storm on Pacific Coast—A Fight For Life.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Feb. 28.—After suffering the most harrowing experiences from fire and storm that has ever befallen a craft on the North Pacific coast, the steamer Queen today put in here to report the loss of fourteen lives.

The list of dead follows: First class passengers—Miss Steiner, Clallum, Wash., drowned; Mrs. Adams, died from exposure. Second class passengers—D. Newsbury, Texas, H. Buckley, both drowned. Members of the crew—A. Nielsen, J. Nielsen and V. H. Prietas, stewards; W. H. Emenan, Sam Somers, H. Douglas, A. Donnelly, Royman, engineering department; Peter Mullen and M. Flynn.

About 3:45 o'clock Saturday morning, while off the mouth of the Columbia river, the Queen caught fire in her after saloon in some unexplained way. The fire rapidly gained headway and threatened soon to envelop the whole ship. The heavy seas running meant death to any sent away in the lifeboats. The flames became more and more threatening, until, when it seemed a choice of deaths, Capt. Cousins ordered the lifeboats launched. They were manned by the crew and ordered to remain close to the ship. Into these the women and children were placed. Hardly, however, had the boats been cast loose than, unable to weather the fierce waves, two of them were capsized.

The passengers and those of the crew who remained on board continued their fight against the flames with increasing success until at 7:40 a. m. the fire was brought under control. When it was thought the danger from the steamer was past, Capt. Cousins called the lifeboats and the occupants were taken aboard.

The Queen was headed for the mouth of the Columbia river, and about 9 o'clock the steamer Santa Monica was sighted. The Queen signalled, and asked her to stand by until temporary repairs could be made. When everything had been made safe the Queen continued on to the mouth of the Columbia, only to find the bar was too rough to cross in. The distressed craft proceeded toward Puget Sound, but had found Cape Flattery she encountered a terrific electrical storm. With difficulty she weathered the gale, reached here without further mishap, and proceeded to Seattle, where she arrived about midnight.

A FACTORY ACT.

Proposed New Brunswick Legislation for the Protection of Artisans.

The Fabian League, with representatives of some of the labor unions, and the local Council of Women are co-operating in the promotion of factory legislation. The provisions recommended are similar to those of the Ontario act with some clauses from the New Zealand law. Factory inspectors, male and female, are asked for. The memorandum submitted refers to sanitary arrangements, safety appliances and precautions, and to the age of children who may be employed. The question of age to be recommended as the minimum is still under consideration by the societies. One conference with the attorney general has been held.

HIS LAST COMMUNION.

Rev. Dr. Morrison Yesterday Administered His Last Communion.

The Rev. Dr. Morrison yesterday administered the communion to the congregation of St. David's church for the last time before going to take up his abode at the First church at Chicago.

Dr. Morrison preached on the duty of communicants, and incidentally referred to it being the last he would administer as his pastor. He also referred to the very cordial and pleasant relations between himself and his congregation, and with numerous friends, both Catholic and Protestant. He also referred to the many tender memories he would carry away of the old Loyalist City. Dr. Morrison does not leave this city until the end of March.

A GOOD MOVE.

The Misses Hegan have purchased the house at the corner of Pitt and Leinster streets, at present occupied by Capt. Calhoun, and intend to remove their private hospital there from its present location in Hester street.

This house was built in the year 1885 by J. D. McDonald at a cost of some \$10,000, which money was loaned to Mr. Walker, who at that time occupied a house on the opposite side of Pitt street. Eventually the house came into Mr. Walker's hands, who sold it to Mr. Calhoun, who occupied it for a few years. J. McLaughlin then lived in it for a number of years and was followed by ex-Mayor Sears, after which Capt. Calhoun again took up his residence and is at present living there.

With some slight alterations this house should be a desirable home for the purpose, and will be far better than the old building on Hester street, which latterly has been found somewhat small for the number of patients desiring treatment.

FUNERALS YESTERDAY.

The funeral of the late Samuel B. McAuley took place at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Interment was made in Cedar Hill cemetery. Rev. D. Long officiated.

The funeral of the late Jas. Crozier took place at 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Interment was made in Fernhill cemetery. Rev. W. O. Raymond officiated.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Eliza Pudge took place at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Service was conducted at the Cathedral by Rev. Fr. Meahan. Interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery.

MEALS PRESENTED.

The presentation of medals to the successful competitors in the recent M. F. A. A. sports was made Saturday evening in the Neptune Club rooms. Fen W. Parker and Fred Logan were each the recipient of four medals as having first and second places in the championship events.

SPORTING NEWS.

THE RING.

Munroe Outright Sharkey.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 27.—Jack Munroe outright Tom Sharkey in their six-round bout at the Second Regiment Armory in this city tonight. Munroe stopped the ring without a mark, while both of Sharkey's eyes were badly swollen from vicious right and left swings of the Butte miser. In only one round, the first, did Sharkey have any advantage over Munroe. After this the battle was wholly in Munroe's favor. When Munroe began to find the sailor's stomach, Sharkey became wild and nearly all of his leads went round Munroe's neck.

In the fifth round Munroe had his antagonist in trouble, and again in the sixth round Sharkey was in great stress. The blows which Munroe landed on Sharkey's stomach went straight from the shoulder, and were hard enough to have knocked out almost any fighter.

HOCKEY.

Amherst Victorious.

AMHERST, Feb. 28.—About 100 people witnessed the last hockey game of the season Saturday night between Truro and the Ramblers, which resulted in a victory for the Ramblers, 5 to 1. The play was mostly Truro's territory, and McKenite at Truro's goal stopped a lot of scoring, making stop place stop in goal style. President Little of the Nova Scotia Hockey Association presented the Ramblers with the league trophy and also the Starr trophy, which they are called on to defend next Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday nights, when North Sydney plays.

WRESTLING.

Win for Reid.

SYDNEY, O. B., Feb. 28.—In wrestling at North Sydney tonight for the championship of Cape Breton, Reid of Sydney won from Dr. Hugh N. MacDonald of Whyonmouth. Reid won by a technicality, as MacDonald was at one time champion wrestler of Canada, winning besides several contests in the United States.

LORD MINTO, IMPERIALIST.

Stirring Speech at Paardeberg Dinner.

OTTAWA, Feb. 28.—Paardeberg Day was celebrated at the school, telling the story of the battle of Paardeberg, which resulted in a victory for the British, 13,000 to 10,000. In the morning the soldiers' monument in front of the city hall was decorated with bunting and wreaths placed on it in memory of the 21 Ottawa soldiers who are buried in South Africa.

In the evening the governor general gave a dinner in Rideau Hall to the officers who served in South Africa. The dinner was given by the governor general, and was a most successful one. The governor general, in his speech, said that he was proud to have the officers who served in South Africa at his table. He said that he was proud to have the officers who served in South Africa at his table. He said that he was proud to have the officers who served in South Africa at his table.

ADVICE TO APPLE SHIPPERS.

Peter Ball, Canadian commercial agent at Birmingham, advises Canadian apple shippers not to pour the water of their fruit crop into London, Liverpool, Manchester and Glasgow, within a few weeks for sale in auction rooms, but to spread them over different towns, placing them in the hands of firms who could take regular supplies. The latter course would pay better. "It could place," he states, "among different towns in this district up to 10,000 barrels a week, divided among respectable men, if any of our apple shippers would care to get into communication for regular supplies." It was most unfortunate that Canadians shipped so many apples just before Christmas. At the present time it is almost impossible to purchase Canadian apples in the market. Spices, Russia and Baldwin which were sold for 12s. and 14s. a barrel, now command from 21s. to 22s.

KILLED AT HALIFAX.

HALIFAX, Feb. 28.—A terrible accident occurred on board the S. S. Bay of Fundy this morning. The Canadian apple shippers not to pour the water of their fruit crop into London, Liverpool, Manchester and Glasgow, within a few weeks for sale in auction rooms, but to spread them over different towns, placing them in the hands of firms who could take regular supplies. The latter course would pay better. "It could place," he states, "among different towns in this district up to 10,000 barrels a week, divided among respectable men, if any of our apple shippers would care to get into communication for regular supplies." It was most unfortunate that Canadians shipped so many apples just before Christmas. At the present time it is almost impossible to purchase Canadian apples in the market. Spices, Russia and Baldwin which were sold for 12s. and 14s. a barrel, now command from 21s. to 22s.

BRITISH WAR ESTIMATES.

LONDON, Feb. 28.—War Secretary Forster's explanatory statement of the estimates was issued tonight. The estimates for the coming year are \$114,500,000, against \$112,500,000 last year. The principal reduction is in this year's estimates for South Africa, which total \$3,000,000.

Secretary Forster's estimates make no provision for expenditures in Somalia, land, owing to the impossibility of forecasting the duration of operations there. He announces that it has been decided to concede the priority of India in the supply of new pattern rifles and quick firing equipment for horses and field artillery. The equipment of the whole army will be completed by March, 1907.

FIVE DAYS OVERDUE.

HALIFAX, Feb. 28.—The Reid Newfoundland railway strike is now overdue five days from Pictou, Nfld., to St. John's. Under ordinary circumstances she should have reached that port on Tuesday last. The Str. Coban, which arrived at Lewisburg on Friday, was the Gloucester under steam in an immense field of ice pretty well up the Gulf. The Coban was obliged to run to the south of Sable Island to get clear of the ice field. It is evident the Gloucester is caught in the jam.

Classified Advertisements.

Advertisements under this head: Half a cent a word. No less charge than 25 cents.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE.

WANTED—A young girl to assist in light housework in adult family of three. Apply between 8 and 10 p. m. MISS JOHN EDGE COMBS, 10 Sydney street.

WANTED—A capable girl for general housework. Apply to MRS. V. S. WHITE, corner Westwood and Princess streets.

WANTED—A maid for general housework. Must have references. MRS. ROBERT JARVIS, 9 Elliot row.

WANTED—A girl for general housework. Apply to MRS. R. N. DEANE, 73 St. James street.

DRESS MAKERS WANTED—Three experienced waiters. Apply to MRS. J. MORRELL & SUTHERLAND, 12 King street.

WANTED—AT ONCE—A plain cook for about a month. Apply to MRS. R. P. POSTER, 12 Gormain street.

WANTED—A vest maker. A. GILMOUR, 68 King street.

WANTED—A good general girl. Apply to MRS. C. H. FAIRWEATHER, 233 King street.

WANTED—Kitchen girl at CLARK'S HOTEL, 83 King street.

WANTED—A girl for general housework in family of three. Apply to MRS. T. E. MORRIS, 663 Main street.

WANTED—A girl to assist in general housework. MRS. E. N. DAVIS, 172 King street.

WANTED—AT ONCE—A capable well informed person to assist in general housework. Apply to MRS. J. MORRELL & SUTHERLAND, 12 King street.

WANTED—A man to drive delivery wagon. Apply to HYGIENIC BAKERY, Mill street.

WANTED—Dry Goods Salesman, with one or two years experience. Good opening for bright young man anxious for advancement. Apply to MRS. J. MORRELL & SUTHERLAND, 12 King street.

WANTED—A smart boy, about fifteen years of age, for general housework. One with some knowledge of bookkeeping. Apply care X. Y. Z. to this office.

WANTED—Girl for general housework in small family. MRS. W. CAMPBELL, 233 Main street, corner Taylor street.

WANTED—Young man about 18 years of age, with education, to be a clerk or office. Address L. M. care Star office.

WANTED—A man to drive delivery wagon. Apply to HYGIENIC BAKERY, Mill street.

WANTED—Furnished front room, suitable for an office. Central location. Address with particulars V. H. HOFFMAN, 21 Sydney street.

TO LET—The house and premises, No. 57 Dorchester street, from May 1st to Oct. 31st, for a school. Modern improvements. Rent \$100.00. Apply to J. H. HOFFMAN, 21 Sydney street.

TO LET—May 1st, self-contained house, No. 8 Charles street, occupied by present tenant. Will be sold cheap. Inquire of Mr. S. S. Also house No. 8 Charles street, one door from Charles street. Can be seen Wednesday and Friday afternoons. For terms, etc., apply MRS. GILLIS, 109 Union street.

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OUTGOINGS TO LET.

TO LET—A cottage containing eight rooms. Inquire of M. J. WILKINS, 311 Market square.

WHO DOESN'T LIKE TOAST?

BREAD

Bread of our baking (toasted properly) is a treat to almost every one—stiff or well. Whether it's dry or buttered, or covered with boiling whippers or toasting milk, there's not a man, woman or child not fond of good toast. See that HERRIT'S HYGIENIC BREAD is the foundation.

Hygienic Bakery, 131 to 133 Mill street. Phone 1167.

Among a number of notes received by a teacher in excuse for the absence of children was the following: "Dear Teacher—Kindly excuse Minnie for having been absent yesterday, as she fell in the mud on her way to school. By doing the same you will oblige her mother."

"Aren't there some jealousies in your progressive euclypse club?" "No, indeed," answered young Mrs. Torkins, "when we buy prizes we are always careful to select things that no one really wants, so that the winner will not be an object of envy."

To cure Headache in ten minutes use KUMFORT Headache Powders.

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup

Cures Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Hoarseness, Croup, Asthma, Pain or Tightness in the Chest, Etc.

It stops that tickling in the throat, is pleasant to take and soothing and healing to the lungs. Mr. E. Bishop Brand, the well-known Galt gardener, writes: "I had a very severe attack of croup, throat and tightness in the chest. Some time when I wanted to cough and could not I would almost choke to death. My wife got me a bottle of DR. WOOD'S NORWAY PINE SYRUP, and to my surprise I found it worked like a charm. I would not be without it if it cost \$100 a bottle, and I can recommend it to everyone bothered with a cough or cold. Price 25 Cents.

FLATS TO LET.

TO LET—From May 1st, good, comfortable lower flat, 15 Brimley street, containing seven rooms. Rent moderate. Apply to JOHN DUNLOP, 149 Vaseford street.

FLAT TO LET—Second flat in brick house, West End, containing double parlors, four bedrooms, bath room, kitchen, wood house, closets, etc. Apply at 30 King street, W. B.

TO LET—Two or three small commodious flats on Bridge street, North End, at low rents. Inquire of J. E. PORTER, 75 Main street.

TO LET—Lower Flat of house 16 Winslow street, West End. Can be seen Wednesday from 2 till 5 p. m. Apply to MRS. J. B. WILKINS.

FLAT TO LET—At 48 Brimley street, of 3 rooms. Also at 48 Brimley street, a flat of 5 rooms. Can be seen every day from 12 to 3. Apply on premises. A. BARR, at 65 Elliot row. Apply to 48 Brimley street.

TO LET—From 1st May next, on St. James street, one flat with four rooms and barn. Also on St. James street, one flat with 5 rooms. W. HUMPHREYS, 718 St. James street.

ROOMS TO LET.

TO LET—Large front room—furnished, heated and electric lighting. Moderate charges. Apply 109 Westwood street.

TO LET—May 1st premises situated on St. David's street, now occupied by Dr. J. B. Vaughan, 1

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ST. JOHN STAR, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 1904

DYKEMAN'S

A Special Lot of Japanese Wash Silks,

Just arrived on Saturday and they are to be put on sale at special prices.

Plain White Wash Silks, 22 inches wide, 30c. per yard. This is the regular 40c. quality.

Cream Corded Japanese Wash Silks,

In a large assortment of designs. Some with wide corded stripes, others with narrow corded stripes to resemble tucking. These will be placed on sale at 37c. a yard. They usually sell at 40c. and 45c. a yard. There is nothing daintier or more serviceable for spring or summer waists than these white and cream Wash Silks.

F. A. DYKEMAN & CO.

Bargains at Arnold's!

36 Shirt Buttons, 1c.; 24 Hooks and Eyes, 1c.; Paper Needles, 1c.; 10 Sheets Note Paper, 1c.; 20 Pins, 1c.; 12 Envelopes, 1c.; Bunch Tape, 1c.; 10 Slate Pencils, 1c.; 20 Hair Pins, 1c.; 12 Lead Pencils, 1c.; 5 Hat Pins, 1c.; Note Book, 1c.; New Hair Elastic, 1c.; 12 Buttons, 1c.; Also New Lace Curtains, 5c. pair up. New Veilings, 6c. pair up. New White Wear, Hamburgs, Laces, in great variety.

Arnold's Department Store, 11 and 13 Charlotte St.

GOOD HARD WOOD

READY FOR STOVE AT LOWEST PRICES.

J. S. FROST, 53

Dr. A. H. Merrill, DENTIST.

Cor. King and Charlotte Sts. Entrance, 75 Charlotte Street. Phone 1661.

SAMPLE SALE.

SAMPLE GOODS OF ALL KINDS March 3rd, 4th and 5th, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

90 Germain Street. Under the Auspices of the King's Daughters

HIS PERSONAL HONOR.

A certain underrating syndicate involving a good many millions was organized on the eve of Mr. Morgan's departure for Europe, but not completed when he sailed. Upon his return he asked to see the subscription list and the balance sheets, the work of the syndicate having been completed and the books closed. As he glanced over the list, he noticed that one name which he presumed would be there was missing, and he said to his partner: "I do not see the name of — here." The reply was: "We were able to organize the syndicate without them, and therefore did so."

Instantly Mr. Morgan replied: "But I promised them that they should come in."

Then, making a rapid computation of what these bankers' profits would have been had they been admitted to the syndicate, Mr. Morgan drew his company's check for the amount, which involved several hundred thousands, and sent it to them.

A MELANCHOLY MONARCH.

"In personal conversation with the czar, one is struck immediately with the shrinking shyness and soft apprehensive, almost feminine sweetness of the Russian Emperor," says Arnold White in *Everybody's Magazine* for March. "The contrast between the melancholy and reflective czar and the exuberantly vital Kaiser, bubbling and boiling with unexpended life power, can be appreciated only by those who have conversed with both. It must not be supposed that Czar Nicholas II. is destitute of strength because his habitual outlook on life is rather one of Oriental resignation than of the hopefulness that might be expected from the head of a great Christian nation. The czar is remarkable for a dignity which is the more noticeable because he is small in size, and his voice is gentle and womanly. The dignity is like the dignity of Queen Victoria, which impressed everyone who entered the presence."

A POLICE RAID.

Sheffield St. Resort Broken Up; Women Get a Year in Jail—Police Court Miscellany.

On Saturday night the police raided the house on Sheffield street kept by Alice O'Brien and arrested the proprietress, along with Kate Barrigan, Joseph McNulty, Robert Wilson and Waldemar Klein, who were inmates. This house has been in existence for a long time and has a very bad name. The O'Brien woman, who is colored, has been responsible for considerable family trouble, as she has drawn men to her from their homes.

In court this morning the whole party pleaded guilty to the charges against them. Alice O'Brien and Kate Barrigan, the latter a white woman, were fined ninety dollars or one year in jail. McNulty and Wilson were remanded, and Helm, who is a young Swedish sailor, was let go.

Three drunks were fined eight dollars each. John Leary, arrested on a warrant charging him with assault on a young man named Nichols could not remember anything about the affair. Nichols said he had been accosted and struck by Leary on the ferry steamer a few evenings ago. The prisoner was fined twenty dollars.

This morning two sailors, Anton Hanson and Chris Toferken, were given in charge by P. O. Jones for deserting from the bark J. E. Bowers at Weymouth on Feb. 14th. When the men were seen on the street this morning they made a break for liberty and were caught only after a long run. In court they were given the option of twelve weeks in jail or going back to their ship. They took time to consider.

MADAME NORDICA.

Just five days remain in which St. John music lovers may decide whether or not they will hear Nordica, April 8th. The subscription list is now open at Landry's music store and will continue so until Saturday night, when if encouragement is sufficient the world famous songstress will be definitely engaged for the April date. But if the response is not what it should be, the only opportunity of hearing Nordica in her prime will have passed, never again to return. Out-of-town parties and others who find it more convenient may address their subscriptions to F. G. Spencer. See advertisement for further particulars.

PARADISE ROW FLOODED.

Paradise row, near Harris street, is flooded with water which has been running down from a bursted water main. For the past week, water has been noticed oozing up, and owing to the frozen condition of the catch basin the water has steadily accumulated until now it forms a big pond. Immediate steps should be taken by the waterworks department to avert threatened damage to the basements of the houses in the vicinity.

A HEARTY SEND-OFF.

The Dalley Stock Company left for Halifax on Saturday night to fulfill a two weeks' engagement. They will afterwards return to St. John, and after a week's rest will open at the Opera House on Easter Monday with the "Black Mask."

The company received a great send-off at the depot, for the big train shed and kept up a continuous cheer until the train had moved out.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

The incoming Boston express today struck a load of hay which a man was driving across the track at Boggs Crossing, a few miles out of St. John. The horse was killed, the hay and wagon distributed along the track for considerable distance, and the man was thrown some distance, landing in a snow bank, from which he emerged unhurt.

PROBATE COURT.

The accounts in the estate of the late Grace Vernon were passed this morning. Hamilton, Teed & Hamilton, probators.

The will of the late Robt. Hamm was proved. Emaline, wife of the deceased, is executrix. The state comprises \$600 real and \$270 personal property. It is distributed in amounts of \$50 to four children, the balance going to the wife. A. A. Wilson, K. C., probator.

WITH ADVERTISERS.

Bargain sale of remnants of wall paper, A. McArthur, Main street.

P. R. PATTERSON & CO.

THE DAYLIGHT STORE.

A GOOD THING TO TIE TO

Our 25c Ties for

Cor. Duke and Charlotte Sts.

Store Open Every Evening.

THE WEATHER FOR MARCH

Comparisons Made With the Corresponding Months of the Past Four Years.

With the end of February in sight, people are already speculating on the quality of weather which March will bring forth. The Star quizzed the weather man this morning for his opinion of the coming March weather, but he remained discreetly silent. He, however, gave the following resume of the state of the weather in the corresponding months of 1901, 1902 and 1903, with the intimation that each could draw his own conclusions.

March, 1901, was cold and blustering. The highest temperature during the month was 42 above and the lowest 1 below. The rain and sleet fall amounted to 2 1/2 inches, the snowfall to nearly 14 inches. The ice in the river was running by the 30th of the month.

March of 1902 was milder. The highest temperature during the month was 49 above and the lowest 1 1/2 above. The rain and sleet fall amounted to 2 1/2 inches, and the snowfall to 3 1/4 inches. The river opened on the 23rd, which is the earliest known opening.

March, 1903, was milder. The highest temperature of the month was 50 above and the lowest was 4 above. The rain and sleet fall was 7 1/4 inches and the snowfall 5 1/2 inches. There was no snow on the ground at the end of the month, but the ice in the river was solid.

SKATING ON HALIFAX HARBOR.

Great Sport on Nova Scotia's Winter Port.

A St. John man, who returned from Halifax this morning, says that the skating on Halifax harbor is excellent. Large numbers of Halifaxians were enjoying the skating yesterday. The skating nearly down to the course of the ferry boat. The ferry service has been a profitable thing this winter, owing to the free means afforded by nature of crossing the harbor on foot.

The St. John man says that from conversations he had with residents of the sister city it is absurd to think that the people of Halifax are dissatisfied with their city as a winter port. The fact of the matter is that they are perfectly satisfied. With excellent skating, hand and driver, and moderate temperatures, what more could a winter port need? The people of Halifax, he says, fully appreciate the advantages of their city as a winter port.

MINISTERS' MEETINGS.

The Baptist ministers met this morning. Rev. C. Burnett in the chair. The ministers present were Revs. Dr. Gates, A. B. Coker, J. B. Colwell, P. J. Stackhouse, C. T. Phillips, C. Burnett, B. N. Nobles, H. H. Roach, and David Long. Business reports were received from the churches.

Rev. Dr. Gates for the committee on exchange, brought in the following report for the second Sunday in March: German street, Rev. C. T. Phillips; A. B. Coker, J. B. Colwell, P. J. Stackhouse, Rev. B. N. Nobles; Waterloo street, Rev. P. J. Stackhouse; Carleton street, Rev. Dr. Gates; Main street, Rev. R. W. Ferguson; Brussels street, Rev. H. H. Roach; Carleton street, Rev. Dr. Long; Victoria street, Rev. C. Burnett. Rev. I. B. Colwell read a paper on the Work of the Holy Spirit, which was followed by a general discussion.

The Methodist met at the usual time and place, Rev. Matthews presiding. There were present: Revs. Dr. Sprague, G. M. Campbell, W. C. Mathews, S. Howard, H. Penna, C. W. Hamilton, Dr. Wilson, W. J. Kirby, H. D. Marr, C. Comben, J. A. Clarke.

The reports of churches were for the regular papers, except that Rev. W. J. Kirby exchanged pulpits last night with Rev. A. M. Hill, B. D., Presbyterian minister of Fairville.

Rev. C. W. Hamilton read a very excellent paper on "The Preparation of the Sermon." On motion, the thanks of the brethren were presented to Bro. Hamilton for his interesting paper.

A general discussion followed, in which the brethren took part in a very profitable way.

On motion, Rev. Mr. Matthews was appointed chairman for the month of March.

On motion, the discussion of Rev. Mr. Hamilton's paper was made the order of the day for next meeting.

EXPORTS.

The steamer Gulf of Anjou, Capt. McNell, which sailed last week for London, carried a cargo composed mostly of St. John goods, valued at \$17,800. The cargo was made up of the following: 20 boxes of herring, 220 bbls of apples, 1 case of furs, 3,454 sacks of four, 25 tons of asbestos, 10 cases of brooms, 150,000 ft. spruce deals, 25,870 feet of spruce scantling and 5,781 feet of spruce ends.

COLDEST ON RECORD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—The winter of 1903-04, with its long roll of fires and disasters, closes today with a record for the coldest day in the annals of the weather bureau. The mean temperature has been 1.3 degrees below zero, which was 5.1 degrees lower than any winter during the last 25 years and one degree lower than the coldest of 1947-48, heretofore the coldest on record.

ANOTHER CHANGE.

LONDON, Feb. 28.—Lord Francis Hope the husband of May Hope, now Mrs. Putnam Bradlee Strong, was married at a registry office Saturday to Olive Thomson, daughter of a Melbourne banker. Only a few relatives and friends were present.

AND THEN CANT.

Some men propose just to tell their chums they have been accepted. — Town Topics.

FROZEN PIPES.

This Has Been a Record Winter for Plumbers—No Portion of the City is Exempt.

The break in the water main on Mill street was repaired early this morning, after the waterworks men had dug for hours through a great depth of frozen earth.

Surprise is expressed from all quarters at the wonderful depth to which the frost has entered the ground this winter. One of St. John's oldest plumbers, speaking to the Star this morning, says that it can only be accounted for by the continued steady cold. If there had been intermittent spaces of moderating weather, the freezing and bursting of water pipes, so general this winter, would not have caused such widespread trouble.

The freezing of water pipes has not been confined to particular localities. Places which in previous winters have been practically immune by the protective measures taken were frozen up this winter just as readily as were the less protected places. No part of the city escaped and there are few householders who have not had trouble with freezing pipes. It has been a busy and profitable winter for the plumbers.

The people of North End have had most cause to complain of frozen water pipes. The general freezing of pipes along Main street is due to the bareness of the street. Snow which offers the best obstacle to inroads of frost has been promptly cleared from this street.

Other streets which have suffered considerably from frozen pipes are Charlotte, Mill and Brussels.

PERSONALS.

George W. Fowler, M. P. for Kings, has started on a business visit to British Columbia, intending to return to take his seat in parliament very early in the session.

A. R. Butler of Halifax is staying at the Royal. Mr. Butler formerly lived here, his father having been a member of the firm of Evans & Butler.

Miss Grace Porter of Kent, England, is on board the Bavarian, which left Halifax early for St. John, intending to pay a visit to her aunt, Mrs. Porter, Duke street.

WATER PIPES AND ELECTRICITY.

Electrician Declares Thawing of Mains by Electricity is Impossible.

A paragraph has been going the rounds of the press describing how frozen mains in Ottawa and other places have been thawed out by means of an electric iron run through the pipe from wires connected with the city supply.

A prominent electrician of this city, asked why a similar method was not adopted here, characterized the story as an absurd tale. "Why," said he, "even if you could isolate the frozen section of the pipe from all contact with the ground or any other conductor, it would take an enormous amount of electricity to create appreciable heat along so free a conductor as a big iron water main, not to speak of the water inside it. No power such as is available in this city would be at all equal to the task. But with the pipes lying in contact with the ground, as they are, no amount of electricity could do any good, for as soon as the current found such resistance in the pipe as would be necessary to generate heat, it would refuse to pass along it at all, but would find an easier way back to its source through the ground. The statement that pipes have been thawed this way is ridiculous."

TWO MURDERED.

PASSAIC, N. J., Feb. 28.—The bodies of Benedetto Benvenuti and Mineto Dimetro, each with a bullet wound in the head were found in the street near East Heights early today. Benvenuti was dead and Dimetro dying. It is said that a fight started in the boarding house, followed out in the roadway. Dimetro had a five chambered revolver, one chamber of which had been discharged. No revolver was found on or near the dead man.

OLD CAPTAIN DEAD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Capt. Wm. Thompson, who was commodore of the White Star Line a quarter of a century ago, died at his home in New York City, after a long illness, following an operation. He retired from the sea several years ago. He commanded the Britannia in 1877, when he crossed the Atlantic in the phenomenal time for that period of seven days, 15 1/2 hours. In 1872 he saved the lives of 19 shipwrecked persons and received a congressional medal.

STEAMER LAKE ERIE ARRIVES.

The steamer Lake Erie was reported to have passed Briar Island on Saturday morning, but this was incorrect. The Mount Temple was the boat and the Erie did not arrive until this morning. She docked at No. 3 berth and her passengers were at once landed. They will be sent on to their destinations this afternoon. The Erie brought about 555 persons.

MURDERED BY TRAMPS.

CHICAGO, 28.—After police, employers and friends had searched for him in vain for weeks, the body of James Elick, a conductor, has been found in the drainage canal. There was a deep gash in the forehead and all his money except a little change was gone. The police believe Elick was attacked on the train by tramps, killed, robbed and his body thrown from the cars while crossing the canal.

JUDGE LYNCH AGAIN.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 28.—A negro, supposed to be insane, shot and killed postal clerk Stockton and possibly fatally wounded postal clerk Bass, on an Alabama Great Southern train near Meridian, early today. The negro evidently boarded the train when it stopped at Meridian. A posse with bloodhounds is on the trail of the negro.

THE KING RECEIVES.

LONDON, Feb. 28.—King Edward held the first levee this year in the throne of St. James' Palace at noon. The function was unusually largely attended. The Prince of Wales, most of the members of the diplomatic corps, the cabinet ministers, many peers, members of the house of commons, and naval officers were present.

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DETECTIVE KILLEN'S CAPTURE.

Arrests a Man in P. E. I. for Theft From McLaughlin Carriage Co.

CHARLOTTETOWN, Feb. 28.—Detective Patrick Killen, of the St. John police force, is here and has arrested Malcolm McKinnon, of North River, on a warrant issued at the instance of the McLaughlin Carriage Company. The warrant charges McKinnon with failing to account for proceeds from goods sold by him as agent for the company. McKinnon has been agent for the McLaughlin concern for about a year and the amount involved is said to be a large one.

Mr. Lawlor, manager of the McLaughlin Carriage Co. in St. John, today declined any further information on the matter pending the arrival of the prisoner. It has been learned that the warrant for McKinnon's arrest was issued on Thursday evening.

WANTS DAMAGES.

F. Creighton, the man whose milk sleigh was upset on Saturday evening, says he will sue for damages. His horse was frightened by an explosion caused by crackers placed on the street railway by unknown persons, and ran away, in consequence of which his sleigh was considerably damaged and he lost about \$2.50 worth of milk.

THIS EVENING.

Painters' Union meets in Labor Hall, Special meeting York, L. O. L., in Orange Hall, German street. St. Paul's Needlework Society meets at the residence of Mrs. J. B. Oudry, Coburg street. Loyalty Division, S. of T., Orange Hall, Simonds street.