

M. DELAGRANGE WRESTS RECORD FROM CLOUDS

Noted French Aviator in Blériot Monoplane Beats All Records For Speed—Covers Distance Of 124 Miles.

TILLINGHAST CLAIMS ARE DENIED

Juvicy, Dec. 30.—At the aerodrome here today in the presence of official time-keeper of the Aero Club of France, M. Delagrang, aboard a Blériot cross-channel type monoplane, beat all records for speed and established a new monoplane record. Delagrang covered a distance of 200 kilometres (124 miles) and the flight lasted exactly two hours, 32 minutes, making an average speed of 75.9 kilometres (48.9 miles) an hour.

The crack French aeroplanists are making desperate efforts to lower the 1909 records and capture the prizes for distance and height, before Saturday. Fatham and Farman are both at Mourmelon le Grand, the former trying to set a new record for distance by an attempt at the ten kilometre cross country with passenger prize tomorrow.

Latham and Ghanoux are to make a last try to beat Farman's record for the Michelin which stands at 232 kilometres (144 miles) in four hours, 17 minutes and 35 seconds made his second unsuccessful attempt today by the 100 kilometre cross country prize. He broke down after covering 15 kilometres.

Claims Honors.

New York, Dec. 30.—The American this morning prints the following: G. F. Russell, who arrived in this city yesterday, announced that he was the pilot of the phantom airship which mystified the residents of Worcester, Mass., and other places last week by flying with huge flashlights. Russell, who is only 21, claims that there was no mystery surrounding the flights, but that he and his associates had sought an isolated section of the country in which to try out a new gyroscopic equilibrium invention of A. Herring without interference.

MONTREAL CITIZENS NAME THEIR TICKET

Dr. James Guerin The Choice For Mayor—F. L. Wanklyn Proposed As A Controller—Compensation Reduced.

Special to The Standard. Montreal, Dec. 30.—The executive of the citizens' committee today reported and that body endorsed the slate for the mayor and controllerships. For mayor, as predicted, Dr. James Guerin, a former member of the Quebec Government, was selected. For the four controllers there were named Dr. E. E. Lachapelle, president of the provincial board of health; L. U. Desjardins, of the city departmental board of Dugues Freres; F. L. Wanklyn, vice-president of the Dominion Coal Company, and James Ainsley, a local labor man of some prominence. All these gentlemen had practically agreed to run, but this afternoon the council reduced the compensation from ten to five thousand a year and this may alter the situation.

D. A. R. RECALCITRANT BRINGS DEATH TO TWO

Washington, D. C., Dec. 30.—One woman has died of worry and another is a nervous wreck in a sanitarium as a result of the disclosure of a defalcation in the treasury of the Daughters of the American Revolution several weeks ago, it was learned here today. Both who were clerks, were innocent, but feared they might be suspected.

BAILEY FOUR PAYS TRIBUTE TO PERCY

In First Public Utterance Since His Indisposition, Opposition Leader Last Night Declared That Unionists Have Suffered Irreparable Loss in Death of Earl Percy at Paris.

London, Dec. 30.—The most interesting utterance in Arthur J. Bailey's first speech since his recovery, delivered at Haddington, was his eloquent tribute to Earl Percy, by whose untimely death, he said, "not merely the Unionist party, but the nation sustained a great, and for a time, he feared, an irreparable loss."

London, Dec. 30.—The Unionists maintain that the Liberals have exhausted their budget ammunition and that the attacks on the House of Lords are falling flat, while, on the contrary, tariff reform is booming even in Lancashire. He this as it may, many Unionist hearts have undoubtedly emitted the sigh, "Oh, for a fortnight of old-time Chamberlain!" Especially is this the case now that Lord Milner is hors de combat. He is the most powerful advocate of tariff reform, and since he has been absent from the field the Unionist campaign is more than ever a "soldier's battle."

Another prominent Tory paper today laments the disparity between the two sides in the matter of leaders, and bitterly regrets that the Unionist chiefs "failed to follow the sagacious example of their opponents in making available for the highest services those talents which are unalloyed with birth and wealth."

Chamberlain's Manifesto. Mr. Joseph Chamberlain's manifesto to his constituents issued last night breathes a little of the fire so dreaded by his opponents a few years back. He said: "I cannot think the budget will secure the support, as it taxes annually men of equal means and throws the whole burden of taxation on our own people, without even attempting to secure any contribution from the foreigner."

Unionists Cheered. The Unionists are cheered by the fact that Mr. Bailey was able to speak at Haddington today. The peers are still vigorously stumping the country, though they are frequently heckled.

Mr. Charles E. Hobhouse, parliamentary secretary for India speaking at East Bristol said that it had been the experience of all nations that had tried protection that the consumer and not the foreigner had to pay. The Liberal alternative was the budget. The Liberals hoped by a free trade policy to attract to the country as much capital as possible, and when it is in full working they would take from it toll according to the wealth

ANTIGONISH SUFFERS MUCH FROM BLIZZARD

Nova Scotia Town Reports Considerable Damage From Recent Storm—Business At a Standstill—Roads Blocked

Special to The Standard. Antigonish, N. S., Dec. 30.—The recent blizzard has done much damage here and throughout the neighboring country. The noon expresses were both late and now all trains are cancelled. The roads are blocked and business is at a standstill. It is doubtful if there will be any mails from the country for two days.

MRS. WILLIAM DICKINSON BURIED AT WOODSTOCK

Special to The Standard. Woodstock, N. B., Dec. 30.—The funeral of Mrs. William Dickinson, who died on Tuesday morning, aged 40 years, wife of the manager of the Royal Bank was held this afternoon and was largely attended. Service was held in St. Luke's church by Rev. H. G. Alder and the burial made in the parish cemetery. The pallbearers were W. L. Carr, T. C. L. Ketchum, J. L. A. Dibblee, A. D. Holyoke, J. B. Creighton and A. B. Connell. Two

WASHINGTON'S JACK FROST KING STILL UNDEFEATED IN THE SOUTH TOO

Unprecedented Cold Wave Sweeps Eastern Half of Continent from Gulf to St. Lawrence—Twelve Degrees of Frost in Florida—Two Deaths in Alabama—General Moderation Indicated.

THE LAIRD IS THANKED FOR OFFER

Washington, D. C., Dec. 30.—The situation in Nicaragua presents some diplomatic niceties as regards the propriety of recognizing the government of Madrid by the Central American states. In the opinion of officials of the state department, President Madrid should receive no recognition until he had broken off official relations with Nicaragua, there would be occasion for special recognition by the Central American republics, were Madrid elected president under ordinary conditions, because diplomatic relations with the nation would be continued as usual.

Managua, Dec. 30.—The Mexican government has in no way officially recognized Jose Madrid as president of Nicaragua. The telegrams which have passed between President Diaz and President Madrid were of a personal character. President Diaz, however, has not announced his intention to inspect conditions at Managua.

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RAILWAY MEN OPPOSE ECONOMIC LEGISLATION

Declare Before Historical Association That State Is Unable Adequately To Legislate Against Scientific Laws.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 30.—The American Historical and the American Economic Association today discussed the physical valuation of public service industries. Both W. H. Williams, vice-president of the Delaware Valley, and Frederick W. Whitridge, receiver of the Third Avenue Ry., took strong positions against present tendencies both in national and state legislation.

Mr. Whitridge contended that any physical valuation made today of the proportion under his charge might be increased tomorrow "unless science were changed."

TAFT'S SISTER-IN-LAW IN-BASEBALL GAME

Mrs. Annie Linton Taft Takes Over Philadelphia Baseball Grounds—Title Transferred Yesterday.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Annie Linton Taft, sister-in-law of President Taft and the wife of Chas. F. Taft of Cincinnati, is the new owner of the Philadelphia National League baseball ground. The deed and lease for the property were filed in the city hall late today and show that Mrs. Taft and not her husband, has the title to the grounds.

ST. JOHN EXPRESS DELAYED AT BEVERLY

Beverly, Mass., Dec. 30.—The train leaving Boston at 1 p. m. for Portland over the eastern division of the Boston and Maine R. R., was delayed three hours here tonight when the engine left the iron. No persons were hurt.

WINDSOR IS VISITED BY FIRE FEN

DAMAGE TO STOCK IS ENORMOUS

Special to The Standard.

Windsor, N. S., Dec. 30.—The business section of the town was threatened with destruction yesterday afternoon by a fire that badly damaged the large store of W. H. Roache and Company. The fire was discovered in the cellar, supposed to have originated from the furnace, and the cellar being filled with wood, kindling, etc., made the victory of the flames a matter of only a few moments.

In a short time the firemen had two streams playing from the nearest hydrant. For a time the large number of spectators who had gathered to view the progress of the fire, were in suspense.

It seemed as though nothing could prevent the flames from spreading. But when the engine got to work it was soon evident that the flames would be confined to the four walls of the building. Incalculable damage was done to the stores directly alongside. Dimock and Armstrong's is divided by the alley, but G. D. Geldert's dry goods store is in the same block with the walls adjoining. In Geldert's store the clerks were set to work packing goods preparatory to removal if necessary, and some valuable material was lost by smoke. This is fully covered by insurance.

TELEGRAPHERS AND MANAGEMENT AGREE

No Strike Likely Down In Big Four Operating Difficulty—Investigation To Be Held And Increased Pay Given.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 30.—A compromise has been reached between the telegraphers of the Big Four R. R. and the management of the system. All immediate danger of a strike has thus been removed. This is the outcome of a conference held today between the telegraphers' committee and General Manager Van Winkle of the railroad.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE HERBERT J. DIBBLEE

Body Of Woodstock Man Who Died In West Brought Home For Burial—Services Held Yesterday Afternoon.

Special to The Standard. Woodstock, N. B., Dec. 30.—Herbert J. Dibblee, aged 40 years, son of the late Alfred C. Dibblee of Washington, was accidentally killed by being hit with a derrick, while at work on the bridge crossing the Columbia River, at Pasque, near Spokane, Washington, on December 22nd. The deceased, who left this town about 15 years ago, is survived by his mother, four brothers, Alfred, George, Douglas, home, Bert and George in Spokane, Washington and two sisters, one in Seattle, Washington and the other in Canton, Massachusetts. The remains arrived here this afternoon accompanied by his brother Bert Dibblee, Funeral Director Nichols then took charge, and after a short service in the Baptist church, at which Rev. H. G. Kennedy officiated, the interment was made in the Pembroke cemetery.

GENERAL BOOTH TO SECURE ANOTHER TRIAL

The More Opportunity Given Venerable Salvationists To Oust Rival Army In The United States.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 30.—General Wm. Booth, the founder of the Salvation Army was granted a new trial today in his effort to oust the American Salvation Army. The original suit, brought in 1907, went against General Booth, who asked for a permanent injunction forbidding the American army to use the manual and ritual drills on Christmas day and possibly Good Friday and Thanksgiving day. A fight is to be put up for prohibitive measures on Christmas day at least, and settle to private life.

TEMPERANCE MEN AFTER MORE REFORMS

Toronto, Dec. 30.—At the coming session of the Ontario Legislature an effort will be made by the temperance people to have some further amendments to the Liquor License Act. The principal change will be a clause to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on Christmas day and possibly Good Friday and Thanksgiving day. A fight is to be put up for prohibitive measures on Christmas day at least, and settle to private life.

AMBASSADOR BRYCE ON CHRISTIANITY

British Ambassador At Washington Addresses Convention Of Student Volunteers—Pleads For Clean Living.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Ambassador James Bryce was the chief speaker at the night session of the convention of the Student Volunteers movement, in convention hall, Bishop Hartzell, of the Methodist Church, whose field is Africa, also spoke.

Ambassador Bryce characterized the present time as a critical one for the world. He said that progress in recent years had been such that today the world is in a position to do what it has never done before.

Attention was called to the breaking up of the old ideas and customs in backward nations and the advance of western civilization and with these changes the necessity that was laid upon Christian nations to "implant a new and better faith."

Ambassador Bryce then spoke of the harm being done among Christian nations by members of the Christian nations who disregard the teachings of their religion and then described the present as a time when the peoples are unprepared in their power to draw men to the pursuit of wealth and enjoyment.

STATE OWNED ELEVATORS FOR MANITOBA URGED

Grain Growers Of Prairie Province Active In Securing Needed Reforms To Present System—To Meet Jan. 5.

Special To The Standard. Winnipeg, Dec. 30.—January 5th has been fixed as the date when the elevator committee appointed by the Grain Growers Association will meet with the local government to discuss and outline a scheme for providing a system of Government owned storage elevators throughout Manitoba.

The meeting will be held in the legislative building. The grain growers' elevator committee has already met and discussed the principle at some length and will have something definite to present to the Government although no announcement has yet been made as to the results.

Feeling throughout the province as expressed by members of the committee is that of hearty co-operation with the Government in working out a practical scheme which will place the elevator system of Manitoba on a secure basis where every grain grower will be assured that he will secure just returns for his crop.

TRAGIC END OF NOVA SCOTIAN

Special To The Standard. Lunenburg, N. S., Dec. 30.—The tragic death of Stanley Zink of Chester occurred Wednesday evening. Mr. Zink had been in Halifax and was to have returned to Chester Wednesday night by train.

When he failed to arrive at his home his wife thought he would come on the next morning train. She went to the station to meet him but was told by the trainmen that he had been on the train the evening before.

A search for the body of Stanley Zink was made in the vicinity of the bridge between the station and the water tank. The body was not found until the next morning.

The cause of the tragedy is not known. It is supposed that when the train stopped at the water tank, Zink got off and started to walk over the trestle towards the station.

ONTARIO TOWN HAS ANOTHER BAD BLAZE

Essex, Ont., Dec. 30.—Essex was again visited by another disaster at an early hour this morning when fire broke out in the rear of O'Hara's tail or shop and rapidly spread to the adjoining building.

The whole business section of the town was threatened for some time and the fire was finally confined after a four hours struggle by the firemen and citizens.

SCHOOLS NOT RIVALS OF SHOPS, SAYS SCHUMANN

New York, N. Y., Dec. 30.—"Don't try to make the boy a finished workman," said President Schumann of Cornell in an address today before the members of the State Teachers' Association.

The schools were not and are not intended to be rivals of the shop. Boys should be taught English, industrial drawing, mathematics and the elements of physics and chemistry.

PROFESSOR'S CRISIS REPEATED CRITICISMS OF OPPOSITION

Hon. J. D. Hazen Exposes Baseless Charges Made By Mr. Robinson—Increased Revenue Of Province Due To Honest Methods—Old Government Responsible For Increase In Public Debt—Fresh Damage Paid Out Of Revenue.

(St. John Globe.) In reply to a Globe reporter's inquiries this morning Premier Hazen said that the criticisms of the Auditor General's statement of the provincial finances published in the St. John papers opposed to the local Government, were largely made up of falsehood and misrepresentation.

It is true, he said, that the province had a larger revenue last year than previously, which was due to the fact that the resources of the province had been carefully husbanded and an honest collection had been made by the Crown Land Department of the territorial revenues.

The tremendous freshet that occurred had done an immense amount of damage, but the Government had been able to meet the emergency without borrowing one dollar of money for the purpose.

Repairs Paid Out Of Revenue. A few years ago, 1902, when a freshet occurred in the fall of the year, it had not done as much damage as the freshet of last January, the old Government had issued bonds to the extent of \$160,000 for the purpose of repairing the damage.

Under the system of keeping accounts of the province at the present time Mr. Hazen declared that every dollar of receipt appears and also every dollar of expenditure. The result is, by comparison, that the present Government has a much larger income than is really the case.

There were also other special accounts which were dealt with in the same way. Under the system now pursued nothing is kept back and the people of the province are given full information regarding the expenditure of the Government.

It was most gratifying, he declared, considering the extraordinary expenses that had to be met during the year in consequence of the freshet, that there was a balance on the right side of the account with every bill that had been received up to the 21st of October paid in full.

Old Government Responsible. The opposition press, said Mr. Hazen, is endeavoring to make it appear that the present government had added largely to the public debt during the year. It is claimed that the debt has been increased in round figures by \$3,000,000.

Another item that added to the debt was \$20,783 for repairs to the New Brunswick Coal and Railway Company. This was incurred under legislation passed in the last session, but was not necessary expenditure which had to be made in consequence of the wretched conditions in which the railway had been left by the old government.

Asked with regard to the item of school books showing receipts of \$9,528, and expenditures of \$14,068, the Premier said that the difference was represented nearly altogether by the value of books now on hand at Fredericton and sums due by the vendors. Under the system that exists the books have to be kept on hand for the purpose of meeting the demands of the vendors from time to time and it is absurd to say that the difference between the two amounts represents the cost of selling and distributing school books to the people of the province.

No statement more wide of the truth could possibly be made. The books are on hand and are a valuable asset, and are being sold and paid for from time to time.

MUCKRAKERS LOSE IN THIS DECISION

New York, Dec. 30.—The argument that a corporation having no soul cannot commit a crime, was refuted by the appellate division of the supreme court, which upheld the action of the lower court in imposing \$500 fines against the Star Company, publishers of the New York American, for libelling John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

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GRANTS MADE TO CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

Deputations Heard By Treasury Board—Proposal To Add Three Cents To General Assessment.

At the monthly meeting of the treasury board last evening, grants to charitable organizations and societies including the Horticultural Society, amounting in all to \$9,000, were recommended. The grants were made after the various deputations had been heard and in the majority of cases the full amount asked for was recommended.

The sums of money received by Mr. Pugsley from the province averaged \$7,000 a year, and in one year were over \$10,000. In addition to the sums to which he was entitled by law he charged large sums for services rendered by him as Attorney General.

During this year outside of my travelling expenses, which I believe will be found to be less than those paid to any premier for many years past, I have received simply my salary as Attorney General, my legal and other matters I have not charged anything for so doing.

Although I have done a great deal of special civil business for the province as Attorney General in connection with the settlement of the insurance on the Provincial Hospital, adjustment of the Flewelling estate, and other matters I have not charged anything for so doing.

Public Play Grounds. Miss Peters was heard on behalf of the public playgrounds committee. She would like to see the playgrounds carried on as a municipal undertaking. They had received no grant in 1909, but she would like to see \$1,000 to open up playgrounds in different parts of the city.

Miss Peters also spoke of the need for a playground in the North End. Mr. F. B. Francis spoke on behalf of the Victorian Order of Nurses. Last year, he said, was the only year in which a grant of \$1,000 had not been received since 1904.

The Salvation Army. Adjt. Carter spoke for the Salvation Army. The letters sent the past year contained all the particulars he said. They were asking for \$300 for the Metropolitan and \$200 for the Evangelical Home.

Judge Armstrong and Mr. G. S. Fisher appeared on behalf of the Horticultural Society. Mr. Fisher said that the money was all spent. It was used for the purchase of a horse which had died and could not be replaced.

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BOYS OF CHRISTMAS SEASON

Many Pleasant Gatherings For Boys and Girls Held Last Evening—Entertainment In Trinity—Wiggins Orphanage Has Visit From Santa Claus—Presentation At St. Mary's And Fairville Methodist Churches.

Although December 25 is past, Christmas festivities are not yet over as is evident from the many entertainments that have been given during the week in connection with Sunday schools in the city.

The pupils of Trinity church Sunday school enjoyed their Christmas treat yesterday. In the afternoon the younger pupils to the number of about sixty were present.

Entertainment in Trinity. In the evening the older pupils were present and an interesting programme was carried out and prizes presented to the leaders in the Sunday school classes.

At the Wiggins Orphanage. A merry time was spent at the Wiggins Male Orphan institution last evening. It was the occasion of the annual Christmas tree and entertainment for the boys of the home.

At St. Luke's. The teachers and officers of St. Luke's Sunday school were entertained at a delightful Christmas supper in the schoolroom of the church last evening by the pastor, Rev. R. P. McKim and Mrs. McKim.

At St. Paul's. The annual Christmas Sunday school entertainment was held last evening in Main street Baptist church. At 5 o'clock the primary class were entertained and presented with a well filled bag of candy by a real live Santa Claus and at 7:30 o'clock the older members were similarly entertained.

German street Baptist church Sunday school rooms were crowded last evening by members of the Sunday school and their friends, the occasion being the annual social and tea of the school.

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CASH FLAX TOUCHES NEW HIGH WATER MARK

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 30.—Cash flax today touched the highest point ever known on the floor of the Chamber of Commerce when it went up to \$2.09 1/2. This is three and one half cents higher than the highest price in Duluth, which is quoted there at \$2.05.

FOUR LEADERS FOR COMING CAMPAIGN HAVE BEEN SECURED

At a meeting of the executive of the simultaneous evangelistic campaign movement last night it was announced that Rev. Messrs. Cameron, Gray, Sykes and a Presbyterian minister from New York had been secured as leaders in the campaign.

The nominating committee were asked to provide speakers for the Semmes' Mission during the campaign. The following municipal committee was appointed: Rev. L. A. McLean, convenor; Rev. J. H. A. Anderson, Rev. C. W. Townsend, Rev. H. D. Marr and Mr. R. A. Sinclair.

The finance committee was asked to arrange a guarantee fund for the expenses of the campaign. The executive adjourned for two weeks.

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GRAFT AND CRUELTY

Startling Evidence Of Barbarous Practices Brought Out In Evidence Before Commission In Georgia City.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 30.—That white women were hung up on the wall of a cell room as though crucified with extended arms, that at least one attempt was made to whip a woman, and that prisoners were used to do work for private citizens, were some of the things testified today in the city council's investigation of the city prison, known as the "stockade."

Charges have been made that the city prison, to which men and women convicted of misdemeanors and unable to pay a money fine are committed, is a filthy place, unworthy of holding even animals, that there has been graft, and that barbarous cruelties are practised there.

The grand jurors recently indicted Superintendent Vining and two guards for cruelty, and made public a report which resulted in this investigation.

Ruby Gaither, a country girl, who said she was 19 years old, told how she was hung up in the "stockade" and fainted. She saw other women similarly punished. One girl, Pearl Ryan, was put into the whip machine for the application of the lash.

The investigation will continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE UNDERSIGNED, having been appointed by the Common Council of the City of Saint John a committee of the Fisheries for the ensuing year, pursuant to law, hereby give notice that the fishery lots along the Bay, River and Harbor, and the Fisheries heretofore owned by the late J. A. B. Wilson, are to be sold to the highest bidder on the 15th day of January next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Court House, in the City of Saint John, for the fishing season of the ensuing year, to end on the 31st day of December, 1910.

Dated the 15th day of December, 1909. JAMES M. FRINK, JOSEPH A. LIKELY, EDWARD A. GOGGIN, FRANK L. POTTS, JOHN B. MCGILLICUDDY, JOHN B. M. BAXTER, JAMES F. BELVEA, JOHN A. WILSON.

Probate Court, CITY AND COUNTY OF SAINT JOHN

WHEREAS the Executor of the Estate of MARY JANE PRICE, late of the City of Saint John, widow, deceased, has filed in this court an account of his Administration of the said decedent's estate, and prayed that the same may be passed and allowed; and the Court has ordered that the said account be examined and allowed according to the terms of the last will and testament of the said MARY JANE PRICE deceased;

And the Court has ordered that the said account be examined and allowed according to the terms of the last will and testament of the said MARY JANE PRICE deceased;

Given under my hand and the Seal of the said Probate Court, at Saint John, New Brunswick, this 29th day of December, 1909. (Signed) J. R. ARMSTRONG, Registrar of Probate. (Signed) H. O. McNEIRNEY, Clerk of Probate. (Signed) AMON A. WILSON, Proctor.

Liquor License Act 1896

A watch night service will be held in St. Luke's church this evening at 11 o'clock.

The Robison Opera Company in Popular Operas Presenting BOCCACCIO TOMORROW AFTERNOON The Mascot TOMORROW NIGHT H. M. S. Pinafore

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BARKER HOUSE. QUEEN STREET. Centrally located, large new sample rooms, private bath, electric lights and bells, hot water heating throughout.

Waverly Hotel. FREDERICTON, N. B. The best hotel in New Brunswick. Some of our best rooms \$1.50 per day.

UNIONIST PLAN OF CAMPAIGN UNSUCCESSFUL OF UNGE SAM TAKES LEAVE OF UNGE SAM

So Declares Mr. H. W. Massingham the Veteran Liberal Journalist in Searching and Trenchant Criticism.

How a Chinese Diplomat Makes His Exit--His Views On the Suffrage Question -- When Women Should Have Vote.

Canada and United States Have Much To Do in Preserving Forests, Declares Prof. Somerville of Oxford University.

Party Without A Rudder, He Declares

Instances of His Americanization

Visits America to Study Virgin Forests

Signs of Weakness and Failure. From all I can hear from many quarters of the electoral campaign...

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Dr. Wu Ting-fang left this morning—maybe for good, as he himself said last evening. With his wife and his son's wife and his grandson, Dr. Wu will go to Europe on the Lusitania.

There was Li Yung Yew, Chinese Charge d'Affaires at Havana, who came to New York, especially to wish Dr. Wu good-by; Li Kia Siang, H. Ho and Li Shoukue, from Washington; Hsi Ping Chen, the Consul-General at San Francisco; his wife and his daughter, Miss Lily Han and Wong Hsin, as well as a dozen other Chinese officials and merchants.

Even with his picturesque dress Dr. Wu seemed more like an American merchant or man of affairs than a Chinese diplomat, because he dictated a letter in English, and he did so with the same certainty and knowledge of the conventional phrases that are commonly used in correspondence.

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Hockey Boots. Men's \$2.00, Boys' \$2.25, Youths' \$3.50. Reduced to \$1.50.

Skating Boots. Women's Warm Lined Skating Boots in Kid and Box Calf leather, sizes 5, 5 1-2, 6 1-2, 7. This is a broken lot of Skating Boots that formerly sold at \$2.25.

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News of a Day

Record Shipment. Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 30.—A local tobacco company has just imported the biggest shipment of Havana tobacco ever received in Canada.

Narrow Escape. Newcastle, N. B., Dec. 30.—Last night near midnight Walter Scott of Montreal, and a friend, Mr. Gould, returning from Chatham, broke through the ice midway between Newcastle and Nelson and had a narrow escape.

Schooner Captured. Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 30.—An American fishing schooner, the Charles Levi, Capt. Woodbury, was captured by the cruiser Kestrel, fishing within the three mile limit, off the north coast of Vancouver Island, and was condemned to forfeiture in the exchequer court by Mr. Justice Martin.

Three Fatalities. Chatham, Ont., Dec. 30.—Crows are eating hundreds of bushels of corn in Harwich, Raleigh and Doon townships, and C. W. Nash, director of the Biological Department of the Ontario Government is here to advise farmers how to protect their crops.

Sackville, Dec. 30.—The wedding of Miss Francine Louise Noyes and Dr. Charles Arthur Thompson, formerly of Upper Sackville, but now of Newton Highlands, Mass., took place on Christmas evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis B. Noyes, Dorchester, Mass. Rev. H. Lyon, of Walnut Street Unitarian Church, Brookline, officiated.

Leaves For West. Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 30.—W. S. Benson, who recently resigned as manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, will leave this evening for Prince Rupert, B. C., where he will enter the real estate field. Mr. Benson was treasurer of the Quoit Club, formed here some time ago.

Farmer Wins. Ottawa, Dec. 30.—A western farmer comes into a handsome fortune today by a judgment of the supreme court. He is James W. Brown, of Q'Appelle River, Sask. Three years ago the Government built a dam across the outlet of Long Lake to improve navigation. In doing so they raised the water over 127 acres of Brown's land. He brought action against the Government and Judge Cassels today awarded him \$25 an acre or damages to the amount of \$47,216.

Dr. Currie Dead. Halifax, N. S., Dec. 30.—Rev. Professor John Currie, D. D., of Pine Hill College, died today after an illness seriously injured on Tuesday while engaged in piling logs at Cushing's mill, died yesterday morning at the hospital. He leaves a wife and a young child to mourn his death.

In the Police Court. In the police court yesterday P. Bergstrom, B. Goransson and B. Grossling, three sailors of the S. S. Kingstons, charged with refusing to work when ordered, were remanded until this morning. Mr. A. C. Fairweather represented the captain and chief officer who were present in court.

LOCAL

Service to P. E. Island. The steamers Minto and Earl Grey will commence today the regular winter service between Pictou and Charlottetown.

Business Sold. Gilbert Bros., of Rothesay, have sold their wholesale and retail general business there to Mr. J. Renwick Robertson, postmaster of Rothesay, who will take possession at the first of the year.

Died From His Injuries. George Elliot, of Fairville, who was

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WINNIPEG WHEAT MARKET. St. John, N. B., Dec. 30.—The Ogilvie Flour Mills Co., Ltd., supply the following quotations of the Winnipeg wheat market:—

MONTREAL STOCK MARKET

Table of Montreal Stock Market prices. Columns include Stock Name, Bid, and Ask prices. Includes items like Asbestos, Canadian Pacific Railway, and Dominion Iron.

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NEW YORK STOCK MARKET, YES—TODAY'S TRADING ON WALL ST.

Table of New York Stock Market prices. Columns include Stock Name, Shares, Bid, and Ask prices. Includes items like Amalgamated Copper, American Beet Sugar, and American Car and Foundry.

AMERICAN PRODUCE MARKET

New York, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Flour—Quiet and without quotable changes. Receipts, 27,628. Shipments, 9,598. Wheat—Spot, firm. No. 2 red, 1.27 1/2; elevator, domestic and 1.27 1/2; o. b. admt nominal to arrive; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 1.26 3/4 and No. 2 hard winter, 1.27 3/8, nominal, f. o. b. admt.

NEW RECORD FOR RATE ON CALL LOANS

New York, Dec. 30.—The drawing of the year-to-year close was marked by characteristic developments in financial markets today. Preparations for the unprecedented disbursements of interest and dividend payments, January went forward more actively today and the restriction of money supplies which resulted in the stock market kept operations there under restraint.

STOCK MARKET TO RESORT TO DISCIPLINE

New York, N. Y., Dec. 30.—A brief session of the governors of the Stock Exchange was held today to receive the reports of the committees of three appointed to inquire into the circumstances attending the purchases and sales of Rock Island common on Monday morning, when the stock advanced from 50 5/8 to 81 and as subsequently receded again.

MONTREAL MARKET NOTES.

Montreal, Dec. 30.—Although the public is climbing for Power, Street Ry. and Shawinigan shares and there seems to be some pretty good buying in well informed quarters, brokers are still skeptical about the prospects of a merger in anything like the immediate future.

CANADIAN PRODUCE MARKETS

Special to The Standard. Montreal, Que., Dec. 30.—A firm feeling prevails in the flour market, but the volume of business doing is not large as buyers in most cases are fairly well supplied. Prevailing prices are:—

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKETS.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 30.—Cattle—Receipts, 18,000; Market 10 to 15 cents lower. Hogs—Receipts, 17,000; market 10 cents higher. Choice heavy, 8.55 to 8.70.

WHEAT STRONG.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 30.—Further reduction in the estimation of the amount of wheat in Argentina, which will be available for export from the new crop caused considerable bullish sentiment in the wheat market here today. At the close prices showed net gains of 1-2 to 3-4 cents. Corn and oats were affected by the strength of wheat and closed firm. Provisions were steady.

MONEY ON CALL AT 4 1/2 P.C.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Close Prime mercantile paper 5 to 5 1/2 per cent. Sterling exchange, weak, at 4.83.80 to 4.83.90 for 60-day bills and at 4.86.90 for demand. Commercial bills, 4.82 1/2 to 4.84. Bar silver 63 1/2. Mexican dollars, 24. Government bonds, B. R. bonds firm. Money on call, strong and higher, 4 1/2 to 7 per cent; ruling rate 4 1/2.

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THE COTTON MARKET.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Cotton: Spot closed quiet, 20 points higher. Middling uplands, 16.15; middling gulf, 16.40. Liverpool—Firm, 15.11-16. New Orleans—Firm, 15.11-16. Savannah—Firm, 15.3-8. Charleston—Firm, 15.1-4. Memphis—Firm, 15.5-8. Consolidated—Net receipts for six days, 147,923; exports to Great Britain, 41,144; to France, 24,295; to continent, 70,998; to Japan, 1,260. Stock, 1,488,467.

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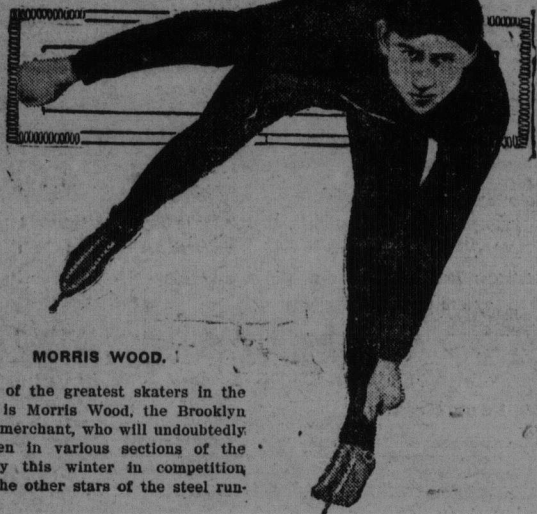
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NEWMANS WIN OVER PIRATES

Buccaners Defeated After Fast Game on Black's Alleys Last Night--Scores of Both Teams Exceptionally High.

One of the best games rolled this season was played on Black's Alleys last evening between the Pirates and Newmans...

LAMY BLAMED FOR MUDDLE

Failure of Champion to Contribute Registration Fee, Held to Have Precipitated Skating War.

New York, Dec. 30.—"The announcement is premature," said President J. C. Hemment of the Eastern Amateur Skating Association...

CAN ANYONE BETTER THIS

U.N.B. Basketball Team Scores 132 Points Against Normal School, or Three Baskets for Each Minute of Play.

That there are some very accurate throwers on the U. N. B. basketball team is evident from the result of the three games played between the college boys and the Normal School...

RANKING OF LAST YEAR'S TENNIS MEN

New York, Dec. 30.—The annual ranking of the lawn tennis players of the United States for the past season was issued today. William A. Larned, the national champion, again stands alone at the top.

AN ENGLISH OPINION OF U.S. FOOTBALL

The curious misconceptions regarding American sports, and especially football that prevailed in England and are readily believed when published are well exemplified in the following excerpt from the Sketch, of London:

CORBETT NOT A TRAINER, HE DECLARES

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 29.—James J. Corbett today reiterated the statement which he made upon his return recently from Europe.

SAILOR SMITH IN TWENTY ROUND DRAW

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—"Gunboat" Smith, sailor-pugilist, who is scheduled to become Jack Johnson's chief sparring partner when the negro goes into training for his fight with Jeffries, fought a 20-round draw with Jack Burns, of Salinas, last night.

MONEY FOR AVIATION IS PLENTIFUL

Paris, Dec. 30.—Aviation meetings for 1910 promise to be plentiful. The Aviation Committee of the Aero Club de France has just issued the following list of the aviation meetings arranged so far for the coming year:

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PRIZE RING PLAY A HIT IN LONDON

London, Dec. 29.—"The House of Temperley," a melo-drama of the prize ring, by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, was produced at the Adelphi Theatre last evening.

THE CARLETON CURLERS TO OPEN TONIGHT

The Carleton Curling Club open their season this evening when four teams will compete for the rink medal.

ALL MONTREAL WINS OUT OVER THE NATIONALS

Montreal, Dec. 30.—All-Montreal made a good beginning in the Canadian Hockey League series by tonight taking the first National team into camp by a score of 7 to 2.

RELATIONS SECURED WITH UNITED STATES.

New York, Dec. 30.—James E. Sullivan, secretary-treasurer of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States has received from C. A. Springlines, honorary secretary of the Amateur Athletic Federation of Canada, official notification that a meeting of the federation in Montreal on Dec. 22, the federation disbanded and is now a part of the new body that will govern sport in Canada.

TO RETIRE AFTER AMASSING \$4,000,000

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 30.—J. H. Todd, Sons, cannery men and wholesale grocers, will shortly retire from business, their fortune being estimated in round figures at \$4,000,000.

MONDAY'S BIG SPORTING EVENT.

There is considerable questioning at the Nickel Theatre to know what arrangements are for the showing of the Johnson-Ketchel contest pictures. The plan is this—that the theatre programme will commence at 6.30 o'clock, one half hour earlier than usual and at 9 o'clock, or shortly after, the regular programme of pictures and songs will conclude and the "Good Night" sign displayed.

BASEBALL OFFICIALS DOWN TO WORK.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 20.—President J. T. Lynch, Secretary John Heydler and Manager Clark Griffith, of the Cincinnati club constitute the new rules committee appointed yesterday for the National League. These men will hold a series of meetings in New York within the next few weeks and recommend certain alterations in the rules of the league.

FRED ROBSON IS OUT AFTER BUSH.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—Fred Robson, speed skater of the Toronto Rowing Club, has taken up a challenge issued by O. B. Bush, the western champion, and offers to skate Bush three races at 220, 440 and 880 yards in Toronto on any date named. The series of races will likely be arranged next week.

Advertisement for 'YOUR PEN' featuring a fountain pen and the slogan 'YOU WILL BE MORE EXTENSIVELY READ TO MORROW THAN TO DAY'S MOST POPULAR AUTHOR IF YOU WILL USE YOUR PEN TO WRITE ABOUT YOUR STORE FOR THE STANDARD'.

Advertisement for 'NICKEL THEATRE, Jan. 3-4-5 at 9 p. m. Johnson-Ketchel Contest' with details about the event and ticket information.

BIG FIGHT IS NOT FOR SALT LAKE

(By Tip Wright.) Salt Lake City isn't going to get a Jim-Jack fight, not in a thousand years. Neither is Jim Corbett going to see the fight held in his arena Colma.

ALL ST. JOHN LINE UP FOR HALIFAX TRIP

The All-St. Johns had another good practice last evening, and showed considerable improvement over their former performances. They have been getting in some hard practice during the week and expect to make the Halifax hustle when they meet them on Jan. 5th.

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TO PRESERVE THE PURITY OF ATHLETICS

New York, Dec. 29.—Another of the winter conferences on athletics was held here today. The Athletic Research Society, a body composed of representatives of almost every variety of amateur athletics as practised from the college to the kindergarten, put in the whole day discussing administrative problems.

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Westerly winds gradually decreasing in force, fair and cold. Toronto, Dec. 30.—During last night the disturbance of the Atlantic coast developed into a very severe storm which is now centred in Newfoundland and heavy gales with snow prevailed in Nova Scotia. The weather has moderated somewhat in Ontario and Manitoba and continues mild in the far west. Winnipeg—2 below, 14. Port Arthur—8 below, 16. Parry Sound—16 below, 12. London—Zero, 12. Toronto—2 below, 17. Ottawa—4 below, 6. Montreal—2 below, 8. Quebec—4 below, 8. St. John—4, 12. Halifax—8, 24. New England Forecast.—Washington, D. C., Dec. 30.—Forecast for New England: Fair, slightly warmer Friday, Saturday, fair, moderate west to south winds.

AROUND THE CITY

Telephone Directors Meet. The regular fortnightly meeting of the directors of the N. B. Telephone Co., Ltd., was held last evening. Only routine business was transacted. The late Mr. George Elliot. Portland Lodge, S. O. E., No. 246, will meet in Temple Building, this evening, at 8 o'clock. The arrangements for the funeral of their late brother, George Elliot, H. Sellen, secretary.

Fines Were Paid. The English sailors Charles Patey and Leonard Knell, who were fined \$5 or 30 days in prison for using obscene language on Monday, were taken on board their ship, the Shenandoah, last evening by Deputy Chief Jenkins and Detective Killen. The captain of the steamer paid their fines.

A Purchasing Agent. The committee consisting of four board chairmen appointed by the common council to consider the matter of creating the office of purchasing agent for the city, met last evening but did not reach a decision. Further inquiries will be made with a view of determining the need for such an official.

Schooner Flashed. The schooner Rebecca Walls, a well known trader to this port and which was disabled by the heavy gales near Vineyard Haven, on Dec. 25th, was floated yesterday and it was found that one of the main beams and two pintles were broken. Temporary repairs will be made. The schooner is in command of Captain McLean, of this city.

Workmen's Compensation Act. The case brought by John Amos against Clark and Adams under the Workmen's Compensation Act, has been set down for trial on Jan. 14 next before Judge H. A. McKeown. Mr. J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., will represent the plaintiff and Mr. F. R. Taylor, of Weldon and McLean, the defendant.

Non-Committal. Hon. H. R. Emerson, ex-minister of railways was in the city yesterday and left on the late train for Amherst. Mr. Emerson told a Standard reporter that his business in the city was of a private nature. Asked for his ideas on a Canadian navy, the ex-minister said he preferred to wait and do his talking in Parliament.

Special Time Signal. At 6 o'clock this evening the Western Union Telegraph Company will transmit a special time signal to all Western Union offices in the province by direct automatic telegraph from the observatory clock. The message will be sent to Newfoundland by wireless from the Marconi station at Glace Bay.

S. S. Pythia in Port. The S. S. Pythia recently chartered by the Donaldson line arrived in port last evening about 8 o'clock on her maiden voyage to St. John. She is in command of Captain Joseph Whimster, who is well known in maritime circles here, having formerly been captain of the Coscordia. The Pythia formerly belonged to the Union Castle Line. She has on board a large general cargo and will dock at the Pettin-gell wharf at 7 o'clock this morning.

Appraisal in Dalhousie Fire. Mr. Samuel C. Drury returned to the city yesterday afternoon from the house where he had been acting as appraiser for the Queen and Liverpool and London and Globe insurance companies in connection with the destruction by fire of a dwelling house owned by Mr. Geo. E. Mercier, of that place. Mr. Drury appraised the value of the house destroyed at \$1166. The house was occupied by a son of Mr. Geo. McKeown, of this city and all the furniture on which there was no insurance, was destroyed.

Amicably Settled. Yesterday will conclude the day before Magistrate Ritchie and the case of Hamilton vs. Gay occupied the entire day's proceedings. Mr. Gay brought action against Mr. Hamilton for the recovery of \$76.00 which he claimed was due him as wages. Mr. A. A. Wilson, K. C., appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. E. B. Busin defended. The arguments of the opposing counsel took up the greater part of the afternoon, and after the magistrate had received the evidence a verdict was given for the plaintiff. Mr. Busin then gave notice that the case would be appealed. It is understood that at a conference between Messrs. Gay and Hamilton last night it was decided that the matter should amicably settled out of court.

Concert and Social. An enjoyable social and concert was held in the schoolroom of St. John's Presbyterian church last evening under the auspices of the Young Men's Guild. The room had been tastefully decorated for the occasion with flags and bunting. Mr. Landis, down town, presided and the programme was thoroughly appreciated by the large number present. Miss Carthens Cox gave an exhibition of club swinging and rendered an instrumental solo. Mr. J. D. Wood sang two numbers. Selections on the piano were given by Mr. William King and Miss Leach gave several humorous readings. Rev. J. H. A. Anderson sang the Evening Star and the Hymn of the Old Church Choir. Refreshments were served at the conclusion of the programme.

NEW UNIFORMS FOR BOYS' BRIGADE OF THE STONE CHURCH

Cadets Entertained At Supper Last Evening—Mrs. Kuhring Presents Stripes To Non-Commissioned Officers.

The members of St. John (Stone) church Boys' Brigade, about 45 strong received their new uniforms last evening at their annual Christmas entertainment. The uniform consists of cap trimmed with white braid, white haversack and leather belt. The officers will wear glengarry caps. A supper was provided for the brigade and some of their friends by the ladies of the congregation and after a short musical programme and recitations had been enjoyed, Rev. G. A. Kuhring, the pastor of the church addressed the boys. Mrs. Kuhring then presented four of the cadets with corporal's stripes and four others with lance corporal stripes and also presented the members of the brigade with their annual cards. The officers of the brigade are Rev. Mr. Kuhring, chaplain, Mr. P. Capella, captain; Mr. Eldon Merritt, lieutenant; Mr. George Morrissey, second lieutenant. Rev. G. A. Kuhring's Sunday school class will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A. instead of on Saturday.

ALDERMEN WILLING TO DECLARE WAR ON TELEPHONE COMPANY

Preferential Rate Brings Subject Up At Treasury Board—Ald. McGoldrick To Make Motion At Council.

Following upon statements made by different aldermen at a meeting of the treasury board last evening, it appears likely the common council will take a hand on Monday in the protest against the increase in the telephone rates. Aldermen McGoldrick, Potts, Vanwart and Frink all expressed their willingness to support any protest which might be moved and the only reason why a resolution was not introduced last evening was that the aldermen agreed the council was the proper place to bring up the matter. The discussion last night arose out of the proposal to sanction the placing of telephones in the residence of the chamberlain and comptroller, at the special rate given to civic phones, the officials insisting upon paying the charges themselves.

Bought For a Few Dollars. Ald. McGoldrick said he thought the city would be in a better position to protest against the exorbitant rates if same rate was paid on phones used for municipal purposes as other citizens paid. It seemed as if the private individual had to pay so much higher for the cheap rate given to the city. When the aldermen carried passes for the street cars they were accused of receiving bribes and the privilege was removed, but the whole city was now being bought for a few dollars. If any complaint was made, the telephone company could reply that they were only paying \$20 a phone.

Ald. Baxter said the arrangement had been made with the telephone company in exchange for certain rights. Who's Afraid. Ald. McGoldrick—"That is just it. If any one else applied for those rights now they would get turned down very quickly. Everybody seems to be afraid of this telephone business. The Board of Trade were going to do great things, but they dropped it all in a day. This may be because the new president is a large stockholder. If everyone is afraid of this thing I am not and I'll introduce a resolution in the council tonight."

Ald. Potts expressed his willingness to make a motion at once. He couldn't see why Ald. McGoldrick had said the aldermen were afraid. Ald. Vanwart said he would second any resolution which might be made. Ald. Frink reviewed the history of telephone legislation and doubted if any remedy could be found, but he favored the protest.

Missing Since Tuesday. Inquiries are being made to ascertain the whereabouts of Mr. William Melanson of Chealsey street, who left home on Tuesday evening and has not been seen since. Mr. Melanson had quite a sum of money on his person and it is thought may have taken the train for the west. As he had said nothing, however, to his relatives about going away, they are rather anxious.

Golding—Anderson. A pretty wedding took place at the Methodist parsonage, 43 Duke street, last evening when Mr. Harry Golding was united in marriage to Miss Lillian Anderson of this city. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. D. Marr. The bride was prettily gowned in a lavender cloth princess dress with lace yoke, and hat of lavender velvet and white moire silk. She was attended by her sister Miss Jessal Anderson who wore a pretty dress of cream voile with hat to match. The groom was supported by Mr. Douglas B. Stephens. Mr. and Mrs. Golding will reside at 47 Gilbert street for the present.

United Services on New Years. The Presbyterian churches in the city will hold a united service in St. David's church on New Years Day at 11 a. m. The sermon will be preached by Rev. Gordon Dickie. The offering will be for the Protestant Orphan Home.

THREE SMALL FIRES KEPT DEPARTMENT BUSY LAST NIGHT

Call To Sand Point Proved To Be Fire In Chimney—Alarms In North End And Union Street.

The fire department was kept busy last evening, being called out on three different occasions for fires in different parts of the city. None of the fires proved serious however, but little difficulty was experienced in extinguishing them. About six o'clock last evening the North End firemen were alerted by a call for a slight fire in the house owned and occupied by Mr. Herbert Ritchie on Adelaide street, caused by a lamp explosion. The fire was extinguished before much damage was done. A still alarm was rung in last evening between 8 and 9 o'clock for a slight fire in T. J. Phillips' candy store on Union street. The chemical and No. 2 hose cart responded quickly and the blaze was soon extinguished. The fire was caused by a fall of hot molasses being overturned by one of the employees. Shortly after midnight an alarm was rung in from the winter port box No. 214, West Side and fears were at first entertained that the fire was in some of the Sand Point sheds. It proved to be very slight, however, the blaze being caused by a defective flue in the immigration building and was extinguished with salt soon after the arrival of the department.

PRIZE LISTS OF EXHIBITION TO BE READY MARCH 1

Executive Still Without Manager For Dominion Fair—Move To New Quarters On Monday.

That the executive of the St. John Exhibition Association have a difficult problem to solve in the matter of finding a competent manager for the Dominion exhibition to be held in this city next year, becomes more apparent as the weeks pass. Although efforts have been made for some time to procure a suitable man for the position the end appears to be as far off as ever and at a meeting held last night in the rooms of the retiring secretary, Mr. John F. Gleeson, on King street, no decision was arrived at in the matter.

Mr. A. O. Skinner presided at the meeting and those present were Messrs. F. H. Burdett, R. B. Emerson, W. F. Burdett, Alex. Macaulay, R. R. Patchell and C. B. Allan. It was decided to get out the prize list at once and Mr. Gleeson was given instructions to go ahead with the arrangements. It is hoped to have the lists out by March 1 next.

It was also decided to have arrangements made for the printing of the official programme. No action was taken in connection with the appointment of a manager. The exhibition headquarters will be moved from Mr. Gleeson's office on Saturday and the new rooms, which are situated in the basement of the Bank of Montreal building on Prince William street, will be opened. On Monday morning Mr. Horace Porter, the recently appointed secretary, will have charge of the rooms until a manager is appointed.

WATCH NIGHT SERVICES AT THE OPERA HOUSE

At St. John's (Stone) church, this evening, commencing at 11.30 o'clock a watch night service will be held. Preceding the service there will be a half-hour organ recital by Mr. D. Arnold Fox. There will be no collection.

The choir of Trinity church are requested to assemble at 11 o'clock tonight, New Year's Eve, preparatory to the watch night service. A watch night service will be held in the Ludlow street United Baptist church, West End, this evening at 11 o'clock. The regular prayer meeting of the church will be held at 7.30 p. m., as usual. On Sunday Rev. Cliff Clark will preach and the ordinance of baptism will be administered.

A watch night service will be held in Zion Methodist church tonight. Service will commence at 10.45 p. m., and continue until 12.05 a. m.

PERSONA Mr. and Mrs. D. McArthur will be at home to their friends on New Year's Day, the 25th anniversary of their marriage. Miss Alice Rising who has been residing in Wolfville the past three years has returned to St. John for the winter and after Jan. 1st will reside at Leneyke Hall, 121 Union street. Miss Helen Knowles, a young lady prominent in musical circles at Acadia College, Wolfville, is visiting friends in this city. Miss Knowles is the possessor of a sweet soprano voice and her friends here will have an opportunity of hearing her in a solo at the morning service in the Main street Baptist church, on Sunday next.

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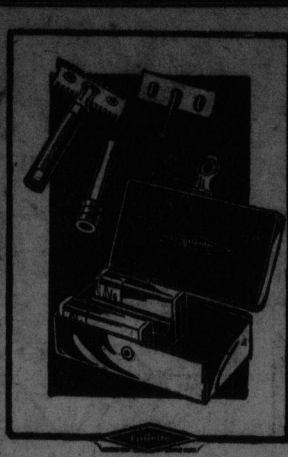
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