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CONGRATULATORY.

The Star begs to tender its hearty
congratulations to Hon. J. V. Ellis
and the St. John Globe, which have
journeyed along together for forty
years, and are both in vigorous health.
The Globe will celebrate the anniversary
by issuing a 40-page number to-
morrow. The ambitious young man of
forty years ago is now a Canadian sena-
tor, as well as a journalist well known
throughout the Dominion. The very
small paper of the old days has become
a large one, produced with the aid of
type setting machines and a fast mod-
ern press, the newspaper and job print-
ing establishment giving employment
to a large staff. In all these years of
growth the Globe has steadily upheld
the liberal party, and there has never
been a suspicion that it expressed other
than the views of Mr. Ellis and his co-
worker, Mr. Richard O'Brien, who has
been with the Globe over thirty years.
Those papers and politicians that have
consistently opposed Mr. Ellis have
at least been able to pay him the tribu-
te of saying that they knew where to
find him and his paper.

A COLLEGE FEDERATION SCHEME

The proposal for the union of the uni-
versities of Kings and Dalhousie is
not new. Some seventeen years ago,
about the time that President Dart re-
tired from Kings, a movement in that
direction was begun. Bishop Binney,
after giving the matter grave consid-
eration, concluded that such union was
desirable. Rev. Dr. Hill, Sir William
Young, Dean Partridge and a large
majority of other Kings College men
then resident in Halifax, supported the
idea. It was, however, strongly oppos-
ed in Windsor, and by the most of the
New Brunswick graduates of Kings.
The executive of the Kings College al-
umni at a meeting in Halifax adopt-
ed a union resolution by a large ma-
jority. All Dalhousie was in favor of
it. Thus matters stood when the Kings
convocation took place when the ques-
tion was to be put to vote at the meet-
ing of the alumni. Members in the
Associated Alumni did not then need
to be former students, and never did
Kings make such a show of alumni as
on that occasion. The populace of
Windsor joined by dozens.

Dr. I. Allen Jack, who was one of
the leaders against federation, propos-
ed for membership a list a page long.
Needless to say the federation motion
was voted down by a great majority.
The idea at that time was that Kings
should retain her endowment for the
maintenance of her theological work,
and should establish a college residence
at Halifax, while one faculty would
carry on the arts, science and law
courses for all the students.

THE MEMBER FOR GALWAY.

Col. Lynch, the newly elected nation-
alist member for Galway, is a many
sided man, with a good deal of all-
round knowledge and experience. He
was at one time a mathematical master
and afterwards a teacher of engin-
eering and scientific subjects. Finally
he became a journalist. Besides his
ordinary newspaper work he is the
author of a number of essays and sev-
eral works of literary catholicism. At
the beginning of the South African war
he went out as a correspondent. He
found that work not sufficiently active
and at the request of Mr. Kruger or-
ganized the second Irish brigade with
which he took part in a number of en-
gagements. At the fall of Pretoria he
went to France and again returned to
journalistic work. The election at Gal-
way was an easy victory for him and
he is now in a position to occupy a seat
in the parliament of a nation whose
armies he actively opposed.

Dr. Joseph Zemp has been elected
president of the Swiss confederation.
There was no opposition. It has been
the usual custom for the vice-president
of the Federal Council, which position
Dr. Zemp held last year, to succeed
the out-going president. The system
has many advantages to commend it.
The president and vice-president are
the first magistrates of the council and
both are elected by the Federal as-
sembly in joint session of the national
and state councils for the term of one
year and are not re-eligible for the
same office until after the expiration of
another twelve months.

A memorial fund is to be raised to
procure a monument for Mr. Harper,
who was drowned at Ottawa in the at-
tempt to save Miss Blair. The sum of
\$700 was subscribed in the first few
hours.

The total number of Boers killed,
wounded, captured and surrendered
since the first of the year is 14,283. They
are gathered in now at the rate of nearly
2000 a month.

Mr. Tarte's Patrie says that among
the thirty-five Montreal volunteers in
the new corps for South Africa there
is only one French-Canadian. His name
is M. Real Huot. The names of the
others seem to justify La Patrie's
announcement.

WINTER PORT MATTERS.

More than once since the winter port
business started this season has the
rumor been circulated that different
steamers were lying almost idle at Sand
Point on account of having no freight.
As yet no steamer has been delayed in
the slightest degree for this or any
other reason. It is true that in one or
two instances the loading of the ves-
sels has not been proceeded with as
briefly as could be done, but this is
not because of no freight, but
rather because the particular
kind of freight was not at
hand. These steamers, in common
with others, always desire to stow their
cargoes in a methodical manner, cer-
tain spaces in the ships being particu-
larly reserved for certain classes of
freight. Thus work and agricultural
implements would not be promiscu-
ously heaped together, and should it hap-
pen that the full shipment of pork is
not on hand the space for it would have
to be held open. But even while such
circumstances may arise there are al-
ways large quantities of other freight
ready for the vessels, and in this way
delay is avoided.

During the twenty-four hours ending
this morning one hundred and twenty-
five carloads were brought down, and,
as additional engines are being received
every day the quantities of freight
arriving at Sand Point will steadily
increase. Engines were borrowed from
the eastern division to assist in the
west, when the first rush of grain was
on, and these are now being returned
to work on their own division.

HIT WITH A SAND BAG.

On Prince William street, near the
Custom House, about 11 o'clock Wed-
nesday night, Thomas S. O'Brien, the
Mill street saloon keeper, was as-
saulted on his way to his home at
Lower Cove. His assailant struck Mr.
O'Brien behind the right ear with some
blunt instrument which inflicted a
painful bruise. The blow turned Mr.
O'Brien completely about, and when
he came face to face with the man he
received another blow just above the
left eye. This staggered Mr. O'Brien,
but he did not fall. He cried loudly
for help and his cries scared the man
away. A physician upon whom Mr.
O'Brien called later on found it neces-
sary to put six stitches over his eye.
There is no doubt but that robbery
was the object of Mr. O'Brien's assail-
ant.

ORANGE ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Gideon L. O. L., No. 7, at its annual
meeting last night elected the follow-
ing officers: J. H. Burley, W. M.;
Harley Hallett, D. M.; John Amos,
chaplain; Geo. Jenkins, R. S.; W. H.
McDonald, F. S.; D. McNally, treas-
urer; C. White, D. of C.; J. Haberfield,
lecturer; H. C. Wetmore, 1st com.;
McLung, 2nd; H. White, 3rd; E. Har-
rington, 4th; Keith Barbour, P. M.; 5th;
audit committee, K. A. Barbour, C.
Wetmore and Wm. Crab. The district
master, C. B. Ward, presided during
the election, and County Master Scott
E. Morrell installed the officers, after
which addresses were delivered by the
newly elected officers. C. B. Ward, D.
M.; J. Morrison, G. S.; W. B. Wallace,
Co. S., and others.

Baby's cold may be cured in a night by using
Vapo-Cresolene, which has been extensively
in use for twenty-four years. All druggists.

THE CORONATION COACH.

It is understood that it is not the in-
tention of the King and Queen to use
on Coronation Day the state coach
which was refitted for the first state
function that followed his Majesty's
accession. Evidently, the view is tak-
en that this magnificent but closed
vehicle would not be suitable for the
great procession through London, which
is to be a feature of the Coronation
ceremonials, for his Majesty's coach-
builders have been directed to prepare
a splendid open carriage, which will be
used for the procession. The design is
most elaborate. The carriage will be
upholstered in rose pink or crimson
satin, like that used for the interior of
the state coach, which was so greatly
admired at the opening of parliament
early in the present year.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All
druggists refund the money if it fails to
cure. See E. W. Grove's signature is on
each box.

A WONDERFUL PEOPLE ON MARS

Declares Prof. S. A. Harker, Who Tells
of Their Remarkable Engineering
Skill.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 11.—Prof.
Samuel A. Harker, occupying the chair
of mathematics and astronomy in the
University of Indianapolis, gave out a
statement that he is a convert to the
theories advanced by Sir Robert Ball,
Garrett Serviss and others, that the
planet Mars is inhabited and that its
people are exceedingly intelligent and
enterprising, but it is impossible to
communicate with them.

Prof. Harker further says that—
"The Martians are a people of stu-
pendous power and wonderful engin-
eering skill. Were it possible to com-
municate with them, there is little doubt but that they
would understand and reply, as they
are a race of enormous brain develop-
ment."

Prof. Harker further adds that in all
of the thousands of years of the earth's
history its people have not succeeded
in changing the face of the planet to
any such extent as the people of Mars
have changed theirs, but he sees no
way of signaling to them. He does not
take kindly to the theory advanced by
Tesla, of electric signals conveyed
through the ether, as Prof. Harker be-
lieves it an impossibility to develop the
requisite energy to transmit the waves
so far.

SMALLPOX IN ONTARIO.

TORONTO, Dec. 12.—Thirteen new
Three new cases were reported today
Northern Ontario for the last week,
making ninety in all in that part of
the province since the beginning of
November.

Three new cases were reported today
from Western Ontario and two from
Eastern Ontario.

QUEBEC, AS USUAL.

QUEBEC, Dec. 12.—Twenty-six re-
cruits in all have so far passed the
medical examination, leaving nine more
to complete Quebec's quota.

THE LINTON & SINCLAIR CO., Limited.

**SPECIAL IMPORTATIONS FOR
CHRISTMAS.**

150 Cases and Casks of

CHRISTMAS CHINA and GLASSWARE.

These lines will be sold at lowest prices to clear
as we are determined to not carry any over after
Christmas, and Bargains May Be Looked For.

Children's Toy Woodenware: Rockers at 10c, Black-
boards at 25c, Toboggan Slides at 15c, Tables at
15c, Tables (large) at 27c.

See our 5, 10, 20 and 25 cent counters. You will won-
der how we sell these lines at the prices.

We advise buying your Christmas Presents early, getting
a better selection and avoiding the rush.

The LINTON & SINCLAIR CO., Ltd.,
37 & 39 Dock Street.

For the Holiday Season!

We are showing a fine line of dressed and
undressed dolls. These dolls are full jointed,
with bisque heads, natural hair and many of
them are sleepers also. Kid bodied, rag and
numerous other styles of Dolls at very low
prices.

See our lines of Games, Children's Books,
Toys and Fancy Goods before purchasing else-
where.

KEE & BURGESS, 195 UNION ST.

CONTRASTS.

One stream runs gently through
pleasant pastures, between gently slop-
ing banks, and its current is clear, and
calm, and still. Another foams along
a rocky bed, beating madly against
this obstacle and that; here swelling
in gliding eddies above some gruesome
depth; there compressed to a torrent by
a narrow channel and hidden from the
light of day by overhanging banks,
dense with poisonous flowers and ber-
ries.

The same contrasts are to be found
in the lives of men and women. The
shallow peace of one is never stirred;
the course of the other is wild and pas-
sion tossed; yet from that immeasur-
able distance that is still infinite near-
ness, God watches both with larger

eyes than ours, to make allowance for
us all.

TROUBLE FOR THE LOCAL GOV-
ERNMENT.

A short time ago it was announced
that W. E. Skillan, of St. Martins,
would be a candidate for the vacancy
in the representation of St. John coun-
ty. A few days ago an endeavor was
made to induce Joseph Lee to be a
candidate, and it is now stated that
Mr. Dunn and Dr. Pugsley have offer-
ed the nomination to Dr. Ruddick, of
St. Martins. Whoever may get it, it is
quite certain that Mr. Skillan's claims
will be turned aside despite the fact
that he has been for a long time a
faithful adherent to the party. In
Kings county no government candidate
has as yet been found.

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A LARGE LOT JUST RECEIVED AT

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Our Large Stock of

BARGAINS.

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DOLLS,
GAMES,
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WRITING DESKS,
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FANCY GOODS, etc.

BARGAINS.

Must be sold before Xmas.

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CHRISTMAS CAKES AND PIES.

You must have them and its an
awful bother to bake them, isn't it?
They might spoil in the baking and
ruin all. Just leave your order here
and put trouble away. We can supply
layer cakes, ornamental and fancy
cakes, mince and pumpkin pies; the best
ever made. Better leave your order
early—first come, first served.

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HELP WANTED, FEMALE.

Advertisements under this head: Two
words for one cent each time, or five cents
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WANTED.—Girl wanted for general house-
work in family of three. C. E. MANUEL, 138
Paradise row.

WANTED.—Coutmaker wanted at once. Ap-
ply to N. A. SEELEY, 25 Gormain street.

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GENERAL AGENTS WANTED in each
town for special, accident, sickness, inden-
tification policies and general insurance busi-
ness. Liberal terms to reliable men. Write
box 226, Montreal.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

Advertisements under this head inserted
free of charge.

WANTED.—By Competent Man, permanent
or temporary employment at Books, half-
yearly accounts, or general office work. Best
of references. Address, "D. R.," care of
Daily Star Office.

SITUATION WANTED.—A young man en-
gaged during the day would like to obtain
work for evenings, such as keeping a small
set of books, copying, etc. Address H. C.
care Star Office.

WANTED.—Position as nurse during con-
valescent, or taking care of invalids. S. A.,
Star Office.

WANTED.—A position as a working house-
keeper in a small family of adults. Address
W. R., Star Office.

WANTED.—By a woman of experience a
position as Nurse or managing housekeeper.
Can come well recommended. Address M.
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WANTED.

Advertisements under this head: Two
words for one cent each time, or five cents
a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

WANTED.—Rent—Medium sized house
in good locality, modern conveniences, also
a barn or storeroom, preferably on same
lot. Give all particulars of rent, heating,
lighting, etc. Write W. C. R., Star Office.

WANTED.—Carpenter, male or female,
through the city to handle a rapid selling
book on the war. Good commissions. Ad-
dress "M.," Star Office.

MISCELLANEOUS.

PARTIES wishing furnished bedrooms in
private house can hear of the same by ap-
plying to 24 King Street East. Rooms light
and sunny, and heated from half stove. Ring
left hand bell.

ALL KINDS

SEWING MACHINES

REPAIRED.

Needles and parts for all makes at W. H.

BELLS, 28 Dock Street.

MONEY TO LOAN

Advertisements under this head: Two
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MONEY.—Advanced on mortgage in large
or small sums. Apply to Chas Macdonald,
barrister, Walker Building, Canterbury St.

On Freehold and Leasehold property, re-
payable by monthly instalments or other-
wise. Apply to CHAPMAN & TILLEY, Bar-
risters, Palmer's Building, Princess Street.

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snips, good stock. Apply to MISS PARKER,
Park street.

CARDBOARD PLACARDS OF FLATS,
ROOMS, SHOPS and HOUSES TO LET can
be had at the Sun Counting Room.

FOR SALE.—A chemist's balance with all
necessary weights; good as new. Apply
A. M., Star office.

HOTELS.

HOTEL DUFFERIN.

E. LeROY WILLIS, St. John, N. B.

J. J. McCaffrey, Manager.

DIPHTHERIA IN FREDERICTON.

(Thursday's Gleaner.)

There are at present four houses in
the city placarded as having cases of
diphtheria in them, they being Geo.
Taylor's residence, at corner of Char-
lotte and Northumberland streets,
where his son, Wm. P., is ill with the
disease; the lodge at old government
house, where Fred Crowley has a child
suffering from the malady; John Ly-
ons' house, Smythe street, his three
children being sick; and Wm. Lowry's
house, Brunswick street, where his
daughter has the disease. All the
cases are said to be of a mild charac-
ter. There were several cases of dipht-
heria at the houses at Aberdeen Mills,
but all are now cured and placards
were removed from the houses several
days ago. There are at present two
cases of typhoid fever in the city, nei-
ther of a severe type.

Bicyclists and all athletes depend on
BENTLEY'S Liniment to keep their
joints limber and muscles in trim.

BOER TREATMENT.

The war office has issued a state-
ment dealing with the Boer treatment
of Col. Benson's wounded. The state-
ment sets forth that 18 men were kind-
ly and carefully treated by the Boers,
while 75 who were examined testified
that they witnessed and suffered hor-
rible atrocities.

A correspondent of the Daily Mail
says that by proclamation dated Nov.
15th, Gen. Botha ordered the execution
of all burghers now acting as British
scouts, who might fall into the hands
of the Boers, fifteen such have already
been shot.

BIG DROP IN OIL.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 12.—Pennsyl-
vania crude today dropped from 130 to
120, causing much speculation as to
why the purchasing agent should
make this price.

The cause of the break can only be
surmised, as those who know will not
talk. Among the causes given cred-
ence today are weakness in the refined
market occasioned by complication
in the foreign trade and the fact that
the Texas product will to a certain ex-
tent displace the oil now in use in the
southwest.

To cure a Headache in ten minutes
use KUMFORT Headache Powders.

SPENCERS,

81 Germain Street.

Having taken the store formerly occupied by Mr. Hugh Campbell, at Germain street, I shall continue the same line—Sewing Machines, Needles, Oil, etc. Musical Instruments of all kinds, such as Violins, Guitars, Banjos, Mandolins, Accordeons, Mouth Organs and so on. A fine line of strings for all instruments. Sheet Music, old and new. Old books with very pretty pictures. Best Safety Lamp Burner in the world. Call and see them. Costumes, Wigs and Whippers to let. Furniture the same as usual. I am determined that prices will suit all.

SPENCERS.**Bargains!
Bargains!
Bargains!**

We have made a great reduction in Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, Trimmed and Untrimmed Toques, Trimmed and Untrimmed Turbans, Trimmed Bonnets.

Mourning Millinery a Specialty.
Corsets a Specialty.

Ghas. K. Cameron & Co
77 King Street.

TO COOK

All the good things for the Holiday Season and have the house warm and comfortable, get a good supply of Coal, Wood and Kindling early at
GIBBON & CO'S, 81-83
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DON'T MAKE A MISTAKE,

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RESERVE and
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ALL COAL SCREENED BEFORE
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A Turkish Bath

Opens the millions of pores and draws out the poisons which cause disease. It beautifies the complexion, prevents disease, cures colds, fevers, rheumatism, influenza and all blood, skin, Kidney and nerve troubles.

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GENERAL HARDWARE.

House Furnishings, Sporting Goods and Toys.
The cheapest store in the city to buy Wringers, Washtubs, Washboilers, Washing Machines, etc. We sell extra wringer rolls and repair wringers of all kinds.

44 Germain St., Market Bldg.

Tel. 1074.

JOHN RUBINS,

—CUSTOM TAILOR—

Clothes cleaned, repaired and pressed at short notice.
53 Germain Street.

Coal

Sold by bushel,
barrel or ton at

LAW & CO'S,

Tel. 1346. Foot of Clarence St.

"Patterson's,"

Cor. Charlotte and Duke Streets.

LADIES' WHITE LAWN APRONS.

These goods make a very useful Christmas Gift. Prices from

25¢ Up.

STORE OPEN EVERY EVENING.
CASH ONLY.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers in the Star are reminded that to ensure insertion their copy should be handed in not later than TEN O'CLOCK in the morning.

LOCAL NEWS.

The International Steamship Company is advertising a special Christmas excursion to Boston and return for five dollars.

The Pictou steamer Micmac cleared today for Cape Town with a cargo of hay for the Imperial government. The steamer will call at Sydney to coal.

The stock of James Sinclair, grocer, King Square, was put up at auction today by sheriff's sale. The stuff was disposed of in small amounts.

The civic appeals committee will meet next Monday. On Tuesday there will be an adjourned meeting of the council to vote on the proposal to purchase the McLeod wharf for \$40,000.

Battle line steamer Mantinea from East London via Bermuda, arrived this morning. The steamer will load hay for South Africa.

Mrs. James Clark, who resided with her daughter, Mrs. Lowe, Sheriff street, died Thursday. The late Mrs. Clark was a widow, 70 years old, and is survived by one son and three daughters.

Owing to the annual inspection, the steamer St. Croix will not leave Boston till Tuesday morning at 8.15. Inspector J. Olive went up to Boston on the St. Croix, which is being inspected this week.

Tuesday evening at the second quarterly meeting of Grace church a motion was unanimously adopted that an invitation be extended Rev. J. W. McConnell to remain pastor another year. Mr. McConnell accepted the call subject to approval by the conference.

Special prices are quoted in Ladies White Lawn Aprons at Patterson's, Cor. Charlotte and Duke streets. These goods were bought for Christmas trade. They make a pretty gift and the prices are right.

The complimentary dinner tendered by citizens to Senator Ellis will be held in the Royal hotel next Monday night. One hundred people will be present. Judge Burbridge, of the exchequer court of Canada will be one of the guests.

The young people's ball in the York Theatre last night was a successful function. About forty-five couples were present and the dresses of the ladies were exceptionally pretty. Harrison's Orchestra provided the music.

A number of the policemen who were unable to attend to their duties for some days on account of the effects of vaccination, are petitioning for full pay for the time lost. Their claim is that as the vaccination was compulsory they should obtain the full amount.

The funeral of the late Rev. Job Shenton will take place Tuesday afternoon. A memorial service will be held in the Fairville church Sunday afternoon. Rev. Geo. Steel and G. M. Campbell will have charge of the services.

At the annual meeting of St. Jude's Chapter No. 168, held in the school-room Wednesday evening the 4th inst., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Rev. G. F. Scovill, president; Charles Coster, vice-president; S. M. Wetmore, secretary and treasurer.

The funeral of the late Alexander Cairns took place this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from his late residence at the corner of Sydney and Britain streets. Services at the house were conducted by Rev. R. W. Weddall and interment was made in Fernhill cemetery. There were no pallbearers.

PERSONAL.

Frank Stetson, a prominent lumberman of St. John, formerly of Bangor, and of the firm of Stetson, Cutler & Co., is in town for a few days.—Bangor Commercial.

Director-in-Chief William R. Chapman of the Maine music festival is notifying the Maine choruses that he will soon visit them for rehearsals.

G. E. Cochrane left for his home in St. John yesterday. When in Sydney Mr. Cochrane acted as manager for the Maritime Premium Co., and made friends, who regret his departure.—Thursday's Sydney Post.

Clarence H. Gross, formerly of J. H. Harris & Co., Moncton, but lately with Hall & Fairweather, St. John, is about to go into business at Petticoat.

Miss Christie, of St. John, a nurse who has been at Victoria hospital, Fredericton, for several days, suffering from a severe cold and slight sore throat, has almost completely recovered.

Mrs. G. S. Beer, of Charlottetown, is in the city today en route to South Africa, where she goes to join her husband, Capt. Beer, now in the Imperial arms. Mrs. Beer sails on Saturday evening by the Pharsalia.

DR. MARCH INJURED.

Dr. J. E. March, quarantine officer, was painfully injured this forenoon. He in the discharge of his duties had been examining the crew of the ship Creemore, and while in the act of climbing down the ladder on return to the tug Neptune the ladder broke. Dr. March fell between the ship and the tug, striking heavily against the side of the ladder. He was picked up out of the water and taken at once to Partridge Island on the Neptune. Dr. March is in bed suffering considerably from his injuries, but no serious results are anticipated.

TODAY'S FUNERALS.

The remains of the late James T. Logan were laid to rest this afternoon in Cedar Hill cemetery. The funeral took place from Sheriff street, the late residence of the deceased and was largely attended. Rev. Alex. White conducted the services.

SMALLPOX SITUATION.

Is Now Quite Encouraging—No New Cases Today.

The smallpox epidemic is showing encouraging signs of abatement and the outlook is regarded as encouraging by the health authorities.

This afternoon the body of Mary Boone was taken to the new Catholic cemetery for interment. The board of health had to provide a man to cover the grave, as the caretaker in the cemetery refused to participate in the burial of smallpox victims.

At present there are ten patients in the new isolation hospital. This morning Mrs. Nash, a victim who lived on Brussels street, was removed to the institution. There is one nurse at the hospital. Another nurse, Miss Ganong, of the General Public Hospital, has volunteered for duty.

This afternoon the Hamilton and Leonard houses were disinfected. These will probably be released from quarantine within the next day or two.

Mrs. Mary Boone, whose death was reported in yesterday's Star, was 60 years old. She developed the disease on December 1 and was removed to the new isolation hospital last Monday. One son survives. The woman, whose character was somewhat eccentric, was not in comfortable circumstances. Several days before being discovered as a smallpox sufferer she was an applicant for aid at the headquarters of a local charitable institution. Leaving the place she said she would go and "catch" the smallpox, which would compel the authorities to assist. Subsequent development proved that the unfortunate woman was as good as her threat. While she lived in an infected district there is no evidence that she deliberately exposed herself to danger.

Some three weeks ago a member of the Blair family residing at 8 Brindley street, died. Upon her death the kitchen, pantry and one bedroom were locked and their occupation prohibited until they were fumigated. As yet nothing has been heard in regard to disinfecting these rooms and the family, who are occupying the other part of the house in which a second member of the family has since died, are unable to use their cooking stove, which is in the kitchen, or get at their dishes, which are locked up in the pantry.

The same state of affairs exists in the Alward house at 10 Haymarket Square, where two rooms have been closed for some time.

The occupants of these houses who are under quarantine, do not think they are being fairly treated in this matter, and it does seem to indicate an unnecessary carelessness on the part of the authorities.

A number of patients were discharged from the General Public Hospital yesterday and four others are leaving this afternoon, bringing down the number still under treatment to seven.

Yesterday afternoon a meeting of the house committee of the hospital was held, and it was decided to fumigate the building as soon as possible; to repaint the interior and to furnish new bedclothes and mattresses.

The authorities at Westport have determined to fumigate the vessel three men must be removed from her, but neither the dominion authorities nor the local board of health is willing to assume this responsibility. The government is willing to permit the board of health to utilize its disinfection apparatus and the company owning the barge will bear the expense involved.

Respecting the difficulty over the responsibility of the crew of the barge in quarantine the men, three in number, are considered to be immune and will be removed after they undergo careful disinfection.

THE COTTON MILLS.

It is Expected That They Will Be Started By Christmas.

Work in the cotton mills is being rapidly carried on and although it is still impossible to name the particular day on which they will re-open, the manager feels that his hope of having the mills running about Christmas time will be realized. Necessary repairs have been made on the buildings and next spring when the fine weather makes it possible, further repairs will be made. The engines and boilers have been put in perfect order and after having been tested are found to be in a satisfactory condition. The other machinery has also received its share of attention and it is expected that steam will be turned on in both of the mills this afternoon. The necessary work of grinding the cards will be done today and tomorrow, and after that very little remains to be done beyond the general overhauling of different parts of the machinery.

As soon as possible after commencing the facilities will be taxed to their full capacity, which will mean the employment of 600 men. Every dollar of the stock, except \$2,000, says Col. Jones, has been subscribed by local capitalists, among whom there was a rush to obtain stock after the success of Mr. Robertson was assured.

Applications are pouring in from former employees of the mills, who are now located in various parts of Canada and the United States.

The utmost precaution will be exercised by the management against smallpox, and one of the regulations is that no one will be employed unless having been successfully vaccinated.

WILL SOLVE THE DIFFICULTY.

James Brennan, the labor advocate and prominent supporter of the liberal party, accented a Star reporter today for a "tip" on the impending judicial election. "You tell those fellows," said the ubiquitous James, "that I am going to kick up my heels and be a liberal candidate for the house at Fredericton."

The St. John ship Creemore, Capt. Kennedy, arrived this morning from Rio Janeiro. The vessel had a tedious passage of seventy-eight days. She will, after undergoing repairs, load lumber for Buenos Ayres.

MOUNTED RIFLES

Will Sail About Jan. 10th.—The Western Men's Send Off.

Last evening twenty men from St. John under Lieut. Markham, left for Halifax en route to service with the second C. M. R. in South Africa. A very large crowd gathered at the station to see them off. Among those present were Mayor Daniel and several of the aldermen, Lieut.-Col. Markham, McLean, Jones, A. J. Armstrong, J. R. Armstrong and a number of other officers of local militia corps. The twentieth man selected yesterday was N. B. Caldwell, aged 22, of this city. The majority of the men were clad in civilian clothes, although a few of them wore khaki and one or two had the uniform of the city militia corps. Lieut. Markham wore his Hussars' uniform with his Transvaal medal. The Boston express brought in the Fredericton contingent, Messrs. Finnamore, Tibbitts, Phillips, Jones and Ryan. A despatch from Halifax states that the first quota for the Mounted Rifles reached there last night, consisting of twelve men from Charlottetown. The quarters at the exhibition buildings are being fitted up rapidly and will be made comfortable. Drift will begin at once. Col. Evans is expected on Saturday.

It is expected that the men will be fitted out with uniforms and kit at Halifax, and be supplied with arms at Capetown.

OTTAWA, Dec. 13.—A cablegram from the high commissioner, London, to the minister of militia states that the transports Manhattan and Victoria will arrive at Halifax January 7, to embark the second Canadian Mounted Rifles. Authorities here expect they can have all the men, horses and stores on board in about three days, so that transports should be able to start for South Africa January 10th.

MONTREAL, Dec. 13.—Forty-five men who enlisted in this district's quota of the second regiment Canadian Mounted Rifles left for Halifax about 9 o'clock by Intercolonial railway, which also carried western men who arrived at St. Henri Junction this morning. The march of the local men from the drill hall to the Grand Trunk station was participated in by a good crowd of friends, and a band added to the liveliness of the occasion. The men received a splendid sendoff.

THE POETICAL WOMAN

Who Answers Advertisers Explains Her Actions.

The identity of the person who has recently amused herself by inflicting on innocent advertisers stolen poetry which was hardly applicable to their needs, has been discovered. The initials with which she signed the different letters betrayed her secret. While there may be many M. C.'s in the city there is only one Mary C—n, who quotes poetry of this description with frequency and despatch.

Mrs. Mary C—n was seen last night and delivered herself of a few remarks in regard to the subject which was uppermost in her mind.

She wished to know why, if advertisers desired to complain of the style of answers received by them from her, they did not lodge complaints with her. She considered that the benefits received from a perusal of the psalms and hymns and spiritual songs far outweighed any annoyance to which the advertisers might be put.

When asked her reason for writing these letters, Mrs. C—n stated that she had a far-reaching purpose in view, the particulars of which she felt should not be disclosed at present. This work is a part of a theory which she has developed for the uplifting of mankind.

She felt that the time and money she has spent in the practical development of this plan has not been spent in vain. But it is not likely that Mrs. Mary C—n will write any more letters.

POLICE COURT.

Quick and Clean Work by the Police.

James O'Brien was working last evening in Sullivan's saloon, and before going home took a drink of liquor. Following the good example set by O'Brien, the liquor also worked and caused its bearer to live in an excited condition near the foot of Paradise. He was arrested by Officer Semple, but could not understand how one little drink had unbalanced him. He was allowed to go.

There appears to be no satisfactory explanation why Patrick O'Shaughnessy should leave the green sod of old Ireland to indulge in unlawful actions in the land of snow. But Paddy is in trouble. He was arrested last night for lying drunk on South wharf, but this morning a more serious charge was entered against him. It appears that a young man named Austin McLaughlin, living at present at the New Victoria hotel, went in to supper last evening, leaving his overcoat on the rack used for that purpose. Upon coming out from supper his coat was missing, and as a thorough search failed to bring it to light the matter was reported to the police. This morning when O'Shaughnessy was taken to the central station he was wearing an overcoat which answered to the description of it given by Mr. McLaughlin. The latter was sent for and identified the coat as well as a number of articles found in the pockets as his property. Upon evidence being given by him and also by Detective Killen, O'Shaughnessy was committed for trial. The latter claims that he was drunk at the time and does not know how he came into possession of the coat.

THE COURTS.

In the county court today the case of Rowan v. DeBury was postponed till Dec. 20, to allow the defendant to put in further affidavits relative to the merits of the defence.

Judge Wedderburn will hereafter hold chamber sittings in this city on Wednesdays.

In the supreme court today the case of Mayes v. Connolly was continued today. James M. Clark, foreman for Mr. Mayes, was examined.

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COLLEGE UNION.

The Matter of the Confederation of Maritime Colleges Again Taken Up at Kings—The St. John Law School.

HALIFAX, Dec. 12.—It looks as if the amalgamation of Kings and Dalhousie colleges might take place. The following statement was sent out today by the authorities of King's University: "At the regular semi-annual meeting of the board of governors of Kings College, held at the Church of England Institute, the principal subject under consideration was the confederation of the various colleges of the maritime provinces. After careful and exhaustive discussion a committee was appointed to open up communication with the other colleges concerned looking towards the formation of one central university."

J. Roy Campbell and Rev. G. F. Scovill of St. John are members of the committee.

In the opinion of those who are connected with the law school in this city, the proposed amalgamation of Dal-

house and Kings colleges will have no effect upon the school.

Should the two colleges unite, as at present seems probable, it is hardly likely even though Dalhousie has an excellent law school of its own, that the institution in this city will be discontinued. It is to be regretted that the establishment of the school was not undertaken by Mount Allison or the University of New Brunswick instead of allowing a Nova Scotian college to stretch out and organize it. Had one of the New Brunswick universities secured control of the St. John law school there would not now be the slightest danger of its being done away with, but even though there is a possibility of such a thing being done it is altogether improbable.

The law school is at present in a more flourishing condition than at any time since its inception. New students are constantly being received and the school is now on a firm working basis.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers will please send in copy early in the morning, to ensure the necessary change being made.