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ST. JOHN, N. B. FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 1909.



FIRE WEATHER MADE AN IDEAL HOLIDAY

First Day of 1909 is Being Pleasantly Observed - Church Services This Morning - Oddfellows Hold Reception.

New Year's morning dawned fine and clear a little cold, perhaps, but that is anything added to the zest of the outdoor pleasures. This morning was marked by several church services, curling and skating in the rinks, performances at the moving picture theatres and any number of social calls.

United Children's Service More than 1000 children of the city Methodist Sunday school gathered in the church this morning where a very interesting programme was carried out. The meeting completed a chain across the continent by the messages were held in all the larger Canadian cities today.

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SKOWHEGAN, MAINE, HAS \$400,000 FIRE

Heart of Maine Town Was Wiped Out by Fire at an Early Hour This Morning. Skowhegan, Me. Jan. 1.-A stubborn fire broke out and damaged three business blocks and burned five tenement houses on Water street, in the heart of this town, early today. Two of the houses were blown up with dynamite in an effort to check the progress of the flames and it was only after eight hours work that the local department, assisted by apparatus from Waterville and Bangor, succeeded in bringing the fire under control. The loss is estimated at about \$400,000. The fire started from some unknown cause in the basement of the

BRITAIN MUST LET INDIAN NATIVES KNOW WHO IS BOSS

Much Unrest Among Native Tribes - Bengalis Laugh at Lord Minto - Crimes Act Similar to That in Ireland May be Passed. Calcutta, British India, Dec. 31.-Seditious in the land and speculation as to just how much longer it will be before the British government will let it go on with its policy of repression.

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THE MORE SURVIVORS TELL OF HORRIBLE OCCURENCES STRUCK ITALIAN CITIES

Refugees Eating the Flesh of Dogs - British Vice Consul Saw His Wife Killed by His Side - Work of Rescue is Going Ahead Rapidly But Full Extent of Disaster Will Not be Known for Many Days.

Palermo, Jan. 1.-Ludovico Pulci, a member of the Chamber of Deputies, who was at Messina, at the time of the earthquake, has arrived here. The account he gave of the death of his brother, Nicola, who was also a deputy, and the efforts to save him, was absolutely harrowing. From six o'clock Monday morning until midnight he was on the ship he tried to reach him, notwithstanding his frantic efforts. At midnight the groans gradually died away, and nothing afterwards was heard. Many of the wounded died before reaching here, and many have died since they arrived here, and have been hastily buried. On board the steamer Palermo, which was at Messina, at the time of the earthquake, he saw his wife, who was with him, and she was killed by his side. The work of rescue is going ahead rapidly but the full extent of the disaster will not be known for many days.

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ST. JOHN FIREMEN HAD A BUSY YEAR

Record of Fires During 1908 Shows That the Firemen Had 95 Bell and 44 Still Alarms - No Big Fires During the Year.

The following is the list of fires that occurred during 1908 in this city, showing the number of the box, date and locality; also showing the number of still alarms: During the year, 1908, there were 76 bell alarms in the city (east and west on the west side); also 42 still alarms (east and west on the west side). In the year 1907 there were 108 bell and 40 still alarms sent in. During the past year the chemical engine did good work.

Jan. 3-Box 15, 6:15 p. m. second alarm, W. A. Rowley's carriage factory, W. B. Daley shop, M. McGrath variety store building owned by J. E. Wilson, insurance \$2,000, loss covered, Brunswick street. Jan. 4-Box 212, 10:07 p. m. Daniel Mahoney, Rockland street, chimney. Jan. 5-Box 145, 9:54 p. m. Joseph Durbin house, curtain fire; Main street. Jan. 12-Box 128, 10:10 a. m. McMaisters house, Straight Shore, slight damage to roof. Jan. 14-Box 143, 6:30 p. m. John Kane's chimney; Simonds street. Jan. 18-Box 111, 5 p. m., chimney on fire; Stanley street. Jan. 18-Box 38, 12:15 a. m. Mrs. Martin's Union street, curtain on fire. Jan. 19-Box 122, 9:55 p. m. Mrs. Corbett's house, Main street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 1-Box 14, 9:05 p. m. R. J. Haley house, Brussels and Richmond streets, chimney. Feb. 2-Box 16, 11:05 a. m. T. M. Winton's house in hole at stable. Feb. 3-Box 11, 6:45 p. m. W. H. Golding's house, 51 Main street, caught fire, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 7-Box 23, 11:30 a. m. Horace Brown, tailor shop, German street, damage \$50; insured. Feb. 9-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 10-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 11-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 12-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 13-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 14-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 15-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 16-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 17-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 18-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 19-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 20-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 21-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 22-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 23-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 24-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 25-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 26-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 27-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 28-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 29-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured. Feb. 30-Box 21, 8:30 a. m. A. Bedell house, Duke street, damage \$300; insured.

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**THE WEAPONS OF MYSTERY**  
BY JOSEPH HOCKING.

Author of "All Men are Liars," "Fields of Fair Renown," etc., etc.

(Continued)

"Voltaire has found out this, and he too wants you for his wife; so he has been trying to drive me away from here. How I cannot tell you; but what I have said is true."

"I spoke rapidly, passionately, and I saw that her face became alternately pale and red, but she did not reply."

"Am I bold to speak thus?" I asked. "I think I must be, for I have scarcely known you a week. But I cannot help it. My life is given up to you. If I could but know that my love were not in vain! If you could give me some word of hope!"

A beautiful look lit up her eyes; she opened her mouth to speak, when a voice shouted—

"Come, Justin; don't let us be late for dinner, if you do."

It was Tom Temple who spoke, and a turn in the lane revealed him. To say I was sorry would be to hint at my feelings. But I could not hinder the turn things had taken, so we started our horses into a gallop, I hoping that soon another opportunity might occur for our being alone, when I scolded her and told her what I desired that they had become friendly again.

"Well, I met her in the hall. She looked as happy as a girl could well look. I saw her come in from her ride, and so I guessed that they had become friendly again."

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**CHAPTER IX—THE HALL GHOST.**

Perhaps some of my readers may think I was doing wrong in determining to listen to the proposed confession between Miss Staggles and Voltaire. I do not of course, for any excuse, however I felt that if this man was to be fought, it must be by his own weapons; such, at any rate, as I could use. I remembered the terrible influence he had exercised over me, the power of which might not yet be broken. I remembered Miss Forrest too. Evidently this man was a villain, and wanted to make her his wife. To stop such an event, I should devote my life. Something important might be the result of such a conversation. I might hear disclosed the secret of his influence, and thereby discover the means whereby I could be free, and this freedom might I hoped, make me his master.

Anyhow, I went. The dark clouds which swept across the sky hid the pale rays of the moon, and, clothed in black, as I was, it would be difficult to see me. I amongst the dark tall trees. I hurried to the summer-house, for I wished to be there before they arrived. I was successful in this. When I came, all was silent; so I got behind a large tree, which while it hid me from any entering the house, enabled me to be within earshot of anything that might be said, especially so as the summer-house was a rustic affair, and the sides by no means thick.

Silently I waited for, I should think, all-an-hour, then a woman came alone, evidently she was cold, for she stamped feet against the wood floor with great violence. Minute after minute passed, still there was no third party. I heard a low "hat."

"So late," said the woman's voice, recognized as Miss Staggles', "and we must not stay long."

I think we are watched.

**DD'S KEY**

A pleasing entertainment was held in the Seaman's Institute last night. H. C. Tilley, the president, sent down a fine grammophone and the selections were much enjoyed. The seamen expressed their gratitude to Mr. Tilley in appropriate manner. The evening was closed with prayer for the New Year.

**Fashion Hint for Times Readers**



YOUNG GIRL'S HAT OF WHITE FELT.

Ribbon is the only trimming on this charmingly simple hat, and the arrangement of the ribbon will offer a happy suggestion to the mother looking for some change from ordinary ribbon bows and rosettes. The hat is caught back from the face to show the forehead and hair—always lovely features in the young girl's face—and just above is placed a big rose, made by winding the double ribbon round and round. At the back the ribbon passes in and out through slits in the felt.

**TORONTO CLERGYMEN MAKE AN APPEAL TO THE CITIZENS**

**They State Why the People Should Vote in Favor of the Reduction of Liquor Licenses in that City**

The Anglican clergymen of Toronto have issued, through the Toronto press, the following appeal to the people of Toronto in favor of the reduction of the number of liquor licenses—

"The Anglican clergy, whose pastoral work lies wholly within the city of Toronto, ask your kind permission to address their fellow-citizens through your columns on the subject of the proposal to reduce the number of licenses in the city."

"We are in a position to know a good deal of the problem of intemperance; and we are familiar with the attendant misery and degradation to which, wherever the facilities for drinking are reduced, drunkenness is also reduced."

"The reduction of the number of licenses in this city is the only way in which the increase in the number of licenses during the last four years, when there has been no increase in the population, can be accounted for by the increase in the number of licenses. The reduction has been put into effect three years ago, the figures for the last two years are as follows: 1926, 5,423; 1927, 7,105; 1928, 8,021; 1927, 8,750. If reduction had been put into effect three years ago, the figures for the last two years would have been 5,423 and 5,423."

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**WITNESS SAW ASSASSINS WAITING FOR THE VICTIM**

**John Basker Swore He Saw Two Men Lurking Behind Log Pole From Which "Paddy" Green Was Shot to Death—He Could Not Identify Them.**

Andover, Dec. 31.—The preliminary investigation in the charge against two Italians, Leon Sappell and Tony Arosola, of having murdered Edward Green, the peddler, was resumed here today. A number of witnesses, including Chief of Police Foster, who made the arrest, were examined. The evidence related principally to the finding of the body and the traces left by the assassins.

It is probable that the hearing will be concluded before Saturday. T. J. Carter is appearing for the crown. Hon. W. P. Jones is watching the case for Green's relatives.

John Basker, who spent Saturday night at No. 3 camp, two miles east of the scene of the murder, and walked up the right of way Sunday morning, was the first witness called today. He was walking up the right of way towards Ferguson's camp at No. 16 residence when he saw two men behind the log pile from which the shot which killed Green was subsequently fired. One of the men said, "Good-morning, it looks like snow," to which he assented. He said that the men were Italians but he could not identify them as the prisoners. He continued on up the right of way and half way to the residence met Green and Panarsky. He went on to the camp and about fifteen minutes later saw Panarsky come in and give the alarm that Green had been shot.

Albion R. Foster, chief of the G. T. P. police, described the arrest of the prisoners at Emil Johnson's camp, where they previously worked. He said they were exhausted and had snow and ice on their coats and hats, although the camp was warm. When he arrived they were un-

city case with watches and jewelry scattered round it and the value. He also found a hand-made knife on the jewelry box. He identified Green's pocketbook, which was picked up three or four feet from the log. The witness also testified to finding part of a wad from a shotgun about half way between the log pile and Green's body.

Richard Sisson, proprietor of a lumber camp on the Wapkehegan near the tote road which runs up from the mouth of the Wapkehegan, said no strangers passed up the road until a search party arrived.

The hearing was then adjourned until tomorrow morning.

**CANADA GIVES TO THE ITALIAN SUFFERERS**

**Government Will Send \$100,000 and an Appropriate Expression of Sympathy—Hon. Mr. Graham Talks of I. C. R.**

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—At this afternoon's cabinet council it was decided to contribute on behalf of the Canadian government, the sum of \$100,000 towards the relief of the sufferers by the earthquake in southern Italy. The contribution will be forwarded through the colonial office, accompanied by an appropriate expression of sympathy.

The attention of Hon. Geo. F. Graham, minister of railways, was drawn today to a despatch from Halifax hinting that a syndicate of Maritime Province capitalists were seeking an option on the Intercolonial, and that MacKenzie & Mann were also after the road.

Mr. Graham's comment was that he had nothing to add to the despatch upon the subject made by him at the commercial travelers' banquet in Toronto last week. The question of re-organization of the management of the Intercolonial was under consideration, the minister said, but whether the solution would be the placing of the road under the management of a commission, or its sale to a company, or a continuation of the present system with improved methods introduced was not yet determined.

**ALL FOR ONE DIME**

**Here is a Little Story Which Contains More Than One Grain of Truth.**

(C. F. R. in Toronto News.)

He came home at night to his little room.

He could come when he liked. He could go when he liked. If he came in late it made no difference. He had a latch key. His landlady was the only one interested in his late hours.

It was a bit lonesome in a small room, and narrow, room small and none too warm at that.

He had read the evening paper. But he had a new suit of clothes paid for, and he had a new pair of boots.

But that doesn't help pass the evening. "Read the latest book," says a voice. "Book cost money, and he isn't stuck on reading for recreation, anyway, the paper is about all he ever reads."

"I'm going out somewhere," he says to himself.

"To whom?"

"To the Y. M. C. A."

He is not a member, and it costs something to join; besides no fellow ever asked him up.

Not much; a fellow can't whisper there, or smoke, or chat, or make any kind of noise, and he has a human nose to tend softly and turn the leaves gently.

To the church, then, if the church was closed, besides no one ever invited him. Anyway, what was there in the church appealing to him, a workingman, and believing that the barroom is an economic, social and moral burden on the community, a menace to the individual and an enemy to the home.

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**SICILY'S CHECKERED HISTORY**

(Hall and Empler.)

Sicily, the scene of one of the greatest disasters of modern times, is far from its once great position, and it needs a earthquake to bring it into prominence. There followed two hundred years of fighting and rebellion, which ended in the expulsion of the French in 1828 from Naples. But they clung to the island of Sicily for another century and a half, and it was not until the reign of Albert, and a new pair of boots.

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**The Times Daily Puzzle Picture**



**THE QUIETTEST QUIT.**

With the New Year a new resolve I've made which seems quite fitting And that is, after much hard thought, I've decided to quit quitting.

ANSWER TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE.

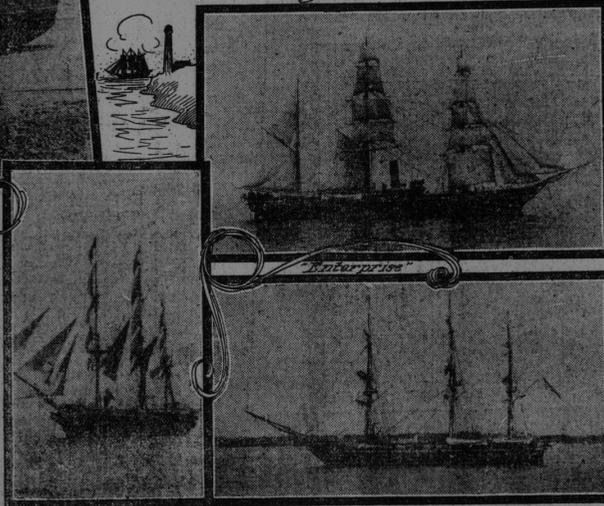
Right side down, nose between two

THE EVENING TIMES, ST. JOHN, N. B. FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 1909.

THE PASSING OF THE WOODEN WALLS

VESSELS OF THE OLD NAVY ARE BEING RELEGATED TO THE SCRAP HEAP

By Thomas Wilson



St. Mary's under sail

Saratoga

The sale of the old sloops-of-war Saratoga, St. Mary's and Enterprise, after having been condemned by the government...

Indeed, when the Monitor and the Merrimack fought their famous battle in Hampton Roads and the onlooking world perceived that the days of wooden fighting ships were over, the three craft that have lately been cast aside as unfit for service were just in their prime and were numbered among the finest vessels of their class in the whole world.

Today these same vessels, when compared to the mighty battleship New Hampshire, North Dakota, Delaware, and others of the class, are as comparing a smooth bore 12-pounder to a 12-inch gun or an ox-cart with an automobile.

St. Mary's on Beach a few minutes before the torch was applied

representing the very latest ideas in maritime construction, with the possible exception of armor plate, which, while appreciated, had not been adopted by the government up to that time.

A comparison with the St. Mary's, which was then considered old, made her indeed seem formidable. The St. Mary's was of 1,625 tons displacement, 300 tons less than the Enterprise, and her armament was so inferior as to hardly be worth while comparing.

Notwithstanding the trio have come to their end as fighting craft, all have won their laurels on many a sea, and while there does not hang about them the halo of actual carnage when cuppers ran deep with the blood of their crew, they served their flag well and won victories of peace no less renowned than those of war.

to the point. After stating that this vessel was anchored in a position entirely to his satisfaction, the plucky American skipper concluded by stating that if there were a bombardment care should be exercised that none of the shot struck the vessel, for, while he realized the weakness of his vessel as compared to the squadron, his ship represented three thousand guns on the sea. There was no bombardment.

One of the employees of the "country" bank tells an interesting story of an exchange that he made on his own hook. In the Civil War he had been captured and imprisoned by the Confederates. One day, not so very long ago, an old, white-haired man came up to him and asked him if he was Captain North.

By the American to prevent her falling into the hands of the British. The third Enterprise was an schooner of 184 tons, purchased in New York in 1831 and 14 years later sold, becoming a merchantman. She made no war record and her principal claim to recognition is that she was commanded by many officers who distinguished themselves.

Historic Old U.S. Frigate "Constitution" Now at Navy Yard, Charlestown, Mass.

government, the school securing a more modern vessel. What will be the end of the Enterprise cannot be forecast, but it is practically certain that the ship will be put up at auction and sold to the highest bidder, who will probably buy her to get iron from her material that is in her that is marketable.

With her once lofty spars represented by three slender sticks and her decks covered with a shed that makes her look more like a houseboat than anything else, the old Constitution presents a sorry figure when compared with some of the great steel warships of the New Hampshire class or Rhode Island class, while she sinks into insignificance when ranged alongside of the North Dakota.

UNCLE SAM'S "COUNTRY BANK"



U.S. Treasury Building The "Country Bank" is where the X is marked

Tucked away in one corner of the United States Treasury Building at Washington, so obscurely concealed that only the initiated know of it, is a bank that handles more money each year than any other bank in the world—more money even than the far-famed Bank of England. The largest single warrant ever issued on this bank is for \$40,000,000, the smallest for one cent. The sum total of its annual receipts and disbursements is not figured.

It is really the Bank of the United States, for it is here that all of the government money is disbursed and received from those officials who are authorized to deposit it with, or withdraw it from the Treasury.

In appearance, such a gigantic institution gives no evidence of the mighty volume of business transacted therein. In fact, it resembles more than anything else, the typical country bank in a medium-sized town. While there are no farms for market and trucks of hay hitched to the fence outside, as is generally the case with its village prototype, its dark and gloomy interior, its walls smoked with the atmosphere of 50 years ago and its ancient banking equipment lend it to an air so truly rural that in comparison the average small-town banking institution seems most impressively modern.

peculiar odor of many greenbacks, and one feels rather than hears, in the very quietness of the place, the dull click of gold. The bulk of the bank's business is done not over its windows, but out of its shipping rooms, and, therefore, few people are seen in the bank proper compared to the crowds that move in and out of the average city bank. But any one of the men who come to the bank to transact Uncle Sam's business, carries with him, as a general rule, more money than many of the largest banks in the country handle in a whole day.

Many visitors, however, from all parts of the country, pass in and out the whole day long and listen to the monotonous voice of the guide, who tells one of the enormous quantities of money in its vaults and the size of its warrants. The average visitor is duly impressed, especially when he is allowed to hold nearly a million dollars in his hands. It seems scarcely possible to him that all the money in the country that he and his friends and everyone has to work so hard for comes out of this little bank in the Treasury building. And yet it does. Every piece of money issued by the government passes through the hands of the employees of this bank, and a strict account is kept of the corporation, bank or individual to whom each new bill is issued.

The cashier of the bank, Edward R. True, has a greater responsibility in point of the number of dollars he is responsible for perhaps than any other cashier in the country. He nearly always has five hundred millions of dollars in his custody. The business of this bank is transacted in practically the same manner as that of any other bank, with the exception

ment than to list each note separately. This exchanging of new money for old is most interesting. Not only do all banks send in their old bills to be exchanged, but many visitors and Washingtonians frequently stop to the window and obtain new, unissued greenbacks for battered, much-traveled ones they may chance to have.

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Not all of the cancelled warrants and checks made out on the treasurer are kept, but they still have the largest and smallest warrants ever made. The largest is of comparatively recent date. It was made out to cover the purchase price of the Panama Canal. It is for the sum of \$40,000,000. In contrast to this immense sum is the warrant made out to President Cleveland one time for one cent, necessary in the balancing of his salary.

Perhaps the most remarkable fact about the "country" bank of Uncle Sam is that in one way or other every piece of money, whether paper or coin, passes through the hands of its "cashier" before being put into circulation. When the paper money is made at the government's Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Washington it is hauled to the bank's vaults under the Treasury Building in a wagon built and used for this purpose alone. The wagon is constructed of iron and is bombproof. It closely resembles the average "Black Maria" used in many cities to convey prisoners from the police court to the jail after sentence. While transporting the money through the streets of Washington from the bureau to the treasury the wagon is guarded by two armed men, both records for courage. The average daily haul is about \$100,000. Sometimes as much as \$200,000 in bills of large denomination, are carried in one load. At the present time Uncle Sam is engaged in transferring from the bureau to the bank's vaults the \$200,000,000 reserve fund which congress made provisions last session.

This fund is an emergency reserve, intended to be made and withheld from circulation until some such financial panic shall occur as the one that fell upon the country last fall. This vast sum may never be used at all.

When the money is received at the treasury bank from the wagon it is unloaded to trucks on the sidewalk. The armed guards stand by while the safe containing the money are removed from the van and several well-dressed men, apparently idlers, but really secret service men, are in immediate vicinity. Strange as it may seem, Washingtonians have become so accustomed to seeing the van unloaded that they pass it by with scarcely a glance.

The small safes containing the money are then taken into the vaults, where they are opened, their contents examined in the light of the bill, and an employee of the bureau is given a receipt for the amount in each safe. In the vaults the money is placed according to denomination. When needed by some of the banks for circulation, the cashier issues an order to the shipping department of the Treasury Building. The money is handled there after the fashion that the average business house handles shipments.

The shipping clerk presents the order of the cashier to the vault keepers, who hand him the amount of money requested, and receives his receipt for the same. In this way every paper dollar is kept track of from the moment it leaves the bureau until it goes into general circulation. Every day when the vaults of the bank are closed a balance is struck, so that the cashier knows exactly the amount of money drawn and deposited.

Coin is handled in a manner somewhat different. Uncle Sam's big mints at San Francisco and Philadelphia have representatives of the "country" bank stationed on their premises. These representatives of the "country" bank station themselves in the mints to receive the various banks of the country on order of the cashier of the "country" bank in Washington. This system centralizes the financial business of the government in the small office of this dingy bank in the Treasury building. Gold coin is shipped from the mints through the express companies in cases specially constructed for this purpose to the vaults in Washington. The same system of disbursement of the paper money is used in putting the gold into circulation.

George F. Robinson, the watchman, who sits at the door of the bank, has the opportunity of seeing a large number of the tourists who visit Washington than any other government employe, perhaps. Every stranger asks him one question at least. Some of them spend quite a while with him, for he has many interesting things to tell. Visitors frequently remember him, after they return home, with posts and letters. He has letters from visitors from all over the world who have made his acquaintance at the door of the little "country" bank.

Although it is the largest bank in the world, and full of overflowing with thousands and thousands of dollars, there have been no attempts to rob it. Several times money has been embezzled, but only in small amounts; and, at that, the culprits have enjoyed their plunder but not the money. The government, through its secret service, has almost unlimited means in running them down. In fact, it has become nearly a breach of criminal etiquette to attempt to rob the little "country" bank in the Treasury Building. Nor has any effort ever been made to rob the big, somber wagon that carries the money from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing to the Treasury Building. Chief of the United States secret service Wilkie has at times received letters of warning of an alleged attempt to be made to rob the wagon and the vaults. These are investigated, of course, but, as far as the public knows, at least none have ever turned out to be forerunners of a plot bona-fide put into execution.

Over a Million Speak Esperanto

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The Emperor sent a special messenger to welcome the Esperantists, and King of Saxony accepted the honor of becoming operator of the cult and his beautiful opera house to the artists, in which they produced in Esperanto. Undoubtedly, this language gives signs of persistence, in which they produced in Esperanto. Undoubtedly, this language gives signs of persistence, in which they produced in Esperanto. Undoubtedly, this language gives signs of persistence, in which they produced in Esperanto.

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THE INTERCOLONIAL

Replying to various rumors concerning the future control of the I. C. R., Hon. Mr. Graham repeats that the question of re-organization of the management of the railway is being considered, but no decision has been reached.

It is worthy of note that the maritime province view with respect to the I. C. R. is supported by a leading journal of British Columbia. The Victoria Colonist says:

"The people of Canada must not lose sight of the part which the promise of this railway played in bringing about Confederation. So important was it deemed that the British North America Act contains the following very unusual provision.

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"Thus the Intercolonial Railway was the corner stone of the Dominion, and if it has not proved a financial success, its failure in that regard does not of itself call for its abandonment as a public work. The people of the eastern Maritime Provinces have some right in this connection, which ought to be respected. It is largely a matter for them to decide."

LOOKING FORWARD

The commercial reviews speak with confidence of the outlook for business in the year which opens today. In Canada, which felt the effect of the general depression, there is general improvement. The customs returns which are a fair indication, show a gradual return to the conditions which prevailed before the depression.

There is a decidedly more confident feeling in the United States, although they do not anticipate rapid recovery. The gradual improvement which has been a feature of recent months is expected to continue, perhaps at a more rapid pace.

In New Brunswick the year 1909 should witness the development of some new industries, concerning which considerable has been written during the year now closed. Something should also be done in the direction of securing a desirable class of settlers on farm lands in this province. Looking forward with such evidence as appears to be worthy of confidence, it would seem that 1909 should witness considerable progress, and an increase in the prosperity of this city and province. This view is very generally held by merchants, with regard to trade, and it is reasonable to assume that its application may be made general.

THE EARTH AND MAN

The destruction wrought by the earthquake in Sicily moves a contributor to 'New York paper to the following remarks:

"The violence of the earthquake striking the historic land and isles in Italy, what right has man to civilization did not exist at the unknown to our knowledge? What is impossible of the Lost Atlantis, first now literature by Plato, made a gigantic gust of gas bursting from Mont Alban island in the human life in the island of Mars in the year 1883, listed persons who aped to sea."

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EARTHQUAKE

(By Arthur Guiterman.) Enormous, foul in venom-brewing sleep. The Midgard serpent rings the rolling earth; Unobscured ocean hides his mighty girth; Through hollow caves where gloomy rivers leap His scaly lengths are drawn. The ranges stand rooted o'er him; gardens, plains And cities rich in action, passion, mirth Of men, have place above him. Brooding deep, Anon the serpent dreams of heavy ill— Of earth's last dawn—the war on Vigrid's plain Where Thor shall slay him, writing Over all the evolutions a fearful shudder thrills: Then earth, too, shudders; mountains rend in twain, And masonry walls and towers crashing fall.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

Mistress—I suppose you'll be wanting several nights out every week, Norah? New Girl—Only wish, ma'am, don't be so silly! Well, of-course, th' way yere husband does, ma'am.

A THICK PLOT.

(Philadelphia Inquirer.) "Suppose," blissed the villain, "suppose our plot should leak out?" "That's all right," said his accomplice, consolingly. "It can't. Don't you remember telling me five minutes ago that it had thickened?"

DON'T DARE TO BE.

(Boston Transcript.) Mr. Highmore—Well, I believe, who observed that "woman is the salt of man's life?" Miss Keen—Quite true! Young men aren't half so fresh after they get married.

RUNNING NO RISK.

(Family Herald.) Scientific knowledge is something useful. "My boy," said the kindly English pastor to the hobblesby of a youth who was picking mushrooms in the rocky fields, "be wary of picking a toadstool instead of a mushroom; they are easy to confuse." "That be all right, sur," said the urchin, "us han't a goal to eat 'em ourselves; they're goin' to market to be sold."

NEVER HEARD OF IT.

(Omaha Bee.) Returning from his visit to the East the Kansas City man related with much complacency this story: "A man from this town, having large means, was in New York, declined a dinner while there from a New York financier, and returned home with a millionnaire. 'What's that?' The man from this Western 'Prairie Dog City' looked at him a moment, and then said: 'You're a barbarian.'"

PROVINCIAL NEWS

New Brunswick

Miss Ellen McKinnon, of Antigonish, N. S., who is visiting in Milltown, is confined to her bed from serious injuries to her side, sustained in colliding with a pole when coasting.

The St. Stephen Light Co. has installed modern lights in their system.

A man named Savoy, who was handcuffed on Thursday on a Campbellton train for fighting, jumped through a window of the baggage car and disappeared in the woods.

Nova Scotia

It is reported that the Dominion Coal Co. will reopen the Emery seam at Dominion No. 4, Glace Bay, which has been inactive for some time.

On the arrival of the S. S. Bruce at North Sydney on Tuesday, a young Russian was detained by the immigration officials and deported to Newfoundland on the return trip. The foreigner arrived at St. John's, Nfld., two weeks ago penniless, and secured passage to North Sydney, where he was allowed to land without molestation by the immigration agent on condition that he procure employment, which he was unable to do. He stowed away on the Bruce and returned to Newfoundland, where he was arrested and deported back to Cape Breton. The Newfoundland Company authorized the purser of the Bruce to take charge of the Russian on the voyage back to Port du Pasque.

Negotiations are in progress for the purchase of real estate at Sydney from the Bank of Commerce, who paid \$14,500 for the land some years ago. A two story brick building will be erected and divided into two stores by the new owners.

A 13-year-old boy, while coasting on an Annapolis hill, on Wednesday, was run down by two sleds and his knee cap almost torn from the joint. During the three hours a surgeon was dressing the wound no anesthetic was administered.

Rhodes-Lurry Company have now orders on hand that will keep that industry busy until July 1st.

The schooner E. B. Marvin, which, it is believed, has sailed over as much water as any craft north of Boston, has been engaged in the mackerel fishery in Canadian and American waters.

Work on the Yarmouth Street Railway Company's power line has been somewhat delayed by the non-arrival of poles. A supply reached Yarmouth yesterday, and a crew of men commenced placing them today. The line will be completed in two weeks.

At the inquest into the sudden death of James Stoddart, a Clark's Harbour young man, it was found that death was caused by poisoning by drinking a mixture of bay rum and Jamaica ginger. Last Saturday night Stoddart, who was a fisherman, was picked up unconscious on a home, where he was placed in bed. Early on Sunday morning he went into convulsions and expired before the arrival of a physician.

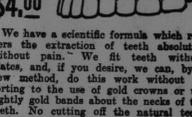
At a session of the Shelburne County court recently, H. Warrington was released under suspended sentence, and David Atwood was acquitted of assault.

The machinery for the new steamer to be built at Shelburne for the Valley Steamship Company, has been ordered in Yarmouth. The new steamer will be a duplicate of the Granville.

The S. S. Krestania, which was unsuccessful in getting to Five Islands, and docked at North Sydney for a few days, has sailed for New York, where she will undergo a general overhauling.

While attending a diphtheria case at the marine hospital on Bonker's Island, off Yarmouth, Keeper Scovill, of the institution contracted the disease and also two of his children.

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RHEUMATISM AND GOUT

"Can anybody tell me," said the middle aged man, "the difference between rheumatism and gout? Nov. not being very well versed in medical science, knowing very little in fact about either or therapeutics or anatomy, materia medica or pharmacology, I wouldn't undertake myself to define it, but in a general way I would say that gout is an ailment that attacks the rich and rheumatism the poor, and, being not what you would call a rich man, I suppose what I've got is rheumatism," says the Detroit Free Press. "I have read in novels and seen pictures of portly gentlemen of middle age or rather more who sat in great easy chairs and with one foot all swollen 'up in bandages stretched out in front of them, supported on a footrest. This is the old gentleman, living in a fine old, minor house or in a splendid mansion in town, who is described in the novel as being testy and choleric—choleric, as I understand it, meaning not that he has cholera or anything of that sort, but an uneven temper; and this old gentleman with foot thus done up in bandages and supported on a foot rest, has got rheumatism." "So I suppose that in the absence of the familiar gout symptoms, we might safely diagnose my case as one of just plain rheumatism; but I guess my rheumatism hunts me about his ankles and the gout of our testy and choleric old friend does him."

A TACKY ANECDOTE

Some people cannot resist the temptation to play practical jokes on innocent victims. A friend of that variety was accosted by a man who stammered badly. "Can you tell me where I can get some g-g-g-g-good e-e-e-carpet t-t-t-t-tacks?" "Yes, certainly," replied the inveterate jokist. "You turn down this street to your left and then go straight ahead and you'll find a hardware store where you'll be sure to get them."

The stammerer continued his way and the jokist bolted down the street and tackled the hardware man first. "Have you any g-g-g-good t-t-t-t-t-t-tacks?" "Yes, sir," said the obliging storekeeper, producing his best after some rummaging. "Are you sure th-these are g-g-g-good ones?" "Yes, The best that are made."

"Are th-these heads g-g-g-good and strong?" "Yes, sir." "Have they got s-s-sharp p-p-p-pointe?" "Well, p-p-p-please s-s-sit on them t-t-t-till I get back, will you?" he said, making a dash for the door.

Presently the unlucky stammerer arrived at the store, and entering, asked innocently: "Have you any g-g-g-good t-t-t-t-t-t-tacks?" "When he recovered he asked, in a somewhat dazed fashion, whether the house had fallen on him, or if it was simply an explosion.

COULDN'T FOOL HIM

(Washington Star) Once a denizen of the up-State regions, where whiskers grow in plenty and umbrellas bulge at will, decided to visit New York. But he decided to visit the bewildering metropolis quite as a man of the world—not to be taken in by the witted men, who, as he understood, made a business of deceiving the gullible up-stater. Hence he arrived at the Grand Central looking very, very wise, and proceeded, first of all, to visit the collection of wax figures at the Eden Musee. He was engaged in looking critically at one of the most life-like groups on exhibition there, when a policeman suddenly plucked him by the sleeve. The up-stater turned. "You musn't smoke in here," said the policeman severely. A look of wisdom beyond the power of words to describe came over the up-stater's face. Continuing bravely to smoke, he remarked: "I, tu, tu, tu, do away. Don't you think I know that you're made of wax?"

At the convention of the Irish race last month in Dublin, two speakers, who had come from the United States, contributed the following sentences in the course of their speeches.

One of them, in giving some details of personal history, informed his hearers that "he had left Ireland fifty-three years ago, a naked little boy, without a dollar in his pocket."

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THE CHURCH WATER RATES

Legal Difficulties Prevent Any Reduction Being Made at Present.

It is generally understood at city hall among members of the water and sewerage board that the petition of the churches for a reduction in the assessment for water rates will have to be refused on account of legal difficulties.

While the recorder's opinion has not yet been formally submitted, it is now known to several members of the board that the decision is unfavorable to the churches. Arguments put forward by the speakers in the delegation were to some extent based on sentimental and religious grounds and while the board was in sympathy with the petition it is said that the act governing the matter will permit of a rebate being granted only on account of poverty or absolute inability to pay the rate demanded.

REV. S. W. ANTHONY PRESIDENT WITH PURSE The congregational church annual Sunday school festival was held last evening and was well attended.

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a purse from the members of the congregation. Games and music were enjoyed and the evening was brought to a close with the singing of God Save the King. A Christmas entertainment by the Sunday school of St. Stephen's church last evening was well enjoyed. The cantata Jolly Times with Santa Claus was well presented. The first part of the entertainment consisted of an opening chorus, and then Santa Claus appeared with his band. A number of solos were well sung and then came an drill in Japanese costume. A solo was then sung by grandfather's clock.

There were solos by Santa Claus, Christmas Bells, Candy, Trumpet and Tree of Gladness. Santa Claus then blew the trumpet and all the performers gathered on the platform and Night came slowly on attended by six tots in white. Night was impersonated by Mrs. McNeil. After a chorus of presents from a well laden tree were distributed.

The entertainment proved one of the best Christmas entertainments seen in the church, and reflected much credit upon Mrs. Gordon Dickie, who spared no time or pains in training the children.

OBITUARY Mrs. Eli McBeath The death of Mrs. Eli McBeath occurred suddenly at her home, 64 Harrison street, Thursday morning. She was a daughter of the late Charles A. Spiller. She had been ill only a few days. She left two young children, a boy and a girl. Her mother resides in Boston, and is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Wm. McCallum, of West side, and Mrs. Freeland Devenne, of Barker street.

Thomas H. Ritchie Thomas H. Ritchie, for a number of years connected with the Canadian immigration work at Sand Point, died Thursday after a lengthy illness. He was a son of the late Marmaduke Ritchie, and is survived by two brothers in St. John-Hon. R. J. Ritchie and Joseph H. Ritchie of the post office—two brothers, Charles E., in Boston, and a sister, Mrs. Doolin, in California.

Patrick Slavin Patrick Slavin, a well known and respected resident of the North side, died Thursday in his home, 86 Adelaide street. He was for years in the employ of the city. He was eighty-eight years old and is survived by four sons and one daughter. They are Henry and James, in Boston; John, in New Jersey, and Edward and Miss Annie, at home.

Newcastle, N. B., Dec. 31.—(Special)—Hon. J. P. Burdick, M.P.P., was asked today for expression of opinion on the financial statement of the Hazen government issued on Wednesday. He said he had not studied the statement carefully as yet, but he thought they had spent pretty nearly all the money they got a hold of.

THE IPARIAN ISLANDS HAVE DISAPPEARED INTO THE SEA

They Had 28,000 Inhabitants and Have Not Been Seen Since the Earthquake Italian People Have Stopped Trying to Estimate the Number of Earthquake Victims.

ISLANDS DISAPPEAR WITH 28,000 PEOPLE

Rome, Dec. 31.—The Vigata states that a wireless message from the Strait of Messina reports that Lipari Islands, a group of volcanic islands in the Mediterranean near the coast of Sicily, have disappeared. The total population of the group numbers 28,000 and must have inevitably perished. The minister of marine has rushed a torpedo boat to ascertain the facts.

Rome, Dec. 31.—Estimates of the death toll of the earthquake now cease to concern the Italian people. It is enough to know that the catastrophe is overwhelming, figures add nothing to the grief of the stricken nation, nor move to greater efforts those upon whom the work of relief and rescue has fallen.

Every channel open to the government has been utilized to this end and other nations have been quick to come to its assistance, even before the cry for aid went up. Shiploads of fugitives have been carried out of the stricken zone of Naples, Palermo, Catania and Messina and 4,000 soldiers are being landed on the two coasts. Most important of all now is the question of the living. Thousands of those who escaped the falling walls and the sweep of the tide are starving and without clothes or shelter. They are scarcely long survivors of their sufferings. The first thought has been to carry food and covering for these helpless people and it has now been decided by the government to send a fleet of emigrant steamers to transport them to other places.

The latest reports received at Rome say that there have been many intermittent shocks after the first to which the greater part of the destruction is attributed. The British warship Minerva reported by wireless that she had been struck by two severe shocks occurred at Messina last night. Professor Ricci, director of the observatory at Acta, states that his instruments have recorded 42 distinct shocks after the first, but during the last thirteen hours there have been almost motionless. Acta and Stromboli are now quiet and it is certain that the earthquake was not volcanic but geologic origin, similar to that of

The horror of the situation at Messina and Reggio grows with every fresh despatch. One of the correspondents places the death toll throughout the entire territory as high as 300,000 but this appears to be extreme. Others make their outside estimate 200,000 but the official estimate, made by the minister of marine, still holds to 115,000.

Relief expeditions which have been making their way to Reggio have encountered tremendous obstructions all along the route. They report eighteen provincial villages, besides those already mentioned, as having been completely ruined. This would indicate that the earthquake's havoc was not confined to the coast. What has become of the inhabitants of these villages is not known. Those that were left alive after the destruction of their homes doubtless are seeking safety, but few of these places and they are practically without supplies of any kind. At Reggio surgical operations are being performed with primitive knives but at Reggio relief is impossible. Bands of thieves infest the country and the despair of the unaided villages is complete. Hunger supplies the motive for scenes of shocking violence and pillage and robbers defy the few surviving policemen and soldiers. The Russian cruiser Admiral Makharoff, which arrived at Naples yesterday with refugees from Messina has given the following account of the disaster: "Hearing at Augusta, Sicily, of the disaster, I hurried to Messina. The city was literally nothing but a heap of ruins. Every building there had collapsed, but in many cases, the outward shells remain standing and as a result the general count of the city is less changed than might be expected. This is particularly true of the harbor. In spite of what has been said, the form of the Strait of Messina shows little if any change.

Two priests have arrived at Messina from Scylla, on the Calabrian coast. They confirm the previous reports that this town of 5,000 people has been completely annihilated. They say they are practically the only survivors. They escaped with their lives because at the time of the quake they happened to be in the vault of the church, a portion of the building that resisted the general collapse. Priests say also that the disaster on the Calabrian coast was greater than on the Sicilian side. The coast has been ravaged for a distance of thirty miles and Scylla is not the only village to be wiped out of existence.

The walls of several of the principal buildings of Messina are still standing, but they are so weakened that they will have to be demolished as soon as possible to prevent fatalities among the rescuers. Every day this undermined masonry comes crashing down. Only yesterday, when His Majesty, the king was here, the facade of a five-story building collapsed only a few hundred feet from where the king stood.

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SCIENTIFIC MARRIAGE

Scientists Say a Wife Should be Chosen With Great Care—Love or Dollars Do Not Count.

The professors of the new science of eugenics would have us believe that the custom of marrying for love is a mistake. They argue that we should select our mates on the basis of their physical and mental characteristics.

Do you honestly believe that the bachelor uncle who died without leaving you any of his dollars was entirely sane? If not you are engaged to be married. You know that you are short-tempered, and that your prospective father-in-law is short-tempered too. Here is a double eugenic reason against the match. Or, perhaps you and your betrothed both suffer from chills. In these circumstances a double eugenic reason would be the height of eugenic reasonableness.

In practice the choice of a wife on philosophical principles is almost certain to end in failure. One of the most notable experimenters in this direction was the Englishman, Thomas Day, the author of "Sandford and Merton," a book which at one time enjoyed an extraordinary popularity on both sides of the Atlantic.

Day took two healthy 12-year old girls from two different orphanages with the view of educating them according to his own ideas of what his wife should be and marrying the one who suited him best. After a trip to France, where the girls gave him no end of trouble, he came to the conclusion that one of them was invincibly spoiled. So he apprenticed her to a milliner and devoted himself to further experiments with the other. But, alas! this girl hard though she tried to please her tutor, also failed deplorably to sustain his ideals.

The profound secrets which he intrusted to her keeping as tests of her reticence too often leaked out among her girl friends; the weighty books of science which he commended to her attention were too seldom found in her hands when he came upon her unawares. Worse still, she lacked the courage which he sought in his future wife. She could not refrain from screaming when he fired a pistol at her skirts though he assured her it was not loaded with ball; she even started when he dropped hot sealing wax on her bare arms. Bitterly disappointed, Day packed her off to boarding school.

He subsequently married a lady for the simple reason that he had fallen in love with her, and they lived together until his death quite as happily as if their courtship had been conducted on the most approved philosophical principles. After that, the common-sense custom of marrying the woman you love offers a little scope for improvement even in the twentieth century.

The Sublimar bridge, at Rome, is the oldest in history. It is made of wood, and was erected in the seventh century. It has been twice rebuilt, but is in ruins at the present day.

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ALL THE LATEST NEWS, VIEWS AND COMMENT ON

SPORTS

OF TRACK, FIELD AND ARENA AT HOME AND ABROAD

SOME INSIDE DETAILS ABOUT TOM LONGBOAT'S BIG WEDDING

Flanagan "No Great Shucks" Upon Such a Solemn Occasion - The Bride Much Admired by All.

A Toronto despatch to the Montreal Star says: "Tom Flanagan may be an athletic man... Tom Flanagan may be an athletic man... Tom Flanagan may be an athletic man..."

At the conclusion of the concert the bride and groom held a reception on the stage... At the conclusion of the concert the bride and groom held a reception on the stage...

BELEYA'S MANAGER TALKS OF HIS PLANS

Hilton Belyea, the speedy skater and carman of the west side, who was reinstated into amateur ranks by the M. P. A. A. at their meeting on Wednesday...

BOSTON BAKER BEAT FIVE MEN IN RELAY MARATHON RACE

Boston, Dec. 31.-Pat Dineen, the baker of this city, who recently won the seven days gods-you-please race in Kansas City...

HAD HARD BATTLE WITH WOULD-BE ROBBER

Montreal Jeweller in a Terrific Encounter With Man Who Attempted to Loot His Store

HAPPY HOME CLUB HAVE GOOD TIME

The Happy Home Club gave a dinner last night in No. 3 fire station and after an excellent menu was enjoyed the president, J. Fred Shaw, presented a hand...

AWAY TO THE WEST AFTER HAPPY REUNION

W. L. Belyea, of Winnipeg, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. R. D. Christie, Orange street, left for home on the Montreal train last evening. He was accompanied by his aunt, Mrs. J. S. Henry...

THE NEW SKATE

Ounces lighter than any other made - and stronger

It's just possible you have noticed that the skates you were wearing last season was a very antiquated proposition...

The "Automobile" Skate fulfils this idea. It's as far ahead of the present day skate as an automobile is ahead of the old-time buggy.

Lighter by many ounces than any other made - and stronger. It has an aluminum alloy top - the metals just mixed to a point where they combine to make a material as strong as steel and five times as light.

Canada Cycle and Motor Co., Ltd. Toronto

ST. ANDREW'S AND THISTLES

Challenge Sent for Annual Match - Thistle Rinks for Likely Trophy.

At a meeting of the Thistle Curling Club held last evening four members were elected - Ralph Bonnell, H. C. Vanwart, W. M. Rivers and F. H. Fiewelling. A challenge from the St. Andrew's Club for the usual four rinks match was received.

MAY HOLD CARNIVAL WITH NO ICE PALACE

Famous Feature of Montreal's Midwinter Carnival May be Eliminated.

EDNA GOODSPEED SENT UP FOR TRIAL

For the first time since her preliminary examination commenced, Edna Goodspeed, alias Gibson, accused of theft, broke down yesterday afternoon when committed for trial. She has listened to the evidence of Miss Jane Kincaid and Mrs. Travis with an appearance of stony indifference.

BLACK WATCH

"Biggest and Best" Plug Chewing Tobacco

SCOTT'S EMULSION

is so easy to digest and yet so very strengthening that the convalescent regains health and flesh with remarkable rapidity.

TYPHOID FEVER AT MONTREAL

The Disease Has Practically Been Epidemic Since Christmas - 1,000 Cases and Hospitals Overcrowded.

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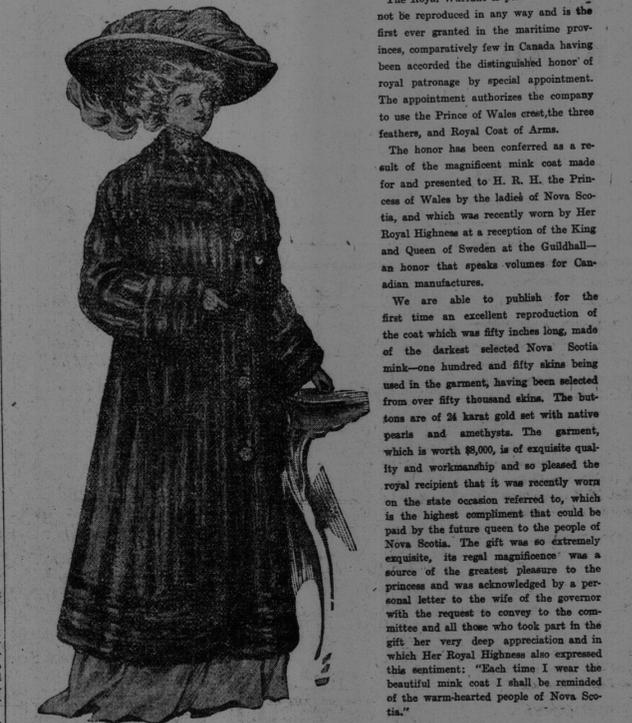
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Appointment by Royal Warrant

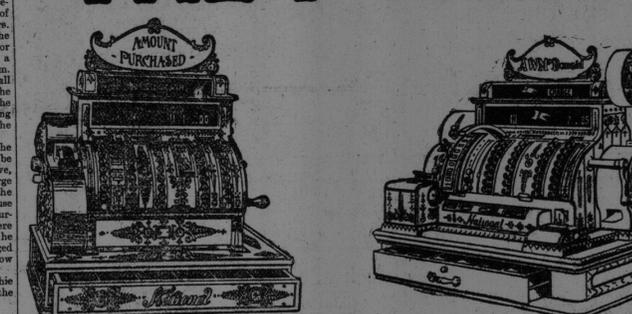
Sir J. Hanbury Williams, governor-general's secretary, has announced to The Dunlap-Cooke Co., Limited, their appointment as furriers to H. R. H. the Princess of Wales, the Royal Warrant, which has been transmitted through the governor-general, is issued from Marlborough House and bears the signature of the Chamberlain of the royal household, the royal coat of arms and seal of H. R. H. the Princess of Wales.



The first notable occasion that presented itself for using the garment was the recent visit of the King and Queen of Sweden, when London donned its best to greet the royal couple at the Guild Hall.

Canada has been receiving unexpected attention in this connection, and it will be a source of pride and satisfaction to Canadians generally to find the makers of the royal garment receiving such marked recognition from the reigning family of the British Empire.

THEY PAY!



Ask the Man Who Has One!

GUARANTEED THE CHEAPEST CASH REGISTERS ON EARTH THE NATIONAL CASH REGISTER CO. F. E. MUTTON, Canadian Manager, Cor. Yonge Street and Wilton Ave., Toronto, Ontario. W. P. GRANT, Sales Agent, 89 Prince William Street, St. John

ILLEGALLY DISQUALIFIED Mayorally Candidate in St. Catharines Acquitted of Forgery Charge.

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 31.-Laudis C. Bratt this morning appeared before Police Magistrate Campbell on a charge of uttering forged paper purporting to be the nomination of Bratt for mayor.

**DOWLING BROS.** The Largest Retail Distributors of Ladies' Coats, Jackets and Blouses Waists in the Maritime Provinces.

**GREAT CLEARANCE SALE**

—OF—

**Ladies' Coats**

We feel safe in saying that never before have such wonderful values been offered in this city in the way of Ladies' Stylish Coats. We are making a tremendous effort for a final grand clearance sale of our entire stock of Winter Coats.

It is a magnificent opportunity to secure a fashionable coat at a marvellously low price.

**Dowling Brothers**  
95 and 101 King Street

A Customer's Reasonable Wish is This Store's Pleasure

**DYKEMAN'S**

**Bed Comfortables at a Great Saving**

We have about 100 of these excellent comfortables that have just been placed on sale at prices that would merely pay for the material in them. These comfortables are not filled with flock but with a pure white cotton batting, cross laid so as not to mat when the comfortables are washed. They are a good large size, and are covered with wash materials that are fast color.

At \$1.45  
A good sized Comfortable, covered with silkette, with plain linings.

At \$1.80  
A fluffy, light weight, warm Comfortable that is worth ordinarily \$2.50, covered with a pretty pattern silkette and lined with plain colored cambric.

At \$2.25  
A very fine quality, light weight comfortable, made in the same way as you would make one yourself, large size, worth \$3.00 at ordinary selling.

At \$2.95  
A very handsome saten covered Quilt, light weight, fluffy and warm, fancy quilting, both sides alike. It will not pay you to make Comfortables when you can buy them at the prices we are selling these at.

**F. A. DYKEMAN & CO.,** 59 CHARLOTTE STREET : : :

During  
**January, February  
and March**

**Store Closes at 7 p. m.  
Saturday's Excepted.**

**S. W. McMACKIN,**  
335 Main Street, - North End.

**We Wish You All  
A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

Happiness comes from satisfaction, the latter comes from being satisfied, and the three are complete when the purchases are made at our Store. Make your purchase here today in

**Furs, Gloves and Caps**  
and you will be happy tomorrow; again wishing you **The Season's Greeting**

STORE OPEN TONIGHT.

**ANDERSON & CO.**  
Manufacturing Furriers 55 CHARLOTTE ST.

**Christmas Gifts**

—IN—  
**AMONDS, VATCHES, JEWELRY**

Silver Toilet Sets and a lot of useful goods for holidays.

**BROS.,**  
Jewelers,  
St. John, N. B.

**WE HAVE IT AT LAST!**

Only \$5.00

A PLATE YOU CAN EAT WITH HELD IN POSITION BY OUR NEWLY IMPROVED QUADRUPLE ATTACHMENT. People don't want artificial teeth to carry around in their pockets nor keep at home in their bureau drawers or they will know where to find them when the door bell rings, they want teeth for service.

If you have a plate that no dentist has been able to make fit, why not try us; we have satisfied thousands and why not you? Our teeth are so natural in size, shape, color and the expression they afford to the face that a daily detection BY AN EXPERT DENTIST unless closely examined. Our new attachment holds them as solid almost as though they were fitted in the mouth.

**BOSTON DENTAL PARLORS**  
57 MAIN STREET,  
DR. J. D. SAHER, Proprietor,  
Tel. 62 and 78 Main.

**TODAY'S ATTRACTIONS**  
AFTERNOON.  
Matinee at the Opera House, McLaughlin Co. in \$5,000 Reward.  
Dramagraph pictures and songs at the Nickel.  
Skating and curling in the rinks.  
Every Day Club, Y. M. C. A., and other organizations hold open house.

EVENING.  
"The Fatal Coin" at Opera House by McLaughlin Co.  
Dramagraph pictures and songs at the Nickel.  
Skating and curling in the rinks.  
Open House at Every Day Club.

**LATE LOCALS**

There are not sufficient police yet to complete the required fifteen to start the special "gym" class at the Y. M. C. A.

William Cummings of Moncton fell on the icy sidewalk on Mill street yesterday and was rendered unconscious. He was taken into a nearby shoe shining shop and Dr. Lunney rendered the necessary medical aid.

Bishop Casey announced in the Cathedral at the masses today that he had not been notified of the granting of a dispensation to eat meat today despite despatches from New York to that effect.

The committee of the common council appointed to have charge of the annual sale of the harbor fisheries met yesterday and Mr. Scully was elected chairman. F. L. Potts was engaged to conduct the sale.

C. P. R. steamship Montezuma, Captain Potter, arrived in port this morning early from London, and Antwerp and landed 100 steerage passengers. The steamer met with stormy weather during the entire trip across the Atlantic ocean. She has on board a large cargo for this city and the west. The steamer is docked at No. 1 berth, Sand Point.

On account of the rich deposits of limestone in the city property at Greenwood, known as the Armstrong property, which was recently taken over by the city on the expiry of the lease, it is reported that a large smelting plant may be established here to work iron ore from the mines at Nicton in the Annapolis valley, which are said to be owned by the Drummonds. An analysis of the limestone was recently made by J. E. Woodman, geologist, of Halifax, and is said to have been very satisfactory.

**NEW YEAR'S DAY**  
A Quiet Holiday But Plenty of Amusement — Firemen Pay Their Annual Calls.

The skating and curling rinks, the Opera House, and various moving picture houses will attract a large number of people this afternoon and evening. The annual New Year's customs of calling on friends will doubtless be honored by a great many. Various clubs and organizations are holding open houses for their friends and the New Year spirit is everywhere in evidence.

This afternoon and evening the Every Day Club will keep open house in their new hall, at the corner of Brussels and Union streets. Ladies as well as men will be welcome. Refreshments will be served and there will be some general entertainment.

The Y. M. C. A. rooms will be open all day today and the public are invited to attend. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the Frederick Y. M. C. A. business men's class will give an exhibit of games of rummy.

The master painters will hold a smoker in their rooms, at the corner of Brunswick and Union streets, at 7 o'clock this afternoon and evening, and invite their friends to attend.

The firemen, who every New Year's day make a young man's acquaintance, will be out in force today. This morning the north end salvage corps visited the different companies in their afternoon the firemen from the city proper will make their calls.

**CAUGHT AT ST GEORGE**  
**Edward Mulcahey Who Escaped From Industrial Home Arrested at St. George for Burglary.**

Edward Mulcahey, who escaped from the Industrial Home on November 8 and provided himself with plenty of clothes, money, a couple of watches and revolvers and a razor, was arrested at St. George yesterday on a charge of breaking and entering a store. He, with a boy by the name of Mullen, who was his companion, is held for trial.

A telephone message from St. George tells that the robbery was committed on Wednesday and some of the goods from the store were found in the possession of Mulcahey. Both boys were taken before Magistrate O'Brien.

Mulcahey escaped from the Industrial Home on the eve of Thanksgiving Day. On April 29, 1907, he was committed for four years on a charge of theft and about a year ago effected his escape and was recaptured. He will now return to Crowville as he has passed the age of 16, the limit at which they are admitted.

**WEDDINGS**  
**Eagles-Taylor**

Salisbury, N. B., Dec. 31.—A very pretty wedding took place last evening at the home of Councillor Gesner A. Taylor, when his daughter, Miss Ella P. Taylor, became the wife of Edgar Eagles, a progressive young farmer of Mount Eagle, Salisbury. The nuptial knot was tied by Rev. H. H. Ferguson. Only the immediate relatives of the contracting parties were present at the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Eagles, who are two of the most popular young people of the North River district, have the good wishes of many friends for their future happiness. They will reside at Mount Eagle.

**Harrison-Longman**

St. Andrews, N. B., Dec. 29.—Miss Laura Langmaid, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Langmaid, was married in marriage with Horace Harrison, engineer, on Christmas day, at her home, the Rev. R. J. Langford performing the ceremony.

**Williams-Swift**

In Malden (Mass) on Christmas eve, Miss Gertrude Swift, formerly of St. John was married to Chancey S. Williams of Dorchester (Mass.) Rev. W. E. Dorody, rector of St. Paul's church performed the ceremony. Mrs. Williams is a sister of R. R. Smith, 361 City Road.

**DEATHS**  
RITCHIE—In this city, on Dec. 31, Thomas H. Ritchie. Funeral on Saturday at 2:30 o'clock from his brother's residence, 12 Westworth street.

**CHANGES IN 'PHONE RATES**  
N. B. Telephone Co. Put New Long Distance Schedule Into Effect Today.

Beginning today the N. B. Telephone Company is putting in force the new long distance schedule of rates. The principal change is to reduce the five minute conversation to three minutes. For every minute over three the user will pay extra. That is to say the extra charge begins now when the three minutes have elapsed. There are many changes in the long distance tariff throughout the province.

The company claims that there are more reductions than increases.

It is said the Nova Scotia Telephone Co. is making similar changes today. In a circular issued to its employees the company explains the changes.

**THE BRIGADIER'S BIBLE READINGS**  
Brigadier Robert's Bible readings yesterday by special request, was in the epistle to the Romans, as he had already given this in the Methodist church, Exmouth street, last Friday week. The main points were as follows:

The keynote is in chapter 1:16. The subject throughout the epistle is "the gospel of Christ." The first chapter shows how the gentiles needed it. The second chapter how the Jews needed it. The third chapter how the world needs it. The fourth chapter how all may obtain it through the atonement. The fifth chapter shows the first aspect of it—justification, pardon. The sixth chapter describes the second aspect—cleansing, purity. The seventh chapter teaches the weakness of the flesh without God's spirit. The Holy Spirit is not mentioned or referred to all through. The eighth chapter describes the third aspect of the Gospel of Christ—the sanctified spirit-filled saint. The Holy Spirit is mentioned nineteen times in this epistle and is called the witness of God, of Christ, of life, and of adoption and possession and uses for God's glory the pardoned-sinners soul. Chapter ix. 3, x. 1, and xi. 14 show how spirit-filled souls are filled with love for others and live and labor for their present and eternal welfare. Chapter xii. gives details for daily living and teaches industry, honesty, generosity, humility, sympathy, love for friends and less for foes. "Let us love one another" we are to "feed him," etc.

And then the apostle closes in chapter xv by saying he himself has been enjoying to the fullest extent all he has been teaching and moreover says he "I am sure that when I come to you I shall come in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ."

**ST. JOHN FIREMEN HAD A BUSY YEAR**  
(Continued From Page 1)

John Cullinan, George Uram, Brook street, insurance \$1,000 on houses; tenants no insurance; second alarm sent in.

October 20—Box 184, 2:10 p. m., Miller house on roof, slight.

October 20—Box 8, 3:05 a. m., Mrs. Gagnon's house, North street, considerably damaged; fireman seriously burned, no insurance.

November 2—Box 145, 8:15 p. m., David Corbett's house, Main street, chimney.

November 3—Box 17, 7:25 p. m., Mrs. Wigness, burned to death by lamp explosion on Main street.

November 8—Box 31, 3:35 p. m., Wm. Crafts house, chimney, Unionford street, west end.

November 13—Still, 4 a. m., Speardale's fruit store, Charlotte street.

November 15—Box 43, 2:05 p. m., J. H. Grogan's paint shop, in yard, Britain street.

November 16—Box 123, 6:55 a. m., tarp on schooner at Hilyard's blocks, owned by Mr. Ekin.

November 21—Box 121, 8 p. m., Mrs. Fowler's house, lamp explosion, bridge street, slight.

November 24—Box 221, 9:20 a. m., Cornwall cotton mill, dry room, Wall street, damage \$2,000, covered by insurance.

November 26—Box 9, 4:50 p. m., St. John's church, Carleton street, slight.

December 2—Box 115, 4:00 p. m., John Donovan's house, Windsor street, west end, fire on roof.

December 2—Box 115, 9:45 p. m., Allen J. Whelan's fish store, west end, loss \$800, covered by insurance.

December 3—Box 8, 5:02 p. m., Mr. McLaughlin's house, Pine street, chimney.

December 5—Box 134, 3:35 a. m., building on Bentley street, occupied by four families, owned by Miss Bagnall. This is the first brick house built in the city. Loss \$600, covered by insurance.

December 6—Still, 9:05 a. m., Samuel Anderson's house, Lion street, chimney, slight.

December 6—Still, 10:20 a. m., Fred Robert's house, Main street, chimney.

December 6—Still, 3 p. m., Joseph Alton's house, Prince street, chimney.

December 9—Box 321, 7:10 p. m., Mrs. James Hurley burned to death in house on Rockland Road, by lamp explosion.

December 10—Still, 10:40 a. m., James Holly's house, Douglas avenue, slight fire across furnace.

December 11—Still, 7 a. m., Wilcox water pipes burst and destroyed stock in store, west end.

December 12—Still, 9 a. m., George H. Waring's house, hall stove upset in hall, King street, west end.

December 12—Still, 2 a. m., Mrs. Annie Miller's house, Chesley street, caused by thawing water pipe, slight.

December 16—Box 7, 7:20 p. m., house on hosting scow, damage \$50, on Starr's wharf.

December 18—Box 41, 11:30 p. m., H. P. Robertson's fish house, Britain street, insurance \$3,000, loss \$300.

December 22—Box 113, 1 a. m., Mrs. May McLaughlin's grocery shop, Loutestown street, west end, damage \$10.

December 20—Box 62, 12:58 p. m., Bart Connell's horse between freight cars and freight shed, Pond street.

December 24—Box 45, 7:05 p. m., schooner Nellie Waters, Charlotte street extension, galley and cabin.

December 26—Box 3, 6:40 p. m., Charles Clark's coal shed, Smythe street, slight.

December 29—Still, 7:30 p. m., Captain Glaspy Kelsova, in kitchen stove, Charlotte street, slight.

**Great End of the Week Specials**  
AT THE POPULAR NORTH END STORE

**Men's Finest Suits, Overcoats and Raincoats,** finest qualities known under \$8.48

**Women's and Men's Fine Shoes,** made of finest stock and finished in newest models; best \$2.75 value for \$1.98.

**Men's Finest All Wool Underwear,** in the famous Stanfield and Penman's make; exceptional bargains at 48c, 68c, 75c, 88c, 98c and \$1.18.

**Warm Gloves and Mitts,** unusual values at 48c, 58c, 66c, 75c, \$1.28.

Remarkable values in **Rubbers** for Men, Women and Children.

Handsome offerings in **Boys' Suits and Overcoats** at remarkable Saving Prices, \$1.68 to \$4.48.

**C. B. PIDGEON,** Corner Main and Bridge Sts.  
Clothing. Tailoring. Shoes.

**For the Cool Weather**  
**Shaker Flannel Blankets**

Nice Soft and Fleecy at \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$1.75 pair, White or Grey. Sizes are 10½, 11½ and 12½

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