

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND OYSTERSMEN JOIN FORCES

Representatives of Company Met Yesterday and Formed Association.

TRY TO SETTLE DISPUTE WITH FISHERMEN.

Will Endeavor to Have Length of Season Same for all Parties Engaged in the Industry.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 17.—At a meeting held here today the Cooperative Oystermen's Association of Prince Edward Island was organized with W. H. Aitken, Charlottetown, president, the object being to secure a larger measure of co-operation between oystermen, growing and selling interests, also to conserve and develop the industry so as to make it more profitable to fishermen and all interested.

Thirty-two members were enrolled, the majority being representatives of companies, a number of which were organized since the leasing of barren bottoms was instituted by the government. There has been a conflict between companies and fishermen this season and the association will endeavor if possible to have their differences reconciled.

The companies owning private beds were allowed to ship their oysters on September 1st, whilst fishermen on public beds could not start until October 1st. The opinion was expressed at today's meeting that the season should be the same for companies and fishermen alike.

This question was left to a strong committee who will also frame rules, regulations and bye-laws and report at meeting to be held in Summerside on January 8th.

The star fish was alarmingly destructive and the government proposes to have beds swept clean of this pest every season.

There was some discussion over what constitutes barren beds. Fred Shaw, engineer, who is making surveys for the government said he endeavored to reserve areas where shells were to be left but this was often difficult to do. He quoted the opinion of Judge Given in cause of a test case that barren bottoms are those where fishermen are unable to make a livelihood.

Premier Matheson, who was at the meeting, declared the government intended to satisfy both companies and fishermen where their demands were reasonable.

MAY ASK FOR HIS DISMISSAL

Montreal Recorder Not Satisfied with Way Special Officer Investigating White Slavery Answered Questions.

Montreal, Dec. 17.—Incensed with what he considered the flippant and contemptuous manner in which James Lambkin, special investigation officer of the Dominion government, in connection with the alleged white slave traffic in Montreal and district, gave his evidence before the sitting of the Board of License Commissioners today, Mr. Recorder Williams tonight expressed the intention of calling the matter to the attention of Col. Sherwood, head of the Dominion police at Ottawa, Lambkin's superior.

Lambkin's intemperance in what he did say, his obvious unwillingness to give straightforward answers to questions put, or to tell connectedly and plainly in voluntary statement what he had actually seen when visiting Arthur's Hotel, the license renewal of License Commissioners, induced the Recorder to make representations to Col. Sherwood for Lambkin's dismissal.

Cherryman in large numbers have taken up the dance against all night cafes and cruise halls, and a determined effort is being made to have existing places closed.

FORMER AMBASSADOR DRYCE MAY BE PEER

London, Dec. 17.—The bestowal of a peerage on James Bryce, former British Ambassador at Washington, is forecasted today by the Periodical Truth in writing about probable New Year's honors.

DENIES HE WILL BELL OIL INTERESTS IN MEXICO

London, Dec. 17.—Lord Cowdray in denying today a statement published in New York to the effect that he was about to dispose of his Mexican oil interests to an American concern, said:

LOOKING AFTER OUR INTERESTS AT WASHINGTON

Deputy Minister of Agriculture at Conference on Potato Embargo—Ireland Sends a Representative.

Washington, Dec. 17.—G. P. O'Halloran, deputy minister of agriculture of Canada, arrived here today to be present at a hearing tomorrow at the Department of Agriculture on the question of modifying the department's embargo on potatoes from Canada and certain European countries. T. F. Gill, secretary of agriculture of Ireland, who has been in this country for some time, also will be present, and some other countries which have potatoes to sell will have representatives from their legations here at the hearing.

The question to be considered is whether the plant quarantine board shall allow the importation of potatoes as it does of trees and shrubs, provided they have been examined abroad by experts and declared to be free from infectious diseases.

FRUIT COMMISSION TO LOOK AFTER INDUSTRY

A Reorganization of the Fruit Division is Probable—May Make it a Departmental Branch.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—The reorganization of the fruit division of the Department of Agriculture is likely to take place in the very near future, the probability being that much more importance will be attached to the development of fruit growing than has been the case with respect to this branch of agriculture in the past.

Fruit growing has long been a time that their industry be given recognition commensurate with its present and increasing importance and there is every likelihood that these representations will be favorably considered and acted upon by the present Minister of Agriculture. The proposal to raise the fruit division to the standard of a departmental branch under a qualified fruit expert as fruit commissioner. This has already been done with regard to dairying, live stock, etc. The Minister of Agriculture is personally familiar with the fruit farming industry and will select a commissioner from the ranks of those who have made a success of fruit growing.

Among fruit men the names most mentioned are those of M. C. Smith, of Burlington, Dan Johnston, of Forest, and L. Palmer of British Columbia all well known and successful fruit growers. The fruit division is at present without a head owing to the death recently of Alexander McNeil.

YOUNG NEWFOUNDLAND LAD TRIES SUICIDE

Nerves Overwrought from Loss of Sleep, He Slashed His Throat With Bait Knife—Will Recover.

North Sydney, Dec. 17.—Euse Manuel, a fisherman of the Gloucester schooner Senator Gardner, which is lying at anchor in port, attempted to commit suicide on board the vessel at about seven o'clock this evening. He cut his throat with a bait knife. The wound bled profusely but finding that it was not fatal, Manuel appealed to Captain Evans to finish the job. The latter called for police assistance. Officer Ramsay responded. The wounded man was taken to the police station and Dr. Smith sent for. He will probably recover.

It appears that he had suffered a good deal from want of sleep and this in turn had been brought about by a too deep indulgence in liquor.

Manuel is a native of Catalina, Nfld., and is about 35 years of age.

THE CALUMET STRIKE

Calumet, Mich., Dec. 17.—Sheriff Cruise has made it known that he is prepared to offer complete protection to every striker who wishes to return to work. No more parades by strikers will be permitted.

DISCOVERS NEW FISHING AREA AT HUDSON STRAIT

Mr. Tanner, Dominion Fishery Officer, Sends Enthusiastic Report.

COD AND SALMON IN UNLIMITED QUANTITIES

Development of New Grounds Will Mean Millions—Salmon Catch May Rival That of British Columbia.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—A new and virgin fishing area, rich in the possibilities not only of the millions it may produce but also of the employment it will afford the native population of the surrounding country has been found in the waters of Hudson Strait, according to a report which has been made to the Marine and Fisheries Department by Dominion Fishery Officer Thomas Tanner. His salmon catch particularly may rival that of British Columbia.

Mr. Tanner made an official patrol of the region from the fall of 1912 to that of the present year. He reports that: "The waters of Hudson Strait, so far as fisheries are concerned, may be regarded as a virgin area, and though no thorough investigation of these resources has yet been made the result of my investigations show that there are supplies of valuable fish which could be marketed at great market value and are well worth development. The two difficulties are the sparse population and the lack of means of transport to the coast in the short season, which would involve all of the work being done in a short time. These two difficulties can easily be overcome," says Mr. Tanner, and he proves this by citing the case of British Columbia, which, in spite of a former limited population and short season, could now boast of a catch of salmon worth \$10,000,000.

From a commercial standpoint, he observes, "the cod is the most important fish and there is no regular cod fishing being carried on. There is no limit to the quantity of cod fish, a few loads of which are garnered by Newfoundland vessels which come up every year. The fish is perfect for fishing but not so favorable for drying them on the spot. The catches, however, can be salted and taken home to the curing places just as is the practice of the Lunenburg fleet. As this is deep sea fishing no doubt a bounty could be authorized during the first few years when the industry is in the first stages of its development. The sum of \$100,000 per annum is available.

Native Fishermen.

"There are probably about 500 Eskimos who would be available as practical fishermen if the project is carried out and white men appointed to superintend the operations. I am of opinion that the Eskimo fishermen and white men would be far more reliable than the Indians of the arctic coast. Wherever wages are offered they are found to be the best and most reliable workers to be obtained and as they are all British subjects and residents in territory belonging to the Dominion they would be fully entitled to the benefits of the fishing bounty act."

Port Burwell Fishings Centre.

Mr. Tanner recommends Port Burwell as the best centre for the proposed fishery. The project is being conducted chiefly by baited trawls during a period of from 8 to 12 weeks. He then goes on to point out that there are a number of salmon in Hudson Strait, including the true sea salmon and a salmon trout superior to the best Pacific salmon. During the summer months these fish are plentiful along the shores on the coast of Baffin Land as well as the south shores.

"There is a great future for a profitable industry if the enterprise is pushed by practical men."

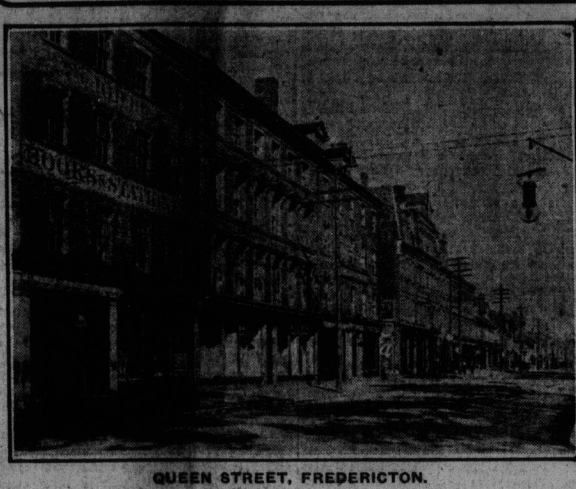
The report continues: "The cost of the fish is really nominal and price realized in the market for these pickled salmon would be more than double the cost. The supply is unlimited and the price, if the fish were properly handled, would without question equal that of the best frozen salmon now retailed at 15 to 20 cents per pound."

It is also pointed out that the seal and white whale industries are capable of being better utilized.

BODY FOUND ON NIAGARA'S BANK

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 17.—A gruesome discovery was made at the foot of the bank of the Niagara river on the Canadian side shortly before dusk this evening, in the form of a skeleton of a man clothed in a dark blue suit. "Red" Hill, the famous body snatcher of the upper river and whirlpool rapids, came across the remains while making a trip below the bank. Not a particle of flesh remained, and nothing was found in the way of a clue to reveal the man's identity. In the trouser's pocket was found fifteen dollars and a gold watch in the vest pocket, but no papers.

Picturesque and Beautiful New Brunswick



QUEEN STREET, FREDERICTON.

MEXICO PLANS FISHERIES IMPROVEMENT TREATY MAY GO THROUGH

State Bank Notes to be Legal Tender with Value Guaranteed by Funds Planned by Bankers' Committee.

Mexico City, Dec. 17.—A presidential decree making the state bank notes legal tender throughout the republic, a guarantee fund to be subscribed by the state banks and deposited in the National Bank, and, finally, a government guarantee of the bank notes, is the programme decided on by a committee of five bankers, representing the National, the Bank of London and Mexico, and two or three other concerns, who met this afternoon with the acting head of the finance department.

No difficulty is anticipated in having President Diaz issue the decree, the bankers deeming this the only means of maintaining in circulation a sufficient amount of the medium of exchange.

The management of the Central Bank exhausted the reserve deposit funds of only three more state banks today by delay in paying and by refusal to accept more than twenty per cent of the bills offered for redemption. Long before the regular hour for opening, a double line of holders of notes stretched a block from the doors, and when the bank closed this afternoon those half way at the beginning did not reach the paying teller's window.

Although the Central Bank's difficulties do not concern directly any other bank, yet an inevitable reflection was manifested today, particularly in the case of the Bank of London and Mexico, where there was a heavy withdrawal of deposits.

FRENCH MINISTER IN FAVOR OF EXHIBIT AT PANAMA SHOW

Paris, Dec. 17.—The French minister of commerce, Louis J. Malry, took occasion at the banquet of the Association of the Metal Industry of France tonight to call attention to the great importance of manufacturers being well represented at the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco, so as to create permanent relations which would permit French commerce to benefit to the full by the new currents of commerce resulting from the opening of the Panama Canal. It was necessary he said to go there, and not only keep by the banner of French industry, but attract new and retain old customers—all those south American people who will flock to San Francisco.

"You will go to the exposition," he said, "and show that our industry has neglected nothing to maintain its traditional reputation, and at the same time contribute to the extension of our commerce, prosperity and interest."

Preliminaries to Discussion Taken Up Yesterday—U. S. Government Now Seem Anxious to Ratify.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 17.—That prospects are favorable for the final conclusion of the International Fisheries Treaty between Canada and the United States, is the inference drawn from the first day's negotiations between the Dominion and American Fisheries Commissioners, Prof. E. E. Prince and Dr. Hugh M. Smith. Dr. Smith arrived last night, and today after interviewing the Prime Minister and Hon. Mr. Hazen, he went into some preliminary details of the treaty conference with Prof. Prince.

There are six clauses in the treaty, and over them all the two commissioners will go. No definite statement was given out at the close of the day's discussion, but it is understood that Dr. Smith is most anxious to see the treaty go through, if possible, and that he brings a message from his government to the same effect. Negotiations will continue tomorrow. Tomorrow evening the United States delegate will attend and probably meet at banquet with the given in connection with the meeting here of the Edinburgh University Club at which a number of distinguished Canadian scientists are expected to be present.

The St. Lawrence fisheries are not greatly at issue in the present negotiations. A number of clauses in the prohibited water instead of a mere boundary line as at present through the Great Lake to make more practicable the prevention of poaching, however, one topic which will come in for considerable discussion.

COMMISSION ORDERS REDUCTION IN RATES

Express Charges to be Lowered in Handling Freight Bills of Lading—Change in Classification.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—The Railway Commission today issued an order reducing express charges for the handling of freight bills of lading and collection of monies thereunder.

At present the express companies forward bills of lading for freight shipments, they, however, charging for the collection and return of money under the bill of lading one per cent. By the order signed today a change in the express classification has been made. Under this, a new rule provides for the charge of one-eighth of one per cent, with a minimum of one per cent of \$100 on one company's line and one and one-half per cent, when carried by more than one company.

ALARM FOR FOREIGNERS IN MEXICO GROUNDLESS

CAPTAIN AND THREE OF HIS MEN PERISH

Crew of Abandoned Ship Rescued from Island Thousand Miles off the Coast of Chile.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—Given up for lost, the crew of the dismantled and abandoned steel ship Dalgemar, owned in London, are on their way to Dover aboard the French ship Loire, which picked them up on October 9, a thousand miles off the coast of Chile. Captain Jibester and three of his men are dead. How they perished the news that reached here today did not tell. First word of the loss of the Dalgemar, which carried a crew of about thirty, reached here on December 10, when the French barque Marie anchored. Capt. Moricet of the Marie sighted the Dalgemar 1,000 miles off the coast of Chile on October 23, rolling her keel out of water with her rigging cut and her mast gone. Two of the ship's small boats were gone. The others swung on the davits.

Now comes word that the Loire picked up the officers and crew, and on December 9 spoke to some unknown steamship, which flashed the news of the rescue broadcast.

COLLEGE BRIDGE TO HAVE NEW STATION

Contract for Work Awarded Yesterday—New Freight Shed to be Erected at Westville, N. S.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—The cabinet today awarded contract to S. R. Gaudet & O. Dupuis for a station building and platform at College Bridge, N. B., to cost \$4,300.

The contract for the construction and completion of the freight shed at Westville was let to Messrs. McLeod and Simms at \$1,750.

J. Sumner Co. will install hot water heating at Oxford, N. S., at \$850.

SINKING OF REPUBLIC "BOOMED" WIRELESS

As Result of Disaster Radio-Wireless Telephone Company Was Swamped With Orders for Stock.

New York, Dec. 17.—The world was in a state of commotion after the S. S. Republic disaster, five years ago, in which "Jack" Binn figured as a hero by remaining hours at his operating post, and the Radio Wireless Telephone Company, as a result, was swamped with orders for stock, according to testimony given by Elmer E. Burlingame in Federal Court here today.

Burlingame told how a great deal of money was raised by stock after the sinking of the Republic. "For six months," he testified, "when the world was wireless mad, the money just poured in to us without any great effort on our part."

Burlingame testified the company had planned to build up a great wireless telephone and telegraph company costing the entire world.

The trial will be continued tomorrow.

Washington Receives Assurance All Are Safe for the Present.

SPANIARDS TOOK UNDUPLICATE PART, SAYS LEADER.

Foreign Colony at Tampico Quiet, But Report Says Constitutionalists are Only Awaiting Supplies.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Reassurance

as to the safety of Mexicans in Chihuahua conveyed today by Consul Letcher immediately upon the reopening of telegraphic communication between that city and El Paso, came as a relief to the administration here. Washington officials had been of the opinion that the stories emanating from refugees and federal partisans, to the effect that Americans and other foreigners in Chihuahua were being subjected to gross mistreatment by the constitutionalists were without foundation, but in the absence of any official information on the subject, it had been impossible to convey definite assurance to the many anxious inquiries alarmed for the safety of their relatives and friends.

So far, Consul Letcher has forwarded to the state department no reply from General Villa to its representations regarding the treatment of the Spanish residents of Chihuahua, but it is assumed that the consul has not found it easy to communicate quickly with the rebel general owing to his military activity along the extended line of the constitutionalist army. Little doubt is felt that General Villa will heed the admonitions of the department and extend proper treatment to the Spaniards as well as to other foreigners. In this connection, department officials deprecate the demonstrations in favor of Huerta which are said to have been made by the Spanish element on the American side of the border.

Americans and the whole foreign colony at Tampico are now enjoying a period of quiet after the exciting events of the past week, but their peace of mind is marred by the news that 4,000 constitutionalists are reported within twenty miles of the town and may renew their attack upon the federal defense as soon as they can replenish their stock of ammunition. There is likely to be little change in the disposition of the vessels of the American fleet near Tampico for the present.

Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico, Dec. 17.—General Carranza, in a long report received here today by General Carranza, denied that any foreigners were molested at Chihuahua City, with the exception of the Spaniards, who were expelled. Villa suggested to the supreme leader of the revolution that the state capital be made his national provisional capital.

The foreign consuls asked for guarantees for their countrymen and these were given in full for all except Spanish. General Villa said in his report: "These, as you know, almost entirely have taken no notice of the struggle of our country, and have put themselves always against the cause of the people, of whom we are the defenders."

General Villa told of the institution of a civil government at Chihuahua City and of the enlistment of 200 federal soldiers who were sent to Juarez on their own recognizance. In requesting General Carranza to move his military headquarters to Chihuahua, General Villa urged that the state was in the hands of insurgent forces and that its central location would make the move most advantageous.

It was said here that General Carranza had made no decision in the matter but was considering it. Villa took occasion to reassure the constitutionalists' commander-in-chief of the "loyalty and constancy of your most affectionate subordinate."

Juarez, Mexico, Dec. 17.—United States Consul Letcher at Chihuahua telegraphed to Consul Edwards today that almost all foreigners had left Chihuahua and that the city was quiet.

Reports from other sources were the next clash between General Villa and the federalists was expected south of Chihuahua.

Luis Terrazas, Jr., is still held a prisoner by Villa. The avowed purpose is to compel the Terrazas family to pay a large sum of money for release.

Villa asserts that the Terrazas succeeded in taking much of their cash and securities to the United States before the rebels arrived and it is his plan to hold Terrazas, Jr., until said \$50,000 or more is sent back.

Mexico City, Dec. 17.—Rebels who have penetrated the federal district and yesterday clashed with federal troops at Milpaita and at San Lorenzo are said to be accompanied and directed by Emilio Zapata. Felipe Neri and Generoso De Laot, two other rebel leaders, are reported to be not far distant and are in daily communication with Zapata. General Zapata is alleged to have taken possession of Napanpa ranch, a few miles from Milpaita. At one time this property was a favorite resting place of General Porfirio Diaz, while he was president.

IS IT SAFE TO LET THAW OUT ON BAIL?

Judge Appoints Commission to Decide if Public would be in Danger from Stanford White's Slayer.

Concord, N. H., Dec. 17.—A commission to examine Harry K. Thaw to determine whether his liberty under bail would be dangerous to public safety, was announced by Judge Aldrich in the Federal Court today.

The commission is to consist of Frank S. Streeter, Concord; Dr. Murton Prince, Boston; Dr. George A. Blumer, superintendent of Butler Hospital for the Insane, Providence; and Dr. Charles P. Bancroft, superintendent of New Hampshire State Hospital for the Insane, Concord.

In the receipt, which is on Thaw's application for admission to bail under the habeas corpus proceedings, Judge Aldrich says: "The commission is not appointed for the purpose of listening to experts upon an adversary hearing, but for making such observations and examination as it sees fit to make as to Thaw's present condition, and whether he is insane or not, its opinion is sought upon the single and sole question whether it is reasonably probable that his liberty under bail would be dangerous to the public peace and safety."

The receipt adds that it is not intended that there should be a broad trial upon the general question of insanity because it is not the purpose to embarrass any subsequent litigation where that question may be involved.

DIED.

WHITE—On the 16th inst., James E. White, aged ninety-one years and four days.

LOGAN—At 120 Chesley street, on the 16th inst., Elizabeth J. Logan, in the 52nd year of her age.

SLIPP—At Central Hampstead on Dec. 17, Willard W. Slipp, in the 55th year of his age, leaving a wife, two sons and two daughters to mourn the loss of a loving husband and a devoted father.

Funeral Friday afternoon at two o'clock from his late residence, Central Hampstead. Friends and relatives invited to attend.

MORE APPRECIATION OF STANDARD'S SPECIAL

Yarmouth Papers Make Complimentary References to Our Big Christmas Edition on Saturday.

The following is from the current issue of the Yarmouth Times: "The Times has received a copy of the Christmas edition of the St. John Standard. The editor is to be congratulated on this number. There are many articles of permanent value and also an excellent range of literary matter. It is very bulky and voluminous and touches all departments of the activities of St. John for the year 1913.

The subject of education in New Brunswick is ably handled by Drs. Bridges and Carter. A marked increase in the attendance of pupils is noted, and also the adoption of savings bank plan. Technical education has not yet been introduced into our sister province. Much space is devoted to the telling of the story of the development of the port of St. John as the water port of Canada. Millions of yards of mud have been taken from St. John harbor. The public works in and around the city mean much in every way. In a lengthy article the Board of Trade is praised for all it has done in keeping St. John before the eyes of the public and seeing that her rights are recognized.

"Needed improvements have been made to the immigration buildings on Partridge Island. Articles appear from different centres such as Moncton, Fredericton, St. Stephen, Woodstock. All report a busy year and looking forward to greater things. The amusement of the people is told in two articles from such experts as F. G. Spencer and W. H. Golding. The marvelous growth of the motion picture business is strikingly described. One million feet of film is required every week to entertain the people of the Maritime Provinces. Some very readable sketches are to be found in this feast of good things on agriculture, the lumber industry and immigration. Much space is given to a narration of the work accomplished by the several denominations. Several themes are discussed with admirable lucidity. The interesting stories, the contributed articles and the poems make up a very fine Christmas edition. The mechanical work is well done and reflects credit on those who have the printing of the Standard in charge. This number of the Standard consisted of 72 pages—the largest paper ever issued in St. John."

The Yarmouth Herald hands the following bouquet in regard to the Christmas Standard: "We must congratulate our daily contemporary—the St. John Standard—for the splendid Christmas number issued on Saturday last. The Standard was made up of seventy-two pages, filled with cuts of the public life of the city, in black and colored inks with text giving statistics and historical reviews of many points of interest."

Walnut Cream Candy. The ingredients are two cupsful of sugar, one-half cupful of water, a pinch of cream tartar, one cupful of chopped black walnut meats and one teaspoonful of vanilla extract. With out stirring the mixture boil the sugar and cream of tartar together until it forms a soft ball when tried in cold water. Take from the stove and set in a basin of cold water for three minutes. Beat until it becomes white and creamy. Then add the vanilla and the chopped nut meats. Pour into buttered pans and mark into squares.

Piping hot coal for your feeder, at Consumers' Coal Company.

IS NOW ABLE TO SUPPLY THE HOME MARKET

Not Longer Necessary on the Atlantic Coast to Import Fresh Fish—Cold Storage Car System Successful.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—"Not only has the importation of fresh fish along the Canadian Atlantic coast been stopped from the United States, but the demand in the Canadian markets is being very rapidly expanded," says a significant item in the annual report of the fisheries production of Canada, just issued.

The report points out that largely on account of improved transportation facilities afforded to dealers by the department, Canada during the past year attained that point where it was able to supply its own markets "while the dealers on the Pacific coast have for several years been sending fish through Toronto and Montreal in carload lots on which there is a carload rate of \$3 per 100 pounds, the express charges on less than a carload to the prairie provinces were so high that they seemed out of the question. With the cheaper rate given owing to departmental assistance the trade has increased wonderfully and now shipments are being sent in carload lots to quite an extent, making departmental assistance unnecessary."

In regard to the arrangement made some time ago by the department to have the railroads place at the disposal of shippers cold storage cars to be hauled by fast freight to Montreal, the report states that this service, which cost the department a considerable sum, has now been taken advantage of to such an extent to be self-sustaining. "Prior to the time the department undertook to assist such markets as those in Toronto and Montreal they were being very largely supplied from United States sources," says the report. Now this has all been changed and in addition to the shipment west during the season in the fall and early winter, large shipments from load lots are made from the Atlantic coast to points as far west as the Pacific coast and throughout the year shipments of halibut and salmon from the Pacific coast to Toronto and Montreal.

FIRE IN SYDNEY.

Sydney, Dec. 17.—An outbreak of fire occurred yesterday afternoon in the basement of the new Redden block on Charlotte street. The fire was confined to the basement in which it originated, and nearly all the damage was caused by water and smoke.

Messrs. Redden's shoe store, Mr. A. H. Mann, jeweler, are the occupants of the building, and they with Messrs. McCurdy's dry goods store had stock damaged amounting to somewhere near \$5,000.

Quality, reliability and economy are all combined in Consumers' Coal Co's coal.

QUINLAN ENGLISH GRAND OPERA COMPANY; CANADIAN TOUR, 1914

A cable states that the Quinlan Opera Company of 200 members sailed on Monday, December 15th, from Sydney for Vancouver, per S. S. Marika. This great organization will be seen in this city early in the coming year. They open their first Canadian tour at Vancouver on January 12th, 1914.

CHURCH DIGNITARIES VIEW CARDINAL'S BODY

Remains of Papal Secretary Lie in State—Funeral Services to be Held in St. Peter's.

Rome, Dec. 17.—The body of the late Cardinal Rampella today is lying in the drawing room of his palace, which has been transformed into a chapel. The room is draped in red and decorated with oil paintings. On one side is a small altar. A black cloth with silver fringes will be draped over the body, and nearby stands a column with a terra cotta group representing St. Peter's boat tossed by the waves.

Funeral services will be held in St. Peter's. The cardinals and many of the ecclesiastics attached to the Vatican, as well as the diplomatic representatives accredited to the Holy See, viewed the body this afternoon.

BRITANNIA DIVISION HOLDS ANNUAL BANQUET

Have had Most Successful Year—22 New Members.

Lower Millstream, Dec. 15.—Britannia Division, No. 255, S. of T., is about to close one of its most successful years in temperance work. During the last month, as a result of a contest, 22 new members were enrolled among the temperance workers. Great interest is taken in this work by both young and old, and it is hoped that the work through the coming winter may continue as it began.

Thursday evening, Dec. 11, a special meeting was called for the purpose of holding the annual banquet. Over 50 members were present. After the order of business was over the members were seated around one lengthy table, with the D.G.W.P., Bro. H. A. Corbett, at its head. The officers were arranged in order on the right hand, after the toast to the King, by the W. P. T. S. McAuley, they all partook of a bountiful dinner. At the close the following toasts were honored:

The Division—Proposed by P. W. P. Mrs. W. Keirstead; response, D.G.W. P. H. A. Corbett.

The Contest—Proposed by Miss D. McAuley; response, Miss K. Corbett.

New Members—Proposed by J. E. McAuley; response, C. Reidley.

The Ladies—Proposed by I. S. Wm. Thomson; response, O. S. J. L. McAuley and R. T. Young.

Among those present were H. A. Corbett, D.G.W.P.; T. S. McAuley, W.P.T.S.; Mrs. W. Keirstead, P.W.F.; Katie Corbett, F.S.; Gladys Young, Treas.; Wm. McKnight, chaplain; Sadie McAuley, R.S.; Roy Taylor, R.S.; Dell McAuley, Con.; Emma McKnight, Asst. Con.; Wm. Thomas, I.S.; Leonard McAuley, O.S.; R. Ellison, Mrs. Holder, Ralph Pearson, Mary Young, Mrs. G. Young, Chester Young, Murray Munroe, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Patterson, Mrs. H. Corbett, Agnes Corbett, Edward Corbett, George McKnight, C. E. E. Titus, Harold Titus, Mable Titus, Wm. I. McLeod, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McAuley, Mabel Searls, Ervin Erving, C. Reidley, Fannie Reidley, Addie McKnight.

LATE SHIPPING

New York, Dec. 17.—Arrd stmr Dronning Maud, Hillsboro, N. B.; schr Victoria, Bridgewater, N. S.; Charles L. Jeffrey, Bangor, Me.; Methebes, Stonington, Me. Boston, Dec. 17.—Arrd schr William D. Marvel, Clinton Point, N. Y.; Portlet, Dec. 17.—Arrd schr Cora F. Cressey, Newport News; Mary Curtis, New York; Alice May Davenport, Perth Amboy. Dec. 17.—Arrd schr Alaska, New York. Newport News, Dec. 17.—Sld schr James W. Paul, Jr., Fortland, Me. Windsor, N. S.; schr Ravola, St. John N. B.; Adonis, do; schr Ralph M. Hayward, Calais, Me. Vineyard Haven, Mass., Dec. 17.—Sld schr M. E. Eldridge, Digby, N. S.; Elsie A. Bayles, New York. Portland, Dec. 17.—Sld schr Tison, Bridgeton, W. I. New York, Dec. 17.—Arrd stmr Bremen, Bremen. Boston, Dec. 17.—Arrd stmr Scotlan, Glasgow. Queenstown, Dec. 17.—Arrd stmr Haverford, Philadelphia. Havre, Dec. 17.—Arrd stmr La Savole, New York. Naples, Dec. 17.—Arrd stmr Madonna, New York; Berlin, New York; Laconia, New York. Liverpool, Dec. 17.—Sld stmr Gramplan, St. John, N. B.

HOT DEBATE OVER ALASKA RAILWAY

Washington, Dec. 17.—Spirited debate in the house today marked the consideration of the bill for a government owned railway in Alaska. Advocates of the measure described at length the project to build 700 miles of railroad from the southern coast of Alaska to the rich coal fields in the interior, while its opponents argued that the cost would be much greater than the committee had estimated and "the game was not worth the candle." The debate is to be resumed next Wednesday, unless congress has adjourned for the Christmas holidays in the meantime.

Sale of Dairy Cattle.

By auction at Silver Falls, St. John County, on the 18th inst., at 1 p. m., pure bred Ayrshires and Jerseys. S. Creighton & Sons.

MOVING PICTURES OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Camera Men Secured Views of Apparatus in Action—Pictures to be Shown Next Week.

Yesterday morning Messrs. Cleveland and Williams, the two motion picture men who have been taking views of the principal parts of the city had a busy time when they took some excellent views of the city fire department. About eleven o'clock Chief Blake had the apparatus assembled on King street east in front of No. 1 H. and L. Station. At a given signal the doors of the station opened and the chief's team dashed out and rushed past the camera men, then followed the big aerial truck, then No. 2 engine and following these came No. 3 engine, the Salvage Corps wagon, No. 3 hose, No. 1 engine and No. 1 hose. It was a very creditable showing. The apparatus then circled the block and entered King street again from Cambridge street. This time the horses were sent past the picture man on the run and an even better showing made.

Chief Blake then took the camera men to Douglas Avenue where an excellent picture was taken of the North End apparatus in action. There was a rush back to the King Square and at noon when the large crowds were walking up King street on their noon day meals a fine picture was taken and King street was caught at one of its most busy times. It was the intention to have taken a harbor view but the camera men could not remain over in the city any longer and left for Boston on the express late yesterday afternoon. These pictures will be shown in the city early next week and the large crowd who were out yesterday morning to witness the display will await the presentation of the pictures on the canvas with interest.

The film should prove an interesting one with scenes of the reversing falls, the erection of the sugar refinery, the departure of the steamship Royal George with a view of the harbor, the fire department and the throngs of people on King street.

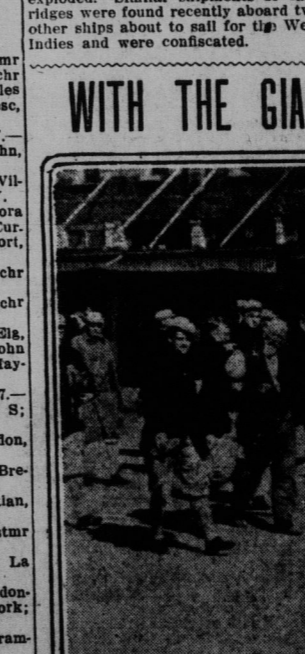
SEIZE AMMUNITION INTENDED FOR HAYTI

Ten Thousand Rounds of Cartridges Hidden Aboard a Steamer—Hadn't Chance to Land Them.

New York, Dec. 17.—Ten thousand rounds of revolver cartridge, hidden under an anchor chain of the steamer Allemania, were seized by customs inspectors here this afternoon. The Allemania reached New York Monday from Haytian and Columbian ports, and the ammunition was found there, but not until the vessel was placed in dry dock could the ten-ton chain be removed.

The inspectors believe the cartridges were taken on her, intended for use in Hayti, but that the persons who placed them on the ship were unable to get at them when Hayti was reached. The cartridges had been heavily pounded by the cabin, but none had exploded. Similar shipments of cartridges were found recently aboard two other ships about to sail for the West Indies and were confiscated.

WITH THE GIANTS-WHITE SOX AT BONHAM, TEXAS



GIANTS ON PARADE AT BONHAM, TEXAS



WIVES OF PLAYERS, LEFT TO RIGHT, MRS. JEFF TESSERAU, MRS. JOHN LOBERT, MRS. CHIEF MEYERS, AND MRS. 'HAL' CHASE

Bonham, Texas, was one of the towns in the Giant-White Sox itinerary that did itself proud in greeting the globe-circling baseball team. "Red" Russell, star southpaw of the Sox, put Bonham on the map and the townspeople showed their gratitude when he arrived with his fellow travellers to play a one day stand on route to the Pacific coast.

The busy photographer "snapped" some of the Giants and Sox as they were rambling to the ball park. Mearls, Meyers, Mathewson and Wilts can be seen trailing the White Sox, although one has to peer over the head of the negro porter to get a look at "Matty." "Mike" Donlin can be seen in the foreground with cap tilted in characteristic style and affecting the well known Donlin swagger.

No other Teas have a chance for public favor, when once tried along side of the famous...

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THIS IS THE SOLE AND ONLY SECRET OF ITS GREAT SALE

Black—Green or Mixed—Sealed Packets only.

SANTA CLAUS AND THE FUNNY ANIMALS AT 3:45 DAILY!

ANOTHER HANDSOME CHAP SAVES MARY! Captain Bradford Not the Only Toad in this Love-Puddle.

The "Mary" Chapter Today Full of New Excitement. IMPERIAL Bring the Kiddies to the Santa Claus Matinee.

"Oh You, Sit Skirt" A Biograph Police Farce. "Phoney Sherlock Holmes" In Another Biograph Hollar.

At 3:45—"SANTA CLAUS IN JUNGLELAND" A Magnificent Scenic Pastime for Old and Young. DELIGHT FOR CHILDREN, BIG LAUGH FOR ADULTS.

Kathleen Furlong-Schmidt, Mezzo Seven-Piece Orchestra

EVENING SHOWS THE FAMOUS TROUPE OF ANIMAL IMITATORS, THE TROPICAL TRIO. PATHE WEEKLY Native Fetes in Far-off India. Some Big European Events. News of this Continent on Film. Some Unique Events in the South. PATHE WEEKLY

CAN YOU BEAT IT? SURELY SOME SHOW!

OPERA HOUSE THOMPSON-WOODS STOCK CO.

Dec. 25, 26 and 27th With Christmas and Saturday Matinee IN The Charity Ball By DAVID BELASCO

WILL BE CLOSED FOR REPAIRS DEC. 22, 23 and 24

SEE "THE DAWN OF A TOMORROW" THIS WEEK Big production at small prices—10c, 25c, 35c and 50c. Evenings at 8.15. Saturday Matinee at 2.30.

UNIQUE—Second SPECIAL Feature "The Trail of the Lost Chord"

Continuation of CHRISTMAS GOODIES. Taken From the Famous Poem and Song. A Picture to Linger in Memory of Yuletide Thought. AGAIN! KEYSTONE "THE GANGSTERS" ANOTHER BUNDLE OF HAW-HAWS SATURDAY MATINEE—More Christmas Blotters for the Kiddies.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Premier Borden intends to spend Christmas in Ottawa, but a number of other Ministers will go away for the festival. Col. the Hon. Sam Hughes is going to the coast to visit his son, Hon. Dr. Roche will go to Minnedosa, Hon. W. T. White to Toronto, Hon. J. D. Hazen to St. John, Hon. L. P. Pelletier to Quebec, Hon. Mr. Nantel to St. Jerome, and Hon. Mr. Codrere to Montreal. Hon. G. E. Foster will leave for London probably Christmas Day. Most of the others will remain in Ottawa.

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GREAT PAINTINGS BY TIEPOLO MAY BE BROUGHT TO AMERICA



COMBAT OF ROMAN WARRIORS AND ASIATICS BY TIEPOLO

Mr. F. Kleinberger, head of the Kleinberger Galleries, of Paris and New York, has acquired from Baron Hiller von Eichholz, of Vienna, the well known five paintings by Giovanni Battista Tiepolo, which the artist after his eighteenth century painted for the Palace of St. Pantaleon, then belonging to the Venetian nobles of the family of Dolfin. Baron Eichholz bought them before the Faena law forbidding the exportation of works of art from Italy was in force.

One of the best known of the five is the "Combat of Roman Warriors and Asiatics," which is full of carnage and action. Tiepolo was born in Venice in 1696, died in Madrid in 1770 and has been called the last great decorative painter of the Venetian school.

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THE LATEST SHIPPING NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARINE NOTES OF THE WORLD

SIGNAL SERVICE BULLETIN.

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. St. John, Dec. 17, 1913.

Cape Race, 7:30—Seven-fifty p. m. December 16th, Empress of Britain, 786 miles southeast, inward. Seven-fifty p. m. Empress of Ireland, 645 miles southeast, outward. Eight-twenty p. m. Teutonic, 550 miles southeast, outward. Six-thirty p. m. Ionian, 150 miles east, outward. Briar Island, 61—Fair, calm. Point Lepreau, 22—Cloudy, light north. Partridge Island—Cloudy, light northeast.

RED CROSS LINE.
The Red Cross liner Cholchide Cuneo, from New York, is due in port this morning.

WEST INDIES LINE.
The steamer Chaleur is due here today from South Hampton, to receive cargo and go on the West Indies line.

FURNESS LINE.
The Furness liner Kanawha sailed from Halifax at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon for this port.

BATTLE LINE.
The Battle line steamer Albuera, Captain Purdy, arrived at Buenos Ayres on the 16th from Middlesboro.

STEAMER CHARTERED.
British steamer, 2339 tons, deals, St. John, N. B., to West Britain at East Ireland, 35s, prompt.

THE ALLAN LINE.
The steamship Tunitan was 512 miles west of Fastnet at midnight on Tuesday, bound for Liverpool from St. John.

NEW ALLAN LINERS.
The new Allan steamers Albatross and Albatross will make their maiden sailings from Liverpool for Halifax respectively January 17 and February 18.

THE DONALDSON LINE.
The Donaldson liner Saturnia, Captain Taylor, will sail at three o'clock this afternoon for Glasgow with a large general cargo and passengers. The passengers include 100 cab. in and about 700 steerage. About 200 steerage passengers left over by the Royal George leave on the Saturnia.

STEAMER DISABLED.
London, Dec. 16.—A telegram from Shanghai states that the steamer Nalson, from Hong Kong for San Francisco, co. etc., has high pressure valve casing cracked or out of order and port engine disabled; temporary repairs proceeding.

WILL LAY UP.
The schooner Leah K. Stetson, which completed discharging her cargo of coal, will lay up here for the winter.

SCHOONER Wm. L. ELKINS. now at New Bedford, will lay up there during the winter months.

CARGO VALUATIONS.
The Donaldson line steamer Letitia for Glasgow, took away Canadian goods valued at \$48,265.

STMR. WIRELESS TELEPHONE.
Portland, Me., Dec. 16.—Irving Verbeke and Kay Krech, the two wireless operators on the steamer North Land, assisted by Irving Van Alstyne, who runs the generator on the steamer, were experimenting last evening on a new wireless telephone just invented by the operators. It is run on a different system from that used on the Marconi apparatus, as instead of using the direct current the alternating current is applied. The results attained were most successful, the singing, talking and whistling through the telephone being heard very distinctly by the operators at the fore and on all the vessels in the harbor equipped with wireless outfits. It is believed much better results can be obtained at sea, the operators being sanguine that the telephone will easily carry 100 miles.

SCHR. DOANE AROUND.
For the first time in nearly eighteen years a schooner has made the trip up the Mystic river to the square in Medford city, and is now discharging hundreds of thousands of feet of spruce lumber from New Brunswick at Foster's Wharf, off Riverside ave. The schooner is a three-master named Doane, and it was only with great difficulty that she was brought up the river by two tugs. She went aground but once on the trip from Wellington Bridge, The Medford Board of Trade, which is interested in having the channel deepened, has sent a picture of the vessel aground to Washington, and it is planned to urge on the members of Congress the great need of an appropriation for work on the Mystic River.

STEAMSHIP NOTES.
The C. P. R. Line S. S. Empress of Britain was 786 miles southeast of Cape Race at 7:50 p. m. on the 16th, bound to Halifax.

The steamer Empress of Ireland was 645 miles southeast of Cape Race at 7:50 p. m. on the 16th, bound to Liverpool.

The steamer Teutonic, bound outward was 550 miles southeast of Cape Race at 8:30 p. m. Tuesday, and the Allan Line S. S. Ionian was 150 miles

east of Cape Race at 8:30 p. m. on Tuesday, bound outward.
The C. P. R. Line steamer Montfort, Capt. Davidson, sailed yesterday. She has on board about 8,000 tons cargo, including 25,000 bushels of grain. The Montfort will lay up at London for about six weeks for general inspection.

DANGERS TO NAVIGATION.

(Reported to the Hydrographic Office) New York, Dec. 16.—The British ship Dalgemar, in ballast, is reported having been abandoned on October 28 in lat 27 S, lon 95 07 W, with masts gone at deck, boats gone and a heavy list to port.

Steamer Dromore (Br) reports November 19, lat 37 10 N, lon 75 49 W, passed a boat bottom up.

Steamer Belgian (Br) reports November 15, lat 44 44 N, lon 45 25 W, passed a white boat, awash with stern gone.

Steamer Richmond (Br) reports November 16, lat 52 18 N, lon 33 31 W, passed a spar about 20 feet long; apparently a ship's spar.

The Canadian signal service reports an iceberg in sight at Belle Isle on December 9.

Steamer Hellig Olav (Dan) reports November 24, lat 48 55 N, lon 48 54 W, passed a large iceberg.

Steamer Lingfield (Br) reports December 2, lat 47 33 N, lon 51 14 W, passed a large iceberg.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

December—Phases of the Moon:
First quarter, 5th. 10h. 59m.
Full moon, 13th. 11h. 0m.
Last quarter, 20th. 12h. 16m.
New moon, 27th. 10h. 59m.

VESSLS IN PORT.

Steamers.
C. Sundt, 634, J. E. Moore.
Ella, Robert Reford Co.
Kendral, 2339, Robert Reford Co.
Inwara, J. T. Knight & Co.
Manchester Importer, Wm. Thomson & Co.

Schooners.
Annie M. Parker, 386, R. C. Elkin.
Chas. C. Lester, 266, A. W. Adams.
Calabria, 451, J. Spilane, laid up.
Cora May, 117, N. C. Scott.
E. M. Roberts, 295, R. C. Elkin.
Ema, 299, A. W. Adams.
Hattie H. Barbour, 266, A. W. Adams.
Helen G. King, 129, A. W. Adams.
Hunter, 187, D. J. Purdy.
Helen Montague, 344, R. C. Elkin.
Ishak K. Stetson, J. W. Smith.
J. Arthur Lord, 136, A. W. Adams.
J. S. Lamory, 250, G. M. Morrison.
Lucille, 164, Master.
Margaret May Riley, 241, A. W. Adams.
Nellie Eaton, 99, A. W. Adams.
Orestime, 124, A. W. Adams.
Rebecca M. Weiss, 516.
Sallie E. Ludlow, D. J. Purdy.

PORT OF ST. JOHN, N. B.

Arrived Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1913.
Coastwise—Schs Orosala, 5, Simpson, Chance Harbor and sailed for Halifax; Ida M., 77, Glennie, River Hiobert; stms Brunswick, 72, Moore, Bass River; Chignecto, 36, Canning, Cheverie and cid.

DOMESTIC PORTS.
Halifax, Dec. 17.—Ard stmr Louisburg, Louisburg, N. S.
Stid stmr Kanawha, St. John, N. B.; Montrose, Boston.

BRITISH PORTS.
Belfast, Dec. 14.—Ard stmr Howth Head, Moore, New Orleans.
London, Dec. 16.—Ard stmr Montreal, St. John, N. B.
Southampton, Dec. 16.—Sld stmr Chignecto, Halifax, N. S.
London, Dec. 16.—Sld stmr Ascania, Portland, Me.

FOREIGN PORTS.
Port Reading, N. J., Dec. 15.—Cid stmr Ann Louisa Lockwood, Swenson, St. John, N. B.
Calbarien, Dec. 6.—Ard schr Wilkens Gertrude, Kingsport, N. S. (after discharging proceeds to Gulfport to load for Manzanilla).
Mobile, Ala., Dec. 14.—Ard schrs Cella F., Clentuegus; Albert D. Mills, Newry, New York.

STEAMSHIP NOTES.
New York, Dec. 16.—Ard schr Laura C. Hall, Sackville, N. B.
Dec. 16.—Sld schr Ann Louisa Lockwood, St. John, N. B.
New Haven, Dec. 16.—Sld schr W. E. and W. L. Tuck, Calais.
Machias, Dec. 16.—Sld schr Hael Trahey, Charlottetown, P. E. I.
Portland, Dec. 16.—Ard schr Eva A. Danenhover, Calais.
Boothbay Harbor, Dec. 16.—Ard schr Rhoda Holmes, Apple River, N. S.
Machias, Me., Dec. 16.—Ard schrs Lucia Porter, St. John, N. B.; Moonlight, Calais.
Calais, Me., Dec. 16.—Ard schr Lanier Cobb, New York.
Albuera, Purdy, Middlesboro.
Boston, Dec. 15.—Sld schrs Beaulac McDonald, Marytown, Nfld.; Elsie Porter, Lockport and Liverpool, N. S.; Percy B., Clyde River, N. S.

HAD TO STOP WORK FROM THE PAIN

Suffered Ten Years Until "Fruit-a-tives" Cured Him

St. Thomas, Ont., May 22nd, 1913. "I was troubled for ten years with the most distressing Constipation and Indigestion of the worst form. No one could have been worse with these troubles than I was for this long time.

The pain from indigestion was so severe that many times, I have had to stop work and lie down until the acute spasms passed away.

I took a lot of medicine—in fact, I guess I took about everything that was advertised—and gave them all a fair test—but got no relief. About a year ago, however, I was advised to try "Fruit-a-tives." I am mighty glad I did so for they seem to be made exactly for me.

They gave results in a very short time and I am now free from these diseases and enjoying perfect health. My wife also used "Fruit-a-tives" and we both think they are the best medicine ever made."

Z. J. EDGEWORTH.
50c. a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size, 25c. At all dealers or sent on receipt of price by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

LOCAL NEWS CONDENSED

Trinity Chimes May Be Ready to Ring Out Xmas Carols—Extra Clerks in Post Office.

For Christmas. Trinity chimes may peal out the glad tidings of good peace and good will on Christmas morn. The parts being adjusted in England are now on their way here, on a steamer which sailed on Dec. 9.

Exceptional Winter.
The very mild weather that St. John has been enjoying seems to be general all over Canada. Yesterday Fred Cairns plucked a sprig from a tree in the heart of the city. There were buds on it more than half an inch long and apparently just ready to break into leaves. On many trees the same conditions can be seen, while dandelions are in bloom on many lawns.

Ontario papers speak of prevailing climatic conditions as resembling Northern Virginia and the South of England.

Broke His Leg.
Ernest Nason, an employee in the line department of the N. B. Telephone Co., fell while at work yesterday at the Customs House. It was said that his leg was broken. He was taken to his home at King Square.

Home for Burial.
The body of Miss Norma Baskin, daughter of W. D. Baskin, was brought home yesterday from British Columbia where she died of pneumonia, which she contracted on the arrival of the Montreal train. The body was taken to Greenwood for interment. Rev. H. E. Thomas conducted the services.

For Holiday Rush.
The clerks employed temporarily in the post office during the Christmas rush started to work yesterday. The temporary letter-carriers will begin on Friday.

The Liquor Licenses.
Up to yesterday Inspector J. B. Jones had received twenty-three retail applications, one hotel, one brewer and two wholesale applications. The last day for receiving the applications is December 28. A meeting of the board will probably be held Dec. 29 to name a day when the applications will be considered.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.
Dufferin.
D. S. Budds, Montreal; B. E. Armstrong, Fredericton; I. J. Molirran, Halifax; M. Haberton, W. H. Hamilton, Boston; Geo. L. Williams, W. P. Mailman, Toronto; Chas. E. Wilson and wife, Edmonton, Ala.; Joe Page, Montreal; C. L. Tracey, Tracy Station; R. P. McFarland, Fredericton; John H. Dixon, Alex. Little, Kisbey; Chas. Y. Simpson, Chicago; Thomas M. Street, G. M. Mathews, P. E. I.; K. S. Pickard, Sackville, N. B.; W. H. Short, Sussex.

Victoria.
A. B. Davis, Grand Falls; R. J. Anderson, Brownville Jct.; F. W. Budd, Halifax; J. H. Budd, do; E. W. Gealey, Moncton; J. K. Fleming, Woodstock; Geo. J. Green, McAdam; T. J. Drysdale, Pettitcodiac; Nigel C. R. Horne, Winnipeg; John Gordon, do; A. Hierserau, Brownville Jct.; D. L. Canden, do; J. W. Webster, Hampton; Geo. W. Foster, Fredericton; A. R. Miles, do; W. E. Benson, Chatham, Ont.; N. O. LaFrance, Montreal; V. J. Rollins, Sangerville, Me.; Frank D. Witter, do; H. W. Woods, Welsford; Ernest A. Shaw, Pocologan; R. Roach, Toronto; G. M. Robbin, Watsons, Sask.

Royal.
A. Pilz, Jr., Chicago; A. Parsons, Winnipeg; N. T. Scarborough, Toronto; H. E. Auringer, Boston; John S. Ackhurst, Halifax; C. Causa, Montreal; F. L. Angwin and wife, Dartmouth; W. E. Tupper, Digby; L. Storey, Buffalo; F. G. Smyth, A. Stanley Henry, W. St. O. Flaherty, C. L. Chilton, A. H. Blennerhassett.

MISS ELSIE DE WOLFE, NOW LIVING IN FRANCE, SUES TO TEST U. S. INCOME TAX LAW VALIDITY



An attack on the validity of the income tax law—the first legal move against the measure—was made in the United States Court at Chicago, Ill., when W. Bourke Cockran, of New York, and Collin C. H. Fryfe and Ir Ryner, of Chicago, filed suit on behalf of their client, Miss Elsie De Wolfe, who is described in the bill as a "citizen of New York State and a resident of Versailles, France."

The suit is directed against the Continental and Commercial Trust and Savings Bank. The amount involved is not large, but the suit admittedly is to carry a test of the new law to the United States Supreme Court for an ultimate decision regarding its constitutionality.

sett. G. Manney, Montreal; Lieut Col A. O. Fages, C. M. Jack, Halifax; A. J. Tait, Rhodrig, Mr and Mrs J. L. Doyle, J. H. Harris, Moncton; G. M. Edgett, H. W. Edgett, N. Y.; D. A. Sutherland, Port McNicoll; Mr and Mrs T. Anderson and family, Dauphin; W. H. Cavanaugh, New York; F. Macree and wife, Port Elgin; G. B. Beer, Toronto; F. W. Campbell, Halifax; A. J. Macguire, Mrs A. C. Chapman, Mrs A. E. Holstead, W. P. Humphrey, M. Lodge, F. G. Mahoney, Moncton; G. A. McBean, Montreal; C. E. Livingston, Barrington, Ont.; J. E. Hetherington and wife, Mrs Thomas Hetherington, Godfrey; R. G. A. Beck, Montreal; S. Parsons, Winnipeg; E. M. Perr, Toronto; A. F. Bentley, St. Martins.

Luxuries for Convicts.
In the state prison of California the convict has a fine time. At the worst he is treated to three excellent meals a day; but if he chooses to behave himself he can literally wallow in luxury. By doing a fair amount of work, and giving as little trouble as possible, he can breakfast off hot rolls and coffee, chops, steaks, potatoes and bread.

He can dine of roast beef or mutton soups, fish, macaroni, vegetables, and puddings; and for supper he can make his choice from a liberal spread, which includes such delicacies as stewed apples and prunes. He is allowed to take his exercise in the open air; and if he does not regard prison as a paradise all around, he must be a very exacting individual indeed.

Chocolate Fudge.
One cup of sugar, one cup of granulated chocolate, half a cup of milk and a quarter of a cup of molasses are the necessary ingredients. These should be boiled together until a little hardens in cold water when dropped into it. Take it off the fire and beat with a spoonful of vanilla. Stir it a minute or so and then turn into a buttered pan to cool.

Notice to Mariners.
Notice is hereby given that the Bell-Booy-Boat has been replaced temporarily by a Trinity bell buoy. The necessary repairs will be made at once to the Bell-Boat and replaced as soon as possible.
GEORGE H. FLOOD,
Agent, Dept. Marine and Fisheries,
St. John, N. B.,
Dec. 16th, 1913.

Notice to Mariners.
The light of the Bell Buoy Boat, anchored off the eastern end of Partridge Island, has been reported not burning. It will be relighted soon as possible.
GEORGE H. FLOOD,
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St. John, N. B.,
Dec. 15th.

Notice to Mariners.
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ONE MAN GOVERNMENT.

The city of Dayton, Ohio, on January 1st, will undertake an experiment in civic government that will be watched with keen interest by other cities.

When the commission form of government was adopted in Galveston, Des Moines, Cedar Rapids and other cities in the South and Middle West, Dayton did not take to the new system, although there was some agitation for it.

After the Dayton floods, last summer, the civic services were more or less disorganized. There was need for a strong man to grapple with the problems confronting the disconsolate people.

Naturally a man of extraordinary business acumen and administrative ability was required for such a post, and the Daytonites looked about them for the biggest man they could find.

As far as known Dayton is the first city of size and importance in the United States or Canada to turn the control of its affairs over to one man and practically deprive itself of the power to interfere with him.

From the standpoint of the consumer, it does not materially matter whether the farmer or the vendor receives the greater share of the money paid for milk in the city of St. John.

What we are directly interested in, however, is the question "when shall we receive more milk for the same money or the same milk for less money?"

Reports from money order departments in connection with the post offices in the big cities indicate that the "stranger within our gates" remembered those in the old land more bountifully this year than in previous years.

THAT "TOTTERING" GOVERNMENT

It does not appear that the columns of the Liberal newspapers have been overburdened, this week, with comments or explanations dealing with the result of the bye-elections in South Lanark and Macdonald.

Lest our friends forget, it may be said that the nearest approach to a Liberal candidate in South Lanark, Mr. Arthur Hawkes of the Canada First party, secured just 70 votes and lost his deposit of \$200.

In Macdonald, Manitoba, the Conservative candidate was returned by a larger majority than ever before. All of which will, undoubtedly, afford material for the Pugsley newspapers in this province to print lengthy editorials on the speed with which the Borden Government is tottering to its fall.

The Liberal newspapers tell us that Sir Wilfrid Laurier's "free food" policy is intended to afford relief to those who need it most.

Col. H. H. McLean, M. P. for Sunbury and Queens, does not appear to see eye to eye with his leader on the "free food" question any more than on the Naval bill.

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Diary of Events

HISTORIC DAYS IN CANADA

Queen's University at Kingston had its inception seventy-four years ago today, when a meeting was held at Kingston to launch a campaign for raising funds for the Presbyterian institution of learning.

THE PASSING DAY

CENTENARY OF CAPTURE OF FORT NIAGARA

Perry's victory in the naval battle of Lake Erie, Harrison's triumph in the conflict on the Thames and the capture of the city of Detroit, the events which inspired the British invasion of New York, which began a century ago tonight.

Gross negligence or stupidity on the part of the commander made the capture of the fort possible. When the British force reached the main gate at about three o'clock on the morning of the nineteenth.

THE HUMAN PROCESSION

THE "HUNDRED MILLION" BABY

The "one hundred million dollar baby," Vinson Walsh McLean, will be four years old today.

THE AUSTRIAN HEIR APPARENT

Franz Ferdinand, nephew and heir apparent of Emperor Franz Josef of Austria-Hungary, will pass the half-century mark today, having been born Dec. 18, 1863, the son of Archduke Karl Ludwig.

Boxing Christmas Candy

There are so many effective ways to box the Christmas candy, it's hard to single any special one out.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

As if Reno Didn't Exist. He (ardently)—Be mine, dear, mine forever.

One of Many. Briggs—Rogers claims to be an agnostic doesn't he? Griggs—Only as to religion; as to everything else he knows it all.

Similarity. Astronomers and golfers are alike, so it appears—At any rate both meditate The motion of the spheres.

The Secret of Secret-Keeping. If a woman could only keep secret the fact that she has a secret to keep, her secret would be safe.

Revenge. Girl Shopper—Why did you make that poor salesman pull down all that stuff and then not buy anything? Second Editor—Why the mean fellow was in a car yesterday and never afforded me his seat, though I looked right at him; so I just decided I would get even.

Hit it. Polly (to big sister's admirer)—Guess what father said about you last night.

Adolphus—Oh, I couldn't guess, really. Polly—I'll give you a peach if you can guess. Adolphus (flustered)—Oh, Polly, I haven't an idea in the world. Polly—Dr—you was listening.—Sydney Bulletin.

Used to it. Lawyer—The cross-examination did not seem to worry you. Have you any previous experience? Client—Six children.—Kansas City Star.

Shocked. One especially fine specimen of the Borden's clerk, whose call is always

immaculate, whose tie sets the fashion in his own district, and whose trousers are creased beyond compare, was recently summoned to the manager's room of a well-known Liverpool banking house, where he found, in company with his chief, a very prepossessing young lady.

Mad—There's a man called with a bill, ma'am. Mistress—Tell him we have some already.—London Opinion.

Compensating Condition. A woman visited a friend whose husband thought of moving out into the country.

Naive. Husband (shaving)—Bother the razor! Wife—What's the matter now? You're dreadfully ill-tempered. Husband—The razor is so abominably dull.

Wife—Dull? I ripped up an old skirt with it yesterday and it cut beautifully.—Punch.

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Fashion at present favors rings set with pearls, emeralds, rubies, sapphires and other precious and semi-precious stones.

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A FEW DAINTY CHRISTMAS CARDS

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NEED OF ROOM SIDE Big Increase Pupils at A Makes Great dation Necess School officials ad in the develop on the West Side largement of Alber similar measur with the constancy ance at this school. In conversation w porter, William L. rincipal of the Alber attendance h largely during the accommodate the ills it had been i open another gradg. This meant must be availabl make way for the was found necessa portion of the ac VI, which vacate make possible the grade VII. As it is now, the bltion hall is ina modate all the pu and consequently have sometimes exercises of a ver This prevents ge from being carri as possible, and solution will be in dition to the bull Only last Mond exercises of a pa carried out to ma of a flag to the pupils had to be limited space in Mr. McDiarmid years attendance increased rapidly nish adequate acupilla was earned

NEED OF MORE FOREIGNERS ROOM IN WEST SIDE SCHOOL

Big Increase in Number of Pupils at Albert School Makes Greater Accommodation Necessary.

School officials and others interested in the development of the school on the West Side are agitating an enlargement of Albert School or some similar measure being taken to cope with the constantly increasing attendance at this school.

In conversation with a Standard reporter, William L. McDermid, principal of the Albert School, stated that the attendance had increased very largely during the last year and that it was necessary to open another grade VII in the building.

As it is now, the space in the exhibition hall is inadequate to accommodate all the pupils in the building and consequently some of the pupils have to be excluded from exercises of a very important nature.

Mr. McDermid said that in recent years attendance at this school had increased rapidly and measures to furnish adequate accommodation for all pupils was earnestly sought.

MOTHER STORY OF THE YUKON BY REV. MR. CODY

The Chief of the Ranges, a Pleasing Combination of Fact and Fiction.

The Chief of the Ranges, a tale of the Yukon by H. A. Cody, the author of "The Call of the Wild," who, incidentally, is one of the most successful of Canadian authors, has come to the front with another new novel which, in some respects, is the best product yet to come from his pen.

Not only does the tale contain all the elements for a successful story, a little love, a little hate, much adventure and a sound moral, but it also presents to readers who have not been given the chance of learning at first hand of the early Yukon life an excellent opportunity to acquire knowledge of the characters and events which mark all of Mr. Cody's books. One can almost see the stern old Klondiker, chief of the Ayana Indians, divided by his desire to learn something of the white dwellers in this land beyond, and his ambition to lead his tribe to victory against the Chilcats, their traditional and implacable enemies.

One rejoices with Klondiker in his triumphs, and sorrows with him in his griefs, so convincing is the author or made the story as effectively secondary, but by no means minor importance in the book are the characters of Owinda, Klondiker's beautiful daughter, and the half-breed, Ranger Dan's fur trading post finds his way into the country of the Ayana and because of love for Owinda eventually joins the old chief against the Chilcats.

Not alone are the characters well drawn and the tale coherent and interesting, but a particularly charming feature of the novel is the glimpses it gives of the Yukon. Here the value of Mr. Cody's work is seen, for the descriptions of immense forests, the lands of the great snow and the bleak wasteness of the winter under the Arctic circle are indeed entertaining. The volume is well printed and attractively bound. Altogether the Chief of the Ranges ranks with the year's best efforts of Canadian writers.

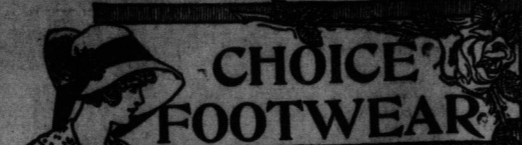
WEDDINGS.

Applebee-Gifford.
Miss Susan Gifford, formerly of Church avenue, Fairville, became the bride of William Applebee, of Mattawamkeag, on September 24th. The news arrived in the city a few days ago through a letter sent by Mr. Applebee to a friend in Fairville. Mr. and Mrs. Applebee are at present residing at Fort Fairfield, Maine, where the former is engaged as foreman of the roundhouse of the B. & A. Railway. The bride has many friends in Fairville, who will unite in wishing her much happiness.

Cogswell-Donner.
Miss G. Cogswell, of Lepreau, and Susan A. Donner, daughter of William Donner, of St. John West, were united in marriage last evening by Rev. J. Archibald. A small company of friends were present at the marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Cogswell will reside at Lepreau.

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MADERO'S WIDOW, WHO IS SAID TO BE GUIDING THE REBELS AGAINST DICTATOR



SEÑORA FRANCISCO MADERO.

Active direction of the aggressive campaign being fought in Mexico by the constitution against the Huerta régime is being directed from the city of New York by a woman, and a special representative of the rebel forces is now on his way to that city to consult with the Mexican Juan de Arc with reference to what she thinks the immediate future will hold for the Mexican people.

This interesting information came when it was learned that Señora Aldrian Aguirre Benavides, acting Mayor of Juarez during the military control of the city, is on his way to New York to confer with Señora Francisco Madero, widow of the murdered President of the Republic of Mexico.

BANGOR BRIDE, MISSING FOR FORTNIGHT, SAYS SHE HAD TIME OF HER LIFE IN BOSTON.

Special to The Standard.
Bangor, Me., Dec. 17.—Bangor has seldom seen a more striking figure than that presented by Mrs. Annie Bryce White, the young bride who she unexpectedly walked down the gang plank when the steamer City of Rockland tied up at her dock here Tuesday afternoon on her arrival from Boston. Mrs. White said she had been living in Boston under an assumed name during her absence.

"I always wanted to go to Boston and I went," she said, "and you can bet I've had a good time."
Mrs. White said she didn't know whether her husband would forgive her or not and added that she didn't much care. She declined to say whether she still had the \$12 which her husband had given her the day before she left.

Mrs. White's costume was a startling one and she said it represented the very latest creations in the New England metropolises. She wore an "X-ray" skirt of black and white which was all to the knee. Underneath this she had a petticoat of vivid green over one of delicate pink. Both were filmy as was her lace waist.

SIR EDWARD GREY SAYS NO PROGRESS MADE YET IN SETTLING THE HOME RULE QUESTION.

London, Dec. 17.—Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, addressing the constituents in Northumberland today, acknowledged that no progress had been made as yet in the direction of achieving a settlement of the Home Rule question by consent.

The government, he said, actuated by a spirit of conciliation, had opened the door, but instead of entering by and discussing terms, the opposition persisted in staying outside and shouting in thins at the window. Still, the door would continue to be open and it would not be the fault of the Liberal party if a peaceful settlement was not reached.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Peter Johnson
The death of Mrs. Peter Johnson occurred in Moncton on Tuesday, aged seventy-seven years. She was born in Norway, but had been a resident of Canada since 1883, and a resident of Moncton since 1889, previous to which she lived in St. John.

George Green
Sackville, Dec. 17.—The death of George Green occurred at his home Sunday evening. He is survived by a widow, two sons and two daughters. The sons are George of Sydney, and Wallace at home. The daughters are Sarah of Sydney, and Mrs. William Seaman of Sydney.

Wiliard W. Slipp
News of the death of Wiliard W. Slipp, which occurred at his late residence, Central Hamstead, yesterday, will be learned with regret by his many acquaintances in the city. The deceased was a member of the Baptist church and a strong supporter of the Conservative party. He was widely known and well liked by all who enjoyed his friendship. Besides his parents, the deceased leaves to mourn, a wife, two sons, two daughters, and one sister. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from his late residence, Central Hamstead.

FIRST CLUE TO THEFT OF MONA LISA

Curator of Arts Museum at Boston Gives French Police Information which may Solve Case.

Paris, Dec. 17.—The first real clue to the theft of the painting "Mona Lisa" was furnished to the French police by Jean Guffrey, now curator of the Museum of Fine Arts at Boston, Mass., and formerly assistant conservator of the Louvre.

Pierre Marcel, who is charged with a mission at the Louvre, makes this declaration today. He says Guffrey at the time wrote giving the reasons why the picture must have been stolen by one of the men employed in the framing of pictures at Louvre.

The director of the French national museum, Eugene Pualet, was impressed by M. Guffrey's reasoning and informed the police. M. Marcel adds that if the clue had been adequately followed the "Mona Lisa" would have been discovered long ago.

FUNNY ACT PACKING IMPERIAL.

The visit of Santa Claus, the very funny animal burlesque and the "Mary" pictures were a trio of most capacity yesterday afternoon and evening, and the prospects are that the same condition will obtain today. The "Mary" feature, which is a most interesting chapter this time, will continue this evening and tomorrow a complete change of programme will be made. It is safe to say no pre-Christmas matinee will be given here ever attempted in their seven years career in St. John created the enthusiasm among old and young alike as "Santa Claus in Jungland" is a riot of merriment from beginning to end and during the remainder of the week parents should allow their little ones to enjoy this feature to the fullest. As an extra feature this afternoon a Broncho Billy picture will lengthen the programme to four reels.

MEDALS ARE PRESENTED

Interesting Programme at Closing of the High School—Xmas Vacation in Schools Began Yesterday.

Special exercises marked the closing of the city schools yesterday. In many of the city buildings programmes relating to the holiday season were carried out. The exercises at the High School were of a particularly interesting nature. The Corporation gold medal was presented to Arthur Willet for his brother, Gordon, who could not be present by His Worship Mayor Frink. Senator Thorne presented the Governor General's medal to Miss Hilda Stevens. The Alumnae gold medal was given to Miss Jean Sommerville by the president of the Alumnae Association, Miss Jessie I. Lawson.

His Honor Mr. Justice McLeod presented the Parker silver medal to Mr. Arthur Willet. Rev. J. J. McCaskill presented the gold medal to Miss Faith Henderson, and a special prize to Miss Jessie Jamieson. The Fortnightly Club prize of books for the pupil making the highest score in the reading of the highest score. The Lieut. Governor's medal, for excellence in St. John county schools, was also presented to Miss Chalmers by Dr. H. R. Bridges.

J. S. Myles, the principal, spoke of the increased attendance and said he expected that Grade VIII would be removed from the High School building next year. R. B. Emerson, chairman of the School Board, referred to the increased attendance in the city schools. There are more than 8,000 pupils now.

Those on the platform were Mayor Frink, Mr. R. B. Emerson, Senator Thorne, Dr. H. R. Bridges, Rev. J. J. McCaskill, Principal Myles, Mr. Wm. Brodie, Judge Forbes.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING UP TO AVERAGE

Merchants Generally are Satisfied—Tendency this Year to Buy Useful Gifts—No Signs of Stringency.

The Christmas shopping season is now in full swing and in many of the city stores extra help is needed to handle the volume of business. Several merchants report business as poorer than last year, but the general idea seems to be that the general public is buying much as in other years.

The chief business streets were crowded yesterday with a throng of Christmas shoppers and the greater number of the stores were well filled. The prevalent idea this year is for more useful gifts and the novelties and less useful articles are said to be not so much in demand as in other years.

There has been much talk of the financial stringency, but this is not likely to be felt to any great extent here. In a few cases there are no doubt some curtailment, but there is every reason to believe that enough business will be done to keep the year up to the average.

The weather conditions have been good for shoppers, but many of the merchants would prefer to see snow on the ground. The mild weather has a tendency to keep down the sales of heavy winter fashions and other cold weather apparel, but there are compensations for even this.

The great volume of Christmas business will likely be done next week, when practically all the stores will keep open during the evening hours.

THE CONSUMER'S SIDE OF THE MILK QUESTION

St. John, N. B., Dec. 17. To the Editor of The Standard:

Sir,—Having noticed several articles in your paper recently, in reference to the milk situation, and as a consumer I am greatly interested in conditions relating to same, and as you are well versed in our business, I think it is effecting very seriously the pocket and comfort of the laboring man, I think that if the allegations of the milk dealers are correct, that there ought to be some one interested enough in the consumers of this city to take it up, and have a thorough investigation.

If it is, as asserted, that the Farmers' Dairy and Produce Co., or their agents, are putting forth strenuous efforts in order to compass or get control of the milk supply of this city, and to unduly lessen competition in the purchase or sale of milk, or to fix the price, certainly I think it is up to the City Council, Board of Trade or Commissioner of Public Safety to look after the interest of the consuming public.

It is a well known fact in common law, that all combines, as among manufacturers or dealers, etc., which attempt by coercive measures to control the trade or market, for the purpose of inflating prices, are illegal and render the individuals or farmers composing them, liable to penalties. Section 468, with sub-sections, A, B, C and D, of the Criminal Code of Canada reads:

Every one is guilty of an indictable offence, and liable to a penalty not exceeding \$4,000.00, and not less than \$200.00, or two years' imprisonment, or if a corporation, liable to a penalty not exceeding \$10,000.00, and not less than \$1,000.00, who conspires, combines, agrees or arranges with any other person to unduly limit the facilities for storing or dealing in any article or commodity, which may be a subject of trade and commerce, or to restrain or injure trade or commerce in any relation to such article or commodity, or to unreasonably enhance the price thereof, or to unduly prevent or lessen competition in the purchase, sale or disposal of any such article or commodity.

St. John has been comparatively free from would be trusts, and it is to those most affected to agitate for proper legal control of the trade in at least the necessary articles of human consumption.

Thanking you for your space, and desiring of hearing from other consumers, I am,

Yours sincerely for reduced cost of living,
A. CONSUMER.

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TORONTO STREET RY. DEAL IS HELD UP

Board of Control Calls off Negotiations for Purchase of Electric Line by the City.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—At a meeting of the Board of Control this morning a resolution was passed to discontinue negotiations with Sir William Mackenzie for the purchase of the Toronto Street Railway and the Electric Light Company. A similar resolution was offered yesterday but was defeated on a tie vote. Controller O'Neill being absent. Today the latter was on the job and strongly endorsed the proposal to drop the street railway. The resolution now goes on to the City Council where its fate is in doubt. Should the council endorse the action of the board nothing more will be heard of the big deal.

A HUGE WILDCAT

Guelph, Ont., Dec. 17.—A large wildcat was trapped in a swamp on Mrs. Robert Thompson's farm on the 16th. Concession of Maryboro Township, by John Bishop. The cat measured forty-nine inches from tip to tip.

Cold weather lumps of comfort—Consumers' Coal Company's coal.

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MARKET QUOTATIONS ON STOCKS AND BONDS

DAY'S SALES ON MONTREAL MARKET

Table listing various commodities and their prices, including cement, flour, and other goods.

MONTREAL UNLISTED STOCKS

Table listing unlisted stocks and their prices, including various local companies.

LONDON MARKET

Table listing London market prices for various commodities and currencies.

CURRENT PRICES OF NEW YORK EXCHANGE

Table listing current prices for various commodities and currencies on the New York Exchange.

DOW JONES CO'S SUMMARY OF NEWS

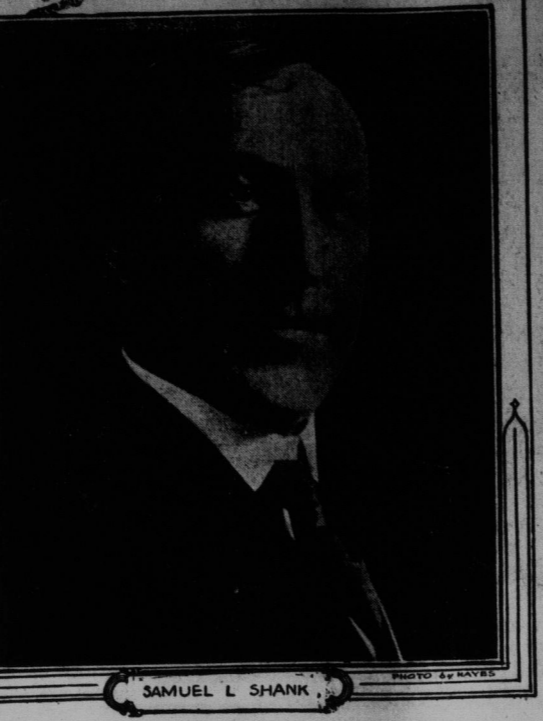
Summary of news from Dow Jones, covering market trends and financial reports.

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

Table listing New York Cotton Market prices for various grades of cotton.

Advertisement for Oak Bay, featuring a large image and text about the location and amenities.

QUITS OFFICE OF MAYOR TO GO ON THE STAGE



SAMUEL L. SHANK

Samuel Lewis Shank, who resigned the office of Mayor of Indianapolis, Ind., rather than face a general strike...

CLOSING LETTER ON MONTREAL EXCHANGE

Montreal, Dec. 17.—A number of banks today announced their earnings for the year ending November 30th last.

CLOSING LETTER ON COTTON MARKET

New York, Dec. 17.—If this were a high grade crop, and the cotton remaining in the south were all of the sort that would be likely to inspire the holder with confidence...

Advertisement for Stanfield's Limited 6's, offering bonds and financial services.

CLOSING PRICES OF BOSTON STOCKS

Table listing closing prices for various Boston stocks.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE PRICES

Table listing Chicago grain and produce prices for various commodities.

LIVERPOOL GRAIN

Table listing Liverpool grain prices for various types of grain.

Advertisement for Western Assurance Co., providing insurance services.

NEW YORK AND BOSTON CURB STOCKS

Table listing New York and Boston curb stocks and their prices.

QUOTATIONS FOR THE MARITIME SECURITIES

Table listing quotations for maritime securities and related financial instruments.

RAILWAY EARNINGS

Table listing railway earnings for various companies.

Advertisement for F. B. McCurdy & Co., offering financial and insurance services.

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At this season of the year forward investors are already selecting their January security purchases.

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Daily Investment News

Advertisement for Daily Investment News, providing market analysis and investment advice.

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Advertisement for Atlantic Bond Company, Ltd, offering various bond investments.

DOMINION FIRE INSURANCE CO.

Advertisement for Dominion Fire Insurance Co., providing fire insurance services.

FOR SALE

Advertisement for Douglas Fir Doors, highlighting their quality and durability.

MORNING

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL NEWS AND COMMENT

MORNING LETTER ON STOCK MARKET

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.) New York, Dec. 17.—Western business is slowing down but money, apparently, is not being released as the banks report a continued demand for new lines of credit. New England liquidation is considered about ended. International Bank may be investigated after the currency bill is passed in order to fix guilt upon individuals for violations of the national banking act. The bank crisis in India continues to be serious. The run on the Banco Central in Mexico City continues. Lewis has completed his bill providing for the government ownership of telephone lines and will soon introduce it in the house. His says the government would make \$100,000,000 a year. President Vail says the stockholders would get a bonus if the government decided to take over the property of his company. Union Pacific wins against government before Interstate Commerce Commission on through rates in land grant affairs. New York State bonds for canals and highways will be issued late in January. Irregular recovery seems likely today. The big liquidation is said to be complete. U. P. R. G. U. S. Atchison and B. P. are reported to be in a position where they may advance sharply any time. New Haven may rally further, but will meet scattering liquidation. Anac. Copper is said to be overvalued. The same condition is noted in St. Paul and Canadian Pacific. Investment buying continues to be found in G. N. Q., N. P., N. E., L. N. and some of the low priced dividend paying preferred rates.

THE MILK QUESTION

St. John, N. B., December 17th, 1913. To the Editor of The Standard, Sir.—The two letters in this morning's paper relative to the milk question, make interesting reading, and one outstanding circumstance seems to be that the farmer, who produces the milk, receives in the vicinity of four cents per quart for his never ending work, while the dealers in the city obtain eight cents per quart or 100 per cent. for handling this product of the farm. Just compare the capital required for buying, stocking and operating a farm to produce 100 quarts of milk per day and the outlay and daily expense for a city man handling that quantity of milk, to see that the easy time he has compared with the farmer. It should not take much study to see that the producer in this case is not obtaining the proper proportion of the eight cents now paid by the consumers and anything which can be done to even things up should have the support of those engaged in the promotion of agriculture in this province. Yours truly, OBSERVER.

LIVERPOOL COTTON

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.) New York, Dec. 17.—Due 1 1/2 to 5 lower. Opened firm 3/4 to 1 lower. 12.15 p. m.—Quiet but steady 3/4 to 3/8 lower. Later—2 higher than 12.15 p. m.

GREEN FLASHES TO BRING CALLS FROM POLICEMEN

The matter of the estate of Robert H. Clancey, bricklayer and mason, also was taken up. He died intestate, leaving his wife, Catherine Clancey, two brothers and one sister. On the petition of the widow and the two children, who are of age, Amos A. Wilson, barrister-at-law, was appointed administrator. There is no real estate; personal estate is of nominal value only. William J. Mahoney is proctor.

CLOSING COTTON LETTER FROM JUDSON & CO.

(J. C. MACKINTOSH & CO.) New York, Dec. 17.—The cotton market opened steady at an advance of 1 to 3 points on moderate Liverpool trade buying and scattered short covering, but the bulge had no following and at the beginning of the second hour the Price estimate of over 15-million bales combined with talk of large gaining returns, caused a sharp reaction ranging from 14 to 19 points. There was heavy short covering on the decline, but also heavy liquidations so that it is doubtful if the technical position of the market has undergone any pronounced change. Prices rallied some 3 or 9 points from the low, but there was little snap to the buying and the bulge again failed to attract any broader demand.

STOCK NOTES OF NEW YORK MARKET

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.) New York, Dec. 17.—Conservative sources are predicting a sharp recovery in the general stock market, saying liquidation in general has ceased. Professionals are intensely bearish and the number of bear points around the street is larger than for a month past. President Wilson's trust policies, as intimated in the Redfield report, are not disturbing important sources, according to gossip. The Root currency speech, attacking the Democratic reform bill, is being interpreted in some financial circles as largely a bid for the Republican nomination for president. Never before has the stock market been subjected to so little manipulation by big interests according to our reports. This is apparently a perfectly natural adjustment.

IN THE COURTS

Probate Court. In the probate court yesterday the matter of the estate of W. Tremaine Gard, jeweller, was taken up. He died intestate, leaving his wife, Annie and three children, Lewis Tremaine, Jeweller; Roberta M., nurse, and William Isaac Allan Gard, an infant. On the petition of the widow and the two children, who are of age, Amos A. Wilson, barrister-at-law, was appointed administrator. There is no real estate; personal estate is of nominal value only. William J. Mahoney is proctor.

HEARD ON THE TRAIL

"Then you don't think Banks is fond of his wife?" "Not so fond as he is of her husband."

YOU'LL SLEEP MORE SOUNDLY

If You Keep Healthy With Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills. The man or woman with a good appetite, sound digestion, and bowels and kidneys working right, is never troubled much with sleeplessness. It is when the bowels become constipated and the liver and kidneys sluggish that the trouble begins.

NEW POLICE SIGNAL BOX WITH POLICEMAN TELEPHONING

Green flashes from electric lights in the famous "Old Tenderloin" precinct in New York city, will be the new signal to policemen on post that there is an emergency for which they must prepare. The flashing of a green light at the top of a post supporting a telephone signal box will be the signal for the nearest policeman to call up and learn what the desk lieutenant wants to tell him.

SCENE OF EXPLOSION AND STENOGRAPHER WHO WAS KILLED BY BOMB WHICH WAS SENT TO HER EMPLOYER



MISS IDA ANUSEWITZ. WRECKAGE IN OFFICE OF THE O. K. BOTTLING COMPANY AND SHATTERED TOP OF DESK AT WHICH MISS IDA ANUSEWITZ WAS SITTING WHEN SHE OPENED BOMB.

Miss Ida Anusewitz, a twenty-year-old stenographer, was killed by the explosion of a bomb sent in a small parcel by express to the O. K. Bottling Company, of New York, where she was employed. Her body was buried under the desk and under the desk of the general manager. Miss Anusewitz survived her terrible injuries only a few minutes, and did not regain consciousness before she died. Both arms were torn off at the elbow, her features were torn away and her body mangled. The bomb tore a hole through her desk and wrecked it. The bomb was plainly not meant for Miss Anusewitz, for it was rarely that in the course of her duties she was called upon to open such packages.

UNION PACIFIC AND C.P.R. SHOW NOTABLE ADVANCE

New York, Dec. 17.—Speculation lagged today, and price fluctuations were small and irregular. Few of the prominent stocks moved as much as a point in either direction. Net changes were unimportant. The tendency at the outset was upward. Union Pacific and Canadian Pacific advanced sharply in response to gains in London, and American Telephone made a further recovery, showing a five-point rise from the low record touched a few days ago. Although the general interest hardened, little progress was made. A relapse in American Telephone and signs of returning heaviness in New Haven halted the uptrend. The market was less sensitive to the action of these stocks than during their recent severe slump, but traders were reluctant to bid up prices, thinking a higher level might be used for renewed liquidation. Selling of this nature seemed to have been completed, however, and there were no signs of a higher level might be used for renewed liquidation. Selling of this nature seemed to have been completed, however, and there were no signs of a higher level might be used for renewed liquidation.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE LETTER

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.) Chicago, Dec. 17.—Wheat—Steady. Traders are awaiting the government report giving the acreage and condition of Winter Wheat as of December 1st, which is expected to show a high condition and a material increase in acreage over last year, but as far as a market factor is concerned, it will be forgotten as soon as issued as the crop must go through the winter, and a brilliant fall showing is generally followed by a poor spring condition. Expect narrow market for a few days. CORN—Strong on prospects for unsettled weather which promises to curtail the movement. Oats—Dull, strength in corn is reflected by small advance in this grain, but there is not much trading on either side. Provisions—Comparatively strong in view of the large run of hogs at the yards.

NEWSPAPERS ON THE MARKET

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.) New York, Dec. 17.—Commercial—The Canadian Pacific is one of the safest railroad stocks in the world, but the best of anything may be high in price. Herald—The public is apparently indifferent and bears very uncomfortable. American—Stocks that cannot readily be sold short are relatively the weakest ones on the list. Sun—In view of the recent extensive declines in special issues the rally is feeble and is well maintained.

AMERICAN ADMIRAL WHO STOPPED FIGHTING AT TAMPICO



REAR ADMIRAL FLETCHER TAMPICO CUSTOMS HOUSE, A POINT ATTACKED BY REBELS. According to despatches from Mexico City, Rear Admiral Frank F. Fletcher, U. S. N., commanding the American squadron off Tampico, stopped a battle between rebel besiegers and the federal garrison. He had ordered all foreigners to the waterfront. The battle grew in intensity, and flying shells were tearing down the buildings sheltering Americans, British and others. Then Rear Admiral Fletcher acted. He threatened to open fire, and both sides stopped.

LAIDLAW & CO'S CLOSING STOCK LETTER

(J. C. MACKINTOSH & CO.) New York, Dec. 17.—Today's market reflected some improvement of general sentiment and perceptibly better technical conditions, but as a whole the trading remained quiet and price changes were unimportant. There was no fresh news of importance and there was a general disposition to await action on the currency bill as being the next pronounced stock market influence. It now looks as if this present form by the end of January next at the latest. The immediate effect will be the release amount of loanable funds through reducing the reserve requirement of the banks. This condition, in conjunction with low prices for materials, should tend to minimize the business reaction now under way and should also help the market for securities. The financial community as a whole, however, is waiting for some definite initiative on the part of the larger interests. It is unlikely that this will be forthcoming while any hope remains of amending the objectionable features of the pending currency measure.

CLOSING LETTER ON COTTON MARKET

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.) New York, Dec. 17.—The yesterday's late rally reflected no change of general sentiment seemed to be quite fully demonstrated by the action of this morning's market. The opening was steady at an advance of one to three points in sympathy with relatively steady cables and prices sold about 6 to 8 points net higher during the early trading. This advance carried January contracts up to 12.49 or about 17 points above the low level of yesterday, but no general or aggressive buying developed, and after the close of Liverpool shut out arbitrage business on straddle accounts, the market again weakened. The market at the low point of this morning opened last Saturday, and from the high level of last Friday and of \$8 per bale from the high records of the season. There has been heavy liquidation of long cotton since the opening last Saturday, and as the old speculative long interest is reduced, the market must depend increasingly upon southern offerings or short sales for its supply. Sentiment, however, remains very bearish, recent sellers have doubtless improved their position by taking profits freely, and unless an active trade demand develops, rallies are likely to meet renewed pressure.

NOON LETTER ON NEW YORK STOCKS

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.) New York, Dec. 17.—The probable early passage of the currency bill and its character in dominating influence in the market. During the first hour prices were dull and strong, and at noon, although there has been some irregularity, prices are generally above last night's level. Boston liquidation, due to the New Haven dividend incident, has run its course from the high level of last Friday and American Tel and Tel, was one of the strong features. Berlin pressure against Canadian Pacific seems to have ceased, and the stock is recovering from its decline. Call money renewals are 3 1/2 per cent. The reaction in business all over the country probably means that money will be abundant at the end of the year. It is our opinion that, with the passage of a fair currency bill, an incubus will be lifted from all business, particularly from Wall Street. Sales noon 88,000 shares.

CLOSING STOCK LETTER FROM RANDOLPH

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.) New York, Dec. 17.—This afternoon's market has been dull and irregular, with a slightly reactionary tendency at the close. Transactions have been confined almost entirely to the floor trading element. It seems probable that between now and the end of the year, that with the holidays and the currency bill pending, stagnation in Wall street will continue unless, of course, a satisfactory bill should be passed, which would undoubtedly be a great relief to all business and would be promptly reflected in the stock market. Total sales, 155,000; bonds, \$1,895,000.

PRODUCE PRICES IN CANADIAN CENTRES

Montreal, Dec. 17.—CORN—American No. 2 yellow 80 @ 81. OATS—Canadian Western No. 2, 41 1/2 @ 42; No. 3, 40 1/2 @ 41. FLOUR—Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.40; seconds, \$4.90; strong bakers, \$4.70; winter patents, choice, \$4.75 @ \$5.00; straight rollers, \$4.50 @ \$4.80; straight rollers, bags, \$2.00 @ \$2.10. WHEAT—Bran, \$20.00 @ \$21.00; shorts, \$22.00 @ \$23.00; middlings, \$25.00 @ \$26.00; moultie, \$27.00 @ \$31.00. HAY—No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$14 @ \$16.00. POTATOES, 75 @ 90.

FOREIGNERS SEND SEVEN MILLIONS TO FOLKS AT HOME

New York, Dec. 17.—The last of the Christmas mails for foreign lands left New York on the Mauretania today. All told, foreigners in New York city sent 496,898 money orders, aggregating \$7,775,000, to the folks at home. This is an increase of 68,000 orders and \$1,250,000 in money over last year. To Great Britain went \$2,000,000, to Italy \$1,667,000; to Russia nearly \$800,000, and to sixteen other countries sums amounting to \$1,609 in the case of Liberia, recipient of the smallest amount.

Less kneading with Five Roses—less exertion. Yours the smooth, uniform dough—the live springy dough that snaps and cracks happily.



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A little smaller than Chestnut, at \$7.50 a ton delivered. We have some free burning American Nut that burns almost like Scotch Nut. We are supplying all the best grades of Soft Coal, Wood and Kindling. Charcoal is better than Kindling to light the fire.

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Now landing all sizes SCOTCH HARD COAL. Let me have your order early. JAMES S. MCGIVERN Telephone 42. 6 Mill Street.

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Some to Lunch Back in 10 minutes.

Crumbing down ill-chosen food, and rushing back to work, leads straight to dyspepsia, with all it means in misery. Proper habits of eating, with a Na-Dru-Co Dyspepsia Tablet after each meal, restore good digestion, health and happiness.

A box of Na-Dru-Co Dyspepsia Tablets costs but 50c, at your Druggist's. National Drug and Chemical Co., of Canada, Limited.

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HALIFAX GRIET PRESS "ROASTS" PORT OF ST. JOHN

Mill Gives Employment to Large Crew of Men.

CUT LAST SEASON OVER FIVE MILLIONS

Operations for Year Mean Expenditure of \$75,000 in Hartland -- Getting Ready for Next Season.

Hartland, N. B., Dec. 16.—It is generally conceded that the lumber and farming interests of the province are the largest and most important industries in which our people are employed. Already in this correspondence it has been shown that there is a very large income to the farmer even from one part of his soil—the potato crop. But how many there are who look at the saw mill set beside some stream and pass it by with scarce a thought of the amount of money that passes into the hands of the working man, the farmer, the merchant, etc., through this apparently small medium.

There is a little bunch of buildings situated at the mouth of the Biscuitmac stream here which furnishes a livelihood to a large number of people in this section, and, incidentally, adds largely to the general trade of the province. This place is the Sayer mill, which has its head office in St. John, and the amount of money it is the means of putting into circulation is no small item in the grand total of the country's business.

During the past season, which closed early last month, this mill cut about five millions of 2, 3 and 4 inch lumber, all of which is shipped to markets in the American States. During the same season the mill manufactured four million of laths which went to the St. John market.

The number of men employed in this work for the season was sixty. As soon as the season's cutting is finished preparations are made for getting a new supply of logs, and, as in previous years, this gives employment to about two hundred men and sixty pairs of horses during the winter and driving season. The firm's operations during the winter months are on the north and south branches of the Biscuitmac, and this season it is expected that five and one-half million of lumber will be turned into the stream to supply the mill at its mouth for next summer's cutting. All of the lumber cut during the winter is secured right here in Hartland, and the year's operations at this place amounts to the nice little sum of \$75,000 (not including store supplies).

The figures given above are approximate, as the season's work varies somewhat owing to weather and other causes that cannot be calculated upon. Then, there is what is known as the lower mill, run by other parties, and a large amount of lumber is manufactured there, giving employment to quite a number of men. The figures for the business done at this mill are not at hand, but they add a very respectable amount to the grand total of the business done in this section of the province.

SPENDING FAMILY INCOME

It will take but a few weeks of book-keeping attempts to prove that the woman's task is no simple one. Many a woman and many a man has tried to keep track of expenditures and given it up in despair, as not being worth the trouble. "The money comes, the money goes; that's all there is to it. Life is too short for such a grind. Such is the burden of their complaints. The money income should be looked upon as a bundle of funds, and each fund in turn should be looked upon as a smaller bundle of funds. The whole idea in keeping accounts of expenditures, should be to put like expenses together and to determine their relative importance with regard to size and importance. It resolves itself into a matter of proportion, good taste and common sense.

To make it practical and useful the character or nature of each expenditure must be analyzed. Perhaps this is the reason so many fail. When this money income must buy all the things of life, it is difficult, indeed, to classify them. Shelter, food, clothes, service, these are easily classified, but what of the thousand and one things that make up life outside of these primary wants, the things that make it agreeable? How shall the expenses of a family be classified, when there are so many different needs, so many varying individual tastes, such varying ages?

Here, then, is where the use of the new tool comes in. A crisis confronts the modern housewife. The woman, especially, must meet the situation that she may be a worthy descendant of the mothers of the past who never flinched when duty called—Belle Squire, in *Woman's World* for December.

Butterworth.

Pour two tablespoonfuls of vinegar into a cup of water and then pour that, in turn, over a pound of brown sugar. Put all into some sized of brown proof saucepan, such as agate, and cook the contents for ten minutes. Then add about four tablespoonfuls of butter and boil all again until a drop hardens in cold water. Pour into buttered tins and mark off into squares as it cools.

This is a Sample of the Unfair Criticism we are Receiving from the Sister City—High Time now for All to Work Together for the Honor of the Real Winter Port.

The following articles, headlines and all are reproduced from the front page of the Halifax Echo of December 16th.

When the people of Canada pay a million dollars a year to have their English mails carried across the Atlantic Ocean, they are entitled to get full value for their money. They are entitled, particularly to have the mails delivered to them with the least possible delay.

IF THE MAILS CAN BE DELIVERED TO THE WHOLE CANADIAN PEOPLE FROM SIX TO THIRTY HOURS SOONER, IF RECEIVED VIA HALIFAX, WHY SHOULD NOT HALIFAX BE THE WINTER PORT?

There is only one answer. Yet a portion of the mails are being shipped via St. John. WHY? BECAUSE MR. HAZEN, A MEMBER OF MR. BORDEN'S GOVERNMENT HAS CHOSEN TO IGNORE GEOGRAPHY AND THE CONVENIENCE AND WISHES OF THE WHOLE OF CANADA, EXCEPT ST. JOHN, TO "BUTTER HIS OWN POLITICAL PARSNIPS," AND MR. BORDEN, "THE FIRST MAN IN CANADA," AND THE REPRESENTATIVE OF HALIFAX STANDS SUPINELY BY AND LETS HIM DO IT.

The recent test of St. John as a mail port, made with the mails of the Royal George, shows conclusively that had the mails been routed via Halifax, ST. JOHN ITSELF WOULD HAVE RECEIVED ITS MAILS SIX HOURS SOONER THAN IT DID—and that the rest of Canada would have received its mails from twelve to thirty hours sooner than it did.

This should not be a political question. Politics should not enter into it at all. The DAILY ECHO stood up for the interests of Halifax some years ago and helped materially to have the claims of Halifax recognized by the C. P. R. IT FOUGHT THE BATTLE OF HALIFAX UNTIL THE C. P. R. FINALLY ADOPTED HALIFAX AS THE TERMINUS FOR ITS MAIL STEAMERS. It is fighting the battle of Halifax now. We have no desire to introduce politics into the question. It is Mr. Borden's misfortune if he has created the present situation.

HALIFAX IS 259 MILES NEARER TO BRISTOL THAN IS ST. JOHN.

The Royal George took seventeen hours to steam this additional distance, while the people of Canada, including St. John, waited for their English letters.

Sir William MacKenzie and other passengers on the Royal George were delayed seventeen hours in setting foot on Canadian soil because the Royal George had to go to St. John, instead of Halifax.

The mail contract permits the steamship companies to select their own Canadian terminus.

THE C. P. R. SELECTED HALIFAX.

THE ALLAN LINE SELECTED HALIFAX.

THE ROYAL LINE SELECTED HALIFAX.

THE WHITE STAR LINE SELECTED HALIFAX.

Politics did not enter into their calculations at all. They selected Halifax BECAUSE HALIFAX IS PRE-EMINENTLY THE BEST PORT IN CANADA FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Politics only entered into the mail service question when Mr. Hazen "spilled" the Royal liners to St. John. Upon Mr. Hazen's shoulders, then, must the responsibility rest for the introduction of politics and the perpetuation of an injustice on the whole Canadian people.

WILL MR. BORDEN SET IT RIGHT?

He can, if he will. St. John sought the test. The test has been made. It demonstrates the overshadowing superiority of Halifax.

Now is Mr. Borden's opportunity to restore the Royal liners to Halifax, and to insist on the Teutonic coming here with her mails, as originally planned. By so doing, he will not only be doing justice to Halifax, but he will make it certain that the people of Canada are getting value for their \$1,000,000.

IT'S SQUARELY UP TO MR. BORDEN.

NEWCASTLE CURLERS TO HAVE BONSPIEL

Plans Mapped Out and Skips Selected—Successful Season in View if Weather Permits.

Special to The Standard. Newcastle, Dec. 17.—The regular meeting of the Newcastle Curling Club was held Monday night, Mayor Morris in the chair, J. E. E. Lindner, Esq., presiding. Others present were Ald. A. H. MacKay, Ald. Charles Sargeant, W. A. Park, W. J. Jardine, J. R. Lawlor, John Russell, Percy Russell, Chas. M. Dickson, Thos. Malby, John Robinson, Jr., and R. W. Crocker.

On motion of the following were elected members: R. A. N. Arvia, Harry Brown, Percy Brown, Joseph Ander, H. K. Fell, J. D. Kennedy, Fred Heckbert, H. A. Frank, C. A. Wentworth, H. F. Chapman, John McFhee, John Rogers, J. D. Buckley and Mr. Covell.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Watson*

BANK OF TORONTO HAD A GOOD YEAR

Toronto, Dec. 17.—The Bank of Toronto presents a very satisfactory statement for the consideration of its shareholders before the annual meeting January 14. Net profits for the year, after the usual deductions, were \$850,923.55, or at the rate of a share over seventeen per cent. on the paid-up capital of \$5,000,000. Out of this came dividends and one per cent. bonus aggregating twelve per cent., a total of \$600,000. \$200,000 was transferred to officers' pension fund; \$300,000 was written off bank premises account, and the balance, \$307,372, was carried forward. In that balance is included a rather unusual item of \$200,000 received from debts recovered, though previously written off.

For the Bride

No gift is more acceptable than beautiful, durable silverware. Remember that **1847 ROGERS BROS.** is the original "Rogers." It is "Silver Plate that Wears." Made in the highest grade of plate, and ranks first in quality. Sold by Leading Dealers.

EVERY WOMAN

is interested and should know about the wonderful **Washing Caps** **Marvel Bouche**.

APRIOL STEEL

APRIOL STEEL PILLS
A complete assortment of Watches, Clocks and Jewelry suitable for XMAS GIFTS. ERNEST LAW, Issuer of Marriage Licenses. 3 Colburn St.

TWO BANKS IN WEST CELEBRATE REPORT GOOD SHAREHOLDERS BUSINESS

Bank of Ottawa Pays Largest Dividend in its History—\$52,000 Over Last Year.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—At the annual meeting of the Bank of Ottawa this afternoon, the directors and officers were all re-elected. They are: Hon. George Bryson, president; John B. Fraser, vice-president; Directors: Sir Henry Bate, Bruce Blackburn, Henry Isaac, and MacLaren, Denis Murphy, Hon. Geo. H. Parley and E. C. Whitney.

The officers are: George Burn, general manager; W. Duthrie, chief inspector; J. H. Neeve, and George H. Ross, inspectors.

The largest dividend in the history of the bank was paid this year, namely 12 per cent., making a total paid to shareholders of \$471,247.78. This is nearly \$52,000 more than was paid before. The rate last year was eleven and three-quarters per cent. and in addition to this there was considerable more paid-up stock to pay dividends on this year.

The rate of dividends has advanced since 1904 from nine per cent. The issue of \$500,000 worth of stock in September 1912 has all been paid up. This \$500,000 represents the par value but it sold to shareholders at 200 and therefore netted the bank upwards of a million dollars.

RENOVATING FURS.

Furs are so expensive as to rank among the luxuries, yet in many of our States cold winter make them a real necessity. They may look old or worn, and when forewarned of winter winds you may be inclined to discard them. Before you do it, consider the following hints from an expert furrier, by which any woman may clean and renovate her furs with little time and expense.

If the collar or any other part of your sealskin coat has become soiled or greasy, but the rest of the coat is clean, rub the soiled part with the fingers and rub thoroughly with the palms of the hands. Then shake out and beat with a rattan.

To clean your chinchilla fur, procure five cents' worth of plaster of Paris, and heat in an oven. Heat in a pan, and apply as hot as the fingers will permit, smoothing it gently into the fur. Apply it to the fur in a clean fur. When white or light-tray furs have become soiled they may be cleaned in gasoline.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

THE sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section of land in the Northwest Territories, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must be a person of good character, and must be a resident in the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency under the office of any Local Agent of Dominion Lands (not sub-agent) on certain conditions.

Duties—Six months residence upon and cultivation of land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within three miles of the homestead. Price 25 per acre. Duties—Six months residence in each of three years. Price required to earn homestead (patent) and 50 acres extra, 25 per acre. The area of cultivation is subject to reduction in case of drought, serious pest or other reasons.

Homesteaded land on application for patent. A homesteader who has exhausted his homesteaded right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price, 25 per acre. Duties—Six months residence in each of three years, cultivate 50 acres and erect a house worth \$100.

Deputy Minister of the Interior. N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

COAL—COAL MINING RIGHTS

COAL—Coal mining rights may be leased for twenty-one years, renewable at an annual rental of \$1 through \$10 more than \$2.50 per acre can be leased to one applicant. Royalty, five cents per ton. In unworked territory the tract must be staked out by the applicant in person and personal requirements must be complied with the claim may be purchased at \$100 per acre.

PLACER MINING CLAIMS are 500 feet long and from 20 to 200 feet wide. Entry fee, \$10. Not less than \$100 must be expended in development work each year. DREDGING—Two leases of five miles each of a river may be leased to one applicant for a term of 20 years. Rental, \$10 a mile per year. If the claim is not worked for over 12 months, the fee shall be \$100 per acre. Deputy Minister of the Interior. N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

BANKS IN WEST REPORT GOOD BUSINESS

Union Bank of Canada and the Northern Crown show Prosperous Year—Annual Meetings Yesterday.

Winnipeg, Dec. 17.—The stockholders of the Union Bank of Canada attending the annual meeting of that institution in this city today, heard a very satisfactory report. During the twelve months ending November 29 last, the institution earned a little more than fifteen per cent. on its paid-up capital of \$5,000,000. The net profits were \$750,000, an increase of \$43,263 over 1912, while the assets at the end of November were \$80,765,532 as compared with \$69,408,227 for 1912.

The shareholders in addition to their regular dividend of eight per cent., received a bonus of one per cent. Northern Crown Bank

Winnipeg, Dec. 17.—The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Northern Crown Bank was held in the office of the bank at noon today, and was very well attended. The financial statement for the year ending November 29, showed good progress during the year. The net profits for the just closed, after providing for all expenses, amounted to \$281,167.47.

The balance carried forward to the credit of the profit and loss account was \$92,274.30. During the year two semi-annual dividends at the rate of six per cent. per annum were paid.

THE EMPRESS CARGO.

The schooner Empress has arrived with that special cargo of American hard coal for the Consumers Coal Co. and is now discharging at their dock. It is a particularly nice cargo of coal and compares favorably with the high standard the Consumers Coal Co. have set for all their fuel. Consumers Coal Co.'s address is 331 Charlotte street, (opposite Broad street) Phone Main 2670.

Partnership Dissolved.

Percy N. Woodley has severed his connection with the firm of Knox & Woodley, and will represent the American Art Works in New Brunswick and Maine.

SITUATIONS VACANT.

WANTED—Learn Barber Trade. Few weeks required, tools free. Positions secured. Professors of 18 to 20 years' experience. Write, Modern Barber College, 62F St. Lawrence Blvd., Montreal.

AGENTS WANTED—Agents \$8 a day—between Leinster Hall and Opéra House via Leinster and Sydney streets—Finder please leave at box office, Opera House.

TO LET.

ROOMS TO LET—Nice pleasant rooms, newly furnished, heated, and electric light. Gentleman preferred. 168 King Street East. Can be seen forenoon or evening.

TO LET—Shed at Indian town formerly occupied by Tapley Bros, as a coal shed. Apply to William E. Golding, Royal Bank Building, city.

OFFICE TO LET—Nice large office in the Dearborn Building, 93 Prince William St.

LOST.

LOST—Lady's gold watch, closed case—between Leinster Hall and Opéra House via Leinster and Sydney streets—Finder please leave at box office, Opera House.

LOST—On Saturday on one of the city streets, or in one of the stores, a milk pail. Finder suitably rewarded on leaving same at Room 7, Globe Atlantic Building.

PIANOS TUNED.

PIANO AND ORGAN TUNING and repairing; out of town orders promptly attended to. Try a bottle of my piano polish. K. McKinnon, 206 Paradise Row.

PERSONAL.

CUT THIS OUT FOR LUCK—SEND birth date and 10c. for wonderful horoscope of your future life. Prof. Raphael, 459 Lexington Ave., New York.

"CHRISTMAS"

A complete assortment of Watches, Clocks and Jewelry suitable for XMAS GIFTS. ERNEST LAW, Issuer of Marriage Licenses. 3 Colburn St.

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10,000 Gortcraig Fire Bricks
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MONLINE OPERATOR WANTED—Man who can keep two machines in order, operating one himself. Good wages and steady job to right man. Write stating particulars. The Maritime Publishing Co. Ltd., Sussex, N. B.

WANTED—At once, first class machinist, to be first repair man in factory, situated in town of about 5,000. Must be first class on steam and belt pumps, piping and all classes of heavy factory machinery. Steady employment, good salary. Splendid place to bring up a family. Good moral surroundings, good schools. Positively no "boosers" need apply. References required. Address A. B. C., Standard office.

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FOR SALE.

SEWING MACHINE NEEDLES. All kinds, half dozen 17C by mail; New Home machines twenty per cent. discount during the holidays; White & Glubs machine \$15; W. & W. manufacturing machine \$10; White machine \$7; Domestic and all machines repaired—William Crawford, 105 Prince Street, St. John, N. B.

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M. & T. MCGUIRE.

Direct importers and dealers in all the leading brands of Wines and Liquors; we also carry in stock from the best houses in Canada, very Old Eyes, Wines, Ales and Stout, imported and Domestic Cigars. 11 and 15 Water Street Telephone 579.

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JAMES M. RYAN

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THE UNION FOUNDRY & MACHINE WORKS, LTD.

ENGINEERS AND MACHINISTS. Iron and Brass Castings. WEST ST. JOHN. Phone West 15.

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Electric Motor and Generator Repairs, including rewinding. We try to keep your plant running while making repairs. E. S. STEPHENSON & CO. Nelson street. St. John, N. B.

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THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Fresh to strong southwesterly to northwesterly winds; fair and mild today; colder Thursday.

Toronto, Dec. 17—Light local snowfalls or flurries have occurred today in Quebec and the eastern districts of the maritime provinces. Elsewhere the weather has been fair. It has been moderately cold in Manitoba and eastern Saskatchewan and in other parts of the dominion.

Table with 3 columns: Location, Min, Max. Rows include Prince Rupert, Vancouver, Kamloops, Edmonton, Battleford, Prince Albert, Calgary, Medicine Hat, Moosejaw, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, London, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

AROUND THE CITY

Succeeds Late D. R. Jack. R. W. W. Frink has been appointed agent for St. John of the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company, in succession to the late D. Russell Jack.

St. John Good Enough. After spending some time in western Canada, Walter Day of the North End, son of Isaac Day of Adelaide street, has returned to St. John. Although full of vigor and ambition, Mr. Day has spent enough of his life in the west to make him realize that his native city offers opportunities which he cannot get elsewhere and he has decided to remain in the city. Mr. Day says that there is a very noticeable scarcity of labor throughout all the western cities and business in general is dull.

Tendered Surprise Party. A surprise party which afforded much pleasure was given last evening at the home of Frank Akerley, Bridge street, when about thirty young people gathered at the home to do the surprise on a young lady. During the evening on behalf of those present, Kenneth Todd presented Miss Briggs with a set of Limoges china. The surprise party was arranged by the Boys' Sunday School Class in the Main street Baptist church, under the teaching of Miss Briggs.

TECHNICAL SCHOOLS ARE A NECESSITY

Time is Opportune for Starting them if Our Industrial Possibilities are to be Realized.

"If we are to realize the industrial possibilities of St. John, attention must be given to the problem of providing technical education," said a local manufacturer to a reporter yesterday. "A good deal of time and money have been expended by the people of this city to provide harbor facilities for the trade of Canada, but we have given little attention to the problems connected with industrial development."

"Back in 1875 the St. John Board of Trade took a census of the manufacturing industries of the city, and in a special report made that year, it was stated that there were 614 manufacturing establishments in the city, employing 9,513 hands, and paying out in wages annually the sum of \$3,218,874. In those days the wooden ship building industry was still flourishing here, and industry whose decay was a serious loss to St. John."

According to the census of 1901 the St. John manufacturing industries only paid out in wages the sum of \$1,634,061, and according to the census of 1911, the disbursements for wages of the our manufacturing industries was \$2,269,898. St. John is more of a trading centre now than it was forty years ago. Commercially the city has advanced, but notwithstanding the progress of the last two or three years our manufacturing industries do not pay out as much money in wages as they did forty years ago. This city has advantages as an industrial site which are worth exploiting. The disposition to wait for people to come here from other places and give the town a boost should be outgrown.

"One thing we need here is a good technical school. It is well known that a technical school has a pronounced influence upon a community, apart from its direct educational value to those who take advantage of its courses. A technical school sets people thinking along industrial lines, directs attention to industrial problems, and arouses widespread interest in the possibilities of industrial development along various lines. St. John being mainly a trading centre, public activity has been largely adjusted to the needs of merchants, rather than of manufacturers. The trading spirit has dominated, and has encouraged a speculative tendency. It has been hard to get local money for a local industry that promised a conservative return with security of investment," but the people were ready to invest in outside projects.

ADVANCE PARTY OF NEW SCOTCH FARMERS TO BE DUE TO ARRIVE EX-TRUCK

First of Contingent of Scotch Farmers for New Brunswick Leave Old Country on Saturday—Campaign in Interests of the Province is Bearing Fruit Already.

James Gilchrist, superintendent of immigration for the province, who has been in Great Britain for some weeks, is returning home on the Empress boat and is expected to arrive in Halifax on Saturday. A party of Scotch immigrants who intend to locate in the Grand Manan district on Monday in the Grand Manan. While in Great Britain Mr. Gilchrist visited a large number of rural districts lecturing and, largely as a result of his presentation of the possibilities of New Brunswick, it is understood that about one hundred farmers mostly Scotch have intimated their intention to come to New Brunswick before spring. Those coming out on the Grampian are the advance guard of the contingent who have been interested in New Brunswick by the lecture tours of Mr. Gilchrist and Mr. Bowdler, the provincial representative in Great Britain. Mr. Gilchrist evidently succeeded in securing for New Brunswick considerable publicity during his trip. British papers printed frequent reports about his lecture. The fact that the Montreal Star had a special cable from London giving an account of his activities is significant of the interest he managed to arouse. Since his appointment Mr. Gilchrist has proven himself a very active immigration worker, and the object of the provincial government in sending him to Great Britain for six weeks was to enable him to gather information which would be useful in his work. The fact that he has been able to interest a considerable number of people in New Brunswick in the face of reports going across about the dull times in Canada is good evidence that his trip has been a successful one and shows the value of advertising. The local immigration office is making preparations for handling a greater number of immigrants next year than ever before. The department seeks to find positions for all who come out under its auspices. In order to make arrangements for placing immigrants, it is desirable that farmers who want help in the spring should send in their applications to the superintendent at St. John as early in the year as possible. Circulars are now being sent out to the farmers of the province telling them, if they want farm laborers, to let the immigration office know at once, so that the office in Great Britain can be notified and arrangements made whereby men in the old country wishing to come out here can be guaranteed a position early in the spring. New Brunswick farmers during the past few years have begun to realize that it is profitable to employ farm help and increase the productivity of their land. Owing to the high prices at present prevailing, and likely to continue, the farmers of the province are likely next year to greatly increase the extent of their operations, raise larger crops and take advantage of the high prices. For this reason it is expected that there will be a big demand for farm laborers, and the local immigration office is trying to make arrangements to meet this demand as far as possible by bringing out farm laborers from the old country.

BRIDGE AT OAK POINT WILL MEAN AN EXTRA FIVE MILES

Premier Flemming Says the Report of Engineer on Bridges will be Ready for Legislature—Progress on Valley Railway is Very Encouraging.

"Tests in connection with the locating of the Valley Railway bridge across the St. John river are being continued," said Hon. J. K. Flemming to The Standard, last night. "These tests being made at the Mistake at Oak Point and at the middle site, which is about one and a quarter miles below The Mistake. Mr. Monseratt was over the ground and is presently preparing his report. I have not yet received it but it will be ready in time to submit to the legislature when it meets early in the new year. "St. John wants the railway to come down the eastern side of the river to this city and I think that the line will come where it is wanted. "A bridge at the middle site would mean two miles added to the length of the railway and a bridge at Oak Point would mean an extra five miles. "We will know, however, just what we can do by the time the legislature meets. "The sections of the road from Gagetown to Fredericton, Fredericton to Woodstock and Woodstock to Centreville will be in operation early in 1914. Practically all the steel has been laid between Fredericton and Gagetown and only one bridge in this section has to be completed. "On the section between Fredericton and Woodstock the contractors have completed twelve miles working northward and twenty miles working southward, and have still about twenty-five miles of steel to lay. They have been trying to make work of last on the earlier portion of their bridge, but now have struck a fine gravel pit and this will aid in the completion of the work. A couple of months should be sufficient to complete this section after the frost is out of the ground in the spring. "The next section, Woodstock to Centreville was delayed by another bridge, but this will be completed early next year, and this will mean three complete sections ready for operation. The act provided that the intercolonial could take over and operate these sections as rapidly as they were finished. The people in these sections of the province will have railway service before the end of next summer. "The section from Centreville to Andover was surveyed, and the route determined. It is expected that the actual work of construction could be completed. Hon. Mr. Flemming expressed himself as being well pleased with the progress of the work all along the Valley Railway. He also referred to the meeting in Washington today when the representatives of Canada will be heard in reference to the potato embargo. The premier felt that New Brunswick has two able representatives in Messrs. Porter and Daggert who will attend the conference and assist the federal representatives. Hon. Mr. Flemming expects to return to his home today.

CONVENTION OF TEACHERS HERE TODAY. The public school teachers of St. John County will meet in convention here today and tomorrow. An interesting programme of papers has been arranged. The different sessions will be as follows: Today, 10 a. m.—Opening and enrollment, music by High School Orchestra; address by the President, Inspector W. M. McLean. 11 a. m.—"Manual Training in Primary Grades," Director F. Peacock. 2 p. m.—"Composition," Primary Grades, Miss J. Milligan. Advanced Grades, Principal W. H. Parrie. 3 p. m.—"Arithmetic," Miss Gertrude Webb. Question box. Friday, 9 a. m.—"Drawing," Miss T. McClelland. 11 a. m.—"Writing," Principal M. G. Brown. 11 a. m.—"Nature Work," A. Gordon Leavitt. 2 p. m.—"School Gardening," Director R. P. Steeves. 3 p. m.—"Reward and Punishment," Principal S. A. Worrel. Discussion, Dr. H. S. Bridges. General business. Election of officers.

SHOPLIFTING CASE IS DISPOSED OF

Woman Charged with Taking Goods from Department Store—Matter Satisfactorily Adjusted.

In the police court, yesterday afternoon, the case of Frances Westey, charged with stealing several articles and an amount of money from Arnold's Department Store, was dealt with by the magistrate, and a satisfactory settlement in the matter was arranged. The woman, who was in the employ of the proprietors of the Department Store, succeeded in removing from the establishment a brass jardiner, a drum, a toy horse and wagon and five dollars in cash. It was discovered that she had been going on, and Detective Killen was put on the case. Suspicion rested on the woman and the detective placed her in charge. The case was dealt with in private yesterday afternoon, and after promising to make good the money stolen, she was allowed to go home with her husband. All the articles removed from the store were recovered. A good present for any lady would be one of these nice warm, comfortable coats that F. A. Dykeman & Co. are selling so cheap. A great many of them have been tremendously reduced, \$2.95 for about one dozen of them, and from that up to \$15. You may make a choice, and on each coat you can save from \$5 to \$8.

They have a selection of ladies' palette silk dresses, \$7.95 for a silk dress worth \$11, and \$3.90 for a silk dress worth \$12. These are made from a fine quality of palette silk in the very latest styles. Don't forget to secure your Victoria Rink tickets at a discount on or before December 20th. For sale at F. E. Williams, 95 Princess street, or at Durick's drug store, Main street.

PRINCE WILLIAM HOTEL. Consumers' Coal Co's coal makes a cold house warm.

WIFE OF HON. L. J. TWEEDIE WAS VICTIM OF THEFT.

STOLEN GOODS WORTH OVER \$400. Thief Entered Room in Hotel while Mr. and Mrs. Tweedie were at Opera House.

For the past few days the police of the city have been quietly working in an effort to clear up the daring robbery which occurred in a room of the Royal Hotel when the ex-Lieutenant Governor of the province, Hon. L. J. Tweedie and wife were relieved of a quantity of valuable jewelry and other articles valued at somewhere between \$400 and \$500, but up till the present time there seems to be little light thrown on the situation. The robbery was committed on Monday evening of this week. Entrance to the room was not made by forcing or breaking the door, but by using a key, which gave evidence that the thief was the result of a well defined plan. There was a large number at the hotel waiting to take passage for the old country on the steamer Royal George the following day, and in consequence it would be more easy to enter the room without attracting attention. 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