

CASTRO WILL NOT RETURN TO VENEZUELA

Denies that He Intends to Return to Native Country and Head Revolution for German Interests.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 2.—General Castro this afternoon changed his mind about discussing his plans, and received the newspapermen. He said that he did not know whether or not he would return to Paris. "I have no interests in Germany," he said. "And there is no truth in the statement that I am going back to Venezuela to head a revolution backed by German interests. I don't think the Germans make their money so easily as to give it to me. To use a Latin phrase, 'Verum est id quod est'."

Castro wrote this phrase on a piece of paper, and then translated it. It meant, he said, "The truth is what it is."

The Venezuelan wore a skull cap of black velvet trimmed with gold and gold-embroidered cloth slippers. An interpreter was present and two stenographers. Castro declared he had no intention of visiting Havana. Asked about the money and lands he had lost in Venezuela, he replied: "All of my money was taken by President Gomez. I am ruined. He robbed me of twenty-five million francs. It was my capital. He even took my horse and mule and my house furnishings. This was done after my departure from Venezuela. I left on November 21, 1908, to go to Europe for an operation. Here General Castro with the assistance of his valet, removed the contents of my trunk, including a long scar on his abdomen. 'I have no more interests in Venezuela now,' continued the former president. 'Everything is lost, even my wife was on the island of Tenerife.'

Cipriano Castro, ex-president of Venezuela, engaged passage for tomorrow on the Hamburg-American line sailing for Hamburg Saturday at 8 a. m. Castro will have a room and lands he had lost in Venezuela, he replied: "All of my money was taken by President Gomez. I am ruined. He robbed me of twenty-five million francs. It was my capital. He even took my horse and mule and my house furnishings. This was done after my departure from Venezuela. I left on November 21, 1908, to go to Europe for an operation. Here General Castro with the assistance of his valet, removed the contents of my trunk, including a long scar on his abdomen. 'I have no more interests in Venezuela now,' continued the former president. 'Everything is lost, even my wife was on the island of Tenerife.'

STRIKERS IN LONG FIGHT

Little Falls Textile Strike Satisfactorily Settled — Employees Demands Granted — Increases Amount to 10 p. c.

Little Falls, N. Y., Jan. 2.—The Little Falls textile strike has ended. At a meeting in which considerable enthusiasm was displayed, the strikers voted to return to work in the mills and Phoenix mills, thus bringing to a close a labor difficulty which since early October last has vexed this industrial centre, giving rise to numerous sensational developments, including several riots and the arrest of prominent specialists, and leading finally to mediatory measures by the state labor department. The settlement finally reached is on a basis of sixty hours pay for fifty-four hours' work and increases in pay for piece work, which it is claimed will amount to about 10 per cent.

INVESTIGATION INTO THE TRANSPORTATION MONOPOLY DOUBTFUL

Advocates of Resolution Contend Indictments Should Be Followed Up—Final Consideration of Request.

Washington, Jan. 2.—Whether there shall be a congressional investigation of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad's alleged monopoly of New England transportation facilities apparently was as far from being determined today as when the house rules committee reported its hearings on the O'Shaughnessy resolution before the Christmas holidays. Chairman Henry said today it would be some time before the committee could give final consideration to the request for a rule to provide immediate consideration of the O'Shaughnessy resolution by the house.

Advocates of the resolution, which would authorize an investigation by a special committee with large powers, are still hopeful of bringing about the inquiry. They contend that the indictment of the officers of the New Haven and Grand Trunk roads by a federal grand jury in New York should not interfere in any way with the proposed congressional action.

SCANDINAVIA MAY FIGHT CANAL BILL

U. S. State Department Officials Receive Report Emulating from Ottawa that Northern Nations will Join in Protest Against Preference.

ARE WITHOUT OFFICIAL KNOWLEDGE

Washington, Jan. 2.—In the midst of the deliberate consideration which state department officials are giving to the note of Sir Edward Grey of November 14, protesting against the extension of the American coastwise shipping in the Panama Canal, attention has been attracted to a report emanating from Ottawa, that the Scandinavian government is preparing new matter to add to that protest. Without official knowledge on the subject, the conclusion has been reached that this Canadian protestment will be devoted to an elaboration of statements made in the Grey note regarding the effect of the Panama Canal Act upon Canadian railways owning and operating vessels, as well as to the parallel thought to be drawn between the Welland Canal and the Panama Canal.

Touching the first matter, it is recalled that the British government reserved the right to discuss further the

application of the act to British ships. A strong defence also of the contention that the Sherman Anti-Trust Act would be extended to other than American owned vessels. The recent action of the Department of Justice in proceeding against the Grand Trunk railway officials under the terms of this act is believed to have decided the Canadian government to insist upon the present discussion, diplomatically, of this reserved subject.

So far as the Welland Canal argument is concerned, the American contention is simple and direct. In substance it amounts to a sweeping denial that there is anything like a parallel between the Panama Canal, an independent waterway, forming in what some quarters has been regarded as part of the coast line, and the Canadian waterway, which is a mere incident in the boundary waters of the two countries, use of which is specifically guaranteed to both nations on even terms.

COMMITTED SUICIDE WITH DYNAMITE

Disappointed in Love Gaetan Valancin Blew His Head to Pieces — Made Three Attempts.

Epernay, France, Jan. 2.—A New Year's suicide of an extraordinary character was committed here late last night by Gaetan Valancin, a workman, aged 26, who had been disappointed in love.

Valancin first placed a dynamite cartridge on his breast and caused it to explode. He was frightfully burned, but not mortally hurt. He then stabbed himself twice over the heart. He was still able to walk and stream with blood went to the farm yard pump and washed himself. He then went back to the house and changed his clothing, afterwards rushing to some neighbors who had suggested to: 'I have started to kill myself and now I am going to finish.' Thereupon he placed another big dynamite cartridge in his mouth, lighted the fuse and waited for the explosion, which tore his head into fragments.

A LIFE SENTENCE INSTEAD OF DEATH FOR HUBERT GRANT

The Governor General Wires Order to Sheriff Hall—Prisoner Did Not Seem Effected by Change.

Special to The Standard. Halifax, N. S., Jan. 2.—Hubert Grant was to have been hanged in Halifax next Wednesday for the murder of Thomas Donaldson. This afternoon Sheriff Hall received the following telegram from the Under Secretary of State at Ottawa:

"His Royal Highness the Governor General is pleased to commute to life imprisonment the death sentence passed upon Hubert Grant, alias D. Stanley, by Justice Ritchie. Repeat back this telegram immediately after its receipt. Will confirm same today by letter the receipt of which you should also confirm by telegram."

When the deputy sheriff read the despatch to Grant, he looked up with only casual interest, turned around and paced up and down the cell but saying nothing. The jail officials say that Grant has had nothing to say since the trial. Later he would remark as he was being locked up for the night, "Well, fourteen days more," or "thirteen days more," as the case might be.

He will go to Dorchester.

SENT A COFFIN.

Zanesville, Ohio, Jan. 2.—A coffin was sent through the mails today from the Zanesville post office. It weighed 14 pounds and was sent by a coffin manufacturing company to an undertaker in Dexter City, Ohio. The lid was sent in a separate package so the body of the coffin could come within the 11 pound limit. The total postage was 68 cents.

EFFORTS TO SETTLE THE STRIKE FAIL

Employers and Garment Workers Still at Loggerheads — Declare Strike is Fizzling Out.

New York, Jan. 2.—Efforts to settle the garment workers' strike today failed. The various agencies working for peace did not even find a basis upon which they thought manufacturers and employes might agree.

The New York Clothing Trades Association held a long meeting, at the conclusion of which President Eugene S. Benjamin declared that nothing had been done toward a settlement. He asserted that the employers were willing to treat with the men, but that recognition of the union would not be granted under any circumstances. "The strike is fizzling out," said Mr. Benjamin.

The strikers asserted they had been joined during the day by many boot-makers employed in merchant tailoring shops and by several thousand tailors and cutters who failed to go out when the strike was declared on Monday.

The only disorder during the day occurred in a shop on Broadway, where three garment workers were arrested for attempting to call out the employes.

LIBERAL REPORTS RE TARIFF REVISION WHOLLY UNFOUNDED

Departments of Finance and Customs are Giving the West Indies Trade Agreement Usual Consideration.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Jan. 2.—Reports circulated in certain Liberal newspapers that the minister of finance has under consideration a general tariff revision, are wholly unauthorized and unfounded. The West Indies agreement necessitates certain direct and certain consequential tariff changes which have been given careful consideration by the officials of the departments of finance and customs under the supervision of the minister. Apart from this the consideration given to the tariff has been in the usual course and in accordance with the ordinary practice of the departments, in looking into matters brought to their attention from time to time.

ORGANIZING FOR THE SPRING IMMIGRATION. Toronto, Jan. 2.—John F. Farrell, of the Ontario government immigration service has left for England to take up the work of organizing for spring immigration. Mr. Farrell will travel between Ontario and the Old Country, but instead of heretofore spending all his time in England, he will tour through Scotland and Ireland. Mr. MacDonald, director of colonization, has high hopes that the immigration this year will be exceedingly large.

OIL BARON GETS AWAY FROM HARM

William Rockefeller Evades Government Process Servers.

WANTED AS WITNESS IN THE MONEY PROBE.

Reported to Have Sailed from Georgia on Unknown Steamer for Unknown Destination.

Brunswick, Ga., Jan. 2.—William Rockefeller, wanted as witness before the Pujo "money trust" investigating committee sailed from Jekyll Island, near Brunswick, Tuesday, on an unidentified steamer for an unknown port, according to report here tonight.

Accompanied by his wife and son, William G. Rockefeller, as well as the latter's wife, Mr. Rockefeller arrived at Jekyll Island more than three weeks ago. Instead of going to the Rockefeller winter home the party got quarters in an apartment house and remained in seclusion. The apartment house is near the handsome home of Mr. Rockefeller.

Extreme secrecy is maintained by residents of Jekyll Island regarding the departure of the Rockefellers. The name of the vessel on which they departed also has been carefully withheld.

Tonight it was stated that Mr. Rockefeller chartered a special steamer. A rumor also was current that the party sailed from the private yacht of a New York sportsman and that their destination was Bermuda.

FOUR BOYS DROWNED

Three Playing Hockey on Michigan Lake and One Skating on Dartmouth Lake Near Halifax.

Olivet, Mich., Jan. 2.—While playing hockey on Pine Lake near here this afternoon, three boys broke through thin ice and were drowned. In spite of heroic efforts by their companions to rescue them.

The dead are: George Dewy, 14 years old; Clark Morgan, 12; Stanley Lansborough, 16. During the hockey game the puck was driven to a spot where the ice was unsafe. Young Morgan skated after it and broke through. Stanley Lansborough and Dewy, who were close behind him, also went into the hole. Irwin Van Wye managed to get to the shore. Kenney, in attempting to rescue also was precipitated into the icy waters. George Lansborough and Van Wye managed to get to the shore. Kenney, in attempting to rescue also was precipitated into the icy waters. George Lansborough and Van Wye managed to get to the shore. Kenney, in attempting to rescue also was precipitated into the icy waters.

Halifax, Jan. 2.—Harold Walker, an eight-year old boy, was drowned while playing on the ice on the Dartmouth Lakes this afternoon. His cousin also fell in but was saved. Walker's body was recovered in an hour.

WOMEN MAY OCCUPY HIGH POSITIONS IN THE UNITED STATES

President-elect Wilson Has Received Requests from Suffragettes for Portfolio of Secretary of War.

Princeton, N. J., Jan. 2.—Two women have been proposed for places in the cabinet of president-elect Wilson, one of them for the portfolio of secretary of war. This disclosure was made today when Mr. Wilson was asked if it suffragettes had suggested any names for women for cabinet positions.

"I think I have received only two such requests," he replied. "The recommendations were made in a general way, but one did urge particularly for secretary of war. If I am not mistaken, but I ought to add that it was in the interests of peace."

DENIES REPORT OF BRITISH ELECTION. London, Jan. 2.—The Daily Chronicle, ministerial organ, denies that the government has any intention of dissolving parliament.

CONDITIONS FOR PEACE FAVORABLE

Plenipotentiaries of Balkan States and Turkey Are Playing Deep Game at Peace Conference — Powers Interested in Aegean Islands.

DELEGATES AWAITING INSTRUCTIONS

London, Jan. 2.—The plenipotentiaries to the peace conference enjoyed a day of relaxation. Even the meeting of the ambassadors today was purely academic. It is agreed that yesterday's advances by Turkey had changed the situation to such an extent that they must await corresponding instructions from their respective governments.

The Turks continue to declare that their concessions have surpassed any cannot at any cost cede an inch more. On the other hand, the Allies with unanimous voice and compact front, maintain that they would rather end the conference than renounce what they claim is due them by right of their victories in the war.

"Both Playing the Game." That the game is being played on both sides is evident. The Turks emphasize the enormous importance of

what they have ceded, which in reality is only what they have lost and what, independently of the Allies, not even the powers would allow them to reconquer. For the opposite reason the Allies belittle the Turkish concessions, as they declare definitely to settle forever their differences with the Ottoman Empire. The real stumbling block is Adrianople, as a compromise solution the Aegean Islands is possible. Some suggest that Turkey cede them to the powers, which can decide their fate. It is recalled that such a course presenting even more difficulties than the present. For instance, in the war of 1866 between Italy and Austria, Austria although victorious, was induced to cede the Venetian provinces to France, who transferred them to Italy.

The supporters of this plan hint that Turkey might even cede the islands to the Allies, as has practically been done with Albania, on condition.

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MONTREAL HERALD IN LIBEL SUIT

Six Directors of Montreal Tramways Company Sue for \$100,000 Each — Other Actions May Be Entered.

Montreal, Jan. 2.—Preliminary proceedings in libel actions against the Herald Company, Limited, and the Herald Publishing Company, in which the amounts claimed aggregate \$600,000, have been taken before the local courts. The basis of the various suits in which six directors of the Montreal Tramways Company are plaintiffs is an article published in the Montreal Herald of the 31st ult. wherein it is contended allegations of highly derogatory to the character of the directors of the Tramways Company are contained. Those who have thus far taken preliminary steps towards seeking redress are: E. A. Roberts, president of the Tramways Company, and directors Frank Howard Wilson, J. W. McConnell, Marcellin Wilson, W. C. Pinley and G. A. Roberts.

It was also stated that there was a likelihood of further claims being entered. In each case the amount sought is \$100,000.

ISMAY'S RESIGNATION IS ACCEPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Harold A. Sanderson First Vice President to Succeed to Presidential Chair — In Accordance with Agreement.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 1.—The board of directors of the International Mercantile Marine Company this afternoon accepted the resignation of S. J. Bruce Ismay, as president. The resignation takes effect June 30, 1913. A statement given out in connection with this announcement said that the presentation of the resignation and its acceptance was in accordance with an arrangement with Mr. Ismay, made in February, 1912. The directors also declared that in due course Harold A. Sanderson would be elected to succeed Mr. Ismay.

The action today was in line with an announcement made in London on Dec. 3. Mr. Sanderson is first vice-president of the company, and a director of the White Star Line.

T. S. BAXTER ELECTED MAYOR OF VANCOUVER. Vancouver, Jan. 2.—Alderman T. S. Baxter was today declared elected mayor of Vancouver by acclamation. Jonathan Rogers and former mayor, L. B. Taylor handed in their nomination papers, but in the excitement of the last moment Taylor forgot to sign his and was declared out of the race. Rogers was declared disqualified because of technical errors in connection with the entries of property that he tried to qualify on.

INQUIRY WILL BE HELD INTO PILOT SYSTEM

Recent Complaints Made to Hon. J. D. Hazen Have Resulted in the Appointing of a Commission.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Jan. 2.—As a result of the representations recently made to the Minister of Marine and Fisheries by the Shipping Federation represented by Mr. Andrew Allan and Mr. Robb of Montreal, it is understood that a commission will be appointed shortly to inquire into the pilotage system of Canada, but more particularly into the St. Lawrence River and the Atlantic coast.

In most of the accidents which have occurred recently in the St. Lawrence it was found after a careful inquiry on the part of the wreck commissioner that the pilots were to blame and this led the leading shipping people to represent to the Hon. J. D. Hazen that the appointment of a pilotage commission to inquire into the whole system of the appointment of pilots as it exists at present and report on their findings would be in the interests of the shipping of the country.

The charges made against the pilots recently in certain quarters have directed attention to the system of appointment. These conditions will be thoroughly inquired into. It is probable that the commission will be composed of two shipping men of experience and a qualified officer of the marine department.

GAY AFFAIRS FOR VISITORS

Miss Asquith and Countess of Aberdeen are Enjoying Many Brilliant Functions — Formal Dinner to Be Held.

Washington, Jan. 2.—Miss Violet Asquith, daughter of the Prime Minister of Great Britain, and the Countess of Aberdeen, wife of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, arrived here today to be the guests for a few days of the British Ambassador and Mrs. Bryce. Many entertainments and social functions have been arranged in their honor.

There was a small informal dinner at the embassy for them tonight, but on Saturday night a formal dinner in their honor will be given here. The distinguished visitors will be presented to Washington society at a tea at the Embassy tomorrow afternoon, and in the evening they will go with the Ambassador and Mrs. Bryce to the diplomatic reception at the White House, where the Ambassador will be next in line to Ambassador Jusserand of France, dean of the corps. Mrs. Henry Dimock also will give the visitors a dinner.

As both the Countess and Miss Asquith are interested in active workers in various political and social betterment movements, among them the establishment of industrial schools for the poor, the anti-tuberculosis fight and women's suffrage, it is expected that they will visit some of the philanthropic institutions and consult prominent workers here on these lines.

THE COST OF LIVING NOW FOUGHT WITH CO-OPERATIVE STORES

Housekeepers League Will Start Institutions if Idea is Found Practicable — Will Hold Mass Meeting.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 2.—As a means of reducing the cost of living a system of co-operative stores for the sale of provisions was discussed by the housekeepers' league today at a meeting in the mayor's reception room, in city hall. Mrs. William B. Derr, who conducted the crusade for cheap eggs, presided. She declared that she has had countless offers from producers in all parts of the east to supply provisions at rates that would mean a considerable lessening of the cost of living in this city. "If the business is properly managed," it was decided to hold a mass meeting on Jan. 16 to awaken public interest in the project.

A \$100,000 FIRE. Baltimore, Md., Jan. 2.—Fire of unknown origin visited the Baltimore plant of the Carnegie Steel Company tonight, resulting in a loss estimated at \$100,000, covered by insurance.

NEW YEAR'S EVE RIOT CASES HEARD IN COURT YESTERDAY

Some of those Charged Did Not Appear and Adjournment was Taken Until this Afternoon - Sand Point Liquor Stealing Case.

There was a large crowd of spectators in the police court yesterday morning to hear the trial of the young men arrested on New Year's Eve and early New Year's morning for creating a disturbance on King or Charlotte streets. Those arrested were Harold Chamberlain, Stanley Evans, Daniel McLaughlin, Frank Wilson, Bernard Moore, Harry Danfield, Ambrose Wales, Harold Fielding and Gerald O'Brien.

Fielding pleaded guilty and was fined eight dollars. He is a young Englishman and pleaded for a chance to get back to his ship. He was then allowed to go on the payment of a three dollar fine.

Wales and O'Brien were the only two others to appear as they had been in jail since arrested. They pleaded not guilty. O'Brien in addition to being charged with shouting on the street was charged with using profane and obscene language. He pleaded guilty to the first offence and was fined eight dollars and was remanded on the second charge.

Wales was charged with interfering with the police and shouting on the street. He pleaded not guilty and was remanded. The others were charged with being disorderly on Charlotte street but none appeared in court, having gained their liberty on Wednesday by leaving deposits for their appearance when called on. The magistrate announced that he would give them until the afternoon to make an appearance and plead.

Chief Clark appeared and presented a number of large stones which he claimed had been thrown at the officers while they were making the arrests. Samuel Craig, a middle aged man, was before the court charged with stealing a case of whiskey from the Donaldson Line warehouse at Sand Point and pleaded not guilty. Walter Banks, a checker, testified about the case being missed from the shed. Detective Walsh of the Allen Line gave evidence that he saw the defendant about the shed on Wednesday under the influence of liquor. Witness watched him and saw him go under a section of the wharf and when he came out Detective Walsh took hold of him and found that he (defendant) had a bottle of whiskey in his pocket. Craig was locked up in the Donaldson Line office and Detective Walsh was making an examination found the stolen case of liquor where Craig had hidden it over to start. Finley of the Western Division.

Craig pleaded not guilty and said that on Tuesday he saw two men taking the case and placing it under the wharf and on going there later he found a bottle of liquor. The magistrate informed Craig that he was liable to a long term in prison but remanded him to jail until he could inquire into his character. Leo Parks, for being disorderly in the I. C. R. Depot, was fined eight dollars.

James Currie pleaded guilty to aggravated assault on George Gillespie and was remanded to jail for sentence. Gillespie appeared in court with a badly bruised face as the result of the beating he received. He was fined eight dollars for being drunk.

George Clancy, charged with lying and lurking in a yard off North street, was fined eight dollars. John Peterson for being drunk and profane, was remanded to jail. Four drunks were fined eight dollars each.

In addition to those arrested for acting disorderly on New Year's Eve several others have been reported and will be taken before the court at a later date. Among these are Gustave King, William Johnston, Charles Brown, and William Morrison, charged with creating a disturbance on Pond street and Harold Cassidy for creating a disturbance on Frederick street. After this business the court went into the session of the civil court.

Afternoon Session. At two o'clock in the afternoon there was another large crowd present. Of all those who had left deposits for their appearance on the disorderly charge, Bernard Moore was the only one to appear and he was allowed to go on deposit again until this afternoon at two o'clock. He pleaded not guilty. O'Brien and Wales were brought in from jail and Wales was represented by E. S. Ritchie. He pleaded not guilty.

Officer Crawford who made the arrest, gave evidence that it was about one o'clock in the morning and he found the defendant on the street. He found a number of men standing at the corner of King and Charlotte streets and requested them to move along. About this time Wales stepped up and in a loud voice called out in the officer's ear, "Shut up!" He then ran away but was soon captured by the officer.

Wales and O'Brien were both allowed out on leaving a deposit for their appearance in court again this afternoon. It is expected that those who did not appear in court yesterday will forfeit their deposits of eight dollars.

AMHERST HAS CASE OF FALSE PRETENSES AND ONE OF PERJURY. Amherst, Jan. 2.—Corey Mills, of Amherst, was placed under arrest on Tuesday on the charge of stealing goods under false pretences. Mills sold a pair of bob-sleds on which it is claimed there remains a bill of sale. The party claiming to have the bill of sale on the sleds took possession of them after the sale had been made and the first man then had Mr. Mills arrested.

The case is a mixup. Officer Carter, of Amherst, went to Windsor last Tuesday and placed under arrest a special sales agent, who was formerly a well known resident of Amherst. Perjury was the charge on which the warrant was issued. The chief accompanied by the arrested party returned to Amherst last evening and had no trouble in securing bail. The preliminary hearing has been set for today. As far as can be gathered the case arose out of the financial difficulties in which a Springfield boot and shoe merchant became involved.

LATE SHIPPING. Arrivals. Salem, Mass.—Sch. Lucia Porter, St. John, N.B. Portland, Me.—Sch. Herald, St. John, N.B.; Jennie S. Hall, Hantsport, N.S. New York—Stim Black Rock, Halifax.

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SUGAR BEETS TONIGHT'S SMOKER WILL BE ELABORATE AFFAIR

Board of Trade will Entertain Commercial Men in Keith's Assembly Rooms.

Great Strides Being Made in Industry in Old Country—Hundreds of People Find Employment.

Cantley, Norfolk, Jan. 2.—Cantley, on the banks of the Yare, in the county of Norfolk, is now the center of the best sugar industry in England. It is here that, in an incredibly short time, the Anglo-Netherland Sugar Corporation has erected a factory capable of dealing with 1,200 tons of beet daily.

Cantley itself is but a wayside station on the Great Eastern, but its development as an industrial center is assured. During the first season of the factory's activities railway accommodation had to be increased, and, though the process of turning beet into sugar is entirely a mechanical one, as many as 400 hands have been employed to deal with the first crop.

The Cantley factory is a large building with a chimney 150 feet high. Shortly after its erection an opportunity was afforded by a number of Norfolk sugar beet growers to inspect the factory. They found the interior to be gallery shaped with the machinery erected on the ground floor. The process through which the beet is put from the time when it is metamorphosed into sugar was an instructive and to Norfolk eyes, a novel experience.

Directly after the weighing of each consignment of beet, exactly in the condition in which it arrives, the roots are washed and trimmed and then sent down into a water channel which floats them to the factory. By this means the earth adhering to the roots is partially removed. The beet is raised in buckets at the top of the building. This operation finished, the juice is extracted by means of slicing and squeezing. The slices are then taken to another part of the building and put through a machine, which separates a number of small pieces of a valuable cattle food. The present worth of this pulp is stated to be 35 lbs. 6d. a ton. Meanwhile, the juice is put through a process of lime filtration; it is then boiled in large vats in order to throw off the water. The juice becoming crystalline, the lumps are removed by means of a revolving cylinder.

In reviewing the whole process as carried out at the Cantley factory, the simplicity of the operation and what perhaps explains that impression, the dexterity and effective way in which the work is carried out, are most striking. It is expected that the rapidly with which the business has been started and developed is remembered, it is impossible not to give the enterprise, the Norfolk beet sugar has already made a favorable impression in mining lands.

BARCELONA, Jan. 2.—Street demonstrations were held today on the occasion of the retirement from public life of ex-Premier Maura.

The conservative extremists met tonight and decided to call a conference of the party for Wednesday to consider the future attitude of the party. The press generally expressed the opinion that the withdrawal of Senator Maura will not have a very serious effect on the conservative party, but on the contrary will afford an opportunity for re-organizing on improved lines and profiting by the lessons of the past.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 2.—Into the green houses of James J. Hill, in the rear of his residence here, where Mr. Hill has been carrying on for the last 18 months an experiment expected to revolutionize agriculture, six men representing commercial and financial interests in Minneapolis, were guided today to witness astonishing results in wheat, oats and barley culture, achieved by new chemical analysis and its practical application. Phosphorus has been found to be the great essential plant food, lacking in the soil of the Northwest, and Mr. Hill has found the way, he told the Minneapolis men, to increase soil fertility.

"I believe," Mr. Hill said, "that we can, by the application of these means, increase the production of grain in the Northwestern States to twice the quantity given in the figures of the department of agriculture for 1912."

A \$100,000 LOAN. Toronto, Jan. 2.—Catherine M. Cook is suing Clinton Cook, of White Church Township, York county, for \$100,000 for alleged alienation of the affection of plaintiff's husband.

P. Nae & Son, Ltd., will close at 6 o'clock p. m. except Saturday, during January and February.

CONCORD, N. H., Jan. 2.—The New Hampshire legislature in joint session tonight elected as governor Samuel D. Felker, of Rochester, the democratic candidate at the last election. He received 227 votes to 191 for Franklin Worcester, of Hollis, republican. 28 progressive votes voted with the democrats.

ST. JOHN, its present and future, is to be the key-note of the smoker to be held by the Board of Trade in Keith's assembly rooms this evening. The proceedings will start at 8.15 o'clock, the chairman of the board, J. M. Robinson, presiding.

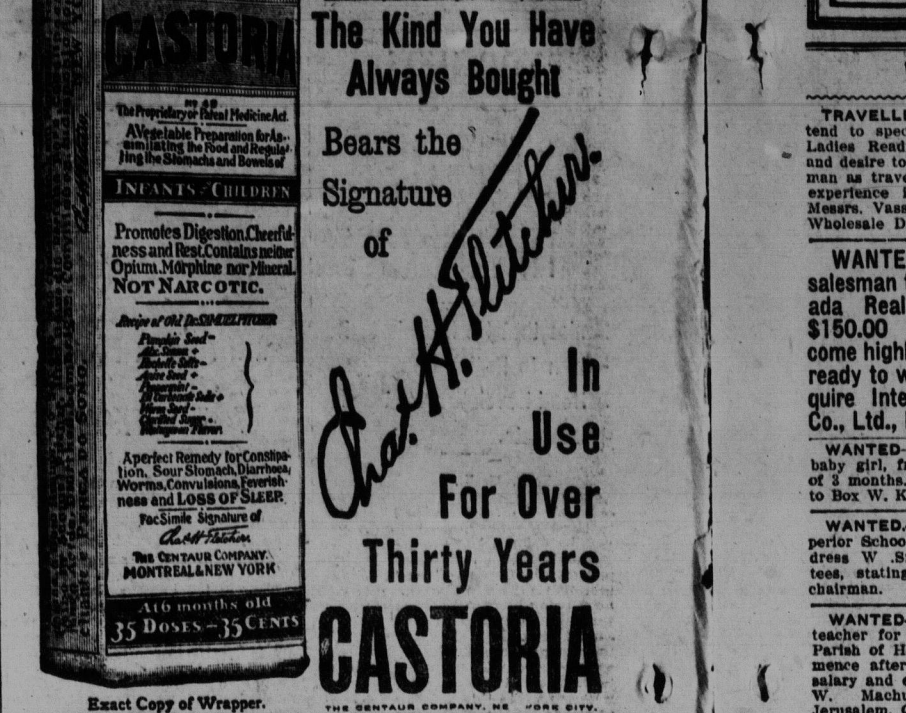
The guests for the evening will be the Knights of the Grip, local, provincial and otherwise. The invitations for the affair have been sent to commercial travellers of the maritime, sanitations and to all travellers who may be in the city today and as the word has been passed along to those with whom the committee on arrangements could not get in direct communication, the outlook is that the gathering this evening will be a large one.

For the entertainment of their guests the committee have been busy for some weeks and have worked out a programme that is most interesting, while in addition it will bring out some of the most salient features in connection with St. John's new era of expansion and prosperity.

The speaker of the occasion will be Rev. Dr. G. M. Campbell, of Mt. Allison Ladies' College, in addition to the address by Dr. Campbell the programme contains the names of other speakers whose addresses promise to be of interest. Besides the oratorical portion of the programme musical numbers will be given. One of the features which will be interpolated will be exhibition of views of St. John, showing the city in its latest stage of development, and which will bring prominently to the notice of all, especially strangers, the projects which have materialized during the past year and others which are to follow. Maps and charts displaying St. John's position and importance in relation to the Maritime Provinces, to Canada and to the British Empire, have been secured for the evening.

The committee which have had the arrangements for tonight's affair in charge overlooked nothing essential to the enjoyment of the evening and a most successful evening is looked for.

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VITAL STATISTICS IN WESTMORLAND. Special to The Standard. Moncton, N. B., Jan. 2.—Antoine J. Legere, registrar of births, marriages and deaths, for the County of Westmorland, reports 640 births, as compared with 583 in the previous year, 444 deaths as compared with 446, but only 285 marriages, as compared with 374.

The falling off in marriages is accounted for by the fact that the number in 1911 was much above the average. Registrar Legere reports the return of births as very incomplete as Protestant clergymen have no means of getting at the number of births in their congregations. The returns from Roman Catholic districts are complete as the births in each parish are a part of the church records.

Idore Bourque, one of the most highly respected residents of Shediac, died this morning, aged 82. Dr. J. N. Bourque, of Moncton, and Postmaster Valentime Bourque of Shediac, are sons of the deceased.

L. P. D. Tilley, M. P. P., left last evening for Fredericton.

THE WEATHER. Maritime—Gales, southeasterly, shifting to southwesterly with rain.

Toronto, Jan. 2.—Pressure continues high over the Pacific coast states while an important disturbance is developing in the middle states. The weather has been cold today in Manitoba, but mild in all other parts of the Dominion.

Victoria, 35 40 + Vancouver, 32 40 + Kamloops, 24 56 + Battleford, 26 30 + Montreal, 22 38 + Winnipeg, 28 44 + Port Arthur, 18 30 + Parry Sound, 22 38 + London, 20 44 + Toronto, 30 44 + Kingston, 30 40 + Ottawa, 18 36 + Quebec, 24 34 + St. John, 28 38 + Halifax, 26 42 + —Below Zero.

MARRIED. PIPES-FOSTER—On Tuesday December thirty-first, 1912, at St. Paul's church, Rousesay, by the Rev. A. W. Danaw, Arthur Brown Pipes, of Dorchester, New Brunswick, to Mrs. Eliza Lawton Foster, of Rousesay, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Frederick Lawton, formerly of St. John, now of Pictouburg, Mass., U. S. A.

DIED. CREARY—In this city on January 2nd inst., James Creary, in his fifty-third year, leaving a wife and seven sons to mourn. (Boston press please copy). Funeral from his late residence 203 Main street, Saturday at 8.30 o'clock to St. Peter's church for requiem mass at 9 o'clock. Friends invited to attend.

LAVERS—In this city, on January 1st, after a lingering illness, Mary J. wife of George E. Lavers, leaving a husband and one sister to mourn. Funeral on Friday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from her late residence, 241 Carmarthen street.

SHARP—Suddenly, on January 1st inst., Fanny M. Sharp, daughter of the late William and Sarah Duffell. Funeral of Mrs. Fanny M. Sharp will be held this afternoon at 2.30, from the home of her sister, Mrs. Fred Sandall, 238 Pitt street. Service will be held in St. James church at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Mullin Correctly Reported. In the issue of last evening the Times in commenting on the article which appeared in yesterday's Standard in reference to the interview with Daniel Mullin, K. C., in the Chief Clerk's study, displayed characteristic anxiety regarding the accuracy of the writer, who secured the interview in a faithful report of Mr. Mullin's views. To assure the anxiety of the Times' writer, The Standard can reply that not only was the interview correct, but that Mr. Mullin, in conversation with a Standard man yesterday, corroborated the interview and reiterated his statement that the matter is to be pushed to the limit.

FELKER NOW GOVERNOR OF NEW HAMPSHIRE. Concord, N. H., Jan. 2.—The New Hampshire legislature in joint session tonight elected as governor Samuel D. Felker, of Rochester, the democratic candidate at the last election. He received 227 votes to 191 for Franklin Worcester, of Hollis, republican. 28 progressive votes voted with the democrats.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 1913.

THE NAVAL ISSUE BEFORE PARLIAMENT.

"Because it enforces the sound rule that a majority of the people's representatives must have their way."

The above statement, which appeared in an editorial in the Telegraph yesterday, has reference to the Liberal Government in Great Britain which had been charged with being revolutionary.

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of it an enlarged edition of the Naval Service Act which went down with him to defeat a little more than a year ago. He has impressed upon the country that his support in aristocrat policy has undergone no change.

There will be general agreement with the opinion of the Telegraph quoted at the head of this article. No one will dispute that it is a "sound rule that a majority of the people's representatives must have their way."

The Liberal Opposition may resort to obstruction, but this partisan course, delaying as it must such necessary legislation, will be strongly and generally condemned.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

There is every reason to believe that this year will witness the opening of the Panama Canal to the trade of the world. The regulations made by the United States Government concerning the rates to be charged on vessels using the canal, even though the vessels not registered in that country from taking the short cut instead of going around Cape Horn.

In a signed statement Col. George W. Goethals, builder of the Panama Canal, reviewing the situation, says that during the year 1912 the Gatun dam was virtually completed and at the close of the rainy season Gatun Lake had risen to a height of 57 feet, or within 30 feet of the maximum which it will be allowed to attain.

During the year a total of about 30,000,000 cubic yards of material had been removed from the prism of the canal, and of this amount about 5,000,000 cubic yards was due to slides in the Culebra cut.

There remains, adds Col. Goethals, to be excavated for the canal and various accessory projects in the Atlantic and Pacific entrances about 24,000,000 cubic yards, but of this amount less than 4,000,000 cubic yards needs to be removed before the canal can be put in use.

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(Mail and Empire.)

It was in February last that the United States government presented evidence to a grand jury implicating more than 60 union men in charges of conspiracy, and a few days later, on a telegraph signal, the accused men were arrested. When the net was laid, it was found that 64 union men were arrested, and McManis furnished a sensation by pleading guilty and turning state's evidence.

A Remarkable Jury. There are two or three points of unusual interest about the trial that has just ended in Indianapolis.

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Turning State's Evidence. Detectives were placed upon the trail and a powerful organization, known as the National Erectors' Association, was formed. It was composed of large contractors who had banded together to fight the dynamite conspiracy.

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Balhouse, Jan. 3. H. Lamsbury, starting a fox farm on the land of John... It is understood that he established the... ment for the benefit of the Indian reservation... Mrs. John McNeil... for a nurse in Mont... her vacation with her... Ritchie.

Gregor McKensie P. Q. is spending a parents Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Har... Jaquet River, spent... McMillan's parents, J. E. Stewart. Mrs. Murchie, of... her daughter, Mrs. Mrs. John McNeil... spending the winter... home in New Carlisle... Capt. Chas. Povey... vacation with his fa... H. S. Mossman, his wife and fam... Christmas holidays... and family spent... Mrs. Mossman's pa... and Mrs. Kirk, at... family leave for the... at the end of the... Mr. and Mrs. Will... family are spending... friends and relatives... G. R. Gendreau is... new branch of the... Orlo Cook has... of Nova Scotia as... well understood... doing a good business... large business com... menced to transac... through this bank... Mrs. John McNeil... Co. is the guest of... Fred Young.

The breakwater... main line will be... about completed... by T. F. F... contractor, and... in charge... completed will be... the harbor. Mr. and Mrs. J... family are spending... friends in Bathurst... H. McEvoy, of... Co., has returned a... of operations he... Government will... leave. Mr. G... some time with re... C. Burden, of... guest of Sheriff... Stewart.

The carnival... rink, last Monday... be called a success... snow storm that... afternoon and the... evening. FUNERAL The funeral of... took place Wedne... the Master Mis... loving requiem be... celebrated by Rev... ment was made... cemetery. From her late... James street, the... Elizabeth Gage to... afternoon at 2.30... MacVie's officiate... services after which... in Fernhill.

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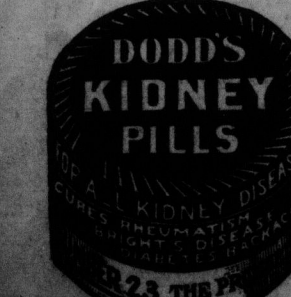
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MR. ROCKEFELLER IS STILL UNCAPTURED.

Brunswick, Ga., Jan. 2.—It was stated on reliable authority here today that William Rockefeller, who is wanted by Congressional process servers is stopping at apartments in this city, together with his immediate family. It is stated that Mr. Rockefeller had been here nearly a week.



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Montreal, Jan. 2.—OATS—Canadian western No. 2, 43 to 43 1/2; extra No. 1 feed, 42 to 42 1/2; No. 2 local white, 41; No. 3 local white, 40; No. 4 local white, 39.
FLOUR—Manitoba spring wheat patents, 44 to 44 1/2; seconds 44 to 44 1/2; strong bakers, 44 to 44 1/2; winter patents choice, 45 to 45 1/2; straight rollers in bags \$2.35 to \$2.40.
MILFEED—Bran, 21; Shorts, 24; Middlings, 23 to 23 1/2; Moullie, 23 to 23 1/2.
HAY—No. 2 per ton, car lots, 14 to 15; No. 1, 15 to 16.
POTATOES—75 to 90 cents.

I. C. R. FIREMEN ARE ADVANCED IN RANK

(Moncton Times)
The recent rush of freight and the retirement of a number of veterans has made it necessary for the International Brotherhood of Firemen to handle the heavy traffic. Accordingly a number of I. C. R. firemen, of several years experience, have been promoted and are now in charge of freight engines on the various runs out of Moncton. Among those recently promoted are Messrs. Patrick O'Leary, Leslie Sherlock and Harry McGowan. All three are well known and exceptionally capable engineers and their many friends are congratulating them on their well deserved promotions.

THE BOSTON CURB.

Table with columns: Bid, Ask, and various commodity prices like Flour, Sugar, etc.

PORTAGE VALE NOTES.

Portage Vale, Jan. 2.—Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McAnnesy, on Tuesday evening gave a six o'clock tea to a number of invited guests in honor of Francis Tracy and Taimage Teakles, who returned on the 2nd to Bate Verte. After justice was paid to the well loaded table, games were played, and there was music and singing. After 11 o'clock refreshments were served. A few minutes after Father Time had severed the old year from its moorings and let it slip away into the great ocean of history, "God be with you till we meet again" was sung, after which best wishes for the new year were exchanged, and the young people returned to their homes.

At the beginning of the new year a tri-weekly mail service has begun between Annapolis and Upper Gasheen instead of the semi-weekly service. The people who are served by this route are much pleased with the improvement. The R. M. D. was put on that route less than a year ago. Mail service improvement was promised as far back as 1908. M.P. made few, if any promises, but he has been the means of getting a lot of improvements for this part of Kings county, for which the people are very grateful.

A SERIOUS STRIKE.

New York, Jan. 2.—The United Garment Workers of America, on strike to the number of 90,000 for more pay and better working conditions, expected to add to their ranks today approximately 7,000 bushmen employed in the local department stores. The strike order to the bushmen workers employed to make alterations in ready-made garments declared, in an effort to reach the retail trade and bring the entire garment making industry within the scope of the situation.

LATEST ST. JOHN MARKET QUOTATIONS

Table with columns: COUNTRY MARKET, BEEF, LAMB, PORK, etc.

FRUITS, ETC.

Table with columns: New Walnuts, Almonds, California prunes, etc.

PROVISIONS.

Table with columns: Pork, Am. mess, Pork, Am. clear, etc.

FLOUR, ETC.

Table with columns: Oatmeal, roller, Standard oatmeal, etc.

CANNED GOODS.

Table with columns: Choice seed raisins, Salmon, codfish, etc.

GROCERIES.

Table with columns: Choice seed raisins, Fancy do, etc.

SUGARS.

Table with columns: Standard gran, United Empire gran, etc.

FISH.

Table with columns: Large dry cod, Medium dry cod, etc.

OILS.

Table with columns: Pratt's Astral, White Rose Ches, etc.

HIDES, SKINS, WOOL, ETC.

Table with columns: Beef hides, Calf skins, Sheep skins, etc.

HAY AND OATS.

Table with columns: Hay, carload, pr ton, Hay, per ton, etc.

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CURRENT PRICES OF NEW YORK MARKET

Table with columns: By Direct Private Wires to J. C. Mackintosh & Co., Am Cop, Am Bat Sng, etc.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKETS.

Table with columns: Wheat, High, Low, Close, etc.

NEW YORK COTTON RANGE.

Table with columns: High, Low, Close, etc.

CLOSING STOCK LETTER.

New York, Jan. 2.—The stock market's new year opened auspiciously today, prices ruled from stout fractions to a full point higher.

CLOSING COTTON LETTER.

New York, Jan. 2.—The cotton market was a small one. The January option absorbed the bulk of interest, reflecting the prompt stoppage of sales and the small stock here available for delivery, but it was estimated that the total volume of dealings in that option was well under 25,000 bales.

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7% Preferred Stock Porto Rico Railways Co., at 110.
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6% Bonds Crossen Car Co., at 95.
5% Bonds Price Bros. & Co., at 86.

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NEW YEAR SHOWS MUCH ACTIVITY IN MARKET

New York, Jan. 2.—The opening of the New Year on the stock exchange brought with it increased activity, a broader market and pronounced strength. While the day's total transactions were not large they represented an increase, and in the first hour as much business was done as on some days recently.

MARITIME PROVINCE SECURITIES.

Quotations furnished by F. B. McCurdy & Co., Stock and Bond Brokers, Members Montreal Stock Exchange, 105 Prince William Street, St. John, N. B.

Miscellaneous. Acadia Fire, 100 88. Acadia Sugar Pfd., 105 100. Acadia Sugar Ord., 80 74. Grand Henderson Com., 25 20. East. Can. Sav and Loan, 140 130. Eastern Trust, 145 140. Hal. Fire, 100 98. High Pure Wool Tex. Pfd., with 40 p. c. bonus of common stock, 100 98. Mar. Tel. and Tel. Pfd., 103 103. Mar. Telephone, 110 103. North Atlantic Fisheries, Pfd. with bonus, 100 96. S. Car 1st Pfd., 95 90. N. S. Car 2nd Pfd., 67 67. N. S. Car 3rd Pfd., 57 47. N. S. Car Com., 25 20. N. S. Clay Works Pfd., 95 90. N. S. Clay Works Com., 36 36. N. S. Fire, 100 90. Stanfields Ltd. Com., 65 65. Trin. Cons. Tel. Com., 22 20. Trinidad Electric, 74 70.

Bonds. Brandram-Henderson 6s, 97 1/2 94. C. B. Electric 5s, 85 1/2 83. Hew Pure Wool Textile 6s with 30 p. c. Bonus, 102 100. Maritime Tel 6s, 105 102. N. S. Car 1st Mortgage 5s 94 1/2 92 1/2. N. S. Steel Bed Stock, 104 100. Stanfields 6s, 102 1/2 100. Trinidad Electric 6s, 100 98. Trinidad Electric 5s, 92 88.

Banks. Commerce, 222 220. Hochelaga, 170 165. Montreal, 246 245 1/2. National, 140 140. Nova Scotia, 265 263. Ottawa, 210 210. Quebec, 133 133. Royal, 222 222.

CELEBRATED AND LOST JOB. New York, Jan. 2.—Nathaniel Jones' display of flags to celebrate the birth of a baby to Mrs. Jones in the Watling Island Lighthouse, which they kept in the Bahamas, cost a British officer a useless run and the lightkeeper his position, according to a story told by passengers arriving here on the steamship Acadia from the Bahamas.

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To the Agents and Policy Holders: Please take notice that Messrs. William Thomson & Co. will not represent these offices after 31st December, 1912. MR. E. L. JARVIS, of St. John, N. B., has been appointed general agent for the Maritime Provinces.

Agents wishing to continue representing these companies will please communicate with the new general agent.

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CHAMPION

Everything has been opened up. The opening of the automobile show in Boston and New York is a big event. The first of the year which has been completed. The most successful of the year. The year, the being full of the full thrills which the visitors who brought to mind and the visitors had not the great event, with of witnessing it and sensations. ed a great extra-ordinary race, but he admitted to of charge. A special hall drill hall for the tures, and every to the comfort of tures who are expected to witness the films were shown in the motor auto- big attraction. time they have so that they w to the comfort of borate decorations changes have al plan, but g give the drill performance.

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CHAMPION PRESS AGENT OF THE WORLD-- THAT'S BATTING NELSON; P. T. BARNUM HADNT ANYTHING ON BAT IN THE WAY OF PUBLICITY STUNTS



(By Tip Wright.) Battling Nelson is the best press agent in the world. He admits it with a being hypochondriac. He hesitates to make the assertion if Nelson hadn't told me so.

Think of the things the Battler has pulled since he became lightweight champion. An ignorant kid when he whipped Young Corbett and Jimmy Britt, he is today better equipped mentally than many a graduate of a prep school.

The Battler, who says (again) he is planning a world tour. He always is. As a result of the bout his courage is indelibly stamped upon the mind of every sport page reader.

Was announced at different times as the prospective husband of the present Countess de Beaufort and Patsy King, Denver artist, to say nothing of a few actresses in his calico days.

N.B.A.A. MAKE READY FOR THE BIG AUTO SHOW

Everything has been arranged for the opening of the big First Annual Automobile Show at the Drill Hall, on Broadway 5th, except for the immense building and filling of the immense building. The first item is a hard task, but which the management hopes to complete with the show will be very early in fact too easy. The big show will last from Feb. 15 to 15th, with no doubt, prove the most successful exhibition of its kind that has ever been held on Canadian soil.

BOWLING AT BLACK'S YESTERDAY

There was some brisk rolling on the Black's alleys last night in both the City and Commercial leagues. In the City league the Ramblers took three points from the Nationals, and their total score of 1968 is the record score for the City league this season.

FIGHTS WON AND LOST ON WEDNESDAY

The following are the fights won and lost on New Year's Day in the United States: KILBANE WASTES NO TIME. St. Louis, Mo.—Oliver Kirk, admittedly the best featherweight in the world, today made Abe Alt quit, lasted just one round and a half before Champion Johnny Kilbane in the feature bout at the Future City A. C.

WITH THE BIG BALL LEAGUERS

IRWIN LIKES BERMUDA. New York, N. Y., Jan. 2.—Arthur Irwin, business manager of the New York American league club, returned today from a trip to Bermuda under a contract to manage the island's suitability for training quarters.

LEGAL RIGHT FOR CLUB TO SIGN CHANCE

New York, Jan. 2.—The legal right of the New York American league club to sign Frank Chance as manager for this year was established today when President Frank J. Farrell received the formal release papers from President August Hermann of the Cincinnati National League club.

KILONS READY FOR McDONALD

Kilons, the wrestler, informed The Standard last evening that he would accept the challenge issued in this paper by Dan McDonald to wrestle or fight for \$1,000 a side. Kilons said that he would wrestle McDonald at any place or time in private or in public, provided that the challenger would agree to supply part of the side bet.

TRAPEZE PERFORMER KILLED

Pontiac, Mich., Jan. 2.—Mrs. Emily Sawyer, a trapeze performer, fell 14 feet through an unfastened trunk gate at a local theatre this afternoon, and was instantly killed. Her neck was broken by the fall.

FOR SALE

For Sale. The Schooner CALABRIA, of 461 Tons Register, and Schooner ORIOLE of 124 Tons Register. Enquire of J. S. PLANE & CO., 61 and 63 Water St., St. John, N. B.

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BOUT TOO TAME FOR THE RECTOR

New Bedford, Jan. 2.—The scheduled 12-round bout between Harry Stone and Johnny Moran of New York, before the Warren A. C. last night proved a fizzle. Moran showed no prowess either as a boxer or fighter, and Stone rained punches on him for two rounds without any return.

Cold Settled On Lungs. LEFT THEM IN VERY WEAK STATE.

A cold, however slight, should never be neglected, for if it is not treated in time it will, in all probability, lead to bronchitis, pneumonia, asthma, or some other serious throat or lung trouble.

For Sale

For Sale. 1,000 Casks in Store and to Arrive. PRICE LOW. GANDY & ALLISON 3 and 4 North Wharf.

RAILWAYS.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY

Fall and Winter Through Service. QUEBEC and MONTREAL 2 THROUGH 2 TRAINS 2 OCEAN LIMITED LEAVES MONCTON, 14.20.

CANADIAN PACIFIC

AROUND THE WORLD VIA CANADIAN PACIFIC. Empress of Russia and Empress of Asia will leave Liverpool April 1st and May 27th respectively, and will arrive at Vancouver in about two months.

THE INTERNATIONAL RAILWAY

Express train leaves Campbellton daily (except Sunday) at 7.30 a. m. for St. John, N. B. and intermediate stations, due at St. John at 12.30 p. m.

FURNESS LINE

From London. From St. John. Dec. 27. From St. John. Dec. 31. From St. John. Jan. 4.

STEAMSHIPS.

ALLAN LINE ROYAL MAIL

Twin Screw and Turbine Steamers. ST. JOHN TO LIVERPOOL. Grandian Dec. 12 Jan. 17. Virginian Dec. 20 Feb. 28.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING CO

Proposed Sailings: From St. John, N. B. S. S. WHAKATANE Jan. 10th. S. S. KIA OHA Jan. 15th.

MANCHESTER LINE

From Manchester. From St. John. Nov. 30. M. Commerce Dec. 28. Dec. 7. M. Importer Jan. 4.

HEAD LINE

ST. JOHN TO DUBLIN. S.S. Inishowen Head, December 29. ST. JOHN TO BELFAST. S.S. Ramore Head, December 30.

PICKFORD & BLACK LINE

ST. JOHN, N. B. to DEMERARA. S. S. "Rhodesian" sails Jan. 5 for Bermuda, St. Kitts, Antigua, Barbados, Trinidad, Demerara.

DONALDSON LINE

GLASGOW SERVICE. From Glasgow. From St. John. Dec. 21. S.S. Letitia Jan. 9.

MATTICK FOR WHITE BOX.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—The signed contract of Walter (Chick) Mattick, a Chicago American outlander, was received at the club headquarters today.

BURNS AND FISSE DRAW.

New Orleans.—At the Royal Athletic Club, N. Y., Jan. 2.—Packer Hommey of New York had a shade the better of Johnny Martin, also of this city, in a 10-round bout that went the limit at the 44th street Sporting Club.

GRITTIFF HAS A BIG MARGIN.

Akron, O.—Johnny Griffitts of Akron clearly defeated Jack White of Chicago in a 12-round battle here this afternoon. At the outset they seemed to be evenly matched, but as the bout drew to a close Griffitts showed his superiority over his more experienced opponent.

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AROUND THE CITY

Will Be Open to Public.
New Donaldson liner Letitia will be open for public inspection from 2:30 to 5 p. m. on Saturday at the I.C.R. wharf, North End.

Repairing Ferry Boat.
Some minor repairs are being made to the ferry boat Governor Carleton, but she is ready to be put in service any time.

Is Improving.
The many friends of Captain Leonard, who has been confined to his bed for the past two weeks, will be glad to hear that he is improving and will be around in a few days.

Lancaster Board of Trade.
A meeting of the Lancaster Board of Trade will be held in the Fairville Court Room on Friday evening at 8 o'clock to complete the organization and to deal with the increased water rates, highways and other matters of importance to the parish.

Union Company's New Buildings.
The Union Foundry Company has stopped work for the winter on the new buildings they are erecting for additional plant, but are proceeding with the work of getting in new machinery and enlarging their storage department.

Diocesan Fund.
On New Year's the committee in charge of the diocesan fund of the Church of England handed over to His Lordship Bishop Richardson the sum of \$2,000, being the amount collected to date to make up the deficit in the funds.

A Presentation.
George Clark, of the contracting firm of A. R. C. Clark & Son, was pleasantly surprised last evening when the men in his employ called and presented him with a pair of other gloves. Mr. Clark was naturally much delighted with the gift. At Christmas time the firm presented each employe with a turkey.

Protestant Orphan Home.
The regular monthly meeting of the ladies' committee of the Protestant Orphan Home was held yesterday afternoon. Routine matters were discussed. It was decided to hold a reception during the early part of February in order to give those interested in the home an opportunity of seeing the work carried on by the children. The ladies of the committee wish to thank those who contributed so generously towards the Christmas tree, and helped to make the day a happy one for the children.

The Courtenay Bay Borings.
The officials of the Dominion Public Works Department who have been making borings in Courtenay Bay and the harbor channel, have about completed their work. It was said last night that with two more days the work in connection with the determination of the size of the ledge of rock in the channel would be completed. A. W. Gregory, the engineer in charge of the work, said that the ledge was not as large as it was supposed to be, and that it would not be a difficult matter to remove it.

Military Veterans Reunion.
The annual reunion of the New Brunswick Military Veterans was held last evening in the Market building. There was a good attendance present, all of whom spent an enjoyable evening. The first part of the night was taken up with a short program, after which the veterans gathered for a supper in the outer room. During the evening the election of officers for the year took place resulting as follows:—President, Col. James Buchanan; vice-president, J. B. McLean; secretary, J. L. Eagles; treasurer, G. G. Fraser.

Reversed Usual Procedure.
Between five and six o'clock last night on a car travelling towards Main street, an unusual occurrence took place, which was worthy of praise. The car which was crowded, all the seats being occupied, stopped at the corner of Mill and Union streets, and a young man returning from work with a dinner box under his arm, stepped on. He looked about him for a seat in vain. A lady, near by realizing that the man must have felt tired after his day's work, got up and allowed the man to take her place, while she stood. The kind act, on the part of the lady was the subject of considerable comment by those in the car.

The Automobile Matter.
Com. Schofield stated yesterday that the bye-laws prohibiting automobiles and auto-trucks entering upon the wharves at Sand Point was passed after consultation with owners of auto-trucks, and that he thought it had been sufficiently advertised to bring it to the attention of all automobile owners. He did not think any exception should be made in favor of doctors, as their automobiles were as liable to cause a fire as those of other citizens. He did not think doctors responding to an emergency call at Sand Point would lose much time, if they stopped their cars at the head of the wharves and walked the rest of the way.

FINAL SALE OF WINTER MILLINERY AT M. R. A.'S.
This will be the last opportunity the ladies will have to procure stylish hats and feathers at reduced prices. It is the grand wind up of all trimmed and untrimmed hats and trimmings accessories and exceptional bargains will prevail, as everything is to be sold without reserve. The sale will start at 8:30 this morning in the millinery salon.

The Great Whitewash Event of the year commences at F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s on Saturday night. They have made months of preparations to make this the banner sale. In order to give the sale the proper impetus at the start, they are going to give you such bargains as you have never had before in whitewash. A generous supply of all lines. Watch their windows and further announcements for particulars.

The St. John's Business College day classes re-opened yesterday. The night classes will resume this evening. Hours 7:30 to 9:30.

SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS DAMAGE BY FIRE LAST NIGHT

Blaze in J. H. Poole & Son's Bonded Warehouse, on Nelson Street, Looked Very Serious for Time—Dock Street Firms Suffered Water and Smoke Loss—Two Small Fires.

The fire department were kept rather busy last night when they worked at no less than three fires. It was in the vicinity of seven o'clock when thick smoke was seen issuing from the premises of Robertson, Foster and Smith, Ltd., from 41 to 47 Dock street, and an alarm was sent in from box 5. When the firemen arrived they found the smoke very thick and when they smashed the door of the shipping room and the collar windows they were met with blinding volumes of smoke but could not see the fire. The smoke filled the store of Estey and Company, 49 Dock street and also got in the premises of the Page Wire Fence Company. The situation was very bad and it looked as if the fire was even worse than it proved to be. An alarm was sent in from box 7 on the corner of the North Wharf and Nelson street as the fire was found to be in the bonded and general warehouses of J. H. Poole and Son at 18 to 28 Nelson street. The box 7 alarm brought the North End department to Nelson street and they found a brisk fire burning in the Poole warehouse, which was well stocked with hides owned by Wm. Thomson and Co. and cheese owned by George S. DeForest and a large quantity of other goods. The fire was fought from both the front and rear and although quite difficult was well handled and was extinguished without getting into any of the other buildings.

The damage by fire, water and smoke will reach several thousands of dollars but the proprietors of the different firms were last night unable to state just how much the damage will amount to but stated that it was well covered by insurance. The building is owned by the Small estate, represented by Mr. DeForest, and the damage to it is covered by insurance. The chief damage to the stock of Robertson, Foster and Smith was by smoke and water, while Estey and Co. and the Page Wire Fence Co. suffered from the smoke.

Fire on Moore Street.
About 8:30 o'clock last night the North End firemen were called out by an alarm from box 312 for a fire which had started in a shed adjoining the residence of Mrs. Connolly, 78 Moore street. A horse was in the shed at the time but was got out safely. The fire made a good blaze but was quickly quenched when the firemen got a stream of water on it. The damage to the shed did not amount to very much.

Canadian Pacific House Damaged.
About 10:45 o'clock an alarm was sent in from box 8 for a slight fire in the Canadian Pacific House on North street. The fire was caused by an open grate. The fire in the grate had got rather low and one of the boarders threw some oil on it. The blaze from the oil set fire to the wall in the room. The fire was quickly put out but with very little damage, but a large number of foreigners who were in the boarding house at the time became very much excited and picking up their baggage fled from the building, some of them not waiting to carry out their luggage but throwing it out on the sidewalk.

Another North End Fire.
The fourth alarm within twelve hours was rung in shortly after two o'clock this morning from box 146, for a serious fire which broke out in the rear of the store occupied by Beatty & Johnston on Main street. The damage amounted to several hundreds of dollars.

On arriving at the scene of the blaze the firemen found a brisk flame burning in the rear of the premises. On gaining an entrance they found what gave promise of becoming a serious fire. Prompt measures however, brought the blaze under control, and prevented it from reaching the upper floors of the building which are occupied as a boarding house. In the store at the time was a large quantity of dry goods and the whole stock was practically destroyed by fire or water, the damage amounting to several hundreds of dollars.

The firemen succeeded in keeping the fire restricted to the lower floor of the building, the only damage resulting in the upper portion being from smoke. The fire was under control about three o'clock. Whether or not the damage is covered by insurance could not be ascertained.

SOUTH AFRICAN STEAMER KWARRA HAD ROUGH TRIP

Continuous Westerly Gales and High Seas Throughout Whole Voyage—Worst in My Experience, Says Captain Davis—Other Winterport Items.

Steamers arriving at this port during the past week all report the weather on the western ocean to be anything but pleasant, great gales and high seas being met with on every voyage. Yesterday morning the South African steamer, Kwarra, Capt. Davis, arrived from Shields, in ballast. Capt. Davis, who has been in the service of the P. & O. for many years, said that during his career as a sailor he never experienced such weather as that of the past voyage. He said that he had crossed the Atlantic several times, meeting with ordinary weather on each occasion, but that the series of westerly gales which he was forced to encounter on this trip surpassed any he had experienced on the Atlantic and other seas of the world during his lifetime. For many hours the steamer was forced to jay the vessel too for 36 hours during which time she was entirely at the mercy of the waves. Great sea broke over the steamer, and although no damage was done, the situation was precarious in the extreme. From Sabie Island to the Lurchee Shoals the dirty weather continued, and all on board were glad when the ship was safely docked at No. 7 berth at Sand Point yesterday morning.

The Kwarra will lead a large general cargo at this port for Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, East London, Durban and Delagoa Bay besides a large consignment of flour, and will have the distinction of taking the first trainload to come over the new National Transcontinental Railway from the west. This train left Port Colborne on Wednesday for this city, after passing over the Transcontinental and Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway. The flour will reach its destination half way round the world two months and a half after the wheat left Saskatchewan. After completing her South African calls the Kwarra will take a cargo of rice for England.

Another steamer to arrive in port yesterday was the Inishowen Head, Capt. Pickford, from Belfast via Sydney, C. B. Capt. Pickford reports heavy weather with continuous westerly gales and high seas. The Inishowen Head was also laid too for several hours during which time she experienced the full fury of the storm.

The C. P. R. steamer Lake Champlain, Capt. Kendall, arrived at Sand Point yesterday morning after a rough trip. The Champlain had on board 300 passengers all of whom were glad to be ashore once more, as owing to the terrific gales accompanied by rain and snow, they experienced a very unpleasant voyage.

That an enormous amount of grain is being shipped through this port this winter, is proven by the fact that already 1,415,146 bushels have been taken from the C. P. R. elevator while 104,000 bushels have been shipped from the I. C. R. elevator. The grain record so far this season, is as follows: Received at the C. P. R. elevators during November, 346,906 bushels; received during December, 608,987 bushels, making a total of 1,355,793 bushels. Shipped from the C. P. R. elevator during November, 152,000 bushels; during December, 1,261,174 bushels, making a total of 1,413,174 bushels.

In the I. C. R. elevator 300,000 bushels have been received out of which the Purvesh liner Shenandoah took 40,000 while the Inishowen Head in port will take 64,000 bushels of flour.

Much silver is being shipped to the Old Country this winter through St. John, several lots having already been taken away on different steamers. Yesterday a number of interested spectators might have seen looking over a large consignment at the union depot en route from Cobalt to London. The weight of this consignment was about 20,000 pounds. It consisted of 200 bars each weighing in the vicinity of 200 pounds. Two men armed with revolvers guarded the lot.

PREPARING NEXT YEAR'S ESTIMATES

Commissioners Going Into Requirements of all Departments and will be Ready by January 15.

The city commissioners are busy making up the estimates for the year. They are going carefully into the requirements of all the departments and will have the estimates ready before the fifteenth of the month. Yesterday the commissioners were occupied with the recommendations of Com. Agar in regard to the appropriations for the public works department, and it is expected the amount to be spent by this department this year will be settled today.

Some of the commissioners have been making large plans for the improvements of their departments, but it is said that the appropriations are not likely to be greatly increased, owing to the difficulty of raising the money.

Mayor Frink is preparing a financial statement regarding the past year at city hall, and it will probably be submitted to the council at its next meeting.

CHRISTMAS TREATS HELD

Scholars of the Germain Street Baptist and Carleton Methodist Sunday Schools Made Merry Yesterday.

The Christmas festivities still continue and in the different Sunday schools the various entertainments which annually mark the presence of the season are being held. Yesterday two of the schools held their Christmas treats and entertainments, Germain street Baptist church and the Carleton Methodist church.

In Germain street church yesterday afternoon the primary department made merry. The tree of generous size and laden with gifts for the youngsters, was the object of importance, and candy and other things which they received put them in the best of mood.

The junior and intermediate members of the school held forth in the evening. While the tree was not a part of the order of the hour, a most enjoyable time was spent. A pleasing programme was carried out in which the boy scouts took a prominent part. The programme was a solo piano duet was given by Miss Mildred Barker and Marion Reid. John MacKinnon, Mr. Ingleton and W. F. Nobles also took part. A number of telephone selections concluded the programme, after which refreshments were served.

In the school room of Carleton Methodist church, where the evening's programme was about to begin, Santa Claus accompanied by several on the scene, and after receiving an avalanche of requests from the children dispensed gifts to all. The programme was then carried out, and included several choruses by the primary department, recitations by Madge Brittain, Jack Owen, Gertrude Thomas and Murray Staley, and a solo by Master Frank Thomas.

The second part of the programme consisted of presentations. The pastor of the church, Rev. H. E. Thomas, on behalf of the school and church, presented Miss Emma Brown with an address and purse of gold, in recognition of the valuable services rendered as a teacher in the primary department. Mrs. H. E. Thomas, as teacher of the advanced class was also remembered, receiving a handsome handbag and purse from her scholars. The attendance was large, and the entertainment passed off successfully.

HE ENTERTAINED HIS OLD FRIENDS

Retiring Fireman Gives Dinner to Former Colleagues in the Ranks of the Department.

Alex Scott, who for many years was foreman of No. 5 Hose Company in the North End, and who severed his connection with the fire department a couple of weeks ago, entertained a large number of his firemen friends at his home on Main street last night. With the exception of a couple of occasions when some of the firemen had to respond to alarms of fire a most enjoyable time was spent and as soon as the firemen returned from the fires all hands continued to make merry. A beautiful banquet was served in Mr. Scott's spacious dining room and after the large party had partaken of the excellent repast cigars were passed round and a couple of hours pleasantly spent in speeches and music. Ex-foreman Scott proved himself a loyal entertainer.

For the many years that Mr. Scott was in the department he was one of the most popular members and was one of the best fire fighters in the city employ.

M. R. A. STORES WILL CLOSE SATURDAY EVENINGS.

Manchester Robertson Allison, Ltd. will close their stores on Saturday evening during the months of January and February. The Saturday hours of business during these months to be from 8:30 a. m. to 6 p. m. It is hoped that the patrons of this firm will endeavor to arrange their Saturday's shopping during the hours mentioned.

Were Acting Discreetly. The police have reported Harold and Francis Grayles, Robert Goshams, Charles Cassidy and Frank and Frederick Fish for acting disorderly on Frederick street, on Wednesday evening.

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