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USE CONFESSION
MADE BY MURPHY

Effort to Free George and Charles Rollins.

Remarkable Situation in Massachusetts — Somerville Votes Wet — A Tangle Which Sent Wrong Husband Home for Christmas.

(Special to Times) Boston, Dec. 24.—One of the most astounding situations in criminology in this country is being played out by the confession of Jesse Murphy, a Pennsylvania convict and gunman, to the murders of Ordway Hall and Edward P. Foley, branch managers of the concern in Dorchester. George Rollins was convicted more than a year ago of having slain Hall and has been sentenced to death. Exceptions will be taken to the sentence on next Monday, and the condemned man's counsel hopes to save his client by the aid of Murphy's tale.

A Mix-up. — A comedy of errors, which was really a tragedy for one of the actors, was enacted yesterday at the offices of the United States marshal at the federal building and the sheriff at the East Cambridge jail yesterday afternoon.

John Hucicki of Brockton and John Cahuski of Taunton, who were charged with larceny of an interstate mail bag at Taunton. They were fined \$5,000 each and in default were committed to East Cambridge jail.

Because of the similarity of names and the inability of the men to speak English, the officials at the jail got tangled up, and booked Hucicki, Cahuski and Cahuski as Hucicki.

Mrs. Hucicki wanted her husband home for Christmas and bail was produced. A marshal was sent to East Cambridge to get John Hucicki, who was brought back the man booked at the jail under that name, but when Mrs. Hucicki saw the man she thought of "That last my husband." Through an interpreter it was learned that the man was Cahuski.

Mrs. Hucicki sat and waited. In the meantime papers were prepared for bail for her husband, but she thought he was going home for Christmas. Deputy Bancroft returned with Hucicki and he went away with his wife.

London, Dec. 24.—The Daily Herald, Labor organ, quotes opinions on the government home rule plan.

Arthur Griffith, founder of the Sinn Fein organization and acting president of the Irish republic, said: "There is nothing for Ireland to discuss. The premier's proposals are not intended to be operative, but are made to effect and mislead opinion in the United States."

Freeman's Journal Case. — Dublin, Dec. 24.—Justice Powell, in the chancery court yesterday, delivered a judgment which he held the action of the authorities in suppressing the Freeman's Journal to be justified in law and fact. The application of the Freeman's Journal was dismissed, with costs against the newspaper.

HUNDREDS OF SOLDIERS OUT OF WORK IN TORONTO. Toronto, Dec. 24.—Four to five hundred returned men were lined up this morning waiting their turn outside the offices of the government employment bureau to prove they were unemployed and unable to get a job and applying for \$30 a month of the federal government's grant for returned soldiers.

NO BAR ON BOARD. Washington, Dec. 24.—Intoxicating liquors will not be sold on shipping board passengers liners plying between New York and South America, so Chairman Payne, of the board, announced yesterday. The first of the ships the McCain, will sail from New York on Saturday.

Rob In Hotel; Climb Down Side Of Building

New York Story Like a Tale for Movies.

Wealthy Man and Wife Attacked and \$4,000 Stolen by Two Men—Shot at as They Do "Human Fly" Act as Broadway Crowd Looks On.

New York, Dec. 24.—The police last night were seeking to determine if two men who climbed yesterday on a charge of robbing a wealthy Texan and his wife of \$4,000 in their suite in the Hotel Knickerbocker, the burglars responsible for a series of similar robberies in this city, which have netted the thieves more than \$100,000.

The pair were arrested after they were alleged to have entered the apartments of Mr. and Mrs. Broderick Dallas yesterday morning, knocked down Mr. Broderick with a hammer, tied his hands to a bed and ransacked the room, then attempted to reach the street by climbing down the side of the hotel in the heart of the "great white way."

One robbery of which the men are suspected was committed at the Hotel Knickerbocker, in that case \$4,000 was taken. The men were arrested at the Hotel York, which was recently the scene of a robbery, declared that Heav's handwriting bore a striking resemblance to that of a man who registered at the hotel and departed after robbing several guests.

SOME PATRONAGE TROUBLE COMES EARLY TO DRURY

Farmers' Clubs Object to Appointment of Girl as Registrar and Criticize Action of Raney.

London, Ont., Dec. 24.—The Farmers' Clubs object strongly to the Drury government's appointment of Miss Minnie V. Walker as registrar of east and north Middlesex, to succeed the late Joe Marshall, ex-M. P.

A meeting of the farmer members of the legislature has been called, and the matter is to be brought to the attention of Hon. Mr. Drury and his government, with the intimation that Hon. Mr. Raney, attorney-general, acted in a high handed and arbitrary manner, and contrary to the spirit and platform of the United Farmers of Ontario.

It seems that the Farmers' Clubs of the district had been considering various names to fill the vacancy, and while they were considering they read in the papers that Miss Walker had been appointed.

TRAFFIC REFORM PLAN FOR LONDON IS REJECTED. London, Dec. 24.—The board of trade committee yesterday rejected the scheme of A. W. Gattle to reform freight traffic in London by replacing the existing seventy freight depots with one central clearing house.

MAETERLINCK IN NEW YORK. New York, Dec. 24.—Maurice Maeterlinck, Belgian poet, and Madame Maeterlinck arrived here yesterday to witness the world's premiere production of Maeterlinck's opera, "The Bluebird" at the Metropolitan Opera House on Dec. 27.

NEW YORK CHILDREN IN RIOT OVER PRESENTS. Police Have to Drive Thousands Into Street — Women Faint and Little Ones Are Bowled Over.

New York, Dec. 24.—Thousands of unemployed children for whom no gifts were provided crowded their way into the streets of New York last night and 71st regiment armory last night and 71st regiment armory last night and 71st regiment armory last night.

NOT SO MANY TOOK TURKEYS

People Held Back at Demand of 75 to 90 Cents.

Weather, Says Market Men, May Have Effect Before Close of the Day's Business.

Firm prices still prevailed this morning in the country market on poultry and dry goods, but doubts were expressed as to how long they could hold because of the soft weather and the fact that the market was a stranger demand for roast beef and roast pork.

He said that the dealers who were handling turkeys were doing largely for the accommodation of customers as with a profit of an average of five cents a pound it was selling with no gain. He said the farmers who held out for top notch prices were the only ones who were benefiting.

From 75 to 90 cents a pound was the prevailing price on turkeys, with 75, ducks 60 to 75, fowl 35 to 45, chickens 45 to 60, while beef, pork and other meats remained unchanged from prices of weeks past. The trimmings for the Christmas dinner were unchanged in price, lettuce 10 cents, celery 15, sage and savory 10 cents and cranberries 20 cents a quart.

It's Worse in St. John. Halifax Chronicle.—A Christmas dinner in Halifax is almost out of the question save for the well-to-do. The Chronicle has made enquiries as to costs of goods and has the following results, placing prices at lowest average:—

One lb. butter, 15c. ... \$3.90
1-2 peck potatoes, at 60c. pk. ... 30
21-2 lbs. turnip at 4c. lb. ... 10
1 quart cranberries ... 17
Flour (for pudding, etc.) ... 10
Raisins ... 18
Sugar, suet, spice, etc. ... 25

No provision is made in this estimate for fruit, nuts, tea, milk, coffee, etc., which are sold at the regular prices of the market.

FREDERICTON NEWS. Fredericton, Dec. 24.—(Special)—Norman S. Fulton and Miss Beatrice Hargrave, both of Ripples, Sunbury county, were married last night at the United Baptist parsonage in Devon.

The price of turkeys varied in a large Christmas market here today, from seventy to eighty cents. Imported un-drawn turkeys are selling rather quietly during the afternoon. The Military Hospital, Victoria Hospital and Maritime Hospital will have special Christmas fare. The Fredericton Driving Club will have matinee races. Queen street will be closed for the use of the horse-drawn turkeys during the afternoon.

Phelix and Pberdmand WEATHER REPORT. Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis.—The cold wave which was to the northward of Manitoba yesterday morning has spread very quickly over Ontario, while mild conditions are setting in in the western province. Light snowfalls are occurring from the lower lake region to Quebec.

Colder. Maritime.—Winds increasing to gale tonight from the northward and turning colder with snow. Thursday clearing and much colder. Gulf and North Shore—Strong winds and gales, northeast to north; snow and becoming much colder. Thursday decidedly cold.

New England.—Light snow this afternoon and tonight; colder tonight. Thursday fair and colder; moderate northwest gales.

As Hiram Sees It

Hiram, said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "It is reported that having sold your turkeys you are going south for the winter."

"I ain't so," said Hiram. "Look here, mister—I didn't get no turkey. I sold 'em last fall because it cost too much to feed 'em. An' when I sold 'em I had to buy some boots, an' clo'es, an' hardware, an' dry goods, an' feed—an' a lot more things. Do you want to buy a farm an' get rich? You kin get one cheap in the States."

"That's too hard," said the reporter. "We would rather stay here and grow." "An' if a dealer that bought chickens at thirty cents saw his chance an' jumped the price to sixty you'd still say it was the prumptest farmers' chance that you'd see."

"I should consider myself your debtor," he supposed, said the reporter. "When a thing gets too high," said Hiram, "don't buy it—or get along with it—come down all round—or you'd be more money to get what you had to here."

CHRISTMAS EVE. Christmas bells in the crowded street. Laughter about in the bracing air. Wait! There's a ragged child at your feet. Hungry and cold in a world so fair. Comfort the orphans in their woe. Mother them all in their time of need. In His name who loved them so— Surely that were a Christ-like deed.

Mothers waifs of the storm of life. Bound and delivered to want and cold. All unarm'd for the lonely strife— Wealth nor freedom to have and hold. Slaves are they in the grasp of Fate. Loose their fetters and make them free. Lest in their bondage they learn to hate. All that is meant by your Christmas tree. —A. M. BELDING.

POLITICAL REPORTS. Ottawa, Dec. 24.—The Citizen says: "There is reason to believe that Admiral Jellicoe's plan is favorable to the interests of Canadian ships to protect Canadian shores and commerce but to operate in an ordinary way."

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 24.—Out on Lake Erie in a sixteen-foot sail boat since Sunday afternoon, when they left Point Pelee for the mainland at Leamington, a party of five persons, including Frederick Ouellette, mail carrier, and one woman arrived at Leamington late yesterday afternoon, after being out for more than fifty hours, and many times in danger of being capsized by heavy seas and collision with ice floes.

NEW VENTURE FOR G. W. V. A. Winnipeg, Dec. 24.—Announcement of the application of the Great War Veterans' Association for a charter incorporating the association in a venue to assist disabled men to the extent of \$300,000 was made yesterday by L. Leo Ward, chairman of the legislative committee of the Great War Veterans' Association.

CLINICS AFTER NEW YEAR. Toronto, Dec. 23.—Clinics are to be opened immediately after the new year in all established hospitals by the government for the treatment of venereal disease. Dr. McCullough, provincial secretary of health announced today that treatment will be provided in Toronto, Hamilton and Ottawa hospitals first. The dominion is providing \$75,000 and the province will make up the balance of \$225,000 for use in 1920. Dr. R. R. McClenahan, of Hamilton, has been appointed director of this work.

Quebec Liquor Law. Montreal, Dec. 24.—In connection with various stories as to changes in the liquor laws in the province of Quebec, Hon. Walter Mitchell, provincial treasurer, said yesterday: "I have seen the news items referred to, but they are all news to me. So far as I am aware, no representations have been made to us regarding any of the suggested modifications, nor have they been discussed."

A NOTABLE GIFT. London, Dec. 24.—(Canadian Associated Press)—Hugh R. Danis, managing director of Sydney, Australia, Sun, has given, through the Duke of Connaught, £25,000 sterling to the Jubilee building fund of the Royal Colonial Institute.

LADY ASTOR'S TRIUMPH AT PLYMOUTH



Lady Astor speaking from the town hall after hearing the election results. On the right is Isaac Foot, Liberal candidate, and on the left, Mr. Gay, candidate, both of whom she defeated.

Ford's Dream Of An Industrial Monarchy

SAYS SYMPATHY WITH STRIKE ILLEGAL. Intimidation and Picketing Also Illegal, declares Mr. Justice Metcalf in summing up Winnipeg case.

Winnipeg, Dec. 24.—The sedition conspiracy case against R. B. Russell is now in the hands of the jury. Well after midnight the jury retired to consider their verdict.

In his summing up, Mr. Justice Metcalf charged upon the points of law involved by the indictment and declared that it was illegal to hold sympathetic strikes, that it was illegal for men to conspire to commit acts that would endanger the general citizens, that intimidation during a strike was illegal and that picketing under Canadian law was illegal.

Regarding the soviet form of government, which one has heard so much in connection with the strike and the fact that his lordship said there was no objection to a man thinking that the soviet government of Russia was a good one, so long as he did not intend to convey to others the desirability of the institution of such a government for Canada.

When he constantly attacked the Canadian form of government, and put before the jury the desirability of the soviet government in Canada, the jury, expressing their common sense, might infer that he was trying to introduce a system in Canada. It was up to the jury. "Would they like it? Would they be able to be liable to cause a breach of the peace? If it would in a public sense it would be seditious," he said.

TWO DAYS ON LAKE IN A SAIL BOAT. Four Men and Woman Have Trying Time on Lake Erie. Windsor, Ont., Dec. 24.—Out on Lake Erie in a sixteen-foot sail boat since Sunday afternoon, when they left Point Pelee for the mainland at Leamington, a party of five persons, including Frederick Ouellette, mail carrier, and one woman arrived at Leamington late yesterday afternoon, after being out for more than fifty hours, and many times in danger of being capsized by heavy seas and collision with ice floes.

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NEW PLEBISCITE TAKEN IN FIUME

Large Majority in Favor of Italian Proposals.

Report on the Basis of Agreement—Nitti Off to Paris to Stay Till This and Adriatic Questions Are Definitely Settled.

Rome, Dec. 24.—In consequence of doubts regarding the result of the plebiscite in Fiume, another was taken on Sunday which resulted in seventy-five per cent of the votes being cast in favor of the Italian government's proposals relative to the future occupation of the city, according to the Giornale d'Italia. Major Giurati, chief of Captain D'Annunzio's cabinet, is reported to have resigned. Newspapers state the basis of agreement was as follows:—

The Italian government will keep in its possession the whole of the armistice line, re-affirming the right of Fiume to determine its own fate. Note taken of the wishes of Fiume as expressed October 30, 1918, and re-affirmed October 20, 1919, and it is declared Italy will never accept any other solution. Fiume will receive financial assistance so that it may be able to re-establish its life and to resume its activities under the regime of a free port.

During the transitional period, it is said, the Italian government will not exercise its sovereign rights over Fiume in the independence of which shall in no way be diminished or violated. The government will not accept any pending or pending to separate Fiume and the surrounding territory from the mother country and meanwhile will occupy and administer the territory with regular troops which will be exclusively of Italian nationality. The rights of the Italian militia which the city of Fiume has established will be respected.

To Stay Till It's Settled. Rome, Dec. 24.—Premier Nitti informed the council of ministers yesterday he would leave on Thursday evening for Paris, and would return only after having obtained a definite settlement of the Fiume and Adriatic question.

General Badoglio, Italian chief of staff, arrived here yesterday from Fiume and talked with Premier Nitti. King Victor Emmanuel. Later on Sunday he had a long interview with the king and then called on the council of ministers, which for three hours discussed the Fiume situation and also international questions in connection with the approaching visit of Signor Nitti to Paris. It is believed the Fiume and Adriatic questions will reach a definite solution at the Paris conference.

According to reports current here, the meeting of allied premiers and foreign ministers at Paris, which was to have been held the first fortnight in London, will be postponed. Premier Lloyd George of Great Britain, may begin earlier. Besides the premier, minister of industry and commerce, will go to the French capital for the purpose of discussing financial and economic questions.

GET WEALTH FROM THE LUSITANIA

Divers Seek Valuables in Sunk Liner—May Also Try to Raise Vessel.

Cork, Dec. 24.—A firm of divers has been prosecuting the position of the sunken Lusitania for some weeks with the idea of salvaging from her valuables worth several thousand pounds. The intention is to start the project early in the New Year. An attempt will then be made to raise the vessel. Some experts have declared it will be impossible to bring her to the surface owing to the depth of water in which she lies, but it is understood that if the efforts to recover the valuables succeed, some attempt to raise the vessel may be made later in the year.

WILL MAKE CHARGE OF MUTINY, SAYS STEAMER CAPTAIN

New York, Dec. 23.—Capt. Ashlward will prefer charges of mutiny against the eighteen members of the crew of the British steamer Michael, who went on strike yesterday against the kind of food served on the vessel, he announced today, following consultation with the British consul here. Whether he would bring his charges in this country or wait until the Michael gets back to England he would not say. The crew still was on strike today on charges of disorderly conduct.

NO "CITIZEN GUARDS". London, Dec. 24.—Edward Shortt, secretary of state for home affairs, announced in the House of Commons yesterday that the government had decided to abandon a scheme which had been under consideration for the formation of "citizen guards."

POOR DOCUMENT

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THE EVENING TIMES AND STAR, ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1915

LOCAL NEWS

Service Fairville Methodist church Christmas morning. Rev. Dr. Stiel will preach. Music by choir.

There will be a special Christmas service in St. David's church tomorrow at 11 a.m.

CARD OF THANKS
Mr. Geo. A. Chamberlain wishes to thank his many friends for kindness extended in his recent loss.

CHRISTMAS CANDIES
The 2 Barkers, Ltd., are offering some attractive prices on barley toys and all kinds of Christmas candies.

MACHINISTS NOTICE
A regular meeting of the I. A. of M. will be held, Orange Hall, German street, Friday, 20th inst., at 8 p.m. Full attendance required. 12-27.

NOTICE
Patrons wishing the services of Geo. A. Chamberlain, undertaker, will find him at the old stand, 164 Mill street, or telephone Main 2018-22. 12-27.

FANCY GOODS
For Christmas fancy goods—brush, comb and mirror sets—it would be hard to beat The 2 Barkers' prices.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE
In spite of the unfortunate illness of Archdeacon Crowfoot, which will be generally regretted, there will be no arrangement of the regular church services on Christmas Day at St. Paul's (valley) church, as arrangements have been made to hold services at 7 a.m. and 11 a.m. These will be looked after by the Revs. J. W. Millidge and Major E. Bertram Hooper, assisted also by the Rev. H. Taylor McKim.

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BOOKS, DOLLS, ETC.
Things for the children, such as books, dolls, etc., at prices that only The 2 Barkers can offer. See their stock.

Fruit-Cake—McLaughlin's home-made.
Ask about prices, phone M. 2564.

WRONG NUMBER GIVEN.
Will the finder of a parcel containing two pairs children's shoes (Christmas gifts), lost in toy department at Thorne's Monday night, please phone W. 41-21, and complete the kiddie's Christmas Reward.

Yesterday the phone number was incorrectly given. It is West 41-21.

Give him something in the tobacco line—selected from Green's splendid assortment of Xmas boxes of cigars, cigarette cases, tobacco pouches, pipes. Save the coupons.

FELT COMPLIMENTED
London, Eng., Dec. 24—Sir Charles Johnston, at a dinner of the Old Comrades' Association of the 6th Battalion, City of London Volunteer Regiment, said that while in Buffalo, U. S. A., with his wife the conductor of a trainway or refused to change for him a twenty dollar note, the only money he had.

He asked a colored man beside him if he could change it. "No, I can't," was the reply, "but I am obliged to you for the compliment."

As Influenza
is an exaggerated form of Grip, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets should be taken in larger doses than is prescribed for ordinary Grip. A good plan is not to wait until you are sick, but PREVENT IT by taking LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets in time.

COLDEST FOR 42 YEARS.
London, Eng., Dec. 24—Inhabitants of the Falkland Islands have recently experienced the coldest weather known for forty-two years, and to obtain drinking water have been obliged to melt snow.

FATAL WATER BOTTLE.
London, Eng., Dec. 24—Owing to its supersensitive skin a three-months-old baby, which was placed on a hot-water bottle at Belgrave Hospital, Woolwich, for an operation, sustained burns and died. The temperature of the bottle was such that another child placed on it suffered no ill-effects. Accidental death was the verdict at the inquest.

For Xmas At Gilbert's

PLUM PUDDINGS
Extra Quality Franco-American.
Small tins 50c.
Medium tins 75c.
Large tins \$1.15

MINCEMEAT
Betty's Home-made,
30c. and 45c. jars

NEW SMYRNA FIGS
Special Locum Pack 39c. lb.
Pressed Layer 50c. lb.
Extra Large Layer 60c. lb.
Fancy Locum Boxes, \$1.25 each

TABLE RAISINS
Fancy Clusters 50c. lb.
Extra Fancy Clusters 60c. lb.
55c. lb. by the layer

Fancy Bunches of Layers 50c.
Choice Clusters 40c. lb.
35c. lb. by the layer

MIXED NUTS
Walnuts, Almonds, Brazils, Filberts 35c. lb.

GRAPEFRUIT
Extra Special 5c. each
Also 8c., 10c. and 15c. each

KEILLER'S MARMALADE
Famous Dundee,
4 lb. tins, \$1.05

Ex. Last Direct Steamer.
Almond Paste 75c. lb.
1-2 lb. pkgs. 40c.
New Apple Cider 60c. gal.

COSSAQUES
Or Crackers for the Tree and Table.

50c. to \$3.00 a box of one dozen
XMAS STOCKINGS AND NOVELTIES
Fancy Animal Biscuits 30c. lb.

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Genuine Camels' Hair Scarves For \$6.50

You Have Never Seen Their Like.

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New York Styles—Classy appearance. In nifty Xmas boxes at 50c to \$3.00

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XMAS GIFTS

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A piece of furniture is what everyone likes for their Xmas gifts, because it adds to the appearance of the home and besides is always a constant reminder of the giver throughout the year.

USEFUL XMAS HINTS
Leather Chairs and Rockers, Morris Chairs, Couches, Easy Chairs, Willow Rockers, Serving Trays, Secretaries, Book-Cases, Music Cabinets, Hall Trees, Chiffoniers.

XMAS GIFTS FOR THE CHILDREN
Kiddie Cars, Toy Sets, Dolls' Carriages, Baby Walkers, Pony Cars, High Chairs, etc.

AMLAND BROS., Limited
19 Waterloo Street

AN OLD FRIEND HAS RE-APPEARED

Spanish Prisoner Fraud is Promoted Again in Canada.

Ottawa, Dec. 24—The well known "Spanish prisoner" fraud is again being attempted in Canada, according to a warning issued by the post office department, which reads as follows:

Irregular letters relating to the widely known "Spanish prisoner" fraud have recently been observed in unusually large numbers in the Canadian mails. This fraud has received so much publicity through the press in the past that it is hardly probable that many people in Canada are now deceived by its but in view of the activity which the scheme

SPECIAL FRUIT AND OTHER CAKES FOR CHRISTMAS "PLUM PUDDING"

Great variety of Fancy Work—Woman's Exchange Library, 158 Union St. We sell Victor Records. Open evenings.

CHOICE XMAS GOODS

We have just opened our usual fine Christmas lines of Confectioners of the following in a kers: Ganong, Corona, Moir's, Lowney's, Neilson's, Willard's Page and Shaw's.

Also a fine assortment of Perfumes, Sachets and Talcum of the latest fine odors. Toilet articles, Hair, Nail Cloth and Shaving Brushes, Mirrors and Safety Razors.

We solicit and will appreciate your call. Our prices will be found moderate for first-class goods.

Wishing All a Happy Xmas

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TRAGEDY OF THE HOUSE SHORTAGE

War Veteran Who Lost Both Legs Drowned Off Home Boat.

What may be described as a tragedy of the English house shortage was investigated by the Cardiff coroner.

George Harold Edwards, aged 26, was drowned in Glosnowgan Canal. His widow said that her husband had lost both legs in the war.

He had been unable to find a house since his return. She was living at the Salvation Army hostel at Cardiff, while her husband was forced to live on the ketch Good Intent, lying in the canal, of which his father was master.

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HAVE YOU SCROFULA?

Now Said to be as Often Acquired as Inherited.

It is generally and chiefly indicated by eruptions and sores, but in many cases it enlarges the glands of the neck, affects the internal organs, especially the lungs, and on neglected may develop into consumption.

It causes many troubles, and is aggravated by impure air, unwholesome food, bad water, too much heat or cold, and want of proper exercise.

Hood's Serravallo's, the medicine that has been used with so much satisfaction by three generations, is wonderfully successful in the treatment of scrofula. Give it a trial.

If a cathartic or laxative is needed, take Hood's Pills—there is nothing better for biliousness or constipation.

It is at present manifesting it is considered desirable again to place the public on their guard against it.

This time it is a Spanish banker signing himself Roberto de Silva, who represents himself as being imprisoned in Madrid. At other times it is either a French or Russian character, but the essential part of the fraud is the same, namely, that the prisoner has an immense sum of money deposited in hiding and generally an interesting daughter, and on certain conditions he is willing to share his treasure and entrust his daughter to the persons in whom he is confiding.

DILUTED WITH WHISKEY.
London, Eng., Dec. 24—The "booby" prize at a South London whist drive was a bottle of water "diluted with whiskey."

An Interesting Rumor.
Fredericton Mail—Word comes from Carleton county to the effect that Hon. B. Frank Smith has grown tired of the political game and is intimating to friends that he will not be a candidate for re-election. Mr. Smith is now in Boston and it is said will engage in the brokerage business and make his permanent abode in that city.

Turkey Brought \$12.
Fredericton Mail—Coun. R. H. Graham of Prince William brought several hundred pounds of turkey to the city on Saturday and disposed of the lot to a local butcher for sixty cents a pound. For a single bird he realized the sum of \$12.

Was Ninety-One Years Old.
Mrs. Matilda A. Shanks, one of the oldest residents of Sunbury county, died on Saturday night at her home in Ripley. She was aged ninety-one years.

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What may be described as a tragedy of the English house shortage was investigated by the Cardiff coroner.

George Harold Edwards, aged 26, was drowned in Glosnowgan Canal. His widow said that her husband had lost both legs in the war.

He had been unable to find a house since his return. She was living at the Salvation Army hostel at Cardiff, while her husband was forced to live on the ketch Good Intent, lying in the canal, of which his father was master.

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VILLAGE OF OLD FOLKS.

London, Dec. 24—Three neighbors, whose ages totaled 250 years, died within a week at Burton-on-Trent. They were Mrs. Vernal, aged eighty-six, who leaves thirty-two descendants; Mrs. Coulton, eighty-seven, and John Burton, seventy-seven. Three golden weddings were recently celebrated in the village.

\$40 FOR A PENNY.
London, Eng., Dec. 24—For selling a quart of stout for thirty-three cents instead of thirty-two cents, Sidney Page, a guardian of the poor, was fined \$25 and \$15 costs at Willesden.

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Place One Level Teaspoonful of GROVES O-PEN-TRATE SALVE in a hot sealer in the sick room. The Anesthetic Vapor rising from the heated salve circulates in the air and makes breathing easy for the patient. It induces sleep and is a great comfort to anyone suffering with Spasmodic Croup, Asthma, Bronchitis, Sore Throat, Coughs, Colds, Whooping Cough, Diphtheria or Pneumonia. The Healing Effect of the Vapor relieves the patient and is very comforting. Price 38c per box. If your Druggist hasn't any, send 38c in postage stamps to Paris Medicine Co., 139 Spadina Ave., Toronto, and a full-size box will be mailed to you promptly.

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New Senator.
Quebec, Dec. 23—Thomas Chapais of this city will be elevated to the senate in place of the late Hon. Senator L. P. Landry, according to an Ottawa despatch to Le Soleil.

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LOCAL NEWS

NOTICE
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MEN'S WEAR FOR CHRISTMAS
Fancy hosiery, silk-front shirts, hosiery, braces, garters, belts, armlets, handkerchiefs, soft collars, gloves. Wonderful assortment. Moderate prices, at Chas. Magnusson & Son's, 54-56 Dock street.

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All the Manchester Robertson Allison Limited stores will be open evenings Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, to accommodate Christmas shoppers.

Special Christmas dinner at Clifton House, 12.30 to 2.30 p. m., \$1.50 per plate.

MEATS
Chickens, 50c. lb.; roast pork, 30c.; roast beef, 15c.; breakfast, 30c.; stew meat, 15c.; corn beef, 15c. L. Tobias, 71 Erin street.

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LOST—Will the finder of a parcel containing two pairs children's shoes (Christmas gifts), lost in toy department.

ment at Thorne's Monday night, please phone W. 491-21, and complete the kiddies' Christmas? Reward. 106626-12-26

McMILLAN'S STORE
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That you are all invited to the "North End Garage," 63 Elm street, to inspect our new electric visible gasoline pump, recently installed. You set your gas-line before you buy it; you see you are getting correct measure at all times. Remember—To get the miles, get the gallons.

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BOXING DAY TO BE A HOLIDAY
AT F. W. DANIEL & CO'S.
In England the day after Christmas is always considered as belonging to employees and from a very old custom is called "Boxing Day." We adopted the idea of this extra holiday three years ago and our employees' appreciation of a further day's rest after the rush of Christmas, is a great source of pleasure to us. In consequence our store will be closed from Wednesday evening until Monday morning, the 27th.

We also take this opportunity of most gratefully thanking the St. John public for the share they have given us of such a successful Christmas trade. Wishing everyone a real Christmas happiness, we are,
Yours very sincerely,
F. W. DANIEL & CO, LTD.

BIG INCREASE IN CRIME
IN MONTREAL THIS YEAR
SO POLICE RECORDS SHOW

With 1892 more general cases of crime acted upon by the courts during the year, over the preceding twelve months, and with 249 more revenue cases taken by the authorities over the same department in 1918, there is no doubt left of the increase in crime in the district of Montreal.

The police court records show that up to the present time, there is an alarming increase in crime and infractions of the automobile and liquor license law over 1918. Under the head of "Revenue," automobile and liquor have contributed thousands of dollars to the courts with 5,000 cases taken by the police, a daily average of about fifteen arrests and summonses.

The list as it stands does not explain a great deal, and to learn the nature of the offences the police blotter has to be consulted. Crimes of violence where daggers, revolvers and knives figured, far outnumbered that of any preceding

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Foreigners Chief Offenders
The foreign element in Montreal causes the police and detective force more worry than all the native born Canadians put together. The chiefs of the police and detective department state openly that the time has come to deport every foreigner arrested in order to wipe out the foreign element from the city.

Nearly all of about forty patients at the Jordan sanatorium at River Glade have gone to their homes since they arrived in this city, all reporting improvement. Many of the patients are returned soldiers who suffered severely from gas, which affected the lower parts of the lungs.

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Lemon and Orange Peel, per lb. 70c.
Citron Peel, per lb. 70c.
NEW NUTS
Shelled Walnuts, per lb. 70c.
New Mixed Nuts, per lb. 70c.
Brazil Nuts, per lb. 70c.
Filberts, per lb. 70c.
Almonds, per lb. 70c.
Walnuts, per lb. 70c.
Xmas Fancy Candy, per lb. 35c.
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Chocolates at Lowest Prices.
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We carry a large assortment of Salt Fish.
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Fancy Chester Raisins, 48c. lb.
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Choice Seeded Raisins, 20c. pkg. Finest Orange Pekoe Tea, 45c. lb.
Fancy Seedless Raisins, 22c. pkg. King Cole or Red Rose, 55c. lb.
Cleaned Currants, full pound Lipton's Tea, 52c. lb.
package, 29c. lb.
Figs, 30c. lb. up
Dromedary Dates, 23c. pkg. \$1.25 lb.
Almond Meal, 35c. pkg.
Almond Paste, 35c. pkg.
Mixed Nuts, 35c. lb.
California Budded Walnuts, 55c. lb.
Finest Shelled Walnuts, 55c. lb.
Bird's English Custard Powder, 15c. pkg.
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35 oz. Bottle Peerless Mixed or Chow, 33c.

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Dromedary Dates, 23c. pkg.
New Figs, 10.00 box, 30c.
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Almond Paste, 35c.
New Table Raisins, 42c. lb. pkg.
Fruit Syrup, all flavors, 28c. bot.
Choice Mince-meat (Libby's), 35c. lb.
Citron Peel, 70c. lb.
Orange and Lemon Peel, 60c. lb.
Seedless Oranges, 60c. doz.
Hard Mixtures, 25c. lb.
All kinds of Soft Creams, 40c. lb.
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Dates, 25c. package
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ALL'S WELL

The second Christmas since the armistice was signed finds the peace treaty still unsigned and the League of Nations still a thing of the future. It finds war still raging in Russia, and affairs in a very unsettled state in Central Europe and the near east. Bolshevism has not been overthrown, and it seems late to have gained some ground in Russia. In every country there is industrial unrest to a degree unknown before the war. The process of readjustment is everywhere slow, and the pessimist may still cite instances to support his contention that all is very far from being well with the world.

But the pessimist cannot have it all his own way. A world that had exhausted so much in five years of wholesale destruction could not be expected to restore itself in one year of reconstruction. It will probably require two more crops before food production is normal again, and in the meantime scarcity and high prices must prevail. The like is to some extent true of industry. Wholesale prices tell us they cannot get enough goods from the manufacturers, and the latter lead a scarcity of raw material, scarcity of ships, and lessened efficiency through industrial disturbances. These matters will right themselves in time, but time is required.

As to the peace treaty and the League of Nations, nobody doubts that they will be accomplished facts, or that tranquility will eventually be restored in regions where there is now bitter strife. Hunger is one of the causes of strife in a number of countries, and with ample food will come more peaceful intent. Those countries with an abundance of food must share with their less fortunate neighbors until the latter get upon their feet, and this will tend to keep prices at a high level for some time longer. And this would still be true if the profiteer did not seize his opportunity to demand the closest scrutiny of the New Brunswick Telephone Company's claims in regard to the changes and the increased revenue it demands.

A Halifax correspondent of the Globe writes that as a result of the introduction of the telephone service which he describes as "scientific profiteering," and the general inefficiency of the service there is a strong and growing feeling that the government should take over the business. In view of such statement there will be a stronger disposition in this province to demand the closest scrutiny of the New Brunswick Telephone Company's claims in regard to the changes and the increased revenue it demands.

Lieut. Col. Pratt of Ontario fears liberty loving citizens will rebel if their cellars are to be searched for liquor. Law-abiding citizens need no fear of search, and probably would not object to it if properly conducted in the interest of law and order. The personal liberty cry is overworked.

The most relieved and thankful persons in the city tonight will be the clerks in the retail stores. This journal wishes them all a merry Christmas after an arduous period during which they must often have wished for "a lodge in some vast wilderness."

Senator Lodge of Massachusetts will have some difficulty in squaring his attitude toward the peace treaty with the spirit of the Christmas season. However, he shows some signs of repentance.

Ontario is advised to follow New Brunswick's example in its forestry policy. This province also leads in health legislation. We will presently begin to be proud of ourselves.

Premier Drury announces the policy of giving municipalities local option in dealing with taxation. That will open the way for genuine experiment with single tax if any community desires it.

Christmas shopping in New York has broken all records. The like is probably the case of St. John. Money is plentiful and the buying spirit is infectious at this season.

Lloyd George's Christmas box is not received in Ireland with any large degree of gratitude and rejoicing.

The outlook today is not for a white Christmas in St. John, but it will be a merry one.

The Times-Star extends holiday greetings and good wishes to all of its wide reading circle.

The peacock is passe. Hats off to the king of birds—the Christmas turkey.

FRANKLIN J. LANE
Mr. Franklin J. Lane, the brilliant Canadian who is secretary of the interior at Washington, and a trusted adviser and warm personal friend of President Wilson, desires to retire from public life. He has expressed that desire, but added that he had not discussed the question with the president because he did not wish to add to the worries of the latter while he was still suffering from ill-health. There can be no doubt that Mr. Lane was keenly disappointed by the result of the conference at Washington, at which he presided with remarkable tact and dignity, and which it was hoped by him would result in a working agreement between capital and labor to ensure industrial peace; but it is also suggested that like Mr. McAdoo he may feel that the interests of his family demand that he should use his great talents in the business world, where the opportunities are so much greater than in the public service. One Washington correspondent pays him this remarkably high tribute:

"Mr. Lane is regarded as a man of broad interests, of sound judgment, an exceptionally good executive and, without absolutely independent and courageous. His independence does not take the form of frills, proclamation or boisterous oratory. He has poise and self-control, but every one who deals with him knows that his ideas and his methods are his own. Except for the fact that he was born under the British flag, there is hardly a doubt that Mr. Lane would be leading all other candidates for the Democratic nomination for the presidency in 1920. Since he is thus barred from higher honors, since the term of Presi-

Rippling Rhymes

By Walt Mason

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There was an ancient man named Job who worked the patience graft so well, his fame extended round the globe, and still the books his merits tell. Afflictions of a hundred kinds were heaped upon him, day by day; "and yet," he said, "a fellow finds that life's too good to throw away." A lot of bolts grew on his neck, his hens all died, his cow went dry, his goods were spoiled by storm and wreck, and still he did not leave a sigh. One wintry day he tried to go to his place for a trip to town; he wrestled with that choo-choo cart, but all the wheels were frozen down. The carburetor wouldn't carb, the gears wouldn't spin, and he tried to crank it up by hand, whereon it kicked and broke his wrist; his language then was high and grand, but from that time it will be missed. The papers in the news-by towns were substituted to kill his tale, so Job still a high renown for patience, that no age can stale.

CANADA—EAST AND WEST

Continuation of Happenings of Other Days

THE GREAT CHAMPLAIN.
On Christmas day, 1685, in the little French town of Quebec, one of the first men associated in any way with the early exploration of the new world, died. That was Samuel de Champlain, the French explorer, soldier, and hardy and intrepid explorer for the French. He was born in France and when a comparatively young man he made a voyage to the East Indies through which he won much glory for himself in two and a half years. In 1603 he was attached to an expedition fitting out for the Indians in a campaign against the Iroquois. The next year he came back to the St. Lawrence from France to which he had returned, but this time he remained on the Atlantic coast. In 1608 he laid the foundations of the City of Quebec. He cleared the ground, laid the foundations of the barracks and sowed a crop of wheat and rye in this clearing. The first winter he remained in the new town he had a very narrow escape from death as some of the Indians were plotting against him. But the treaty was discovered and a ring-leader was hanged. In 1609 he joined the Indians in a campaign against the Iroquois, embarking from what is now Sorel for an attack on the state of New York. That was the beginning of a stormy time, for Champlain and his friends with the English and there were many very bloody battles in consequence of which Champlain was a great warrior, but he was equally successful as a statesman. In spite of French difficulties he brought the French possessions in the new world to a new glory. He was energetic in his attacks on the Iroquois, and through him many church enterprises were started. But on Christmas day, 1685, he passed away in the town he founded for his king and country in the new world.

LIGHTER VEIN.
Not Always.
Willis—"One of the truest proverbs is 'Find a woman'."
Gills—"Not always. Miss O'Rourke is 'Find a man'."
And Then What?
Landlady—"Well, Mr. Peckupp, I hope you had something you liked for breakfast this morning."
Peckupp—"Yes, indeed, Mrs. Skimp, I had a magnificent appetite."
Basil Explained.
Patience—"The Frenchman has no where as many telephones as England."
Patrice—"That's easily accounted for. You see, most Frenchmen talk with their hands."—Yonkers Statesman.

How She Made It Pay.
Fred—"You say you have made money out of poetry?"
Dora—"None!"
Fred—"No nonsense about it. Father has paid me not to write any more."
Something More Tender.
The second course of the table—Dude was being served.
"What is this leathery stuff?" demanded the diner.
"That, sir, is fillet of sole," replied the waiter.
"Take it away," said the diner, "and see if you can't get me a nice tender piece from the upper part of the boot, with the buttons removed."

These Notions.
"What is a model husband?" he impressively asked at the beginning of his address.
The assembled bachelors all arose and shouted in one voice, "Henpecked!"

Resourcefulness Rewarded.
Gladys—"What did papa do?"
Jack—"He showed me the door."
Gladys—"And what did you say?"
Jack—"Oh, I said it was certainly a very fine door, but it wasn't what I had come to talk about. That made him laugh, and a minute later you were mine."

Only Chance.
"She says she's going to give singing lessons."
"She'll have to. Nobody'd ever pay for them."—London Answers.

Quite Right.
Office Boy—"My job requires more brains than any other job."
Barber's Boy—"Gara, what about mine, why it's all—hair-cutting."

Teacher.
Child—"The giraffe, mum."—Pearson's Weekly.

Your husband will be all right now, said an English doctor to a woman whose husband was dangerously ill.
"What do you mean?" demanded the wife.
"You told me he couldn't live after a fortnight!"

Well, I'm going to cure him after a while, said the doctor. "Surely you are glad."
The woman winked her brows.
"I'm sure in a bit of an 'ole," he said.
"I've bin an' sold all 'is clothes to pay for 'is funeral."

One thing hangs upon another. That decision will have to be backed down.—"Yes?" "Before we can set 'em up."—Baltimore American.

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United States, through its fermentation experts in the bureau of chemistry of the department of agriculture, has discovered how to make a soy sauce, and has turned out a product with the beautiful golden brown color of the Oriental output, and with a flavor much finer than the ordinary soy sauce. The specialists themselves had hoped for the best, which was begun with the aid of a professor from the University of Tokyo, will continue, but meanwhile our customers are pending with manufacturers who will probably produce the sauce on a commercial scale in this country.

PASSING OF THE GROOM.
"Well, no," said Gap Johnson of Rumpus Ridge, Ark. "I don't reckon there's any special news out my way. Come to think, though, there was a wedding the other day of two of our most popular young society people. Just as the preacher was noting the important question the groom gave a gullup jumped out of the window and defunct as the crow flies. We put chase to him, but he managed to get three miles off such a matter before he overtook him."—Kansas City Star.

WAITED TWO DECADES.
Girl Marries Murderer Released From Prison.
Glen Falls, Ont., Dec. 24.—After twenty-one years in prison for murder, Archie Mull was released from Great Meadow prison yesterday on commutation of sentence, and within an hour was married to Miss Stella Grace Howe, of Maschoy, Mass., who had waited for him for years. Mull was convicted in 1898 of the murder of Beville H. Lord, at Nassau, and had been in prison since that time. Mull and his bride started immediately after the ceremony, which was performed at the Baptist church, to spend their honeymoon and the groom's first free Christmas, in more than two decades, with relatives at Nassau.

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ADMIRAL SIMS HAS REFUSED DECORATION
Is Dissatisfied as to Manner of Awards.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Rumblings of dissatisfaction within the navy at the way Secretary Daniels has arranged the awards of decorations for war service, came to the surface today when it became known that Admiral Sims, former commander of American naval forces in European waters, had declined to accept his distinguished service medals, while the awards remain as at present.

FUNERALS COME HIGH
London, Dec. 24.—Judge Ivor Brown made strong comments on the extravagance to which people went in funerals in a case at the Newtown county court. He was told that the funeral expense of a laborer were \$100 and that a coffin only, in another case, had cost \$120, and remarked: "It is positively wicked, and coming as the climax to published the profiteering act should apply."

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TWENTY DOCTORS RULED OUT BY LICENSE BOARD

Supplies to Ontario Doctors - Cut Off on Account of Abnormal Issuance of Prescriptions.

Abnormal issues of liquor prescriptions and quantities of liquor obtained or alleged office use by a few physicians that the province have led to stoppage of supplies and honoring of prescriptions at Ontario government dispensaries of about a score of doctors by direction of the Ontario License Board. Records of dispensaries show the following respectively of these physicians for the two months:

October - 186 presc. and 7 1/2 gals.; 182 presc. and 1 1/2 gals.; 222 presc.; 202 presc. and 3 3/4 gals.; 225 presc. and 1 1/2 gals.; 195 presc. and 6 gals.; 25 presc. and 18 gals.; 20 presc. and 90 gals.; 89 presc. and 7 gals.; 145 presc. and 18 gals.; 298 presc.; 199 presc. and 12 gals.; 120 presc. and 8 gals.; 145 presc. and 22 gals.; 121 presc. and 4 3/4 gals.; 183 presc. and 11 gals.

November - 178 presc. and 5 1/2 gals.; 188 presc. and 3 1/2 gals.; 202 presc.; 227 presc.; 193 presc. and 1 1/2 gals.; 257 presc. and 6 gals.; 28 presc. and 39 1/2 gals.; 14 presc. and 7 1/2 gals.; 87 presc. and 29 gals.; 191 presc. and 30 gals.; 240 presc. and 6 gals.; 188 presc. and 1 gal.; 112 presc.; 108 presc. and 31 gals.; 85 presc. and 2 1/2 gals.; 62 presc. and 2 1/2 gals.

Three of the doctors in question had been convicted in the police court for violation of the Ontario Temperance act, which formed an element in the board's action.


Names of the offending physicians are not given, but the board has under preparation a circular letter to be sent to all physicians practicing in Ontario. After the issue of that circular the practise will probably be adopted of giving to the press names of doctors whose orders and prescriptions are suspended at the dispensaries.

IRISH BANK STRIKE
Dublin, Ireland, Dec. 24.—The Irish Bank Officials' Union has ordered a strike for December 31 in all banks where the union is not recognized by the directors.

You get the full weight of tea marked on the sealed Red Rose package.

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RECENT DEATHS

Fredericton, Dec. 23.—The death of Miss Evelyn Burns occurred in the Victoria Hospital this afternoon after a short illness of pneumonia. She was a daughter of the late John G. Burns, for many years local manager for the Western Union Telegraph Company. One brother survives, Charles T. Burns of North Sydney (N. S.). The funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon from the residence of Hon. J. H. Barry, Brunswick street with services at St. Dunstan's church and interment at the hermitage.

Mrs. Weldon, wife of Robert P. Weldon, formerly of this city, died on Monday evening, December 22, at Magpie Mine (Ont.), where her husband is superintendent. The sad news was received by Mrs. Weldon's father, George C. Weldon of this city, yesterday. Death was caused by hemorrhage of the brain. The death of Mrs. Weldon was entirely unexpected as yesterday Mr. Weldon, senior, received a letter from her on Monday, and at the time of writing she had been in her usual good health. Mrs. Weldon, besides her husband, leaves three young sons, Albert, formerly Miss Hattie Kimball, of Michipicoten, Ontario. She and the children were in St. John last summer.

An old and respected resident of this community passed away early this morning when death claimed Edward Almon at his late residence in Loch Lomond road. Mr. Almon, who was in the seventy-eighth year of his age, had been suffering from a paralytic stroke for several years and had been in poor health for some time. Besides his wife, he leaves three sons, Albert, George F., and Arthur J., all of this city, and four daughters, Mrs. R. L. Carroll, Mrs. William Whiteaker, and Miss Ethel and Annie, at home. Notice of funeral arrangements will be given later.

Mrs. Annie McFadden, a lady who was beloved and respected by a host of friends, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. G. Harley White, Church avenue, Sussex, on Saturday night, December 13. She was the widow of John McFadden, who for many years was a conductor on the I. C. R.

Mrs. McFadden was a woman of beautiful character and she endeared herself to all who were honored with her acquaintance.

She is survived by six children, J. H. McFadden, barrister of Sussex; Fred A. McFadden, of St. John; Frank A. of Fort Meadow, Iowa; Walker, Winnipeg; Mrs. G. Harley White, Sussex, and Albert A., of St. John is a brother.

The death of Mrs. Lucy Keiver took place at her home in Chatham, Ontario, recently, at the advanced age of ninety-two. She was a former resident of Albert county.

Mrs. Robert H. Davis died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George R. deYoung, Newport, N. L., December 17.

John Watson, formerly of Andover, died at his home in Houlton, Me., December 19. Besides his wife he leaves two sisters and two brothers.

Jacob R. Morrell passed away at his home in Elgin, Saturday, after an illness of a few weeks.

Charles E. Mellins of Hillsboro, N. B. died recently after a lengthy illness. He was fifty-three years of age and is survived by two sons and one brother.

The death of Mrs. R. J. Jarrold, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Collier, of Elgin, N. B., occurred in the hospital at Newcastle last week. She was thirty-five years old and is survived by her husband and five children.

Mrs. Mary MacMichael, aged eighty-five years, died recently at her home in Hexton, N. B.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 23.—Dr. Charles L. Barnes, aged sixty-three, died at his home in Georgetown today. He was a native of Bay Verte (N. B.), and has been practicing on the island since 1888 at Murray River and Georgetown.

BOY OF THIRTEEN TAKES RAT POISON

Had Developed Suicidal Tendencies Over Childhood Quarrel.

The story of how a boy, aged thirteen, killed himself by taking rat poison because a girl of fourteen did not like him was told at an inquest on the body of Harold Ellison, son of William J. Ellison, School lane, Seaford, Liverpool, England.

"He was a boy for girls," said Ernest Firth, aged twelve. "He often told me he would take some poison because the girl did not like him. In the winter he threatened to drown himself, only the water was so cold." One day the dead boy showed the witness a small brown jar, saying, "It is rat poison; I am going to take it for the sake of a girl who does not like me." He put some poison on the cork and licked it off. Half an hour later he had some more. Next day he refused food and went to bed, but not till later did he tell his father he had taken poison, and when found the jar was almost empty. The boy died in two days.

The father described the boy as a stubborn, strong-willed boy, well developed physically, and of normal intellect. "All I could get out of him," he said, "was that he had some bother with two girls, but what he would not tell me."

Medical evidence showed that the cause of death was phosphorus poisoning and heart failure.

Pointing out that the evidence showed that the boy had suicidal tendencies, the coroner said that he took his own life, and expressed the opinion that his mind was deranged. "Boys of this age," he added, "get some queer notions, unless some sensible person tells them something about the relationships of the sexes they form wrong impressions."

JAZZ BOOM WANES

London, Dec. 24.—"You can take it from me," remarked a proprietor of jazz bands, "that the dancing boom is already showing signs of 'letting out.'"

"You can take it from me," said the proprietor of a large dancing hall, "this boom is going to last at least five years."

Prophecy is a dangerous business, as these two contradictory forecasts sufficiently indicate. But the proprietor of the jazz bands is in a good position to tell in which direction the wind is blowing. The men he sends out nightly return with gloomy reports.

At places outside the West End, where two and three hundred couples formerly assembled, only about eighty couples now present themselves.

A Toronto exchange, dated last Saturday, says:—

"Farmers are asking sixty-two cents a pound, wholesale, for turkeys this season, and thirty-two to thirty-four cents for geese, and we can get very few," a wholesale commission merchant said this morning. The average is from fifty-five to sixty cents for turkeys.

Another said: "The demand is good, in spite of the high price, for people seem determined to have turkeys at Christmas time. There are a great many more geese than turkeys on the market."

The supply is below that of even a year ago. The condition of the poultry is remarkably good, an average weight for the turkeys being sixteen pounds. Ducks and chickens are selling wholesale at around thirty-five cents a pound.

BREAK AT ARMOY

Burglars were very busy in the city on Monday night, as several reports were received yesterday by the police department of breaks in various parts of the city.

A break into the military dental offices at the army was discovered yesterday morning, when it was found that the thief had taken, besides other articles, some false teeth, gold for filling teeth and a typewriter. The authorities have a clue to the man who made the entry but it is thought he evaded the police and has left town.

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Community Silver — Knives, Forks, Tea and Coffee Spoons, Salad Forks, Bread and Butter Spreaders, Orange Spoons and attractive odd pieces.

Cut Crystal — Bowls, Compotes, Candy Jars, Sugar and Creams, Nappies, Tumblers, Pitchers, etc.; also Etched Frappi Glasses and Tumblers.

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R-38 TO FLY ATLANTIC

London, Dec. 24.—It is reported that the R-38 will be flown to America in July or August or as soon as the shed to house her is ready. She will be commanded on the trip by a crew of the United States navy, who are to be trained here free of cost by the Royal Air Force. The R-38, which is being built at the works of Short Brothers, Bedford, will be completed about May. She was recently sold to the United States navy at cost price. She is the largest airship yet built in England.

Boxing Day

To be a Holiday at F. W. DANIEL & CO. S.

IN England the day after Christmas is always considered as belonging to employees, and from very old custom is called "Boxing Day." We adopted the idea of this extra holiday three years ago, and our employees' appreciation of a further day's rest, after the rush of Christmas, is a great source of pleasure to us. In consequence, our store will be closed from Wednesday evening until Saturday morning, the 27th.

We also take this opportunity of most gratefully thanking the St. John public for the share they have given us of such a successful Christmas trade. Wishing everyone a real Christmas happiness.

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A 400 Per Cent Display of Alarm Clocks.

Displays that quadruple the sale of goods featured and finally proved so successful that they have to be moved to other stores in order to counteract competition at a single counter and numerically, few-but that's just what happened when the Evans' Drug Store, of Philadelphia, installed its "alarm clock window."

A large clock dial, four and one-half feet in diameter, was erected in the back of the window, and instead of the usual four hands, alarm clocks were attached to the twelve spaces just inside the border of the dial. Two clock hands, operated by electricity, spun rapidly around, reminding the public of the fact that time flies, and bells attached to the fixture beneath the clock rang at regular intervals. The twelve small "clocks" inserted in the dial were of different shapes, sizes and models, which other clocks were grouped around the base of the giant alarm.

"The display was certainly the best clock feature we ever staged in our window," stated Mr. Borger, manager of the store. "We sold many more clocks than we expected to, and quadrupled our piece-meal business during the month of the display was on. In addition, it served to attract a vast amount of attention to the store generally and a good proportion of this naturally gravitated toward other subjects, resulting in increased sales in many other lines."

"The window proved such an all-round success that we had to have it moved down to our other Market street store, where it is repeating the success it made here."

Patrons See "Mark-Down" Man at Work.

"The Mark-Down Man" has always been a good deal of a myth in the public mind—sort of a John Doe—whom everybody knew, but nobody had ever seen. But the Diamond Co., of Providence, put him into a high silk hat and formal afternoon clothes and set him to marking down prices, where everybody could see him. Now Providence people, like well-behaved children who grasp the Santa Claus idea thoroughly, are satisfied that there is such a person.

The occasion of the appearance of the "Mark-Down Man" was the eleventh birthday of the Diamond Co., when a sale was launched, covering every department of the store.

At each department visited, while crowds followed him about, the "Mark-Down Man" slashed prices with a huge blue pencil. He commenced work at five in the morning and from then until five in the afternoon was in more than fifty departments. The event, which was announced with full-page advertisements in all the papers, proved a successful one.

The store, during the big sale which just closed, has been divided into two teams, the "Reds" and the "Blues," and a score of the sales made by each team in all the papers, proved a successful one.

This method proved very successful, the clerks taking much interest in the drive. Results, as shown by figures in sales totals, the store executives report.

Finds Only 1 Person in 100 Dishonest.

"Ninety-nine out of every hundred men are honest," believes Henry Lipman, manager and credit manager for the Union Store in Indianapolis.

"We have to look out for the 1 per cent of course," says Mr. Lipman.

"There is one good reason why professional crooks don't come into our field a year or so and then brought out and sold at a good price. Obviously, that plan wouldn't work in the clothing field. We operate our business on the basis of credit."

that a man or woman who has lived here for six months will live here for six months more. That might seem a rather dangerous assumption on the face of it, but it works out all right. It might be argued that a person could put on an overcoat bought on credit and just slip out of town for all time. Well, you'd be surprised to know how difficult any one will find it to leave a town without leaving some trace behind. Anyway, there aren't many such persons.

"In fact, the main thing is simply to find the person who owes you. If you can locate a debtor, you can collect from him. We manage to locate them. As for the 1 per cent of the public who may be dishonest, any credit man probably has a tickling sensation in the back of his brain whenever he runs across any of them.

"It takes a person a week to open a credit account in a department store. Any one can open one here in a minute. And our losses will be so small, that our faith in human nature will be justified clearly."

Keeping Tabs on Those Who "Look"

When people come into Oster Bros. Furniture Store in Birmingham, Ala., look around for a while and then hand the salesman that time-honored promise, "we may come in later and buy," they are not allowed to walk out and "lose themselves" so easily.

Instead, the salesman asks them, before leaving, if they will not permit themselves to be nominated to membership in Oster's "Booster Club," which carries with it no fees and no obligations. The answer is invariably "yes," whereupon the customer is then handed a little book containing ten "booster coupons" and asked to distribute them among her friends about to buy furniture. By offering the book the salesman is enabled, without embarrassment, to secure the customer's name and address, which must appear on the book. Each coupon is good for one dollar on a ten-dollar purchase, and for each coupon turned in the "booster" gets a nice present.

By means of these books, which are

all numbered, Oster Bros. keep tab on every "looker" and even if the prospect does not distribute any coupons Oster Bros. write her at intervals inviting her to make another inspection trip to the store. As a rule, however, at least one of the coupons eventually finds its way back. The firm immediately writes the "booster" and asks her to drop into the store and receive her gift. When she does they naturally have an opportunity to inquire into her furniture needs and in this way put over a lot of extra sales.

FOUR THOUSAND PHONE ORDERS FOR LIQUOR SUPPLY

Hamilton, Dec. 24—Hon. Mr. Nixon, provincial secretary, at a dinner last night said he had been advised that 4,000 telephone calls had been sent from Toronto to Montreal since the announcement was made that the dominion government had rescinded the wartime orders prohibiting the importation of liquor into Ontario. He mentioned that the government liquor inspectors came under his jurisdiction, but intimated that probably there would be little business done at them now.

SOBER FOR FIVE YEARS.

London, Dec. 24—Higham Ferrers, Northamptonshire, where there has been no conviction for drunkenness for five years, now advances another claim to distinction. It says that it is probably unique for the fact that its rates are four cents in the pound sterling lower than they were before the war.

WHAT ARE SNAGS?

London, Dec. 24—A woman puzzled the Wilkes' magistrate recently by asking for a summons against a neighbor for "throwing snags." After inquiries had been made, it was found that they were insulting words.

Exports

A special Department of this Bank is devoted to the interests of the foreign business of its customers.

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 New York, Dec. 24.

Prev.	Close.	Open.	Noon
Am Smelters	82 1/2	82 1/2	86 1/2
Am Car and Pdry	137 1/2	137 1/2	138 1/2
Am Locomotive	97 1/2	98 1/2	98
Am Beet Sugar	82	82 1/2	83 1/2
Am Can	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
Am Intl Corp	112 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2
Am Steel Pdry	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2
Am Smelters	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
Am Tel & Tel	97	97	97
Am Woodmen	128	128	128
Anacosta Min	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
At, T and S Fe	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2
Brooklyn R T	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Balt & Ohio	82	82	82 1/2
Baldwin Loco	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
Beth Steel	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2
Chino Copper	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2
Che and Ohio	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
Col Fuel	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Can Pacific	181 1/2	181 1/2	181 1/2
Cent Leather	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
Crucible Steel	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
Erie	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
Gen'l Electric	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
GT Motors	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2
Inspiration	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2
Int'l Mar Com	46	46	46
Int'l Mar Pfd	107 1/2	107 1/2	108
Indust Alcohol	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2
Kennecott Cop	86 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2
Midvale Steel	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
Maxwell Motors	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
Mer. Retail	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
North Pacific	80	79 1/2	80
N Y Central	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
New Haven	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2
Pennsylvania	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2
Pierce Arrow	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Pan-Am Petrol	104	104 1/2	104 1/2
Reading	76 1/2	76 1/2	76 1/2
Republic I & S	111 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2
St. Paul	37	37	37 1/2
South Railway	22	21 1/2	21 1/2
South Pacific	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2
Studebaker	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
Union Pacific	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2
U S Rubber	128	128	128
Utah Copper	78	73 1/2	72 1/2
Westing Electric	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2
Willys Overland	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2

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Newspaper men are assured there is no intention to prevent reasonable criticism and are advised to submit doubtful matter to the censors before publication.

Fleming-Cobb.

On Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Schmidt, Moncton, Miss Ella Cobb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cobb, was united in marriage to Fred Fleming, son of the late H. B. Fleming.

T. Kelly Dickinson Leaves Journalism for Finance

Issues the Following Open Letter to Investors in the Several Provinces of the Dominion

I am inclined to the belief that after constant, and, I dare to hope, conscientious application to financial journalism for a period in excess of fifteen years, it may be of interest to you to know that I have decided to take the short and direct step from the profession of financial journalism to that of practical finance and investment banking.

It has been my extreme pleasure to accept an invitation to join two gentlemen in the formation of a new Financial House (under the company name of Winans, Dickinson & Whitehead, Limited, Investment Bankers), and thereby directly to participate in the important work of constructive finance, at a time when we are on the threshold of the greatest material development ever experienced in this young country.

My associates are Lt.-Col. B. G. Winans and Mr. W. T. Whitehead. Lt.-Colonel Winans is a Banker of many years' experience, and for the past ten years has been engaged in the creation and flotation of industrial securities, in addition to extensive dealings in provincial and municipal bonds and debentures. Mr. Whitehead's creative faculty is well-known throughout industrial Canada, as is his administrative association with many industrial enterprises.

The new company will thus have the services of an experienced banker; the guidance of a practical industrial operator, and the experience of a financial journalist, who has spent more than half his active business years in concentrated study of all matters relative to financial and corporation affairs.

During the long period of work and study as a financial critic, I have come into intimate association with many thousands of investors throughout Canada, and to me the association has been altogether delightful, especially on those occasions when I could be of service in helping to solve the problems and lessen the difficulties which prompted the desire and the request for advice.

It will still be a pleasure at all times, personally, or by correspondence, to give any information or advice requested by the investors of this country. Besides this promise of personal attention, I may say that it is the company's intention to issue, periodically, a circular letter pertaining to current finance and industry, copies of which will be mailed on request, without, of course, any charge to the investor.

Please address all communications to our offices at the Dominion Express Building, 143 St. James Street, Montreal.

Very truly yours,
T. Kelly Dickinson

December 18, 1919.

MONTREAL TRANSACTIONS
 (J. M. Robinson & Sons, Members Montreal Stock Exchange)
 Montreal, Dec. 24.

Royal Bank—6 at 21 1/2.
McDonald—100 at 40 1/2, 55 at 41, 220 at 41 1/2, 25 at 41 1/2, 250 at 42, 40 at 42 1/2, 75 at 42.
Brompton—40 at 85.
Canada Coal—110 at 82 1/2, 80 at 84, 25 at 84 1/2, 150 at 85, 150 at 84 1/2.
Abithi—25 at 240, 75 at 250.
Ames—10 at 180.
Dominion Steel—145 at 73 1/2, 170 at 74, 210 at 74 1/2, 29 1/2.
Carriage—75 at 29 1/2.
Bell—12 at 112.
Power—12 at 90.
Shawmut—110 at 117 1/2.
Smelters—5 at 28 1/2, 50 at 28 1/2, 5 at 28.
Steel Co—400 at 85, 80 at 85 1/2, 100 at 86, 100 at 86 1/2, 470 at 86 1/2, 580 at 86 1/2, 50 at 86 1/2, 25 at 86 1/2.
Spanish Pfd—20 at 83 1/2, 5 at 83 1/2, 25 at 83 1/2, 100 at 83 1/2.
Ont. Steel—25 at 84 1/2, 25 at 85.
Quebec—100 at 23 1/2, 25 at 23 1/2, 50 at 23 1/2, 145 at 28.
Ships—10 at 76 1/2.
Waynesville—25 at 61, 110 at 82 1/2.
Asbestos—10 at 88 1/2.
Lyall—50 at 85.
Toronto Ry—15 at 43 1/2.
Sugar—5 at 69 1/2.
Lyall—30 at 85.
Car Pfd—50 at 106, 50 at 105 1/2.
Ships Pfd—25 at 84 1/2, 25 at 84.
Ogilvie Pfd—12 at 104 1/2.
Spanish Pfd—20 at 126 1/2, 10 at 128.
Steel Co. Pfd—20 at 100.
Coal Pfd—6 at 98 1/2.
Iron Pfd—10 at 92.
Cement Pfd—31 at 98 1/2.
Textile Pfd—3 at 103.
War Loan, 1911—1,000 at 96 1/2.
War Loan, 1917—1,000 at 97 1/2.
Victory Loan, 1922—50, 98 1/2.
Victory Loan, 1923—50, 98 1/2.

Footwear Should Head the List

Only a few hours now left for shopping and you could spend them filling your list with gifts of footwear.

No one anywhere but would appreciate in the highest possible manner a gift of footwear.

This great Shoe Store is at your complete service to make your gift selections easy, and our stock was never more complete and varied than it is today.

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Slippers, Boots, Hockey Boots, Pumps, Gaiters, Rubbers, Rubber Boots, Overshoes.

Man or Woman—Boy or Girl—and the Baby also.

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JACK LEARMONT BURY.
 Halifax Echo: Jack Learmont, who, a few years ago, earned a province wide reputation as hockey player and track performer, is still a booster for the home performer, of the dominion, and has on foot extensive plans to make Nova Scotia the Mecca of hunters and fishermen from all parts of the eastern United States.

News has been received in Amherst of the death of T. P. Lowther, formerly of Amherst, but late of Calcutta.

POOR DOCUMENT

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NO TIMES ON CHRISTMAS DAY

The Evening Times will not be published tomorrow, Christmas Day.

LOCAL NEWS

BANK CLEARINGS.
St. John bank clearings for the week ending today were \$249,175.4; last year, \$1,977,093; in 1917, \$1,701,254.

STORM DRUM UP.
The storm drum, denoting easterly gales, was hoisted on the custom house this morning.

AGAIN INSPECTOR.
Daniel J. Daley, formerly of the local liquor inspector force, announced this morning that he has again joined the force and taken up his duties.

REPAIRING SHED.
The old potato shed near No. 1 berth at Sand Point will be put into use this winter for the storage of freight. Repairs to the roof are now being made by the city workmen.

CONDITION SERIOUS.
Mrs. W. A. Smith, who was injured recently by falling from the roof of her residence when hanging out clothes, was reported this afternoon to be in a serious condition, yet there is a slight hope for her recovery.

HEALTH NOTE.
It was announced at the Board of Health this morning that several of the houses placarded for diphtheria and tetanus have been removed from quarantine. It was said that the number of cases was apparently lessening.

FLAG HALF-MAST.
The flag on the ferry-boat Governor Carleton is flying at half-mast today as a mark of respect to William John Hamilton, one of the employes of the ferry department, who died yesterday.

COLDER FOR THE GREAT DAY

Weather Man Says There May Be Snow Tonight and Then Brisk Conditions Tomorrow.

Although for last minute shoppers and those busy with the distribution of Christmas parcels today was not very pleasant, the weather man makes more cheerful promises for tomorrow. The indications, he says, are for a clearing in the weather and a falling colder, while snow is expected tonight. It seems to be the wish of most persons that Christmas should be accompanied with snow—perhaps the old superstition as to green Christmas and a full graveyard has something to do with it, but it is more likely that it is because of the brighter and more natural appearance attending the season.

Toronto, Dec. 24—Temperatures:

Stations	8 a. m.	Highest	Lowest
	Yesterday	Today	Yesterday
Prince Rupert	42	42	42
Victoria	46	52	44
Kamloops	40	52	38
Calgary	32	32	32
Edmonton	28	28	30
Prince Albert	18	14	10
Winnipeg	8	12	8
White River	6	28	12
Soo	6	34	4
Toronto	19	37	18
Kingston	26	36	26
Ottawa	32	32	24
Montreal	28	32	28
Quebec	28	28	24
St. John	30	46	32
Halifax	30	46	32
St. Johns	34	32	36
Detroit	22	30	22
New York	34	44	34

*Below zero.

ARE FREED

Soldiers Were Released Here Today Under Amnesty.

One of the most acceptable and appreciated Christmas presents was handed to the defaulters under the military service act and deserters in Canada this morning—their release from detention and discharge from the army. This action was taken on the authority of the adjutant-general, militia department, Ottawa. The telegram received at local military headquarters this morning reads as follows:

Ottawa, Dec. 23, 1919.
M. D. No. 7, St. John, N. B.:
By a proclamation of Dec. 20, 1919, an amnesty has been granted to all offenders undergoing imprisonment or subject to charges or prosecutions pending or which may be instituted for offences against military law in Canada and orders and regulations respecting military service, and for offences committed in Canada against military law punishable by court martial described in sections 4 to 46 of the military act inclusive. Men now undergoing imprisonment for such offences will be discharged, prosecutions for such offences stayed, apprehension and prosecution of such offenders discontinued. Orders regarding discharges for misconduct are not affected and will be carried out as heretofore. This amnesty applies also to offences of desertion from the permanent force, but does not affect men deserting subsequent to Dec. 20, 1919. Action in criminal and civil cases are not affected nor are cases where charges have been laid under army act section 41 and sentences awarded.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL.
Sheriff Wilson received an order this morning from the local military authorities to allow the seven men now in the jail here for such offences to be released and given to an escort sent up to convey them to the district depot, where they received their discharges from the army. The men left for their homes on the evening train. Several men came from Halifax this morning, where they had been undergoing detention on Melville Island and received their discharges from this district, where they belong.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS

The co-operation of advertising patrons is requested in the direction of getting "copy" into the business office on or before 4:30 p. m. on the day previous to publication. Very often the receipt of a large advertisement or even regular changes after that hour serves to dislocate the regular work of getting the paper made up in time to catch the mails—and not infrequently such ads. are at the last moment left out.

This situation is not of service to either the advertiser or our readers and we, therefore, request that copy be received in the business office

Not later than 4.30 p.m.

LIVES IN POVERTY WHILE HE HOARDS UP THOUSANDS

Pitiful Case of Moncton Resident Nearly Ninety Years Old, Who Lies at the Point of Death.

(Moncton Times.)
If the citizens of Moncton imagine that they have to make a journey to the slums of New York, Chicago or London, in order to see the seamy side of life, even at this Christmas time, or even view the surroundings of the proverbial miser of whom much has been written and more said, they are mistaken. Right in their midst, a short distance from Main street in Pearl, they will discover one of the most pitiful examples of squalid niggardliness that it has ever fallen to the lot of any metropolitan newspaper writer or novelist to record.

Surrounded by more than one dozen tenements which in his life time he has erected and gathered monthly rent therefrom, the possessor of some thousands of dollars in addition to a man, now nearly ninety years of age, lies ill with pneumonia in a small ill-lighted and poorly heated room, spurning the attendance of medical aid or the comforts of the city hospital, believing that in a few days he will be restored back to health, and that by refuting the aid so freely proffered him by the authorities, he will hoard up a few extra dollars to leave behind when he eventually does depart this life to those who will doubtless find good use for his miserly hoardings. Even as he lies in his miserable home, the tenants of his many dwellings come and go paying the monthly rental in consideration of which they are allowed to remain in one of the thirteen tenements owned by this aged resident, who, in addition to his local holdings, is also the owner of a large farm on the MacLaughlin road and the possessor of some thousands in cash.

The present living accommodations of this aged miser, for he can be termed nothing else, consist of but one room on the ground floor of one of his three-story tenements in Pearl street. This one small room is his bedroom, dining room and kitchen all combined. The feeble flickering beams of a sooty lantern are all the light he receives by night while he lies on his bed of pain. Fifth to the depth of several inches is scattered upon the floor and for entrance to the room there is but a small alleyway leading to a door which leans heavily upon creaky hinges. Not even the worst ill-lit quarters of the most deeply impoverished resident of Gotham's slums can surpass in squalor the one room quarters of this Moncton "poor" rich man who denies himself even the ministrations of medical science when, rendered by advanced years, he lies almost at the point of death.

The local authorities after endeavoring to get the man into the city hospital, advised the immediate relatives, one of whom is expected to arrive in the city in a day or two.

TWENTY-EIGHT TO HAVE CHRISTMAS DINNER IN JAIL

Twenty-eight prisoners will spend Christmas in the jail here and a dinner of roast beef and vegetables will be served to them tomorrow. Nine were allowed to go yesterday, having completed their terms or paid their fines.

BODY OF ENGINEER BAGLEY IS FOUND

H. C. Groat, general superintendent of the C. P. R. New Brunswick district, returned home this morning from Ottawa, where he had been in connection with the serious wreck which occurred on last Saturday morning. He reports that a crew of men are still engaged clearing up wreckage and said that they came across the body of Engineer Bagley yesterday afternoon under a heap of debris. He was the last of the unfortunate victims to be accounted for.

AN EXCELLENT MOTTO.

The Clerk, the organ of the Clerks' Association has issued a pretty Christmas and New Year greeting with the motto:—"We stand for co-operation between the employer and the employee."

VISITING ST. JOHN.

A Skowhegan, Maine, letter says—Mrs. Carrie Symonds, accompanied by her granddaughters, Marguerite, Ethel and Lillian Abbey, left on December 16 for St. John, N. B., where they will visit for about two months. Mrs. Roscoe Abbey accompanied her mother as far as Waterville.

W'D LIKE TO KNOW.

Halifax Chronicle.—The British food minister's cable despatch says, and with no ifs nor buts about it, will reduce the price of milk. When he has done so we hope, with the New York Sun, that he will hand across the seas a brief and plain statement of how he did it.

GREETINGS

To Our Many Patrons We Extend Our Heartiest Wishes For A MERRY CHRISTMAS

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The First Real Peace Time Christmas—with all the "Boys Back Home" to add to the enjoyment and good cheer—

WE WISH YOU ALL A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and may it be the best ever

OAK HALL—SCOVIL BROS., LIMITED
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UNUSUAL, INDIVIDUAL, SUBSTANTIAL MAY BE PURCHASED At MAGEE'S Gift Shop, St. John

THINGS THAT MEN WANT AND THAT WOMEN LIKE.

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Street Gloves, Motor Gloves, Canes, Umbrellas, Motor, Sport and Street Caps, Hats, Leather Motor Coats, Fur Coats, Caps, Gloves.	\$2.00, \$5.00, \$10.00, \$20.00, \$50.00, or \$500.00 here you will buy well	Luxurious Furs, Knox Silk Plush Hats from New York, Jay's Velour Hats from London, Doeskin, Mocha, Cape and Fur Lined Gloves, Betty Wales Dresses, Woolen and Leather Coats.

The Evening Times Star

PAGES NINE TO SIXTEEN ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1919 SIXTEEN PAGES

RUSSELL IN WINNIPEG FOUND GUILTY TODAY ON ALL SEVEN COUNTS

Winnipeg, Dec. 24.—The jury... Russell... guilty... seven counts...

CHRISTMAS PRESENTATIONS

Two happy events took place in the works of the James Pender & Co. Ltd. this afternoon...

RUSH ON RAILWAYS GREATEST TODAY

While travel over the railway lines has been very heavy all week, the rush today was said to be unprecedented...

ARRESTED IN HALIFAX ON CHARGE OF THEFT OF RAILWAY ARTICLES

Halifax, Dec. 24.—George Cartwright, an official in the stores department of the Canadian government railways, was arrested last night on a charge of stealing some \$2,000 worth of silver, table linen, blankets and other Pullman dining car accessories...

BUSINESS NOT SO BRISK IN HALIFAX

Halifax, Dec. 24.—While the indications point to a record-breaking Christmas Eve, as regards volume of business, this generally reported that Christmas trade, as a whole, is not up to that of last year.

DEATHS

COY.—At the General Public Hospital, on December 24, 1919, Susie E. Coy, wife of Herbert Coy, aged 42 years, leaving her husband and one son to mourn. Interment will take place from Pohagou on Friday.

IN MEMORIAM

HUMPHREY.—In sad but loving memory of our dear daughter, Evelyn, who fell asleep in Jesus, Dec. 26, 1918. PARENTS, BROTHERS AND SISTERS.



GREETINGS TO C. N. R. EMPLOYEES SENT BY PRESIDENT HANNA

From Toronto, the head offices of the C. N. R., today the following message was sent to employees by the president, D. B. Hanna: Toronto, Dec. 24, 1919. To All Employees: In this Xmas message I desire to express my hearty appreciation of the co-operative efforts of officers and employees...

LOCAL NEWS

GREETINGS. The Trinity Troop of boys wish to extend to their brother soldiers of the C. N. R., today the following message was sent to employees by the president, D. B. Hanna: Toronto, Dec. 24, 1919. To All Employees: In this Xmas message I desire to express my hearty appreciation of the co-operative efforts of officers and employees...

PERSONAL

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CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Howarth, 24 Lum street, West Manchester, England, wishes to extend thanks for sympathy and floral offerings at the sad loss of her son, who died as a result of an accident on November 7 at C. P. R. elevator, West St. John. Mrs. A. D. Armstrong and family wish to thank all those who have been so kind to them in their recent sad bereavement.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

"What means this glory round our feet? The Magi mused, 'more bright than morning.' And voices chanted clear and sweet. 'Today the Prince of Peace is born.' 'What means that star' the shepherds said, 'That brightens through the rocky glen?' And angels answering overhead, sang, 'Peace on earth, goodwill to men.' 'Tis eighteen hundred years and more. Since those sweet oracles were dumb; We wait for Him, like them of yore. Alas, He seems so slow to come! But it was said, in words of gold, 'To those who sorrow ever shall dim, That little children might be bold in hearts true to come to Him. All round about our feet shall shine. A light like that the wise men saw, If our living wells incline. To that sweet life which is the dawn, So shall we learn to understand The simple faith of shepherds' And, clasping kindly hand in hand, Sing, 'Peace on earth, goodwill to men.' But they who do their souls no wrong, Shall keep at ease the faith of morn. Shall still hear the angel-song, 'Today the Prince of Peace is born.' James Russell Lowell.

GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

MARGUERITE CLARK IN DELIGHTFUL ROLE. She Plays Part of Lovey Mary in 'Mrs. Wiggs of Cabbage Patch'—At Imperial Today and Christmas.

CHILD DEAD

Deep sorrow entered into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Seely, 230 Lancaster avenue, this morning when their seven months old child, Margaret, died yesterday in the General Public Hospital. Services will be held tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Seely, 230 Lancaster avenue, and the body will be taken to Holy Station by train for burial.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

A special form of telegram blank was in use today by the C. P. R., for the exchange of Christmas greetings. It was prettily arranged in a fancy border, with a scroll containing the words 'Season's Greetings' in the center, and in the background and a wreath of holly suspended from its rays, bearing the company's monogram.

JOHN TREAGARTIN DEAD

The Rev. John Treagartin took place early this morning at his residence, 980 Main street, after an illness of several days. He was 75 years of age and is survived by his wife, and two sons, Mrs. William Young, of Berkeley, California, and the Rev. John Treagartin, of the same city. The funeral will take place on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from his late residence.

MORGAN-OWELL WEDDING

A very pretty wedding was celebrated in the Grand street Baptist church this afternoon at four o'clock, when the pastor, Rev. F. S. Poole, united in marriage Miss Ina Mable Colwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Colwell, of Jamaica, and Alfred Roy Morgan, of Dorchester, Mass. The bride was escorted in white Georgette crepe over white satin with bridal veil caught up with lilies of the valley, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses. She was attended by her sister, Miss Louise Colwell, who wore a very pretty dress of midnight blue silk with black picture braid and carried a bouquet of pink roses. Her groomsmen were John R. Vallis, of Mount Allison Commercial College, Sackville.

HARRY DUNLOP PRESIDED AT THE ORGAN AND MISS MAUD CAMP, OF FREDERICTON, SANG 'LOVE'S COGNITION' AFTER THE WEDDING

The out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. James J. Colwell of Jamaica; Miss Maud Camp, of Fredericton; and John R. Vallis, of Sackville. The bride was accompanied by her sister, Miss Louise Colwell, who wore a very pretty dress of midnight blue silk with black picture braid and carried a bouquet of pink roses. Her groomsmen were John R. Vallis, of Mount Allison Commercial College, Sackville.

PHENOMENAL IN NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 24.—New York's final day of Christmas shopping started today with a rush that promised to exceed even a record-breaking business of yesterday. Never before in the history of the city has there been such widely distributed prosperity. The stores along Fifth avenue and other streets, where were jammed with goods were on sale were jammed with eager shoppers as early as were the shops in the humbler sections.

CONDENSED NEWS

King George, Queen Mary, the Prince of Wales, and the other members of the royal family will spend Christmas, as is customary, at Sandringham. Colonel Whitehead, chief of the Dominion police in Quebec, who pleaded guilty to a charge of embezzlement of \$800, has changed his plea to not guilty, and also denied his guilt of other charges. He was remanded on bail.

KILLS GIRL AND

Fredonia, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Joe Hucle, returned soldier, today shot and killed Miss Eleanor Carroll, nineteen, and committed suicide. They had been sweethearts for several years but had a quarrel two weeks ago. This morning Hucle went to Miss Carroll's house, shot her while she sat at the breakfast table and turned the weapon upon himself. Miss Carroll was local manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company's office.

WINNERS WITH OLD FLOUGH

London, Eng., Dec. 24.—George Marsden, a farm laborer, has won six first prizes and a championship in ploughing with a plough made eighty years ago.

HERE'S A CHANCE FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

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NOVA SCOTIA CROP REPORTS SHOWED GOOD PRODUCTION

Season Was Fvorable Both For the General Farmer and Fruit Grower

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 23.—The 1919 crop report for Nova Scotia, based upon returns from 293 correspondents has been issued by the provincial department of agriculture. The season in contrast to many previous ones was favorable both for the general farmer and the fruit grower, and although wet conditions of August and September interfered seriously with the harvesting operations and reduced the aggregate yield of the field crops, the year is regarded as one of the best agricultural years in the history of the province.

The hay crop was twenty-five per cent greater than that of the previous year. The total crop was estimated at 1,279,836 tons. The oat crop yielded 5,688,078 bushels. Satisfactory as this return is, it would have been from ten per cent to twenty per cent higher had it not been for the prolonged rains which reduced the crop, especially on poorly drained lands. The return is estimated at 405,510 bushels; 222,096 bushels of barley; 12,900 bushels of rye and 418,604 bushels of buckwheat were raised, together with 175,024 bushels of mixed grain.

Except in one or two small areas the increased acreage under potatoes was maintained, there being an increase in acreage of about ten per cent, over two years ago. The estimated yield is 6,361,788. Crops of turnips and other roots were about seventy-five per cent of an average crop. The turnip crop was estimated at 8,096,227 bushels and the mangels at 1,099,933 bushels.

There was a reduction of about two per cent in the average under garden produce. Conditions were extremely favorable for the harder garden crops, such as peas, beans, carrots, etc., but the tenderer crops such as squash, pumpkins, beans, etc., were extensively injured by

June and July frosts and the frost of September 10. While a few correspondents report pastures decidedly above average, at the same time livestock, while in better condition than for several years, did not improve as much as might have been expected.

The total productions of creamery butter during 1919 was 2,126,000 pounds, an increase over the previous year of 363,636 pounds. Correspondents from every county report an increase in the apple yield of from fifty per cent to more than 250 per cent as compared with 1918. For the larger fruit producing countries the average estimate is about 225 percent ahead of the previous year. This represents from the fruit shipping countries a gross yield of at least 1,500,000 barrels. During 1919 the total acreage under crops, exclusive of apples, was 2,923,638 acres.

BOY CONFESSES TO CAUSING A TRAIN WRECK

Kingston, Dec. 23.—Frederick Scates, aged sixteen years, has confessed to opening a switch on the C. P. R. at Verous, allowing a passenger train to crash into some freight cars on a siding. As the result of the efforts of Engineer James Colquhoun, Kingston, who remained at his post, the speed of the train had been materially reduced before it struck the freight cars, so that the result of the accident was less serious than it might have been.

Some of the passengers and trainmen received a severe shaking up. Mrs. C. H. Gillespie, Whitby, was injured about the face, and Conductor Craig, Kingston, was hurt about the knees. Scates was arraigned in the police court here today, and remanded for a week. His arrest was the outcome of investigations made by Inspector Moore, Toronto, who was assisted by Investigator Harper. Discovery of tracks in the snow from the switch to Scates' home led to his arrest.

USE The Want Ad Way

Fire Sale!

CHOCOLATES, NOTE PAPERS AND PERFUMES In Xmas Packages

CAMERAS—Slightly Damaged TOILET SOAPS, TALCUMS, TOILET ARTICLES AND PATENT MEDICINES

Wrappers Slightly Soiled

At Greatly Reduced Prices to Clear

S. H. Hawker's

Drug Store

9 Paradise Row

Opposite the Old Stand.

12—25.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DEATH OF NOTED CLERGYMAN

The death is announced in London of the Most Rev. Dr. Arnold Harris Mathew, fourth earl of Landaff and archbishop of the Old Catholic denomination in England. Dr. Mathew had a stormy career in religion and became widely known for his controversies with both the authorities of the Anglican and Roman Catholic churches. He was also prominent in the field of zoology and as a writer.

Dr. Mathew was born in 1852, the son of Major Arnold Henry Ochterlony Mathew, third earl of Landaff. He was educated at Cheltenham College, Bonn and Stuttgart, studying for the priesthood in the Roman Catholic church. He was ordained priest in 1877. He left the Roman Catholic church in 1889 and later became identified with the Old Catholic church, a continental body which had separated itself from the Church of Rome. In 1898 he was consecrated bishop by Archbishop Guil of the Old Catholic body at Utrecht. Before that he had assumed by law the name of Fowler, but later he resumed his family patronymic.

He wrote books on "The Churches Separated from Rome," "The History of the Temporal Sovereignty of the Popes," "The Life and Times of Pope Alexander VI.," "The Life of Hildebrand," "The Old Catholic Mission and Ritual," "Anglican Orders" and many other publications.

Dr. Mathew originated the idea of keeping wild animals in captivity without the employment of cages in zoological gardens. He successfully acclimated the anthropoid apes in England. He introduced numerous insectivorous birds into New Zealand.

In 1892 he was united in marriage with Margaret Florence, daughter of Henry Munroe. He succeeded in the earldom of Landaff by his son, Francis Arnold Dominic Leo, Viscount Mathew, who was born in 1900.

NIAGARA BRIDGE IS TO BE GONE ON WITH

New York Central, C. P. R. and T. H. & B. Have Secured Land on Grand Island.

BrIDGEBURG, Dec. 24.—Despite assertions in connection with the proposed line to be constructed to Grand Island, there is no longer any doubt but that the Canadian-Niagara Bridge Company is proceeding with its project of constructing the proposed Niagara River bridge.

Maurice C. Spratt, a prominent attorney of Buffalo, is the authority for the statement that sufficient land has now been acquired on Grand Island, N. Y., in the middle of the Niagara, where the proposed bridge will cross, to accommodate the company's needs. This announcement was made by Mr. Spratt after several weeks of silence. He further admits that the New York Central, Canadian Pacific and Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo Railways are the interests for which he has been working in connection with acquiring the necessary property for the bridge.

NOVA SCOTIA FISHERS HAD RECORD SEASON

Halifax, Dec. 24.—The fishermen of Lunenburg, N. S., have closed the most prosperous year in the history of that county. Their total catch was thirty million pounds of fish, fully five million pounds more than last year. The Lunenburg fleet is now composed of 105 vessels and the fishermen received \$8,860,000 for their haul. It is expected that next year the fleet will be considerably larger as between twenty and thirty staunch fishing craft are being built along the shore.

Maritime literary circles are recalling the fact that it was a Halifax woman to whom one is really indebted for the story of Longfellow's Evangeline. This was Mrs. George H. Halliburton of Boston, whose husband was a near relative of Judge Halliburton, the author of Sam Slick. George H. Halliburton was a friend of a Rev. Mr. Connolly, an Anglican clergyman of South Boston. In her youth she had heard from him the story of the Acadian youth and maiden who were engaged to be married and were separated at the time of the expulsions. She related the story to Mr. Connolly, who in turn told it to Hawthorne, the novelist. Hawthorne told it to Longfellow and the result every reader knows.

A cut upwards of three million feet of lumber on the crown land of New Brunswick during the present logging season is now forecasted. The forecast is based on the estimate of seventeen forest rangers. The revenue from the cut will be in the vicinity of one million dollars.

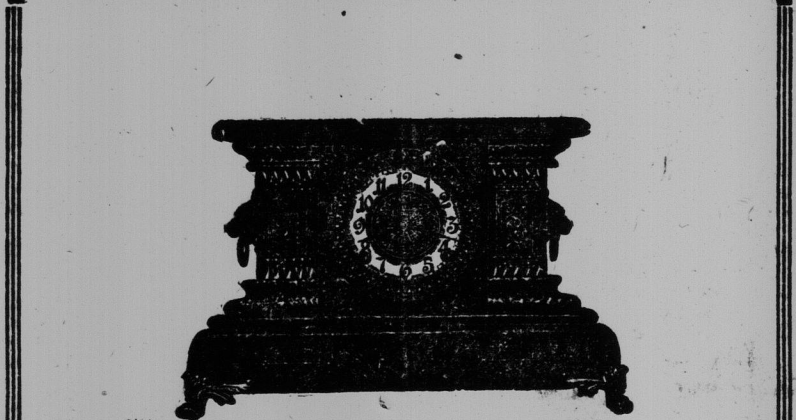
CRY OF BABY SAVES EIGHT

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 24.—A Napanee baby that cried very early in the morning so that its father, Mr. Towling, arose to attend to it, is declared to have saved the lives of at least eight people of that town.

Mr. Towling is a butcher, who resides near the corner of Dundas and West streets. After attending to the crying infant he found that his wife and another child had been overcome by gas. He hurried out for Dr. T. M. Galbraith, who lives across the road, and there discovered that the doctor, his wife, child and maid were also overcome with gas. Mrs. Jas. Daley, wife of the ex-police magistrate, was in a similar condition. Mr. Towling alarmed the authorities, and the patients were given medical attention. It was discovered that a gas main had burst owing to the severe weather, and that gas had escaped into all the buildings nearby. Only for the baby's cries quite a number of Napanee people might have lost their lives through asphyxiation.

Is Retiring.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—After nearly forty-four years active association with shipping, John Torrance of White Star Dominion Line is retiring from that position at the end of the year.

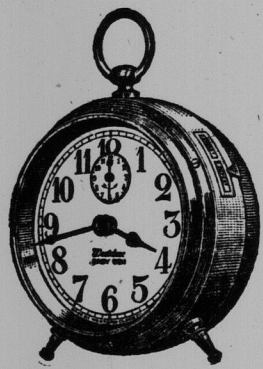


CLOCKS

Cutlery and Leather Goods Form Pleasing and Practical Gifts

Among the useful gifts for the home, few will be more appreciated than a good, reliable timepiece for the living-room, den, library, bedroom or boudoir.

Our Clock Section presents a very comprehensive range of sizes, styles, and finishes, in cases of Oak, Mahogany, Black Enamel with Ornamental Pillars, French Ivory, Gilt effect, and Leather Cased Travellers' Clocks, all reliable time-keepers.



Big Ben

The friend of folks in all walks of life. Big Ben, like Great Ben, is faithful, steady, and keeps his appointments promptly. Be sure to have Big Ben on your gift-list.

Fine English Cutlery

We have a limited quantity of the Finest English Cutlery, which is none too plentiful just now, our line including Richly Cased Carving Sets, Knives, Forks, Pocket Knives and Razors.

Inspect this excellent line while the range is complete.

Also a complete line of LEATHER GOODS, embracing Dressing Sets, Writing Portfolios, Music Rolls, Purses, Shopping Bags, Bill Folds, Wallets, etc.

KING STREET STORE :: :: GROUND FLOOR

W. H. Thorne & Co., Ltd.

Stores open till 10 o'clock p. m., from now until Christmas Eve.

SEES FARMERS IN CONTROL OF THE NEXT PARLIAMENT

London, Dec. 23.—(Canadian Associated Press)—The Westminster Gazette, discussing the Canadian tariff revision programme, sees a probability of agrarian control in the next house of commons in which case "the rule of the protected manufacturers as a statutory privileged class will assuredly come to an end and the fiscal policy of the Dominion cease to be framed in the interest of a class long dominant at Ottawa."

Halifax Chronicle: The present parliament may last another session, but it will only do so by reason of the fact that the parliamentary representatives of the seceding Tory parties will be loath to court personal defeat at the polls, and will postpone an appeal to the country in the hope that a "more convenient season" will arrive. What the immediate outcome will be is difficult to foretell.

Christmas Candy

Fancy Boxes
OUR SPECIAL STOCK of Confectionery and home-made sweets for this week surpasses that of any local store. Some of our specialties are: Fancy boxes for this season are bound to appeal to you, many of them even surpassing those in themselves as gift-boxes which could not be purchased elsewhere. The assortment, in all sizes, the instantly prepared specialties, the exclusive designs, are as unique as artistic.

OUR CHRISTMAS CANDIES and Fancy Fruits comprise the variety which can only be expected of delicacies stores. Necessities for your Christmas dinner, the little stockings, the tree, are well looked after, at very low prices. Come in and see our stock.

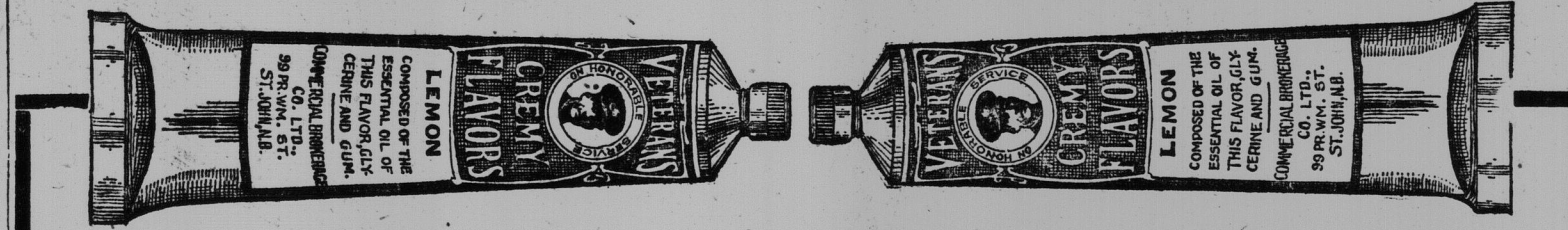
The old stand-by for gifts, real delicious CANDY, will answer your holiday shopping. See our DIFFERENT Fancy Boxes.

John de Angelis
THREE GREAT STORES
Prince Wm. St. Charlotte St. and Coldbrook, N. B.

According to the same authority the bridge will be double-tracked, and equipped with foot and carriage ways.

JAP TYPEWRITER HAS 3,000 CHARACTERS.
(Detroit News.)
To memorize 3,000 characters on a typewriter before being able to qualify as a proficient stenographer is the task that faces the Japanese girl, according to recent reports from a prominent importing firm that uses one of the new machines. The invention is that of a Japanese engineer who studied for several years in American universities. The type slugs rest in a grid-like frame over which the printing handle and the type selecting and grip bar move freely in every direction. The type grip is brought to rest over the character desired, then the printing handle is pressed, which causes the movable arm to raise the type out of the frame into the grip where it is clutched tightly, passed across the face of a small round inkling pad and stamped upon a paper.

The Japanese written language is based upon the ideographs of China, but recently was reduced for commercial purposes to a phonetic alphabet consisting of fifty-two letters. These occupy the centre row of the type rack from left to right, but they are flanked by rows of ideographs indispensable to the conveying of good sense. Commercial schools were established last year in Tokio, and other Japanese cities for the purpose of teaching how to operate the type-writers. Women are expected to follow the profession, much the same as in this country.



The Roll of Honor

Grocers and general dealers wherever approached, have extended a hearty welcome to

Veterans Creamy Flavors

"A Perfect Product"

Eight weeks from the date of the re-organization of this company for the purpose of manufacturing, this high grade non-alcoholic flavoring extract has been placed in practically every store of importance in St. John, Fredericton and Moncton. In some cases it has been impossible for our travellers to make appointments with buyers owing to the Christmas rush and publication of the following list of those dealers who have either stocked or ordered our goods is not intended as a reflection on other grocers as we feel sure that every store will be on the list after the first of the year. The following is the city list and also the wholesale distributors in Moncton and Fredericton:

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| E. R. Robertson, Douglas Ave., 'Phone Main 3461. | J. McGrath & Son, 361 City Road, M. 2378. | M. Gibbon, Cor. Pitt and St. James, Main 1722-11. |
| P. Nase & Son, 2-14 Main St., M. 75. | M. E. Grass, 16 Germain St., M. 3771. | Lee J. Cowan, King Sq., M. 3158. |
| D. J. Purdy, 323 Main St., M. 193. | B. J. Barton, Cor. Duke and Carmarthen, Main 2674-31. | J. C. Lake, 83 Elliott Row, M. 1494. |
| W. Lunney, 123 Main St., M. 2165-21. | M. A. Bowes, 197 Duke St., M. 2817. | E. W. Rowley, 78 Sydney St., M. 1490. |
| J. E. Cowan, 99 Main St., M. 1892-21. | Vanwart Bros., 193 Charlotte St., M. 108. | M. Brown, 63 St. Patrick St. |
| W. Logan, 554 Main St., M. 720. | F. E. Williams, Cor. Princess and Charlotte, M. 2575. | John H. Doyle, Waterloo St., M. 1412. |
| E. J. Denyer, 391 Main St., Main 4393-11. | Mrs. L. A. Catharin, 80 Britain St., M. 2997-31. | Byron Bros., 75 Stanley St., M. 692. |
| J. R. Vanwart, 124 Bridge St., Main 2889. | Mrs. King, 65 Britain St., M. 1148-11. | R. McKinnon, Main St., Fairville, West 135-11. |
| James Gault, 120 Bridge St., M. 2124. | Mrs. E. Macauley, Cor. Queen & Wentworth, Main 777. | St. John Co-operative Stores, Ltd., 4 Main St., Fairville. |
| F. S. Purdy, 96 Wall St., M. 499. | Mrs. P. Pinchurst, 169 Pitt St. Wm. Cunningham, 157 Pitt St. | Allingham & Ross, Main St., Fairville, West 127-21. |
| Butlers Cash Grocery, Cor. Paradise Row and Mill Sts., M. 2342. | | C. Rapley, 29 Main St., Fairville. |
| R. R. Coleman, 67 Winter St., M. 479. | | T. Rippey, Ludlow St., West St. John, West 115-21. |
| H. E. Morrell, 49 Winter St., M. 1484. | | |

Wholesale Distributors
Moncton city and district: J. F. Steeves, Toombs & Son, and Baird & Peters (Moncton branch).
Fredericton city and district: A. F. Randolph & Sons and Kitchen Bros., Ltd.

MANUFACTURERS
Commercial Brokerage Co., Limited 99 Prince William Street St. John, N. B.

OFFER TO MAKE CITY ONE OF THEIR CHIEF AIR PORTS

The pre-Christmas session of the common council yesterday afternoon was short and pleasant, most of the business in hand being a confirmation of action already made in civic matters. It was decided to change the title deed of the "Monahan Annex" and lot in Milford road from Mrs. Deborah Muller, formerly agreed upon, to that of her son, Augustus James Joseph Muller. Lot No. 842 and part of lot No. 851 were sold to the Carleton Curling Club, leases, for the sum of \$450. It was recommended that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company be given authority to construct a ramp about twelve feet in width, to the westward of number three shed at Sand Point and to erect a heated shed to accommodate and handle the baggage of incoming steamship passengers. A lease of the property was given until November 1920, with power to renew. It was decided that the amount of \$20,000 be accepted from the New Brunswick Power Company, as payment in full for the assessment of the present year. Of this amount, \$12,000 has already been paid. Until the appropriations of 1920 are adopted, the comptroller was authorized to make payments to the various departments, up to the amounts of \$42,500, and for the schools and hospitals a sum equivalent to one month's warrant. An unsigned letter from the Women's Canadian Club, advocating the establishment of a juvenile court, was received and referred to the committee. A communication from the Eastern Canada Air Lines, Limited, was read, wherein the company promises in the event that the city can obtain a suitable location, to prepare the ground, build and operate a service to St. John as one of the principal air ports of the service, which is intended to touch at all important cities and towns in the province. The matter was referred to the committee.

HORLICK'S THE ORIGINAL MALTED MILK

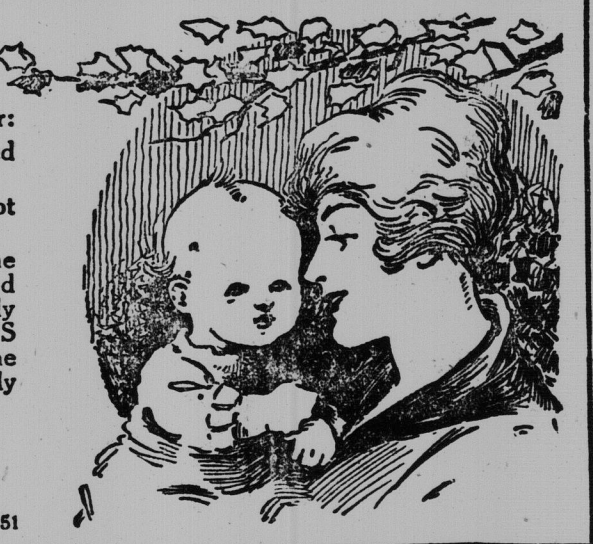


True Friendship is most beautifully expressed by gifts that last a life-time. A gift of Diamonds, Jewelry, Watches, Silverware, Cut Glass, French Ivory, Mantle, or Chime Clocks, inspires the giver, and keeps friendship alive. Let us be your gift counselor this season. W. Tremaine Gard & Son Jewelry and Diamond Dealers, 77 Charlotte St. Established 1870. In Business Over 50 Years.

HOOTON'S CHOCOLATE advertisement featuring an owl logo and a list of flavors: Half-Pound Cakes, Imperial Tack, Assorted Mints, Sweet Milk, Sweet Vanilla, Five Cent Bars, Almond, Raisin, Filbert, Plain Milk, Peanut, Nut Luscious, Sweet Vanilla. Hooton Chocolate Co., Limited, Toronto.

Mother!

There are two things for you to remember: FIRST—that the ideal way for you to feed baby is that dictated by nature: SECOND—that Baby's stomach will not stand experiment. ROBINSON'S "PATENT" BARLEY is the food that for a hundred years has stood the test of time. It will bring baby safely through infancy. Then ROBINSON'S "PATENT" GROATS will continue the good work and carry him on to sturdy childhood. On sale by all Druggists and Grocers. MACOR, SON & COMPANY, LIMITED Montreal, Que. Toronto, Ont. Canadian Agents.



SIX BANDITS IN AN AUTOMOBILE TRY TO ROB BANK

Cincinnati, Dec. 23.—Six automobile bandits made an unsuccessful attempt to rob the First National Bank of Lockland, a suburb, this afternoon. The men were frustrated through the presence of a girl employee, who pushed a button that set ringing a warning bell on the outside of the bank. The men drove up to the bank building in an automobile. Two of them remained in the machine and the other four went into the bank. The latter at the point of revolvers, lined up the cashier, the three paying tellers and three girl employees, the only ones in the bank at the time. As one of the robbers was trying to open a gate leading to the money vault, one of the girls stepped on an electrical contrivance connected with a large gong on the outside of the building. This rang and when the robbers saw people running towards the bank from all directions they leaped into their automobile and sped away without obtaining any plunder.

MORSE'S ORANGE PEKOE advertisement with illustration of a woman and a child. Text: The refinement and delicacy of the flavor of MORSE'S ORANGE PEKOE makes it especially acceptable to the palate of the sick or convalescent. His first cup of Tea-Morse's.

INFANTS-DELIGHT TOILET SOAP advertisement with illustration of a boy. Text: Stands for Victor Who stands for what's right. In wartime and peace he buys "Infants-Delight." Conquers the effects of wind, sun and dust. Brings peace and comfort to the sensitive skin. Send us three of these ads—all different—for a FREE trial size cake of INFANTS-DELIGHT. JOHN TAYLOR & CO., Limited, Dept. P, TORONTO.

SOME DELAY IN GETTING EXTRA MONEY PAID OUT

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—By the order-in-council passed December 9, the government pledged itself to introduce legislation at the next session to make the reclassification of the civil service retro-active to April 1, 1919. Those who, unaware of the terms of the order-in-council, expected to get an immediate amount, and threaten strike because of the delay will have to possess their souls in patience. In the first place, the legislation dating from the reclassification from April 1 next has to be changed before the government can act and in the second place the experts employed by the civil service commission for the detailed work of the reclassification are making but slow progress in respect to the amount of work ahead of them. It is possible to issue governor-general's warrants, but this device is never followed with respect to large sums. Sooner or later, letter carriers and others, however, will get in a lump sum the extra money due them.

Shirriff's ORANGE Marmalade advertisement with illustration of a jar. Text: The tang of Seville Oranges, the sweetness of granulated sugar, in combination with buttered breakfast toast! Delicious! Sold everywhere in glass or large tins. Sales Agents, Harold F. Ritchie & Co., Ltd., Toronto.

MAY VISIT ST. JOHN. St. John may receive a visit from Major General Sir Frederick H. Sykes. The general announced his intention some time ago of coming to Canada and also touring the United States. Secretary C. W. Romans of the Canadian Club, who recently extended an invitation to Sir Frederick to address the club, yesterday received word from him that his visit had been postponed because of the pressure of business, but that he hoped to come to this country without undue delay and would certainly welcome an opportunity to speak before the club. India Favored. London, Dec. 23.—King George issued a proclamation today announcing the new measure giving India a larger degree of self-government. The proclamation characterizes the government bill as an historic act, giving representation long desired by the natives. It calls for the determination of the people and the officials to work together for the common purpose of making the new plan of the government a success.

INVESTIGATION OF CAUSE OF WRECK NOW BEING MADE

Onawa, Me., Dec. 23.—Inspectors representing the interstate commerce commission began an investigation today of the collision on the Canadian Pacific railway near here on Saturday last which resulted in twenty-five deaths and the injury of fifty persons. Among those questioned were Eugene Austin, head brakeman of the freight train which crashed head on into the immigrant special, Isaac Mennel, conductor of the freight and passengers on the immigrant train. The body of William Bagley, engineer of the freight, the last to be located, was recovered today.

WAS EIGHTY DAYS ASLEEP BEFORE SHE AWAKENED

Norwich, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Neighbors, relatives and doctors for eighty days have tried to wake Mrs. Fred Tracey, of Oxford, from her "sleeping sickness" but today a talking machine succeeded where human efforts had failed. When, as a last resort, a record was played, she became conscious long enough to inquire, "What was that?" Then she fell asleep again, but was roused several times after that. Her physicians now state that she will recover. The woman is fifty-five years old and although believed to hold the 1919 championship for "long distance sleeping", is in good physical condition.

A HOCKEY LEAGUE

Moncton Transcript: Moncton will figure in hockey this winter. This is the latest word produced by one of the city's foremost enthusiasts of the game. A meeting of the fans will be held on the evening following Christmas Day, and plans will be talked over, and an endeavor made to form a league taking in Sussex, Sackville and Amherst. B. E. Reardon is in receipt of a communication from E. E. Parkman of the Charlottetown Millionaires asking if his team could not be admitted into this proposed league. Mr. Reardon took the matter up with several other promoters of the sport and they concluded that the teams could not possibly make the trips to the Island in commencing their league.

A Serious Charge

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Joseph Clement, of Ste. Anne de Bellevue, was placed under arrest this morning by Detective Desrosiers, of the provincial police staff, on a warrant for attempted murder, the complainant being Mrs. Odette Richer, wife of a returned soldier and a neighbor of Mrs. Clement. According to the story told to the de-



Buster Brown Stockings Lower the clothing bill Mothers! Here are sensible boys' stockings for cold weather—at a reasonable price. They're closely knit from extra-long yarn, warm and durable—sturdy stockings that will stand the strain of winter sports. If your family is large, Buster Brown Stockings will materially lower your outlay for clothing. And they'll save you mending as well. They're knitted with three-ply heels and toes, and double-ply legs and feet. They wear longer, they're shaped to fit—they hold their color. Ask for Buster Brown durable hosiery—the economical kind. BUSTER BROWN'S SISTER'S STOCKINGS are shaped to fit and give excellent wear. Knitted from fine mercerized lisle, in Black, Leather Shade Tan, Pink, Blue and White. Moderate in Price.

The BUSTER BROWN STOCKING advertisement with SUNSHINE HOSIERY logo and a small illustration of a girl's face.

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STEEL PRODUCTION 450,000 TONS A WEEK; STRIKE PRACTICALLY ENDED

Rate in New York to be Determined by New Standards — New Record of 700,000 Tons a Week Expected—Enormous Supply Predicted.

(Special Correspondence of the Evening Post.)

Pittsburg, Dec. 16.—The iron and steel strike, as a strike, is now practically over, and the gains and losses can be counted up. The losses are three—a loss in tonnage output, a loss in high cost of the material that has been produced, and a loss in the injured morale and lower efficiency of working forces that will remain for some time to come, disappearing probably in about two or three months.

The strike began Monday, Sept. 22. Eleven weeks later, Dec. 8, the coal strike, which had been in progress for five weeks, became the dominant factor in restricting iron and steel production. During the eleven weeks the iron and steel strike had almost played out, there being few strikers left except in the Wheeling district, which produces about one-twentieth of the iron and steel of the country, and the Wheeling strikers now show a willingness to return to work when coal conditions permit.

Production of steel is frequently referred to in terms of steel ingots, but ingots are not a merchantable commodity, and a better measure is the production of finished rolled steel, which year after year runs at about 70 per cent of the known tonnage, there being regular losses in rolling and finishing, chiefly by way of scrap which goes through the steel-making process again. Just before the strike the production of finished rolled steel in the form of plates, structural shapes, rails, sheets, wire rods, etc., was at the rate of about 600,000 gross tons a week.

A few days after the strike started production was down to about 800,000 tons a week. The east and south were running practically normal, while the Wheeling district, the Mahoning Valley, centering in Youngstown, and the Cleveland district were closed light and other regions were running at greater or less rates. In the last of the eleven weeks of strike here considered production was about 450,000 tons.

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Just the thing for warm weather when there's only cold water available.

Mennen's is just as good with cold water as with hot.

Made in Canada

ON A VISIT

Switzerland—Now, dear sister, how do you like your new bonnet?

Germany—Very well, indeed, thanks. And I should be quite happy if I could only get rid of these bracelets (peace terms) and this footwear (indemnities).

HELVETIA

Time Saver Electric Washer

Give a Time Saver Electric Washer for a Christmas present. It extends the good cheer of Christmas to every wash-day of the year. No other present can make wife or mother so happy. See the Time Saver in our store.

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conservatively but on the assumption of a full supply of raw materials and a full supply of efficient labor.

Last January and February the steel industry operated at more than 85 per cent of capacity. At the middle of May it was running at only about 50 per cent while the rate in August was about 80 per cent. These percentages being computed from the monthly steel production report of the American Iron and Steel Institute, the last of which is for August.

New Production Standard.

The production rate in the new year will be determined by new standards, there being nothing about the rate just preceding the strike to make it a standard.

The lowered morale and decreased efficiency of the iron and steel workers will not be wiped out instantly by the mere fact of the strike being over, but conditions in this respect should become normal in the space of a couple of months or so. There remains the question of labor shortage in general. It is absurd to talk of labor shortage from the viewpoint of its affecting the production of steel and not its consumption. About half a million men, working efficiently, and including the workers at the one mines as well as the proper quota at coal mines and coke works, will produce the pig iron used by the iron foundries as well as the 370,000,000 gross tons of finished rolled steel which the physical equipment of the steel industry has capacity to produce in a year. A much larger number of men is required for the fabrication or utilization of this material.

To claim that labor shortage will restrict the production of steel more than its consumption is to assert that the steel industry will not admit.

NEW YORK HAS CAT PROBLEM

Upkeep of Board of Education's Feline Causes Controversy.

(N. Y. Times.)

The problem of determining the duties of the Board of Education cat, the problem that was put up squarely to Commissioner of Accounts David Hirschfeld by Mayor Hylan on Monday, became doubly serious yesterday when it was ascertained that there are two cats. This disclosure, while making it apparent that there were two employees of the board not regularly accounted for on the

payroll, showed that the actual outlay per cat capita on the part of the city was cut in half.

Commissioner Hirschfeld was not prepared yesterday to report on his findings because he had not yet heard from the special investigator assigned to the case. Although he had not talked with the mayor, he said, he believed that it was not the \$650 maintenance charge that provoked the inquiry, but "only the principle of the thing."

The plain tale of what proves to be a tailless cat, along with her accomplice, who is also her offspring, was revealed yesterday at the office of Patrick Jones, the superintendent of supplies in the Board of Education building. Once upon a time, when "art artists" and "efficiency experts" were not, the rats and mice in the Board of Education building lived almost exclusively on the choice findings of school-books awaiting delivery, causing a loss to the city of thousands of dollars every year. Rat traps were used, but the intended victims were wary. Poison was laid along the trail, but the rats ate the poison and then topped it off with the bindings,

only to return for more the next day. Anthony Walsh, standing guard for the education S. O. S. system, was driven to extreme measures. So, enter the cat!

As the curtain rises upon the second act of the feline drama at a date set two years back, a member of the Board of Education is discovered questioning Anthony as to the cat's excuse for eating and the source of her upkeep. The keeper of the books avers that the cat is a public benefactor, confessing that in his weakness he has bought milk and meat and liver out of his own small stipend.

Whereupon the board member suggests that the city might well afford to pay for such valuable service and that he will see that the bill is O. K'd when rendered. Thus the origin of a voucher which has been sent in the regular channels periodically ever since. When the original estimate for cat maintenance was made \$6.50 was said to be a fair figure. Meantime the cost of living for cats has steadily risen, yet Walsh does not complain.

Mater familias cat is a black and white cat, with a temper so vicious that all those in the building, except the keeper, think twice before going near her, and then stay away. She is black and white and has no tail. She is said to have lost it in line of duty one night while battling with a rat in the geography sector of the supply room. Tabby cat is just black, with green eyes, and since the announcement that an investigator would arrive has worn a worried expression. The other cat was openly belligerent when she learned of Mayor Hylan's letter.

Commissioner Hirschfeld gave assurance yesterday that if he found the cat was justifying the cost of her upkeep he would not hesitate to say so, but if he

found the expense unwarranted he would be equally emphatic.

Incidentally, at the request of the mayor, the resolution appropriating \$900 in special revenue bonds for the purpose of making an investigation of Board of Education was withdrawn. The president that by the ruling of the court of appeals the commissioner of accounts now had authority to make the investigation and the money would not be needed.

SEPTUAGENARIANS' FLIGHT

London, Eng., Dec. 24.—Two of the passengers who came to London from Brussels on a Handley-Page machine were septuagenarians, two ladies aged seventy-five and seventy-three. They thoroughly enjoyed the trip.

Christmas Suggestions For Men

Shirts—Clean, fresh stock in silk and linen fronts. Good variety of Neckwear, in new designs—special Xmas boxes.

Mufflers—Original patterns, silk, angora and knitted. Dandy line of gloves in wool, silk, lined and unlined grey flannel.

Suspenders—In holiday boxes. Leather goods, club bags, umbrellas—And Jewelry.

MULHOLLAND

The Hatter and Furnisher
7 Waterloo—N.B. Union
Electric Sign—Mulholland.

Were Prepared for Crisis.

Production during the entire eleven weeks may be estimated at about 4,000,000 tons, whereas a continuance of the pre-strike rate would have meant 6,000,000 tons. There was a curtailment of about 2,000,000 tons, but there was not necessarily a deficit as large as that. By many producers and consumers the strike had been expected, and some observers had expected a greater strike than occurred. An effort was made to accumulate stocks. How successful that effort was cannot be estimated closely, but some suggestion is furnished by the fact that steel did not become particularly scarce in the early weeks of the strike, when production was especially light, while it did become very scarce later, when production had increased.

Perhaps it is fair to guess that of the pre-strike production of 600,000 tons a week, which would set the consumption rate at 800,000 tons a week, whereby the actual requirements in the eleven weeks would have been about 6,000,000 tons. The 2,000,000 tons difference between requirements and production would be made up of three items, namely, consumption of extra stocks accumulated in

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THE SHOPPING CROWDS NEVER WERE SO BIG

New York Cars Carried Nearly Three Millions and Half of People on Monday.

New York, Dec. 24.—Christmas shopping crowds broke all records Monday, according to officials of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, who announced last night that 3,308,464 passengers were carried on its elevated and subway lines Monday. This is half a million more than were carried last year at the same time.

The Interborough statement points out that the number of passengers carried on its line Monday was more than twice the usual number carried daily on the entire Pennsylvania railroad system. In order to accommodate the crowds 14222 trains were run on the elevated and subway lines.

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The Irving Cigar, in Special Price of Wales Fancy Box, is especially deserving of your attention.

Also Ben Rey and a complete line of Standard lines, Imperial Mixture and Players Navy Cut Cigarettes in Holly Xmas Boxes.

Dandy line of Pipes, Cases, Tobacco Pouches, Cigarette Holders, now on display.

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Merry Christmas Everybody

To those who made possible the splendid Christmas trade we have enjoyed, and to those with whom we expect to have dealings in the future—in short, TO EVERYBODY, we extend heartiest wishes for the Merriest Merry Christmas ever.

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MUTT AND JEFF—MUTT USES DISCRETION WHEN HE BUYS HIS GIFT FOR JEFF (COPYRIGHT, 1919, BY H. C. FISHER. TRADE MARK REGISTERED IN CANADA.)

I'M JOLLY WELL HAPPY. I JUST BOUGHT MUTT A FINE GOLD WATCH FOR A CHRISTMAS PRESENT, AND THAT FINISHES MY XMAS SHOPPING.

MUTT HASN'T STARTED HIS CHRISTMAS SHOPPING YET. THERE HE IS NOW. I THINK I'LL DROP HIM A HINT.

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QUITE SO, QUITE SO!

HOW TIME FLIES. I'M GONNA BUY A GIFT FOR YOU BEFORE I FORGET ABOUT IT! RIGHT NOW!

OH, FINE! TEE, HEE.

CERTAINLY! I KNOW I BOUGHT IT HERE ONLY HALF-AN-HOUR AGO, BUT, WHAT I WANT TO KNOW IS, CAN I GET MY TWENTY DOLLARS BACK?

By "BUD" FISHER

SPORT NEWS OF A DAY; HOME AND ABROAD

CURLING.

Newcastle Curling Club. Newcastle, Dec. 23.—(Special)—Newcastle Curling Club has at its initial meeting for the season added thirteen new members.

BASKETBALL.

Y. M. C. A. Intermediates. Although only a small squad turned out for the Y. M. C. A. intermediate basketball tournament last night, an excellent game was played.

High School Championships. The basketball tournament among the Y. M. C. A. High school classes proved very exciting yesterday afternoon, when three close games were played.

Visiting Team Expected. Good news was received by the Y. M. C. A. intermediates yesterday when word came that the business college team that is leading the Fredericton city league would probably be able to come to St. John to meet Sealey's squad New Year's night.

City League. In the City League game on Black's alley last night the Sweeps took three points from the Lions.

St. Paul's the Champions. A very close and interesting game of basketball was played between the St. Paul's scouts and Y. M. C. A. teams last night in St. Paul's Sunday school.

Ames-Holden. The Atlantic Sugar Refinery team took four points from the Ames-Holden-McCreedy Co. team in the Commercial League game last night on Black's alley.

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A Happy And Prosperous New Year

Let the high seas of Laughter HAROLD LLOYD in his \$100,000 Two Reel Comedy "Captain Kidd's Kids"



A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

I will be at the Star every four weeks during 1920. Expect to see you each time. HAROLD LLOYD.

Table with columns for City League, Sweeps, Lions, and other teams with scores.

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IMPERIAL WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY. To All Our Friends—and Enemies, Too, if We Have Any—We Extend THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON. Come See This Show and Be Merry. DARLING MARGUERITE CLARK. "MRS. WIGGS OF THE CABBAGE PATCH".



LOOKS LIKE A MERRY CHRISTMAS At the STAR THEATRE. 4 Shows Tomorrow— 2, 3.30, 7 and 8.45. Harold Lloyd. The Greatest of All Comedians With Snub Pollard and Bebe Daniels in "CAPTAIN KIDD'S KIDS".



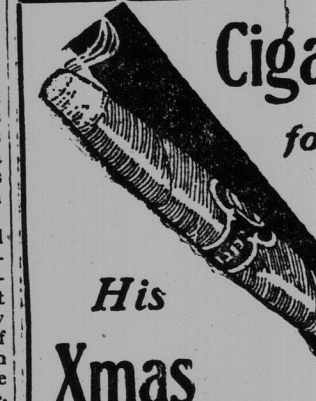
Dannas but his father was a Fomorian chief of the Fomorians. "Let them kneel so that we may sweep off their heads!" "We will show ye how to slit!" cried Lugha, as he and his company fell upon the Fomorians.

SMOKERS Supplies For Christmas. Briar Pipes—the real French quality, ... 75c to \$9.00. Cigars, (Xmas Boxes), 70c up.

STORIES OF INISFAIL. (By Bernard Seaton.) In the old, well-written books of Ireland there are strange tales, indeed—tales that speak of the coming of many wonderful ships and the landing of great heroes who came from far to have adventures in that land of mystery—Inisfail.

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LANE STAYS IN AT SACRIFICE

One of Strongest Men of Wilson Cabinet.

Has Declined Attractive Financial Offers Out of Loyalty to President—His Work During the War.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Close friends of Secretary Lane, who is generally regarded as one of the strongest men in the cabinet, have known for several months that the financial burdens imposed on cabinet officers were weighing heavily on him, and that he was literally remaining at his post at a heavy sacrifice.

It is entirely probable, however, that had the president not been overtaken by serious illness, Secretary Lane would have discussed his resignation with him some time ago. When Secretary Lane resigned, John W. Halliwell of Massachusetts, his assistant, will also resign, and it is said that Assistant Secretary Vogelsang of California will become acting head of the department until the president fills the vacancy.

The secretary has been one of the most valuable men in the Wilson cabinet during the entire Wilson administration. As interstate commerce commissioner for many years, Mr. Lane came into the cabinet with an experience in national affairs which was possessed by none of his colleagues.

Mr. Lane is a native of Prince Edward Island. He has been in the cabinet since 1913. He is a native of Prince Edward Island. He has been in the cabinet since 1913. He is a native of Prince Edward Island.

Advertisement for Bob Long Union-Made Overalls, Shirts & Gloves. Includes an illustration of a man in overalls.

Advertisement for Old Dutch Cleanser. Includes an illustration of a woman cleaning.

Old Dutch Cleanser —makes sinks clean and spotless. Use it for ALL cleaning and scrubbing throughout the house. Economical and Thorough

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readjusted the pay of railroad employees under the federal railroad administration. These things were seen and known of all men but they record only a small part of the labor of Mr. Lane outside of his department.

His Work During the War.

During the trying days preceding the war with Germany and following the sinking of the Lusitania, Secretary Lane was among the first to sense the true policy of the president in that crisis, and to sustain it at every step.

Another unwritten chapter in the work of Secretary Lane centres about the dispatch of the American army to Europe in reply to the call of the Allies for immediate help.

In all industrial questions Secretary Lane has from the first had the confidence of both parties. This led to his selection recently as chairman of the president's ill-fated industrial conference.

Though it may not have been the only reason for his action, the paramount reason is undoubtedly his personal financial situation. As secretary of the interior he gets \$12,000 a year.

PACKERS EXPECTED TO OBEY AT ONCE

Armours Will Form Separate Company to Take Over Tanning Interests.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—The big Chicago packers are expected to begin immediately the segregation of their subsidiary interests in accordance with their agreement with the government.

One of the first moves will be the formation by Armour & Co. of an independent company to take over its leather and tanning business, according to the understanding in La Salle Street today.

Announcement of the formation of the new Armour company is expected next month. The segregation of interests other than meat packing is expected to follow.

A GOLD STRIKE

Ketchikan, Alaska, Dec. 23.—Thousands of persons in Canada, England and the United States, have sent here for reports regarding a supposed fabulous gold strike just across the Canadian line, south of here, near Hyder, a town on the American side of the international boundary.

Hyder residents expect a "rush" next spring, according to word brought here. Reports from Hyder rather discourage the coming of men who have not adequate financial backing.

Large advertisement for Victrola records. Includes the headline 'There is Still Time to Get a Victrola for Xmas!', an illustration of a Victrola, and various promotional text and dealer information.

BULGARIA HAS A PLAN TO KEEP HER CREDIT GOOD

Bulgaria has devised an effective plan to maintain Bulgarian credit. The value of all goods imported into Bulgaria from abroad must be deposited within a period of from one to two months in the National Bank of Bulgaria in the name of the exporter or consignee of such goods.

MARKET BASKET SHOPPING WILL CUT HIGH LIVING COSTS

Chicago, Dec. 24.—The surest way back to the old-fashioned price levels is to shop with the old-fashioned market basket and occasionally use "old-fashioned corn beef and other fine and palatable but cheaper cuts."

HOLBEIN FOR LONDON

London, Dec. 24.—Believed to have been painted by Holbein, the earliest known portrait of a lord mayor of London, Sir Thomas Exmewe, who held office in 1517, has been presented to the city corporation by Mrs. Lawrence Brodrick.