

FROM "OUR BOYS."

Saturday's Mail Brought Some Interesting News from the Boys of Co. G.

Boers Have Twenty-five Thousand Men Between Ladysmith and Colenso.

Despatch Via Pretoria Says the British at Ladysmith Are Destroying Their Heavy Cannon Prior to a Final Sortie—The Second Contingent.

SECOND CONTINGENT.

Mounted Rifles Will Consist of Two Battalions—Two Officers Appointed Declined to Go.

OTTAWA, Dec. 31.—Militia general orders issued yesterday give a new establishment for the regiment of mounted rifles. It will consist of two battalions with a total of 371 officers and men and 372 horses each.

Officers appointed to the special service force must report for duty at places of concentration not later than tomorrow. Batteries of artillery are to proceed to Halifax complete with harness and gun equipments and horses.

Extra saddlery, dubbing and oil tins for farmers and cobblers and a complete supply of tailors' requirements will also be issued at Halifax. Each man is to be allotted four blankets.

Two officers mentioned in the first draft of officers of the second contingent have declined to go. They are reported to be Capt. J. H. Wynne of Montreal, who was named as quartermaster of the Mounted Rifles, and Capt. Laiberte of Quebec, who was given a lieutenancy in the artillery.

Hon. Dr. Borden has decided to appoint a Methodist chaplain with the new contingent, and the general superintendent of the Methodist church has been asked to name the clergyman, from which the minister of militia will choose one. A representative of the Canadian Y. M. C. A. will also accompany the second contingent.

WOODSTOCK, Dec. 31.—Capt. Good received formal word Saturday to enroll 18 men exclusive of himself, and that he is to take thirteen horses. The following are appointed to value the horses: Capt. Good, Capt. Carvell and Veterinary Surgeon Fugler.

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day. Eleven gunners, seven drivers and one collar maker are wanted.

TORONTO, Dec. 30.—The city council has passed a resolution authorizing the city treasurer to arrange for insurance on the lives of the Toronto members of the second contingent.

KINGSTON, Dec. 30.—"C" Battery will mobilize at Kingston on Tuesday next. Col. Stone has been offered 50 good horses within a week at \$150 per head. The offer will likely be accepted.

TORONTO, Dec. 30.—The Telegram's special cable from London says: Lord Strathcona, Canadian high commissioner, acknowledging the receipt of a cheque for £1,000 from Sir A. G. Hamsworth, proprietor of the London Daily Mail, a contribution from the Kipling fund for dependents of members of the Canadian contingent to South Africa, says Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Canadians generally will much appreciate the spirit in which this magnificent donation has been given.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 31.—Dr. Leyds, the diplomatic agent of the Transvaal in Europe, states that the Transvaal and the Orange Free State have no reason to fear the results of England's commercial blockade, which, he declares is odious. The republic, he says, are dependent on Europe only for luxuries such as English cloths, wines, cigars and spirits, which can be easily dispensed with by a people who are struggling for liberty. He likens the Boers to the Americans when they deprived themselves of tea during the outbreak of the revolution. He adds that the stories of the crops in the republics rotting in the ground for lack of men to gather them are absolutely false. There are a sufficient number of old men, foreigners and blacks to gather all the crops. In conclusion, Dr. Leyds says: "We have enough men and ammunition to fight for several years. We have enough ammunition and to spare. Twenty-one years ago we won with only six cartridges per man. Now we shall certainly win. The English will be the first to give up, for they now are our best suppliers of ammunition."

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LONDON, Jan. 1.—The following telegraph message has been received by way of Weenen from Ladysmith, dated Wednesday, Dec. 27: "The Boers are actively bombarding the town. One shell struck the Devonshire mess tent, killing Capt. P. D. Sell and wounded seven. Lieutenants Dent, Twiss, Tringham, Caffyn, Byrne, Scafe and Kene."

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BERLIN, Dec. 31.—Regarding the seizure by the British cruiser Magdalen of the imperial mail steamer Bundesrath of the German East African line, a high official of the German foreign office, who was interviewed by the correspondent of the Associated Press today, said: "Silence must be preserved at present concerning the actual status of the negotiations which have been begun with Great Britain about the matter. Appropriate steps have been taken, of which Germany must await the results. The matter is regarded by Germany as of the utmost importance because serious involving the rights of neutrals."

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night, only to return drenched and disappointed in the morning." It is roughly estimated that there are 15,000 Boers between Ladysmith and Colenso, some 4,000 being on the south side of the Tugela River. At all points the enemy shows ceaseless activity.

N. B. AND N. S. WAR NOTES. It is reported that only eleven men and nine horses are to be taken from New Brunswick for the Mounted Rifles, which seems to be a most unfair division. It is at first reported, forty men were to go from the province. Two extra horse squadrons of cavalry in New Brunswick and one in Nova Scotia. A numerical appointment would give thirty-two men to New Brunswick.

AT CENTENARY CHURCH. Rev. John Read in last evening's sermon spoke of the dealings of the Lord with his people. He said that incidentally he spoke of the war in Africa, and of the noble example of Lord Roberts, in his old age and oppressed with grief for the loss of his son, going off to fight for his country.

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and up the after. We have one hour drill with a half hour extra for the awkward squad, or fresh volunteers. The food is very good, I believe, when compared with that of the Americans during their late outing, and is getting better all the time. As for equipment, I do not believe a better fitted out force was ever sent on active service. The Canadian people have been very thoughtful and deserve our warmest thanks for the many comforts they have given us.

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Found Dead in a Berth in a Sleeping Car.

Deceased Was President of the Yarmouth Steamship Company, and One of the Foremost Men in Nova Scotia.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 31.—When the QVI train arrived here from New York this morning the dead body of Hon. Loran E. Baker of Yarmouth, N. S., was found in a berth in the sleeping car. Mr. Baker was president of the Yarmouth Steamship Company, and was well known here. Mr. Baker left Boston for New York last Tuesday, accompanied by his wife and son. He had some business to transact in New York and New Jersey and then took Mrs. Baker and her son to Washington, D. C., where he made arrangements for them to take a trip through the south. He then returned to New York, finished up his business, and started for Boston on the train which left New York at midnight last night. The train is composed of sleeping cars, and Mr. Baker had a section. When the train arrived in Boston this morning the porter called Mr. Baker twice, and on the second call he did not answer. The porter then opened the curtains of his berth and looked in. Mr. Baker was lying in his berth, clad in his underclothing, and apparently asleep. As he was not to be aroused by the porter's calls, he was thought something was the matter, and summoned the conductor. The conductor at once realized that there was something wrong, and although the body was still warm, there was no heart movement. An ambulance was summoned and the body was taken to the Emergency hospital. At the hospital the baggage was searched and it was then discovered who the dead man was, and H. F. Hammond, the Boston agent of the Yarmouth Steamship Company, was notified. Meanwhile the body was removed to Jones' undertaking rooms and the medical expert pronounced death to be due to several causes, but could not determine the exact nature of the complaint. Mr. Hammond has taken charge of matters and will have the body embalmed and sent to Yarmouth by boat on Tuesday or Friday of this week. Mrs. Baker and her son left Washington for Savannah, Ga., last night. Mr. Hammond was telegraphed to them there and they will probably return to Boston at once and accompany the body to Yarmouth. Apparently Mr. Baker died without any apparent cause, and the body was found in a berth in the sleeping car. It is impossible to state what the effect of Mr. Baker's death will have on the steamship company. None of the officials of the company here could be seen tonight except Mr. Hammond, and he was too busy to make arrangements to care for the body to attend to anything else.

Hon. Loran Ellis Baker, M. L. C., steamship owner, banker and legislator, and one of the most widely known and respected of Nova Scotians, was born at Yarmouth, N. S., May 13, 1821, the son of John and Dolina Baker. His paternal ancestors were from Massachusetts, while his maternal ancestors were early settlers in Yarmouth. He was educated in Yarmouth, completing his education at the Yarmouth Academy. He was a member of the Yarmouth Steamship Company, and was also a member of the Yarmouth Agricultural Society. He was a liberal in politics. In 1871 he founded a free public library and museum in Yarmouth. He was president of the Yarmouth Steamship Company, and was also a member of the Yarmouth Agricultural Society. He was a liberal in politics. In 1871 he founded a free public library and museum in Yarmouth. He was president of the Yarmouth Steamship Company, and was also a member of the Yarmouth Agricultural Society. He was a liberal in politics.

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AN EVENTFUL YEAR.

The year which has passed away is one long to be remembered by the British people. As it goes out Great Britain is strengthening her army in Africa, which is already larger than any force that had ever before been sent out of the kingdom.

More event has grown out of the war more significant almost than the war itself. This is the closer alliance and co-operation of Great Britain and her colonies.

We shall have peace by and by. But the relation of mother country and colony can never be the same as it was before.

So the British Empire and the British speaking people start on the new year under new and interesting conditions.

OFFICERS AND GOVERNMENT.

Major Harold Borden, who is a son of the militia and a command in the Kings, N. S., cavalry, might have had a prominent position on the second Canadian contingent, but he takes the lowest, a fourth lieutenant in a troop of mounted rifles, according to a newspaper report.

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their friends are welcome to the patronage they get out of the war. But their organs should not make reflections on equally good conservative ad-voers who offer for service and are passed over or even on those who do not offer after the government has announced that no men are wanted from their branch of the service.

THE WAR.

General French has given the nation a welcome New Year's offering. The action at Colesburg, as described in the despatches, was not a great battle. The number of men at the largest estimate engaged was much less than those in the other important actions, and the casualty list will probably be relatively small.

The London editor of the Associated Press says that French has only 2,000 men. This must be a guess, unless the war office has given out more information than has reached this country.

Now that Colesburg is occupied the importance that befell Gataca is apparent. If the latter were in strength at Stormburg the Boers' forces could be cleared out of Cape Colony in a short time.

General French's success, if it proves permanent, will make him one of the favorites of the war. The battle of Elandsbaagte, which was a soldiers' fight in every sense, was fought under his command, as General White took care to announce, though White was himself on the field during the greater part of the day.

THE CARLETON COUNTY ELECTION.

The opponents of the local government in Carleton have lost no time in placing a candidate in the field. Mr. Flemming, who is the choice of the party, ran a good election a year ago. He was only fifty votes behind Mr. Smith, the postmaster of Woodstock, whose seat is now to be filled.

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IMPORTANT ADVANCE.

Boers Evacuate Colesberg, Which Has Been Occupied by Gen. French.

Conflicting Reports as to the Movement, No Official Statement Having Been Given Out.

One Correspondent Claims a Decisive Victory, and Says the Boers Lost Heavily, While the British Loss Was Slight—A Boer Hotchkiss Gun Captured by the British.



GENERAL FRENCH.

A SUCCESS AT LAST. Gen. French Has Completely Defeated the Boers and Occupied Colesberg.

RENSBURG, Cape Colony, Jan. 1.—Gen. French has completely defeated the Boers and occupied Colesberg. The general continued to keep the Boers on the move and pressed them closely Saturday and Sunday, giving them no time to make a prolonged stand, and when day broke he was within striking distance of the enemy.

THE COLESBERG VICTORY.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—The Daily Mail has the following despatch, dated Jan. 1, from Rensburg: "Yesterday afternoon a big force of cavalry and infantry, with ten guns, under the personal command of Gen. French, moving by detour, occupied by some hills three miles from Colesberg, where the Boers were in strength, confident in the natural aid afforded them by the hills around."

CORRESPONDENT RELEASED.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—The correspondent, Lynch, who was recently captured by the Boers outside of Ladysmith, has arrived at Lorenzo Marquez. His captors apparently released him.

IMPERIAL VOLUNTEERS.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—There was a scene of great popular enthusiasm this morning during the enrollment of the City of London imperial volunteers.

NO OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Nothing official is known of Gen. French's reported success, nor has any solid account been received of what actually happened at Colesberg.

According to the Telegraph's correspondent at Naauwpoort, who dates his despatch Dec. 31, the retreat of the

inter-regimental cricket and football teams.

ON A SECRET MISSION.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 1.—Commandant De Waard of the Hollandia corps at Pretoria has arrived here. He is interested with a mission to Europe on behalf of the Transvaal. He refuses to give any information as to the object of his mission, but it is believed that he is here to make purchases. He states that the Transvaal is abundantly supplied with ammunition, especially Meuser cartridges, which are being manufactured at Pretoria.

SADDLES FOR THE BOERS.

LORENZO MARQUEZ, Dec. 30.—It is reported here that the contraband of war on the German steamer Bundesrath, recently seized by the British, included 7,000 saddles for the Boers.

THE LONDON VIEW.

LONDON, Jan. 2, 4.45 a. m.—The success of General French in driving the Boers from Colesberg has shot a welcome ray of light through the gloom of the campaign in South Africa. Everywhere it is commented upon as an example of sound tactics and an illustration of what may be done when the right methods are employed with the Boers.

BOERS ON THE RUN.

Now that Gen. French has the Boers on the run, the hope is expressed that he will give them no rest, but will harass them until they have found their way across the Orange River, which is twelve miles distant. The old wagon route to the Free State traverses Colesberg and crosses the river by a fine bridge, 1,340 feet long.

THE EFFECT OF THE VICTORY.

One important effect of the success of Gen. French is that it will probably have a deterrent influence upon Dutch disaffection. There is some disposition here to exaggerate the importance of small skirmishes and engagements. It should be borne in mind that Gen. French has only 2,000 men, and so far as the important point of campaign is concerned, the situation is virtually unchanged.

AT LADYSMITH.

Hellograph reports from Ladysmith show that all was well on Dec. 31. The bombardment was being continued, but its intensity had relaxed. An official despatch from Ladysmith confirms the report, cabled yesterday, that several officers of the Devonshire regiment were severely wounded by the explosion of a Boer shell in the mess tent.

SEVENTH DIVISION.

The entire seventh division will have sailed from England by Jan. 11, and Lord Wolseley, replying to a correspondent who had asked for information regarding the British artillery, wrote: "Our field artillery is at least as good as any field artillery in Europe."

NEW YEAR GREETINGS.

FREERE CAMP, Natal, Jan. 1, 7 p. m.—Heavy firing was heard in the direction of Ladysmith at midnight. It is believed here that the firing was probably simply an exchange of New Year greetings by the British and the Boers.

SECOND CONTINGENT.

Home Government Will Furnish Four Gallipoli Guns for the Mounted Rifles.

AT OTTAWA.

OTTAWA, Jan. 1.—This has been a

quiet day. In the militia department communications have been passing between Ottawa and the war office in reference to supplies, and it is settled that the home government will furnish four gallipoli guns for the mounted rifles, three maxims and one colt.

AT MONTREAL.

MONTREAL, Jan. 1.—The militia department today asked Lt. Col. Gordon, D. O. C., to enlist 30 mounted rifles for the second contingent. The number allotted to Montreal was first was only 23. Evidently recruits are not coming in fast enough at other places. Montreal will have no difficulty in furnishing the quota asked for of good men. The men already enlisted start drill in the morning.

AT ST. STEPHEN.

ST. STEPHEN, Jan. 1.—Though a disagreeable snow storm prevailed here this afternoon, seventy-nine ladies from St. Stephen and Milltown met in the Elder Memorial hall and organized a branch of the Red Cross society. Mrs. J. D. Chipman was elected president, Miss Grace Stevens secretary and Mrs. Lewis Dexter treasurer. The sum of \$42.55 was received in fees and \$3 in a donation from Christ church guild.

ANOTHER TRANSPORT ARRIVES.

HALIFAX, Jan. 1.—The steamer Montezuma, second transport for the conveyance of the new Canadian contingent to South Africa, arrived today from New Orleans, one day ahead of time. It is the steamer's first appearance in Canadian port. Captain Owens reports fine weather on the voyage up. The Montezuma is one year old.

AT NEWCASTLE.

NEWCASTLE, Jan. 1.—Major Maltby, commanding officer of the 12th field battery, commenced to enroll men and purchase horses today. He is desirous of obtaining eighteen men and fourteen horses. A number of Newcastle boys are anxious to go, and a number of good horses are available. The major received a letter today from Charles A. Snow, one of the Newcastle boys with the first Canadian contingent.

AT WOODSTOCK.

WOODSTOCK, Jan. 1.—The Woodstock quota for the artillery force is practically filled. John Sutton arrived here to take his place today. Wheeler Lightfoot and Fred Everett, former battery men, now living in Boston, are coming on, and Bert Richardson, at present living in Upper Woodstock, will also be in his place. Randolph Good of Upper Woodstock, corporal in the battery, will have a place. Three town young men, Stephen Law, Frank Buck and Homer Kimball, are looking for a place. There will be more volunteers than places can be found for.

Rev. Mr. Mann, Methodist minister, has offered his services as chaplain to the contingent.

LOCAL WAR NOTES.

A militia order just issued calls for the following quota of men from district No. 8, New Brunswick: Men for mounted rifles, 24. Men for field artillery, 24. Horses for riding, 24. Horses for guns, 14.

LT. McLEAN TO CARRY THE FLAG.

A correspondent of the Halifax Herald writes from the transport Sarabina: "The flag and staff of our regiment lies overboard in the sergeant's mess. It will be carried by the youngest subaltern in the contingent and that will be Lieut. McLean of St. John, G. company. This officer is said to be the crack revolver shot. His men are devoted to him. Wherever he leads, the boys will follow."

GOOD SHOTS.

The Montreal Star special war correspondent says: "For rifle practice with the Morris tubes, targets were erected in the bows of the ship and a very good 25 yards range made. Rifles were fitted with the Morris tube, so that small ammunition could be used, and the competitions took place by companies. In order to increase the competition and enthusiasm for this very useful practice, Colonel Otter decided to put the names of all those who made possible in orders. The result was the keenest personal and company competition. The Ottawa company came out ahead in the company competitions, with an average of 35 points out of 40, and the Toronto company next with an average of 34 out of 40. Among those mentioned in orders as having made possible were the following in Co. G: Pies, Baker, McCrae, Haines, Bentley and Leslie."

NON-COMS OF CO. G.

The promotions made in "G" Co. (New Brunswick) on the way from Quebec to Cape Town were: "G" company—Colour Sgt. Charlton; sergeant, P. Sheldon, E. Hession, J. Russell, F. Lorch; corporals, Fringie, Morrison, Wallace, Coombs; lance corporals, under pay, G. Ward, H. Miller; lance corporals, not paid, Globe, Stewart and O'Reilly.

AT OTTAWA.

OTTAWA, Jan. 1.—This has been a

CITY NEWS.

Recent Events in and Around St. John.

Together With Country Items from Correspondents and Exchanges.

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THE SUN PRINTING COMPANY, issuing weekly 3,500 copies of THE WEEKLY SUN, challenges the circulation of all papers published in the Maritime Provinces. Advertisers please make a note of this.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Steeves have returned, and will be at home to their friends on the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th of January, at their residence, Hillsboro, Albert county.

Wm. A. P. Rhodes, caretaker of the Marine Hospital at Richibucto, is dead, aged fifty-six. He leaves a widow and ten children.

The marriage was solemnized at Amherst on Wednesday by Rev. Dr. Steele of Miss Clara B. Murray of Bayfield, N. B., to Clement Jones of Point de Bute.

G. H. Burnett, who has been connected with S. Hayward Co. for nearly 20 years, is about to engage in the hardware business at 45 Germain street, in the store now occupied by J. J. Seely.

A Doaktown letter says: There is nothing doing in spoonfuls. Every body is completely disgusted with the business. There are piles of spoonwood on hand from last year, which no doubt could be bought at reduced prices.

Conductor P. E. Heine remembered his train hands Christmas day, and they partook of a turkey dinner at Harcourt. "Phil" has the reputation of being one of the most popular conductors on the road, and he well merits it.—Campbellton Telephone.

Thomas Doherty, whose mysterious death at Grenville, Maine, on Sunday, was reported in the Sun, was a resident of St. Andrews, N. B. He was about 41 years of age. One sister lives in St. Andrews and a brother and another sister in Lubec, Me.

The claim of the estate of John Rouniman against the Star Line Steamship Company for \$25,000 damages for his death on the river last summer will be tried at the January circuit next week. Wednesday is the day agreed upon for the opening of the case.

James Clark, who has been for years second engineer of the government steamer Lansdowne, has been appointed chief engineer, to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of William Kennedy, who has been in charge of the engine room for so many years. There is quite a fight on for the position of second engineer.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Galt's signature is on each box.

On Christmas day, at Kouchibouguac, two small girls were out on the ice on the river playing together, when one of them, the 14 year old daughter of Sylvester Vautour, accidentally walked backwards into the channel, which was not frozen over. The freshest was so strong that she was carried under the ice before assistance could be rendered. Her body was recovered.

The American Institute of Instruction may meet in Halifax next July. Hon. M. S. Stone, state superintendent of education for Vermont, writes Superintendent McKay, asking whether the accommodation, etc., could be had in Halifax for their annual convention. It is understood the city council will issue a formal invitation to the institute. If the meeting takes place here it means that some 600 to 800 will attend.—Recorder.

"BREATHE FREELY NOW!" your friend exclaims when he has satisfactorily explained some alarming news. So we say when we hand you a bottle of Adamson's Botanic Cough Balm for any kind of trouble in the air passages. 25c, all druggists.

BOER WAR MAP. Send FIVE CENTS to the Daily Sun Office for a large map of the Transvaal, showing all places where fighting is likely to take place.

10 for 10 cents. This best contains the most valuable medicinal ingredients, and is the most effective remedy for all ailments of the throat, chest, and lungs, as well as for all kinds of coughs, colds, and influenza. It is a most valuable and reliable remedy for all ailments of the respiratory system. Price, 10c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

DRESS GOODS. BLACK CREPONS, 55c, 65c, 90c, \$1.20 per yard. BLACK LUSTRE (Plain or Figured), 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c, 65c, 75c per yard. BLACK SERGES, 28c, 35c, 40c, 55c, 60c, 70c per yard. BLACK CASHMERE, 35c, 45c, 55c, 75c, 90c per yard. COLORED DRESS GOODS, 15c, 22c, 27c, 35c, 40c, 55c, 60c per yard. COSTUME LENGTHS (No Two Alike), \$5.00 to \$5.50 a costume. WOOL PLAIDS, 45 and 50c per yard.

JACKET CLOTHS. Beaver in Blacks, Browns, Blues and Fawn, 75c, \$1.10, \$1.40, \$1.65 per yard. Ulster Cloths (Smooth or Rough Finish), \$1.00, \$1.10, \$1.25, \$1.40 per yard. Golf Cloth in Black and White and Colors \$2.25 per yard. Elder Down for Children's Coats, Plain or Fancy Colors, 45 to 50c per yard.

SHARP & MACKIN, 385 Main Street, St. John, (North End.)

UNION BLEND TEAS are the best value, then with each pound package you have a chance of getting a lucky key.

St. Martins L. O. L., No. 14, elected the following officers on Saturday evening, Dec. 30th, for the ensuing year: James Bourke, W. M.; Wm. A. Brown, D. M.; Fred M. Cochran, chaplain; Geo. Patterson, R. S.; Jas. H. Bradshaw, F. S.; Robert Dunlop, treasurer; John McIntyre, D. S.; G. Cochran, lecturer; standing committee, Wm. Fletcher, John H. Wright, James Ross, J. A. McCumber and W. Long; Hy. Dunlap, inside tyler; Albert Carr, outside tyler.

PLUM PUDDINGS and MINCE PIES often have bad effects upon the small boy who over indulges in them. Pain-killer as a household medicine for all such ills is unequalled. Avoid substitutes; there is but one Pain-killer, Perry Davis', 25c. and 50c.

One of the pleasantest events of the season took place on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 24th, at the residence of Rev. S. A. Baker, when he united Sanford S. Brown of Grand Harbor and Miss Rebecca B. Russell of Woodward's Cove, Grand Manan, in the holy bonds of matrimony. The bride was very prettily attired in blue cashmere, with white lace and pale blue ribbon trimmings. The happy couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Russell, brother of the bride.

Children Cry for CASTORIA.

The steamer from P. E. Island made her regular trip to Point du Chene on Wednesday. This breaks all records; in fact, the trip on Christmas day was a record, and was observed by the people of Summerside in a fitting manner. They presented Capt. Cameron with a complimentary address, accompanied by a handsome gold headed cane. The steamer brought over 127 sheep and lambs on Tuesday, this being the only shipment of the kind ever made from Summerside after Christmas.—Moncton Times.

Campbellton, N. B., Lodge, No. 32, F. & A. M., installed officers for the ensuing year Wednesday evening, and after the ceremony the members of the lodge and a number of invited guests dined at Sharp's restaurant.

New officers are: W. M., James P. Jardine; S. W., Henry Lunnam, M. D.; J. W., John Montgomery; J. S., Johnstone McKenzie, secy.; D. C. Firth; S. D., Hiram B. Maltby; J. D., George Fawcett; S. S., William F. Torston; J. S., Peter McMichael; D. C., John Walker; I. G., John B. Christopher; tyler, Shielis Connors.

IF TAKEN IN TIME The D. & L. Emulsion will surely cure the most serious affections of the lungs. That "run-down" condition, the after effects of a heavy cold is quickly counteracted. Manufactured by the Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd.

At Liverpool, Dec. 4th to 7th, an important law suit, regarding the stranding of the s. s. Gallia, was conducted before Mr. Justice Phillimore and a special jury. The action was to recover from underwriters as for a constructive total loss on this steamer, which was insured for \$25,000. The jury found the value of the wreck to be \$2,000; expenses up to date, \$2,478; prospective repairs would be \$2,500; value of ship when repaired, \$14,000. His lordship on these findings gave judgment for the shipowners against the underwriters, with costs, for a constructive total loss.

Mr. and Mrs. Gifford Sherwood have arrived home from the scene of the sad accident which resulted in the drowning of their daughter, Mrs. E. W. Straight, on last Saturday evening, 28th inst., at the Narrows, Queens county, N. B. In the midst of their deep sorrow they wish to express their sincerest gratitude for the spirit of love and sympathy shown by their neighbors, relations, and friends, who so willingly gave their time in searching for the body, which has not been found as yet, and in comforting the bereaved. Mr. Straight is slowly recovering from the shock and physical exhaustion in which he was rescued from the water, and also expresses his thanks for the kindness shown him in the same way. Will the Providence and Boston papers please copy?

ROSY COLOR. Produced by Postum Food Coffee. "When a person rises from each meal with a ringing in the ears and a general sense of nervousness, it is a common habit to charge it to a deranged stomach."

"I found it was caused from drinking coffee, which I never suspected for a long time, but found by leaving off coffee that the disagreeable feelings went away."

"I was brought to think of the subject by getting some Postum Food Coffee, and this brought me out of the trouble."

"It is a most appetizing and invigorating beverage and has been of such great benefit to me that I naturally speak of it from time to time as my portunity offers."

"A lady friend complained to me that she had tried Postum, but it did not taste good. In reply to my question she said she guessed she boiled it about ten minutes. I advised her to follow directions and know that she boiled it fifteen or twenty minutes, and she would have something worth talking about." A short time ago I heard one of her children say that they were drinking Postum now—how good, which is by no means a difficult task.

"Tom O'Brien, the son of a friend who lives on Bridge street, was formerly a pale lad, but since he has been drinking Postum, has a fine color. There is plenty of evidence that Postum actually does 'make red blood,' as the famous trade mark says." Jno. Chambers, 9 Franklin St., Dayton, Ohio.



The Story of a Baby.

The physicians at the Hanemann Hospital of Philadelphia said Baby Moncrieff could not live.

It was against all the laws of nature and of medicine for this eight-month baby to survive a nervous disease of the spine.

The family doctor agreed with those at the hospital.

The mother watched the child as it slept upon the pillow, the faintest flutter of breath telling her that life still lingered.

An aunt who loved her like a mother said "We will try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They are prescribed for nervous disorders, perhaps they will help our Ettie." A pill was divided in three parts and given to the baby.

Instead of dying, as the doctors predicted, she lived. Then she opened her eyes and smiled at those around her.

She gathered strength through Dr. Williams' Pink Pills as a flower gathers strength in the mist of the morning.

To-day she is seven years old, the sunshine of the aunt who saved her life with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

This is a true story. The child is Ettie Moncrieff, daughter of Mrs. Helen Moncrieff, formerly of Hamilton, Ontario. The Aunt is Mrs. M. G. Meek, who now resides with the child at 1317 South 10th Street, Philadelphia. The facts are fully verified by affidavits.

DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS CURE WHEN OTHER MEDICINES FAIL.



Evangelist Gale will begin a series of services in the Methodist church, Sackville, on Jan. 19th.

The schooner J. B. Vandusen, which has become notorious through the Baisley murder, arrived here Saturday from Boston.

E. Sinclair and John Ferguson, two of the foremost of Miramichi's business men, were in town Saturday on their way home from New York.

Jeremiah Clark was in Charlottetown last week completing the cereal section of P. E. Island's part in the Paris exhibition. There are about thirty exhibits of grain in wheat and about as many more of cleaned grain.

The Nova Scotia Steel company have sold 200,000 tons of Newfoundland iron ore for shipment to the United States during the coming season. This is the first large sale on U. S. account.

A. E. Prince, private secretary to Superintendent Timmerman of the C. P. R., received a cablegram yesterday from Newcastle-on-Tyne announcing the death that morning of Mrs. R. J. Leck, the mother of Mrs. Prince. The deceased lady, who resided in St. John up to 1897, when Mr. Leck removed to Newcastle-on-Tyne, had a large circle of friends in this city, by whom she was highly esteemed. She leaves three sons and three daughters.

WOODSTOCK. Jan. 1.—The thermometer was 54 below this morning, and it has been very cold all day. The main attraction is the New Victoria ice rink, which was opened to the public with good ice and music by the band this afternoon and evening.

J. K. Fitzmaurice, conservative candidate for election on the 12th, held a capital meeting at Hartland last night. He was greatly encouraged by the promise of support.

MAXWELL'S EXTRADITION. J. W. Dyer, United States district attorney for Portland, Me., arrived yesterday afternoon and registered at the Royal. Mr. Dyer's visit here is understood to be in connection with the proceedings for the extradition of Elmer Maxwell, accused of the murder of Captain Baisley. The hearing before Judge Forbes is to begin this morning. It was reported yesterday that there was a probability of Maxwell abandoning the fight and going with the officers to Portland to stand his trial. This, it was said, would be done with the hope that the prosecution would not be as vigorous as it might be if serious difficulties are thrown in the way of extradition. Some of Maxwell's relatives are opposed to his being tried in the States, and they may persuade him to make a fight.

WE CLAIM THAT the D. & L. Menthol Paste will cure lumbago, backache, sciatica, or neuralgic pains quicker than any other remedy. Made by Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd.

FREDERICTON. The Holiday Quietly Celebrated—Thermometer Registered 27 Below Zero.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 1.—Redlin of Nashwaakasis, the man who lost his way in the woods some time ago, and whose hands and feet were so badly frozen, died at Victoria hospital last night. On Friday an operation was performed on him, removing his hands and feet, the effects of which he did not survive.

Capt. Syphers' house, situated on Campbell street, this city, was quite badly burned by fire this morning. The fire started around a stove in the parlor and had gained considerable headway before it was discovered. A large portion of the interior of the house was destroyed.

New Year's day was quite celebrated in this city. There was curling at the rink this morning and afternoon, between presidents and vice presidents, the former winning by several points. Some exciting brushes between local horses was included on King and Queen streets and were witnessed by a large number of spectators. Snow fell heavily all day.

The sixteen-year-old son of John Currie of Nashwaakasis was brought to the hospital late this afternoon suffering from appendicitis, and tonight he was operated on by Dr. Atherton. He will probably recover.

At 7 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 27 degrees below zero.

UNDER THE SCOTT ACT. A Canterbury correspondent writes: A young man named Adams was stabbed in the head, back and neck eight or nine times on Saturday night. His offence was rushing in to protect his brother, who was being assaulted by four cowardly rowdies. Warrants are to be issued for the arrest of the gang and for another fellow who split a man's head open with what is supposed to be a slung shot. Rum was the cause of all the trouble. Deans are running wide open here in bold defiance of the Scott Act.

WILLIAM YOUNG DEAD. Three weeks ago William Young of Kentville was attacked with a serious illness, which developed into acute intestinal inflammation. He was attended by Drs. W. S. Woodworth and Moore of Kentville and Dr. Stewart of Halifax, and was surrounded with unrelenting care and attention, but all efforts failed to arrest the progress of the disease, and he quietly passed away at midnight of the 29th-30th inst., at the early age of 33 years.

Mr. Young came of an old historic Nova Scotia family of Scottish descent. His grandfather was the widely celebrated "Agricola" (John Young), whose writings so largely and powerfully influenced the agricultural development of the province, and his grand-uncle was the well known chief justice, Sir William Young, from whom he inherited considerable property. He was educated at Rugby, England, and thirteen years ago came to Kings county to study farming with Leander King, ex-M.P. Two years later he purchased a valuable farm in the vicinity of Kentville, and married Mr. King's daughter Margaret, who survives him, as well as nine children, four boys and five girls. He devoted himself specifically to farming and fruit culture, and his place there are some superior Clydesdale horses and a valuable herd of Short-horn cattle.

Mr. Young was a widely read man, possessed of much originality and force of character, and was well known throughout the province. He took an active interest in all public matters, especially those affecting agricultural and kindred issues, and was a constant and prominent figure at the meetings and gatherings of the farming community of the district and the province. He was a liberal, and an outspoken free trader, and he at all times endeavored for the best interests of the province. He will be widely missed, and it can be truly said that in him Kings county lost one of her most active, enterprising and promising citizens.—Halifax Chronicle.

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BOTS. Did you ever know of a horse die of the bot of course you have, hundreds of them, then why run the risk of losing yours in the same way. Be advised. Get a package of MANCHESTER'S TONIC POWDER. It will clear every bot and worm from his system, purify his blood, digest his food, and make him a new creature. These are straight facts. We are qualified VETERINARY SURGEONS and know that it is so. Ask your dealer for them, if he is out send 25cts. to J. W. Manchester & Co. St. John, N. B. for package. Do not let your dealer impose on you with an inferior powder. Ours are the only Horse Medicines put up for sale by VETERINARY SURGEONS in these provinces. Demand the Best. Take no other. Wholesale by T. B. Barker & Sons and S. McDiarmid. St. John, N. B. J. W. Manchester, veterinary surgeon has returned to Montreal, Quebec. Write to consult him inquire at his own stable, 1111 St. John, N. B.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

FREDERICTON, Dec. 28.—Considerable excitement has been caused throughout the city over the arrest of Joshua Lawrick, a prominent official and ex-warden, on Saturday evening.

The annual examinations in the school here taught by Miss Mary Orchard for the past year took place on Friday. The pupils were given the severest subjects taught during the term, in all of which they acquitted themselves admirably upon the excellent work done. The district has been fortunate to secure Miss Orchard's services for another term.

The teacher at Mill Cove, Gordon B. Knight, also held his examination on Friday. The work of the school was reviewed, showing that Mr. Knight is exceedingly competent in his vocation. A regret, Mr. Knight's departure, as he has given excellent satisfaction.

ANTWERP, N. E., Dec. 28.—The Andover Grammar school closed, on Friday. The principal, C. H. Elliott, held a public oral examination in his department on Thursday morning. In the primary department, taught by Miss Baxter, the closing exercises were held on Thursday afternoon, and in the intermediate department, taught by Miss Scott, they were held Friday afternoon.

JOSEPH'S CORNER, Kings Co., Dec. 28.—A very large number of visitors were present at the school examination on the 22nd instant. The children were reviewed on the different subjects taught during the term, after which a very interesting programme was successfully carried out. Addresses were given by several of the visitors. Parents and pupils alike much regret that Miss Adeline McCarty is about to sever her connection with this school, which she has taught with much success for the last three terms.

A most enjoyable evening was spent in the Church hall on Saturday, 23rd, when the usual treat was given to the pupils of the Sunday school. A large and beautifully decorated Christmas tree laden with fruit, candy and suitable gifts for each pupil, occupied a suitable place in the hall. After the presents had been given to the pupils by the Rev. A. S. Slipp, the church was opened to the public. The church was opened to the public. The church was opened to the public.

Dear Sir—As members of the congregation of All Saints, Jeffries Corner, we, the undersigned, desire to express to you our heartfelt appreciation of your faithful, earnest work for Christ and His church in this portion of your mission.

On Christmas day our stores were closed. A few people gathered on the lower street to witness a trot between Jack Balloch and Edger Long's horses. The former was the victor. The churches were all closed, but the Scott Act was in full force and effect.

Mr. G. W. White has been laid up with an inward tumor, the result of which the doctors cannot determine. Rev. Mr. Calder has been engaged to permanently preside over the Baptist church.

The school here will be run the coming term by Miss Avard and Horace Perry, the former teachers. UPPER GAGETOWN, Queens Co., Dec. 28.—Among those now engaged cutting logs and scow lumber are Coy Bros., Enoch Currier, George Currier, and Crothers Bros. The latter have two crews, one on the Upper Onabog streams, the other in Shirley.

The school of District No. 6, in charge of B. Hayes Dougan, held its annual Christmas examination on Wednesday, 20th inst. The day was spent in a most interesting manner, and a number of large crowds than usual was in attendance. The school room was beautifully decorated with drawings by the scholars, mottoes, greenery, etc., all very artistically arranged.

FREDERICTON, Dec. 27.—The examination in the Limerick-Rideout case, which was to have been held at the police court this morning, was adjourned until Friday. There was a big crowd present when the court opened.

Miss Edna Currie, eldest daughter of George Currie, was married at her father's residence, Government House, at 5 o'clock this morning, to Albert J. Sproule of Campbellton. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. M. Campbell in the presence of relatives and near friends of the contracting parties.

MILLSTREAM, Kings Co., Dec. 28.—Cornelius O'Donnell had a valuable horse killed while working in the woods by the falling of a tree. The ladies of the Baptist church and Dennis O'Regan held a supper on Christmas night at his residence. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Somerville gave a very pleasant party to friends on Christmas night.

Chas. Stillwell lost a valuable horse from heart failure last week. The animal was prevalent at Waterborough at present, and the family of Thos. Higgins are down with the disease.

Daniel Bloom of Waterborough is engaged in cordwood operations. The announcement of the marriage of John Young and Miss Annie Oakley of Mouth of Passamaquoddy, although given out by the family, seems to be without foundation.

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ST. MARTIN'S, Dec. 28.—Christmas day was quietly observed by family and social gatherings. Beautiful Christmas trees well laden adorned many of the homes, bringing joy and happiness to all.

Mrs. B. W. Wells, late of Chicago, wife of Lieut. Wells of the U. S. N., who for some weeks has been visiting her grandfather, Dea. J. M. Bradshaw, left this morning for Boston.

The Sabbath school of St. Martin's Baptist church held a very successful and highly creditable concert on Sunday evening, Dec. 24th.

The public schools are closed for the season. Successful examinations in each department proved to those attending the valuable work being done by the teaching staff.

Mrs. A. H. Washburne and Miss Minnie Washburne left Christmas morning for Oregon, U. S.

Capt. Benj. Vaughan, Jr., is enjoying a brief visit to his family and friends.

On Wednesday evening the choir of St. James' Presbyterian church, of which Mr. Elliott is a member, tendered him a supper.

On Saturday evening the Baptist Sunday school held a popular entertainment, after which presents were distributed from a Christmas tree.

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The school here will be run the coming term by Miss Avard and Horace Perry, the former teachers. UPPER GAGETOWN, Queens Co., Dec. 28.—Among those now engaged cutting logs and scow lumber are Coy Bros., Enoch Currier, George Currier, and Crothers Bros.

The school of District No. 6, in charge of B. Hayes Dougan, held its annual Christmas examination on Wednesday, 20th inst. The day was spent in a most interesting manner.

FREDERICTON, Dec. 27.—The examination in the Limerick-Rideout case, which was to have been held at the police court this morning, was adjourned until Friday.

family lot at Lakeville Corner, he inflicted a terrible wound, smashing his hand through and through. He was taken to Fredericton for surgical treatment.

Charles London, a farmer at Maquit Lake, purchased the Globe lot, from the bishop of Fredericton, situated at Douglas Harbor, Queens Co., a few weeks ago, for the lumber on it, and has removed there with his family.

MISSON RIDGE, Victoria Co., Dec. 28.—James Linton's crew came out of the woods on Christmas and enjoyed the holiday at their homes. Rev. Allan Sisson held services in the school house on Christmas night, which were well attended.

Robert Merrithew, a respected man, was recently found dead in a camp up Guilaquack. From the appearance of the body, he had been dead about a week.

Watson Tingley is idle now, the result of a bad cut on one of his hands. Hon. John Costigan's popularity received a staggering blow by his late political turn-over, and whatever chance he had at one time had of re-election has vanished, never to return.

A prominent resident of Andover, who has been over the upper part of the united county, told your correspondent that T. Medley Richardson of Edmundston, the much-talked-of liberal conservative, never to return, had been very liberal in Madawaska by 800 votes.

GASPÉRAUX STATION, Queens Co., Dec. 28.—The school here, taught by D. P. Kirkpatrick, was held on the 21st inst. The scholars were examined in the various branches taught during the term, and showed that much progress had been made.

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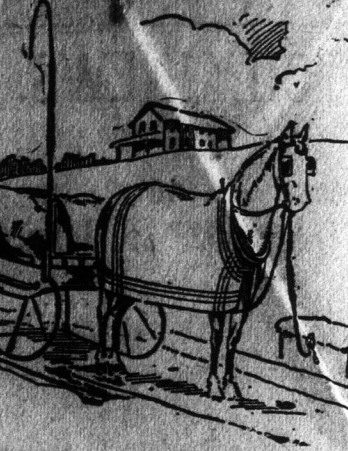
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FREDERICTON, Dec. 28.—The annual boys' conference in connection with the Y. M. C. A. opened yesterday morning. There were sixty-five representatives present.

BOER SYMPATHIZERS.

Intended to Sink the Sardinian. But Thought Better of It.

Work of Enlisting Men for Boer Army Going on in New York—General Movement Among the Irish of Philadelphia.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Relative to the attitude of the Irish revolutionary societies toward the government of Great Britain at the present juncture, the Evening Post today quotes an officer of the Gaelic as saying:

"England can only be made to feel by physical force, and we're now going to give her some Boer treatment. We did intend going out and sinking that first expedition from Canada to South Africa, but thought it better to wait a little. We can mobilize our men without much difficulty for an attack on Canada, and we are fairly well armed—just as the United States troops in the Spanish war. We have lots of clubs in rifles, and are handy with the bayonet."

CANADA AN EASY MARK. "If it is decided to attack Canada, we shall do all in our power to keep matters so secret as to prevent the government from getting wind of it until we are actually on the border. The French population in Canada would be with us, and the numbers of our own countrymen ready to welcome us. Canada would be an easy mark. We would have the Canadian loyalists on the run in a week."

ENLISTING IN NEW YORK. "The work of enlisting men in this city to take the Boer side in the war is in progress. The men who operate in the saloon near police headquarters. One of them is ostensibly a cigar dealer, but so freely does he give out information that under their leadership the Boer sympathizers in this city are organizing an association, as they say, 'to assist many people who are seeking information in regard to the Boer war.'"

THE OTHER WAY. "Ever since the outbreak of the Transvaal war with the British the British consulate in this city has had numerous letters from persons eager to enlist in the Boer army. Many are former applicants for enlistment, evidently written under the impression that the British consulate serves also as a recruiting office."

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27.—There is a general movement among the Irish citizens here to aid the Boers in their war with England. A call was today sent out for a special assessment on every member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, of whom there are about 2,000 in the city. A return of \$25,000 is expected, which will help to swell the general fund of \$1,000,000 which Irish organizations throughout the country seek to raise.

IN PHILADELPHIA. "I had noticed a family party in one of the boxes nearest the stage. The youngest member of the party, a little boy, was completely wrapped up in the play. It was all real to him. As I came from the wings during the scene in question I passed within a few feet of the box in which the set was turned to a lady who sat behind him, and I distinctly heard him say, with a gasp: 'Mamma, he's no doctor! He smokes cigarettes!'"

CAPTURED A WHALE. QUEBEC, Dec. 28.—Andrew Cyr, a farmer of Maria, county of Bonaventure, happened to be walking on the beach of the river a few days ago, when he discovered in the water, a short distance from the land, a large animal, which seemed to be alive. On closer examination it proved to be a whale, which had in some inexplicable manner got into shallow water and run aground. Mr. Cyr immediately aroused his neighbors, and at low tide the animal was, after considerable difficulty and danger, despatched.



IN QUEENS COUNTY.

Mr. Hetherington Declares the Infamous Affidavits to be False.

Dr. Stockton and Dr. Alward Sosak—Blair Said to Stand no Chance of Election.

Two great meetings in the interest of the liberal conservative party were held in Queens Co. on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, Dec. 28 and 27.

On Wednesday evening a meeting was held in the hall at Oddy's. The room was crowded, and the utmost enthusiasm manifested.

Here, as at Briggs's Corner, Mr. Hetherington and his associates and supporters, paid his respects to C. J. Milligan, the liberal organizer, and to the minister of railways, and to a passing glance at Senator King.

Dr. Stockton, Dr. Alward Sosak, Blair and the other speakers discussed the Transvaal matter, declaring that if a minister of the crown, who was sworn to defend the honor of the flag and the Queen's government, it was the duty of every loyal citizen to express his disapproval—not because the minister was a Frenchman, but because he was disloyal.

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Dr. Stockton, in the course of his speech, referred to the act passed by the legislature at its last session to encourage the discovery and development of oil and natural gas in the province.

The feeling of the opposition party in Queens is that the minister of railways has no chance whatever of election there, and it is stated on the authority of some of his friends that it is not his intention to be a candidate in Queens at the next election.

A ST. JOHN SYNDICATE.

Said to Have Cleaned Up \$100,000 in the Klondike.

Harrison Joyce of Dawson City arrived in Halifax Tuesday, en route to his home in Sydney, C. E. To a Herald reporter Mr. Joyce said he left Sydney some ten years ago. He was at that time a coal miner, and sought work in the Pennsylvania coal fields.

N. B.'S BIG GAME.

Conference for Its Preservation to Be Held at Montreal.

The continued violation of the government restrictions over the hunt and chase of big game in New Brunswick year after year has left so marked an effect on the resources of the great forests that sportsmen annually accustomed to enjoy the moose and deer hunting in that province are at least taking active measures to intercede with the government at Fredericton, N. B., for the enforcement of the law.

Cancer Attacks the Middle Aged

Men and Women Between 40 and 60 the Most Frequent Subjects of This Deadly Disease.

It has long been recognized by the medical profession that cancer is chiefly a disease of mid-life. Welch, the noted author in his System of Medicine, says that in 2,008 tabulated cases of cancer of the stomach three-fourths occurred between the ages of 40 and 60.

This being the case, would it not be wise for persons getting up in years to consider carefully any lumps or growths on any part of the body, however insignificant they may appear to be. They may not cause any trouble now. What may they develop into a year hence?

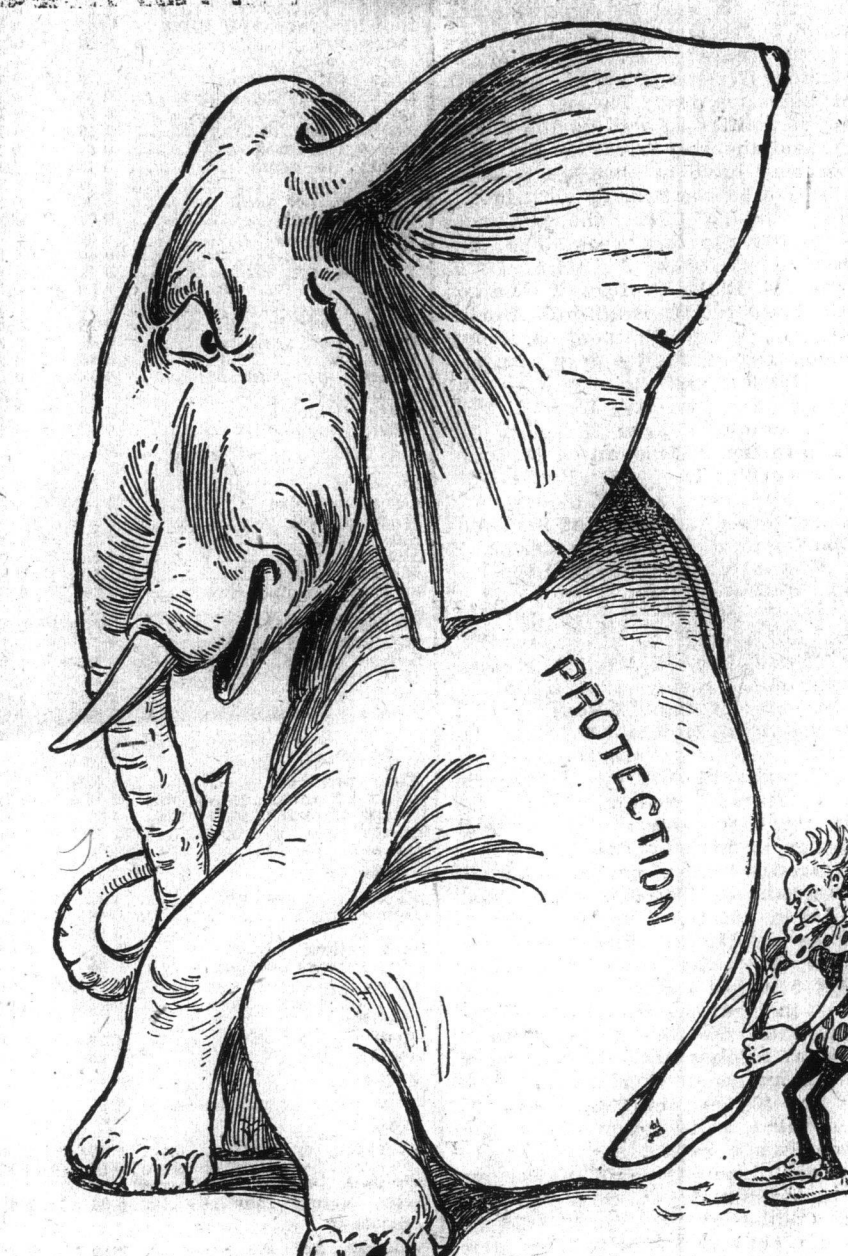
ST. MARTINS.

On Christmas morning, before divine service, the rector of Holy Trinity church was presented by R. C. Lovell, churchwarden, on behalf of the congregation, with a purse containing over \$30, accompanied by the following address:

Dear Sir—We desire to express to you and Mrs. Barenham our heartfelt wishes for Merry Christmas, and we trust that the coming year may bring you great prosperity and many blessings.



Mr. Laurier before June 23rd, 1896: "We will destroy the last vestige of Protection." "Le Journal," Montreal.



Sir Wilfrid Laurier after June 23rd, 1896: "We have reformed the Tariff." "Le Journal," Montreal.

the clear shining that cometh after rain. Accompanying this is a token of our regard for you and a recognition of the coming of the Christ-child, with peace on earth, good will to men.

PARRSBORO.

A Revival of Shipbuilding Along the Shore.

PARRSBORO, N. S., Dec. 27.—At present there appears to be quite a revival of shipbuilding. D. A. Huntley is getting out the frame for a three-masted schooner, to register upwards of 200 tons, which he will build here the coming summer.

ST. MARTINS.

At Cole's Island, Queens Co., on Wednesday evening, Rev. Mr. Campbell, Presbyterian, united in marriage J. A. Murray and Miss Cole. There was a large company present.

Capt. Barclay of the Allan line left Portland for Halifax on Wednesday to fit out at that port two British troopships destined for South Africa.

Children Cry for CASTORIA.

Jumping into consumption

This may sound odd but it is none the less true! Carelessness after violent exercise has been the cause of many a breakdown of the lung structure. An athletic person is apt to have a "trifling" cold—until he eventually finds that it is no trifling matter.

A young friend of ours—who is quite a local celebrity for his prowess in the athletic field—caught cold by foolishly lying on the grass, without any extra covering, when much overheat.

TWENTIETH CENTURY.

Mental Confusion on the Subject and Authorities That May Help to Dispel It.

Letters fixing the time that the beginning of the twentieth century comes to the Sun in great volume, upholding both sides of the dispute, whether the century begins with 1900 or whether it begins with 1901, the latter side of the controversy naturally showing far the greater strength.

A. F. R. must see after he reads his own letter that his mind has been misled by the birthday table. Christmas occurred, as he said, in the addition by this authority concerning the foundation of Rome. The following year, A. U. C. 754, which, to transform into the first year of Christianity without disturbing the existing calendar, was made to begin a week after the birth.

"The question whether a new century begins with January, 1900 or 1901, has been discussed repeatedly. About the year 1700 it was with the satirical inscription, 'Listen to a Miracle.' In the year 1700 the people didn't know how old they were, and the possibility of confusion comes from the question, Did our chronology begin with the year 0 or the year 1? Chronology makes the year 1 of the Christian era succeed the year 0, before Christ without interruption, without the year 0. Consequently, from the chronological standpoint, Jan. 1, 1901, is the New Year's day of the new century.

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Breakfast SUPPER

GILLETTS PURE POWDERED LYE

Honor and pass lists for the term ending Dec. 31st, 1899: Grade X: Honors, Edna Payne, Cora Ellis; passed, Daisy Roman, Annie Dees, Bessie Harrison; conditioned, Belle Dees-Brisay.

Grade IX: Honors, Maud Dobson; passed, Robertson, Stewart and Williams; conditioned, Sadie McLean and Rudolf Bishop, Bessie Bishop.

Grade VIII: Honors, Dea Brisay, Lou Meahan; passed, Greta Miller, Hubert, Hattie Gatina, Roseanne Levinge; conditioned, White, Loane and Eva Mullin.

THE BOER RIFLEMAN'S SONG.

An unknown poet, or at least one who is known only by the initials "L. J. O. B." has written what may be called justly the best poem that the war in South Africa has inspired yet. It is remarkable that this really excellent piece of work has not been circulated widely before this especially since the British nation is hungry for good war poetry, which it is not getting much of any sort.

Lay my rifle here beside me, set my Bible on my breast. For a moment let the wailing bugles cease. As the century is closing, I am going to my rest. Lord, lettest Thou Thy servant go in peace. But lo! through all the bugles rings a cadence in my ear, and on the winds my hopes of peace are strewed.

LOCAL SHIPPING.

The following is a summary of the vessels on the St. John register:

Table with columns: No. of Ships, Rig, Tons. Lists various vessels like Brigantines, Schooners, Steamers, etc.

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Shipping on the registry books.

Table with columns: Year, No. of vessels, Tons. Shows shipping statistics for various years.

GETTING ACQUAINTED.

The family had occupied the dwelling about a day and a half, and the mistress thereof was putting a carpet down in the sitting room, when there came a ring at the door bell.

"Good morning," said the caller. "This is Mrs. Murkley, I presume."

"Yes," "I am Mrs. Pergallup, your next-door neighbor."

"Thanks, I believe I will step in for a little while." "You will find us all torn up, of course. We haven't begun to get things in shape yet."

SHIP NEWS

PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived. Dec 29-Consulship-Schs Harry Morris, 85, McLean, from Quebec, Thoms, 45, Miller, from Annapolis.

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MEMORANDA. In port at Tallal, Dec 2, ship Durham, Duffell, from Philadelphia.

NOTICE TO MARINERS. BOSTON, Dec 26-Pollock Rip buoy No. 4, which was replaced in position last Thursday, has been dragged from its proper moorings.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. Dec 26-Notice is given by the Light House Board that owing to a change in the channel leading into Great Egg Harbor inlet, the outer buoy, first class cast, painted black and white conical stripes, has been shifted one-half mile NE from its former position.

WASHINGTON, Dec 26-Notice is given by the Light House Board that on or about Jan 20, 1900, an additional fixed white lantern light will be established, eight feet below the present light, on the pole on the easterly end of the middle breakwater, New Haven Harbor.

BOSTON, Dec 26-Several important changes have been made in the buoy in the Fifth Light House district for the winter season.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT IS considering the advisability of placing a light-house on the southern end of the only light to guide mariners from the dangerous rocks.

Captain Quinn, coast pilot, reports the gas buoy at entrance to Pollock Rip buoy last night lit.

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BOSTON LETTER.

Not Fully Recovered from Recent Big Financial Crash.

Provincialists in New England Detractors of Joining Canada's Second Contingent.

An American Citizen Back to Johannesburg Says England is in the Sights-Lumber and Fish Markets.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) BOSTON, Dec. 31.-Massachusetts is one of the few states of the union that does not observe New Year's day.

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The cause of catarrh being now well established, it is easy to understand that a remedy having the power to destroy microbes or germs will surely cure, or at least prevent the disease by removing the cause, providing this remedy will have no injurious effect upon the surrounding tissues.

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Price \$1.00 at all druggists or direct by mail. Send loc. in stamps for sample outfit to N. C. Pollock & Co., Manufacturing Chemists, Box 625, Kingston, Ontario.

declaring England to be in the right. The post office authorities have been notified to stop all mail sent from this country addressed to the National Society of Sculptors, or to the Hon. the Archbishop, Quebec, Que., on the ground that the Mail is being used to defraud and that the concern conducts a lottery.

THE Hon. Charles A. Boutele, congressman from the Arrowsick-Penobscot district of Maine, is a victim of a mental disease at the McLean asylum near here. It is said he may never again take his seat in congress.

Boutele is the last of the "big four," which for years comprised the Maine delegation. Nelson Dirgey and Seth B. Egner, per doz. 0.30 0.30

THE following from the provinces were in the city last week: J. B. Caffrey, A. C. Blair, St. John; B. F. Pearson, F. Blake Crofton, T. Watson Smith, Halifax; H. Bradford, Annapolis Royal; W. H. Fremont, Amherst.

Among recent deaths of provincialists in Boston and vicinity were the following: In this city, Dec. 25, William F. Donovan, aged 38 years, son of the late Denis Donovan of St. John; at Somerville, Dec. 26, Frank H. seven years old, son of Gilbert and Ellen Patterson, formerly of St. John; in Charlottetown, Dec. 26, Frederick J. young son of Christina and the late Frank McRae of Cape Breton; at 17 Paul street, Newton Centre, Dec. 28, Angus Macdonald, Nova Scotia; in East Boston, Dec. 24, John McDonald, son of Laughlin and Ann McDonald, formerly of Cape Breton.

The death of Hon. L. E. Baker of Yarmouth was a severe shock to his many friends in this city, where he was a frequent visitor. Along the water front he was almost as well known as in his own home.

The spruce lumber market is steady and unchanged. There is a fair business doing, but the demand is not as great as on Dec. 1. Prices are unchanged, \$17 being asked for spruce frames, 9 inches and under; \$19 for 10 and 12 inch frames; and \$15 for merchantable boards. Six cases of provincial lumber arrived last week. They amounted to 651,983 feet, 196,000 laths and 800,000 shingles. Shingles are in fair request, but laths and clapboards are quiet.

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The administrator of Gambia, West Africa, deprecates the people of the colony to contribute \$500 to the war fund.

ALLEN-BOLES-In Houlton, Dec 26th, by Rev. C. E. Lewis, Thomas A. Allen, of Fredericton, N. B., and Miss Georgia A. Bole of Andover, Me.

COATS-BURLOCK-At the Methodist parsonage, Pettaquamscutt, N. B., Dec 24th, by Rev. C. E. Lewis, Robert C. Coats to Miss Rachel, eldest daughter of John Purlock, all of Corn Hill, Kings Co., N. B.

FRITZ-At 24 Crown street, Dec 31st, to the wife of H. D. Fritz, a son.

KING-PETERS-At St. Paul's church, Chatham, N. B., Dec 27th, by the Rev. Canon Forsyth, Elmer Ellsworth King of Logvilleville, to Isabella Forrester, daughter of Alfred Peterson of Chatham, N. B.

RICHARDSON-HATHWAY-At the residence of Geo. L. Hathway, by Rev. C. A. S. Warriston, Dec 28th, 1899, Andrew Richardson to Lizzie M., eldest daughter of Geo. C. Hathway, both of Annapolis, Queens Co., N. B.

WIDBUR-HICKLEY-At the home of H. Stanley Young, Bessie E., second daughter of John Hickley of Point Wolfe to Harry W. Widbur, son of Sarah and the late Charles Laird, of E. M. S. Customs, leaving a wife and two children to mourn their loss.

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