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BEST YEAR IN HISTORY  
OF RAILROADS IN CANADA

Wonderful Increases Shown in  
All the Big Lines—C. P.  
R. and Grand Trunk Break  
All Previous Records

MONTREAL, Dec. 29.—Never in the history of the Dominion have the railways had such a year as that which closes on Monday the year of grace, 1906, made an excellent start from the railway view point. There was hardly any severe weather and the snow reposed serenely in the sheds. That meant hundreds of thousands of dollars less in operating expenses as compared with the year of 1905. When the Canadian Pacific closed its accounts for its financial year which ended on June 30, it showed gross earnings to the amount of \$61,869,768 and working expenses amounting to \$51,696,445, leaving the net earnings at \$10,173,323. The gross earnings from July 1st to Dec. 1st—the figures for the current month are not yet available—amounted to \$31,472,576, as against \$25,762,784 for the corresponding five months of 1905. This means an increase in the net profits of \$2,476,456, for while both earnings and working expenses were increased, the former came out well ahead. The November net profits, however, revealed a decrease of \$66,215, which is a substantial advance in the gross earnings. So far as the Grand Trunk is concerned the gross receipts for the first half of the present year, the six months ending on June 30, amounted to \$2,021,531, compared with \$1,927,008 for the corresponding half of 1905, an increase of \$94,523, or nearly 5 per cent. The increase, it may be remarked, and the observation holds good equally well with the C. P. R., as with the Grand Trunk, was over the whole business of the company. Since the first of July up to the first of September, the date of the first G. T. figures yet compiled, the increase in the gross earnings have continued in the same proportion. In July the gross earnings were \$1,037,000, against \$1,027,000 in 1905. For August \$1,096,000, against \$1,081,000. The net increase in August, September and October was \$1,000,000. The increase in July the net advance was very little under the \$305,215. The fact that upwards of 4,000 miles of new line have been under construction this year, a greater amount than was ever known when railway building was in its palmy days is also a most notable feature in Canada's railroading.

DEMANDS FULL LIBERTY  
FOR PORTO RICO

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Dec. 29.—Lorenzo Cintron, a speaker of the house of delegates and leader of the Unionist party has published an article in La Correspondencia, the party organ, criticizing the message of President Roosevelt to congress for his reference to Porto Rico. Senor Cintron says that to grant Porto Ricoan citizenship without self-government would be equal to saying to the world that the terms "American Citizenship" and "Servitude" are synonymous. The idea is impossible of acceptance, but should it become a fact, Senor Cintron says in conclusion, that would be the hour to say to the people of Porto Rico, "prepare yourselves to aid liberty with sword and gun."

ITALY STANDS FOR  
MAINTENANCE OF PEACE

ROME, Dec. 29.—Answering an interrogation in the senate yesterday regarding the foreign policy of Italy, Foreign Minister Tittoni practically repeated the statement that he made in the chamber of deputies on December 18th. He added, however, that the Anglo-French-Italian convention concerning Abyssinia not only regulated the relations of these three powers with regard to Ethiopia, but dispersed the clouds on the horizon of Europe. The foreign minister's statement has confirmed and is proving the previous impression that Italy is working honestly for the maintenance of peace.

ATTEMPTS FRAUD WITH  
JEWELS OF PASTE

Music Hall Singer Refuses \$25,000 in Settlement of a Bogus Claim.

ROME, Dec. 29.—A curious incident happened here some time ago, when a traveling salesman, who carried a music hall singer, declared that it contained valuable effects and jewelry, and she was offered \$25,000 in final settlement of all claims. But the music hall star refused. It so happened that, pending negotiations, the trunk was discovered, and the order was at once given by the officials for a list of its contents. An expert jeweler was also requisitioned, and his response was to the effect that the asserted precious diamonds were all false. The fact reached the ears of the owner, who disappeared, and has not been heard of since. A warrant for her arrest was issued on the charge of having attempted to defraud the state railways.

"THE NEW YEARS SUN"

On New Year's Day, Tuesday, the Sun will issue a special edition of articles by prominent men in various lines throughout the Province, including mining, education and kindred subjects are treated by experts. The edition will be well illustrated, and worth preserving. Orders for extra copies should be sent in at once.

BARONESS BURDETT-COUTTS  
IS SERIOUSLY ILL

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—A despatch from London says Baroness Burdett-Coutts is suffering from acute bronchitis. Dr. Barlow says her condition is grave. She is 82 years old.

TWO CARDINALS ARE  
DEAD FROM APOPLEXY

ROME, Dec. 29.—Cardinal Cadini and Cardinal Rippi died this morning. Both succumbed to strokes of apoplexy. Cardinal Luigi Tripepi was the perfect of the congregation of Indulgences and Sacred Relics. He was born in Italy in 1858 and was created a Cardinal in 1904.

ENGLAND STILL IN THE  
GRASP OF THE STORM.

Many Disasters Reported Involving Loss of Life

Some Vessels are Missing, While Others, Seeking Shelter, Are in Great Danger.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The gale raged on this coast from Ireland today with terrible effect. Near Rathmullan, a three masted schooner parted her anchorage and drifted to a perilous position. A steamer went to her rescue and eventually succeeded in towing her to a position of safety. Nothing further has been seen of the vessel that is reported to have foundered off the coast of Wales. The lifeboat was out for six hours, battling with the storm, which continued with hour tonight. It returned at a late hour, and it is believed the unknown vessel struck a rock and was in danger. The crew and passengers were rescued and are being entertained for their safety.

Further attempts to refloat the Belfast steamer Ormsley which is stranded on the foreshore near Dover have been futile. A lifeboat stood by the Ormsley for fifty hours. The life men suffered severely, their clothes freezing fast to their bodies.

A number of tugs went out today to stand by the Ormsley and the lifeboat. Several vessels have been assisted to Dover. The steamer Lamer of Plymouth, which had been driven ashore, was blown away. The schooner Cambrion had a narrow escape from being blown ashore at Dover.

The bark Regis struck the Goodwin Sands on Christmas day. The crew took to the boats and after much hardship succeeded in reaching the Goodwin Lightship.

A large unknown steamer is reported in distress off Scarborough. She has been sending up rockets for relief for several hours, but the sea is so rough that it is impossible to launch a lifeboat.

There is very heavy weather in the Irish Sea and huge waves are breaking over the Irish gull harbor breaker. The Irish coast is being conducted with great difficulty.

FORMER MILLIONAIRE  
DIED A PAUPER

G. G. Leonard, Victim of Drink, Passes Away at the Poor House in a Western Town.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—A despatch to the Tribune from Spokane says: Once a millionaire wheat speculator, the partner of "Old Hutch" in the Chicago wheat pit, G. G. Leonard, died yesterday at the county poor farm in Spangle, unattended by friends or relatives. One son is superintendent of the largest steel mill at Birmingham, Ala., a daughter is the wife of Prof. Fisher in the University of California and his wife and two other daughters reside in Chicago. Drink brought down his health and his family relations. "Hutch" Leonard as he was familiarly known, was born in New York fifty-three years ago. In the early eighties he practiced law in Chicago. He became associated with Hutchinson in the famous wheat corner which made him a multi-millionaire. He had been president of the school board and superintendent of the Presbyterian Sunday school. He located in Spokane in 1888. A year ago he was stricken with paralysis.

SUSSEX

SUSSEX, Dec. 27.—Fred W. Davidson, lately in business in the Miller block, has accepted a position as book-keeper with the Sussex Mercantile Co. Geo. Perley Sproul, formerly a resident of Sussex, accompanied by his wife, Mrs. W. Nobles of Ottawa, is visiting friends here. He has been away for 18 years, and leaves shortly for his home in Fairbanks, Alaska.

Mrs. David Doherty of Campbellton is visiting her brother, Geo. D. Doherty, at the depot house in Mass. Dr. Thomas Byrne of Chatham spent Christmas at his old home here.

Dr. Dev. Sproul and wife of Campbellton spent Christmas at Conductor John Sproul's.

A. B. Purley of the Depot House is away on a short trip to Salem, Mass. Advertising is, indeed, one of the great developments of the century.—From an article in Self Culture Magazine.

HORRIBLE MASSACRES BY  
THE MEXICAN INDIANS.

ESPERANTO MAY BE  
LANGUAGE OF KINGS

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The announcement that Prince Olaf is to be taught Esperanto is expected to give a great impetus to the study of the universal language. An official of the British Esperanto Association told a reporter yesterday that Queen Victoria Eugenie of Spain was the first royal personage to take up Esperanto seriously. "Her Majesty," he said, "has quite an Esperanto library, and has already interested King Alfonso in its study. There is no reason why any person should know two or three languages before he can speak Esperanto. In fact, a 3-year-old child can learn it much faster than an adult, if properly instructed. Esperanto would be a great boon to future sovereigns. At present, kings are expected to know at least three languages. King Edward, for instance, speaks French and German perfectly, understands Italian, and has some knowledge of Russian. Esperanto is making immense strides. The London County Council, which has already opened Esperanto classes at four of its schools, is prepared to open more if a sufficient number of students present themselves. Esperanto is now included in the syllabus of the National Union of Teachers. The next international congress, which will bring together 7,000 Esperantists, will be held at Cambridge in August, 1907."

POISONED RELATIVES  
FOR FINANCIAL GAIN

Woman Alleged to Have Committed Fifteen to Twenty Murders.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—Wholesale distillers which are taking place at Grunin, in Silesia, under the direction of the Public Prosecutor, promise to send to the gallows one of the most diabolical murderers ever known in history of hidden crimes. The authorities have evidence that a certain Frau Felge is guilty of poisoning with arsenic from fifteen to twenty different persons, mostly relatives, whose deaths were of financial advantage either to herself or to other persons. Eight bodies have already been exhumed, and tomorrow a ninth will be disinterred, that of the father-in-law of young Felge, the woman's son. The bodies of her stepmother and sister-in-law were found to be full of arsenic, and the police have made an exhaustive analysis of the cemetery soil, and satisfied themselves that the poison could not have reached the bodies after interment. Frau Felge denies her guilt, but the proof against her is of a damning character.

MIGHT GET TOGETHER A  
FEW MORE CONVICTS

Russian Government Trying to Induce Colonists to Settle in Siberia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 29.—Taking advantage of the present and increasing famine in Russia the government is making great efforts to stimulate colonization in Siberia on a scale hitherto never attained. The minister of finance, M. Kokosov, after consultation with his colleagues, has decided to place \$3,000,000 to be spent in 1907 at the disposal of the colonist office. This office has 2,000 homestead lots in readiness for settlers. These lots are situated largely in the sparsely settled provinces along the Amur river where the government is eager to strengthen its hold.

PRINCE'S DIVORCE SUIT  
RESENTED BY GERMANS

Brother of the Czarina the Most Unpopular Ruler in the Fatherland

BERLIN, Dec. 28.—Probably the most unpopular person in Germany at the present time is the Grand Duke of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha. Installing in her place about a year ago a highly popular German princess.

The Manchester Importer arrived and docked about three o'clock this afternoon.

Victims Tortured by Fire—  
American Residents of the  
Village Escaped by Hiding  
Under a Platform—  
Fiendish Treatment of  
Women and Children.

BIBBEE, Ariz., Dec. 29.—Details received yesterday say that last Saturday evening a Yaqui Indian band attacked and burned the new town of Llancho on the Cananea, Yaqui River and Pacific Railway, southeast of Guaymas, Sonora, Mexico. They murdered ten men, women and children, fatally shot two others, and took three women away captives to the hills. The Indians retired after nearly two hours of plunder, riot and arson, being frightened away by a work train from Guaymas, which they doubtless mistook for a relief train. Soldiers from the fort two miles east entered the town in minutes later. Llancho was a railway station with a box car for the depot and telegraph office, surrounded by tents occupied by fifty Mexican laborers and three families. The only Americans in the place were the railway station master Thompson, and his family, and two American well drillers. At the first alarm the well drillers fled to the fort and gave an alarm. Thompson, his wife, and their five-year-old boy crawled under a plank walk that lay about 15 inches above ground between two tents in which they were living, and remained there while the tents not 15 feet away were looted and burned. The Indians first made an attack on the store and canteen run by an Italian. He made a fight, but to no purpose, being soon overpowered, and while the Indians drank mescal and plundered the place they slowly tortured him to death. His wife, an American woman, was mutilated and also tortured with fire. The sister of this woman was taken captive. The "House" was then burned. The station agent and his family under the plank walk listened to the shrieks of the tortured. Those inhabitants of the town who got away, escaped into the cactus thickets nearby and the Indians did not follow them but contented themselves with the murder and torture of the prisoners captured in the first charge. A woman and her children lay flat upon a box-car which had been side-tracked there for temporary use as a house, and escaped observation. About 8 o'clock the whistle of a work-train from Guaymas gave warning of its approach and the Indians hastily left. Soldiers from the fort arrived about 3 hours after the firing of the first shot. General Torres arrived at the scene of the massacre from Guaymas and took charge of the organization of an expedition. This band of Indians has a stronghold in the mountains only a few miles to the west of the station. They had often been seen to come near the railroad and watch the trains pass, but never offered any violence to Americans or American property before.

BAZAAR IS OPENED  
BY "LITTLE DORRIT"

Original of the Famous Dickens Character Haily and Hearty at Ninety-Four.

(Special to the Sun.)  
LONDON, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Mary Ann Cooper, a sweet-faced woman of 94, and the original of Charles Dickens' "Little Dorrit," yesterday made her first public appearance to open a sale of work at the Waifs and Strays Society's Home, in Copenhagen Street, Islington. Wearing a black silk dress, gray cloak and bonnet trimmed with crimson flowers, "Little Dorrit" made a charming picture, with her silvery hair and sweet, wrinkled face, as she entered the hall leaning on the arm of the Rev. F. de M. Rudolph. After a short introductory speech by Mr. Rudolph, "Little Dorrit" arose and said: "I am very pleased to be here today to help such an excellent institution, and it gives me great pleasure to see so many friends around me, come to do honor to the great author. I now declare the sale open, and hope it will be a great success." Afterward, Mrs. Cooper spoke to a reporter of her "dear friend, Charles Dickens," and mentioned the last occasion when she had visited him at Gads Hill. "It was just after he came back from Venice," she said, "and I remember it was a very hot day, and a dreadful thunderstorm came on after we got to Gads Hill. My brother was his solicitor, so he often dined with us and we were with him." She could not remember what was the origin of her name of "Little Dorrit." "I don't know why he called me that, but he was always very fond of giving nicknames."

PROMINENT HALIFAX  
CHURCHMAN DEAD

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 29.—Ven. Dean Gilpin died at noon today.



THE STAR, ST. JOHN, N. B., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29 1906

THREE

# Big Day Today AT THE Great Two-week Overcoat Sale

Prices cannot be duplicated. This is the time of year when we give our profit to our customers. OVERCOAT PRICES DOWN TO SKELETON FIGURES. Here's a little idea of what we are doing this great Two-Week Overcoat Sale:

- \$7.50 Overcoats for - - \$ 3.00
- 8 and \$8.50 Overcoats for 3.90
- 9 and \$10 Overcoats for 6.90
- 11 Overcoats for - - - 7.90
- 12 Overcoats for - - - 8.90
- 13 Overcoats for - - - 9.90
- 14 Overcoats for - - - 10.90
- 15 and \$16 Overcoats for 11.90

Hundreds of men should be wearing our Overcoats for the New Year. THE SEASON FOR SAVING IS NOW. Come, see how well we back our ads. with our prices.

## Union Clothing Company,

26-28 Charlotte Street, (Old Y. M. C. A Building)  
ST. JOHN, N. B.  
ALEX. CORBET, Manager.

## THE DEADLOCK OVER THE RUSSIAN LAND QUESTION

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 29.—At first sight the attitude of the Russian state towards the agrarian question strikes one as tragic. The Tsar's advisers are aware of the land-hunger of the rural masses, and are yet willing and able to partially satisfy it. Still they must waive their intention because of a one-sided engagement taken by the crown. According to that promise no permanent law shall ever again be made without the assent of the nation's representatives, and consequently with the programmes of these representatives, the agricultural class shall not be relieved by any cabinet but one composed of their own members. Thus the crown and the deputies are tied by oath to show the Government has in mind a permanent law, but neither of the two can carry out the laudable scheme without the goodwill of the other and that goodwill is not to be hoped for. On the one hand the peasants' representatives are clamorous for land, asking that it should be their own to till, improve, mortgage, sell on to let the husbandman possess it, not merely as heretofore jointly with others but fully. But the dead letter of a badly worded law forbids the reform. Hereafter the moonish code dispose of the harvest but not of the soil that produced it, whereas to this too, he has a right because he has paid the redemption tax for over a generation and therefore the farm which he cultivates has really been bought by him. And the Government has hitherto assented to these claims, but did nothing to grant them. Neither side seems able to get any further than talk. Why, one may inquire, does not the Emperor use a law as one of the cleverest of his officials more than once proposed for deciding that the land now cultivated by the peasants shall ipso facto become the property of those who are tilling it without more ado? That would be the shortest and the straightest way to the goal. It might be clumsy and to some extent unfair, but it would put an end to a secular grievance and win over a powerful ally. But the premier always retorts that this is impossible because the state is bound by its promise not to make any permanent law without the consent of the Duma, and that innovation once introduced would by its nature be permanent and irrevocable. Therefore it must not be enforced.

The Tsar's promise that in the future no law should be enacted without the consent of the nation's representatives assembled in the Duma was given for the benefit of his people. Afterwards it was used to their detriment. Every political party in Russia is at one that the peasants ought to become the full owners of the land, and also in many cases receive an additional slice of land. That is a political dogma in Russia. But if the Government frames a law embodying this dogma these parties will cry out that the constitution is being violated. The Duma, they argue, and only the Duma has the right of striking off the fetters of the constitution. Constitutionally, perhaps, that plea is unanswerable. But it is on the cards that the Duma is not to convene for a long time to come. Meanwhile it is asked, must the peasant go on sinking deeper and deeper into the slough of despair in sight and almost within reach of the help which his democratic friends refuse to let him have. It is also being asked if this is fair will not a high price to pay for the constitution.

Disclosures are daily coming to light which aggravate the fearful significance of the blunder made by the Assistant Minister of the Interior, M. Gurko, in advancing \$4,000,000 to some sanitary plumbers who contracted to

## MRS. SAGE WILL GIVE MONEY TO THE NEEDY IN HER OWN CITY

BUT SHE IS NOT YET PREPARED TO DISTRIBUTE HER WEALTH—MANY APPEALS BEING RECEIVED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Russell Sage, widow of the financier, today gave out a statement in which she declared that it is not her intention to distribute immediately the money left to her by her husband and much less does she intend to distribute it everywhere and to everybody. She declares that she has at her own doors in New York City plenty of cases of need which she adds that she will give only after the fullest investigation and that all applications must be made to her in writing. She is impelled to make this statement, she says, because of her sympathy for the poor and ignorant people whose needs are great and in whom false hopes have been aroused by untrue reports of her intentions.

## BOSTON ELEVATED GIVES \$50,000 TO EMPLOYEES

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—The Boston Elevated R. Co. will distribute about \$50,000 in gold among its car service employees. The company has decided for good conduct and satisfactory service during the year 1906. Nearly 40 per cent. of the total number of men who have been in the service six months or longer are entitled to receive the reward.

## Martyrdom Described

KINGSTON MAN TELLS HOW HE SUFFERED AND HOW HE WAS RELEASED.

"For years a martyr," is how Chas. H. Powell, of 36 Raglan street, Kingston, begins his story. "A martyr to chronic constipation, but now I am free from it and all through the use of Dr. Leonard's Anti-Pill."

Many who are now suffering from this complaint will be glad to learn from Mr. Powell's story that there is hope for the most stubborn case. He continues: "I was induced to try Anti-Pill by reading the testimony of some one who had been cured of constipation by it. I had suffered for eighteen years and had taken tons of stuff, but worse rather than better. Doctors told me there was no cure for me." Dr. Leonard's Anti-Pill is for sale by all Druggists or by The Wilson-Pyle Co., Limited, Niagara Falls, Ont.

Mr. Powell will verify every word of these statements.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

**FOR SALE.**  
FOR SALE—150 driving horses, 5 farms, one near Hampstead, another near Norton, 100 acres each with buildings. R. G. MURRAY, barrister, city, 23-12-6.  
FOR SALE—Mare for sale, 1400 lbs. in foal. A. DEWAR, Lancaster, 23-12-6.  
FOR SALE—Two single sleighs in good order. M. COWAN, 18 Cedar St. 8-12-1m.  
FOR SALE—Framers 3c up; Hockey Skates 4c up; Acme Saws 5c up; Pocket Knives 5c up; Children's Snow Shovels, 16c; Men's 25c. Everything marked in plain figures at DUYVAL'S, 17 Waterloo St. 8-12-1f.  
FOR SALE—About twenty new and second-hand delivery Wagons, 2 coaches, and 2 horse, carriages, different styles, ready for use, glass front coach, new trimmings, well painted; a first class coach very cheap; also three out-door carriages; best place in the city for painting and greatest facilities for carriage repairing. A. G. EDGECOMBE, 115 and 123 City Road.  
GASOLINE ENGINES.—Stationary, Portable and Marine—any Horse Power and 4 Cyls. Stationary Engines for Dough Mixers, Concrete Mixers, Grain Grinding, Thrashing and other uses. See our pleasure and Fishing Boats at the St. John Exhibition. TORONTO GAS AND GASOLINE ENGINE CO. LTD., 71 Water street, St. John, N. B.

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FRANK E. JONES, Electrical Engineer and Contractor. All branches of electrical work undertaken including lighting plants, telephones, electric bells and annunciators. Office 354 Prince William St., Phone 44. Residence 140 Broad St.

**TO LET.**  
TO LET—Two small self-contained houses, 251 Haymarket Square. 8-12-1f.

**WANTED**  
WANTED—A small flat about six rooms; modern improvements, central location. Apply B. C. Star office. 23-12-3.  
An experienced stenographer owning typewriter would supply a few hours each day or take position in any office. MISS G. STICKNEY, 164 Carleton street. 23-12-1f.  
WANTED—A man with good business experience, wants a partnership in an established manufacturing or wholesaling business. Can furnish capital. Apply to "FANTNER," P. O. Box 17, Saint John, N. B. 8-11-1f.

**LOST.**  
LOST—Between 3 and 6 p. m., Thursday, a Gilt and Leather Belt, with Gilt buckle. Finder will be rewarded by returning to 378 Union street. 24-12-1f.

**ROOMS TO LET**  
NICE UNFURNISHED ROOM with electric light. General office calls ways get best places by applying to MISS HANSON, Employment Office, 135 Charlotte Street. 23-12-1f.  
TO LET—Furnished rooms at Tremont, suitable for light housekeeping, at very moderate rates. 23-12-1f.

**SITUATIONS VACANT FEMALE**  
WANTED—At ONCE—Housemaid, cook, and general girl. Highest wages. MISS H. A. PROSE, 123 Charlotte street. 23-12-8.  
WANTED—Experienced girls to sew by machine and hand on men's pants. Also, girls to learn steady work and good wages. L. COHEN, 14 Canterbury street, 10-12-1f.  
WANTED—A cook. Apply to MISS THORNE, 15 Mecklenburg street. 23-12-1f.

**IF YOU WANT male or female help or better situation in St. John or Boston, apply to GRANT'S Employment Agency, 69 St. James street, West side. 23-12-1f.**

**Wanted at Once**  
3 Girls for general housework, with references, \$15.00 a month.  
1 First class Metal Pattern Maker, \$20.00 a day.  
Apply at McRAE'S Employment Bureau, 74 King St., St. John, N. B. D. F. McRAE, Prop. 23-12-1f.

**Pants and Overalls**  
Here is the place to do your shopping in the above line. You buy them direct from the factory and save a third of your money.  
Men's Working Pants, . . . . .90c up.  
Boys' Working Pants, . . . . .35c up.  
Men's Overalls, . . . . .35c up.  
Other lines of Gent's Furnishings at low prices. Call in once and you'll be sure to call again.  
J. ASHKINS, 655 Main St. 17-12-1 mo

**HE FOUND THE LONG REST WHICH HE SOUGHT**  
PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 29.—A man who registered at the Bristol Hotel yesterday as "F. Hall, Baltimore," and told the clerk that he was "going to bed for a good long rest," was found dead in his room late tonight with an empty laudanum bottle beside him. A number of visiting cards bearing the name "Fred H. Cram," were found in his pockets, and there was also an address "21 Fairmont Avenue, Hyde Park." The man was about 40 years old.

## SALE OF FURNITURE BEFORE STOCK TAKING.

Dresser and Stand, with Bevelled British Plate Mirror. \$7 85  
Lounges, with Golden Oak Finished Frames, 4 15  
Tables, in all the different woods, from 43  
Sideboards, Golden Oak finish, from 8 50  
English Oilcloth at 24c and 28c per yard.  
Carpets, all reduced 33 1-3 per cent.

### George E. Smith, 18 King St.

Furniture, Carpets and Oilcloths.

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Everything clean and up-to-date

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### Furs, Furs, - Bargains in Furs

Money back has been our motto, if better values can be procured, quality considered. No come back's yet.  
BARBLEY, the Hatter, 179 Union St. Phone 409E  
Your old hat blocked to look like new.

### ATTEMPTED TO CONCEAL ROBBERY BY MURDER

Burglars Stunned Book-Keeper in New Hampshire Plant, Robbed Him and Fired the Building

DOVER, N. H., Dec. 28.—The large brickmaking plant of Fiske and Co., incorporated at Dover, N. H., was burned tonight by a fire which is believed to have been started by two men who robbed the assistant book-keeper, Charles Goldwaite, while the latter was sitting alone in the office of the plant a short time before the fire was discovered. Goldwaite was knocked unconscious by a blow on the head, and for hours after the occurrence was unable to tell a connected story of his experience, but the police gathered from the police believe that the robbers, fearing that they had killed Goldwaite, deliberately set fire to the building a short time after the occurrence. It is believed that the robbers were found lying face downward outside the building, five or six feet away from the door of the office, after the fire was discovered. It is surmised that he partly recovered consciousness and staggered out of the building, falling again when he reached the outer air. He is 19 years old. Tonight he was at his boarding house in the city, where he was located by the police. He could not get from him any description of his assailants. It is believed that the robbers were a large amount of money was a sandwich as there are no brass visible on his head.

The brickmaking plant was owned by Fiske and Co., incorporated, which has an office on Devonshire street, Boston. George M. Fiske is president of the company, J. Parker P. Fiske, vice president and T. W. Pierce, treasurer, all of Boston. D. L. Finkham is the superintendent of the plant.

The buildings were constructed of hard pine containing a large amount of pitch, and burned very quickly, especially after a store room containing oil, kerosene, and other inflammable material, had caught fire. As the plant is five and a half miles from the city proper, there was no means of fighting the blaze effectively.

The officials of the company were unable to learn tonight whether the robbers attempted to open the safe, as the ruins were too hot to enable them to be reached. It is said, however, that only a small amount of money—never more than \$50—has been kept in the office.

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NOTICE. The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Robin Hood Opera House Company will be held in the Opera House on Thursday, January 3rd, at 8.30 p. m.

THE BOHEMIAN GIRL WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

When people hear an opera one evening and then buy tickets for the same piece next night, it is about the highest compliment that can be paid to a company. And this is what is being done for the Bohemian Opera Co. Many of those who so heartily enjoyed last evening's presentation of the Bohemian Girl were on hand early this morning to secure seats for tonight.

The service at the Seaman's Institute last night was addressed by Bishop Richardson. His remarks were listened to with much interest by the seamen present, and the service proved very interesting.

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ABOLISH THE GRAND JURY.

There is one grand jury, at least in Ontario, which deserves the applause of all Canada. In a presentation returned to Judge Winchester on Thursday afternoon last, the members strongly advised the abolition of the grand jury. They denounced the system as cumbersome and costly for both criminal and civil litigation. In proposing this abolition, the presentation contains a number of reasons why the jury should not be preserved, although, unintentionally, there are statements which form good arguments for its retention provided its functions were altered to perform only certain lines of work.

As members of the grand jury the feeling had been impressed upon us in the course of our duties that having regard to the better conditions existing at the present time as compared with the past, the grand jury system is not a necessary part of the machinery of the law, and that a simpler and much less expensive arrangement might with advantage be substituted for it.

Another Scheme. Following close on the heels of the man who advocates state ownership of newspapers, comes an individual from Chicago with a proposition for private control of the post office.

W. D. Boyce, described as a well known and wealthy publisher, has made to the United States' postal commission an offer to form a company with a capital of \$50,000,000 to take over and operate the entire postal system of the United States.

Mr. Boyce is extremely anxious that his proposition should be taken seriously. However much like a joke his offer may appear, it is far from being such, he says.

Mr. Boyce is not alone in his opinion. He is backed by a number of prominent business men and other combines are everlastingly squeezing the people, where the government has finally been compelled to take action against those corporations which by unjust measures conspire to restrict trade.

THE CONVENTION. The Liberal convention which closed last evening was, without doubt, the most successful ever conducted in this province. No better representatives of the different constituencies could have been selected; all were qualified men accomplishing in the short space of time at their disposal as much work as was possible.

Reorganization of the New Brunswick Association was perfected, many matters in the way of party organization were carefully considered, and the close of the meeting saw the party more firmly united and in better fighting condition than ever before. The many speeches which were made had one common characteristic, they were broadly Canadian, sectionalism and rabid partisanship found no place, but the ideas expressed were all as they should be, pointed toward the general progress of Canada.

A LITTLE GIRL'S LAMENT. (By J. L. Arner.) They say the sleeping dogs may lie; But little girls may not, For when I tell the little fib They scold as if on fire.

Sometimes I wish I was a dog So I could lie in bed, For when I've taken mother's cake I'd rather sleep than not.

Then when she'd say, 'Now, Clementine, Did you do so and so?' I'd close my eyes and snooze a bit And growl out, 'No; oh, no; no.'

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'I've met the meanest man,' he answered. 'I've been in the papers, but I never expected to meet him face to face.'

'How do you know he is the meanest man?' 'By the way he acted. I showed him this work of art, lectured on it for half an hour, showed the engraving, and when I hinted that he should buy a copy, he turned on me and said, 'What do you think he said?'

'I don't know.' 'He said he never bought books. He didn't have to. He just waited for some agent to come along and tell him all the leaves while he looked at the pictures.'

Above one of the elevators on the ground floor of the Empire building at Tector street, with the sign which reads: 'No stop above the eleventh floor.' Recently a rustic Jerseyman with his wife was in the building looking for some way to get upstairs, and the sign caught his eye.

'Look at that sign, with you, Mary,' he said, pointing to it as he held Mary by the arm.

'Yes, I see it, Henry,' she replied, patiently. 'What of it?'

'Well, I don't know. What till I ask the man.' And he went up to the doorman, 'Say, mister, is inquired, 'if the dern thing don't stop above the eleventh floor, how fer does it go?'

'Bravo, Signor Fredolino, you have come also this year to the grand jury in your two daughters. They become every year more beautiful and attractive.'

'That may be, but they are getting on and they are not yet married. They are really unfortunate. They found a likely man and I invited him to dinner to the house, and as he seemed to enjoy a good dinner I engaged a special cook for his dinner, and he said, 'And who do you think he did?'

'I have not an idea.' 'He married the cook.'

'Have you got a job, Sam?' 'Yes, sah.' 'What do you do?' 'I'm an understudy, sah.'

'Yes, sah. My wife does washin' and I'm her understudy.' 'But have you ever been called upon to take her place?'

'No, sah, I ain't got dat far yet, sah.'

FRENCH GOVERNMENT WILL REMAIN FIRM. Briand, in an Able Speech, Outlines the Policy—No Good Reason for the Vatican Opposition.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—The senate has concluded the general debate and the principle of the bill was voted today by 181 yeas to 87 noes. There only remains the discussion of details of the various sections and it is expected that this will be completed tomorrow.

In the course of the debate, Minister of Education, Briand, called forth repeated salvos of applause by assurances of the government's determination not to enter upon superfluous negotiations with Rome, not to sacrifice its dignity by abandoning the proposed reforms, and not to concede to the Vatican's evident desire for persecution, to which the government has replied with a liberal than pertains in any other country.

The Vatican, however, declared M. Briand, has a perfect law, and the bill did not violate the spiritual influence of the hierarchy, continuing to be found in the fact that many bishops, clergymen and influential laymen considered the law of 1886 acceptable, but were compelled to refrain from submission to Rome, which the speaker described as resembling slavery.

The government has offered the common church the full benefits of the common law, hitherto demanded by the Pope, but it would not accord special rights to the Catholic hierarchy which implied foreign control in the internal affairs of the French Republic.

The church's loss of property was her own fault, continued the minister. The present bill would place the church within the law in spite of herself and oblige the Pope, if he desired to continue residence to resort to private worship, and this measure never would be accepted by the Catholics of France. The cessation of public worship, if it came about, would emanate from Rome, M. Briand averred, and this would be clearly understood by the country at large.

The senate has ordered that Mr. Briand's speech be placed through the records.

ROME, Dec. 28.—The Pope received in private audience today Georges Trepo, an Englishman, who formerly was an actor, and who has just entered an ecclesiastical college here for the purpose of becoming a priest. The Pope was most interested in Mr. Trepo's decision to embrace an ecclesiastical career, and said to him: 'I am sure you will be a good preacher and that you will have no hesitation in appearing in a pulpit.'

SATURDAY SERMONETTE

AFTER CHRISTMAS.

A used up, disreputable looking old saint was St. Nicholas the week after Christmas. A reporter went to call on him the day after and although it was midday when the reporter called the saint was just getting out of bed. His usually bright twinkling eyes were bloodshot and dull, and his ruddy cheeks were flabby and they had lost their old-time healthy color. He groaned and groined and stretched himself as the reporter with note book in hand and pencil poised asked him, 'How had you enjoyed Christmas and how did the day compare with other Christmas days?'

'It is getting worse every year,' said Santa. 'I am getting tired of it all and I am going out of business.' The people are getting more selfish all the time, and the children are getting so wise that some of them don't believe in me at all, and those who do steal out of bed and hide in the rooms I want to visit and try to see me and sometimes get to sleep so that I can go on with my work.'

'But come with me,' said Santa Claus and I will show you.' He put on his boots and great coat and in a few minutes was ready for the street.

'Let us look in at this house,' said Santa Claus. They went into a large beautiful home, but the house looked as if all homes look 'after the ball is over, after the lights are out.' Disheveled half buried, drunken candles leaned against each other for support.

The beautiful Christmas tree was half stripped of the heavy burden it bore on Christmas morning, some of the ornaments—liters of the floor and two children were disputing over their toys.

But the saddest sight they saw in that house was two young girls with tear-stained faces, their beauty spoiled by every jealousy and disappointment. They did not get the pearls and diamonds they wanted and other girls got costlier furs.

'Come, come,' said Santa Claus. 'They went down the street, crossed another and on down into a poor, mean looking little house, not much better than a hovel and went in. A woman sat holding a baby, the baby was holding and playing with a cheap doll and the mother's care-worn face lit up with smiles that had been strangers to her face for many a day.

Two children, a boy and girl, were trying on their new shoes, but new to the Plain, cheap clothes, but rich to them, hung on a little stunted tree they hung on the street. A few cheap toys hung on its poor branches. On the cheap table were the remains of what had been a beautiful meal to them. 'And father came home sober last night,' said the little boy to his mother. 'And he gave you next Christmas.'

'And Dad bless Santa Claus for bringing us so much,' and don't let my father get drunk any more.' 'Now I lay me to sleep, as he said her. 'Now I lay me to sleep, at her mother's knee as she said, and bless his funny little nose and wiped his eyes, 'we must go—but I think I will get here next Christmas.'

'I am glad for a good many yet,' said the old man as he went out into the night.

THADDEUS. MONTREAL, Dec. 28.—C. E. E. Taylor, general passenger agent of the C. P. R. lines east of Fort William, was today promoted to be assistant passenger time manager of the western lines, with headquarters at Fort William. He will be succeeded as eastern passenger agent by William Sitt, heretofore general passenger agent of the Canadian-Australian steamship line at Sydney, Australia.

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BIRTHS. PALMER—To Mr. and Mrs. J. Isaac Palmer, Upper Greenwich, N. B., a boy.

MARRIAGES. HENDY-BEAUMONT—On the 26th of Dec, 1906, at the Methodist parsonage, Hillsboro, Albert Co., N. B., by the Rev. Isaac N. Parker, Charles Hendy of St. John, N. B., to Miss Annie E., daughter of James Beaumont of Hopewell Cape, Albert Co., N. B.

NICHOLS-BISHOP—On the 27th of Dec, 1906, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. Isaac N. Parker, Chester E. Nichols of South Norwalk, Conn., U. S. A., to Miss Ethel Beatrice, youngest daughter of F. Chapman Bishop of Hillsboro, Albert Co., N. B.

BARTON-WOOD—At the home of the bride's father, George Barton, Cumberland Bay, on Dec. 28th, by the Rev. A. C. Bell, B. A., Walter B. In-law, Town Marshal William McLeod, Sussex, December 27, Mrs. Sarah J. Barton, all of Queens Co., N. B.

STEWART-CLARK—At the Methodist parsonage, Young's Cove, Grand Lake, by the Rev. A. C. Bell, on Dec. 28th, George A. Stewart, and Miss Bertie M. Clark, both of Young's Creek, Queens Co., N. B.

WARRINGTON—At the home of the bride's parents, Dec. 28th, by Rev. Thos. Pierce, Thomas Barrington Warrington to Quetta Iva, daughter of Charles Lunn, both of parish of Wicklow, Carleton Co., N. B.

SMITH-LUNN—At the home of the bride's parents, Dec. 28th, by the Rev. Thos. Pierce, James Bradford Smith to Winnie Iva, daughter of Charles Lunn, both of Summerfield, Carleton Co., N. B.

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DOCTOR ARRESTED FOR CRIMINAL OPERATION

SALEM, Mass., Dec. 28.—Dr. O. G. Gilley, a well known Boston physician, was arrested today on a charge of performing an illegal operation upon Mrs. Ora M. Shapleigh, wife of Arthur L. Shapleigh, a conductor on the Boston and Maine R. R. Mrs. Shapleigh died yesterday. Dr. Gilley was brought here today by Officers Wells and Proctor, of the state police. He was held in \$5,000 for a hearing in the local court later.

KAULBARS SHIPPED AGAIN. ODESSA, Dec. 28.—Governor General Kaulbars has been removed to another district. The reason for this change is said to be the Governor General's close connection with the union of Russian people, and his failure to prevent the recent dock strike.

DEATHS. CURRIE—In this city on the 26th inst., Margaret A., only child of John H. and Hattie L. Currie, in the seventh year of her age. (Boston papers please copy).

MCCARTHY—In this city, on Dec. 28th, Michael J. McCarthy, in the 34th year of his age, leaving a wife and two children. Funeral on Sunday, at 2.30 p. m. from his late residence, 50 Mill street. Friends invited to attend.

GRAHAM—At Maxwell, N. B., December 17th, Thompson K. Graham, aged 61 years.

BYRON—At Millstream, Kings Co., N. B., December 24, Mrs. D. S. Byron, aged 42 years.

HEINLEIN—At the home of her son-in-law, Town Marshal William McLeod, Sussex, December 27, Mrs. Mary Lavina Kinneer, aged 83 years. She leaves two daughters and six sons.

HIGGINS—In this city on the 28th inst., after a short illness, William T. Higgins, aged sixteen months. Funeral tomorrow at 2.30 p. m. from his father's residence, 220 Waterloo street.

EMERSON—At 79 Union street, St. John West, on Friday, 28th inst., Charles Emerson, aged 81 years and 7 months, leaving a wife, six children and seventeen grand-children to mourn their loss. Funeral from his late residence at 2.30 on Sunday. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend.

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- 2.—Magnificent Upright Piano, Mason & Rice, 7-13 octaves, new, burr walnut case. Former price \$450.00. Will sell now for \$375.00. Terms, \$30.00 down and \$30.00 per quarter.
- 3.—A very fine Upright Grand Piano, by Mendelssohn Co., Toronto, 7-13 octaves, handsome walnut case, only slightly used, good as new. Former price \$120.00. Now offered at \$70.00. Terms: \$25.00 down and \$25.00 per quarter.
- 4.—Beautiful Upright Stainer Piano, up to date, 7-13 octaves, walnut case. Former price \$350.00. Now offered at \$270.00. Terms: \$100.00 down and \$70.00 per month.
- 5.—A nice Upright Piano by Kenney & Scribner, 7 octaves. Price \$65.00. Terms: \$5.00 down and \$4.00 per month.
- 6.—Another nice Upright Piano by John R. Colman, 7 octaves. Price \$75.00. Terms: \$5.00 down and \$4.00 per month.
- 7.—A fine Square Piano by Geo. H. Guild & Co., 7 octaves, walnut case. Former price \$450.00. Now \$310.00. Terms: \$10.00 down and \$5.00 per month.
- 8.—Beautiful Square Piano by Haines Bros., New York, 7 octaves, carved legs. Fine piano for a hall or drawing room, and much better value than an upright piano at the same price. Former value \$450.00, to clear, \$140.00. Terms: \$10.00 down and \$5.00 per month.
- 9.—Another fine Square Piano by Behring & Klix, New York, 7 octaves. Former price \$400.00, now worth \$125.00. Terms: \$10.00 down and \$4.00 per month.
- 10.—A fine Piano by A. H. McPhail, Boston, 7 octaves. Regular price \$400.00. Now \$120.00. Terms: \$10.00 down and \$5.00 per month.
- 11.—A very fine Square Piano by Hammett, Boston, 7 octaves, good order. Will sell for \$70.00. Terms: \$5.00 down and \$4.00 per month.
- 12.—Square Vose & Sons' Piano, 7 octaves, very good condition. Regular price \$400.00. Now \$86.00. Terms: \$5.00 down and \$4.00 per month.
- 13.—Bell Organ, walnut case, 11 stops, illuminated pipe top. Original price \$175.00. Offered for \$45.00.
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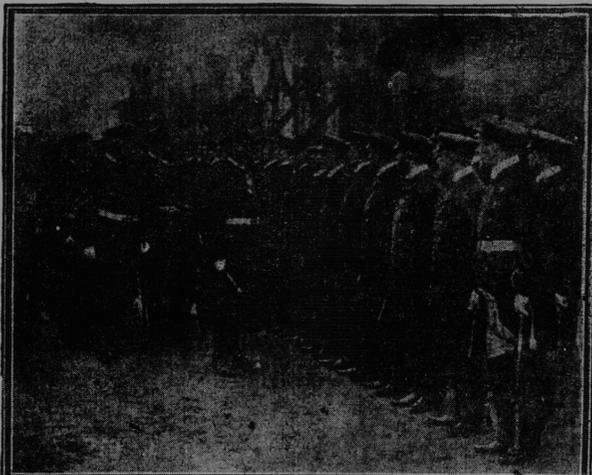
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AN EPIDEMIC OF CRIME PREVAILS IN SCOTLAND.

Glasgow Herald Discusses Mrs. Parsons' Book on Trial Marriages—A New Challenger for the Canada Cup.

GLASGOW, Dec. 29.—Work has begun at Fifeshire at Paisley on a cutter suitable to challenge for the Canada cup. The boat is being built under the American rule of measurement which Canada has now adopted and which has been accepted to govern the race for the Canada cup for next year. The boat is to be sailed by Astellus Jarvis, the noted Canadian helmsman, and will afterwards be taken to Jamestown to race for the Roosevelt cup. The yacht is a 27 footer according to the agreement between the Royal Canadian and Rochester Yacht Clubs and will be pitted against such New York thirties and such Glasgow boats as go to Jamestown during the exposition to compete for the President's cup. Burglars and housebreakers have been very busy in Scotland during the past few years. The criminal and judicial statistics for 1906 just published show that while crime in Scotland taken as a general thing, has decreased, the number of cases of burglary and housebreaking have steadily increased for many years past. If the period 1887 to 1905 is taken a total increase in this class of crime

EMPEROR WILLIAM ADDRESSING HIS FAVORITE CORPS, THE NAVAL CADETS



BERLIN, Dec. 29.—Snapshot of the Kaiser addressing his naval cadets, a corps in which he takes great interest.

COAL ISLAND MINERS ARE ALARMED BY A GHOST.

Englishman Finds a Way of Making Beer Without Hops—Influenza Seizes Many Victims in London—New Law Against Bribery.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The first consignment of English apples from the Red Sea was despatched the other day by G. Hodges of the Covent Garden Market. Mr. Hodges says that the apples are consigned to Port Sudan and that if they arrive at their destination in good condition a new market for fruit growers will be opened. The apples were packed carefully in barrels containing 120 each, all of the same quality and size. The sort selected were as follows: Wellingtons, Blenheim, Queenings and Greenings. The miners of Coal Island are panic-stricken by what they declare to be a ghost which is evincing a habit of spending four hours in prayer under a chestnut tree near the mine. The apparition which is of the gentler sex and wears the customary garb of white, began her revivations a week ago when on the stroke of midnight she was seen gliding down a lane near the pit's mouth. When she reached the tree she knelt in prayer and remained on her knees until the clock struck four. Every night since then she has re-

QUEEN WILHELMINA WEARING THE COSTUME OF FRIESLAND



THE HAUGE, Dec. 29.—The photo of Queen Wilhelmina in the national costume of Friesland which was taken only a few weeks ago shows her with the childish look so familiar to all from her photograph as a little girl a few years ago. It also gives an excellent likeness of her consort.

THE STORY OF A CLEVER THEFT FROM THE GALLERY OF AFRICAN ANTIQUITIES

PARIS, Dec. 29.—Since the theft of the statue of Isis from the Louvre a couple of months ago the Parisian journalists have given the keepers there very little repose. The authorities have maintained that the dull speech of the museum was extremely difficult. Felix Meunier of the intrinsigant undertook the other day to demonstrate the contrary by taking the marble epitaph of Quintus Aurelius from the gallery of African antiquities. The story is related in his own words as follows: "I left the office of the intrinsigant after breakfast intending to go to the Chamber of Deputies. The sun was shining, the weather was pleasant, and I was passing the Louvre the general idea occurred to me of entering and stealing something. It would make a better story than the dull speech of myself in the gallery of Egyptian antiquities. The chief object of portable size which caught my eyes was a large plaque on an easel. Circumstances did not seem particularly favorable. There was a custodian at the end of the hall leaning against the wall and keeping watch. Five or six visitors were moving about among them a charming young mother who was showing the beauties of Egyptian relics to her two pretty babies. A soldier of the 78th Regiment of Infantry was strolling about trying to pass an idle hour. Opposite me was a venerable old man with grey hair and spectacles examining the inscription on a tombstone, and two tourists were discussing in a loud voice with 'Eadecder' in their hands. I was resolved, however, to hazard the attempt. Almost under the nose of the tourists, whilst the old soldier had turned his back I grabbed the epitaph. But Great Caesar! I had not calculated its weight. It needed quite an effort to lift it and glide it under my overcoat. However, I got it there and the weight almost dragged me to one side. I looked toward the guardian and he stood as immovable as one of the Egyptian statues. The elderly gentleman deliberately walked down towards the Venus de Milo. She looked at me with a savage eye. Would she turn informer? The weight under my arm seemed to increase. Six kilos of marble were not easy to handle. I hurried away. At the door two guardians scrutinized closely every visitor passing in and out. But they looked no doubt without seeing I breathed the fresh afternoon air again in the open street, and then I was sorry I had not taken away Jacoada or the Victory of Samothrace." For days past the Matin has been filled with alarmist cablegrams from America. If these cablegrams were to be believed war between America and Japan would be only a matter of weeks. To an American this would all seem very dreadful. But people who know the inner workings of press polemics in Paris find another explanation. M. Bunan-Varilla, the proprietor of the Matin, was the man who engineered and carried through the revolution in Panama which gave the Panama canal to the United States. He was for many months the diplomatic representative in Washington of the new republic, and afterwards negotiated the sale of the corpse of the French canal to the American government. But twenty years ago M. Bunan-Varilla was the chief engineer of the original de Lesseps scheme, and during the years when French gold was pouring into the Isthmus he became a millionaire in pounds sterling. Since the United States took over the work on the Canal, M. Bunan-Varilla has foreseen a return of those happy days when French engineers will again tackle the Canal problem. The Matin has published a series of articles proving that the American Company in the three years they have been at work has not accomplished one-fourth of the excavations accomplished under the French regime. If then the absolute necessity of the Canal can be borne in on the American people it is argued the chances paramount on the Isthmus are in favor of French engineers again becoming creased. The naval strategical value of the Canal is probably the first object lesson to be taught the inhabitants of the United States. Trouble with the Japanese would be the first means of driving the lesson home. If, therefore, the French press—the Matin at its head, is "rubbing in" the dangers of the situation its pessimistic views, it is argued may be taken with a reasonable degree of allowance. By the legal notice just published in which Madame Zola applies on behalf of Denis and Jacques Rozerot, aged seventeen and fifteen, for license to change their surnames to Emile Zola, there hangs a touching tale. It has been known for many years to all who know Zola, but it has never been made public. Now it has just been brought out by the Paris press. The two young people are the children of Emile Zola. Madame Zola, who has herself remained childless, has watched over her husband's children for many years. The son followed his father's name. Between this and the mentioned sufficiently explains Madame Zola's action, in which, of course, the mother of the children concurs. When the license has been obtained Denis and Jacques will legally be called Emile-Zola and Emile-Zola. The man for whose memory Madame Zola entertains an unflinching devotion will not die out. She says that she is doing what he himself would wish. "Unfortunately things will not go as rapidly as I would desire. Six months, it appears, must elapse before the application can be formally received. After that 'my children' must wait a whole year before they can bear their father's name. Between this and then my tenderness for them will teach them patience. Denis is a tall girl of seventeen who is studying history and philosophy. The boy is a little backward, having been ill for two years owing to an accident, but he already shows a taste of exact sciences and will probably be an engineer. Nothing could please me better than I would turn his mind to literature. Pancy the son of Emile Zola writing 'What a burden such a name would be.' Two years ago a discussion was raised in medical circles in Paris over the claims of Dr. Doyen, the well known surgeon, to have discovered a serum which relieved and in many cases permanently cured cancer. The Societe de Chirurgie appointed a committee to examine fifty cases treated by Dr. Doyen. They selected twenty-four of these and proposed two others, making twenty-six in all. The two cases added by the committee were accepted by Dr. Doyen under protest as they were in the last stages of the disease and in fact died a few days afterwards. Now they have just been re-examined and the report according to Dr. Roux Blondi shows a remarkable improvement in the patients.

GARMEN SYLVA, QUEEN OF ROUMANIA, AND HER HUSBAND, THE KING



VIENNA, Dec. 29.—Latest portrait of Queen Elizabeth of Roumania, better known as Carmen Sylva, and her husband, the King.

amounting to 47 per cent. is shown, the number of cases rising from 3,200 to 4,700. Roughly speaking only one person is captured for every four crimes, so that the activity of the police appears to leave something to be desired. In most countries, it is pointed out, this class of crime is peculiar to the winter season when the poor are most in want. But in Scotland, August and October seem to be the most popular months for the housebreaker to carry on his nefarious business. Drunkenness and disorder appear to prevail to a very large extent in Scotland, the total number of persons convicted during the year reaching 94,788, nearly 3,000 more than in the previous year. The little towns with populations ranging between 2,500 and 5,000 seem to be the worst in this respect, the record being held by Blairgowrie, where one in twelve inhabitants was convicted of either drunkenness and disorder during the year. Of the large towns and cities Greenock holds the worst reputation, one in every twenty-one inhabitants having appeared in court. Glasgow comes next with one in every twenty-six inhabitants.

Glasgow still suffers from this epidemic and the authorities are talking of taking drastic steps for the purpose of stopping the crime. While the prosperity of English cotton has attracted general attention it has not been so generally noticed how active and to large extent prosperous has been the jute industry for some time past. The industry is essentially Scottish, for which the Indian fibre is used for mixing with others in some of the English textile industries. It is practically only in Dundee or rather in the industrial district which has its center in Dundee that the spinning and weaving of jute is carried on as a distinct industry. As was recently remarked jute may be called one of the great assets of the British Empire and it has been added that jute factories are

TWO PRESIDENTS OF FRANCE WHO ARE FOND OF HUNTING EXCURSIONS



PARIS, Dec. 29.—A snapshot of President Fallieres and ex-President Loubet, taken during one of the recent hunts in honor of the Corps Diplomatique. M. Fallieres is an enthusiastic hunter, and is often seen with dog and gun in the coverts of Rambouillet.

repeated the programme with business regularity and has got on the miners' nerves to such a degree that some of them declare that they would rather lose their work than go on night duty. The local clergy were sceptical at first, but those of them who have visited the place are now prepared to admit the genuineness of the ghost. Local tradition has it that mass was celebrated under the chestnut tree in by-gone days, and the place round is known as "The Mass Garden." Coal Island in fact is a region which has been peculiarly subject to reports concerning ghosts but none of them has been so persistent and insistent as the present visitant. A man who, it was alleged, had discovered the secret of making beer without malt or hops, has just been remanded, the charge being manufacturing an extensible article without a license, and also with inciting Mr. Young, the manager of a public house at Enfield, to embezzle his master's money. The man was Henry Robert Stevens, a traveller, and it is alleged that he offered to sell Mr. Young a preparation which when mixed with water would enable him to adulterate beer without detection. Mr. Young said that Stevens called on him and explained that he could make \$25 a week for himself by using the preparation. Mr. Young at first refused to have anything to do with him but after consulting his employer he wrote to him, and it was arranged that Stevens should give a demonstration of his preparation in the cellar of the public house. He did so, and after eight gallons had been drawn from a barrel of beer he filled it up with seven and a half gallons of water, a pint and a half of his preparation and about half a pint of his "finings." When this had been done an excise officer who had been concealed in the cellar stepped out and arrested him. Stevens is "stalking" through the country looking for victims and find-

ing them. In both London and the provinces it is the same; hundreds of sufferers are prostrated with the disease and all classes are equally open to the attacks. Business firms in London have been seriously handicapped by the visitation, coming just as it does during the holiday shopping. Even Haskenschmidt, the champion wrestler, has met his match in influenza, a more powerful foe than he has hitherto encountered. He is recovering but slowly.

Great Britain has a new crime, or will have on January 1, 1897. Hitherto the law has not leaned too heavily on the givers and the receivers of bribes, but now an act has been adopted somewhat similar to the "Anti-Tippling" act of the State of New York. The law has set its face sternly against the corruption of judicial and ministerial officers, and of late years it has done its best to prevent corruptions at elections. Misguided generosity to a judge or a voter has been labelled as a crime. But neither the receiver nor the donor of a "commission," has till now been made amenable to the criminal law. However, there is one thing

The affairs of "Barnum and Bailey," Greatest Show on Earth," were mentioned in the probate division of the high court the other day on an application that Mrs. Ruth Louisa Bailey be appointed administratrix pendente lite of the estate of her late husband, Mr. James Arthur Bailey.

Mr. Bailey was in partnership with Mr. Barnum and managing director of the show until his death in April last in the State of New York. He held nearly half the shares, namely 167,391. Another director was now needed in Mr. Bailey's place, it was explained, and the widow was anxious that her shares should be registered so that she might be represented at the election. There is now a claim for \$25,000 on behalf of the testator's estate against the company, being ten per cent. on the profits of the American part of the business.

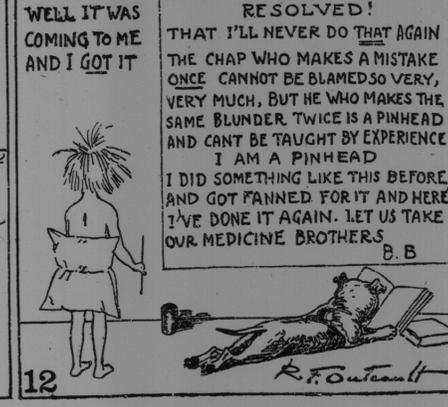
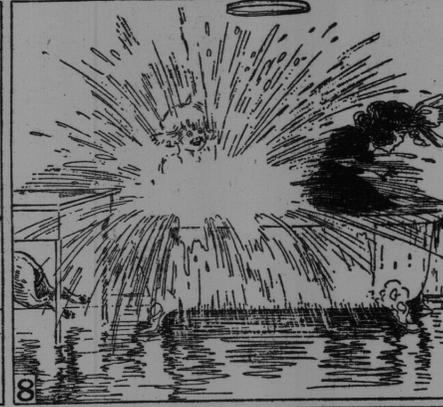
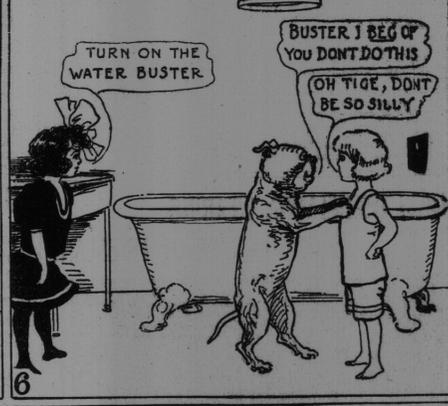
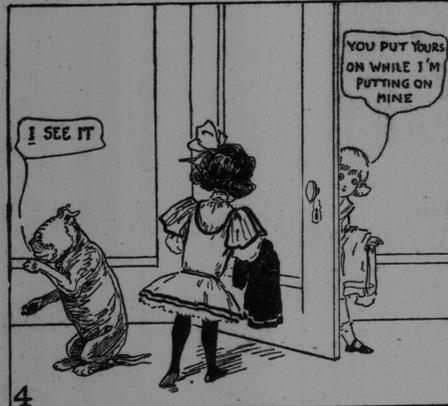
Joy and pride reigns at the Zoological Gardens, for the largest, hairiest, strongest, healthiest, gloomiest and ugliest baboon in captivity, has just arrived there. He is a mandrill with a face like an artist's palette, but his primate face must not be taken as indicative of intelligence although he has sky blue cheeks and a scarlet nose. When he stands up on his hind legs he is about five feet high and he has the strength of six men. His canine teeth are larger than a lion's, being at least three inches long. He glares gloomily at the world from deep-set eyes, and a shaggy crest of hair covers his head and shoulders.

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**COMMERCIAL**

**NEW YORK BANK STATEMENT.**

Saturday, Dec. 26th, 1903.—Reserves on all deposits Inc. \$3,083,235. Reserves other than U. S. Inc. \$2,671,625. Loans Inc. \$5,789,700. Specie Inc. \$2,685,400. Legal tenders Inc. \$1,806,600. Deposits Inc. \$2,652,300. Circulation Inc. \$148,500.

The bank statement is rather better than that expected.

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NEW YORK STOCK QUOTATIONS.  
Chicago Market Report and New York Cotton Market.

(Published by D. C. Clinch, Banker and Broker)  
St. John, N. B., Dec. 29th, 1903.

Amalg. Copper	113 1/2
Anacosta	28 1/2
Am. Sugar Refr.	127 1/2
Am. Smelt. and Ref.	16 1/2
Am. Car Foundry	43 1/2
Achison	104 1/2
Am. Locomotive	72 1/2
Brook. Rpd. Trst.	78 1/2
Balt. and Ohio	119 1/2
Canadian Pacifc	124 1/2
Colo. F. and Iron	83 1/2
Consolidated Gas	117 1/2
Distillers	70 1/2
Wester.	24 1/2
Erie	43 1/2
Nipissing	112 1/2
Kansas and Texas	40 1/2
Louis. and Nash.	142 1/2
Mexican Central	112 1/2
Missouri Pacifc	91 1/2
Nor. and Western	92 1/2
N. Y. Central	120 1/2
Ont. and Western	47 1/2
Peo. C. and Gas Co.	98 1/2
Reading	125 1/2
Republic Steel	28 1/2
Sloss Sheffield	74 1/2
Pennsylvania	127 1/2
Rock Island	24 1/2
St. Paul	149 1/2
Southern Ry.	22 1/2
St. Paul Rtr.	22 1/2
Southern Pacifc	91 1/2
Northern Pacifc	102 1/2
National Lead	72 1/2
Twin City	103 1/2
Union Pacifc	106 1/2
U. S. Rubber	61 1/2
U. S. Steel	48 1/2
U. S. Steel, pd.	107 1/2

Sales to N. Y. yesterday

**MONTREAL QUOTATIONS.**  
Fri. Sat.

Dec. corn	49 1/2
wheat	73 1/2
oats	35 1/2
May corn	47 1/2
wheat	77 1/2
oats	36 1/2
Jan. pork	16 1/2

**CHICAGO MARKET REPORT.**  
Fri. Sat.

Dom. Coal	64
Dom. Iron and Steel	24 1/2
Dom. I. and St. pd.	65
Nova Scotia Steel	71 1/2
C. P. R.	102 1/2
Twin City	103 1/2
Montreal Power	90 1/2
Rich. and Ont. Nave.	82 1/2
Detroit United	79 1/2
Toronto Ralls.	112 1/2
Havana	43 1/2

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.  
Fri. Sat.

December	29
January	27
March	25
May	23
July	21

**SURRENDERED AND SENTENCED TO DIE**  
Admiral Nebogotoff and Others Convicted—Sentence However May be Changed  
NO EXAMPLE

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 27.—The court-martial which has been trying Rear-Admiral Nebogotoff and 78 officers of his squadron for surrendering to the Japanese at the Battle of the Sea of Japan on May 28, 1905, handed in its decision at 10 o'clock tonight.

Vice-Admiral Nebogotoff, Commander Lychnin, of the coast defence frigate General Admiral Apraxin; Rear-Admiral Grepovskoy, of the coast defence ship Admiral Zenavin, and Lieut. Smirnov, who succeeded to the command of the battleship Nicolai I, were sentenced to death, but, in view of the extenuating circumstances and the long and otherwise blameless careers of these officers, the court will petition the Emperor to commute their sentences to 10 years' imprisonment in a fortress.

Four other officers are sentenced to short terms of imprisonment in a fortress, while the remainder are acquitted on the charges brought against them.

The Government prosecutor in his closing address declared that the infliction of the death penalty under these circumstances was out of harmony with the spirit of the times, but he declared that the guilt of the officers in question found no example in history. Rear-Admiral Nebogotoff, he averred, could have transferred all his commands to one battleship and then sunk the rest of his squadron. The Rear-Admiral made an emotional reply in which he dwelt upon the ignorance of the prosecutor, who, he said, had worn the uniform of the navy for only one year.

**MADMAN POSES FOR YEARS AS WOMAN**  
Accused of Being a Man in Disguise He Takes Poison and Dies.

BERLIN, Dec. 28.—A remarkable story comes from Breslau. A teacher of that city a short time ago went to Paris to perfect himself in the French language. While there he made the acquaintance of a woman named Dina Alma de Paris, a French woman and daughter of a French Consul there. She wore magnificent jewelry, and was altogether charming.

The Breslau teacher fell in love with her, they were engaged, and the happy teacher returned to Breslau to make preparations for their marriage. Dina Alma arrived in Breslau shortly afterward and took up her abode in a fashionable pensionnat there. She went about with her fiance making purchases for their future home. In some unexplained way, however, the people of the pensionnat began to have misgivings about Dina Alma. Like Charley's Aunt, who was also from Breslau she was not what she seemed, and the suspicion that she was a man in woman's clothes was strengthened. Dina Alma thereupon took poison, and in a few minutes was dead. Her hair, bust and hips were all false.

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**ENGLISHMAN LOST IN ALPINE SNOWSTORM**  
He and a Guide are Without Food in Hut for 48 Hours.

GENEVA, Dec. 28.—Mr. Turner, an English Alpinist of about 30, arrived at the Hotel National, at Adelboden, on Monday with the intention of crossing the Col Bonderkirindon—7200 feet high commencing to Kandersteg, where friends awaited him. The guides refused to risk their lives, but finally a guide named Amstutz accepted a liberal payment, and the couple set out, in spite of warnings, on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

The ascent was watched through telescopes until the couple were lost to view in a violent snowstorm near the summit. Their only hope of life was to reach a hut on the pass, and the couple struggled on through six feet of snow. They arrived at the hut exhausted and without food, for they had brought none, as the ordinary conditions are easy to climb.

The couple were buried alive in the hut, and on Monday ten guides left Adelboden to search for them at great risk of being swept away by avalanches. Several of the rescuers were injured and the party returned.

A second search party, arranged with the greatest difficulty, for the guides were unwilling to face the avalanches, finally dug their way to the hut Thursday and found Mr. Turner and his guide starving, frozen and in the last stages of exhaustion. They had been imprisoned for forty-eight hours. The rescuers carried the couple to Adelboden.

The director of the hotel telephoned that Mr. Turner is in bed and a doctor is attending him. His wife has arrived from Leuana. No serious consequences are feared in his case, but the guide's hands and feet are badly frost-bitten.

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Advertising without system is like trying to manage an army without discipline.—Printers' Ink.

The police took charge of the case, and discovered that Dina Alma was the son of a physician who used to practice in Berlin and was 35 years old. He had been knocking about Europe for years, and was believed to be touched with insanity. The magnificent diamonds were all false.

**THE NEW YEAR'S SUN**

On New Year's Day, Tuesday, the SUN will issue a Special Edition containing a large number of articles by prominent men in various lines throughout the Province, describing conditions in every branch of industry, their progress during the past year and their prospects for the future.

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**LONDON MERCHANTS SWINDLERS' VICTIMS**  
More Than \$50,000 Secured by Two Men by Cleverly Concocted Scheme.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—An audacious series of frauds has been perpetrated in the city, by which more than \$50,000 has been obtained by two men.

The frauds were in connection with deliveries of antimony ore—an extremely scarce and precious metal, the supply of which is controlled by a handful of people.

Early in the year two men of good appearance, apparently foreigners, made their appearance in London. They took two suites of offices—one in the Wool Exchange and the other in a large block of offices off Bishopsgate.

On the door of one office they had painted the name name as that of a well known shipping firm, and on the other office the title of a Spanish shipping and insurance concern.

On the strength of their knowledge of the antimony business they obtained an introduction to several important firms, including a firm of colonial merchants. So plausible was their manner and so excellent were the references relating to themselves which they exchanged between their two offices that confidence was soon established.

The stated that a vessel laden with antimony ore was lying in a Spanish port, and they were prepared to part with 400 tons of this cargo at "bargain prices."

It is the custom in this business to pay cash on production of bills of lading, and these they produced. Every detail on the bills of lading and ship's papers was complete, and there were no fewer than fourteen signatures to attest their authenticity.

By last week-end everything was complete, and one of the partners in the fraud was paid \$30,000 in notes and cash on giving up the bills of lading, while other smaller coups were brought off.

On being paid this sum, \$30,000 was instantly taken by one man to a firm of bankers, who were instructed to cable a credit for that amount to a Paris bank, where it was quickly drawn out by the other man, who had left for France the day before.

The ship they spoke of is unknown at Lloyd's, and is believed to exist only in the fertile imagination of the swindlers.

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**BURIED AT SUSSEX**

SUSSEX, Dec. 28.—Zion lodge No. 24, F. and A. M., held its usual St. John's night meeting and banquet last evening. Deputy Grand Master George Coggon, assisted by Worshipful Brother R. McLean as D. of C., installed the following officers for 1907: Dr. L. R. Murray, W. M.; Jas. Lamb, S. W.; Rev. S. Neales, J. W.; Rev. Geo. L. Freeborn, chaplain; Harry Taskies, treasurer; A. B. Maggs, secretary; Harvey Mitchell, D. of C.; H. P. Titus, S. D.; H. G. McLean, J. D.; J. D. McKenna, S. S.; L. J. Crawford, J. S.; P. Conley, I. G.; Thos. Coggon, Tyler.

About 40 of the members with their wives and friends sat down to dinner, which was served at ten o'clock. A pleasing feature of the banquet was the presentation of a past master's jewel to Wor. Bro. H. E. Gould, retiring master. Dancing followed, for which music was provided by Harrisson's orchestra, assisted by Geo. H. Wannan of Sussex.

The stock on hand and shop fixtures of Miller Brothers, lately assigned, was sold at auction this afternoon by Sheriff Freese.

The body of William Hallett, formerly a resident of Sussex, who died in Halifax, was provided by Harrisson's P. R. Internment will be made tomorrow at the Upper Corner cemetery. Mr. Hallett was a brother of the late James Hallett and uncle of George and Oliver Hallett of this place.

**WIDOW PREFERS DEATH TO MARRIAGE**

Declining Sultor, She is Seriously Wounded and He Blows Out His Brains.

GENEVA, Dec. 28.—"Marriage or your life" was a question that a man named Fritz Roth propounded to a young widow named Mrs. Berger, living at Moschonanstein, near Basle, yesterday.

The widow whose death for several months Roth had been pursuing the widow with his intentions, and received no encouragement.

Maddly in love with her, he determined to use force, and, after buying a revolver, went to the widow's house and informed her that he had come to kill her if she would not accept him as her husband.

Mrs. Berger was not in the least frightened, and asked for time to arrange her affairs and her house. This took half an hour, and then she informed Roth, who followed her about with his revolver, that she was ready to die.

He fired two shots at her, and then blew out his brains. The widow, who is seriously, though not dangerously wounded, was taken to the hospital.

**REVOLUTIONISTS ROB BANK IN ODESSA**

Polliceman is Shot in the Scuffle and Three Watchmen Wounded.

ODESSA, Dec. 28.—Fifteen armed revolutionists held up the branch office of the St. Petersburg International Bank in Richelet street this afternoon and carried off \$25,000 in cash and \$20,000 in scrip.

They entered in the ordinary way as customers, and then suddenly covered the guards with revolvers and threatened to shoot the staff if resistance were offered. The guards attempted to seize the robbers and in the scuffle a policeman was shot and three watchmen were wounded.

After seizing their booty the robbers made off, and were followed by a detachment of the police. They repeatedly turned on their pursuers and fired on them. One of the band, finding himself about to be captured, blew out his brains. Another was shot. The rest got away with the money.

MONTEREAL, Dec. 28.—Lee Johnston, well known in St. John, was today appointed special constable on the Montreal police force. His services are required in connection with Montreal's Chinatown, which is large and growing larger all the time. White policemen have been unable to keep in close contact with the district.

One of their own nationality is expected to do better.

OLDEST LIVING MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF LORDS



LONDON, Dec. 29.—Latest photo of Sir Robert Burrell, fourth Baron Gwydyr, ninety-six years old, who is the oldest member of the House of Lords.

PARTICULARS OF THE DEATH OF REV. C. C. GODDEN

Missionary to the New Hebrides Killed by a Coniact With an Axe

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 29.—News has just reached here from New Hebrides of the remarkable manner in which the murdered Anglican missionary, the Rev. C. C. Godden, met his death.

Mr. Godden was stationed at Aoba Island. The murderer had served several years imprisonment in irons in Queensland on a charge of attempted murder and resented his treatment so much that he vowed he would murder the first white man that he met on returning to his own country.

The murderer engaged in conversation with the missionary, but, stealthily creeping up behind him and pointing a rifle close to his body the weapon was discharged. The bullet shattered the missionary's thigh, and in a crippled condition he made a frantic attempt to escape.

Following his victim the enraged native made a desperate rush at Mr. Godden, finally killing him by means of the tomahawk.

A native attached to the mission arrived on the scene at that moment and carried the body of the missionary to his own hut. He then gave information which led to the arrest of the murderer.

COULD NOT STAND THE OPERA GLASS HABIT

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—Herr Niekisch, the musical conductor, caused a sensation a few nights ago at Leipzig while directing a performance of Bruckner's "Ninth Symphony."

Suddenly rising from his seat he faced the fashionable audience and sharply upbraided the ladies for staring at him through their opera glasses. "Your conduct," he said, "makes me so nervous that I cannot continue conducting."

PROF HORN INVENTOR OF PHOTO TELEGRAPHY



MUNICH, Dec. 29.—Latest photo of Professor Horn, of this city, whose invention, photo telegraphy, is the wonder of this century. The Professor declares that within a short time it will be possible to telegraph photos across the Atlantic.

GERMAN PLOT TO SEIZE ISLAND OF FERNANDO PO

Adventurer Was to Establish Business There, Then to Provolve a Dispute With Spain.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—An amazing story of a plot for the seizure by Germany of the island of Fernando Po is published here.

The plot is said to have been revealed by Herr Erberger, a prominent deputy, at a recent confidential meeting of the budget committee of the Reichstag.

According to Herr Erberger, Dr. Semler, a prominent Liberal deputy, approached a German colonial adventurer named Gorne in 1904 and made this extraordinary proposition, to organize a rebellion for the purpose of obtaining possession of the island.

A German consular officer who arrived immediately after his arrival would intervene and the support of the government would be forthcoming.

Dr. Semler, who is a member of the budget committee, has admitted that he conducted negotiations with Gorne in 1904, but declared that he could not remember any of the details of the conversation.

HUGH WATT HAS BEEN RELEASED FROM JAIL

Has Gone Abroad—Remarkable Charges on Which He Was Imprisoned.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Mr. Hugh Watt, ex-M. P., has just been released from Parkhurst Prison. Of fair and ruddy countenance Mr. Watt looks much improved in health since the early part of his stay in Parkhurst and he had gained considerably in weight since he was placed in the infirmary.

It is understood that Mr. Watt has gone abroad, his eyes during the period of his incarceration having caused him much trouble and much anxiety.

The trial of Mr. Watt at Old Bailey in December, 1905, was one of the most remarkable in its history. The accused who in the early eighties was one of the chief figures in Clyde shipping circles and who while a member for parliament for the Camthachie district, Glasgow, impressed the members of the house of commons with his clear-headed speeches on business affairs.

Nevertheless he was accused of inciting three men, a private detective named Herbert Marshall, James Shuttle and Thomas Worley, to murder his former wife from whom he was divorced.

The trial lasted seven days and resulted in Mr. Watt being found guilty and sentenced to five years imprisonment. Two months ago the home secretary practically remitted the sentence.

In 1901 Mr. Watt was co-respondent in the successful divorce suit which Sir Reginald Beauchamp brought against his wife, Lady Violet Beauchamp, and as a sequel to this Mrs. Julia Watt obtained a decree nisi in her suit against her husband. Mr. Watt afterwards married Lady Violet Beauchamp.

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GREAT RECORD OF BRITISH GUNNERS.

Phenomenal Improvement Shown Throughout the Navy in the Rapidity of the Firing and the Ratio of Hits to Rounds — Drake Heads List.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The Herald's naval correspondent says that the result of the tests of gunlayers with heavy guns in the British fleet for 1906 has just been issued and shows as a result of Admiralty encouragement, consistent training on the part of the officers and appeal to the men's vanity by the wide circulation throughout the fleet of the result of practice, phenomenal improvement and an still higher standard of marksmanship.

The method of carrying out this gunlayer's test was fully described in the Herald on Aug. 14 this year, and the only difference between the testing of the time allowed for each run. Thus whereas in 1905 each turret gun had a run of three minutes, this year the run was reduced to two and three-quarter minutes and similarly for lighter calibres.

The Admiralty in issuing the report notes its extreme satisfaction at the very marked improvement in the results as compared with former years, including even those of 1905, when the shooting showed so great an advance over previous results. It further notes that this improvement is due to a higher standard generally throughout the fleet.

NUMBER OF HITS PUBLISHED. The great innovation which marks this report is the publication of the number of hits for each ship, whereas previously only the points awarded have been published.

Some of the individual performances may be mentioned as remarkable. The man Baker of the Drake made 11 hits out of 11 rounds with a 6-inch gun in one minute. Scores of eight hits out of eight rounds and seven hits out of seven rounds have been frequent with the 6-inch gun, but the record appears to stand with the Drake.

Petty Officer Sullivan of the Duke of Edinburgh made 10 hits from 10 rounds in one minute and a half with a 6-inch gun, and eight hits out of eight rounds with this gun appear to have been common.

THE LITTLE BABY WHO WILL WEAR THE HEAVY CROWN OF RUSSIA



ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 29.—The latest photo of the Czarina and the little Duke Alexis, who although only two years old, already shows signs of having inherited the gigantic strength of his grandfather, Alexander III, who could straighten out horse shoes without the slightest visible effort.

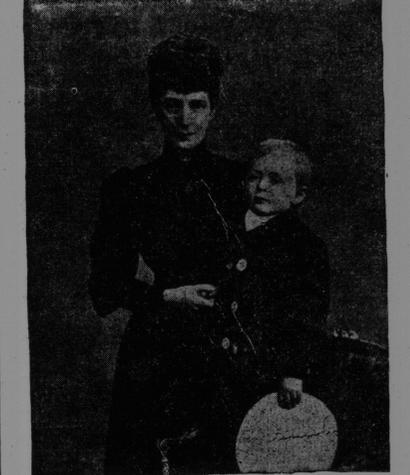
In regard to the 12-inch gun, a petty officer of the New Zealand scored nine hits in ten rounds in 3 1/2 minutes, and a marine in the Bulwark made 10 hits out of 12 rounds.

The aggregate of shooting has been equally good with all classes of guns, reflecting the greatest credit on officers and men of the ships, and upon the director of naval ordnance and inspector of naval practice, who is First Sea Lord, for a new system of training and supplying the fleet with instructional appliances, new pattern sights, and other instruments essential to the advancement of naval shooting.

The object of gunnery training in the present day is to ensure rapidity of hitting. It is not sufficient therefore that gun layers should fire quickly, but they must also shoot straight. Results are estimated and prizes awarded on the basis of combined accuracy and rapidity. It is important to bear this in mind, as writers frequently refer to the volume of fire which the ship can deliver as the standard of efficiency, but it is not all the shots fired that hit, and the only reliable standard is that based upon the principles named above and known among gunners as the rapidity of hitting.

In this connection a most interesting table is supplied with the official return, giving the results of the annual target practice for ten years, from 1897 to 1906. This table shows that fewer ships are now in commission owing to the elimination of slow, poorly armed, semi-obsolete and unbatworthy vessels by Sir John Fisher, but whereas a

PHOTO OF PRINCE OLAF AND HIS MOTHER, QUEEN MAUD



LONDON, Dec. 29.—This photo of Queen Maud and little Crown Prince Olaf of Norway, is being sold by the thousands here, and is seen in almost every shop window. It was taken just before the little Prince left for Berlin to visit the Kaiser.

FIGHT EVERY TIME A FUNERAL TAKES PLACE

French Graveyard the Scene of Many Conflicts Between the Church and Town Council.

PARIS, Dec. 29.—Gruesome wrangling perturbed La Canouge, a small town in the Loos. Every funeral produces a scene of quarrelling between the mayor and priest at the churchyard gates. The town council has established a monopoly for burials and has bought a municipal hearse, the use of which costs five shillings for the present and will be free when the purchase outlay is paid off. But it has not been blessed by the church. On the other hand the latter charges more than the town, and bereaved families are consequently glad to purchase the municipal hearse to enter consecrated ground. On the other hand the mayor threatens to sue the priest if he brings his own hearse into the street beyond the churchyard precincts. This is the present modus vivendi but it is as follows: The municipal hearse comes to the churchyard gates within which the hearse belonging to the church waits, and the coffin is transferred from the one to the other, mayor and priest looking on with eagle eyes to note that neither funeral coach nor hearse crosses the boundary separating, so to speak, church and state.

JAPANESE JIU-JITSU SUBDUES A BURGLAR

Dublin Man With a Knowledge of the Science Practises it to Good Advantage.

DUBLIN, Dec. 29.—A knowledge of jiu-jitsu, the Japanese art of self defence has brought about the capture of a burglar and a lunatic under the most remarkable circumstances.

Two Belfast burglars were smartly caught at the residence of Mrs. John Davidson, Belfast, the other evening by Mr. Ian Davidson.

Hearing noises in the dining room Mr. Davidson took off his boots, turned on the light in the hall and quickly Mr. Davidson took off his boots, turned on the light in the hall and quickly

He was tackled in the correct jiu-jitsu fashion and given an arm lock which rendered him absolutely helpless. The police were summoned by telephone and took the man into custody. From a full description of the second man the authorities were able to effect his arrest a short time afterwards.

A lunatic who recently left the asylum after being discharged, ran amok in the streets of Dublin the other day and stabbed three men with a large knife.

One of the men by using jiu-jitsu methods overpowered his assailant until assistance arrived when he was taken into custody.

BRIDE AND GROOM OVER A HUNDRED YEARS OLD

VIENNA, Dec. 29.—A centenarian pair have just been married at Aujed, in Moravia. Rosa Waldner, the bride, is just over 100 years. She walked up the aisle fairly briskly dressed in the costume of the peasant women of white locality and carrying a bunch of white flowers.

Josef Kopper, the bridegroom, is one year older and required the assistance of the arm of a friend as he went up to the altar. After the ceremony the newly married couple walked arm in arm out of the church and received a great ovation from the villagers.

very large proportion of ships in the sailing fleet managed each year and for many years to shirk firing altogether, now in 1906 and this year every ship in commission took part in the test, we are enabled also to compare the number of rounds fired with the number of hits made, and it is shown that while from 1897 to 1905 the misses were always in excess of the hits, the boot is now on the other leg. In 1906 1,073 guns fired 8,661 rounds and made 5,738 hits.

The percentage of hits to rounds fired remained fairly constant from 1897 to 1902, then the curve began to move upward, but fell again in 1904, when the range was increased to an extent that the gunlayers could not see whether they were hitting or not.

In the following year Capt. Jellicoe became director of naval ordnance, and he diminished the range to the distance previously used, with the result that a great rise was obtained, which has been maintained this year.

TEN YEARS' IMPROVEMENT.

In the ten years the percentage of hits per gun per minute has increased with the 12-inch, from 39 to 51; with the 8-inch, from 17 to 24; with the 6-inch, from 39 to 58, and with the 4 1/2-inch and 4-inch, from 13 to 48.

Altogether the returns show that the British Admiralty has reason for satisfaction with the standard of efficiency reached by gunlayers in 1906, and while it is not to be supposed that finally has been arrived at, particularly as it is believed that the time limit will be again shortened next year, some very brilliant shooting has been made, the general average has been raised, and the marksmanship of the fleet has improved tremendously.

PROSPECTIVE BRIDE TURNED OUT TO BE A MAN

Before Marriage He Shot Himself, and the Would-be Groom is Insane.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—A remarkable tragedy at Breslau has revealed a long hidden secret.

Herr Meyer, teacher, living in the town, fell in love with Mme. de Paradocha during a recent visit to Paris. They were betrothed and Herr Meyer brought his fiancée to Breslau to present her to his family. The day before the wedding Mme. de Paradocha committed suicide. It was then found that the fiancée was a man. He was thirty-five years of age but had masqueraded as a woman for twenty years without being suspected.

Herr Meyer is suffering from brain fever which was set up by the mental shock of the discovery.

FROZEN DEAD AS HE CUT CORDWOOD

Landowner Perished on His Property—Victim of Heart Trouble and Severe Weather.

BELLEVILLE, Ont., Dec. 28.—An amazing story comes from a place called Little Kingston, in Annapolisburg township, Prince Edward County, across the bay from this city. It seems that two or three days ago Stanley Carrite, a land owner, went out to the woods on his property to cut cordwood. He did not return that night, and the next morning a search was made for him. He was found leaning up against a fence frozen stiff, with a hatchet in his hands.

Carrite was subject to heart trouble, and it is supposed that he was seized with an attack, leaned up against the fence near where he was working and died there.

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TO-STOP THE SALE OF ABSINTHE IN SWITZERLAND

BERNE, Dec. 29.—No federal campaign has ever had such success as that which was started to banish absinthe and all similar liquors forever from Swiss territory. The secretary of the campaign committee is authority for the statement that 80,202 signatures have already been obtained, and there are now probably 100,000 who have signed asking that a Federal law of this sort be passed. Contrary to what has been said the German cantons have been just as enthusiastically supporting this prohibition scheme as have the other cantons. It is likely that a prohibition law will be voted at once though fears have been expressed that it may drive away American and English visitors next summer.

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ENGLAND IS STORM-SWEPT

Terrific Gales and Heavy Snow-Falls Continue.

Christmas Week is One of Great Severity—Railroad Traffic is Completely Blocked—Sea Disasters

LONDON, Dec. 29.—It is many years since central Europe has suffered so severely from an Arctic visitation as it has this Christmas week. From France, Belgium, Switzerland, Germany and Austro-Hungary the same tale is repeated of heavy snow storms, the interruption of railroad, vehicular and telegraphic communication, the loss of life and general discomfiture and inconvenience in the towns as well as in the country districts.

While England is, as a rule, fortunate in escaping very severe weather, she has suffered this year to an almost unprecedented degree. According to the reports received here to night, from northern points the storm situation is growing worse. The heavy snow-falls which began several days ago continue. They are accompanied by violent gales and even thunder storms in some places, and have resulted already in the serious railroad accident near Arbroath, Scotland, in which about fifty people were killed or suffered serious injury.

Railroad traffic in the northern part of England, and especially in Scotland, is becoming completely tied up. Large towns like Edinburgh, Dundee and Perth are almost isolated. The telegraphic services are greatly disorganized and would be completely so but for the extension in recent years of the underground system of laying the wires. The snow storms continue with equal severity in northern Wales and in Ireland.

Some of the trains that left London on Thursday over the Midland Railway have yet reached Edinburgh, while in all other directions trains are snow bound and passengers are suffering from cold and hunger. The relief trains sent out are being similarly embedded in the snow, and the railway companies have issued official notices that it is impossible to guarantee traffic on schedules times or far beyond the schedule, although there has not yet been serious trouble in Central and Southern England.

The gales have caused many minor casualties along the coasts. A telegram from Holyhead says that an unknown vessel has foundered off Rhosneig Point, Wales. Distress rockets were sent up last night and a lifeboat was launched, but no sign of the vessel.

Among the worst sea disasters thus far reported is the wreck of the Japanese liner Awa Maru during the escape of her anchor cables. No lives were lost in this accident, but the steamer, which is on the rocks off Redcar, threatens to become a total loss unless she weather the storm.

In London itself the snow continues to fall at intervals and is bringing much discomfort. Londoners who live in the suburbs are indulging in the unusual pastime of tobogganing. In the neighborhood of France Hill, so much suffering from the heavy fall of snow and consequent floods are reported from the highlands of Arden.

In Belgium drift is so forming on the Scheldt and other large rivers. In Switzerland the weather is of unusual severity. The uplands already are under a six feet snow cover and mountain villages are completely isolated. This state of affairs is drawing serious attention to legislative measures to keep the Swiss passes open all the year through. Up to the present time the government has been content to contemplate doing this because of the heavy expense.

Austria and Hungary are also suffering in the grip of extreme wintry weather. Traffic on some of the railroads in Galicia has been suspended. In Budapest the heavy snow has put an end to street travel on wheels.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Lord Strathcona left London this morning in the best of health to embark on the Empress of Britain. A fellow voyager is his confidential agent, Mr. Garstin. Lady Strathcona and Dr. and Mrs. Howard bade him farewell at Euston station. He expects to return in a month's time. Strong pressure was brought to bear to induce him to wait less inclement weather, for England is almost snow bound, just now, but Lord Strathcona replied that his Canadian visit was some time overdue, and he must go now when Parliament stands prorogued and official business is fairly quiet.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—Alexander Johnston Cassatt, president of the Penn. R. R. Co., and one of the foremost railroad men and financiers in the country, died suddenly at his residence in this city today. Mr. Cassatt, who was a little more than 67 years of age, was stricken with heart disease shortly before 1 o'clock and died before assistance could be given him. He was a victim of an acute heart attack known professionally as "the Stokes-Adams-Syndrome."

SPLENDID MASS MEETING CLOSES THE CONVENTION

(Continued from Inside Page.)

The following is a list of delegates who attended the convention:

ST. JOHN. D. J. Purdy, Richard O'Brien, Henry Hillyard, John Keefe, Edward Lantieri, Thos. McAvilly, H. H. McLean, A. W. Adams, E. H. McAlpine, H. M. Coates, M. D. Brewster, P. J. Mooney, M. P. Moore, Geo. McMurtry, A. S. Skinner, Edward Mooney, Peter Clinch, Dr. Thos. Lunnay, Geo. Robertson, M. P. W. H. Trisman, John C. Chesley, C. B. Allan, Dr. H. G. Addy, W. J. Mahoney, Capt. Craft, Jas. Lowell, M. P. H. A. McKown, Fred Adams, John W. Long, Albert Clark, Allan McIntyre, Henry Gallagher, P. R. Taylor, F. B. Williams, Michael McDade, S. C. Elkin, Dr. D. E. Berryman, G. H. S. Flood, Alex. Porter, Dr. McAvenny, E. J. Armstrong, E. J. Brown, Thos. McGuire, R. C. Rudbeck, W. H. Soovi, Jas. Reedy, E. Shaw, F. M. Anderson, W. C. Scully, Wm. Johnston, Wm. Ryan.

KINGS CO. Rothsey—Thos. Gilliland, Henry Gilbert, Geo. Green, F. C. Bogart, E. S. Carter, Wm. Madill, S. Z. Dickson, Arthur McPhail, W. C. Harrison, Andrew Green, Jas. Carpenter, Hon. Wm. Pugsley. Waterford—J. H. deForest, Andrew Carr, John E. Richardson, Daniel Sullivan, E. F. Myles. Sussex—W. H. Culbert, Geo. Ryan, Wm. Coggin, J. A. McArthur, Jas. Hayes, Arthur Keith, H. R. Ross, Samuel Kilian, E. O. McIntyre, L. R. Murray, Peter McGuire, A. S. White, Ora F. King. Upham—Walter Kilpatrick, Harry Thos. H. E. Shrood. Hampton—E. G. Evans, S. H. Pieling, Wm. Gilliland, Geo. E. Ketchum, R. H. Smith, J. M. Scoville, John Coleman, Daniel Ranserman. Hampton—C. L. Spooner, Capt. Mac.

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KENT COUNTY. James Barnes, M.P.P., Buctouche; John B. Goggin, M.P.P., Cocagne; John Watkins, Rexton; N. O. Murray, R. Robertson; A. J. Dyrart, Cocagne; J. J. Jarden, Harcourt; C. B. Lager, Buctouche; Wm. Wood, Jos. Wood, Maria Le Kent; Edward Barnes, J. D. Hebert, John Richard, Brian Village; Pascal Hebert, H. M. Ferguson, Rexford; Geo. W. Robertson, Richibucto; Julien Cormick, Mount Carmel; Robert Gallant, R. A. Irvine, Buctouche; David Levesque, Richibucto; X. LeBlanc, Buctouche.

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PROPOSALS TO VOTE BY REGISTERED LETTER

TORONTO, Dec. 28.—The proposal that commercial travellers have a right to vote by registered letter in the parliamentary elections is made by the Canadian association, whose headquarters are in Toronto.

PATERSON'S COUGH DROPS

MR. BRYCE AND SIXTEEN KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK

Over Thirty Others Were Seriously Injured

Accident Happened in Scotland and Was Caused by Heavy Fall of Snow

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The United States is causing British officials considerable embarrassment through its failure to send in its acceptance of the appointment of James Bryce as ambassador to Washington in succession to Sir Henry Mortimer Durand. This acceptance must be received before the official announcement of the appointment can be published. The appointment has been admitted by the foreign office, and Mr. Bryce has been named in letters to his constituents, but the proclamation of the King is lying on the desk at the foreign office awaiting the signature of the king.

Nothing has been decided in the matter of a peerage for James Bryce, and in this case also, the general belief is that he will continue to be knighted and because of the opinion held here that America would prefer the British ambassador to be a commoner.

It was announced in Washington this morning that the British government is making inquiries from the British government, President Roosevelt had indicated that Mr. Bryce's appointment would be entirely acceptable to this government.

It is known here that President Roosevelt has the highest personal regard for the newly appointed ambassador, who is returning to his native land with a very cordial welcome when he comes to Washington next March. While on a visit to the country several years ago, Mr. Bryce was the guest of Mr. Roosevelt at Oyster Bay, and conferred with him regarding the most important topics which the English speaker was then writing.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Rumors that Sir Mortimer Durand was to be retiring British ambassador and his family, Secretary of State Root, Secretary of War Taft, Secretary of the Navy Metcalf and Associate Supreme Court Justice Moody paid Sir Mortimer an unusual complimentary call to the railway station and joining with the members of the diplomatic corps in saying goodbye to the ambassador and his family.

The German ambassador and the Baroness von Helldorf, the French ambassador, the Italian ambassador, the Russian ambassador, the Japanese ambassador, the Viscountess Aoki, and the Brazilian ambassador were the most prominent members of a party of more than one hundred members of the diplomatic corps who gathered at the station to see Mr. Bryce off.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—On being asked today if the report was true that the C. P. R. had bought the Shore Line Railway, General Manager McNichol replied "Humbug."

CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I., Dec. 28.—At the Liberal convention for Queens, held today, L. E. Prowse, merchant of Charlottetown was nominated as one of the candidates for the federal parliament as a colleague of A. B. Warburton and successor to the late Hon. George Simpson. The only other name before the convention was Horace Hazard, ex-M. P., who received 102 votes to Prowse's 117. Prowse and Warburton were candidates for the county at the general election of 1904. At the convention, the general policy of the Liberal government opposing the proposed water rate table on the Prince Edward Island railway.

NORTH STONEY, Dec. 28.—The work of stripping the stranded steamer Beatrice at Crabbury Head was commenced yesterday, when the tug Iona, with a crew, was sent down. All the movable gear about the steamer will be taken off, and next week the hull cargo will likely be sold at auction.

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WILL INVESTIGATE SERIOUS CHARGES (Special to the Sun.) OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—The Power of the justice department, has been appointed a commissioner to inquire into the charges against E. T. Conroy, a member of the Yukon, as a commissioner of the Yukon, Conroy transferred to Mrs. Wiley mining property in the Yukon. After resigning the commission he advanced \$2500 on the property, the mortgage was transferred and foreclosed. The widow claims the property should not have been assigned to her husband, but in part, as a guardian of her daughter.

THE ISSUES AT STAKE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA ARE WELL SET FORTH

YANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 28.—In view of the announcement of the date of elections, Liberal Leader J. A. Macdonald has issued a manifesto, the chief points of which are: The Macdonald government's record spells high taxes, neglect of public works, monstrous school account, was transferred to protect forest, neglect to furnish information about public lands for settlement, and presented each child with a gift.

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BETTER UNDERWEAR

LORD STRATHCONA EMBARKS FOR CANADA

Veteran Statesman Will Come Over On the Empress of Britain—Is hale and hearty.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Lord Strathcona left London this morning in the best of health to embark on the Empress of Britain. A fellow voyager is his confidential agent, Mr. Garstin. Lady Strathcona and Dr. and Mrs. Howard bade him farewell at Euston station. He expects to return in a month's time. Strong pressure was brought to bear to induce him to wait less inclement weather, for England is almost snow bound, just now, but Lord Strathcona replied that his Canadian visit was some time overdue, and he must go now when Parliament stands prorogued and official business is fairly quiet.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—Alexander Johnston Cassatt, president of the Penn. R. R. Co., and one of the foremost railroad men and financiers in the country, died suddenly at his residence in this city today. Mr. Cassatt, who was a little more than 67 years of age, was stricken with heart disease shortly before 1 o'clock and died before assistance could be given him. He was a victim of an acute heart attack known professionally as "the Stokes-Adams-Syndrome."

PATERSON'S COUGH DROPS

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THE STAR, ST. JOHN, N. B. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1906

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The trade we did last week warrants us in cleaning out all left overs without consideration as to the cost. A lot of Lustré Waists that were overlooked during the rush, and which were not put out on the counters, will be sold at less than half-price.

- \$1.25 Black Lustré Waists, .....65c
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There is a large assortment of colorings and sizes in these waists. They are the biggest waist bargains we have ever offered.

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### THE WEATHER

Forecasts.—Today and Sunday, light variable winds, mostly cloudy and mild.  
Synopsis.—A disturbance is forming over the Western States and a cold wave is coming in over the Northwest Provinces. Weather is mild in Ontario and Quebec. To Banks and American ports, light variable winds until Sunday night, then increasing southeast. Sable Island, southeast wind, 5 m.p.h.; fair. Point Lepreau, north wind, 3 miles at 11 a. m.  
Highest temperature during last 24 hours, 46.  
Lowest temperature during last 24 hours, 34.  
Temperature at noon, 38.  
Humidity at noon, 82.  
Barometer readings at noon (sea level) and 23 feet, 30.18 inches.  
Wind at noon: Direction, N.; velocity, 4 miles per hour, fair.  
Same data last night: highest temperature, 40; lowest, 24; fog and rain.

### LOCAL NEWS.

Advanced dancing class at Queen's Hall, Monday and Thursday evenings.

Most of the delegates who were attending the Liberal convention returned to their homes this morning.

There were no arrests last night with the result that the police court was not a very busy place this morning.

Harry Haley, who was severely injured on the tug Cruiser yesterday is reported to be resting easily in the hospital.

Registrar Jones reports that during the week twenty-three births were recorded, nineteen of the infants were boys. There were nineteen marriages.

The members of Nos. 1 and 2 Salvage Corps are requested to meet at their rooms at ten o'clock New Year's morning.

Leo Burns of the Canadian White Co., returned to the city yesterday after having spent Christmas with his parents in Montreal.

The many friends of Common Clerk Wardrop were glad to see him at his desk at City Hall this morning, after an absence of some days through illness.

The regular meeting of the common council will be held on January 14th. The regular meeting of the safety board will not be held this week from next Monday owing to the holiday season.

The annual reunion of the different lodges of the Oddfellows, will be held at the Casino on Union Street, New Year's Day at 10.30 a. m. Speeches will be made by some of the officers and the usual programme will be carried out.

F. L. Potts sold at public auction today, the right to cut timber on the Caples lot on the south side of the Quaco road. The purchaser was Wm. Murdoch, on behalf of the board of water and sewerage bought the privilege for \$400.

Nineteen burial permits were issued by the Board of Health during the past week. The causes of the deaths were as follows: pneumonia 4, heart disease 2, bronchitis 2, heart failure 2, cholera 1, congestion of lungs 1, broncho pneumonia 1, arterio sclerosis 1, blood poisoning 1, general peritonitis 1, diabetes and nephritis 1, and accidental killed 1.

E. Tenney Smith announces that he will not speak in this city tomorrow, as he will be engaged in Norton on tomorrow, Monday and Tuesday. He will return here on Wednesday and will leave for Yarmouth, where he will lecture on Thursday.

### CHANGEABLE WEATHER

#### AFFECTS OLD PEOPLE

Many Deaths of Elderly Citizens During the Past Two Months.

During the past two months a great number of burial permits have been issued by the Board of Health.

A glance through the books reveals the fact that pneumonia and consumption have claimed an unusually large number of victims.

Last year the month of November was a fine one, and not so many cases of pneumonia were contracted, and consequently the death list was lighter. One feature which has been very noticeable during the past two months, is the large number of elderly persons who have passed away.

In November, twenty-four persons, over fifty years of age died, and during the present month thirty-six people who had passed the half century mark in life have passed away. This makes a total of sixty, probably the largest number on record in two months.

The deaths recorded in all for the months of November and December amount to about 129.

Compared with recent years, there have been comparatively few cases of infectious diseases this winter. During the months of November and December, 1905, a great many houses had been plucked.

There were two cases of small-pox this year, both were of a mild type.

**STRATHCONA REPORTED TO HAVE RESIGNED**  
THIS EVENING.  
Keith's vaudeville performance at York.  
Robinson Opera Co. at the Opera House.  
Band at Queen's Rollaway.

### ANOTHER GRADUATE OF CHINESE SCHOOL

Brussels St. Baptists Again Rewarded.

Lee Johnston, Whom They Taught, Policeman in Montreal—Other Chienamen Who Owe Their Success to This Faithful Band.

For some time past there have been rumors to the effect that T. Eaton & Co., of Toronto, were negotiating for the purchase of property in St. John, where they would build a large departmental store. The property which the firm are most anxious to get control of includes the buildings embraced from the old Y. M. C. A. along Charlotte to Union and down Union to the Eidon House.

If these buildings were purchased by the Toronto firm the Eidon, Union, and Charlotte Hotels would have to move, as would M. J. McCarthy, J. P. Sheehan, a Chinese laundry, John Hopkins, W. J. Higgins, F. S. Walker, J. A. Davidson, Watsons, J. S. Gibbons, Thos. Haley, J. A. Turner, R. H. and W. F. Starr, St. John Lee Co., Boston Dental Parlor, Henry Dolan, and the Boston Restaurant.

The owners of property along Charlotte street say that Eaton's have not made any offer to them, and Mr. Jones who owns the property on the corner of Union and Charlotte streets, says that according to the will of his father, that property can't be sold during the life of Mrs. Jones. It is, however, said that if the Eaton company cannot secure the Charlotte-Union street properties they will soon locate in another section of the city.

Rev. Dr. Raymond goes to McAdam today to exchange duties with his son, Rev. W. O. Raymond, Jr., who will officiate at St. Mary's tomorrow. At the evening service in St. Mary's Christmas carols will be sung and Miss Knight will sing Dressler's "Babe of Bethlehem."

Mr. Johnston (his nom de laurier) later acquired the Chinese laundrying plant of a Digby citizen and after several years of success in this venture removed to Montreal. Previous to his appointment to the Montreal police force he was in the employ of the Dominion Express Co., as its representative in the Chinese colony, and was otherwise engaged in insurance soliciting, from which occupations he made a good living.

When leaving here Mr. Johnston withdrew his letter of church membership and placed it with the Digby Baptists, again transferring it to Dr. J. A. Gordon's church in Montreal. It is said he is living an upright, consistent Christian life, and is held in high esteem by French, English and Chinese circles in Montreal. Doubtless the authorities realized his special fitness for the police work for which they have selected him.

The Brussels street Chinese Sunday school has other graduates at home and abroad. Among them are Charles Hee, who was an influential agent for good here, and at home in China, after his acceptance of the Christian religion. Hum Boo is now a well-to-do Montreal merchant, and during the last few months there is Hum Oak, the youth of the Centennial school and is the first Chinese public school pupil in Eastern Canada, and one who gives much promise.

All these Orientals have been taught to read, write and speak correctly in the Baptist school, scores having been drilled into their first English words as an infant is taught. The foreigners greatly appreciate this advantage, and the lively interest they develop in their studies affords opportunity for the teachers to preach stirring Bible truths. Quite a number of pupils have voluntarily expressed a desire to live a new life spiritually, through the sowing of the seed, being accordingly accepted into the communion of the congregation. None have been radical in their faith to their vows, which is a matter of much encouragement to the church people.

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**ARRESTED FOR STEALING FROM A C. P. R. CAR**  
William Estey, of North End, Taken in Charge by Local Officers This Morning.

Detective L. L. Cook, of the C. P. R. staff with Police Sgt. Ross, this morning arrested William Estey, of the North End, on the charge of stealing a quantity of nuts from a C. P. R. car.

The car was broken into and the gin stolen last night, and this morning suspicion rested on Estey, who was slightly under the influence of liquor. He was arrested and searched and a large quantity of nuts and a bottle of gin were found on him.

He denies having stolen the articles but, was locked up pending an inquiry. Estey was arrested by Sgt. Hastings during the time of the Indian town fire on suspicion of stealing a quantity of tea.

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MONTREAL, Dec. 29.—Building permits for the year total \$8,638,888. This is for the city proper and does not include the dozen suburbs where most of the manufacturing building is going on.

**THE NEW CLUB.**  
The new Men's Club to be organized in the Mission Hall, Waterloo street, will probably be opened a week from Monday. It was intended that the opening would be held on New Year's Day, but as the repairs to the hall have not been completed this will not be done.

Everyone who has been approached on the subject seems to think the scheme a grand one, and it is almost certain that much benefit will be derived by the club's organization.

### REPORT THAT EATONS ARE AFTER ST. JOHN PROPERTY

Union Street Block is Mentioned but Owners Say They Have Not Received Any Offers.

For some time past there have been rumors to the effect that T. Eaton & Co., of Toronto, were negotiating for the purchase of property in St. John, where they would build a large departmental store. The property which the firm are most anxious to get control of includes the buildings embraced from the old Y. M. C. A. along Charlotte to Union and down Union to the Eidon House.

If these buildings were purchased by the Toronto firm the Eidon, Union, and Charlotte Hotels would have to move, as would M. J. McCarthy, J. P. Sheehan, a Chinese laundry, John Hopkins, W. J. Higgins, F. S. Walker, J. A. Davidson, Watsons, J. S. Gibbons, Thos. Haley, J. A. Turner, R. H. and W. F. Starr, St. John Lee Co., Boston Dental Parlor, Henry Dolan, and the Boston Restaurant.

The owners of property along Charlotte street say that Eaton's have not made any offer to them, and Mr. Jones who owns the property on the corner of Union and Charlotte streets, says that according to the will of his father, that property can't be sold during the life of Mrs. Jones. It is, however, said that if the Eaton company cannot secure the Charlotte-Union street properties they will soon locate in another section of the city.

Rev. Dr. Raymond goes to McAdam today to exchange duties with his son, Rev. W. O. Raymond, Jr., who will officiate at St. Mary's tomorrow. At the evening service in St. Mary's Christmas carols will be sung and Miss Knight will sing Dressler's "Babe of Bethlehem."

Mr. Johnston (his nom de laurier) later acquired the Chinese laundrying plant of a Digby citizen and after several years of success in this venture removed to Montreal. Previous to his appointment to the Montreal police force he was in the employ of the Dominion Express Co., as its representative in the Chinese colony, and was otherwise engaged in insurance soliciting, from which occupations he made a good living.

When leaving here Mr. Johnston withdrew his letter of church membership and placed it with the Digby Baptists, again transferring it to Dr. J. A. Gordon's church in Montreal. It is said he is living an upright, consistent Christian life, and is held in high esteem by French, English and Chinese circles in Montreal. Doubtless the authorities realized his special fitness for the police work for which they have selected him.

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