

## THE STANDARD EXTENDS TO ALL ITS BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS 1913

### GOOD POLICE WORK PREVENTED TROUBLE

**"Thrill Hunters" Disappointed in Expecting Annual Row.**

**LARGE CROWD OUT "NOTHING" DOING**

**Chief Clark and His Men Kept Firm Grip on New Year's Eve Rioters**

**Five Arrests Quickly Made.**

There was "nothing doing" last night. Four or five thousand men, women, youths and girls were assembled at the head of King street, along Charlotte street and on the King Street at night, looking for excitement, and were disappointed as far as rioting was concerned.

On New Year's Eve a few years ago the crowd that assembled at the head of King street to greet the coming of the new year, were apparently not satisfied with things and, in consequence, they broke out into rioting. Police officers who were on duty in that section of the city were hurriedly called out to quell the disturbance. Chief of Police Clark and his men kept a firm grip on the rioters and five arrests were quickly made.

### RIOTS MARK THE STRIKE IN GOTHAM

**Police Reserves Called Out to Quell Trouble.**

**STRIKERS STORM A LARGE FACTORY.**

**Fight Waged for Nearly an Hour—Four Policemen Badly Used Up—Several Arrests Made by Police.**

New York, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Several lively riots and number of arrests today marked the strike of the garment workers. The most serious trouble was at the factory of Smith Gray and Co. in Williamsburg, where the police reserves had to be called out to drive away five or six hundred men and women who tried to storm the building.

### Constantinople Might Have Fallen 'Ere This and Ended Struggle

**DISSENSIONS NOW AMONG THE ALLIES**

**Weaker Members of Balkan League Inclined to Blame Bulgars for Present Conditions—Powers Suggest Reduced Demands.**

London, Dec. 31.—The passing of the year has occurred without either the conclusion of peace in the near east or notable progress in the negotiations which are proceeding in St. James' Palace. Whatever has been accomplished towards settling the status of European Turkey, the work has been done outside the council chamber, and largely by the great powers.

### PREMIER FLEMMING'S WISH FOR NEW YEAR

*To the Readers of The Standard:*

1912 is gone; it was a good year for New Brunswick. The guiding hand of Providence saved us from serious disaster or misfortune, and gave good gifts unsparingly.

1913 is here with its prospects of greater developments and progress than we have heretofore enjoyed. Its days will be days of opportunity. Let us be earnest and active in our efforts to make better this beautiful land wherein our lot is cast.

My sincere wish is that, being permitted to labor, you may have labor's reward, health, happiness and prosperity.

J. K. FLEMMING.

Woodstock, N. B., January 1st, 1913.

### BOUND TO LAND THE OIL BARON

**William Rockefeller's Houses Watched Night and Day.**

**PROCESS SERVERS HARD ON HIS TRACK.**

**Wanted for Witness in "Money Trust" Probe Believed to Be Secreted in Fifth Avenue Mansion.**

New York, N. Y., Dec. 31.—"We will get Mr. Rockefeller if it takes all winter," this was the defiant challenge issued by Jerry Smith, chief clerk of the house of representatives, in command of the government process servers and hired detectives that are trying to serve William Rockefeller with a subpoena to appear on January 6th before the Pajo committee that is investigating the money trust.

### Remarkable Increase in Customs and Trade Figures

**A YEAR OF PROGRESS ALL ALONG THE LINE**

**Thirty-five New Outposts and Customs Offices Opened During 1912, Chiefly in the Canadian West.**

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—The year which ends today has been a banner one in regard to revenue derived from the customs. For the nine months of the present fiscal year \$85,296,029.00 were collected, compared with \$63,610,625 for the corresponding period ending December 31, 1911. This gives an increase of \$21,685,404.00. At the present rate of progress the revenue from the customs alone for the fiscal year ending March 31 next, will be in the neighborhood of \$115,000,000.00, or in round figures, an increase over the last fiscal year of \$25,000,000.00.

Since these disturbances it has been the vogue for a great number of people to assemble in the centre of the city, anxiously watching and waiting for some fool to start a disturbance, and when one would start he would be joined by others and then the large crowd would stampede and it would take a large squad of police men to restore order. Chief of Police Clark has been ready for any such emergency for the past two years, and as a result no further damage was done.

Trouble Hunters Quickly Squelched.

There were some in the crowd last night who were looking for trouble and the police gave them all that was coming to them. As soon as any one started a disturbance, loud shouting or bad language he was quickly grabbed by a policeman and placed under arrest. With the least sign of an officer making an arrest, the large crowd would surge in on him and hoot and call names, but in all cases there were enough policemen to go to the assistance of the officer, and the arrest and escort the prisoner safely to the central police station.

### BURGLARS LOOT AUSTRALIAN BANK

**Robbers Get Away With \$15,500 Chiefly in Gold and Silver from New South Wales Bank.**

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 31.—Burglars entered the Bank of New South Wales at Surrey Hills, last night and got away with \$15,500, chiefly in gold and silver. The strong room door recently was exposed to the public for several days while the building was being repaired and burglars then tampered with the locks.

### TURKEY'S LAST CHANCE

London, Dec. 31.—The passing of the year has occurred without either the conclusion of peace in the near east or notable progress in the negotiations which are proceeding in St. James' Palace. Whatever has been accomplished towards settling the status of European Turkey, the work has been done outside the council chamber, and largely by the great powers.

### CASTRO WILL NOT REMAIN IN AMERICA

**Ex-President of Venezuela Has His Trip Across Atlantic for Nothing—Returns at Once to Germany.**

New York, Dec. 31.—Commissioner of Immigration Williams announced this afternoon that Ciprieno Castro, ex-president of Venezuela, who was detained upon his arrival here this morning, had expressed a desire to return immediately to Europe. Castro wishes to take a German steamer and this permission probably will be granted.

### BAD YEAR IN STOCK DEALINGS

**Lower Prices and Restricted Business Marked 1912 Transactions in the Stock Market.**

New York, N. Y., Dec. 31.—The year in the financial district was far from satisfactory. In the stock market lower prices and restricted business were the most adverse features. Of the various commodity markets, the cotton exchange alone had an active and profitable year. The enormous crop of cotton was in itself a preventive against such disastrous and spectacular markets as were witnessed in the "Booms" of recent years.

### AUSTRALIA FEARS A MARITIME STRIKE

**Recent Court Decision Nullifying Awards to Seamen Likely to Result in Tie Up of Maritime Trade.**

Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 31.—A general maritime strike throughout this commonwealth is believed likely because of the high courts action in nullifying recently an award made in favor of the seamen by Justice Higgins, president of the arbitration court. An effort is being made to set aside the award on the basis of the brief statement issued today, which will be embodied in their agreement with the owners.

### NEW CABINET TAKES CHARGE IN SPAIN

Madrid, Dec. 31.—The new Spanish cabinet has been formed as follows: Premier, Count Alvaro De Romanones; minister of the Interior, Duke of Alba; minister of foreign affairs, Senor Barrozo; minister of justice, Senor Barrozo; minister of war, General De Luque; minister of marine, Amalie Jimeno; minister of public works, Senor Villanueva; minister of public instruction, Lopez Munez; minister of finance, Suarez Inclan.

### TRADE TREATY BETWEEN U. S. AND RUSSIA EXPIRES

**Although in Force Since 1832, Its Severance is Not Likely to Change Relations or Privileges of Two Countries.**

Washington, Dec. 31.—The expiration at midnight of the treaty of trade and commerce between America and Russia, marking as it does a complete failure of diplomacy to adjust grave issues between the two countries, throws upon the administration and judicial officers of the government the burden of the maintenance of the traditional friendly relations between the two countries, as well as the conservation of a rapidly growing trade already amounting to over \$50,000,000 annually.

### Will Austria Be Next?

One delegate said today: "If Austria insists on not having her way in a few years she will be on the sick list of Europe, as Turkey has been for ages. The slaves, inside and outside the monarchy will not rest until they have freed Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Dalmatia and uniting them with the Serbian race. Rumania will claim Transylvania, while Hungary, Bohemia and Galicia aspire to independence. Thus an unnatural empire, composed of fourteen different nationalities may suddenly fall like a house of cards."

### STEEL TRUST WILL BUILD GREAT PLANT IN CANADA

**Chairman Gray Says Site in Sarnia will be Taken Up with Big Mills—First Cost to be \$20,000,000.**

New York, Dec. 31.—The United Steel Corporation is to extend the sphere of its manufacturing operations into the Dominion of Canada. In a brief statement issued today, Chairman Gray says:

"We have decided to establish a manufacturing plant at the site which we secured some years ago at Sarnia, Ontario, just opposite Detroit. In the comparatively near future we shall commence the construction of some blast furnaces and mills. We shall probably build a wire mill, rail mill, structural mill, bar mill, and perhaps some other mills. I suppose the first cost will be in the neighborhood of \$20,000,000."

### STEELE TRUST WILL BUILD GREAT PLANT IN CANADA

Judge Garry could not say just when the construction of the new plant would begin, but it is understood that part of the initial cost will be financed by an issue of bonds.

The United States Steel Corporation's business with Canada of recent years has ranged from 350,000 to 400,000 tons annually, representing roughly from \$12,000,000 to \$15,000,000. The average duty on its sales in Canada has been between \$8 and \$7 per ton. It is expected that a considerable part of the new plant's output will find a market in some of Great Britain's colonies, particularly South Africa, Australia and New Zealand.





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ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1913.

## THE NEW YEAR.

St. John enters upon the New Year with brighter prospects than for many years past. The day of the pessimist seems to have passed and the most doubtful have been converted to optimism. May they continue to hold their belief and have no reason to regret their change of heart will be the New Year's wish of all who love St. John. No city in Canada has received such hard knocks in the past. Practically wiped out by the fire of 1877 St. John had a desperate struggle to maintain a place among the leading cities of Canada, and it is surprising that after such a catastrophe a single optimist should have survived.

For thirty years development was at a standstill, but there always existed a small but energetic band of citizens who, despite all manner of discouragements, held to the belief that one day St. John would come into her own. These men were not dreamers but alive with activity and energy almost beyond belief. Time has demonstrated that all the while they worked for the future of St. John they were working in the right direction.

There seems to be no doubt now that St. John will soon become the home of several great industries. A sugar refinery is to be built this year and very likely smelting furnaces and ship yards will be added to our industries very shortly. There are many other propositions, some great and some small, before the people. Even small industries are not to be despised, as they frequently grow and increase. Some of the greatest industrial establishments have had very small beginnings. It is not so many years ago that the McAvity brass foundry, which now requires acres for its great and growing business, was housed in a small building on Water street. We have, therefore, not to go abroad for examples of industrial growth.

Along with the industrial growth comes the housing problem. St. John must necessarily have a building boom in 1913. There are already too few houses for the people who must have homes, and the increased employment that will be given in St. John next summer makes the construction of anywhere from one to two hundred dwellings necessary, and then there will not be enough to properly house the new population. The winter trade of St. John is already assuming proportions that demonstrate conclusively that the growing freight traffic of the C. P. R. will require further wharf accommodation than is now provided.

In addition to the work in Courtenay Bay it would not be surprising if another pier to those built and building were added to the harbor improvements plan for 1913. It is stated that portions of the C. P. R. between St. John and Montreal are to be double tracked to accommodate the growing export and import trade, and if that is so the yard accommodation at the terminal will necessarily be increased. The new elevator will be ready for business this year and will hold many train loads of wheat, so there would appear to be foundation for the report of double tracking portions of the C. P. R.

There has been a substantial increase in the trade of St. John during the past year. In 1912 it will be even greater than in 1911. It is not surprising that St. John people should be optimistic. The development of the past year has been greater than was expected, and the fact that the conditions which have prevailed in St. John have extended all over the Province has buoyed up the people with the hope that the New Year will witness an even greater development of the Province. A start has been made along several new lines of agricultural development, and although the past season was anything but ideal, the farmers are greatly encouraged and have as much faith in the future of the Province as those engaged in trading or manufacturing.

### A LIBERAL'S OPINION.

A letter published in this issue, by Mr. J. Williamson of Montreal, a life long Liberal, is well worth perusal as a review of the issue of the recent naval debate, and as a searching criticism of the position taken by Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his followers. Mr. Williamson is a Liberal able to rise above party considerations, and he justly regards the obstruction to immediate aid as a "naval blunder" by the Liberal party, and as a permanent naval policy "narrow and suicidal."

It might also be pointed out that the question of a permanent policy is not the issue before Parliament. The Naval Aid Bill states definitely that a sum not exceeding \$35,000,000 shall be applied under the direction of the Governor-in-Council for the construction and equipment of the most modern and powerful type of battleships to be placed at the disposal of His Majesty for the common defence of the Empire. The permanent naval policy of the Conservative party will in due course be submitted to the people. "In the meantime," as Mr. Foster said in the course of his speech: "We do everything that can be done to make the fleet of the Empire strong; we do more than hon. gentlemen under their policy could do, or could approach doing, within six, eight, ten or more years. We do more than that; we wipe off a long dark stain and redeem our good Canadian name."

Mr. Williamson makes a strong point when he refers to the unanimous action of the British House of Commons on a memorable occasion in Mr. Gladstone's day, when there was the possibility of complications with Russia. Mr. Gladstone, a Liberal of the old school, asked for a special extra vote of \$55,000,000 for naval and military purposes. It was given without debate. "What the public will insist on knowing," writes Mr. Williamson, "is why this should not have been done at Ottawa. Instead of opposing, if Sir Wilfrid Laurier had seconded the motion of the Prime Minister he would have risen much in public estimation as an imperial statesman. The temptation, however, to make some party gain was too strong, with results disastrous to his party." Sir Wilfrid Laurier went even further than this writer states. He stood in his place in the House and made the statement that he knew every word that was in the Admiralty's memorandum four years ago. He said:

"The Memorandum which my right hon. friend submitted the other day disclosed nothing that we did not know before. Every word we know. I may say more; every word, every figure in that Memorandum we discussed four years ago. We discussed it in the month of March, 1909."

The fourth section of the Memorandum begins as follows:

"In the spring of the present year the fifth German Navy Law was assented to by the Reichstag.

The main feature of that law is not the increase in the new construction of capital ships, though that is important, but rather the increase in the existing force of ships of all classes which will be immediately available at all seasons of the year."

Two pages in this document which was laid before Parliament, are taken up by the Admiralty in reviewing the menacing effect of the new German Navy Law, passed in May of this year. And Sir Wilfrid Laurier in order to advocate his amendment, which means nothing for an indefinite number of years, stated that he knew all these facts four years ago. It would be interesting to know what arguments the Liberal Opposition can put forward in defence of their Leader's deliberate misrepresentation of the facts.

Mr. Williamson further points out that the Government's proposal rests on the deliberate opinion of the Admiralty, the greatest authority on naval strategy in the world, and he adds with much justice that Sir Wilfrid Laurier has again put aside the judgment of these experts in favor of a hurriedly conceived and crude scheme of his own which does nothing to give that immediate and effective aid which would be acceptable under the new conditions.

The position of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and the Opposition, was exposed by Mr. Foster as he closed his speech in no uncertain terms. "Is this," he said, "a death-bed repentance? Or is it a platform to get in on? A right hon. friend will forgive the average man if he sees in this a device to stop indefinitely all help to the Imperial treasury for the defence of the Empire. There is no doubt at all that if my right hon. friend carries out his policy of two fleet units to be constructed, manned and equipped by Canada, many, many years will pass over his head and ours before one single item of aid can be given to Imperial Defence. Was it for that purpose or was it partly for that and partly to hinder effective co-operation? Was it to meet an emergency—a political emergency? My right hon. friend, I think, must take this as a not uncharitable deduction. It is when one is in power, and with full control, that he feels responsibility. But when a man is in the wide, roomy spaces of the Opposition, he can make platforms which he never intends to stand on, and he can formulate policies that he never expects to carry out."

### THE UNITED STATES AND RUSSIA.

The United States has had a trade treaty with Russia since 1832, by which each country enjoys the minimum tariff of the other. Last year Russia refused to accede to the wishes of the United States on the Jewish passport question. President Taft gave notice of the abrogation of the treaty which expires under the notice today. With it also expires the trade mark convention of 1874.

Statistics of trade under the treaty do not seem to be very valuable, judging from a Washington despatch to the New York Sun, in which it is asserted that in one year American goods to the value of \$30,000,000 were consumed in Russia. The United States exports in that year showed only \$17,000,000. The difference, it was claimed, was largely made up of goods imported through Great Britain and Germany. Other authorities place the value of American goods consumed by Russia at \$125,000,000 in 1911, and of Russian goods consumed in the United States at about one-third of that sum. The figures are not officially verified.

The despatch referred to says of the treaty that "it forms the chief basis of the relations between the United States and Russia. It provides for mutual freedom of commerce and navigation, reciprocal treatment of vessels of one nation in the ports of the other; regulations regarding export and import dues, coastwise trade; consular officers and the powers to be assigned to them; agreement as to the treatment to be accorded deserters from ships and rules for the settlement of the estates of citizens of the one nation dying within the territory of the other, and finally an agreement by each nation to extend to the other party to the treaty the 'most favored nation' treatment in all matters of commerce and navigation."

"By the expiration of the treaty Russia will be at liberty to impose upon American goods the rates of the general tariff, which are about 26 per cent. higher than those of the conventional tariff which are now applied to American importations. Only Russian forbearance will save to American exporters the privileges of the lower tariff, for legislation is now necessary in Russia for the application of the higher rates. If the higher rates should be applied to American goods the President would then be free to invoke the maximum and minimum tariff law against Russian imports into the United States."

An official statement from St. Petersburg is to the effect that the arrangement under the treaty as to minimum tariff will continue as they were for the present at least. Another from Washington says that the relations of the two Governments and their citizens will rest solely on the principles of international law, but that an understanding that will prevent a tariff war being reached.

### Current Comment

**Mischiefous Adventurers.**  
(Vancouver News-Advertiser.)  
One of the leading advocates of woman suffrage in England declares that Mrs. Pankhurst and the group of militant suffragettes are doing the cause great harm. The criminal group is a mere handful compared with the practical and constitutional suffragists, but they make so much noise that careless people imagine that they are a representative body. Reasonable women would like to suppress them, but are unable to do so. They must put up with the infliction, the misrepresentation, and the injury that is done to the cause of justice by these mischiefous adventurers.

**A Welcome to B. C.**  
(Victoria Colonist.)  
It is proposed by the St. John Board of Trade to organize an excursion of the business men of that city to the West next summer. This is a good idea. If we may be allowed to suggest a date, we will recommend that they should time their visit so as to be in Victoria at the time of our Summer Carnival, which will be in August next. Will the energetic secretary of the Citizens' Committee kindly make a note of this proposed tour and govern himself accordingly?

**One Sort of "Manning."**  
(Kingston Standard.)  
Sir Wilfrid Laurier wants us to maintain and man our fleet. Yes? Maintain them as the Niobe was maintained, by being sent on a political jaunt, in which jaunt it ran on the rocks and cost the country \$200,000 for repairs? And man them as both the Niobe and Rainbow were manned? That is by being under-manned and having many deserters! A fine "manning" and "maintaining," surely.

**A Gross Insult.**  
(Edmonton Journal.)  
As we ate our Christmas dinner with glorious sunshine streaming through the windows, the ground quite bare of snow and the thermometer hardly below freezing point, we could not help sympathizing with the poor unfortunate down by the Atlantic snowed in by a great blizzard. And to think that they have been in the habit of confiding with us over the severity of our winters!



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## GET RID OF WIFE

An amazing story of conspiracy in which a trip to Canada played an important part, was unfolded recently in the London, Eng., divorce court, when Mrs. Ethel Myra Pemberton of West Dulwich Mansions, London, sought for a divorce from her husband, Sydney Ernest Pemberton, on the ground of cruelty and misconduct.

The Plot Is Opened.  
In 1904 the husband introduced to his wife two young people. One was a girl named Mary Hinton, a young stenographer living in the same mansions; and the other, a young man twenty years of age, named Gerald Essex. Both of these became frequent visitors to the Pemberton's flat, and Mrs. Pemberton confided in Mary Hinton and told her of the way her husband treated her. It was contended by counsel for Mrs. Pemberton that the introduction was a conspiracy between the husband, Mary Hinton, and Essex to plot to get rid of her.

Mary Hinton posed as the wife's friend and said she was going to Canada, and advised Mrs. Pemberton to accompany her without saying anything to her husband. Three days before they were to sail in March, 1905, Mrs. Pemberton and Essex occupied separate cabins and on arriving at Winnipeg Mrs. Pemberton obtained a situation in which she remained for three months. She then took her passage back to England in the name of Mrs. Essex, whilst Essex himself went on to San Francisco, where he was subsequently married.

Upon reaching England she went to West Dulwich Mansions, and to her great dismay found her husband living with Mary Hinton.  
Counsel's Comments.  
"It is an extraordinary case," remarked counsel, "but I ask that the story of Mrs. Pemberton as to the relations existing between her and Essex be believed, and that she be given a decree nisi with costs." This the judge granted.

**WELL-KNOWN RIVER LAND MARK BURNED**  
**McKinley House, in Kingsclear, Prey to Flames — One of the Oldest Houses on the River.**

Special to The Standard.  
Fredericton, Dec. 31.—The McKinley House at McKinley's Ferry, Kingsclear was destroyed by fire last night. It was one of the oldest houses along the St. John river valley and was used lately by Smith and Merrithew, contractors, as a boarding house for their men employed on the Valley Railway construction work. A delegation headed by Dr. W. H. Steeves will wait upon the city council at the next meeting and ask for the establishment of an independent police commission. Dr. W. H. Steeves, son-in-law of Chief Clark, of St. John, is the organizer of the movement.

**MONCTON NEWS**  
Special to The Standard.  
Moncton, Dec. 31.—G. Ackman has been appointed claims agent of the C. N. P. which he has been filling for some time. The police are investigating alleged attempts to wreck the suburban street cars by placing stones on the tracks. The New Year was ushered in in the usual way with services in the churches, the ringing of bells, etc. Generally the celebration was orderly. At a meeting of hockey enthusiasts tonight it was decided to form a Moncton amateur hockey league, composed of five teams, namely:—Y. M. C. A., Y. M. C. C., Bankers, Pastimes and Pickups. Officers elected were C. M. Lockhart, president; R. Kelly, vice-president; Jeffrey Lockhart, secretary; Stanley McDonald, treasurer.

**STORY OF ANDREW LANG.**  
Andrew Lang's admirers have been reminded of him twice in the last week first by the announcement that the late author and journalist left an estate worth \$62,000, and again by the publication of his revised theory as to the solution of Dickens' "Mystery of Edwin Drood."

Apocryphal matters I was discussing Lang the other day with a member of the editorial staff of The Dundas Advertiser, who was an intimate friend of the Scotch essayist. "Andrew always liked Americans," he said, "and here is a story of superlative cheek on the part of one of your countrymen which he used to tell with great gusto. This American girl wrote to Lang, and informed him that she had been told to write for her literary society an essay on himself and his works. Of these she frankly confessed what Lang described as a 'very pardonable ignorance,' and requested him to save her trouble by writing a short autobiography. 'It must be awfully funny,' she said 'with funny verses.' By way of remuneration she enclosed a money order for 50 cents."—Buffalo Express London Correspondence.

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**HELPFUL HILL.**  
James J. Hill was out on an inspection trip over the Great Northern railroad. While he was going over the tracks in Havre, Montana, with other officials, he came up to a section man working in the yard.  
Just then Mr. Hill saw a trick spike lying between the rails.  
"What's that spike doing there?" he asked the section man gruffly.  
"Mr. Hill," replied the section man, "I'm glad you found that. I have been looking for that spike for two weeks!"

**CAREFUL TEMPERANCE.**  
James Thorpe of Carlisle College, the champion of the Olympic games, is an Indian, and discussing the welfare of the Indian race, he said:  
"Total abstinence is essential to my people. The average Indian cannot drink temperately. His idea of temperance is like that of the country gentleman who said:  
"I drink brandy only on two occasions—when I have roast chicken for dinner and when I haven't!"

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1912 Has Been a Better.

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Fredericton, Dec. 31—The year 1912 will welcome 1913 forth. Watch night services of the church members of the congregations held at their new quarters west, and with their old year out and the new year in. Tomorrow there will be a reception of those invited to the city council. The year 1912 has been one for Fredericton as well as an individual. Merchants and business men are in declaring that history has such a party been enjoyable. Moreover Fredericton.

**NEWS IN ST. JOHN.**  
LOU  
Police Court Returns.  
The record for the police court shown by the police during the year was 78 fewer than for the year 1911. The number of arrests was smaller by 143. There were twice as many cases in 1911, but for the year was 56,066.9 for 1911, and for the court cases tried as compared with 1911.  
Cut His Head.  
N. Seely, Carleton Place, Monday, and during the year in one of the. He was employed large doors which off its hinges, and on the back. He struck his head on a long gas pipe, head, besides. He was taken to a hospital where Dr. F. necessary to put cut on his forehead, en to his home.

**St. John Building**  
Building operations during the year 1912 were \$1,434,877.15, the amounting inspector's larger than last year. It shows the real part of the city taken place outside, and is therefore  
Leaves Government.  
Mrs. A. Dunbar John, who for the been on the agricultural department as a stenographer, connection with  
Customs Revenue.  
St. John continued during the year every month so that of the receipts for the year were \$1,434,877.15, an increase of 66, an increase of \$281,090.23.

**The Year in Budget.**  
R. G. Dunn and were 50 failures during the year. The total liabilities of \$215,000.00. C. F. H. H. in that year 21 but the liabilities \$225,420, and the failure last year. The company, B. 000, or more amount.

**High School**  
The High School their annual meeting when the elected: Honorable Lawrence, pres.; Lawson; Ist. Ward; 2nd. Walker; sec.; executive, Atkinson; and Miss East and Hilda will be necessary the whole association consider minor will be made by the High School year were

**St. David's Guild**  
At the annual Sunday school reports for the year and found most of the following officers ensuing year: Rev. Andrew; sec., Mrs. G. S. Ledingham; a niece department secretary, J. I. tendent credit, representative; Reid; secretary, superintendent, Mrs. Fred Shaw; A. Miss Jess training superintendent; Hannah; McCowan; ass.

### FREDERICTON WELL PLEASED WITH NEVER BEFORE OF YEAR

1912 Has Been Banner Year for Provincial Capital, Whose Citizens Expect 1913 to be Even Better.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Dec. 31.—Fredericton will welcome 1913 quietly, but with great faith in what it has to bring forth.

Look forward to 1913 to be an even better year. They point out that in addition to the railway construction work which will be pressed with more vigor than ever, there will be great activity in other lines.

### NEWS IN SHORT METRE

LOCAL. Police Court Returns. The record for the past year in the police court shows 1649 arrests made by the police during the twelve months...

Cut His Head. N. Seely, Carleton was quite badly injured Monday evening while working in one of the sheds at Sand Point. He was employed near one of the large doors when the wind blew off its hinges...

St. John Building. Building operations in St. John during the year 1912 were quite substantial. The amount shown in the building inspector's report...

Leaves Government Employ. Mrs. A. Dunbrack, formerly of St. John, who for the past two years has been on the staff of the provincial agricultural station...

Customs Revenue. The customs revenue of the port of St. John continues to increase rapidly and during the present calendar year every month showed an increase over that of the previous year.

The Year in Business. R. G. Dunn and Co., report that there were 50 failures in New Brunswick during the year ending today, with total liabilities of \$299,288 and total assets of \$159,894.

High School Alumnae. The High School Alumnae held their annual meeting on Monday evening when the following officers were elected: Honorary president, Mrs. H. Lawrence...

St. David's Sunday School. At the annual meeting of St. David's Sunday school on Monday evening the reports for the year were submitted and found most satisfactory.

### THE NAVAL DEBATE THE ISSUE BEFORE THE COUNTRY

The following letter from a life-long Liberal and the issue before the country appears in the Montreal Star:

Under the new conditions which have arisen in the meantime the Admiralty now recommend as we have seen contribution of three super-Dreadnoughts as at the moment the most efficient way of adding to the strength of the Imperial Navy.

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### NEW BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO UNITED STATES

SIR CECIL ARTHUR SPRING RICE, Who, it is said, will succeed James Bryce as British ambassador to Washington...



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### HOTEL ARRIVALS

Victoria. D. A. Stewart, Campbellton; F. M. Burdett, Boston; G. W. Volcham, Ottawa; K. Judah and wife, Fredericton; A. H. Jones, Moncton; W. M. Fraser, Halifax...

### GOLDEN WEDDING

(Canadian Pharmaceutical Journal). The host of friends of Wm. Hawker, St. John, N. B., and his wife, are gathered thickly across a continent...

### WEDDINGS

Brown-Thomson. An occasion of much interest added to the Christmas cheer of the home of Mr. George F. Thomson...

### Are You Droopy, Tired, Worn Out?

Here is Good Advice to All Who Feel as if Their Vigor and Life Had All Oozed Away. This Condition Can be Quickly Cured by a Good Cleansing Medicine.

### UTILITY AND NEPONSET

The Best Wall Boards PRICE LOW GANDY & ALLISON 3 and 4 North Wharf ONE CAR SLIGHTLY DAMAGED CORN 50c. a Hundred STEEN BROS., Celebration St.

### Police Aid Requested

On Wednesday night the police were called into Morgan's pool room, 734 Main street, to eject George Marshall and George Brown, who were drunk and creating a disturbance there.

NATURAL GUM FREE of pain is the way we extract teeth by the famous Hulse method, which is used exclusively at our office. We charge only a nominal fee 25c.

GROWING LITTLE ONES THRIVE ON BUTTERNUT BREAD Because it is Rich in Nutrients, containing, in greatest measure, all that makes for health, vigor and rosy cheeks.

Walpole's Celebrated RUBBER HORSE CURRIE KICKHAM & CURRIE Corner Waterloo and Union Streets.

IN STOCK: 1,000 Kegs Extra Malaga Grapes CHRISTMAS STOCK A. L. GOODWIN, MARKET BUILDING

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COAL AND WOOD Nut or Stove Hard Coal Landing for Self-feeders Also Chestnut for Ranges and Egg for Furnaces.

J. S. GIBBON & CO. 6½ Charlotte Street and No. 1 Union Street (Open Evenings)

IN STOCK All the Best Grades of STEAM, HOUSE AND BLACKSMITH COAL

R. P. & W. F. STARR, Ltd. 49 Smythe St. 226 Union St.

NUT COAL I have just had placed with me for immediate sale, 100 tons NUT CHESTNUT WILKES-BARRE HARD COAL.

Landing ex Schooner Ruth Robinson AMERICAN EGG AND CHESTNUT ORDER QUICK Geo. Dick Foot of Germain St. Phone 1116.

"You'll find it so." Labatt's London Lager Now Perfected—Best Bubbable TRY IT JOHN LABATT LIMITED 38 LONDON, ONTARIO Parties in Scott Act Localities supplied for personal use. Write St. John agency, 20-24 Water street.

### \$100 BONDS

The attention of investors of small amounts who wish only the safest kind of securities—bonds, is called to our offering of bonds of \$100 denominations.

Hewson Pure Wool Textile 6's with common stock bonus.  
 Trinidad Consolidated Telephone 6's.  
 Nova Scotia Steel & Coal 5's.  
 Nova Scotia Steel & Coal C p. c. Debenture Stock.  
 Maritime Telegraph and Telephone 6's.

**F. B. McCURDY & CO.,**

Members Montreal Stock Exchange.  
 Halifax, Montreal, St. John, Sherbrooke, Kingston, Ottawa, Sydney, Charlottetown and St. John's, Nfld.

### January Investments

We own and offer subject to prior sale, the following Securities which we recommend. Purchases made now will be delivered any time in January when funds become available.

MUNICIPAL		INDUSTRIAL	
Yielding Above	Yielding About	Yielding Above	Yielding About
City and County of St. John 4s, due July, 1953.....4 1/2 pc	N. S. Steel & Coal Co. 1st Mortgage 5s, due 1959..5 1/2 pc	City of St. John 6s, due May, 1915.....4 1/2 pc	Dominion Cannery Co. 1st Mortgage 6s, due 1940..5 1/2 pc
City of Moncton 4s, due May, 1952.....4.60 pc	P. Burns & Company, Ltd. 1st Mortgage 6s, due 1924..5 1/2 pc	Town of New Glasgow 4 1/2s, due Nov. 1932.....4.80 pc	St. John Log Driving Cdr 6s, due 1928.....5 1/2 pc
Town of Port Hawkesbury 5s, due Aug., 1942.....5.10 pc			
PUBLIC UTILITY		REALTY	
Yielding Above	Yielding About		
St. John Railway (2nd Mortgage) 5s, due May, 1927.....4 1/2 pc	Caledonian Realities Ltd. 1st Mortgage 6s, due 1931..6.40 pc	Cape Breton Electric Co. 1st Mortgage 5s, due 1932..5 1/2 pc	Montreal City Land Co., Ltd. 1st Mortgage 6s, due 1931..6.40 pc
Niagara, St. Catherine's & Tor. Ry. 1st Mortgage 5s, due 1929.....5 1/2 pc	Camaguey Company, Ltd. Dividend 4 pc.....6 1/4 pc		
Camaguey Company 1st Mortgage 5s, due 1932..4.80 pc	Northern Canadian Mortgage Co. Capital Stock 8 pc.....7 1/2 pc		
Me. & N. B. Electrical Power Co. Debenture 6s.....5.80 pc			

Circulars describing the above securities will be furnished upon request

**Eastern Securities Co., Ltd.**  
 W. F. Mahon, Mng. Dir.  
 St. John, N. B. Montreal.

To the Agents and Policy Holders:

## The Anglo-American Montreal-Canada Fire Insurance Companies

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

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

ANGLO AMERICAN FIRE INS. CO.  
 MONTREAL-CANADA FIRE INS. CO.

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 Lumber and General Brokers  
 SPRUCE, HEMLOCK, BIRCH, SOUTHERN PINE, OAK, CYPRESS, SPRUCE PILING and CREOSOTED PILING.

**BANK OF NEW BRUNSWICK**  
 Head Office, St. John, N. B.  
 Capital (paid up) ..... \$1,000,000.00  
 Rest and undivided profits over ..... 1,800,000.00

**Insurance Co. of North America**  
 Founded 1792.  
 JARVIS & WHITTAKER, Provincial Agents  
 Fire, Automobile and Motor Boat Insurance.

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 Seek only to get through orders and collect their bills.  
 We try to execute work so that customers come back for future supplies.  
 Think this a good plan? Then try us.  
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 82 Prince William Street, St. John, N. B.

### CURRENT PRICES OF NEW YORK MARKET

By Direct Private Wires to J. C. Mackintosh & Co.

	Previous	High	Low	Close
Am Cop.	78 1/2	78 3/4	77	78 1/2
Am Beet Sug.	47 1/2	48	47	47 1/2
Am Cot. Oil.	103 1/2	104	103 1/2	103 1/2
Am Soco.	42	42 1/4	41 3/4	42
Am S and R.	72 1/2	73 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2
Am T.	141 1/4	139 1/2	138 1/2	139 1/4
Am P.	129 1/2	131 1/4	130 1/2	130 3/4
Atchafalaya	105 1/4	105 3/4	105 1/4	105 1/4
B and O.	104 1/2	105 1/4	104 1/2	104 1/2
B R T.	91 1/2	92 1/4	91 1/2	91 1/2
C P R.	27 1/2	28 1/4	27 1/2	27 1/2
C and O.	78 1/2	79	78 1/2	79
C and St. P.	111 1/4	112 1/4	111 1/4	111 1/4
C and N. W.	136 1/2	136 3/4	136 1/2	136 1/2
Col. P.	24 1/2	25 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Chino Cop.	44 1/2	45 1/4	44 1/2	44 1/2
Con Gas.	140	139 1/4	139 1/4	139 1/4
Erie.	31 1/2	32	31 1/2	32
Gen Elec.	185 1/2	187	185 1/2	185 1/2
Gen. Exp.	129 1/2	130 1/4	129 1/2	129 1/2
In Harvester.	111	111	111	111
Ill. Cent.	127	127 1/2	127	127 1/2
Int. Met.	18 1/2	18 3/4	18 1/2	18 1/2
L. and N.	24 1/2	24 3/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Lehigh Val.	165 1/2	167 1/4	165 1/2	167
Nev. Con.	19 1/2	19 3/4	19 1/2	19 1/2
Kan. City So.	26 1/2	26 3/4	26 1/2	26 1/2
Miss. Pac.	27 1/2	28 1/4	27 1/2	27 1/2
Nat. Lead.	55 1/2	55 3/4	55 1/2	55 1/2
N Y Cent.	108 1/4	108 1/2	108 1/4	108 1/4
N Y O and W.	31 1/2	31 3/4	31 1/2	31 1/2
P. and W.	112 1/2	113 1/4	112 1/2	112 1/2
Penn.	121 1/2	122 1/4	121 1/2	121 1/2
Reading.	166 1/2	167 1/4	166 1/2	167 1/4
Rex P and S.	104 1/2	105 1/4	104 1/2	104 1/2
So. Pac.	104 1/2	105 1/4	104 1/2	104 1/2
Soo.	137 1/2	138 1/4	137 1/2	137 1/2
Sou. Ry.	27 1/2	28	27 1/2	28
Utah Cop.	24 1/2	25 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
U. Pac.	158 1/2	161	158 1/2	160
U S Rub.	63	63 1/2	63	63 1/2
U S Sil.	67	68 1/4	67	68
U S P. Rd.	107 1/2	110	107 1/2	108
West Elec.	79 1/2	79 3/4	79 1/2	79 1/2

**CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKETS.**

By direct private wires to J. C. Mackintosh and Co., St. John, N. B.

**RANGE OF PRICES.**

	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec.	87 1/2	86	87 1/2
Jan.	91 1/2	91 1/4	91 1/2
July	87 1/2	88 1/2	87 1/2

**Wheat.**

Dec.	47 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
May	48 1/2	48 1/4	48 1/2
July	49 1/2	49	49 1/2

**Corn.**

Dec.	33 1/2	32	32 1/2
May	32 1/2	32 1/4	32 1/2
July	33	32 3/4	32 1/2 bid

**Oats.**

Dec.	32 1/2	32	32 1/2
May	32 1/2	32 1/4	32 1/2
July	33	32 3/4	32 1/2 bid

**Pork.**

Jan.	17 1/2	17 1/4	17 1/2
May	18 1/2	18	18 1/2

### IMPROVED TONE SHOWN IN MARKET

New York, Dec. 31.—The tone of the stock market showed a distinct improvement today. Throughout the session there was a strong undercurrent of substantial gains were made in all departments. The Harriman and Hill issues, Coppers and Steel developed marked strength, and many of the less conspicuous shares also reached a higher level. Brokers active in trading said that the important feature was the small supply of stocks. Although the demand was noticeably better, the amount of business was not large and quotations were advanced on comparatively light bidding.

The unexpectedly favorable condition of the money market contributed to the strength of stocks. Instead of the predicted year-end hurry, the rate for call money did not go above the opening figure of six per cent., and the demands for loans from the stock exchange were so small that before the end of the day there was a sharp drop.

The comparative steadiness of the money market yesterday has given an indication that the current financial stress of the month, involving a maximum of twelve per cent., has been undergone last week, and traders today were prepared to proceed more confidently. The short interest provided to be susceptible to attack, and covering operations, together with some buying for the long account on the theory that easier money conditions would obtain with the passing of the year-end period, gave the stock market, as the year ended on the exchange, an appearance of strength which was in marked contrast with conditions earlier in the month.

Buying of steel was encouraged by the weekly iron trade reviews which stated that the outlook for the new year in iron and steel was exceptionally bright.

The bond market improved in sympathy with stocks, with a better demand in anticipation of the reinvestment which year-end disbursements of interest and dividends are expected to bring. Total sales, par value, \$23,000,000.

United States bonds were unchanged on call.

**MARITIME PROVINCE SECURITIES.**

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

**Miscellaneous.**

Acadia Fire.....	Asked	Bid
Acadia Sugar.....	165	160
Acadia Paper.....	74	74
Brand, Henderson Com.....	25	50
Cape Breton Elec. Com.....	50	50
East. Can. Sav and Loan.....	140	136
Electric Trust.....	140	140
Hal. Fire.....	100	98
Hew. Pure Wool Tex. Pfd.....	100	98
Mar. Tel. and Tel. Com.....	84	82
Mar. Tel. and Tel. Pfd.....	106	103
N. B. Telephone.....	110	103
Pfd. with bonus.....	100	96
N. S. Car 1st Pfd.....	95	90
N. S. Car 2nd Pfd.....	67	62
N. S. Car 3rd Pfd.....	47	45
N. S. Car Com.....	67	62
N. S. Clay Works Pfd.....	95	90
N. S. Clay Works Com.....	36	36
N. S. Fire.....	100	90
Standfields Ltd. Pfd.....	105	102
Standfields Com.....	65	65
Trin. Cons. Tel. Com.....	32	32
Trinidad Electric.....	74	70

### PRODUCE PRICES IN CANADIAN CENTRES

Montreal, Dec. 31.—OATS—Canadian western No. 2, 45 to 43 1/2; extra No. 1, feed, 42 to 42 1/2; No. 2, local white, 41; No. 3, local white, 40; No. 4, local white, 39.

FLOUR—Manitoba spring wheat patents firsts, \$5.40; seconds, \$4.90; strong bakers, \$4.70; winter patents, choice, \$5.35; straight rollers, \$4.85 to \$5; straight rollers, bags, \$2.35 to \$2.40.

MILFEED—Bran, \$21; shorts, \$24; middlings, \$28 to \$30; moultrie, \$30 to \$35.

HAY—No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$14.50 to \$15.

POTATOES—75 to 90.

**NAP. LAJOIE SALARY CUT FIRST TIME**

Cleveland, O., Dec. 28.—For the first time since he became a major league baseball player, nearly 20 years ago, Napoleon Lajoie will be asked to accept a cut in his salary for 1913. Lajoie, it is said, has been drawing at least \$10,000 a year from the Cleveland American League club, but his new contract will call for not more than \$7500, maybe less, so the story goes.

It seems that while Lajoie kept up his wonderful hitting last season he slowed up in his fielding, so that manager Birmingham thinks that in future second base should be covered by a faster man, possibly Olson, the big Swede. Lajoie may be moved over to first base if Johnston, the younger success from the southern league last summer, fails to come up to expectations. Then again Lajoie may be sent to the outfield if Johnston keeps on hitting the way he did when he finished last season in a Cleveland uniform.

Lajoie, like all baseball players, cannot last forever. He is 39 years old. From a salary of \$2000, which he received when he joined the Philadelphia Nationals in 1896, this great star has gradually drawn a higher salary each year until it is said that he has drawn a total of more than \$100,000 during his major league career. He has invested some of his money in a profitable cigar business and other successful ventures, and when the time comes to quit the national game forever, he will have no cause for worry.

The big Frenchman was a cab driver in Fall River twenty years ago. He was also said to ball player of sufficient skill to earn a place on the New England team of that city. In 1896 Arthur Irwin, then manager of the Giants, heard of Lajoie and went to Fall River to look him over. There was another clever young player on the team named Geyer, and Irwin was informed by President Marston of the Fall River club that he could buy both men for \$1,000. Irwin urged the Giants' owner, Andrew Freedman, to make the purchase, but was turned down, whereupon the Philadelphia National stepped up to the captain's office with the coin and got them.

Lajoie was a first baseman and a mighty batsman even then. The first time he appeared in a Quaker uniform at the Polo grounds he made a single, a three-base run, and a home run off the famous Aome Rusie, while Irwin on the bench groaned audibly.

From that time to this Lajoie became one of the greatest hitters in the profession, also one of the most graceful infielders the game has ever known. He played second base for the Quakers later on, and with such big sluggers as Ed Delahanty and Sam Thompson, the Philadelphia fairerly terrorized the best pitchers. Lajoie joined the Cleveland club when the American League embraced that city, and has been a Nap ever since, also managing the team for one season with rather dubious results. Some of his friends believe that he will not accept a reduction in salary, and that rather than be humiliated in this way he will decide to go out of baseball. If he does, it will be many years before his wonderful record on the field is forgotten.

**REAL ESTATE NEWS.**

Taylor and Sweeney yesterday sold two leasehold properties and one freehold, all of them within the city limits. One leasehold is the house, store and barn 240 Brussels street, formerly owned by Thomas Abraham. The new purchaser is Mrs. Sarah Whately. The freehold is a large lot 59 by 160 feet, with two fine buildings on it, on Clifton street, Carleton. The former owner, H. A. Black, of Boston, bought just about six weeks ago and has now turned it over at a substantial profit to Harold Chadwick. The firm has also arranged the sale of the large leasehold tenement house 31 and 33 Kennedy street, to Nathan Jacobson. The property is a leasehold and was owned by William Lunney.

Five real estate transfers have been recorded during the last five days of 1912. They were as follows: G. A. S. Hopkins to B. R. Armstrong, property on Brussels street. Harris Abbott Co. to B. R. Armstrong, property at Simonds. J. A. Likely to J. G. Likely, property on Marsh street. Elizabeth K. McKay to Eliza J. McKay, property on Duke street. Heirs of Mary E. Secord to the Pension Land & Building Company, property on Strait Shore.

F. S. Simms Co. Ltd. to Maria E. wife of G. W. Ganong, \$12,490, property on Brussels street. Heirs of Edward Simonds to B. R. Armstrong et al, property on Brunswick street. L. F. D. Tilley to B. R. Armstrong et al, property near Park Road.

**The Brown Machine Co.'s 6 P. C. BONDS**  
 Interest Payable February 1 and August 1  
 MATURE AUGUST 1, 1930. DENOMINATIONS \$1,000.  
**YIELD 6 1-2 P. C.**

These Bonds are well secured on properties of established value. The earnings of the Company are well in excess of Bond interest requirements. Steel and Iron Building operations continue active, and there is a constantly increasing business done by the Company.

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**WE GUARANTEE** the time when your indebtedness will be paid off. Office open evenings. Write, phone or call

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The Management is not unmindful that much of this great business is due to the kindly co-operation of well-satisfied policyholders, now numbering over 40,000, and protected to the extent of over \$83,000,000.

And public acknowledgment is made of the many gratifying expressions of appreciation received during the year of results under Policies now maturing.

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**The Merchants' Bank of Canada**  
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120 Prince Wm. St. CLARENCE H. FERGUSON, Manager for N. B.

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Bank of Montreal Building  
 Phone, M. 1865. St. John, N. B.

MAPLE LEAF MILLING COMPANY, LIMITED.  
 Dividend Notice.  
 Notice is hereby given that a dividend of one and three-quarters per cent. (1 3/4 p. c.) has been declared on the Preferred Stock of the Maple Leaf Milling Company, Limited, for the quarter ending January 4th, 1913, payable January 15th, 1913, to shareholders of record January 4th, 1913. Transfer books will be closed from January 4th, 1913, to January 17th, 1913, inclusive.  
 By order of the Board.  
 J. CARRICK, Secretary.

**WINNERS IN YEAR OF**

The intercollegiate 1912 was remarkable. It not only was marked by fair performances, but by fair distribution of honors. Major sports—football, athletics and rowing—supreme in football, ball, Pennsylvania and Cornell in rowing.

It is not an easy thing to win a championship of the year's sports, but the following to grace the institution so-called champions:

- Football.....
- Baseball.....
- Track athletics.....
- Rowing.....
- Cross country.....
- Soccer football.....
- Cricket.....
- Golf.....
- Lawn tennis.....
- Wrestling.....
- Hockey.....
- Fencing.....
- Gymnastics.....
- Basketball.....

**MARTY O'TOOL**

Framingham, Dec. 28.—Tools of the Pittsburgh baseball team, was going to Mrs. Rosa H. Vila.

The ceremony was held at the church of Rev. Richard S. B. maid was Miss A. L. ter of the bride, a brother of the groom. After a wedding the couple will remain in the opening of the season, when Mrs. O'Tool may her husband's step.

**Sold by all**

WINNERS IN YEAR OF 1912

The intercollegiate athletic year of 1912 was remarkable in many ways...

TO PLAY BALL AT NIGHT AS WELL AS DAY

Joe Page arrived in the city yesterday from Montreal and while in conversation with The Standard last evening...

HALIFAX HOCKEY TOPICS

Special to The Standard. Halifax, Dec. 31.—Johnny Murphy and Jimmy Cosgrove, the Crescent magicians...

MARITIME MOTOR SHOW TO BE GRAND

From the plans now in the hands of the promoters, the "Maritime Motor Show" promises to be at once the prettiest and at the same time the most complete exhibition of motor driven vehicles ever held in Canada...

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MARTY O'TOOLE WEDDED

Framingham, Dec. 30.—Marty O'Toole of the Pittsburgh National League baseball team, was married this morning to Miss Rose Heffernan of Saxonsville...

GAFFNEY NOW OWNS THE BRAVES

New York, N. Y., Dec. 28.—John M. Ward, who induced James E. Gaffney to buy the Boston National League club last winter and who resigned the presidency of the club last summer...

QUEBEC DEFEATED WANDERERS

Montreal, Dec. 31.—Quebec defeated the Wanderers in their N. H. A. game at the Arena tonight by a score of 3 to 1.

OLD TIMER IS LAID AT REST

The funeral of Patsy Sheppard, the old-time sporting man, was held a few days ago from St. James' Catholic church, Harrison avenue.

THE INTERNATIONAL RAILWAY. Winter Time Table Summary. GOING WEST. Express train leaves Campbellton daily (except Sunday) at 7:30 a. m. for St. Leonards and intermediate stations...

CHANCE FOR THE NEW YORKS. Los Angeles, Dec. 31.—Frank Chance, formerly manager of the Chicago National League Baseball Club, today announced that he would leave his home at Glendora, Calif., on January 4 for Chicago...

FURNESS LINE. From London, Shenandoah Dec. 7. Rappahannock Jan. 14. Durango Jan. 3. Kanawha Jan. 10. Dates subject to change.

ALL THE WAY BY WATER. Eastern Steamship Corporation. International Line. WINTER FARES. ST. JOHN TO BOSTON \$4.50.

MANCHESTER LINE. From Manchester. Nov. 30 M. Commerce Dec. 28. Dec. 7 M. Importer Jan. 4. Dec. 14 M. Shipper Jan. 8. Dec. 21 M. Miller Jan. 11. Jan. 2 M. Inventor Jan. 23. Jan. 11 M. Corporation Feb. 1.

Wm. Thomson & Co., AGENTS. ELDER-DEMPSTER LINE. NASSAU, CUBA, MEXICO SERVICE. S. S. "SOKOTO" sailing from St. John about Jan. 10th for Nassau, Havana, Puerto Mexico, Vera Cruz, Tampico and Progreso, followed by Bornu Jan. 27th.

DONALDSON LINE. GLASGOW SERVICE. From Glasgow. Dec. 7 S.S. Athena Jan. 26. Dec. 14 S.S. Letitia Jan. 9. Dec. 21 S.S. Saturnia Jan. 16. Jan. 11 A Steamer Jan. 30. Jan. 18 S.S. Cassandra Feb. 6.

PICKFORD & BLACK LINE. ST. JOHN, N. B. to DEMERARA. S. S. "Rhodeian" sails Jan. 5 for Bermuda, St. Kitts, Antigua, Barbados, Trinidad, Demerara.

THE MARITIME STEAMSHIP CO. (Limited). Commencing Jan. 28, and until further notice the S. S. Connors Bros. will run as follows: Leave St. John, N. B. Thorne Wharf and Warehouse Co., on Saturday, 7:30 a. m. for St. Andrews, calling at Dipper Harbor, Beaver Harbor, Black's Harbor, Black Bay or Letete, Deer Island, Red Store, St. George, returning, leave St. Andrews Tuesday for St. John, calling at Letete or Black Bay, Black's Harbor, Beaver Harbor and Dipper Harbor. Tide and weather permitting.

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AROUND THE CITY CITY BREAKS ALL RECORDS FOR GOOD HEALTH IN YEAR

Few Large Fires in Year. A local fire insurance man said yesterday that the underwriters here had had a fairly good year. Outside of the Sackville blaze there were few large fires in the province, though there had been the average or more of small fires.

New Immigration Officer. D. H. Waterbury, superintendent of Dominion Public Buildings, has been in Fredericton making an inspection of the office recently opened there for the accommodation of A. B. Wilnot, Dominion immigration officer for the province.

Wins Royal Approval. On Monday evening at the tea table beside his plate Byron C. Tapley found letters from two queens, one of these gracious messages was from Buckingham Palace from Her Majesty Queen Mary, and the other in mourning envelope dated from Sandringham, Norfolk, from the Queen Mother, Alexandra, both letters expressing appreciation of Mr. Tapley's work, "Sonata Britannica."

The Waech Night services. Watch night services were held in a number of city churches last evening and in most cases there were good attendances. The services were marked by special music and brief addresses. As midnight marked the entrance of the new year, the bells of the churches pealed forth and after a short interval the members of the congregations filed out, the majority going to their homes and the balance proceeding to King's Square to mingle with the crowds there.

The First 1913 Joke. While the handsome and talented young men who compose The Standard's writing staff were grinding out copy about three minutes after twelve o'clock this morning the telephone bell rang. The young man who answered the call heard a sweet feminine voice, with a ripple of mischief in it, enquire: "Is this 1913?" "No," replied the unsuspecting newspaper writer. "This is 1746, you have the wrong number." "Well, just look at your calendar," was the message which came over the wire. Thus was the first 1913 joke recorded.

Inspecting Farms. Jas. Gilchrist left yesterday for Queens county to inspect some farms with the idea of having them taken over by the farm settlement board of which he is secretary. A. W. Hay, chairman of the board, and A. B. Wilnot, the Dominion immigration officer for the province are on the North Shore inspecting farms there, which sons of native farmers wish to purchase with the assistance of the board. It is understood that the properties are at Blackville, Bathurst and other places. One family which wishes to return from the states to the North Shore have applied to the board for a farm in Gloucester county.

Entertained Children. The Young Ladies' Guild of St. Monica's Society entertained the children of the sewing classes which are conducted by the guild, yesterday afternoon in the rooms of the I. L. and B. Society. The young ladies provided a Christmas tree abundantly laden with gifts and dainties for the children, and made the afternoon a very pleasant one for the youngsters. A programme consisting of reading by Miss Greaney, solos by M. Kelly, Miss McGrath and Miss Donovan was carried out during the afternoon. The entertainment was in charge of Miss Clare O'Connor, Miss Geraldine Hogan, Miss Keeffe, Miss Kelly, Miss Coll, and Miss Alice Ward. The officers and executive of St. Monica's Society were present at the entertainment.

Sunday School Christmas Treat. The annual Christmas entertainment of Waterloo street Baptist Church Sunday school was held last evening. Rev. F. A. Newcomb, acting as Santa Claus, presented each child with a gift from the tree. The teachers and scholars of the adult class instead of placing presents for each other on the tree gave offerings for the poor. A pleasing feature was the presentation of an illuminated address from the church and Sunday school to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Smith on the occasion of their thirty-eighth anniversary of their wedding day. Rev. F. H. Wentworth, the pastor, made the presentation. Little Irene Westworth presented Mr. and Mrs. Smith with a bouquet of white carnations.

THE BOARD OF TRADE HAD BRIEF SESSION

Only Routine Matters Dealt with—Committees Reported Progress—No Announcement as to Secretary.

The board of trade met yesterday afternoon in their rooms, the president, J. M. Robinson presiding. Only routine matters were dealt with at the meeting. The committee named at the last meeting in reference to the immigration question reported progress. Gretings to the board were received from the Toronto board of trade. The question of the appointment of the new secretary to the board was not discussed at the meeting.

Will Close Saturday. It is announced that the firm of Manchester Robertson Allison, Ltd., will close their stores on Saturday evening during the months of January and February. The Saturday hours of business during these months to be from 10.30 a. m. to 5 p. m. It is hoped that the patrons of this firm will endeavor to arrange their Saturday's shopping during the hours mentioned.

The St. John Business College classes will resume work Thursday, Jan. 2nd.

Deaths During 1912 Far Below Preceding Year—Very Little Contagious Disease Reported to Board of Health.

In comparison with the preceding year, 1912 shows a gratifying decrease in the number of deaths occurring in the city. For the twelve months ending yesterday the total number of deaths of residents of the city was 688, as compared with 737 for 1911, making the death rate for last year smaller by 69 than for the preceding year.

The deaths for the past year, and also for 1911 by months, was as follows: 1912. January 62, February 48, March 63, April 62, May 65, June 53, July 44, August 63, September 51, October 46, November 54, December (recorded to yesterday), 63, Total, 668.

1911. January 55, February 57, March 79, April 72, May 57, June 53, July 38, August 32, September 54, October 65, November 46, December 61, Total, 737.

A PLEASANT CELEBRATION

Members of St. John Power Boat Club Farewell Old Year and Welcome 1913 by Concert.

The headquarters of the St. John Power Boat Club was the scene of a happy event last evening, when the members gathered in the club house to farewell the old year and welcome the new.

The Temple Band paraded from their hall to the club house at 10 o'clock and opened the programme with the playing of O Canada. Commodore S. P. Gerow occupied the chair and on the platform were the vice and rear commodores and the fleet captain.

The following programme was carried out: O Canada; selection, band; solo, Fred Ramsey; mandolin and banjo, Bond and Bagnell; monologue, Jas. Bond; solo, Ed. O'Hara; bone selection, Tom Roberts; selection, band; comic song, Allan Bailley; bell selection, Bond and Bagnell; solo, Robt. Carson; selection, band.

CHRISTMAS TREAT IN MISSION CHURCH

Happy Gathering of Children in Church of St. John Baptist—Christmas Tree and Prize Presentation.

The annual treat was given the children of the Mission church yesterday when a hundred and forty assembled in the schoolroom of the building.

Supper was served at 5.30 after which prizes for the work done by the Sunday school pupils through the year were awarded as follows: Senior boy's prize: Harry Ellis. Senior girl's prize: Elizabeth Hamilton.

Class Prizes. 1st boy's prize: Douglas Blair. 2nd boy's prize: George Campbell. 3rd boy's prize: Thomas Logan. 4th boy's prize: Ralph Horznan. 5th boy's prize: Thomas Hamilton. 1st girl's prize: Florence Polkins. 2nd girl's prize: Ornel Welch. 3rd girl's prize: Vera Langley. 4th girl's prize: Hattie Hepburn. 5th girl's prize: Mary Logan. 6th girl's prize: Mildred Langley.

PERSONAL

Mrs. E. A. Haines, of Norton, is the guest of her father, William Gray, of Main street.

Dr. Likely, of New York, is spending a few days with his brother, Joseph A. Likely, of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Secord, Apohaup, announce the engagement of their daughter, Grace Mildred, to Mr. Frederic P. Nicholson, of the I. C. R., Moncton, the marriage to take place the 15th of January.

Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Christie have gone to New York to spend New Year's. They will be away for a week. Wilnot G. Miller is spending some days in St. John.

ICE MEN GO AWAY BUT HARD ON THE ICE DEALERS.

Mild Days Easy on Coal Bin But Hard on the Ice Dealers.

Unable, So Far, to Cut for Storage, as Ice is Altogether Too Thin for General Use.

The mild weather this winter has played hob with the plans of the ice-man. Usually the companies have been able to start cutting for storage before the New Year, but at present there is very little ice available that is more than three or four inches thick, which is altogether unsuitable for storage.

In 1912 there were diphtheria, 34 cases; scarlet fever, 75; typhoid, 43; measles and smallpox, 9 each. From all these diseases only 3 deaths resulted, a significant fact.

TREE AND TREAT IN FAIRVILLE

Annual Entertainment in Fairville Presbyterian Church Sunday School, Last Evening was Great Success.

The annual Christmas tree entertainment by the Sunday school of the Fairville Presbyterian church was held last evening, and was successfully carried out, a large attendance joining in the festivities.

An interesting programme of songs, readings, and choruses was rendered by the children of the school. Interesting features of the entertainment were the presentations which marked the occasion. The awarding of diplomas for the year's work was made during the evening.

MANY ATTRACTIONS FOR NEW YEAR'S DAY

Great Variety of Entertainment in Store for Residents of St. John, Morning, Afternoon and Evening.

Today citizens of St. John will celebrate the arrival of the New Year in a large variety of ways, appropriate to age, station and inclination. Many of the fraternal and other organizations will hold receptions for members and friends; the amusement houses will have special attractions; there will be good programmes of sports and the weather man promises to smile on the desires of those who wish to enjoy themselves out of doors.

Morning. Sunday school rally of Methodists in Centenary at 10.20. Sunday school rally of Congregationalists and Presbyterians in St. David's at 10.30.

Reception by the Mystic Shrine throughout the day. Reception by St. John Power Boat Club, at 10 o'clock, with Temple of Honor Band in attendance.

Matches by curling clubs in their rinks. Athletic exhibition in Y. M. C. A. "The Toy-maker" at the Opera House. Special matinee performances at the moving picture theatres, Nickel, Gem, Star, Unique, Lyric and Empress.

Ice and roller skating. Annual treat for orphans at Silver Falls by Father Mathew Association.

Reception in Y. M. C. A. for members and friends. "Bergant Bru" at the Opera House. Holiday programmes at picture houses.

Ice and roller skating. Members of No. 1 Salvage Corps are expected to be at their rooms at three o'clock.

The Star Has Two Holiday Sessions. Star Theatre, North End, will be open this afternoon and evening with brand new holiday pictures. This is the little house with the big show that saves you car fares.

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