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FATAL FIRE IN MAINE

Three Year Old Child Cremated in Burn-  
ing Hotel—Father Met Death  
Summoning Aid.

PATTON, Me., Mar. 10.—A wood-  
man's hotel at Sebald, located in the  
woods of Northern Penobscot county,  
about twenty miles from here, was  
burned during the night and at least  
one life, that of the young daughter  
of Luther Hall, who kept the hotel, was  
lost. Mr. Hall, unconscious from burns  
and exposure, is here, having started  
to summon aid. A woodman discovered  
him about ten miles from this town,  
insensible on his sled, his horse making  
his way toward Patton slowly. The  
woodman brought the team here and  
Hall was revived long enough to say  
that his hotel had been burned, that  
his three year old child had perished  
and that three women employed in the  
hotel were asleep in the building when  
he discovered the fire. After giving  
this information Mr. Hall again be-  
came unconscious and the doctors say  
he cannot live. He is terribly burned  
about the head and body. A party  
started promptly to go to Sebald.  
They cannot get back before night.

STREETS IN BAD SHAPE

The police report that the sidewalk  
on Union street where Union Alley  
joins that street, is in a very danger-  
ous condition and should be looked  
after at once. The police also report  
that in consequence of a frozen catch  
basin at the corner of Carmarthen and  
Britain streets the sidewalk there has  
been flooded.

Many friends of C. B. Allan are  
telling him to offer as a candidate for  
aldermanic honors in Duke's ward. Mr.  
Allan has not as yet given any de-  
finitive reply. W. S. Barker, the present  
alderman for Duke's, has decided de-  
finitely not to run again.

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N. Y. STRIKERS DEFY UNION

Ordered by National Officers to Return  
to Work, They Refuse—Trains  
Running Irregularly.

NEW YORK, March 10.—Despite  
sensational reports that organized de-  
monstrations would be made by strik-  
ers against the men who have taken  
their places in the subway and elevat-  
ed lines, which were circulated during  
the night, no trouble of any kind  
had occurred today. At the same time,  
it was apparent that the strike against  
the Interborough Rapid Transit Com-  
pany, which has postponed yesterday  
by the national officers of the organi-  
zation involved, still continued. Al-  
though the national officers had ordered  
the strikers to return to work, dis-  
senting inquiry along the various lines  
today failed to show that the order  
had been obeyed. While there was  
some improvement in the operation of  
trains on all lines today, the normal  
standard of efficiency of service has  
not yet been approached though trains  
were run at regular and frequent inter-  
vals.

MRS. STANFORD MURDERED.

Coroner's Jury Says She Was Poisoned  
by Persons Unknown—Members of Her  
Household Suspected

HONOLULU, March 10.—The cor-  
oner's jury returned yesterday an unan-  
imous verdict that the death of Mrs.  
Stanford was due to strychnine poison-  
ing. The poison having been introduced  
into a bottle of bicarbonate of soda,  
with felonious intent by some person or  
persons to the jury unknown.  
The end of the inquest with a pos-  
itive verdict of the subject of the in-  
quest of Honolulu as much without a  
clue as when Mrs. Stanford died. High  
Sheriff Henry said after the inquest  
that it was his opinion that the strychnine  
was placed in the soda in San Fran-  
cisco by a member of Mrs. Stan-  
ford's household. At the inquest Dr.  
Shorey testified that the strychnine  
used as shown by the tests was a  
strychnine used as is not used gener-  
ally for medical purposes, but used  
principally for poisoning animals. This  
statement is regarded as a possible as-  
sistance in tracing the purchase of the  
strychnine.  
The jury returned their verdict after  
about two minutes deliberation.

CURE FOR HAY FEVER.

BERLIN, Mar. 10.—Prof. Wm. Dun-  
bar, director of the Hamburg Hygienic  
Institute, born in America, but  
naturalized as a German, delivered a  
lecture before one of the Berlin sci-  
entific societies last night on Hay Fever.  
He has for many years been the  
subject of a special inquest. His  
investigations, Prof. Dunbar succeeded  
in finding the germ of the disease in  
the pollen of rye, maize and certain  
grasses, and treated horses with these  
germs and secured a serum called  
pollin, which has been used with  
good effect, entirely curing many cases.

FAMOUS SPENDTHRIFT DYING.

NEW YORK, March 9.—The Marquis  
of Anglesey, according to an American  
despatch from Monte Carlo, is dying  
there from consumption. His condi-  
tion took a sudden turn for the worse  
Wednesday and it was reported that  
he could live but a short time.  
The marquis, who was born in 1855,  
attracted much attention after suc-  
ceeding to his title through his lavish  
expenditure on jewels and theatricals.  
Not long ago he was thrown into  
bankruptcy, with liabilities aggregat-  
ing nearly \$3,000,000.

PLAQUE SPREADING IN INDIA.

CALCUTTA, India, March 9.—The  
death from the plague last week num-  
bered 34,000.  
Statistics show that the deaths from  
bubonic plague in India within a few  
years reached nearly three millions.  
In 1903 the mortality in India from the  
plague alone was 850,000. The number  
of deaths recorded last week, while ex-  
traordinary, is not unprecedented.

LICENSE CASE NEXT TUESDAY.

The complaint by E. B. Perkins  
against the liquor license commission  
will be heard on Tuesday by His Hon-  
or Police Magistrate Ritchie. Owing  
to the absence of Thomas Linton, one  
of the liquor license commissioners, it  
was not thought that the charge would  
be called so soon, but now seems  
that it is not necessary that all the  
commissioners should be present.

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this city, can be found young men and  
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eral housework. Apply to MRS. HOL-  
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Street.

MUKDEN CAPTURED  
BY JAPS TODAY.

Thousands of Prisoners With Guns  
and Stores Taken—Kuropatkin  
Surrounded—Russians Hopeless  
and Grief-stricken.

Tokio, March 10.—The Japanese troops  
occupied Mukden at 10 o'clock this (Friday)  
morning.

Yinkow, March 10.—Mukden fell at 10  
o'clock this (Friday) morning. The Rus-  
sians are panic stricken. Thousands of  
prisoners and enormous quantities of stores  
and guns have been captured.

ST. PETERSBURG, Mar. 10.—2:10 p.  
m.—The extent of the disaster to Gen.  
Kuropatkin's army is as yet unknown  
here, but the most sinister reports re-  
ceive credence, and the public believes  
that Field Marshal Oyama has suc-  
ceeded in closing the iron ring around  
at least a large portion of the army.  
Communication with Mukden is appar-  
ently cut, as no word has arrived.  
The Russian situation is desperate.  
General Biderling, who commands the  
rear guard, and the thousands who  
were fighting off the Japanese assault  
in closing the iron ring around the  
city and north of Mukden, was desperate.  
Even from the east General Kuropatkin  
pushed through until Fu Pass, less  
than eight miles east where the Hun  
bent sharply to the northward, was  
under the Japanese guns. The opening  
in the net was then only twelve miles  
wide, and nothing of the city west  
and north of Mukden, was desperate.  
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and north of Mukden, was desperate.

"A heavy dust storm obscured the  
sun Thursday and as a consequence  
the darkness precluded seeing any dis-  
tance."

RUSSIANS MAY ESCAPE.

BERLIN, March 10.—Military writers  
here, discussing General Kuropatkin's  
situation, admit its extreme serious-  
ness, but do not believe a new Sedan  
will follow. They argue that the Ja-  
panese army is not strong enough in  
numbers to compel a surrender. Un-  
stinted praise is given Field Marshal  
Oyama's military achievement in the  
present battle, and it is believed that  
the territory over which the fighting  
has been going on is too enormous to  
expect that the Japanese seriously plan  
to surround the Russians.

ROJESTVENSKY QUITTING.

LONDON, March 10.—According to  
the St. Petersburg correspondent of the  
Daily Telegraph a telegram from Vice-  
Admiral Rojestsvensky, not yet pub-  
lished, states that four of his warships  
are incapacitated for firing, because  
they are too heavily armed and that the  
problem of coaling has become so dif-  
ficult that he feared he would be un-  
able to proceed to the Far East.  
No further news has reached Lon-  
don concerning Rojestsvensky's squad-  
ron, but reports are current at Dover  
that all the ships of the Baltic fleet  
have been ordered to return to the  
English channel, pending further in-  
structions.

SURROUNDING THE RUSSIANS.

MUKDEN, Mar. 9.—10 a. m.—The  
Japanese last night pushed up from  
the south across the abandoned plain  
between the Shakhe and Hun rivers  
and are, as this despatch is filed, about  
five miles south of the latter stream.  
From the Hun, opposite Machapu,  
all the ships of the Baltic fleet are  
pouring in a ceaseless fire. They suc-  
ceeded in demolishing siege guns and  
mortars at Dushantan, about six  
miles west of this city, whence they  
opened fire at dawn. Dushantan was  
the scene of the bloodiest and most  
desperate fighting in all this terrible  
battle. Its possession was vital to the  
Japanese who stormed it again and  
again. The Russians demolished them,  
but the Japanese finally captured the  
village after much hand to hand fight-  
ing. Eye witnesses say the dead scat-  
tered in the court yards and houses  
have been unburied for four days.  
Rifles and other arms lie about  
wrenched and twisted. Hand gren-  
ades were thrown by the Japanese and  
the garrison was subjected to the con-  
centrated fire of as many as a hundred  
guns. This position once in the hands  
of the Japanese, they could train guns  
on Mukden railroad station and there-  
fore the Russians have been holding it  
at a frightful cost. The Japanese are  
also concentrated their efforts about  
seven miles north of Mukden and about  
five miles west of the railroad with the  
object of cutting off the surrounding  
troops below. A blinding dust storm  
has been raging since daylight and the  
day promises to witness a most grie-  
vous encounter, the result of which no  
one here can foresee.

JAPS IN HOT PURSUIT.

TOKIO March 10, 11 a. m.—The fol-  
lowing telegram has been received  
from the Manchurian headquarters in the  
field:  
"In the direction of Singching for  
some days our force has been attack-  
ing the enemy, who is making an ob-  
stinate resistance in strong positions.  
Finally, in the neighborhood of Bieta,  
our forces at three o'clock Thursday  
morning completely surrounded the en-  
emy, whom they are now pursuing."  
"Our force in the vicinity of Machun-  
tun continues in hot pursuit of the en-  
emy toward Fushun."  
"In the direction of the Shakhe and  
backing into the Russian wire en-  
tangled before the use was dis-  
covered. History, military men say,  
does not parallel such desperate fanat-  
ical valor. The papers at the same  
time are filled with recrimination. Rus-  
sian diplomacy is blamed for not in-  
cluding in the theatre of operations  
the territory west to the Siumlin  
road, which Field Marshal Oyama used  
to accomplish his bold turning move-  
ment, and criticism is heaped upon  
Kuropatkin.

SUSPECTED MURDERER'S QUEER STORY

STAMFORD, Conn. March 10.—  
George Butler, colored, is under arrest  
pending an investigation by the police  
of the death of his wife. Early today  
a pistol shot was heard by others in  
the house, who in going to the But-  
lers' room, found Butler and his wife  
in bed. The woman had a bullet  
wound and died in less than an hour.  
Butler said that some one had entered  
and shot his wife, and that he knew  
nothing of it until awakened by the  
report of the revolver.

MURDERER'S PLOT FOILED

Wrote Letter Signed With Victim's Name  
Declaring Intention of Suicide—How  
Fate Frustrated Him.

COTTAGE GROVE, Ore., March 10.  
—In the mail of the city marshal of  
this place yesterday was a letter pur-  
porting to be written by John Fletcher,  
stating that the writer was tired of  
life and had decided to commit  
suicide and telling the marshal where to  
find the body. The body was found  
as indicated, with a bullet wound in  
his head, but alive. Developments  
tend to show that he was shot by  
John Branton, who it is said, wrote  
the letter, the crime being for the pur-  
pose, it is alleged, of getting life in-  
surance of \$3,000 payable to Branton  
at Fletcher's death.  
Branton, while walking along the  
road, it is claimed, borrowed Fletch-  
er's revolver on the pretext of want-  
ing to kill a wild animal. He then,  
according to Fletcher's sworn state-  
ment, turned the weapon on the latter.  
After having shot Fletcher, Branton  
tried to induce the wounded man to  
say that he had shot himself. This  
Fletcher refused to do and later swore  
to an affidavit charging Branton with  
the shooting.

BANDIT GANG ON TRIAL.

PARIS, March 10.—The largest batch  
of prisoners ever tried together in  
France is now before the Amiens as-  
sises. They formed part of a gang  
organized for a number of years  
under the direction of the leader,  
Marquis Jacobs. They carried out  
clever robberies, sometimes accom-  
panied by manslaughter, in nearly every  
city in France and also abroad, their  
booty amounting to many millions of  
francs. Their capture was owing to  
the capture of one of them. The wit-  
nesses called to testify number 160 and  
the trial is expected to continue a fort-  
night. The court table presents a pec-  
uliar spectacle. It is covered with a  
collection of implements of the nefar-  
ious profession of the prisoners. The  
prisoners conveying the accused are  
escorted by cavalry to and from the  
court, the authorities fearing an at-  
tempt at lynching.

THE WEATHER.

Forecasts: Moderate to fresh winds,  
shifting to west and northwest, light  
falls of rain or snow today, Saturday  
fair and colder.  
Synopsis: A pronounced cold wave  
covers the northwestern portion of the  
continent and the lake region, the out-  
look being colder again in the mari-  
time provinces. To Banks fresh vari-  
able winds, and to American ports  
moderate to fresh west to northwest  
winds.  
Highest temperature during past 24  
hours, 35; lowest temperature during  
past 24 hours, 30; temperature at noon,  
35.

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Fancy White Muslins, 7c, 8c, 10c, 12c, 14c, 15c, 20c, 22c yd  
Colored Chambray, 14c yard.  
Fancy Dress Cinghams, 10c and 15c yard.  
White Figured Madras, 15c, 16c, 22c, 24c, 28c yard.

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NO COMPROMISE.

According to authentic report, the Li-  
beral members of parliament from the  
west are ready to play into Laurier's  
hand to the extent of accepting, as an  
ostensible compromise, his offer to  
amend the autonomy measure, as in-  
troduced, by withdrawing the third  
sub-section of the proposed educa-  
tional clause. This provision requires the  
Legislative Assemblies of Alberta and  
Saskatchewan to divide the revenue  
from public school lands in equitable  
shares or proportion between the pub-  
lic and separate schools. It should be  
explained here that all through the  
West one section of land, or a square  
mile in each township, is set apart  
for public school purposes. This sec-  
tion is sold and the revenue passes to  
Ottawa, and is then paid to the Terri-  
tories for public school uses.  
But it must not be forgotten that  
this withdrawal still leaves enough in  
the bill to rivet forever upon the new  
provinces a system of sectarian schools  
established without the consent of the  
authorities.  
This is all Laurier ever intended to  
do. It is ridiculous to suppose that a  
man of his political astuteness ever  
imagined he could also force the pro-  
vinces to endow these schools. He  
only introduced those financial clauses  
in order to recede from them to his  
main position and thereby give the  
western Liberal members a chance to  
claim that they had forced from him a  
valuable compromise.

To what extent these rubber-stamp  
representatives, who are either Laurier's  
accomplices or the dupes of his  
chicanery, reflect the real sentiment  
of the west, may be guessed from  
the fact that all over the territory in-  
dignant non-partisan mass meetings  
are being held and attended by large  
crowds, to protest in the most empha-  
tic terms "against any legislation what-  
ever by the dominion government that  
will in any way restrict our full and  
absolute control of our educational  
system, whether that legislation means  
a continuation of the present system,  
or the territories or any other alterna-  
tive that may be proposed, since we  
hold that the federal authorities have  
no right to dictate in the slightest de-  
gree what our educational system shall be."

As the Independent Liberal Winnipeg  
Tribune tersely sizes up the situation:  
"It is said that the western members  
are submitting a substitutionary clause.  
The only clause that will ever suit the  
west is no clause at all. The new pro-  
vinces must be free in this matter. This  
is the universal sentiment of all classes  
and all parties in the West."

As stated in Wednesday's Star the  
average daily circulation of this paper  
for the past six months was 6009.  
About 5500 of this daily circulation re-  
presents papers sold on the streets or  
distributed daily by carriers to regular  
subscribers in St. John city.  
The proportion of the urban sale to  
the whole circulation—which is in-  
creasing to merchants who wish to  
place their advertisements before the  
greatest possible number of St. John  
people—may be better judged from an  
analysis of one day's circulation.

The total circulation of the Star yester-  
day was 6100. The number sold by  
newsboys on the streets was 3906;  
about 400 were sent to patrons outside  
the city, and the rest were either dis-  
tributed by carriers to regular sub-  
scribers or sold by city agents or by  
newsboys on the trains.  
The most notable feature of the Star's  
recent circulation is the largely in-  
creasing number who are subscribing  
for the Star by the year, and having  
it sent daily to their homes instead of  
trusting to the street newsboys.  
Still the Star's street sales alone ex-  
ceed the actual circulation of any one  
cent paper in the maritime provinces.  
Its street sales, city agents' sales and  
regular subscriptions in this city to-  
gether are greater than those of any  
paper published in St. John.

A SIGNIFICANT REPORT.

If the report that Rojstevensky and  
his fleet have been summoned home  
prove true, the Russian war office has  
at last decided to give up the struggle  
and make peace now on the best terms  
possible. Even these armchair strate-  
gists must have seen even before the  
battle of Mukden, that further land  
fighting only meant more defeat and  
that the only hope of victory lay in  
Rojstevensky's chance to destroy  
Tsun's fleet and isolate the Japanese  
armies in Manchuria by obtaining  
command of the roadstead between  
Japan and the mainland, upon which  
the maintenance of the Japanese lines  
of communication depend. If the fleet  
which was now looting somewhere off  
Madagascar has been recalled, it  
means that either they consider the  
land situation so desperate that fur-  
ther delay in holding the white flag  
means more disaster than Rojstevens-  
sky can retrieve, or that they have  
lost faith in that gallant but some-  
what erratic and precipitate admiral's  
ability to demolish real Japanese war-  
ships as effectively as he conquered

the fiery eyed pink and green ones in  
the North Sea.  
But until this report is confirmed we  
will hold to the belief that if Kuropat-  
kin can keep out of Oyama's clutches  
ever a fragment of the Russian Man-  
churian army, the war will go on until  
what will be the greatest sea fight of  
history either utterly shatters Russian  
supremacy or restores all that they  
have lost since the war began.

If there has been any doubt as to the  
fitness of the superintendent of the  
Provincial Asylum for the position to  
which he was recently appointed, it  
must be removed by the comprehen-  
sive report he, together with Drs. Addy  
and Emery, has submitted to the gov-  
ernment and the sensible recommenda-  
tions he has made for improvement in  
the management of this institution.  
Briefly, he holds that while many of  
the patients could be cared for, after  
a fashion, outside, it is better for them  
and for the province generally, to keep  
the majority where they are, compell-  
ing the municipalities which send them  
to bear their share of the expense. He  
also advises increased accommodations  
for the institution and more stringent  
rules governing the admission of pa-  
tients. The government will undoubt-  
edly act in accordance with this report  
and the institution will be fitted to do  
even better work than in the past.

The doctors who were appointed to  
examine conditions in the Provincial  
Asylum present a report which, if ad-  
opted, will tend to keep out many who  
have no right there. If these gentle-  
men have the interests of this commu-  
nity at heart they will also devise some  
means of placing in that institution  
many—without names for the pre-  
sent—who have no right to be at large.

The West is said to be a unit behind  
Sifton. In that case the value of the  
West in the present political equation  
will depend upon the value of Mr. Sif-  
ton. For instance, if this province  
were a unit behind Mr. Emmerson the  
mathematical value of the combination  
would be .01.  
It's up to some enthusiastic admirer  
to start a subscription for a fitting mo-  
nument to W. H. Bowman, the man who  
refused a civic appointment.

CONTRASTS.

(From Scribner's Magazine.)  
Always the shadow of war, but on go  
the works of peace;  
Always the shadow of death, but of  
joy life feels no lack;  
The battalions plunge along, a fort-  
ress a-swim in the seas.  
But over the self-same waves the  
wind drives the fisherman's  
smack.  
What rules the world? Is it might?  
What rules the world? Is it love?  
Is it hunger that drives? Is it wit  
that thrives? Shall subtlety tri-  
umph, or right?  
Hunger drives, and guption thrives,  
and subtlety's envy's glow;  
But knowledge and truth shall drive  
out ruth, and love, in the end, is  
might.  
—E. S. Martin.

FIGHT IS NOW ON FOR ROYAL BABY.

King of Saxony Wants Possession of  
His Daughter's Child, But is Refused.  
ROME, March 8.—The Florence cor-  
respondent of the Tribune says the  
Countess Montignone, ex-princess  
of Saxony, has been visited by the  
legal representative of the King of  
Saxony, who said he had the king's de-  
finite orders to take back with him  
his daughter, the Countess Montignone,  
in consequence of the scandalous reports  
now in circulation.  
The mother haughtily refused to give  
up the child. Negotiations are sus-  
pended until the arrival of her lawyer  
from Geneva.  
A new turn is given to the drama by  
the announcement that the ex-crown  
princess is about to marry Count Carlo  
Guisardini, with whose name her own  
has been so scandalously associated in  
Dresden. She is now living at the villa  
of the count's father in Florence.  
Count Carlo has been married, but is  
divorced.

FABIAN LEAGUE.

The Fabian League held an interest-  
ing meeting last evening in Berryman's  
Hall, where Dr. Lunney read a clever  
paper on Personal Hygiene and Public  
Sanitation.  
W. F. Hallway, the president, in  
opening the meeting, spoke of the gov-  
ernment's intention to provide new fac-  
tory legislation during the present ses-  
sion, and said the League should see  
that their demands were complied with  
by the government. The number of  
hours of work should be specified, es-  
pecially for that of children under 15  
years of age. There are children who  
are at present working ten hours a  
day in some of our city manufactur-  
ies and receive only \$1.50 per week, or  
2-1/2 cents per hour.

HANDSOME PRESENTS.

Packages of Rainbow Cut Plug Smok-  
ing Tobacco contain coupons which  
can be redeemed for handsome pre-  
sents.

LACROSSE ON SKATES.

CORNWALL, March 2.—Two teams,  
one of which was largely composed of  
Cornwall players, with C. L. A. ex-  
perience, played a lively game of lac-  
rosse on skates at the Victoria rink  
last night, before a large crowd, as a  
benefit for a wounded hockey player.  
Judging from the game, lacrosse play-  
ed with a shorter stick than is used  
in the summer could be easily made  
a more interesting winter sport than  
hockey. The score was seven to seven.

One of the least self-advertised  
scientific authorities is Professor Ro-  
genigen. He has never been inter-  
viewed, has never been banqueted and  
is even said to have refused immense  
sums of money offered him by Ameri-  
can publishers for a book on what he  
himself modestly styled "a new kind of  
ray." Like many other investigators  
of his race, he carries his years gallantly,  
though 60.

**We work with, not against, doctors**  
We give doctors the formula for Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Then  
they can tell, when asked, just what it will do. Suppose you  
ask your doctor about this medicine in cases of impure blood,  
thin blood, debility, exhaustion, nervousness, anemia, liver dis-

## LOCAL NEWS.

The annual meeting of the officers  
of No. 8 Bearer Co. was held at the  
armory last evening. The total mem-  
bership is now 48. The annual drill  
this year will be held at Camp Sussex.  
There are several vacancies for desir-  
able recruits.

Hall was well filled last  
night to enjoy the singing and elo-  
quent sermon of Rev. Mr. Seeds. The  
topics of the sermon, which was very  
tender and eloquent were: The Great  
Love of God, the Great Salvation, the  
Great Gulf Fixed. There was a good  
number forward for prayers.  
Under the auspices of W. C. T. U. a  
very interesting and instructive tem-  
perance talk was given at the Sea-  
men's Institute last night. Mrs. J.  
Beymour occupied the chair. J. E.  
Irvine's address to the men was much  
appreciated by them. E. Elise of the  
steamer Manchester Trader sang a  
solo. J. Bridges gave a piano solo;  
Mrs. E. Clarke presided at the piano.  
At the close fifteen signed the pledge.  
Hot coffee was furnished, and a very  
enjoyable evening was spent.

METHODIST MISSIONS.

The tenth annual meeting of the Wo-  
man's Missionary Society of the Me-  
thodist churches of St. John was held  
in Centenary church yesterday after-  
noon. The attendance was large.  
After devotional exercises, papers  
were read by Mrs. Clark and Mrs.  
Brittain on The First Difficulties in  
Band Leadership. This brought on  
considerable discussion.  
The next paper was on The Free  
Study of Annual Report, by Mrs. Wil-  
liams. Then followed a discussion at  
some length on "How shall we interest  
our members in Dux Christus, a book  
written by the Japanese missionary,  
Dr. Griffiths, on Japan, discussed was the  
Rest Fund, which is a fund providing  
for the support of retired missionaries.  
From 6 till 8 in the evening a social  
hour was spent. Tea was served from  
6 till 7.30.  
A public meeting was held in the  
evening, with Rev. G. M. Campbell in  
the chair. A few words of welcome  
were given by Miss Palmer. Then fol-  
lowed an interesting paper by Miss S.  
E. Smith on A Higher Ideal of Life  
and the hereafter.  
The feature of the evening was an ad-  
dress by Miss Veasey, a returned mis-  
sionary from Japan, descriptive of life  
and customs there.

RAINBOW GIVES PLEASURE.

Just as a rainbow in the heavens is  
a delight to the artist, so Rainbow Cut  
Plug Tobacco in the pipe is a delight  
to the smoker.

CONCERNING POETS.

"Poets, sir," said one of the bunch,  
"are born."  
"Of course they are," rejoined the  
unemphatic wielder of the blue pen-  
cil. "If they came in the form of eggs  
they would never be allowed to hatch  
out."

WHAT IS TIGER TEA?

It is Pure.  
It is New.  
It is Strong.  
It is Pure.

DEATHS.

BROWN—At Norton, on March 8th,  
Rose Anna, beloved wife of James  
S. Brown. She is survived by her  
husband and grown up family and a  
large circle of friends to mourn.  
CURRAN—At 24 Barker street, March  
8th, Charles Andrew Curran, second  
son of Francis P. Curran.  
MORIARTY—In this city at 41 Marsh  
street, on the 8th inst., Dennis Mori-  
arty, leaving his wife, son and one  
daughter to mourn their loss.  
Funeral from his late residence, 41  
Marsh street, on Saturday morning,  
at nine o'clock to the Cathedral for  
High Mass of Requiem. Friends and  
acquaintances are invited to attend.  
ROBERTSON—At Robertson, Kings  
Co., on the 28th Feb., Martha, widow  
of the late John Robertson. In the  
80th year of her age, leaving two  
sons and three daughters to mourn  
their loss.

**UNDERTAKING**  
In all its details with  
thorough knowledge  
of its requirements.  
**N. W. BRENNAN,**  
715 Main Street.  
Telephone:  
Day, 222 A. Nights, 222 B.

**BREAK UP LA CRIPPE  
OR A COLD WITH  
Pendleton's Panacea.**  
Directions:  
1-4 Teaspoonful Panacea.  
1 Teaspoonful Sugar.  
1-4 Cup Milk.  
1-2 Cup Hot Water.  
Mix well and sip frequently.

## DOWLING BROTHERS, 95 and 101 KING STREET.

## A Few Special Bargains.

Ladies' Plain Cashmere Hose

Fine quality Winter weight, full  
fashioned, high spliced heel and toe,  
seamless throughout, beautifully soft  
and of the best and most reliable  
manufacture. A regular 60c. hose.  
We have 100 dozen of this superior  
Hose, which we secured very much  
under the regular price. So we pass  
them along to you at 35c. pair, or 8  
pair for \$3.00. They come in all sizes  
8-1-2, 9, 9-1-2 and 10 inches.

Special White Wool Blankets

English make with fancy colored bor-  
ders. Size 80x50 inches; regular \$2.00  
quality now \$2.50 pair. Only a few pair  
left at this special price.

Ladies' Silk Neckwear Underpriced.

100 dozen Ladies' Stock Collars and Bows; goods worth up to 50c., now all  
one special price—25c. each. Stock Collars with Tabs, Bows, Flowing ends,  
Hem Stitched, Lace Trimmed, Corded with ruche tops, faggoting stitched,  
Embroidered and silk port hole Collars; all the latest shapes; a large variety  
to choose from at 25c. each.

White Cambric, Heavy English Make.

36 inches wide, regular 12c. cloth. Special 10 yards for \$1.00. At the price  
cottons are selling today this is a bargain. Only a limited quantity left.

Heavy Linen Towels,

Large size 20x38 inches, all white or red, hemmed ends, 30 dozen of this  
Special Towel at 15c. each or 2 for 25c.

## DOWLING BROTHERS, 95 and 101 King Street

The Attractions of Our Stores Are Their Low Prices.  
**D. A. KENNEDY,**  
(Successor to WALTER SCOTT.)  
32-36 King Square, St. John, N. B.  
**Wonderful Bargains for Saturday.**  
DRY GOODS AT COST PRICES.  
Sweeping sale of Remnants of Roller Towelling, Prints, Dress Goods, and  
Table Linens at half their usual prices to clear them out at once.  
Lace Curtains at big reductions to close on Saturday. Just come in and  
see them, as they are certainly great bargains at these prices, 25c., 35c., 50c.,  
75c., \$1, \$1.50 per pair.  
A sale of Real Linen Laces and Insertions at 5c., 7c., 9c., 12c. yard. Great  
values at these very low prices. The very best for wear.  
Ladies' Corsets bought here save you twenty-five per cent. on the dollar.  
Men's Regatta Shirts reduced to 75c. Heavy Cashmere Sox, 25c. pair.  
Collars and Braces at clearing prices.

**SOMETHING YOU REQUIRE!**  
KNIVES AND FORK HANDLES.  
All Tinware and Lamp repaired.  
**E. P. JELICOE,**  
20 WATERLOO STREET.

**Now is the Time  
TO BUY  
JEWELRY,**  
Watches, Silver Goods,  
Cut Glass  
or anything pertain-  
ing to the Jewelry Business. Our stock  
is large and we want to reduce it. You  
will get GOOD VALUE. Come and  
see for yourself.  
**FERGUSON & PAGE**  
41 King St.

**FRANK P. VAUGHAN,**  
ELECTRICAL ENGINEER  
AND CONTRACTOR,  
5 MILL ST., ST. JOHN, N. B.  
Telephone No. 318.  
**CROCKER & WHEELER**  
Dynamo and Motors,  
Telephones, Annunciators  
and Bells.  
Wiring in all its Branches.

A NOVEL HOLD-UP.

Twenty-five tons of molasses was  
dumped into the railroad water station  
tank at Fair Point, Ohio, in mistake  
for water the other morning by a gang  
of Italian laborers. On account of  
drought the B. & O. Railroad had to  
run water trains to keep the water  
station supplied. The water was haul-  
ed in oil tank cars, and a tank contain-  
ing molasses got mixed up in the train.  
The Italians unloaded this molasses  
into the big tank at Fair Point.  
The engineer at the pumping station  
did not discover the presence of the  
molasses for hours, and in the mean-  
time several locomotives stopped and  
took on "water." None of them got  
very far until the heat of their boilers  
began to make taffy out of the molas-  
ses, and the engines were rendered use-  
less. When the fire was let down the  
sweet and sticky mixture began to con-  
geal. Traffic between Wheeling and the  
Holloway terminal was handicapped  
until the mix-up was straightened out.

**IMPORTANT!**  
You Can Save Money on Wall Paper by Call-  
ing at McArthur's, 84 King St.  
Our new stock of Fine Wall Papers now ready for inspection.  
In all grades we offer a large variety and best values in the city.  
Beginning Wednesday the 9th inst. we offer at Special Sale a  
large assortment of Remnants of from 6 to 20 rolls each, at Half  
price to clear.  
Also, 25 dozen odd Window Shades, in Lace and Fringe, at 25c  
and 35c each. Come early for bargains, at  
**McARTHUR'S, 84 King Street.**  
Telephone 1194. Prompt Delivery.

SORRY FOR IT.

The midnight hour was coming on  
space as they stood in the hall.  
"And this is to be the end of it all,  
is it?" he queried.  
"It is," she answered coldly. "Fare-  
well forever."  
"Farewell," he answered.  
Three seconds later he was half-way  
down the front steps.  
"Say," she called after him, "don't  
forget to bring me a box of chocolate  
caramels when you come tomorrow  
night."

Here Are Some Pointers  
ABOUT GOOD SHOES.  
The trend of the times  
seems to point toward ease  
in footwear. The NATURAL  
shape is the advanced idea  
of a perfect shoe. We fit  
the high arched foot—the  
low arched foot—the high  
instep or the low instep, the  
foot with bunions or the  
foot with corns. Hence we  
are able to offer you many advantages in the way of foot com-  
fort as well as  
**Style, Durability and Low Prices.**  
**SANBORN'S SHOE STORE, 339 Main St.**

**Floor Oil Cloth at Fine Prices.**  
We are showing a full range of Floor Oil Cloth in  
1 yard wide at 24c yard,  
1-1/2 yards wide at 36c yard,  
2 yards wide at 48c yard.  
New Patterns. Fresh Stock. No Seconds.  
Also, a First-class line of WALL PAPER at Dry Goods  
Prices, 3c. to 12c per roll.

**COR. OF WATERLOO AND  
BRUSSELS STS.**  
**CARLETON'S.**  
**FRESH BUTTERMILK, SWEET MILK AND CREAM.**  
Choice Dairy Butter a specialty.  
3 New Milch Cows for Sale.

**R. H. COTTER'S CASH STORE,**  
12 Sydney Street,  
Telephone 1194. Prompt Delivery.

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**FANCY BISCUIT.**  
Something very nice at the low price  
of two pounds for 25c.  
Telephone 803.  
**CHAS. A. CLARK,**  
49 Charlotte St., Market Building.  
Telephone 803.

**RICHEST BUSINESS BLOCKS.**  
Many blocks in New York City con-  
tain \$10,000,000 worth of property. In  
all America there are only three other  
cities that have a single block holding



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# Spring Raincoats

READY TO WEAR.

Weather like yesterday's suggests the importance of having a Raincoat handy.

Indications point to raincoats being more popular than ever this year. Such advance has been made in the designing and finishing of these garments that they surpass in style the productions of any previous season.

Our stock is bigger this season than ever before and a greater range of prices—many very fine garments are in the selection.

**SPECIAL.**—Several lines, with and without belted back, we desire to sell quickly to make room for finer grades and have marked them at a very slight advance. Prices, \$8.50 and \$10.

**A. GILMOUR, FINE TAILORING AND CLOTHING**  
68 King Street.

CLOSE AT SIX O'CLOCK; SATURDAY AT TEN O'CLOCK

## SUPERIOR SAUSAGE.

Our Sausage pleases the most fastidious. It is not overladen with herbs and spices. Made fresh every day. For sale at nearly all Grocers and Meat Dealers.

## SAUSAGE MEAT.

After all there is nothing nicer than our fresh made rightly seasoned Sausage Meat. You will find our home made **HEAD CHEESE** tastes well, too.

**SLIPP & FLEWELLING,**  
240 MAIN STREET, ST. JOHN, N. B.

## Vegetables Make The Dinner

If they are fresh and new. Can supply you with the best Telephone 636 and give us a trial.

**J. E. QUINN, City Market, Tel. 636**

## THERE SHALL BE NO MORE SEASICKNESS.

London Inventor Says He Has Perfected a Swinging Cot Which Works Well.

LONDON, March 9.—There will be a great demand for the Lord Warden and the Calais by passengers who dread the Channel passage when they know that each of these boats is fitted with Walter Whitehouse's self-leveling bunk. No invention for the abolition of seasickness has, it is claimed, so nearly approached perfection as this.

Mr. Whitehouse is a dentist who practices in London. He is, moreover, a bad sailor, but encountered in his bunk he thinks no more of crossing the channel than of drawing a tooth.

The idea of the present invention came to him as the result of some unsuccessful experiments which he and other gentlemen made years ago.

### THE WORK OF YEARS.

"I have been engaged on my present device," said Mr. Whitehouse, "for more than three years. The mechanical problems were the most difficult to solve, and they have occupied the attention of some of the best mechanical engineers in London for several months."

"It was the application of electricity to the invention which eventually solved the puzzle."

"I am not a good sailor," added Mr. Whitehouse; "indeed, they hardly know a worse at Dover, and the sailors in the Channel packets have often had a laugh at my expense. Even going on board a boat in the harbor has often upset me."

"But in my swinging cot I have braved the channel without a qualm and I claim to have solved the problem which I set myself."

It is two years since Vincent Hill, the general manager of the S. E. & C. R. gave facilities for Mr. Whitehouse's experiments, and the inventor had an enthusiastic ally in Captain Dixon, the company's marine superintendent.

During those two years incessant observations and improvements have brought the berth to its present state of perfection.

How the Berth Works.

It is suspended in a steel framework from the roof of one of the best cabins, and the motion of the boat is counteracted by four cords from each corner, which pass through electric brakes. These automatically maintain the cot in a horizontal position.

The berth is fitted with a water mattress, and has an electric fan, which can be set in motion by touching a button, and drives a delicious draught across the face of the occupant.

An express representative tried the berth recently in a moderate sea, which had, however, afflicted a large proportion of the passengers.

The cot swung like a binnacle lamp on a pendulum as the boat rolled and looked as if it were having a bad time of it when regarded from outside.

But once in the berth the occupant realized that it was motionless, and that it was the ship which was rolling.

**HINTS TO PIPE-SMOKERS.**  
Never get a pipe hot. Use Rainbow Cut Plug Smoking Tobacco, take it the smoke slowly and the result will be cool and free-burning.

## A WONDER OF JAPAN.

(Leslie's Weekly.)

One of the wonders of Japan is an enormous structure called Thousand and Mat hall, a name which means that 1000 of the regulation 3 by 6 foot rice striv mats are required to cover its floor. All rooms in Japan are measured in this way instead of by feet, so in talking about houses one always says a "six mat room," or "three and a half mat room," until one begins to think in divisions of 18 square feet.

Thousand Mat hall was erected in the 16th century out of the wood of a single camphor tree, says the Japanese records that are always so full of such perfectly wonderful details. If this be so, camphor trees must have grown very large in the 16th century, since the building rests on a hundred or more piles, each a giant tree trunk itself, besides which the roof is upheld by at least 50 pillars that were 50 forest monarchs once upon a time. Then there is a floor in the structure made of 18,000 square feet of cedar planks, a foot and a half wide and five inches thick, so that a needle held between the planks and fishes if Japan's oldest records are to count for anything.

The walls of the ancient hall have doubtless echoed the sounds of many a priestly orgy, since it adjoins the temple and is guarded by a richly wrought seven story pagoda, enshrining Amida Butsu; but the most glorious thing in its history seems to be the fact that Hideyoshi, "the Napoleon of Japan," used it for a council chamber during his remarkable invasion of Korea. Now it is merely a "show place," standing empty and open and vacant, overlooking the sea—a room for sacred pigeons and chattering parrots. It was during the China-Japan war that troops first began to be quartered on the island and several regiments, for want of better barracks, were encamped in this old historic structure. One evening, in half light, a soldier noticed a gleam of light (meshi toru) to one of the pillars with a prayer that he and his regiment soon be sent to conquer (meshi toru), with a different intention, the Chinese. His comrades followed his example, and since then it has become a custom for every visitor to the hall to buy a rice ladle, and writing his name and the date of his visit upon it, with of course, "Dai Nippon Banzai!" tacked it up somewhere in the vast building. The effect is better imagined than described, and, it is, I think, unique beneath the sun.

**COUPONS WORTH SAVING.**  
The coupons in packages of Rainbow Cut Plug Smoking Tobacco are worth saving, for they can be redeemed in valuable presents.

**WENT HOME MAD.**  
(Washington Star.)

Senator Beveridge was on his way to the capitol and the car was crowded. Going down the avenue, a young woman, carrying an immense muff, boarded the car and made her way up the aisle until she reached the senator's seat. She thanked him, but made no move to take it. Instead, she put her hand in her muff and drew forth a little toy terrier, and placing it on the seat vacated by the senator, turned and smiled sweetly on him, saying:

"Fido is so tired of being in my muff that he is obliged to go to rest himself in the open air."

Senator Beveridge left the car at the next corner.

# CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS.

People who are utter strangers to you at this moment may be doing business with you before many hours have passed if you put your proposition in one of these small ads. Rate: 1-2 cent a word, six insertions for price of four. No advt. less than 25 cents.

FLATS TO LET.	HOUSES TO LET.	SITUATIONS VACANT—MALE
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# THE COURIER OF THE CZAR

By Jules Verne

(Continued.)

"Have you changed your mind as regards the statement you made to me when, three days ago, I interrogated you at Omsk?"

"No."

"So you are ignorant of the fact that your son, Michael Strogoff, courier of the czar, has passed through Omsk?"

"I am ignorant of it."

"And that the man that you believed to have recognized your son at the posthouse was not he—was not your son?"

"He was not my son."

"And have you not seen him since among the prisoners?"

"No."

"And if he were shown to you would you recognize him?"

"No."

At this answer, which showed an inflexible determination to a row nothing, a murmur of approbation arose from the crowd.

Ivan Ogareff could not restrain a menacing gesture.

"Listen," said he to Marfa Strogoff. "Your son is here, and you go at once to point him out."

"No."

"All these men, taken at Omsk and at Kalyan, are going to die before your eyes, and if you do not point out Michael Strogoff you shall receive as many blows of the knout as there shall be men who have passed before you."

Ivan Ogareff had now realized that whatever threats he might utter and to whatever tortures he might subject her, the indomitable Siberian would not speak. To discover the courier of the czar he now counted not upon her, but upon Michael Strogoff himself. He did not believe it possible that when the mother and the son should be brought into the presence of each other an irresistible impulse would not betray them. Certainly if he had only wished to gain possession of the imperial letter he could simply have given orders for all these prisoners to be searched. But Michael Strogoff might have destroyed this letter after learning its contents, and if he were not recognized and he should gain Irtutsk the plans of Ivan Ogareff would be all frustrated. Wherefore it was not only the letter which he must have from the traitor; he must have the bearer of it.

Nadia at length understood all, and she now knew who was Michael Strogoff and why he had wished to travel, without being known, the invaded provinces of Siberia.

On the order of Ivan Ogareff the prisoners passed one by one before Marfa Strogoff, who remained immovable as a statue and whose regard expressed only the most complete indifference.

Her son was in the last ranks. When in his turn he passed before his mother, Nadia shut her eyes in order not to see him.

Michael Strogoff had remained apparently impassible, but his hands were bleeding from the pressure of the fetters.

Ivan Ogareff was conquered by the son and the mother.

Sangar, placed near him, only said one word—"Knout!"

"Yes," cried Ivan Ogareff, "let this old jade have the regard which she deserves!"

A Tartar soldier, carrying that terrible instrument of torture, approached Marfa Strogoff.

The knout is composed of a certain number of leather thongs, to the ends of which are attached twisted iron wire. One can easily understand that to be condemned to receive a hundred and twenty blows from such a whip is the same thing as to be condemned to death. Marfa Strogoff knew it, but she also knew that no torture upon earth could make her speak, and she had already offered the sacrifice of her life for her son's safety.

Marfa Strogoff, having been seized by two soldiers, was thrown on her knees on the ground. Her robe, having been torn, exposed her naked back. A saber was fixed before her breast at the distance of only a few inches, and in case she should bend under the pain her breast would be pierced with the sharp point.

The Tartar raised the lash. He was waiting.

"Go on!" said Ivan Ogareff. The whip lashed in the air, but before the blow had fallen a powerful hand had wrenched it from the hands of the Tartar.

Michael Strogoff was there! He had leaped before this horrible scene! If at the posthouse of Ichim he had restrained himself at the blow from Ivan Ogareff, here before his mother, who was about to be struck, he was not able to master himself.

Ivan Ogareff had succeeded. "Michael Strogoff!" he cried. Then, advancing, he said: "Ah, was this done by the man of Ichim?"

"Himself!" said Michael Strogoff, and, raising the knout, he tore with it the face of Ivan Ogareff himself.

"Blow for blow!"

"Well given!" cried the voice of a spectator, who fortunately hid himself in the tumult.

Twenty soldiers threw themselves on Michael Strogoff, and they were about to kill him. But Ivan Ogareff, from whom a cry of pain and rage had escaped, stopped them with a motion of his hand.

"This man is reserved for the justice of the czar!"

The letter to the imperial armies was found in the breast of Michael Strogoff, who had not had time to destroy it, and it was handed over to Ivan Ogareff.

The spectator who had uttered those words "well given" was no other than Alcide Jolivet. His companion

and himself, having halted at the camp of Zabelero, were present at this scene.

"My God," said he to Harry Blount, "these people of the north are rough men! Do we not owe some return to our companion of the journey? May Korpanoff or Strogoff succeed! What splendid revenge for the affair of Ichim!"

"Yes, revenge indeed," said Harry Blount. "But Strogoff is a dead man. For his sake it would perhaps be better not to remember him any longer."

"And allow his mother to perish under the knout?"

"Do you believe that he has acted better by his rash haste than his mother and his sister?"

"I don't believe anything; I know nothing," answered Alcide Jolivet, "only had I been in his place I should not have acted otherwise. What a slash! Eh, what—the devil, we must boil over sometimes. God would have placed water in our veins and not blood had he wished us to remain always and everywhere imperturbable!"

"What a splendid incident for a newspaper article!" said Harry Blount. "If Ivan Ogareff would only communicate to us the contents of that letter!"

Ivan Ogareff, after having wiped off the blood which covered his face, had broken the seal of the letter. He read it again and again for a long time, as if he wished to fathom its contents.

Then, having given his orders that Michael Strogoff, strongly fettered, should be sent on to Omsk with the other prisoners, he took command of the troops encamped at Zabelero, and amid the deafening sounds of drums and trumpets he marched to the town where the emir was awaiting him.

They had not long to wait for the Lieutenant of Feofar. Resounding bugles announced his arrival.

Ivan Ogareff—the Hashed, as they already began to call him—dressed this time in the uniform of a Tartar officer, arrived on horseback before the tent of the emir. He was accompanied by a body of the soldiers from the camp of Zabelero, who drew up along the sides of the plateau, in the middle of which he remained only during the salute to the amusements. One could see a deep gash cutting obliquely the face of the traitor.

Ivan Ogareff presented to the emir his principal officers, and Feofar-Khan, without departing from the coldness which was the main foundation of his dignity, received them in a manner which made them satisfied with their reception.

Alcide Jolivet and Harry Blount then joined the crowd and looked on in such a manner as not to lose any detail of a feast, which was to furnish a hundred good lines for the newspapers. They gazed with astonishment on Feofar-Khan in his magnificence, his women, his officers, his guards and all the oriental pomp, of which the ceremonies of Europe can give no idea. But they turned away with disgust when Ivan Ogareff presented himself before the emir, and they waited, not without some impatience, for the feast to begin.

"Do you see, my dear Blount," said Alcide Jolivet, "we are come too soon, like good citizens who must needs come or lose their money. All this is only the rising of the curtain. It will have been better taste to have arrived only for the ballet!"

"The obligatory ballet, faith. But I think the curtain is about to rise."

Alcide Jolivet spoke as if he were at the opera, and taking his glass from the case, he prepared to have a look at, as a connoisseur, the first subjects of Feofar's troop.

But a tedious ceremony was to precede the amusements.

Meanwhile most of the prisoners had passed before the emir, and in passing each of them had to prostrate the forehead to touch the very dust as a sign of servility. It was the slavery which commenced with humiliation. When the unfortunates were too slow in bending, the rude hand of the guards cast them violently to the earth. Alcide Jolivet and his companion could not assist at such a spectacle without feeling the greatest indignation.

"This is cowardly! Let us go away!" said Alcide Jolivet.

"No," replied Harry Blount; "we must see all."

"See all! Ah!" cried Alcide Jolivet suddenly, seizing the arm of his companion.

"What is the matter with you?" asked the former.

"Look! Blount, it is she!"

"She?"

"The sister of our fellow traveler. Alone and a prisoner! We must save her!"

"Restrain yourself," coldly replied Harry Blount. "Our intervention in behalf of this young girl would be more hurtful than useful to her."

Alcide Jolivet, ready to rush forward, stopped himself, and Nadia, who had not perceived them, being half veiled by her hair, passed in her turn before the emir, without attracting his attention.

In the meantime, after Nadia, Marfa Strogoff had arrived, and as she did not throw herself quickly enough into the dust the guards brutally pushed her.

Marfa Strogoff fell.

Her son made a terrible movement, which the soldiers who were guarding him could with difficulty master.

But old Marfa raised herself, and they were about to drag her when Ivan Ogareff intervened, saying:

"Let this woman remain!"

As for Nadia, she was thrown back among the crowd of prisoners. The look of Ivan Ogareff had not fixed it

seir upon her.

Michael Strogoff was then led before the emir, and there he remained erect, without lowering his eyes.

"Your face to the ground!" Ivan Ogareff cried out to him.

"No!" replied Michael Strogoff. Two guards wished to force him to bend, but it was they who were thrown to the ground by the hand of the robust young man.

Ivan Ogareff advanced toward Michael Strogoff.

"You are about to die," said he.

"I shall die," deeply answered Michael Strogoff. "But your face to the traitor, Ivan, will not be the less bear and forever the infamous mark of the knout!"

Ivan Ogareff at this answer became horribly pale.

"Who is this prisoner?" demanded the emir in a voice the more menacing because of its calmness.

"A Russian spy," answered Ivan Ogareff.

In making out Michael Strogoff a spy he knew the sentence pronounced against him would be the more terrible.

Michael Strogoff moved toward Ivan Ogareff.

The emir then made a gesture before which the whole crowd bent their heads. Afterward he motioned with his hand for the Koman, which was brought to him. He opened the book and placed his finger on one of the pages.

It was chance, or, rather, as these oriental think, God himself, who was about to decide the fate of Michael Strogoff. The people of central Asia give the name of "fal" to this practice.

After having interpreted the sense of the verses touched by the finger of the judge they apply the sentence, whatever it may be.

The emir had left his finger resting on the page of the Koman. The chief of the ulamas, then approaching, read with a loud voice a verse which finished with these words:

"And he shall see no more the things of the earth." "Russian spy," said Feofar-Khan, "you came to see what is passing in the camp of the Tartars! Look, then, with all your eyes! Look!"

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## CITY S. S. ASSOCIATION.

Annual Meeting Held Last Evening—Officers Elected For Ensuing Year.

The annual meeting of the City Sunday School Association was held last evening in the Y. M. A. hall of Portland Street Methodist Church. The meeting opened with prayer, and then the S. S. choir gave a selection. A report was read by the president, dealing with the past year's work. Miss A. R. Rodgers, secretary, also reported for the year. The treasurer, Miss A. E. Eetey, reported that there was on hand at the beginning of the year a balance of \$6.82; receipts amounted to \$11.69; total, \$18.51. Expenses were \$13.75, leaving a balance of \$4.77.

Mrs. Rodgers reported for the primary department. Mrs. Bullock's report for the temperance department was read by Robert Reid.

Interesting addresses were given by Rev. Geo. M. Young, of Fairville, who took as his subject, Training the Teachers. Rev. Mr. Colpitts spoke along the same lines.

A resolution was put and unanimously carried, calling upon the various Sunday schools in the city not to patronize the circus on the occasion of the excursion.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: President, R. T. Hayes; vice president, Rev. A. H. Foster; primary superintendent, Miss McAlary; teacher training, Wm. Kingston; Y. M. A. secretary, Mrs. Bullock; home department, R. M. Curry; membership, E. W. Patterson; treasurer, T. Graham; secretary, Miss A. R. Rodgers.

Miss A. E. Eetey, C. H. Doig, William Young, W. G. Parks, K. J. Wilson, R. Reid, E. M. Sippell, Rev. E. A. New, J. York, J. L. Thorne, Mrs. Seymour, James Robinson.

## LATE SHIP NEWS.

Domestic Ports.

HALIFAX, NS, March 9—Ard, barkin Mary Hendry, from New York.

HALIFAX, NS, March 9—Sid, str Duncan, Pedersen, for New York; Mercator, Kalsen, for Jamaica via Cuban ports.

British Ports.

LIVERPOOL, March 9—Sid, str Tulaslan, for Halifax and St John, NB, via Moville.

LIVERPOOL, March 9—Sid, bark Jusker, for New York.

QUEENSTOWN, March 9—Sid, str Cedric (from Liverpool), for New York.

LIVERPOOL, March 9—Ard, str Montcalm, from St John, NB; Ivernia, from Boston.

Sid, str Welshman, for Portland.

QUEENSTOWN, March 9—Ard, str Cyrille, from Boston for Liverpool (and proceeded).

Foreign Ports.

BOSTON, March 9—Ard, str Saxonia, from Liverpool; Vera, from Fowey, Eng; Foremost, from Antwerp; Baker, from Halifax, NS; Boston, from Yarmouth, NS; str Henry May, from Portland for Bridgeport (in the roads, for harbor).

CHATHAM, Mass, March 9—Light south winds; cloudy at sunset.

Puased south, str Kanawha, from Boston for Norfolk.

NEW YORK, March 9—Ard, str Oceanic, from Liverpool.

NEW YORK, March 9—Ard, bark Delcy Read, from Charleston.

NEW YORK, March 9—Ard, bark Sid, str Harry Miller, from St John for New York.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass, March 9—No arrivals.

Passed, str Duncan, from Hillsboro, NB, for New York.

NEW YORK, March 9—Ard, bark (supposed) Andromeda, from Trapani.

Ard below, str Duchesse of Cornwall, from Ausa.

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## BORDEN CRITICISES LAURIER'S ACTION.

Regarding the Autonomy Bill—Asks the Premier Why He Did Not Consult Sifton and Other Cabinet Ministers

OTTAWA, March 9.—The house opened at three o'clock with galleries crowded by the bulk of the three hundred delegates here today from Montreal, Quebec and Toronto, trying to impress Laurier that the country's interest demanded legislating trading stamps out of existence. First came the presentation of over 110 petitions against the bill. Laurier regarding the western provinces and then the introduction of some twenty private bills.

On the orders of the day Borden sprang a ministerial question regarding the autonomy bill. He said in substance: "The particular thing to which I desire to call attention is that the prime minister seems to have introduced this legislation as a measure concurred in by all members of the administration, whereas we discovered afterward that this is not exactly the case. My right hon. friend has always vaunted himself a strict follower of constitutional usage. He has sometimes done more than that, because he has not been so careful to follow the self attribute of foresight and of courage, when a somewhat similar question to that which arises now was brought before the government. He said: 'My courage is not to make hasty promises and then to let them slip, but to speak slowly, but once I have spoken I will stand or fall by my words.' I mention that because the prime minister, though he may have a great deal of courage in his action with regard to this measure, does not at least seem to have combined foresight with regard to the constitutional usage. It is beyond all doubt that this house is entitled to regard every measure brought down by the prime minister or any other member of the cabinet as a government measure, which is the result of the collective wisdom of the cabinet. I need not cite authorities to show that the cabinet is all familiar with the usage as laid down by recognized constitutional authorities. According to the constitution, the government is responsible to the parliament. The measure brought down by the prime minister on February 21 as a measure in respect of which every member of the cabinet is responsible, and which, whatever difference of opinion might originally have occurred with regard to its terms, was in the end concurred in by all members of the cabinet, and was one to which all of them would give their support.

Now it has turned out since the introduction of the measure that the cabinet was not consulted about it. I do not know how it may be with regard to other members of the cabinet. We have no information on this point. We are not consulted about it, or the minister of finance was consulted with regard to the clauses which did not meet with the approval of the minister of the interior. We do not know to what extent, if any, the minister of finance was consulted with regard to financial terms embraced in this measure. But the measure was brought down, at least, that the measure was brought down two or three days before the return of the minister of the interior, and that the measure was not brought down within two or three days of his return to Ottawa without his having had an opportunity to become acquainted with its terms. Nor is it to be supposed, in view of the fact that the minister of finance had sailed about a week before for Europe for such great importance as the financial clauses of the bill would be introduced, on the eve of his return, without his having had an opportunity to advise with regard to it, or to give his colleagues the benefit of his wisdom and experience, which of course he must possess after a period of some eight or nine years in the position which he has filled. Under these circumstances I think we might well call for an explanation from the leader of the government as to why he brought this measure down without consulting the house for one moment. The explanation of two members of his cabinet had not been consulted at all with regard to its provisions, and that, so far as they were concerned, this was not the act of the government. The minister of the interior represented in the cabinet the great west of Canada—represented more than any other member of the cabinet that portion of this country which is now being created into two new provinces. Farther than that, owing to his experience of some eight years in the position of minister of the interior, he might be supposed to possess a more intimate knowledge of the needs and requirements of that country than any other member of the cabinet. And yet the minister of the interior was not consulted with regard to this measure, and that in the face of the most explicit declaration made by this administration, made no farther back than June 14th, 1904, that he was the man above all others who should be consulted on this question. When Lord Dunsford was dismissed from his position as general officer commanding, the government passed an order in council in which action of the administration in that regard was justified upon certain grounds. And one of the grounds put forward for the dismissal of the minister of agriculture in a department which otherwise he had no concern whatever, indeed the only reason was expressed in that order in these words: "In the case of members of cabinet, while all have an equal degree of responsibility

in a constitutional sense, yet in the practical working out of responsible government in a country of such vast extent as Canada, it is found necessary to attach special responsibility to each minister for the public affairs of the province, or district with which he has close political connection, and with which his colleagues may not be so well acquainted."

I would admit to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, that taking his own stand of ministerial responsibility expressed in this order in council, the minister of the interior was in this case the minister above all others who should have been consulted, in the first instance about those very provisions which at the present time are causing some discussion in the country, and if we may believe all we hear, some dissension on the other side of the house. The prime minister has been a very strict stickler for constitutional usage in some of his dealings with his ministers in days gone by. I will advert to only one case. We remember that the right hon. gentleman felt himself constrained to ask for the portfolio of public works at that time held by Hon. Mr. Tarte, because Mr. Tarte had seen fit in the words of the prime minister, to advocate a policy which had not yet been accepted by the government. Well, if that be a reason, have not the colleagues of the right hon. gentleman a right to demand his portfolio at the present time, because he came down to parliament and has seen fit not only to advocate, but to place before parliament and the country a measure in which his colleagues have not all agreed."

Laurier replied at some length, remarking he had little information to give of which the opposition leader was not aware already, defending his position on constitutional grounds, but declining to notice the reference to Fielding's semi-obscure. Laurier's ding that Borden was adopting Japanese army tactics, so as to know on which hill to plant his batteries, drew from the opposition leader the retort that whatever happened he would not retire within the lines of torres vedras.

After some further discussion the house went into supply on the railway estimates and adjourned at eleven o'clock, after Foster had heckled Emerson on many items to his heart's content.

## FISKE STOCK COMPANY.

Hazel Kirk, a most pleasing pastoral drama, will be given tonight by the popular Fiske Stock Company at the Opera House. The drama will be given in the best manner and will be interspersed with new, bright specialties, moving pictures and musical numbers. There will be the usual Saturday matinee, and on Saturday night the famous play of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde will be presented, when those who wish to see this great story should secure their seats at once.

## BOSTON IDEA.

"Oskosh people" remarked the periodical idiot, "are getting quite Bostonian in their ways."

"What's the answer?" queried the wiser man.

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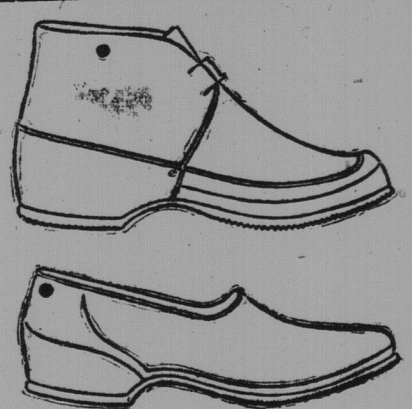
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## PUNCHED RUBBERS

### ASSOCIATED CHARITIES

Report For February—Something Should be Done in Regard to the Numerous Impositors.

The March meeting of the board of management of the Associated Charities was held on Wednesday, when Mrs. Hall, the secretary, submitted the report for February.

During the month 194 applications were received; of these persons 76 wanted employment, 35 asked for relief, and 33 sought advice. Out of 35 cases for receiving relief, 20 were recommended for assistance. Temporary relief was provided for 14 and 8 were referred elsewhere. Three applicants were not to be found by the visitors at the address given.

Some employment was found for 53 persons, 23 men, 27 women, 4 boys and 5 girls. Among the employment found for women were nursing, sewing, mat-making, house-cleaning and washing; for men, snow-shovelling, work on the farm and carpenter work; for boys, errand work in stores, and the girls were sent to do light housework and take care of children.

Eight men have applied to be put up at the "Travellers' Home." Sixty visits were made and 20 letters written.

At this meeting of the board serious attention was given to the conduct of two women who are known to the officers as habitual and fraudulent beggars. One of these gives the name of Mrs. Beckwith, who at last accounts resided at Chapel street. She is continually on her rounds, representing herself as the mother of eight children, and discloses everywhere a pathetic condition of domestic poverty. This

accomplished mendicant always testifies in favor of Associated Charities when inquiries are made, and explains that the association has given her kindly assistance. This confession has frequently the effect of preventing the person visited from making enquiries of Mrs. Hall, who, as a matter of fact, has been giving a great deal of time and energy to the work of suppressing this swindler. The truth seems to be that the alleged Mrs. Beckwith is not married and happily has no children. She is believed to be an exceedingly successful collector, and Mrs. Hall has almost daily inquiries concerning her. More often than not the person visited gives assistance first and asks advice afterward, which is a method quite satisfactory to the canvasser.

Another well known and successful operator, who appears under various names and hails from a large assortment of addresses, is Mrs. Dennis Murphy, sometime of Springhill, N. S. One of her many stage names is Mrs. Smith and she frequently finds herself in the necessity of asking for help for some unfortunate friend or relative. Among her theatrical properties is a small child, who has played various parts in the drama and who seems to have been borrowed for the occasion. Mrs. Murphy is an old stager. She has been exposed a dozen times, and her early victims no doubt think that she was exterminated long ago, but she is still understood to be doing a profitable business.

The board is of the opinion that some serious effort should be made to suppress these impositions. They seem to come within the criminal law, and in the interest of society and of true charity an example should be made of these impostors.

One must advertise to make business, to hold it, and to increase it.—Chas. H. Slack, Grocer, Chicago.



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Net Insertion and Frill, 14c. to 18c. yard.  
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## LOCAL NEWS.

### NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

All changes of Ads Must be in St. John Office not later than 10 o'clock in the Morning, to insure insertion Same Evening.

Large sacks of coke delivered in bin, 30c.; 10 sacks for \$2.50. Telephone 323 or 116, Gas Works.

Battle Line str. Pydna, Capt. Crossley, arrived at New York March 10th from St. Michaels, Azores.

Great auction sale tonight of wall paper, granite ware and dishes. Sale starts at 7:15 sharp, North End Department Store, 565 Main street.

In Nova Scotia the present winter has been the worst ever known. We knew those fellows would be punished for the way they went back on Borden-Bellefleur Intelligence.

Invitations to friends—ladies and gentlemen—are being issued by Victoria and Cymet Companies, uniform rank K. of P. to their installation ceremonies on Monday evening next.

Electric car No. 20 yesterday afternoon collided, on Mill street, with a sled loaded with kindling wood and owned by James McKenna. Very little damage was done.

The New Brunswick military veterans held a good meeting last night in the Foresters' hall. It was decided to hold their annual dinner March 22, in the Park hotel. Committees were appointed to make arrangements.

Last night, Officer Perry, of the North End division, confiscated a toboggan that several small boys were operating on Portland street. The toboggan was looked up in the North End station.

A horse belonging to William Thompson of Musquash, ran away yesterday on Dock street and caused considerable excitement. The animal was captured on Market Square before much damage was done.

Residents of North End, from Portland street to Douglas avenue, were deprived of water this forenoon for some time, owing to repairs being made to a stop-cock at the corner of Main and Elm streets. Mount Pleasant residents are also without water just now as the pressure in the mains is low.

A bull terrier, which had been watching the sights on the street, from an open window of a house on Mill street last evening, became so interested in what he saw that he leaped from the window to the sidewalk, and died almost instantly.

No. 8 Bearer Corps met last evening in the armory in annual session. General business was transacted, and company affairs were found to be very satisfactory. The strength of the corps has increased from thirty-five to forty-eight all told. The annual drill will be held at Camp Sussex beginning June 27. There are several vacancies, and suitable recruits will be received.

A wireless message was received in Pictou yesterday that the steamer Stanley had been jammed for three days in heavy ice four miles north of Cape Bear, with a number of passengers. Among them are C. E. Ferrand, St. John; T. E. Gowan, St. John; Mrs. H. C. Williams, Moncton; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ruel, Fredericton; B. McKnight and J. McKnight of Sussex.

W. H. Bowman, who was appointed building inspector by the common council, has informed the mayor that he will not accept the office, as to do so he would have to give up his business of contractor. He has been requested to put this in writing, whereupon a meeting of the common council will be called to select someone else to fill the office.

### FUNERALS TODAY.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Dalton, late of Indian town, took place at 2:30 this afternoon in Fernhill cemetery. Rev. R. P. McKim conducted the service.

The funeral of Frank Curran took place this morning at 9:30 from his late residence, 34 Barker street, in the old Catholic cemetery. The body of the late George F. Thompson was buried at the same place at 2:30. Funeral from his late residence, Princess street. Rev. Mr. Sprague and Rev. Mr. Marshall, clergymen. Interment at Fernhill cemetery.

### THE FISH MARKET.

The fish market was well supplied today, the variety large and the prices reasonable, considering the season of the year.

During the past few months all the local dealers have been getting their supply of halibut from the Pacific coast. This week a certain amount of fresh halibut has been shipped here from Nova Scotia points. Some that have been scarce on the North Shore, seem plentiful in the Kennebecasis, and as a result the supply is large. Some gasperaux are also being taken up river and it is expected that the run this spring will be better than the average.

### THE LADY CURLERS.

The final match for the Holly Trophy was played this morning between Mrs. Campbell's and Mrs. Miles' rinks, the result was as follows:  
Miss M. Golding, Mrs. C. Jackson, Mrs. W. J. Myles, Miss F. N. Irvine, Mrs. S. Thorne, Mrs. F. Wilder, Mrs. G. W. Campbell, Mrs. F. D. Miles.  
Skip.....5 Skip.....5  
Owing to the ice being wet, only a seven end game was played, which accounts for the low score.

### THIS EVENING.

Fiske Stock Co. at the Opera House. Hockey—Sackville v. Neptunes at Queens Rink. Jansson inquest at Carleton City Hall.

Meeting of section La Tour, No. 3, Junior Temple of H. & T. Concert by No. 1 Company Boys Brigade in their hall, Carmarthen street.

## A SMALL FORTUNE ON RIVER STEAMERS.

Much Repairing and Renovating at Indian town.

Radical Changes on Pokonoket, on Crystal Stream—New Hampton Boat—Change of Captains.

A snug little fortune is being expended in preparing the river steamers for spring and summer traffic, and just at present the work of renovation and repainting is at its height. Before April 1st it is expected every drop of paint will have been brushed on and every rivet made secure, for despite the wintry aspect today, witnesses in navigation matters look for an early—yes, an almost sudden opening of the big stream.

About the only steamer upon which work has not commenced is the Victoria. She is lying well up in Marble Cove and will not be invaded by cleaners until the mild weather, for it is the plan not to press her into service until the first of the tourist rush, early in June. Between opening of navigation and June 1st is the slackest steaming of the season on the St. John, there being few, if any passengers and little else but smoked gasperaux and veal as items of freight.

The Majestic is in the hands of a renovating crew, however, and with a thorough overhauling of her machinery will be by far a better boat than ever. Towards the last of the 1904 season this fast little craft showed plainly the need of a good painting-up and a thorough washing down, both of which she will have had by the time she is ready to go on the route. Along with the new purchased Pokonoket the Majestic will ply the Fredericton route until the Victoria is ready; then she will likely be withdrawn to go on suburban trips.

Speaking of the Pokonoket brings to mind the radical changes being made in her machinery, for, being of American construction, she is considerably below the Canadian government standard of strength and effectiveness. In the first place it must be known the American inspection of steamboats is not nearly so rigid and exacting as that of the British, and for little weight and plenty of hull the American people put as little iron into their mechanical goods as possible. The Pokonoket was built to a fact, and Geo. H. Waring has been some weeks making new parts for her engines, so that the Canadian inspection can be met. It is said the new boat will have little else but her cylinders left of her original complement. The steamer is in Rodney slip, Carleton.

The Champlain, formerly the Queen, which was made over as good as new last season, is practically ready for the ice to run past. She is looked upon as the best boat on the river, and no doubt be on hand among the first craft out of winter quarters to brave the swirls and ice floes of April. Little, if anything, has to be done to this new boat.

Captain Fred Mabey's Elaine is another steamer upon which little cleaning has to be done, for she was, for last spring Messrs. Manchester Robertson Allison Ltd. fitted her out in upholstery and furniture and a crew of resters and decorators did the rest. However, as every craft needs more or less overhauling each season the former Cape Breton boat is getting her. Her general maintenance has been done to the ice, as it were, waiting for first signs of a cracking-up, for he has a reputation in early navigating to maintain and to him a day or two when the river is flowing free again, means lots of cash.

The Hampstead has been having some improvements made, for not by any means has this busy little propeller-worker left the field of action. She is to be as bright and alive in 1905 as she was in 1904 and 1904. Taking size and capabilities into consideration the Hampstead perhaps earned more money than any boat on the river today. She was the pioneer "people's" boat—the accommodation craft—a fact that won friends and dollars.

A new heater is being placed in the Washademoak liner Crystal Stream, which this year is to be captained by George Perry, a shareholder. This new heater is an addition to the St. John's outfit, and will heat the water that feeds into the boiler, so that a great deal of fuel will be saved. Engineer W. Roberts and others are superintending its installation. The boat is being cleaned and overhauled generally. Captain Perry, the new master, is a former coasting captain, and was the master of the Washademoak boat Star for a time.

Horace Waring, engineer of the steamer Beatrice E. Waring of the Belleisle route, has a crew at work on the engines of that boat, and some renovating is going on in the saloons and cabins. Captain Norwood is to be in charge this year, as Captain A. L. Peatman has retired to his farm at Glenwood, where he has been appointed roadmaster. His son, Harry Peatman, is to be in charge of the Springfield.

The new Hampton route boat being built at Hampton, for the Mabey boys, is considerably past the framing stage. She is a handsome model and will be the prettiest wheelbarrow boat in Lower Canadian waters. Her engines are now being made by Flemings of this city. By the first or second week in April the boat will be ready to tow to town for her engine, etc.

### LATE SHIP NEWS.

St. John, N. B., March 10—Arrived—sch. Harry Morris, from St. Martins, N. B.

Sailed—sch. Harry Morris, for St. Martins, N. B.

### NEARLY DROWNED.

Ernest Williams, a teamster, who resided at 8 Chesley street, had a narrow escape from drowning at Indian town yesterday afternoon. Williams was attempting to get on board the Flushing, which was tied up at a wharf there, when he fell between the steamer and the wharf. The unfortunate man seemed unable to help himself and it was with great difficulty that he was rescued, a lasso being used successfully after several casts.

## PERSONALS.

Chief of Police Clark is in Fredericton, having gone to the celestial city last evening.

George McArthur returned yesterday morning from a business trip to Toronto.

L. A. Currey was a passenger on last night's incoming Boston train.

Miss Belle Mowatt returned last night from Fredericton.

H. P. Dole, J. K. McNaughton and M. A. Orchard, U. N. B., trio of debaters, passed through the city yesterday on their way from Halifax to Fredericton.

Mrs. C. F. Baker and son will reside at 47 Sydney street for the rest of the winter.

Mrs. R. Grey Murray has returned from Montreal.

Miss Rubins of Miss Kelly's millinery establishment, has been called to her home in St. John by the serious illness of her father.

George S. Cushing, of St. John, is among the guests at the Queen. A. P. Barnhill, barrister of St. John, is at the Queen. Thomas Bohon, of Bath, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. T. Lynch, Regent street—Fredericton Herald.

### THE MARKET.

Prices are unchanged, except a drop of two cents per dozen in the whole-sale price of eggs, which has not affected the retail price as yet, and probably will not, as the wholesale price will likely return to its former level if the roads continue in their present state.

The following are today's retail prices:

Country beef, per lb., 13c.  
Western beef, per lb., 12c. to 20c.  
Mutton, lb., 5c. to 10c.  
Veal, lb., 14c. to 20c.  
Ham, lb., 14c. to 16c.  
Bacon, lb., 14c. to 16c.  
Pork, per pair, 75c. to \$1.25.  
Chickens, per pair, \$1.00 to \$1.50.  
Geese, each, \$1.00 to \$1.10.  
Turkey, lb., 22c. to 25c.  
Potatoes, per bbl., \$2.  
Carrots, per bbl., \$2.  
Turnips, bbl., 75c. to 85c.  
Beets, per bbl., \$2.  
Squash, 100 lbs., \$2 to \$3.  
Cabbage, doz., \$1 to \$1.40.  
Parsnips, bbl., \$2.  
Celery, doz., 90c. to \$1.25.  
Onions, lb., 5c. to 7c.  
Butter, lb., 25c. to 32c.  
Butter, roll, lb., 30c. to 35c.  
Pork, lb., 12c. to 14c.  
Eggs, 30c. to 35c.

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