

THE CURSE OF THE STEERAGE SYSTEM REPEARED

Woman Agent Of Immigration
Commission Describes Con-
ditions Prevailing On Liners
Plunging To United States.

WASHINGTON BUSY PROBING CHARGES

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—A report on steerage conditions based on information obtained by special agents of the immigration commission traveling as steerage passengers on different trans-Atlantic liners, was made public today, with recommendations for legislation to better conditions. Conditions found on many of these vessels are described as appalling, notwithstanding in some instances, the letter of the law was obeyed implicitly.

Miserably insulted. Summing up one trip on a steerage passenger, a woman agent of the immigration commission, who was herself miserably insulted and compelled to withstand privations which were repulsive to her nature, said:

"During these twelve days in the steerage, I lived in a disorder and in surroundings that offended every sense. The vile language of the men, the screams of the women defending themselves, the crying of children, wretched because of their surroundings and reaching the ears irritated beyond endurance. There was no sight before which the eye did not prefer to close. Everything was dirty, sticky and disagreeable to the touch. Every impression was offensive. Worse than this was the general air of immorality. For fifteen hours each day I witnessed all around me, this improper, indecent and forced mingling of men and women who were total strangers and who did not understand one word of the same language. People cannot live in such surroundings and not be influenced."

The woman agent has described the mingling of the crew with the women of the steerage and said that the same conditions were true of the association of the men steerage passengers with the women.

Blows Struck. "Members of the crew," says one woman agent, "never failed to deal a woman passenger a blow when she was found standing on the framework of a lower berth to get anything from an upper berth. If a woman was dressing, they always stopped to watch her and frequently hit and handled her."

"One night when I had retired very early with a severe cold, the chief steward entered our compartment, but not noticing me, approached a Polish girl, who was apparently the only other occupant. "She spoke in Polish, saying 'My head aches, please go on and let me alone.' But he continued and went on insulting her. The girl, weakened by seasickness, defended herself as best she could, but soon was struggling to get out of the man. Just then other passengers entered and he released her. Such was the man who was our biggest protector and court of appeal."

The agents of the immigration commission also state:—"The universal human needs of space, air, food, sleep and privacy are recognized to the measure degree now made compulsory by law. Beyond that the persons carried are looked upon as so much freight, with mere transportation as their only duty."

The sleeping quarters are described as being in many cases filthy, inadequate and all that is bad. It is asserted that no sick passengers are permitted to remain in the steerage until they are removed to the hospital, where they are continually damp and when of food, they are not washed. The new statistics, which it was supposed would obviate filth and overcrowding for the steerage passengers took effect January 1st, of the present year.

Under existing conditions on some of the steamships where the old type steerage prevails, the report says it is impossible for a woman to keep even reasonably clean. Of this condition, one agent says:—"No woman with the smallest degree of modesty and with no other convenience than a washroom used jointly by men and a faucet of cold salt water can keep clean amidst such surroundings for a period of twelve days and more."

It was forbidden to bring water for washing purposes into the sleeping compartments. On different occasions some of the women rose early, brought drinking water in their soup pails and then tried to wash themselves effectively, but were driven out when detected by a steward. Others, resorting to extreme measures, used night chambers, which they carried with them for the children, as wash basins. Even hair was washed with these vessels. No soap and no towels were supplied.

Senator Dillingham, chairman of the immigration commission, introduced in the senate today, two bills intended to correct much of the evil of which complaint is made.

BURGESS CASE RESUMED AT TRURO.

Special to The Standard. Truro, N. S., Dec. 13.—This morning the case of the King vs. William J. Burgess was resumed. The entire day

SKATED TO DEATH HEAD HAWK RECORD FLIGHT AT BADDECK

John Trimble aged 16, and Irene McManus aged 13, Victims of Thin Ice Off Ryan's Shore, at Lakeside--Bodies Recovered at Nine O'clock Last Night, Some Five Hours After Accident.

Hampton, N. B., Dec. 13.—Hampton's two villages and the nearby communities are startled this evening by a tragedy which occurred half a mile or so off Ryan's shore at Lakeside, about sundown when John Trimble, 16 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Trimble, of Lakeside, and Miss Irene McManus, 13 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander McManus, the I. C. R. station agent at Lakeside, who were skating on the lake broke through the thin ice and disappeared from view. Mrs. J. J. Ryan's man saw them when the ice gave way, but before he could take any action the tragedy was complete. All he could do was to give the alarm.

Neighbors Powerless. Telephone messages to neighbors brought them to the scene but darkness and the dangerously thin ice rendered them powerless. Mrs. Ryan hastened to the station to comfort the stricken mother of the girl and as the Sussex train reached Lakeside Mr. Trimble who worked in St. John, and was returning home, learned also of his own bereavement. Mr. McManus was engaged here looking after the baggage and parcels as they were put off the Sussex express. When the news was communicated to him and he was completely prostrated.

The whole forebore where the accident occurred has been known for generations as exceedingly dangerous in winter time, thin ice and treacherous air holes abounding and many lives have been lost there. The two young people who skated to their

deaths this evening were at school today where they were doing excellently well in their studies. Young Trimble standing very high in the grammar school department. Both were held in high esteem by their companions and teachers.

Bodies Found. Since early evening from a hundred and fifty to two hundred men and boys gathered on the ice between Lakeside and took part in the search for the bodies. It was nearly nine o'clock when the hole was found in which the girl's cap and a hockey stick were floating and in a few minutes Mr. Robert Appleby who was using a long pole with a large wire nail for a hook located the boy's body and speedily brought it to the surface. Messrs. Appleby, Harlan, Smith and young Jack Ryan, who held a lantern for them and the other workers quickly found the body of the girl close by and it too was drawn out of the ice. Then a sad procession bearing the two bodies wended their way to the stricken home.

The place where the accident occurred is about three quarters of a mile from the Ryan's shore in a direct line with Spoon Island and good sound ice was found up to the edge of the six foot hole in which the bodies were found at a depth of about nine feet. The whole community is plunged in sorrow at the melancholy event and the sincerest sympathy is extended to the stricken families. Undertaker C. A. Frost has gone down to make arrangements for the funerals.

MRS. BROKAW ON THE GRID

Long Island Woman Suing For
Divorce From Husband Has
Recourse To Ready Wit—
The Meaning Of Paralyzed.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 13.—The ready wit and coolness of Mary Blar Brokaw, who seeks a decree of separation with alimony of \$60,000 a year from her millionaire husband, W. Gould Brokaw, were manifested again today through her persistent cross-examination.

"At the times you say your husband threatened to blow your brains out," she asked John F. McIntyre, counsel for the defense. "Did he say he would or could do it?" pursued Mr. McIntyre.

"In Paris he said he could and in the south he said he would," she said. "At another time there was a question as to what Mrs. Brokaw meant by paralyzed, an adjective she applied to Mr. Brokaw's condition."

"A night when, she testified, she telephoned for his secretary to take care of him. Mrs. Brokaw amplified her definition into "a condition of less than perfect health," and Mr. McIntyre wanted to know how the witness had qualified as a judge in the symptoms of drunkenness.

"My varied experience after marriage made me an expert," she retorted.

UNITED STATES OFFICER GUILTY OF THEFT

New York, N. Y., Dec. 13.—Captain Thomas Franklin, U. S. A., commended by General Chaffee and by General Otis for distinguished service in China and the Philippines, pleaded guilty today to a long series of petty embezzlements from the mess fund of the West Point Cadets, as commissary and treasurer of the United States Military Academy. He was sentenced by Judge Hand, in the United States Circuit Court to two years and six months in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga.

was occupied with the cross examination by J. Phillip Bill, of the star witness, W. L. Rutledge, brought here from Chicago by Detective Welsh. The witness underwent a severe grilling which brought out facts hitherto withheld by him and shows him up in a different light.

GUNNING ACCIDENT NEAR BELLEVILLE.

Belleville, Ont., Dec. 13.—Wm. Dean, a young fellow of Farday Township was shot by Elijah Donnelly of Rose Island yesterday in mistake for a deer. The ball entered just above the right ear and he died instantly. The shooting took place about ten miles north of Coe Hill.

RANGERS AND FOREST FIRES

Notable Results Follow Systematic Policing Of Forest Preserves In West—No Serious Fires Occur.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Dec. 13.—Damage from forest fires along the right of way of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway from Edmonton, west to Tete Jaune Cache during October, the last month of the dangerous season are practically nil.

The reason for the success of the work of the staff of forest fire rangers employed by the Forestry Branch of the Department of the Interior. The first part of the month, too, was dry and dangerous though the latter was damp. During the whole season of 1909 no serious fires have been allowed to get out of control. In almost every case settlers, railway men and others have cheerfully given aid when called upon to help put our fires and clearings, railway men, engineers and the great majority of settlers have been found careful about using fires. One man living near Seba Alta who refused to give such aid was fined.

KING WAGES BITTER FIGHT WITH DEATH

Leopold of Belgium to be Operated on Today in Last Effort to Save His Life.

Brussels, Dec. 13.—Leopold II, king of the Belgians, tonight is making a desperate fight with death and the odds are strongly against the aged monarch. His majesty has received the last sacraments and as a last resort, the surgeon's knife will be tried tomorrow. If the operation is successful King Leopold may live. If it fails, the end is inevitable. All will depend upon the king's strength and vitality which are fast ebbing.

Rheumatism has already conquered the aged and wasted frame. Dropsy has developed and an obstruction of the intestine, which must be removed has greatly aggravated his condition. The general opinion is that the king will not survive the operation. Indeed, he may die at any moment. The monarch, himself, is rather optimistic and today exclaimed to his physician: "Operate, and the sooner the better."

But he added with a wan, listless smile: "Perhaps doctor, the long journey is at hand."

Separated from his two eldest daughters by a tragic scene of events, the king whispered to his chaplain and by every tongue, Leopold lay tonight surrounded by his faithful daughter, Princess Clementine Crown Prince Albert and the royal household.

The day was a mixture of anxiety, hope and despair and as his strength failed, the king whispered to his chaplain and the aged and devoted wife, with tears wetting his cheeks, approached the bed and heard confession and administered communion and extreme unction.

M'CURDY IN RECORD FLIGHT AT BADDECK

Canadian Aviator Covers Eight Miles At An Elevation Of 250 Feet—Crosses Baddeck River Twice.

BELL LABORATORIES THREATENED BY FIRE

Special to The Standard. Baddeck, N. S., Dec. 13.—J. A. D. McCurdy, of Canadian Aerodrome Co., made a remarkable flight at daybreak today. The machinery took the air easily, circled the meadow first and then at an elevation of 30 feet and gradually ascended until it was about 250 feet in the air. It circled the meadow four times at this elevation covering about eight miles. In the flight the Baddeck river was crossed twice. It was the most satisfactory flight yet made with Baddeck No. 2. The machine was wonderfully steady in the air. While the party were at Big Baddeck witnessing the flight, Mr. Baldwin's cottage on Beech Brook was completely demolished by fire. Mr. Baldwin losing all their wedding presents together with many valuable scientific records, fully insured. A northwest wind saved Dr. Bell's laboratories.

POTATO WAREHOUSE DESTROYED AT DEBEC

Fire Completely Destroyed Potato House And Hay Shed At Debec Last Night—C. P. R. Station In Danger.

Special to The Standard. Debec, N. B., Dec. 13.—One of the worst fires that Debec has witnessed for some time broke out in Mathias Meagher's potato and hay shed this afternoon at about one o'clock. There had been a fire built in the cellar of the potato house and it is supposed that it was in the cellar that the fire started for the fire was under cover when it was discovered that nothing could be done to save the building. The entire potato house and hay shed which were under one roof were entirely destroyed.

The house of Thomas Johnston was in grave danger. It was thought it would be impossible to save it but owing to the fortunate shift of the wind and the heroic work of the men it was saved.

The principal losers by the fire are Mathias Meagher who owned the buildings, Con. Meek of Maxwell, York Co., who lost three hundred barrels of potatoes which were stored in the potato house and McGinn of Limerdon who had about 200 barrels of potatoes and Jas. Griffin. Mr. Meagher when interviewed estimated his loss at \$1,000 with \$500 insurance.

DEATH OF SIR ALFRED JONES

London, Dec. 13.—Sir Alfred Lewis Jones, head of the firm of Elder, Dempster and Company, ship owners, died today. He was born in 1846.

Sir Alfred Jones was decorated in 1901 in recognition of services to West African colonies and to Jamaica. He was president of the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce and the founder of the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine.

BUBBLE BURSTS IN FREDERICTON POLITICS

Alderman Winslow Retains His Seat At The Council Board—Acts Of Vandalism Perpetrated At Forest Hill.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 13.—The bubble in civic politics here burst tonight and instead of the promised re-election of Alderman Winslow's political head, he retains his position as alderman for Kings ward.

W. Woodbridge, who resides at Forest Hill has lately been subjected to displaceable acts of vandalism. A couple of weeks ago his cow was found dead in a field, since then his dog was shot and last night somebody broke into his barn and hacked ends off the tails of two of his horses.

ABSOLUTION FOR THE CONTRACTORS

Transcontinental Commission Holds That Original Contractors Are Not to Blame for Obligations Assumed By Their Subs---Government Replies to Mr. Crocket's Questioning

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Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 13.—Two important returns were laid on the table of the House of Commons today with regard to work on the Transcontinental in New Brunswick. The first moved for by Mr. Crocket deals with the losses caused to merchants and farmers by excessive subcontracting. In the Transcontinental Commission takes the position of repudiating responsibility. The other, obtained by Mr. Haughton, Lennox, exposes the excessively expensive nature of the construction on the back route, chosen in preference to the valley route. It shows that the work has to be effected by blasting out solid rock.

The correspondence in the sub-contractor case was directly caused by the member from York.

Wrote to Mr. Graham. On May 22nd Mr. Crocket wrote to Mr. Graham informing him that a number of merchants in Fredericton and farmers along the Nashua and Miramichi valleys had heavily through furnishings supplied to subcontractors for the Transcontinental. A. F. Randolph and Sons, of Fredericton furnished supplies to one subcontractor John Dubois to the amount of several thousand dollars of which a balance was left unpaid of upwards of \$5,000. Other Fredericton firms were stuck for \$500 and \$600 each while a number of farmers lost from \$20 to \$500 each for supplies furnished to the same subcontractors, who had left the country. There was a feeling Mr. Crocket said, which seemed justified that as these supplies went into a

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railway which was to be the property of the government, these losses should be made good to them. And he suggested that the original contractor should be forced to pay these bills.

A Sample. In this connection Mr. Crocket noted the extent to which sub-contracting was carried in this region. The original contractor was the G. T. P. Construction Company. This company sublet to the Toronto Construction Company at 15 per cent below the G. T. P. Construction Company's figures.

The Toronto Construction Company sublet a 20 mile section to McCoy and Wilcox at from 10 to 15 per cent below its figures. McCoy and Wilcox sublet to Dubois at a further cut of 10 to 15 per cent. Thus on the Dubois sub-contract the cut was at least 40 per cent below the figures which are being paid to the original contractor.

Surely in view of these figures Mr. Crocket wrote the original contractor was morally if not legally responsible for the losses sustained. The act specifically provides for the payment of labor on construction "the whole" so that the contractors were required to pay the labor bills as they became due, and did so. I cannot see myself why the distinction is made between labor on construction and supplies that were largely for the board and maintenance of the laborers who did the work.

Mr. Graham drew the attention of the House to the fact that the cut was at least 40 per cent below the figures which are being paid to the original contractor.

FAVOR TO GREAT BRITAIN NELSON CHOSEN FOR TERMINUS

British Columbia Conservatives Urge Determined Action with Respect to Imperial Defence Question.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 13.—Mr. R. L. Borden has received a telegram embodying the following resolution passed by the British Columbia Conservative Association at its convention at Kamloops on Saturday:—"This convention expresses its utmost confidence in Mr. R. L. Borden, our leader and pledges him its continued support."

This convention favors the strengthening of the ties which bind the mother country and the colonies together and believes that determined efforts should be taken to give large and practical aid to imperial defence.

ARABIAN NIGHT MYSTERY DECLARE DETECTIVES

New York, N. Y., Dec. 13.—Septic and a little inclined detectives after a day of investigation, styled as an "Arabian Night" mystery, the reported theft of jewels from the Hotel Lorraine in this city in which Mrs. John William Jenkins, of Chicago, at first appeared as the loser of the gems valued at \$300,000. This valuation was later cut in half, while subsequent inquiry brought from Inspector McCafferty of the detective bureau, the announcement that the gems were a thorough and rigid investigation into the case, but not along the lines of a robbery.

Mrs. Jenkins remains in seclusion in her apartments. Her husband, it is said, is out of the city. A description of the jewels has been sent to pawnshops throughout the city and it is understood that part of the consignment has been traced to three different shops. The police are red-hot about this feature, although it is understood that the articles were pawned several days before the robbery was reported.

WRECKAGE OF UNKNOWN STEAMER PICKED UP

St. John's, N. F., Dec. 14.—What is believed to be portions of the wreck of a wooden steamer of about 2000 tons has been picked up at Bonaville according to a despatch received here from the Marine and Fisheries Department.

It is believed that an unknown steamer, bound between America and Europe has met her doom. The wreckage, which consisted of the bridge rail and part of the fore rail with bulwarks three feet high attached, shows evidence of having been in the water only a short time.

OTTAWA AS TO PUSH WHITE PLAQUE FIGHT

House Passes Mr. Perley's Motion For An Increased Grant To Aid In Battle Against Racism.

NON-PARTISAN DEBATE THE QUESTION

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—The solid piece of work done today was the annual discussion on the prevention of tuberculosis. It was an on-partisan debate. Mr. George H. Perley bringing the subject up, and speakers on both sides urging the matter on the attention of the government. In the evening, after there had been much speaking, the government accepted the resolution and announced that it will ask parliament for a larger grant than the present one of \$5,000 to the campaign of education.

Mr. Lewis introduced a bill respecting assaults and offences against the person. This is his bill of last year with the addition of a clause concerning homicides by hunters. The bill also increases the punishment in the case of assaults on women and children, with special reference to offences by tramps. Mr. Lewis in introducing the measure denounced the case of allowing tramps when arrested to go on condition that they move on. In this connection Mr. Lewis suggested that the committee of privileges and elections have its functions extended to include criminal law.

Mr. Lewis also introduced his day-long saving bill and asked the government to appoint a committee. Mr. Miller introduced a bill to amend the interest act. This is a bill which was introduced by Mr. Lewis in the session.

To Amend Shipping Act. Dr. Edwards introduced a bill to amend the Canada Shipping Act by removing a provision which allows vessels from that province to be moved about the harbor of Montreal without paying certain charges. Mr. Lloyd Harris moved the first reading of his "joy riding" bill making it an offence for a chauffeur or other person to use a motor car without the owner's permission.

Dr. Sproule asked when the Government intended to bring in its promised legislation against conscription. Sir Wilfrid Laurier could not tell. Mr. Glen Campbell raised a laugh rising to a question of privileges. He said that a certain newspaper had reported some remarks of his regarding the Department of Agriculture into a certificate of character for that department. He wished to make the charge that there was no such report where there were certain seasons so much grafting went on.

Mr. Fisher laughed and did not deny that grafting went on in his department presumably in the spring. The progress made with the building of the G. T. P. branch lines was inquired into by Mr. J. E. Armstrong. Mr. G. P. Graham replied that charters had been granted for 22 branches, 5 on the eastern and 17 on the western section. Three lines were under construction two in Saskatchewan and one in Alberta. 25 miles being built on each of the first and last and 25 miles on the remaining branch. Three branches are being operated.

Mr. Perley's Motion. Mr. Perley's motion with respect to tuberculosis, was as follows:—"That in view of the encouraging results which have come from the money already spent in disseminating information regarding tuberculosis and of the interest which the people and also in view of the great saving in live which has been brought about in other countries by practical work in this connection, this House is of the opinion that Parliament should now take more active steps to combat the greatest scourge and mortality caused by this disease."

It should be explained that Mr. Perley is vice-president of the Canadian Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis. This organization works by disseminating information partly through the circulation of printed matter, partly through the work of a lecturer. The association while ago got \$2,000 a year from the Government. This has been increased to \$5,000 and like Oliver Twist the association is asking for more.

Mr. Perley had "several specific things to demand": 1.—The present grant of \$5,000 a year should be increased and made large enough to do everything that the Dominion government can undertake without troubling on the powers of the Provincial governments.

2.—Information should be disseminated throughout Canada and lectures delivered by experts for the purpose of interesting the people in every locality and inducing them to form local associations to assist themselves.

3.—Railway cars and steamers should be kept free from infection.

4.—A tuberculosis exhibition should be organized and sent on a tour throughout the country.

Dr. Beland supported the resolution speaking in French.

Dr. Black Favorable. Dr. Black was in favor of an increased grant and urged that municipalities be led to see that it was a disgrace to have diseases like typhoid

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within their boundaries. He outlined the work done by the several Canadian Societies for the prevention of tuberculosis and urged the force of the campaign for education, ignorance and fear are the principal factors in its spread, he said.

Dr. Roche outlined the work of the various agencies over the world which are combating the disease and urged energetic action. There need be no fear of provincial rights in this case, he said, the governments of the several provinces would not complain of any action the Dominion government might take to lessen the plague.

Dr. Schaffner advocated the formation of a general bureau of public health and Mr. Miller outlined the history of the movement.

Accept Resolution.

Mr. Fisher on behalf of the government accepted the resolution of the government, he said, would ask for a larger grant to the association. It would not enter into the field of building sanatoria, in that the provinces, especially British Columbia, Manitoba and Nova Scotia, were doing their share. Regarding the remarks that more money is being spent in protecting the health of the human beings, Mr. Fisher observed that this really was a protection to human health. The minister further defended the Canadian law, declaring that not 10 per cent of the cases of human tuberculosis were due to tuberculous milk and that the health of the Canadian herds is good.

The resolution was then passed and the House adjourned at 11 p. m.

ABSOLUTION FOR N.T.R. MEN

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The Transcontinental Commission to Mr. Crockett's letter. On 25th May, Mr. P. D. Ryan, secretary of the Commission replied that clause 28 in the contract provides for prompt payment of labor services and material, the latter meaning such things as enter into the work in a permanent way.

Referring to Mr. Crockett's suggestion that the Transcontinental Commission should attempt to demonstrate, if possible, the value of the contract, Mr. Ryan wrote: "The Transcontinental Commission is not a body capable of demonstration. If persons selling supplies to sub-contractors were encouraged to do so, the government or the Commission would enforce the payment of their bills, the inducement to sell large quantities of supplies to sub-contractors regardless of their necessity would be great. On the other hand a serious injustice would be suffered by the general contractors if forced to pay accounts contracted by their sub-contractors without their knowledge and without justification."

To Compel Contractors.

On the 28th of May, Mr. Graham wrote observing that in the contract with the G. T. P. includes a clause enabling the government to compel contractors to see that sub-contractors meet their liabilities. Could not the contractors be given to understand that they must get a clean bill from their sub-contractors?

Mr. Ryan replied on 1st June enclosing an opinion from the law clerk of the Commission. This opinion out of the clause referred to by Mr. Graham relates to the Western division only. The contract made by the Transcontinental Commission with its contractors contains no such clause. If the existing clause were extended to cover supplies not included in the term "material" it would open the door to demands of all kinds.

Exert Influence.

Mr. Ryan in enclosing this opinion said that the commissioners would exert their influence. He continued: "As a matter of procedure, however, merchants should adhere to the conservative commercial practice of making careful inquiry as to the financial responsibility of sub-contractors before extending to them the lines of credit applied for. The general contractors no doubt will be glad to answer all such inquiries. Losses resulting from neglect to take such customary and necessary precaution will be always difficult to recover."

The other correspondence brought down grew out of a complaint by the Auditor General with regard to a payment of \$17,453 to a firm of contractors on the New Brunswick district of the Transcontinental.

The section concerned was a 31 mile stretch between Crutts Falls and the Tobique River. The contractors were the Willard Kitchen Company. The situation as reported on by Mr. Gordon Grant, the new chief engineer, on the 15th of October, was that about 472,000 cubic yards of material were required to make certain embankments. No material of the ordinary sort could be found on the section for these embankments and so the expedition was resorted to of using rock at a reduced price, the contractors obtaining this by what is termed "rock borrow" that is by excavating where excavation is not otherwise required.

Mr. Foss Replies.

In January, 1909, Mr. Lamden then chief engineer, asked Mr. Foss district engineer for an estimate as to the quantity of rock borrow required, and a comparison of the cost with the train hauling of classified material. On 26th March Mr. Foss replied, putting the cost of obtaining the material in the ordinary way at \$265,353 and that of obtaining it by borrowing at \$254,576, and recommending the latter. He accordingly recommended that the contractors be allowed to borrow rock at the proportion of 66 per cent, solid rock and 34 per cent, loose rock, without overbreak being allowed in cuts from which the borrow was made and without overhaul.

The Kitchen Company thereupon on the 13th of April agreed to borrow rock by widening the adjacent cuttings at a price of \$1.10 per cubic yard. This was accepted.

On the 18th of August the Auditor General demanded an explanation, holding that by the original prices the cost of 91,800 cubic yards for which payment was demanded should have been \$53,317, whereas by the re-

PARTY GOVERNMENT DESIRABLE IF PRESS IS NOT PARTISAN

Prof. Shortt Delivers Address
Before Women's Canadian
Club — Canada's Form of
Government Inferior to U. S.

That concentration of responsibility is the keynote of the Canadian form of government which makes it eminently superior to the United States government, was the argument of Prof. Adam Shortt, of Ottawa, before the Women's Canadian Club, in Keith's Assembly Rooms yesterday afternoon. Prof. Shortt's address was heard by a fashionable and distinguished audience and his statement of Canada's superiority aroused much enthusiasm on the part of his hearers.

Prof. Shortt in the course of his address defended the system of party government but deprecated the party blindness of a large section of the press which resulted, he said, in a lowering of the standard of politics.

Hon. J. D. Hazen, premier of the province, seconded Prof. Shortt's remarks in this latter regard and maintained that the partisan press was responsible for the public conscience being dulled. Hon. J. V. Ellis and Mayor Bullock were also present and spoke briefly.

Mrs. E. A. Smith, First Vice-President of the Women's Canadian Club was in the chair and had with her on the platform, Mr. C. B. Allan, President of the Canadian Club.

At a private meeting of the club earlier in the afternoon, reports were presented from Miss Travers, the treasurer, who reported a balance of \$16, and from Mrs. Gronlund, the recording secretary. Mrs. H. N. Stetson and Mrs. J. H. Ogilvie, were elected members. Mrs. John McAvity, Mrs. G. West Jones, and Mrs. J. D. Hazen were appointed a committee to arrange for the club meeting in January.

LEAVE FOR OTTAWA CONFERENCE TODAY.

Members of Local Government Going to Meeting to Discuss Electrification of G. T. P. through Province.

A delegation from the local government will leave this evening for Ottawa to attend on Thursday an important conference which will consider the feasibility of having the Transcontinental operated by electric power in New Brunswick. The delegates will consist of Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer, Hon. H. F. McLeod, and Hon. R. Maxwell with Hon. J. P. Byrne, M. P., and Mr. J. P. Byrne, M. P., the mover and seconder of the resolution regarding the matter which was unanimously adopted by the legislature last session.

At Ottawa they will meet Sir Wilfrid Laurier and one or two members of his cabinet, Sir Lomer Gouin, and will discuss the advantages of using of similar power by the railway in his province, the minister of lands and mines, one or more commissioners of the Transcontinental Railway, representatives from the Montreal Pulp and Railway Co. and other persons interested in the matter. The conference will hold either in one of the committee rooms of the House of Commons or else at the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway's headquarters.

SACKVILLE NEWS.

Sackville, Dec. 13.—The order of the Mt. Allison terminal examinations have been given out. They will begin on Tuesday, December 14, and end on Wednesday, the 24th. Most of the students, however, will have finished their examinations by Monday or Tuesday and will leave for home on those dates. The second term will open on Jan. 6.

The Mt. A. A. decided on Tuesday to send Mr. Charles Macdonald, captain of the hockey team to St. John as its representative to the Inter-collegiate Hockey Convention, which will be held during the holidays. Manager Hayes reported \$94.22 as the balance from the season's work on the gridiron. Mr. Vernon Elderkin of Parrsboro, N. S., was elected manager of the first hockey team for the coming season.

The following officers were elected by the Eucharistic Society at a special meeting held Tuesday evening: President, Mr. Wm. R. Shanklin, 10; Vice-president, Mr. Fletcher Peacock; Recording Secretary, Mr. Albert Knight, 11; Corresponding Secretary, Mr. W. Irving; Treasurer, Mr. R. C. Tait; Teller, Mr. W. Eisenhauer.

Mr. D. N. Charters of Moncton was chosen chief of the Sackville fire department at a meeting of the town council on Tuesday.

Rev. Canon Smithers of Fredericton preached in St. Paul's church at the regular quarterly meeting of the Shediac Deacons here Tuesday evening.

A very enjoyable dramatic recital was given by Mr. Wadsworth Harris in Beethoven Hall last Friday. The principal number was the reading of the "Raven."

A large number of students patronized the candy and butter sale at the Ladies College last Saturday. It is said that over \$100 was netted, which will be used to send the two Ladies College delegates to the Rochester convention.

A reward of \$25 has been offered for the conviction of the person or persons who broke two of the stained glass windows of St. Paul's church last week. The windows are said to be worth over \$50 a piece and the fact that two were broken goes to disprove the theory that they were broken by accident.

The golf club have bought the golf links leased by them last season. The grounds have proved eminently satisfactory and at the last meeting of the club it was decided to buy them. They are said to contain about 70 acres of land. There is also a farm house within the boundaries, which the club will probably let.

Arrangement it was increased to \$70, 77.

Thereupon the new chief engineer, on the 15th of October, submitted a long report justifying the bargain. The commission based on it a request that the government pass an order in council approving it. This the government did on the 2nd of November and the incident terminated.

DESPERATION LED HEENAN TO SUICIDE

Took His Life From Fear Of
Criminal Prosecution Is
Jury's Verdict—New Wit-
nesses Examined.

We, the jury empanelled to inquire into the death of Henry F. Heenan find that he came to his death in the General Public Hospital of this city on the 9th day of December, 1909, by carbolic acid administered by his own hand, being driven to desperation by his impending fate of criminal prosecution, threatened by the Dominion Fire Insurance Company and the Imperial Guarantee and Accident Company. The above was the verdict returned last evening by the jury at the inquest conducted by Dr. D. E. Berryman, the coroner, into the circumstances surrounding the death of the late Mr. Heenan. The inquest was resumed in the court house at 7 o'clock last evening. Frank E. Porter the first witness called, told of selling the carbolic acid to Mr. Heenan in his drug store last Thursday afternoon.

In answer to the coroner, witness said that he knew that he was evading the law in selling Mr. Heenan the acid.

Dr. Berryman here remarked that he would be the last time such a thing would occur. For the benefit of St. John, he would say that within the last two years he had knowledge, nine intelligent persons had been sold carbolic acid contrary to the law, and as a consequence nine lives had been sacrificed.

City Coroner Band Offered \$200.

James Connolly was the next witness. He said he had known deceased about seven years. In his opinion he considered him of good moral character and had never seen him under the influence of liquor. He did not consider deceased of a nervous temperament. About 12 o'clock last Thursday Mr. Arnold and deceased came to his house and he saw them at the time. He said that he did not know that they were going to put up the money within five minutes. Mr. Heenan said, Jim, don't put up the money unless I'm guaranteed that I won't be prosecuted. Mr. Arnold then remarked that they would better go to luncheon and that they would try to see the other parties. Witness said he never heard Mr. Arnold there would be no difficulty about the \$200 being paid.

On Saturday, Dec. 4, witness had for the first time heard from deceased relative to his financial difficulties. Mr. Heenan told him that he was involved to the extent of about \$1300. Witness had conferred the Royal on Sunday relative to the matter. Witness then offered to put up \$200 for Mr. Heenan. Mr. Massie sympathized with Mr. Heenan and served Dorchester. Mr. Renwick suggested that witness had better not see Mr. Heenan about the matter and to commit suicide.

Offered To Work For Nothing.

Mr. Heenan had told him that he had offered to work for the Dominion Insurance Company for nothing until he had made up the amount of his defalcations. Witness had never heard that Mr. Heenan was mentally unsound. Mr. Heenan had told witness that he had not received any salary since June 30th last. Witness had been paid for the Imperial Guarantee and Accident Co. of Canada, was then called. He said that Mr. Massie, the president of the Dominion Insurance Company had notified him that company that there would likely be a shortage in St. John, but that he did not think it would amount to much. On Tuesday he heard that a bill of sale on Mr. Heenan's furniture had been made over to Mr. Arnold.

Mr. Arnold then took the stand. He said that he had known of the defalcations of Mr. Heenan before Mr. Renwick had accused deceased of stealing.

The Coroner—"Do you know from your own observation that deceased was really a defaulter?"

Witness replied that he did. Deceased admitted in Mr. Raymond's office that he had not paid \$600. He had first suspected Mr. Heenan of stealing on the last Monday in November and deceased had admitted the theft on the following day.

Mr. Heenan seemed to be nervous and willing to repay witness anything he had stolen from him. Mr. Heenan gave him a bill of sale of his furniture on Saturday. Deceased had also transferred to witness his insurance policies amounting to \$2000 on Dec. 6. Mr. Heenan's wife had endorsed the policies. He had also deposited his certificate with the British Columbia Loan and Mortgage Company amounting to \$70 to witness.

At the time of the transfer witness knew that there were defalcations from the company. Detective Killen had been asked to see that Mr. Heenan did not escape by the boats or trains. He did not know who had given the orders. When deceased had acknowledged the theft to witness he had broken down and cried.

Worked on Commission.

In answer to the coroner witness said that the statement that Mr. Heenan had received no salary since the 30th of June last was not correct. Mr. Heenan had worked on a commission basis at that date. Witness said he never heard in the office that Mr. Heenan had offered to work for the company without salary until the amount taken was paid.

Dr. Ryan was called and explained the condition of Mr. Heenan when brought to the hospital.

This concluded the evidence and the coroner then briefly addressed the jury. He strongly criticized the action of Mr. Massie in leaving the city before a thorough investigation had been held. The question for them to decide, he said, was whether deceased was of unsound mind when he committed his rash act, or that he did not have the moral courage to face his accusers and was driven to desperation by their threats.

The jury then retired and after being out about 15 minutes returned the verdict as previously stated.

FARMERS FLOCK TO ST. JOHN TO ATTEND SALE OF CLYDESDALES

Dr. Landry Looks For Larger
Attendance Today Than at
Successful Sale of Kentucky
Thoroughbreds.

From all over the province, horsemen, farmers and others interested were arriving yesterday to attend the sale of the Clydesdale horses imported from Scotland through the instrumentality of the Provincial Government, and which will be held here today. Mr. F. L. Potts, auctioneer, will have charge of the sale which begins at 10.30 o'clock this morning in the Carleton Curling rink.

The horses are in the best of condition and are expected to bring high prices. Hon. D. V. Landry, Commissioner of Agriculture, who arrived in the city last evening to attend the sale, told a Standard reporter that the indications were that there would be a larger crowd in attendance at the sale than at the record sale of the Kentucky thoroughbreds last spring.

Among the visitors in the city to attend the sale this morning are Dr. Peake, Hon. George J. Keewick; G. A. Purley, Willard Cambridge, Morley Burpee, Alton Burpee, Harry Finamore, Henry Winwood, Councillor D. W. Mercereau, Sheriff O'Brien, Oliver Melanson, Jas. Beers, Beersville; F. Baird, Bairdsville, Victoria county, D. W. Pickett, Antover; H. W. Woods, M. P. P. A. R. Slipp, M. P. P. Bayard Slipp, Hampstead; William McKay, Fredericton, W. J. McLaggan, Northumberland; Richard O'Leary, Richibucto; J. D. Irving, Buctouche; Archibald Fraser, of D. Fraser and Sons, Plaster Rock; Lester Parker, Derby; J. P. Whelan, Newcastle; G. A. Trites, Salisbury; W. M. Johnston, Chatham; and L. Girouard, St. Marys, Kent Co.

EVIDENCE IN DISPUTE BETWEEN J. A. SEGEE AND TURNBULL CO.

Hearing Resumed in Police
Court Yesterday—Case For
The Prosecution Closed—
Defence Opens Today.

The case of the Turnbull Real Estate Company versus John A. Segee was continued yesterday morning before the police magistrate.

The complaint states that Segee maliciously and willfully damaged property owned by the Turnbull Real Estate Co. Hon. J. D. Hazen appeared as counsel for the prosecution and Mr. L. A. Curry for the defendant.

The examination of Mr. Charles W. Adams, secretary of the Turnbull Co., was further continued. Witness produced letters of incorporation granted to the company on June 16, 1892.

Mr. Hazen offered as evidence a lease under which the present tenant, Major Green, holds the property.

Mr. Curry objected, as it did not prove the title for the Turnbull Real Estate Co.

This lease was given to Major Green May 1st, 1898, for fifteen years. In this lease, witness said, a description of the property is given on which Mr. Segee was digging.

Since 1900 Mr. Adams said, he had collected rent from Mr. Green for this property.

Mr. Curry examined the witness as to the payment of rent.

Dr. Silas Alward, who formerly acted as solicitor to the late Mr. Turnbull, testified to the property having been occupied by Mr. J. H. Carvell since the date of the lease being paid to the Turnbull Real Estate Company.

He said the present company purchased the land from Mr. W. W. Turnbull in 1892.

Mr. Hazen offered the registrar's certificate of registration, which was objected to as it did not describe the locus in quo.

Witness from the Bank of New Brunswick was also offered and objected to by Mr. Curry.

Continuing witness described the lands and told of Mr. Segee digging on the property.

Mr. H. O. McInerney gave the will of Mr. Simonds giving the lot to Mr. J. Gilbert.

Mr. Green also gave evidence to the effect that he had leased the land from the Turnbull Company and occupied it. He testified to Mr. Segee digging holes. Mr. Segee never told him he owned the land but had said that eight or ten years ago he had staked out his claim with iron stakes. This ended the case for the prosecution and the hearing was adjourned until this morning.

The Winter Port

The Ferness steamship Kanawha arrived at Halifax from London, Sunday night. She is expected here tomorrow night.

Donaldson Line S. S. Athenia was here last evening with a large passenger list and general cargo.

S. S. Ocampo, Capt. Coffin, arrived yesterday from Demerara, West Indies, etc., with mails, passengers and general cargo. From Bermuda she encountered boisterous weather, with high seas, which delayed her several hours. The following passengers came on board: Messrs. F. T. DeWolfe, R. Bejlin, J. Lyall and Felix Rodrigue. She brought eight second-class passengers, among whom was one Chinaman bound for Hong Kong. The cargo of the Ocampo consists mostly of sugar.

Elder-Dempster Line S. S. Benin, Capt. Cole, the first boat of the South African service, reached port yesterday from Barry, England, and docked at No. 5 berth. The Benin encountered strong westerly gales coming across, which detained her three days.

URGE NEED OF MEDICAL INSPECTION

Delegation of Doctors at School
Trustees Meeting Last Even-
ing—Committee Appointed
to Bring in Report.

At the monthly meeting of the Board of school trustees last night a delegation from the St. John Medical Society was heard with reference to the importance of having medical inspection in the schools. The members of the delegation pointed out the needs of such inspection. The board promised consideration.

Mr. R. B. Emerson, presided at the meeting and those present were Mrs. Skinner, Mr. John V. Russell, Mr. H. Colby Smith, Mr. M. Coll, Mr. T. H. Bullock, Mr. Geo. E. Day, Mr. D. H. Nase, Dr. H. S. Bridges, superintendent of schools Mr. Ed. Manning, secretary and Mr. J. Boyd McMann, trustee.

A communication was read from Mr. R. B. Wallace, chief clerk of education at Fredericton, stating that he sent the Governor-General's silver medal which had been won by Miss Moille Lingley for making highest marks in Grade X.

A communication was read from John W. McKinnon thanking the board for appointing him principal of Douglas avenue school. He asked for an increase in salary. Mr. Joseph Harrington, of St. Malachi's school, also asked for an increase in salary. The matter was left with the teachers' committee.

The resignation of Miss Mira A. Hastings was accepted.

Miss Ethel Segal stated that she found it impossible to teach at the Sandy Point Road school any longer and asked to be transferred to the city. The matter was referred to the teachers' committee.

An application for a position on the teaching staff was read from Miss Alice M. Casey.

Mr. H. A. Smith applied for leave of absence for the school term commencing next January on account of ill health.

An application was read from Miss Emma L. Cogswell asking for three months leave of absence.

The requests were referred to the teachers' committee.

Tender Accepted.

A report was read by Mr. Russell stating that the tender of R. A. Corbett of \$1240 had been accepted for building a retaining wall around the annex of Winter street school.

A letter was read from T. B. Levers, offering to insure the school buildings with Lloyds at a greatly reduced rate.

The chairman brought up the matter of having an exhibition of manual training and domestic science at the Dominion Exhibition to be held next year.

The matter was referred to the manual training committee with Dr. Bridges to make a report.

The chairman announced that he would call a meeting early next week for the purpose of preparing estimates to be submitted to the city council.

Mr. CII stated that there was no insurance on the boilers in the new annex, and insurance on only one in Carleton. The building committee was directed to obtain insurance.

Mr. Nase reported that he had sold the lot on the corner of the house for \$35 the report was adopted.

It was decided to notify the owner of the lot that the board had surrendered the lease.

The teachers report for November was read by the secretary. There had been 22 teaching days in the month. The number of pupils enrolled was 7416, and the average attendance 6396. There were 3591 boys and 3653 girls enrolled. The report was adopted.

The Doctors' Delegation.

A committee from the St. John Medical Council consisting of Dr. T. D. Walker, Dr. Gray, Dr. James Christie, Dr. Murray MacLaren, was heard with reference to the necessity of having a qualified medical inspection for the public schools.

Dr. Walker read a memorandum on the matter that had been prepared by Dr. G. G. Melville. School medical inspection, it was pointed out, was of two kinds, that which restricts itself to the identification of contagious diseases and that which takes cognizance, not only of the former, but of harmful constitutional defects, such as those of vision, hearing, the teeth, abnormal growths and the like. Over 100 cities in North America had adopted a medical inspection and the more common contagious diseases had been reduced from 40 per cent as much as 75 per cent. The cost of inspection carried from 15 to 25 cents per year for a contagious inspection, and about 50 cents per year for the more complete inspection.

Dr. MacLaren spoke in favor of an inspection and emphasized the importance of the care of the youth of the country.

Dr. Christie also spoke and gave examples in connection with his own children that showed the importance of the inspection. Many pupils who were considered dull were laboring under some physical imperfection. Imperfections could often be remedied and the child would become bright.

Dr. Gray referred to diphtheria. In his own district he knew of children who had obtained certificates by saying there was no danger when there was danger.

Dr. Walker stated that the inspectors should also examine the teachers and determine whether or not they were physically capable of carrying out their onerous duties.

In reply to Mr. Bullock he said he thought it would not cost \$5000. The chairman promised consideration of the matter and a committee consisting of Dr. Bridges, Mrs. Skinner and Mr. Emerson was appointed to investigate the memorandum and lay before the board the best system and the cost.

Mr. Bullock brought up the matter of having military drill in schools. He was heartily in favor of the scheme.

Dr. Bridges said that the Board of

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Education had taken the matter up and the teachers in future had to obtain a certificate showing their capability to teach the drill before they could graduate.

Mr. Nase asked that a platform be built in front of Alexandra School. The matter was left with the building committee.

Over the Telephone.

About 3.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon Officer Gossline, who was acting as call man in the general room at Central police station, was called to the phone and told that a robbery had just been committed on Canterbury street. He was informed that two men had held up an old man and taken all the money he had in his possession. The officer enquired who was speaking, but was told to "never mind." Detective Killen and Deputy Jenkins were immediately notified and at once took up the trail. Arriving upon the scene or the supposed danger zone, the officers found a man lying on the ground, apparently dead, and a woman covering whether or not a robbery had really been committed. Nobody had seen or seemed to know anything about the matter. The officers reluctantly came to the conclusion that somebody was trying to have a little fun at their expense.

Make Your Hair and Your Hat Harmonize



The effect of a becoming hat is often spoiled by the arrangement of the hair. The hat and the hair seem estranged from each other and their failure to meet in a reasonable degree of intimacy produces a jarring result that destroys the entire appearance of the headgear. Neither the hair nor the hat seem in place, and the woman beneath them is weighed down by a glaring discord.

A woman in selecting a hat should assure herself in advance that her hair can be arranged in accordance with the hat. The hair should softly follow the outline of the hat where the hat comes in contact with the head, leaving no staring gaps with parts of the hair apparently suspended in midair.

This softening effect of the hair should also eliminate the sharp lines

of the brim, giving the hat the effect of nestling in the hair rather than resting on top of the head.

Careful attention should be given to the effect of the hat at the back and both sides. A hat quite becoming in front may be quite unbecoming from a different view. For the same reason care should be given to the arrangement of the hair on all sides.

The hair forms the connecting link between the hat and the face, and its misarrangement may spoil the appearance of both.

Therefore the taste that a woman displays in the selection of her hats will decide whether or not she will look well. See the attached diagram sketch. Here you see the effect of poor judgment in selection and also good judgment. Will you have? Which will you be?

All Women Suited In Season's Styles

Variety a Patron of the Evening Gown--Gorgeous Effects Seen--Flowery Hues Added to the Slender Silhouette --- Spectacular Conspicuous in the Season's Evening Frocks.

New York, Dec. 13.—The woman who cannot look well in an evening gown this season is a hopeless proposition, for the designers have offered an amazing latitude of line and period. To be sure, there is still the slender silhouette. The feminine insistence upon that point gave a slight check to the autumn movement toward full skirts and materials of more body; but this insistence has brought about a happy state of affairs.

The dressmakers, while making the concession demanded, still cling to their new passion for flowing lines and as a result we have drapery without clumsiness and a type of clinging slenderness devoid of the exaggerated Directorate skirt's failings. A certain straightness of line is left, but we have in a majority of the models more suggestion of graceful waist curves, and the more elegant idea has in the main been robbed of its most spectacular features.

A woman prominating in the opera house foyer and studying the toilettes summed the situation up very well.

Not Spectacular.

"Of course you can be spectacular," said a man who does not have to be spectacular in order to be modish. "This is a blessed season when you can dress like a gentleman of conservative tastes and yet be unmistakably abreast of the modes."

The spectacular is, as she admitted, in evidence often in combination with sumptuous elegance or exquisite taste. Wonderful brocades and a pronounced vogue for crystal and metallic effects make some of the evening frocks very gorgeous indeed, but the gorgeousness is in the better models of so beautiful and harmonious a character that no fault can be found with it, though personal taste may be for simpler effects.

At the opera on a recent evening a slender, tall brunette wore a princely frock of exquisite silver and palest pink brocade draped up at the side to show a petticoat of the silver lace over pink chiffon. The bodice was almost entirely of silver lace re-embroidered in pink, with a little fine old Honiton for relief, and a

huge rose of deep vivid red was posed on the corsage front. Gorgeous? Yes; gorgeous, rather as lovely.

Harmonious Softness.

Even gold lace, gold embroidery, gold brocades more voyant than silver, are toned into harmonious softness, though plentifully used.

The skirt hung full, in long unbroken lines, but showed in front a full length panel or tablier of gold lace, whose design was re-enforced in part by embroidery in rose shades.

Genuine Byzantine effects are sometimes achieved in jewel embroideries, some superb bit of color, in a mock jewel being used as the centres for marvelous embroidery in metallic threads, silks, bugles or what the designer chooses; and among the ready-made trimmings there are stunning embroideries of similar character.

Often one of these ready made motifs or bands can be so used that it will give almost as handsome an effect as the embroidery worked directly upon the frock material, and for that matter, unless you have an embroidery of unusual merit, you are not likely to obtain by ordering designs and work as admirable as those displayed in some of the expensive trimmings. The latter are designed by high class artists and often executed almost entirely by hand, and of course their prices are high, but the price of corresponding jewel being used as the centres for marvelous embroidery in metallic threads, silks, bugles or what the designer chooses; and among the ready-made trimmings there are stunning embroideries of similar character.

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THREATENS TO WED SERVANT IN ASYLUM

Heir to \$200,000 is Frustrated in Attempt to Elope With Girl Declared Incurable--Is Arrested.

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 13.—Assisting in the escape of an incurable girl from the police and vainly attempting an elopement with her Albert Martin, fifteen, son of Dr. Thomas F. Martin, one of the largest real estate holders in Bridgeport, was committed to the Connecticut State Insane Asylum today.

Annie Leigh, sixteen, formerly a servant in the Martin household, was sent to the Connecticut School for Girls. When young Martin's infatuation for her became known she was arrested as incurable and turned over to the police. Last night she escaped, and with money furnished by Martin went to New Haven. At one o'clock this morning the police captured the girl in New Haven.

Martin was arrested and at his father's request was sent to the state asylum.

Dr. Martin declared today that he was hopeless of reforming his son. The boy would be heir to \$200,000 but for his extraordinary behavior. About four months ago Martin gathered all

\$40,000,000 OUT AFTER HUNGARIAN NOBLEMAN

London, Dec. 12.—A despatch from Budapest to the Globe says society at the Hungarian capital is interested in a report that Count Anton Sigray is engaged to be married to the daughter of an American iron magnate whose name is not given. It is reported that the bride will receive \$40,000,000 on her wedding day.

It is said that the young woman was introduced to Count Sigray by the Countess Szechenyi, formerly Miss Glynns Vanderbilt. Count Sigray was best man at the Szechenyi-Vanderbilt wedding.

The money he could obtain and went west, finally landing in Montana without a cent. He beat his way home on freight trains.

In his cell at police headquarters Albert declared he loved the girl and would marry her. "I am not insane," he said.

Mrs. Mary C. Collins, of Tyrone, Pa., was recently forced to leave the law school of the University of Pittsburgh because the 23 male pupils made things disagreeable for her. The male students encouraged by their success boasted that they would never allow another woman to be admitted as a student. The authorities of the university promptly took the matter up and resolved to deal severely with any student who might attempt to annoy future women students.

BEHIND THE SCENES AS A VANDERBILT XMAS GIFT

A Striking Picture of the Maid of Orleans --- Actress, 64 Years, Completely Masked by Her Clever Acting.



MRS. WM. K. VANDERBILT.

Paris, Dec. 13.—Sarah Bernhardt and Mme. Refaie have each with the last week produced a new play, and although each has scored a great success neither play is likely to have a long run, for both end in sadness, and the Paris public, like audiences in London and New York, has reached the point of wanting to be amused merely when it goes to the theatre.

Bernhardt's play is "The Trial of Joan of Arc." In four acts, by Emile Moreau, whose thirty previous plays include "Madame Sans-Gene." She appears in the second and third acts only. The second act is a wonderfully successful attempt to reproduce in less than a half an hour the trial of Joan of Arc before the French bishops, priests and monks at Rouen, a trial which lasted fourteen weeks. The questions hurled at Joan and the replies with which she took them are taken word for word from the contemporary official account of the trial.

Joan's Dungeon.

The third act takes place in Joan's dungeon. She is visited by Bishop Coudon and other priests who promise to spare her life if she will sign a recantation and confess that her visions and the voices she heard were illusions. Terrified Joan signs, but no sooner has she done so than she hears the voices again and tears up the document and prepares to meet her fate.

In both acts Bernhardt was wonderful. She wore what seemed to be a chain mail reaching to the knees, with a kind of stole over it and black tights. Her voice was marvellous throughout. It might have been that of a girl of 20, its tone varied to suit each reply to her inquisitors' questions. At times it was jesting, at times strong in protestation, often sarcastic, giving by its modulations in turn the impression that it belonged to an inspired saint, a poor hunted creature and a miserable peasant tortured by savage judges.

Looked Fast.

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MYSTERIOUS POET AMONG SUFFRAGETTES

Mystery About a Poem Found at the New York Headquarters of a Votes for Women Movement.

New York, Dec. 13.—Mystery is hovering about the woman suffrage headquarters up on Fifth avenue. The cause does not look so very formidable; it is a piece of poetry. But poetry seems to be having its innings as a trouble maker just at the present time, and the suffragettes are no other woman in general herself.

The poetical composition which is being handed around came in so mysterious a way that there is not the slightest trace of its origin. One night it was not and the next morning it was—lying there smiling up from its typewritten sheet on the green blotter. Here it is:

He is not gay, he's rather glum,
The preacher to the critic numb,
The whiskers forked and looks that fly,
The rolling and impassioned eye,
With scornful look and outstretched hand,
He mocks the leaders of our band.

With scornful words upon his tongue
His gauntlet to our cause is flung,
For womankind he knows the place;
He'll do the bidding for the race,
Ambitious for the head line's glare,
With womankind he'll nothing share.

With little of a Christian's love,
His method is the boxing glove,
He rails and rants with words that vex
About a cruel war of sex.
He'd rather fight with venom's sting
Than seek the truth within the thing.

Depending on the word unkind,
To vital issues he is blind,
He cries aloud with noisy word,
But not an argument is heard.

To think that such as he may stand
In hallowed places in our land;
That sounds like his may still be heard

Where Love and Justice is the Word;
That our great cause he dares disown
To advertise himself alone!

POET FORGOT IN LUNELY VIGIL

Violet Asquith Drops Shyness in Concern for Sweetheart Who Is Ill—Spends Her Time at Bedside.

Winchester, Eng., Dec. 13.—Seeking Miss Violet Asquith to give her an opportunity to reply to William Watson's metrical attack, a correspondent discovered a pathetic situation which bids fair to attract such universal interest that the incident of the "Woman With the Serpent's Tongue" may be relegated to comparative obscurity.

The daughter of England's Prime Minister was found watching nearby the hospital in Winchester where the Hon. Archibald Gordon, second son of the Earl of Aberdeen, lies critically ill.

While Miss Asquith's name has been bandied about in connection with Poet Watson's effusion she has been enduring the agonies of suspense while the life of Archibald Gordon has hung in the balance.

Vigil Tells Love Story.

There has been an announcement of an engagement between the couple—the closest friends have hinted at it—but the tireless vigil of Miss Asquith is permitted to read its own love tale.

Through Miss Stanley, who is sojourning with Miss Asquith at the Royal Hotel here, this message was sent to the correspondent:

"Miss Asquith takes me to tell you she is entirely indifferent to anything Mr. Watson may say about her. She has met him only once or twice and has no desire to meet or speak to him again. The matter does not interest her at all. Therefore, she has no wish to say anything further on the subject."

The Hon. Archibald Gordon met with a serious motor accident near here a fortnight ago. Immediately upon receiving word of the accident, Miss Asquith motored from London to Winchester and called at the hospital.

The patient's injuries necessitated an operation. Even if it recovered from it it is certain he will never be his old self, the surgeons say. Knowledge of this has kept Miss Asquith here, hoping for her young lover's betterment.

Asquith's Son Ignores Watson.

London, Dec. 13.—Raymond Asquith, son of the Premier, talked in his chambers in the Temple about "The Woman With the Serpent's Tongue" attack on his sister, and Mrs. Asquith, his stepmother.

"I really can offer no explanation why Watson should have made such statements," he declared. "I have never met him myself, but I believe he knows my father. I have seen some of his books with inscriptions in his handwriting on them in my father's house."

"I do attach much importance to Watson's words, and I don't think any one else will. I have not seen Mr. and Mrs. Asquith lately, as they are away in the country, and my sister Violet is in the country, turning one of her friends who is sick."

SAYS DOCTOR ZELAYA REFUSED TO WED HER

Miss Hero in \$100,000 Breach of Promise Suit, Accuses Son of Nicaragua's President--Trial on Shortly.

New York, Dec. 13.—Dr. Annabel Zelaya, second son of President Zelaya, of Nicaragua, and a graduate of the medical department of Columbia University, class of 1908, appeared before Judge Bischoff in the supreme court yesterday as defendant in an action for \$100,000 damages for breach of promise brought in behalf of Miss Elizabeth Juliet Hero, a pretty Greek girl.

Miss Hero is the daughter of Mrs. Catina Troiel, of No. 23 West 137th street. She declares in her complaint that while Dr. Zelaya was a student and she was seventeen he was a persistent suitor and after a courtship of six months their engagement was announced at a dinner given by the young Nicaraguan, at which dinner, she says, he and Miss Hero received Mrs. Troiel's "Bless you, my children."

At last, the complaint says, the marriage, characterizing it as a marriage on the part of his son, Mrs. Troiel says that her daughter has more than two hundred letters written to Miss Hero by Dr. Zelaya. The trial probably will not be called for two or three days.

marriage, and in order to wear her daughter from the young man she took her to Europe in June with her other daughters, Marguerite and Josephine. Eleanor kept her secret until the attentions of marriageable men at Geneva, Lucerne and other European resorts the family visited began to annoy her. Her mother had begun to think that the young woman was forgetting Gormley. But she wasn't. She soon became very homesick and at last opened her heart to her mother.

Mrs. O'Connell then decided to start for New York, after first forgiving the bride. Tomorrow there will be published an announcement of the wedding which took place on March 20.

WAS A BRIDE BUT WOULD NOT DIVULGE

Efforts of American Girl's Parents to Forego Attention of Lover Prove Unavailing.

New York, Dec. 13.—A plump, bright eyed girl checked young Brooklyn woman who was the liveliest passenger aboard the American liner St. Louis, in last night from Southampton, startled a throng of admirers who gathered at the rail when the revenue cutter came alongside the ship, quarantined by plumping her self into the arms of young man who came up the ladder from the cutter.

The young man is Raymond Pinch Gormley, a Wall street curb broker, and the young woman is his wife. Before she was married last March she was Eleanor O'Connell, daughter of the late Dr. Joseph F. O'Connell, of Remsen street, Brooklyn. There was no marriage notice published and the mother of Miss Eleanor was as much in the dark as the general public.

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SAINT JOHN, TUESDAY MORNING, DEC. 14, 1909.

MR. BALFOUR'S POINT OF VIEW.

Mr. Balfour declares that he does not wish to deprive the House of Commons of any of its powers, which, he says, are greater than those of the representative assembly of either France or the United States. But he draws the line at the claim of Parliament to be "independent not only of the Lords but of the people." The present case is one in which Mr. Balfour claims that the people have the right to be consulted "and that right could never have been exercised had the peers not used on behalf of the people the powers entrusted to them by the constitution."

Moreover Mr. Balfour does not reject the idea of reforming the House of Lords. On the contrary he is of the opinion that the constitution of the chamber can be improved. That, however, is in his opinion not the issue at the present moment. "The Conservative leader professes to be not now defending the privileges of the Lords but the rights of the people."

Always the debate and the issue will tend to get away from the constitutional question, to the financial issue. The budget and tariff reform are placed in the scale against each other. Which will the people take? It is largely an accident that the two policies should be made direct antagonists. Mutual tariff preference could go with most of the features of the budget. But in the present situation he who takes the one rejects the other.

CONTRACT VARIATIONS.

Facts are coming to light which show that the Trans-continental commission has been in the habit of varying in many ways the contracts on the railway that have been awarded after tender. The methods of over-classification is only one of these. It is the most simple, most effective and certainly not less dishonest than any way of giving the contractor more than his bargain call for. A contractor agrees to excavate solid rock at \$1.50 per cubic yard, loose rock at 50 cents, earth at 30 cents. He starts his plough and loosens up the soil, throws it out with a shovel, and is allowed the price of solid rock. It is asserted by Assistant Chief Engineer Woods that he himself found this done. Another way revealed in papers brought down, was to agree with the contractor that he should be paid a certain price per yard for filling in an embankment with rock and stone from a neighboring cut. The cut required for the railway does not furnish sufficient material, but the contractor is allowed a special rate for "borrowed" material obtained by widening the cut. This price is changed after the contract is made and the work partly done, so that the contractor gets about one-third more than he agreed to take.

Another kind of variation has been described to The Standard, and has not yet been brought before Parliament. This is a case where the contract called for a trestle over a deep and wide chasm. Under the contract the steel-trestle was to be supplied by the commission, that is the Government. When the work was in progress the contractor proposed that instead of the steel trestle he would provide rock filling, material for which he said he was available in a bank close by. The compliant commissioners consented on condition that the cost would be no more than the trestle. To this the contractor agreed, and the Government engineers made up their estimates, and fixed the price. After a time the contractor reported that the supply of rock which could be got easily and cheaply had given out, and that the price would have to be raised. The higher price was given accordingly and the country pays the excess over the cost of the steel trestle.

COMMENT ON THE McAVITY DEAL.

The affairs of the \$35,000 take-off came up recently in Parliament and press discussion in Ottawa and other cities has been resumed. The Ottawa Journal (Independent) says:

"When Mr. G. S. Mayes made public by affidavit a year ago the operation whereby Contractor McAvity acquired \$35,000 from the proceeds of a dredging contract, his character was bitterly assailed by the faithful of the Liberal press, the St. John Sun going so far as to call him a perjurer."

But the St. John Sun has gained considerable experience in the past twelve months. Formerly enjoying considerable Government patronage in the way of inter-colonial advertisements, the Sun one day criticized editorially some features of the management of that Government railway, with the result that there was a sudden stoppage in the Government advertising patronage."

"And later the Sun stated editorially that it had been intimidated to the paper, by those whose position gave them the authority to carry out the threat that so long as the paper criticized the inter-colonial so long would it fail to receive Government patronage, and that when it did stop its criticisms the patronage would be restored."

"The Sun, in freely apologizing to Mr. G. S. Mayes for the wrong it did him, has done all in its power to right its mistake. Nevertheless the burst of abuse with which Mr. Mayes' affidavit was met, the manner in which a man, now declared to be a good citizen, was held up to the whole country as a conscienceless scamp, will go far to prevent other men from doing their public duty as Mr. Mayes did it when similar circumstances arise."

"And it is rather a commentary on Canadian public life, when a responsible newspaper can freely claim that an attempt is being made to drag it into party support by the offering and withholding of money for public services, on the part of Government officials, without on the one hand any action for libel being issued or on the

other hand any particular public notice being taken of the charge."

The Ottawa Citizen (Conservative) offers the following comment:

"Prior to the last general election the Liberal newspapers in St. John and elsewhere made rather free with the good name and reputation of Mr. G. S. Mayes. It will be recalled that Mr. Mayes made public the operation by which Mr. McAvity acquired \$35,000 of the proceeds of a dredging contract. The Government press sought to minimize the effect of the exposure by attempting to discredit Mr. Mayes and publishing reflections upon his character, and even went so far as to use the word 'perjurer' in connection with the famous affidavit. Foremost among Mr. Mayes' traducers was the St. John Sun, and it has taken that paper a year to come to the conclusion that it would be advisable, in justice to Mr. Mayes, to revise its opinion of his honesty and integrity. It has at last, however, done so by publishing the following statement:—"

The Citizen then prints the Sun's recent statement with the comments of The Standard. Following is the remark of this journal which the Citizen quotes and which it considers "apt":—

"Perhaps the Sun has been partly led to this act of 'justice by light' that it has obtained on several transactions in respect to Government contracts to which it has referred in its 'buccaneer' articles. It seems reasonable to believe from the recent attitude of the Sun toward these matters, that it now considers the exposure of rackets deals a public service."

SHORTER PARLIAMENTS.

Mr. Asquith's address in opening the campaign proposed a constitutional change which has not been much discussed. The Premier advocates the shortening of the parliamentary term to four years. Since 1716 the term has been seven years. Before that time the King-dom had a short period of triennial parliaments. On at least three occasions during the last century propositions have been made for reducing the life of parliament. The most exciting was the Chartist movement of seventy years ago. The Chartists demanded annual parliaments, but the later proposals were less radical. In 1880, the House by a vote of 160 to 110 rejected a bill to make the parliamentary term five years. In practice the life of the British Parliament has lately averaged between four and five years. The Parliament now closing is the sixteenth for which writs have been issued since Queen Victoria ascended the throne seventy-two years ago. But the right to keep Parliament sitting seven years gives the Government the power to choose a date for dissolution any time within that period, while the establishment of a four year term will have the effect of making that regular, as it would not usually be thought advisable to dissolve in three years unless the Government should be defeated. The change would favor the Liberal party to this extent that while the Lords are now in a position to send a Liberal government back to the country in four years after the election, leaving the Conservatives in power for six or seven years, the discrimination under the amended system would be much less.

HAPPY SUFFRAGETTES.

Despite all the complaints about famine strikes and prison life, the English suffragettes of the militant class are evidently getting an immense amount of enjoyment out of the game. They snatch a fearful joy out of a Guildhall dinner when they hide all day in some closet, emerging at a critical stage in a great speech to break something rich and rare and to remark "votes for women." Ministers may be best who figure as toast orators at some wedding feast, but the lady on the roof is glorious when she drops part of the chimney on the gilded coach and intimates a desire for the suffrage. To be hustled and thrown about by policemen at the door of a political meeting hall, gives the same exhilaration as the student enjoys at the awful collision of the forwards, with a prize list of broken bones to be distributed at the end of the scrimmage. How joyful to the humor loving suffragette is the picture of a great political party preparing for an address of the Premier of the Empire by searching with candles and prodding with broom handles every space in cellar and attic, in the woodbox, under the seats, in the window ledges and in every hole and corner, for some woman bent on mischief. Imagine the giddy pleasure of a woman of fashion dressing up as a cab driver and getting a politician thus under her control. Picture the charm of appearing as a Telegraph messenger boy and so forcing an entrance to the precincts of the forbidden chamber. It is true that this fleeting felicity was mitigated on a late occasion by the conspirator's failure to remember the red stripes that should run down her legs. But even these little lapses will be among the things which in after years it will be a joy to remember.

The name of Sir Alfred Jones is familiar not only in shipping circles, but in commerce and trade generally, as well as in many national and imperial movements. He has taken the lead in public and private enterprises connected with the development of the West Indies, and was there on a commercial and diplomatic mission at the time of one of the great disasters. Sir Alfred has been one of the leading figures in the congresses of chambers of commerce. He has been prominent in charitable and educational work. The great commercial city of Liverpool has produced many men who contributed to her fame and influence, and Sir Alfred Jones stood high among them.

Professor Goldwin Smith has written to the Kingston Standard objecting to the statement that he favors annexation. He says that he has avoided the use of that term. The thing which the professor advocates he calls "voluntary union." Then the statement of which he complains should read "the only avowed voluntary unionist left in Canada is Professor Goldwin Smith."

Some writer has given a humorous description of the appearance of aged and infirm Lords who voted against the budget. Canadians should hesitate about joining in this ridicule, since their own Lord Strathcona is a third oldest peer, and still holds one of the most responsible, important and laborious positions in the Canadian public service.

Canadian interest in "The Woman with the Serpent's Tongue" deepens when it is found that Miss Asquith has forgotten the poet Watson in care and anxiety for her lover, Hon. Archibald Gordon, now critically ill at a Winchester hospital, from the effects of a motor car accident. Lord Archibald is the second son of the Earl and Countess of Aberdeen, and spent part of his boyhood at Rideau Hall.

The British Columbia Conservatives have had a convention, and heard among other addresses a programme speech from Premier McBride. Afterward they passed a resolution expressing confidence in the federal leadership of Mr. Borden. They have evidently not been informed that Mr. McBride is after Mr. Borden's position.

The Liberal Sun of yesterday describes the Liberal Telegraph as "a newspaper which persistently defends the present (I.C.R.) management and is well paid for its defence."

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The following chairmen of committees were appointed: Mr. Murray Latham, basketball; Mr. George Blizard, hockey; Mr. L. Bentley, bowling. The constitution as prepared by a committee was read and adopted after some slight changes had been made. It was decided to affiliate with the Y. M. C. A. Athletic League of Canada.

Messrs. C. E. Macmichael and E. E. Church were elected vice-presidents. It was decided to present an emblem to the members who win points in different athletic games. A complete emblem consists of a blue triangle with an H inside, two wings above and two blue stripes on the trousers. Any member who represents the club at a meet or in a game gets the triangle. If he wins one point he obtains the trouser stripes; if three points the right wing; if five points, both wings; if ten points he gets the triangle. If he wins the double stripes on the trousers.

Some discussion arose as to whether members of the Y. M. C. A. who have represented the club in a game get the emblem for their past performances. On motion of Mr. E. W. King it was decided that this should be given to the club. It was decided to encourage other towns to establish similar clubs.

LATE SHIPPING

Foreign Ports.

City Island, N. Y., Dec. 13.—Bound south: Str. Ellabore, N. B. Schra McClure from Windsor, N. S.; Nettie Shipman from St. John, N. B.; Scotia Queen from Windsor, N. S.; Eva A. Danenhower from North Berwick, N. S.; George D. Edmunds from St. John; Mary L. Crosby from St. John; Abbie Bowker from Long Cove; Laura M. Hunt from Hillsboro, N. B. for Newburgh.

Vineyard Haven, Mass., Dec. 13.—Arrived—Schra Emily Anderson (Br) from Providence for Parraboro, N. S.; New York from New York for St. John, N. B. Portsmouth, N. H., Dec. 13.—Arrived—Schra Glyndon (Br) from Boston for Moncton, N. B. Hyannis, Mass., Dec. 13.—Arrived—Schra Lucille (Br) from Port Reading for St. Stephen, N. B.

Reports and Disasters.

Vineyard Haven, Mass., Dec. 13.—The schooner Nat Ayer (light) from New York for Bangor, which parted her chains and went ashore at the head of the harbor here during a violent northeast gale November 24, was floated today. She will be towed to New Bedford for repairs.

British Ports.

Liverpool, Dec. 12.—Arrived: Stms. Baltic, New York, via Queenstown; Winifredian, New York. Queenstown, Dec. 13.—Arrived: Stms. Lusitania, New York for Fishguard and Liverpool. Rosario, Dec. 10.—Arrived—Stms. Nyassa, St. John, N. B. Brown Head, Dec. 13.—Signalled: Stms. Granplan, St. John, N. B. and Halifax for Liverpool. Ardrossan, Dec. 11.—Sailed:—Stms. Glenorm, Head, St. John, N. B.

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COUNTY COURT CHAMBERS.

Liquor Appeal Cases.

In chambers yesterday morning Judge Forbes, in the O'Brien and Flood liquor appeal cases delivered judgment. In the case against O'Brien His Honor reduced the maximum fine of fifty dollars imposed by the police magistrate to the minimum of ten dollars without costs. In the other case His Honor scored Flood for selling liquor to one Bowes, who was drunk for three weeks previous to the offence, taking the ground that the appellant must have had knowledge of this state when selling Bowes a bottle of gin. He therefore dismissed the appeal with costs. Flood will have to pay the costs of the appeal. Mr. J. A. Sinclair appeared in support of the appeals and Mr. A. A. Wilson, K. C. against them.

In the case against George Cusack convicted by Magistrate Ritchie for selling liquor to one Duffy while the latter was drunk, Judge Forbes issued a summons returnable on Friday next at 11 a. m. Mr. W. B. Wallace, K. C. will appear in support of the appeal and Mr. A. A. Wilson, K. C. contra.

Final judgment was signed in the case of the Campbell Shoe Co. Ltd. vs. James J. Archibald for \$187.55. Mr. C. S. Hamilton.

Further hearing in the Miralis habeas corpus proceeding was adjourned until tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

DEATHS

Mr. Thomas Jardine.

Mr. Thomas Jardine, Sr., the last member of the firm of J. and T. Jardine, passed away at his home in Jardineville, Kent county, on Saturday after some weeks' illness. He was born at Dumfriesshire, Scotland, ninety-one years ago. He was married to Miss Agnes Orr, who died about three years ago. Mr. Jardine leaves a family of nine sons and two daughters. The sons are James and George, Rexton; William and Alexander, Jardineville; Hugh, Moncton, and Thomas and David, Vancouver; John, California; Dr. Robert, Glasgow, Scotland. The daughters are Mrs. B. A. McDonald, Jardineville and Mrs. (Capt.) Hugh, Liverpool.

Mr. Thos. Donohue.

Four days after the death of his brother, Mr. James Donohue, in this city, Mr. Thomas Donohue passed away at his home in Newcastle on Saturday. The late Mr. Donohue was in his 72nd year.

Mrs. F. E. Smith.

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ALLEGED BANK ROBBER

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Toronto, Ont., Dec. 13.—Victor Szmanski who with two others not in custody is charged with robbing the Bank of Nova Scotia, at Rainy River, of \$9,500 was today committed for trial by the magistrate. Szmanski was arrested some time ago on the Pacific coast and brought back to trial here.

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The Hestia Inquiry As Viewed Abroad

What An English Shipping Periodical Has To Say
Concerning Methods of Commissioner Lugar's
Court - Damning Evidence Against Govern-
ment's Aids To Navigation.

(From Syren and Shipping, Liverpool, Dec. 1.)

We have pleasure in giving publicity to the subjoined letter from Mr. Robert H. Kelley, of the Liverpool agency of the New York Commercial Underwriters. It will be observed that Mr. Kelley has had long and given credence to the evidence of the third officer of the ill-fated Hestia:

"To the Editor of The Syren and Shipping:
"Sir, - Referring to the paragraph in 'Insurance News' today's issue re loss of S.S. Hestia off Grand Manan, I beg to enclose a St. John, N. B., newspaper cutting, giving the other side of the third officer's story, which your writer says 'there is no reason to doubt.'
"I would also call attention to the finding of the Marine Court of Inquiry lately held in Montreal, to the effect that the cause of the disaster was the fault of the master and officers' navigation (implying error of judgment rather than negligence). Under these circumstances it is scarcely just to the interests concerned to blame either the Canadian authorities or the Bay of Fundy for the loss of this steamer, an accident which happened there as elsewhere, or to magnify the dangers of a route which is used by a great number of high class steamers throughout the year, - I am, yours faithfully,

"R. K. KELLEY.
Of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, K28a, Exchange Buildings, Liverpool, Nov. 24, 1902."

The paper's comment. The report of the St. John newspaper (the Weekly Globe) is to the effect that the government steamer Lansdowne arrived at St. John on Nov. 7 with the Old Proprietor buoy, the whistle of the third officer, which was made the day after the buoy was towed to St. John, and although the sound was not so loud as it might have been under the circumstances, yet it could be heard in the vicinity of about three-quarters of a mile. The buoy, it is said, was in fair condition and the crew were wrecked of the Hestia, and could be heard by men in small craft and fishermen that frequent the waters of Grand Manan.

As evidence, this is not worth a row of beans. That the buoy's whistle was audible a fortnight after the wreck,

when sufficient time had elapsed for tinkering up to have been effected proves nothing; the men who allege they heard the whistle on Oct. 25 should be produced. Yet, why worry about this? Capt. Lugar, the Wreck Commissioner, said:
"He did not attach much importance to the fact that the floating buoy in the Old Proprietor Reef was neither whistling nor lit up, for, in his opinion, the master was guilty of an error of judgment in trying to pick up this light in the first place."
And quoting from the same report, that of the Montreal Gazette, Mr. Boyer, on behalf of the Government, "protested against the introduction of this matter, because it had been abundantly proved that on the night of the wreck the buoy was not showing a light."

6 Damning Evidence.
The third officer said that if the light had been seen or the whistle heard the disaster would not have happened. It is admitted that the light was not burning, that the whistle was so loud as it might have been, days after the wreck; and the globe report states further what, to the unbiased mind, is damning evidence against the value of this warning to navigators in the Bay of Fundy: "The buoy will be taken apart and repairs made. Mr. Kelley suggests it is scarcely just to blame either the Canadian authorities or the Bay of Fundy for the loss of the steamer. It was distinctly unfair for the Commissioner to refuse to accept evidence concerning the course of the vessel was steering, the abnormal tides in the Bay of Fundy or the presence of magnetic attraction in certain points. The impression left on the mind after reading the reports in the Montreal papers is that the one dominating desire was to put the blame anywhere save on the shoulders of those responsible for the disaster. The Hestia inquiry is to be held by the Canadian Government concerning some of the allegations and we trust that it will be both thorough and fair. We have no wish to wrongly attribute blame, but we certainly strongly protest against even the appearance of vilifying dead men for the sake of the living, whether that course be pursued in Canada or in Great Britain. It seems to us that the entire system of Canadian wreck inquiries demands a thorough overhauling, for this is not the first unsatisfactory episode that has come to our knowledge."

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KING MANUEL'S GERMANY IS VISIT COSTLY ALL FOR PEACE

The Tipping Evil As Found at Windsor Castle - Demands For Money On Account of the Order of the Garter.

London, Dec. 13.-It is not a cheap experience for a monarch to pay a visit to the King of England, as young King Manuel of Portugal has found out.

The habit of tipping servants at the close of visits in England is often mentioned as a cause of complaint for so heavy are the fees expected that staying at a country house becomes more expensive than stopping at a very high priced hotel. Windsor Castle is no exception in this respect, and a royal visitor is supposed to leave a trail of presents behind him at the close of his stay. There is not only the lump sum handed over for distribution among the lower servants, but also the diamond pins, jewelled cigarette cases and watches presented to every one who ministers to the safety and luxury of the visitor.

King Manuel seems to have done all that was expected of him in this respect, though he will not of course rank with certain sovereigns who have left a record for generosity. The castle, Windsor has its traditions of munificence, and royal servants can tell one another the status of the late Shah, Napoleon III, the German Emperor and all the rest of the visitors there by the amounts of their tips.

Napoleon III left a great impression of generosity, but even he is out-ranked by the Emperor Nicholas of Russia, who excelled all royal guests in his munificence. When he left the castle he handed over \$10,000 in tips to the servants, and he left nearly as much again to be distributed among various charities.

Another very expensive affair for the King of Portugal was becoming a Knight of the Garter. He had to purchase all his insignia of course, with the exception of the ribbon and the actual garter. The star of the order is the most costly item, and he had to spend on this not less than \$10,000. The star that was worn by the Earl of Beaconsfield was sold after his death for \$60,000 and there are several Knights of the Order today who carry a small fortune on their breasts when wearing their robes and insignia.

Has No Adventurous Aims Dangerous to the World, Says Chancellor - Friendly to Great Britain.

Berlin, Dec. 13.-Addressing the Reichstag again Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg reviewed briefly Germany's foreign relations. English statesmen, among them Premier Asquith, in recent speeches had defined the establishment of good relations between Great Britain and Germany as an important task of statesmanship.

The new chancellor said and added that he could reply sincerely and with complete conviction and in accord with these intentions, that the true interests of both countries would be served to the extent that they approached each other in a realization of these aims.

The chancellor referred to the friendship between the Emperors of Russia and Germany and the good terms upon which the two nations had entered into the Triple Alliance and to the Moroccan agreement with France.

Aims Unknown.
In conclusion he said that certain circles endeavored to make it appear that Germany had adventurous aims dangerous to the world's peace and that Germany was bent on keeping her way in great tranquility and steadfastness, free from all nervousness.

Secretary of Foreign Affairs Von Schoen referred to a speech today to the recent pan-German criticism of Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador to the United States. One of the responsibilities of diplomat, declared Von Schoen, was to oppose imputations against the German policy when it was obvious that such imputations injured German interests. Such was the case in Count von Bernstorff's recent Philadelphia speech, he said, for "it certainly has not escaped your notice that public opinion in America has been incited against Germany."

LLOYD GEORGE TO THE FRONT

Overshadows Asquith in Political England - Radicals Regard Him As Real Leader - Balfour Would Reform Lords

London, Dec. 13.-Neither Prime Minister Asquith's speech nor Mr. Balfour's manifesto can be said to have much advanced the political situation or to have markedly stimulated interest therein. Both men excel in the House of Commons itself, but neither House of Commons nor the public outside the House of Commons has been much impressed by either of their speeches.

Mr. Asquith of course had a magnificent reception by his great and unimpaired audience, but the top notch of enthusiasm was only struck twice during the evening, once when Lloyd George entered the hall and again when he rose to propose a vote of thanks to the Prime Minister. Judging from last night the radical enthusiasts look upon him as the real leader, and not Mr. Asquith.

Other Interests.
It is difficult even impossible to confine the issue of a general election to one question, but Mr. Asquith's speech made it evident that the Liberal party will endeavor to keep the attack on the House of Lords in the forefront. Other interests must be considered, and the usual promises are held out to Vales and Ireland.

But these were not dwelt upon. The one positive pronouncement of Mr. Asquith's speech was contained in the words: "The will of the people as deliberately expressed by their elected representatives must within the limits of the lifetime of a single Parliament be made effective."
While saying he favored a second chamber, Mr. Asquith beyond the words just quoted and his declaration that "the absolute veto must go," gave no indication of how he proposed to reform the present second chamber. He proposed to reform the present second chamber, Mr. Asquith's supporters, in the words of the Daily News declare that "Campbell-Bannerman's classic resolution outlines the only practicable manner in which the problem can be solved." This means what at the time was described as the "going, going, gone method," viz: to submit the bill twice to the House of Lords and then for the House of Commons to make it a law despite the Lords' rejection.

The Unionist Attitude.
Though it is generally believed the Unionists will keep the question of the House of Lords in the background as far as possible, Mr. Balfour gives it first place in his manifesto and admits that the House is capable of improvement. The rest of the manifesto shows that the Unionist campaign will follow the lines suggested by the posters which are already appearing on the boarding all over the country, attributing the poverty, the non-employment and the distress of the millions to the Liberal Government and its policy.

In the meantime the campaign has not yet started very far from the starting line. One of the most important facts in connection with it thus far is the tacit compact between the Government and the Liberals to avoid a triangular contest where a Unionist might be let in between two parties deny that such an arrangement has been made, but its existence, if informal, is already proved by the withdrawal of candidates of both sides in many constituencies.

The chief effect of the impending fight felt in London thus far is the ruin of the Christmas season. Hostesses cannot get the right people together, the theatres are suffering and until Christmas is over politics is regarded as somewhat of a nuisance.

FREDERICTON SOLDIER AMUCK WITH WIFE

Fredericton, Dec. 13.-The police ran into a disagreeable case on Saturday night when they were summoned to the home of a soldier and his wife. The man had come home drunk and was into a wrangle with his wife. Finally, the woman says that her husband grabbed her by the hair of the head and became violent in his abuse. The woman called for help and her son responded. Together they put the man on the floor and tied him with ropes. There he remained until the police were summoned. Then he was taken to the police station. This morning Col. Marsh remanded the prisoner to jail.

The Gibson cotton mill at Marysville, which was to have resumed operations today, after a shutdown of three or four weeks, for extensive improvements, will not be running until later in the week, probably Wednesday. Owing to steam piping it has been necessary to have a new cast-iron made.

Janitor James Higgins has made good progress during the past day or two with ice-making at the curling rink and he expects to have one or more rinks ready for play by Saturday if conditions are favorable.

**DR. GOLDWIN SMITH
ON CANADA'S FUTURE**
Kingston, Ont., Dec. 13.-Dr. Goldwin Smith, Toronto, in a letter to the Standard this morning, has expressed his declaration in a recent speech before the Canadian Club, New York, that only one man in Canada was in favor of annexation, the reference being clearly to Dr. Smith. "Sir," it seems that I have been reported as advocating annexation. Let me assure you that I have studiously avoided the use of the term which implies submission on the part of Canada to the United States. That which I think seems a dictate of nature and likely as such to come to pass is a voluntary union of the two great English speaking communities on this continent for their mutual benefit and security. Social fusion seems to be already pretty complete. Yours faithfully, Goldwin Smith.

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FOR FATHER
Slippers 75c to \$3.00 Gaiters \$1.00
Overshoes \$1.60 to \$3.25 Rubbers \$2.00 to \$5.50
FOR MOTHER
House Slippers 50c to \$1.50 Overshoes \$1.25 to \$2.65
Comfort Shoes \$1.50 to \$2.50 Rubbers 70c to \$1.10
FOR BROTHER
Polishing Outfit 50c Hockey Boots \$1.75 to \$3.50
Ankle Supporters 25c Shoe Laces \$1.45 to \$1.75
FOR SISTER
Snowshoes \$2.00 Leggings 85c to \$1.50
Moose Moccasins \$1.25 Skating Boots \$1.65 to \$4.00
Gaiters 50c to \$1.00 Slippers \$1.25 to \$4.00

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**11 CANADIANS ON BOARD
ILL-FATED CAR FERRY**
Port Stanley, Ont., Dec. 13.-There were 11 Canadians on board the car ferry Bessemer, all doubts of the fate of which has been removed by finding of a lifeboat of the vessel containing nine dead men. They were Robert McLeod, captain, formerly of Kincardine, now of Connetquot; J. P. McLeod, first mate, Courtwright; F. Walker, watchman, Waterford; R. W. Higgins, Worth, fireman, Aylmer; H. Thomas, second cook, Port Stanley; E. Harvey, Aylmer; J. King, coal passer, Port Stanley; Thomas Bell, Norfolk county; H. R. Richardson, Norfolk county; O. Hazen, London, one of the crew, Michael Staruch, lies in the hospital here suffering from a fractured skull, having been valued at \$250,000, and was owned by Bessemer and Marquette Dock and Navigation Co.

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**MONTREAL MAN IS
DEAD IN CINCINNATI**
Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 12.-Thomas Fisher, of Montreal, sixth vice-president of the International Brotherhood of Painters, Paper Hangers and Decorators, was found dead in his room at a hotel today. Fisher came a week ago to attend the biennial convention of the Painters' Brotherhood. The coroner pronounced death due to natural causes.
Grand Master Black, of Amherst, made an official visit to Annapolis Royal Lodge, A. F. and A. M. last Wednesday evening.

News of a Day

Ernest Desrosiers Dead.
Montreal, Dec. 13.-The death took place at his home Saturday night of Ernest Desrosiers, K. C., fire commissioner, for Montreal. Desrosiers was a leading Liberal and in his 59th year.

Balfour Ill.
London, Dec. 13.-Hon. Arthur J. Balfour, Unionist leader, has been ill for several days. It is said he is suffering from pulmonary catarrh and over fatigue. His physicians have ordered him to rest some weeks.

Burned by Acid.
Toronto, Dec. 13.-Christo Vassil, a Macedonian, employed in the Canada plating department of the Canada foundry, fell into a vat of cyanide of potassium and was so badly burned that he died a few hours later at the hospital. An inquest is being held.

Berliot Better.
Constantinople, Dec. 13.-The condition of M. Berliot, the French aviator, who had a bad fall when his aeroplane fouled the roof of a house yesterday, was satisfactory today. His left side was bruised and it was feared that he had internal injuries, but no serious complications developed.

Assessment Paid Up.
Fredericton, Dec. 13.-At Christ Church Cathedral last evening, Dean Schofield made the announcement that the congregation's assessment of \$600 for the general missionary fund had been fully paid up, in fact the total amount raised was \$47 in excess of the assessment.

Plead Not Guilty.
Belleville, Ont., Dec. 13.-Thomas Irwin and Charles Kiseer, pleaded not guilty when arraigned on a charge of waylaying, beating and robbing of \$22. A. Brant, living east of the city. Benjamin Simpson was arrested and turned King's evidence, implicating the others. The men will be sentenced on December 18.

The Wrong Man.
Moncton, N. B., Dec. 13.-A letter received here by the police from a W. J. Osborne, business college principal, Fredericton, goes to show that the party arrested here last evening for doing with the writing of Black Hand letters received by A. S. Torrie, threatening if \$15 was not put in a certain place the Black Hand society would take his life. A large black hand was roughly sketched on the top, while blotches of blood were made in each corner.

Car Ferry Aground.
Detroit, Dec. 12.-A special from Ashtabula Harbor, Ohio, says the big

Canadian Pacific Railway car ferry Ashtabula, which runs between Port Burwell, Ont., and this port, went hard aground yesterday afternoon just outside her Canadian dock, the vessel carried a full complement of loaded cars, and in the event of a storm coming up her position is extremely hazardous owing to the possibility of the deck lode shifting.

Burned to Death.
Utica, N. Y., Dec. 13.-Herman Spencer, a farmer 35 years old, was burned to death near Guilford, N. Y., in a fire that destroyed his barn Sunday morning. Spencer was to have been married next Wednesday. Five years ago the lady whom Mr. Spencer was about to marry was planning for her wedding when her lover was killed by the cars. Two years ago she was again about to wed when her affianced husband was taken suddenly ill and died in a few hours.

Mrs. Woolverton Dead.
Woodstock, N. B., Dec. 13.-Death came suddenly to Mrs. Joseph B. Woolverton, of Northampton, a few miles below Woodstock, on Sunday morning. Her husband went out after breakfast to telephone to Woodstock and during his absence Mrs. Woolverton went up stairs to make the beds, when she was seized with a fainting spell and fell to the floor expiring instantly. About a year ago her brother, John McAfee, died in a similar manner. The deceased was about 62 years of age and is survived by her husband and a half sister, Mrs. John McLaughlin of this town.

An Important Document.
Toronto, Dec. 13.-There is now in the hands of the federal government transmitted to the Secretary of State by Hon. J. M. Gibson, who in turn received it from Hon. J. J. Foy, one of the most important documents ever sent out from the Ontario parliament buildings so far as provincial rights are concerned. It is a reply of the people of Ontario through their government to the applications and petitions sent to the federal government asking for disallowance of hydro-electric legislation. The document goes fully into every question affecting the rights of the province and answers the contentions of every petition and application for the disallowance of legislation. The right of the legislature to legislate in all things pertaining to the province is emphasized and it is made quite clear that the government of this province will not allow any check to be placed on the powers of the legislature.

Forty-eight Years in Harness.
On December 13, 1861, Senator Ellis became editor of the St. John Globe and yesterday completed forty-eight years of work on the paper. The staff commemorated the occasion by sending to the editor's breakfast table a fragrant bouquet containing forty-eight carnations, with a card suitably inscribed, bearing a legend happily linking the past and the present.

FUNERALS.
Buried Today.
The funeral of Miss Bessie Hickey was held yesterday morning from the residence of her father, Main street, Fairville. Requiem Mass was celebrated by Rev. C. Collins in St. Rose's church. Interment was made in Sand Cove cemetery. The funeral was largely attended and there were many floral tributes.

An Infant Daughter.
The infant daughter of Gertrude and Myles Dibblee was buried yesterday afternoon from the General Public Hospital.

BASEBALL WAR AT CRISIS NOW

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Winning scores at past tournaments:

Year	Five	Two	Indivi-
1901	2720	1203	648
1902	2792	1237	619
1903	2819	1227	683
1904	2737	1184	647
1905	2793	1213	651
1906	2794	1247	669
1907	2775	1164	624
1908	2927	1254	699
1909	2972	1304	691

Chicago has won a majority of the five-man events to date. In 1901 the Standards, Chicago, won; 1902, Pidelias, New York; 1903, O'Leary's, Chicago; 1904, Anson's, Chicago; 1905, Gunther's No. 2, Chicago; 1906, Furniture City, Chicago; 1907, Furniture City, Chicago; 1908, Bonds, Columbus; 1909, Lipmans, Chicago.

An indication of the growth of the A. B. C. is in the increase in the amount of money offered every year for competition.

Year	Amount
1901	\$4,592
1902	2,600
1903	4,137
1904	11,610
1905	12,418
1906	12,497
1907	20,460
1908	21,362
1909	25,000

Special to The Standard. Detroit, Mich., Dec. 13.—Already they are preparing for the annual tournament of the American Bowling Congress, scheduled to take place in this city Feb. 26 to March 15, inclusive. The managers in which teams are to show that the congress at last decided wisely.

Certainly, if preliminary preparations are worth anything, the 1910 tournament will eclipse its predecessors. One thing is sure, and that is no tournament was ever held in a building so well adapted to the purpose as the Wayne gardens, where it is proposed to put on the 1910 show.

I just want to say a word about this Wayne Gardens as a bowling alley. The building proper is 318,500 feet. That section in which the tournament will be rolled is 218 feet in length—room enough, all will admit, for alleys and grandstand. And there is to be a Brunswick tournament alley and a stand for which everyone can see every man roll.

Heretofore when the A. B. C. put on the big show, bowlers were compelled to roll by artificial light, by day as well as by night, but the Wayne Gardens is a glass enclosed building. Here artificial lighting is unnecessary after the sun goes down.

The Detroit Bowling Tournament company, organized to conduct the tournament promises to knock the slivers out of the prize money offer and Dad Myers, secretary, enthusiastically assured me \$25,000 would be in sight when the pins begin to fall.

Myers also looks for a record breaking entry. "I expect fully 400 teams of five men each," he said, and added, "the number may exceed this."

The Boosters. Back of the company which will operate the tournament is the gang of boosters now making Detroit one of the best advertised cities in the land. Headed by Milton Carmichael, who operates a rapid-fire publicity bureau, these men are maintaining a campaign calculated to let every bowler in the land know all about the 1910 tournament.

The Wayne Gardens is easy of access, being across the street from the Michigan Central depot and within 10 minutes walk of the hotel district. One hostelry in fact, is connected to the gardens by an arcade.

It is planned to distribute 15,000 entry blanks before the day entries close, Feb. 11. "We will put them in-

to every bowling alley on the continent," said Carmichael.

Special tournament rates will be made by the passenger associations and the assurance given that money will be paid 24 hours after the events close.

In addition to the 14 tournament alleys, six additional alleys, in every respect the same, will be laid upon the ground floor of the gardens, so competitors may practice in the same atmosphere and under the same conditions to be found in the tournament hall. This is an advantage not to be overlooked.

Although not the intention of the operating company to permit women to roll upon the tournament alleys, it has been suggested that they roll upon the alleys downstairs, and a tournament for them may be put on.

"I'd like to see Mrs. Mae Butterworth of Watertown, N. Y., meet Mrs. Gertrude Hall, and some of the noted bowlers," said Secretary Meyers. "I'll guarantee to get a cup emblem of the championship of the United States for them, and I am sure such a match would attract attention."

The first entry has been received. It came from the Old Dutch team of Louisville, Ky., and took in everything from soup to nuts. One five-man team, three doubles and six individuals entered and the money is up.

One point which will attract the bowlers is that every five man team will be used by the two men teams, and later by the individuals. Thus no team will have an advantage by reason of shooting at pins which have been subjected to an all-day bombardment, which is apt to make them fall easier.

If the its had only played the third game first and if it might have defeated the Invincibles in the Y. M. C. A. volleyball league match played yesterday afternoon in the association gym, but as it was they were defeated by two points to one. The first two games went to the Invincibles by scores of 21-14, and 21-16, but in the third game the its put it all over their opponents, winning by a score of 21 to 3.

The its were handicapped by being short two of their regular players, A. L. Bogart and George Roberts, the former having been transferred to Montreal and the latter being on the sick list. Their places were taken by Brown and Hazen.

The teams lined up as follows: Invincibles Left Wings. Its Right Wings.

McAlpine..... A. A. Graham
S. W. Anthony..... R. A. Armstrong
Centre.
A. B. Cohen..... Blizard
Right Wings..... Brown
Lakely..... Hazen
Mr. E. J. Robertson, physical director, acted as referee.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 13.—The ten round bout scheduled to take place between Frank Picato and Ad Wolcott before the Pacific Athletic Club in this city tomorrow, has been postponed until December 31. Picato's manager asked for the postponement asserting that Picato was suffering from an attack of grippe. He forfeited \$200 which he put up to insure Picato's appearance.

BASEBALL WAR AT CRISIS NOW

Ban Johnson, President of the American League Out With Statement Against Ward's Election—The Cause of it All.

New York, Dec. 13.—"If a break comes in the ranks of organized baseball which will put an end to the prosperity enjoyed by the club owners this year," said a National League man who favors the election of John A. Heydler to the presidency, "the man primarily to blame is Charles W. Murphy of the Chicago Club. Ever since Murphy got hold of the Cubs and made a pot of money there has been friction. The Chicago magnate has spared nobody in his criticism. He has been at loggerheads with Ban Johnson, president of the American League, for instance, for a long time. The National Commission has been called in to consider Murphy's case more than once, the ticket scalping muss in connection with the world's series of 1908 being the first serious tangle. When Murphy was recently fined \$500 for tampering with a certain minor league player, this being the penalty inflicted by the commission, was the first to put his name to this decree, thereby convincing Heydler and Johnson of his moral courage. Heydler also had nerve enough to fire several members of the Chicago team for rowdy conduct during the last series with the Pitts-

Laid Foundation. "In short, Murphy laid the foundation for the present trouble, and in so doing he provided ammunition for Brush, who has been a bitter enemy of Johnson for years. Brush, hitherto in the minority though in control of the biggest money making club in the National league, is the man who has purposely brought about the present crisis, believing that he has a chance to embarrass Johnson in view of the latter's positive declaration that he will not sit as a member of the commission if John M. Ward is elected instead of Heydler. Brush and Murphy were the first to put their heads together, and they soon found an ally in Ebbe, of Brooklyn, who has some fancied grievances against Heydler, the chief one being that Heydler upheld his uncles in actions rendered against the Brooklyn last season. The impression will not down that Brush and Murphy together helped forget to swing the Philadelphia deal in order to create a deadlock at the worst. Brush knows how to play baseball politics and his face is sure of the vote of Robison, of St. Louis. Why? Well, that is a puzzle, but it must not be overlooked that Brush allowed Roger Bresnahan to go to Robison's club as manager last year, a deal that surely weakened the Giants.

"True it is that the Giants got Murphy and Raymond as a part of this deal, but at the same time it is recalled that many persons, said Brush had secured a piece of the St. Louis club, a charge that Brush subsequently denied.

"If Brush can show five votes for Ward when the time comes therefore, he will make it unpleasant for Johnson and Heydler, unless these men stand by a trump card. If Heydler and Johnson stand by Johnson and Heydler, a baseball war."

ST. PETER'S WIN IN BOWLING

St. John the Baptist Outfit Defeated by Three Points—Telegraph Wallops Standard—Other Games.

In a good game rolled on St. Peter's Alleys last evening the St. Peter's five defeated the St. John the Baptist team capturing three points. The winners upset a total of 124 timbers and snowed the St. J. B. quintette under more than a hundred pins. St. Peter's showed championship class in all but their first string which was rather under the average. Hurley was the high man with an average of 93.13. The scores follow:

St. Peter's		
Crowley	86	88 93 267-89
Hurley	84	104 92 280-93.13
Doherty	81	76 82 242-80.23
Downing	79	77 102 258-86
Bain	65	91 71 227-75.23
Total		359 436 443 1274
St. John the Baptist		
Hennessey	90	75 63 233-77.23
Littlejohn	84	81 80 255-85
McGinnis	78	79 89 236-78.23
Gliffiths	70	66 72 211-70.13
McNeil	78	73 73 224-74.23
Total		400 374 385 1159

TELEGRAPH WINS. Considerably weakened by the absence of O'Connor, one of their best men, and with those who were present a little off color, the Standard proved easy for the Telegraph in a game played in the newspaper offices yesterday afternoon. The Canterbury street aggregation taking all four points and winning out with the comfortable margin of 79 pins.

The game strengthened the Telegraph's hold upon first place while it now looks as though the Standard would have to "divvy" up for that lunch.

The scores yesterday were:

Standard	Telegraph	
O'Leary	81 86 92 259-86.13	
McNeil	85 76 71 232-77.13	
Hazen	61 76 62 199-65.13	
O'Connor	71 65 76 212-70.23	
Total		298 303 301 902

Margin for Telegraph, 79 pins. The roll off on Black's Alleys last evening was won by C. Linney with a score of 104. The prize was a hotel, some carrying set. This evening the Insurance men and Two H's will meet when a good game is expected.

After the year's races ended for the first time, the race track for the time of the 3 feet of the Thistle. The field then was:

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YANKEES MUST RACE LIPTON

English Yachting Papers Enthusiastic in Their Demands for an America Cup Contest—What the London Field Says.

New York, Dec. 13.—Since his return home Sir Thomas Lipton has made several statements regarding his position on America's Cup affairs and has stated that while he has no definite promise from the New York Yacht Club that his challenge will be accepted he is satisfied that when his challenge is sent a race will be arranged. He says, too, that the challenge will come next March and that it will be for a yacht 90 feet on the water line, to be measured according to the rules of the New York Yacht Club.

The British yachting papers devote considerable space to the America's Cup and they argue that the New York Yacht Club in fairness must accept such a challenge. That club, however, has a way of doing as it pleases and criticism does not make it alter its stand. There are many members of the club who maintain that the cup is for speed only on a certain water line length, 90 feet, according to the deed of gift, and these members argue, "if it is for speed only on a given water line length, why has there been a tax on sail area and why have the races been sailed with time allowances? If only one factor, length is to be limited, then the first yacht home should be the winner."

A Good Fight. When the challenge comes it is probable that there will be a good fight in the club and if those who favor fair sailing have increased in numbers since the last challenge was acted on and if they can outbalance the steam yacht owners who seem to dominate the cup, then there will be a race for the cup.

The London Field, which in former years has not been a keen supporter of Sir Thomas Lipton, has recently bolstered up the Standard and the Telegraph in their efforts to arrange another race. In a recent issue it was very fully into the question and makes the argument the London Field has the cup.

It was won by the schooner America at the Royal Yacht Squadron regatta at Cowes, in the year 1859. The race was around the Isle of Wight. There was no time allowance in the race, no limit to tonnage, or any kind of displacement restriction. Then it is not likely the races ended for the first time, the race track for the time of the 3 feet of the Thistle. The field then was:

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there is no connection whatever, but the deed of gift attached to the cup in 1887 by Mr. Schuyler and any counter that may have attached to the race under the flag of the Royal Yacht Squadron when the cup was won in 1851. Nevertheless the deed of gift converting the cup into a perpetual challenge cup is not an ungenerous document, nor does it contain any terms prohibiting a fair race or debaring any club from challenging for the cup. Far from it. It contains a clause which, if both parties are agreeable, will always enable a fair race to be arranged.

No Cause to Grumble.

"No one can grumble at such a deed being attached to a challenge cup, because it is obvious that if any trophy is originally put up by a club for a challenge cup, or if it is desired to convert any old prize into a perpetual challenge cup, some deed defining the conditions thereof must be attached to the trophy. The deed of gift of 1887, the America's cup contains the following clause: "The club challenging for the cup and the club holding the same may, by mutual consent, make any arrangement satisfactory to both as to the date, course, number of trials, rules and sailing regulations, and any and all other conditions of the match in which case also the ten months notice may be waived."

"We now come to what may be described as the second era of the history of the America's cup, namely, its history subsequent to Mr. Schuyler's original deed of 1851 and the several subsequent challenges above referred to: after the deed there followed Lord Dunsraven's two challenges with Valkyrie II, in 1882 and with Valkyrie III in 1893; then Sir Thomas Lipton's three challenges with Shamrock I, in 1899, Shamrock II, in 1901 and Shamrock III, in 1903. There have thus been seven challenges. The deed of 1851, then Sir Thomas Lipton's five and five subsequent to it—twelve in all. In each of the races since the date of Mr. Schuyler's deed the clause of mutual consent, which we have quoted above, has been brought into operation, inasmuch as by mutual consent the rules and sailing regulations and any and all other conditions of the match have been those of the New York Yacht Club.

"It is therefore perfectly obvious that if Sir Thomas Lipton issues another challenge for the America's cup, requesting that under the above rule, and sailing regulations and all other conditions of the match should be those of the New York Yacht Club, as they are at present, the New York Yacht Club cannot with any sense of decency refuse his challenge. Sir Thomas Lipton is understood to wish to challenge for the America's cup under the rules of the New York Yacht Club as they exist today and no man can

make a fairer or more simple offer. Lord Dunsraven's and his own challenges in the seasons of 1892, 1895, 1899, 1901 and 1903 were accepted under the New York Yacht Club rules as they existed in those years. As it was possible to apply the existing New York Yacht Club rules to the America's cup from 1892 to 1903 it is absurd to argue that it is impossible to apply the existing rules of the New York Yacht Club to a race for the America's cup in 1911.

Easy to Accept.

"In fact of the words of the mutual clause in Mr. Schuyler's deed, which are such as to make it not only possible but very easy to the New York Yacht Club to accept a challenge for the America's cup the position of that body should it refuse would be untenable." The Field then refers to the suggestion that Sir Thomas should put up a new trophy for races between yachts that conform to his idea of what a racing craft should be. This suggestion was made by a former commodore of the New York Yacht Club, and in his paper he says, "It is difficult to see how another race can be arranged unless Sir Thomas Lipton is prepared to accept the conditions laid down in the deed of gift." It then points out that as the donor of the cup is dead his consent to modifications cannot be obtained. "To this the Field says:

"Sir Thomas does not ask for any modifications whatever. He asks for fair conditions such as the late Mr. Schuyler described in the mutual clause of his own deed, and the New York Yacht Club is unwilling to arrange such conditions the ones remains entirely upon that body. He wishes to race under the N.Y.C.'s own rules and surely any body of sportsmen can hardly refuse such a straightforward offer. To suggest that Sir Thomas Lipton or anybody else should put up a new trophy for competition between British and American yachts as a sort of substitute for the America's cup is foolish, and moreover Sir Thomas, as a member of the Royal Thames Yacht Club, the leading Irish and Scottish clubs and the Yacht Racing Association, has done all that a representative British yachtsman can do in building a 33 meter racing yacht of a type he considers desirable to support European racing."

"It is unnecessary after all he has done to deny him the right of another fair race for the America's cup. If the New York Yacht Club wishes that prize to continue to stand as the premier international trophy for competition between American and British yachts it may be prepared to accept a challenge for it under its own rules. If it does not desire that the late Mr. Schuyler's wishes in this respect should be carried out the cup must continue to remain in the possession of the club as a sort of memorial to the history of various different types of racing vessels."

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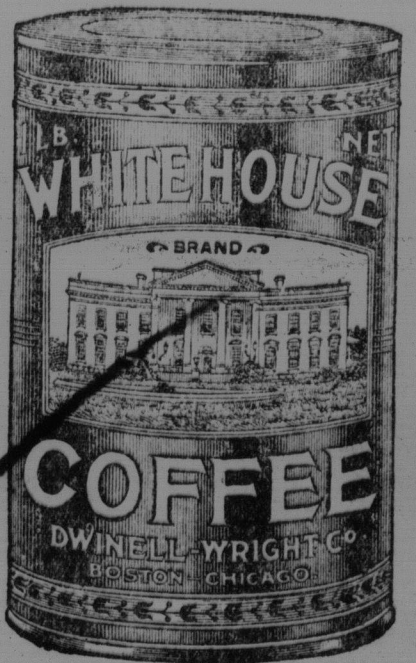
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THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Strong winds and gales from east and south, cloudy with rain or sleet.

Toronto, Dec. 13.—The disturbance which developed over the Mississippi Valley during yesterday is now over Upper Michigan and another is developing near the middle Atlantic coast. Gales with rain and snow have prevailed today on the Great Lakes and are extending into the St. Lawrence Valley.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Winnipeg, 16, 24.
Port Arthur, 16, 22.
Parry Sound, 18, 34.
Toronto, 29, 39.
London, 26, 38.
Ottawa, 14, 30.
Montreal, 16, 30.
Quebec, 12, 30.
St. John, 10, 29.
Halifax, 18, 28.

New England Forecast.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—Forecast for New England: Rain or snow Tuesday; Wednesday, colder and fair, except snow in central and east Maine high southeast to southwest winds.

AROUND THE CITY

Heavy Easterly Gale Coming.
No. 3 storm signal, denoting a heavy easterly gale, was ordered up at 11.30 o'clock last evening.

Tea and Sale This Afternoon.
The young ladies' guild of Trinity church will hold a tea and sale in the school room of the church this afternoon. Novel ideas will be introduced and the affair is expected to be of more than usual interest.

Two Anniversaries.
Today is the forty-eighth anniversary of the death of the Prince Consort who died December 14, 1861. On the same day of the month thirty-one years ago Princess Alice the second daughter of Queen Victoria passed away.

Mills Closed Down.
Now that navigation on the river has closed and logs cannot be obtained, several of the sawmills have had to shut down. Charles Miller's mill at Pokick was the first to suspend work. Last week Mr. John E. Moore's mill at Pleasant Point, Murray and Gregory's and Randolph and Baker's also closed. This leaves only Stetson and Cutler's two mills running. These will run for some time yet, possibly all winter.

Master Painters Annual Meeting.
The annual meeting of the Master Painters and Decorators was held in their hall, Market building last evening. Reports of the executive showed the association to be in good financial standing. Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: President, Mr. Joseph Stentford; 1st Vice-President, Mr. Jos. Craig; 2nd Vice-President, Mr. J. H. Tonge; Treasurer, Mr. H. L. McGowan; Secretary, Mr. John H. Leah; Trustees, Mr. R. Craig, Mr. B. T. Logan and Mr. J. Johnston; Arbitrators of Appeals, Mr. E. Wood Paul, Mr. J. T. McGowan and Mr. A. G. Staples.

Opening Of North End E. D. C.
A large number attended the opening of the Murray Street Mission in North End last evening and an enjoyable time was spent. Rev. J. J. McCaskill, Rev. David Hutchison, and Mr. A. M. Belding were the speakers, and a musical programme was carried out. Among those who took part were the following:—Reading, Mr. G. Rolfe; solo, Mr. John Benson; stentation, Mr. M. Harley; solo, Mrs. J. Smith. A full programme has been arranged for this evening, when it is expected that a large crowd will be present.

Donations To Free Kindergarten.
The following donations are gratefully acknowledged by the Free Kindergarten Association:—Clothing from Mrs. H. Miller, Miss Lewis, Mrs. J. Harry Robertson, Mrs. H. G. Rogers, Mrs. Henry, Mrs. F. Caverhill Jones, Miss Haley, Miss Skinner and Mrs. Holman; Mrs. Woodman, shaker flannel; Mr. R. A. empty boxes; Misses Brown and Knight, apples; Mr. Sead, books; Germaln St. S. S. bread and cookies; Fairville Methodist Church, brown bread and cake; Day Nursery, furniture; Miss Foss 50c; Mrs. E. C. Elkin, \$2.00; Mrs. Woodman \$6.00.
Iva Brown Roberts, vice-President.

Proceeds From the "Scottish Night".
The general committee of the St. Andrew's Society appointed some time ago to make arrangements for the celebration of Scottish night met last evening for the purpose of winding up the business in connection with the celebration. The treasurer's report showed that there had been \$100 paid admissions at the "night" which had yielded \$580.50. The expenses amounted to \$512.06 leaving a surplus of \$68.44. It was decided to give \$10 of this surplus to the St. Stephen's church Boys' Brigade to go towards their fund for uniforms, and a similar sum was voted to St. Andrew's church Boys' Brigade. The other \$48 was placed in the contingent fund of the society. A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. James Jack for his services in getting up the programme and in obtaining Lieut. Governor Fraser to deliver the address of the evening. It was decided to send Governor Fraser a history of the local society suitably bound in morocco.

Laymen's Missionary Movement.
At a meeting of the committees of the Anglican church in connection with the Laymen's Missionary Movement, held in St. Luke's church last evening, addresses on diocesan missions were heard from His Lordship Bishop Richardson and Rev. Canon Smithers. A large number were present. The meeting was presided over by Mr. H. C. Schofield. Bishop Richardson spoke briefly on the work of diocesan missions and his address was very stirring. Rev. Canon Smithers referred to the most pressing needs of the work especially in the redistribution of missionary districts and the expansion of the work. He spoke in detail of the work of a clergyman working in added missions and of the splendid work accomplished in many parts of the diocese. The speaker gave a brief statement of the financial status of the diocese and made an appeal for more earnest prayer. At the close of the meeting a hearty vote of thanks was tendered the speakers.

DR. GRENFELL WOULD CURE MILLIONAIRES ON LABRADOR COAST

Medical Missionary in St. John With Bride Looks Forward To Time He Can Cast Off Irrational Clothes.

Dr. Grenfell, the hero of the Labrador coast, felt the first touch of the rigorous winter to which he is taking his bride, when he arrived in St. John yesterday on his way to the frozen north. He spent the day here and attended a farewell reception given at the home of Mr. James F. Robertson, 4 Carleton street.

Speaking to a Standard reporter, last evening, Dr. Grenfell remarked that for him there was little preference between the climate of St. John and Labrador. "Up there," he said, "we get rid of these irrational clothes. We throw away these horrible store suits and put our feet in wide shoes which ensures their not getting frostbitten. We dress our ladies in knickerbockers and short skirts and they do not catch cold."

The Place for Millionaires.
It is positively healthy and I only wish I had some of these nervous millionaires up there. We would give them the rest cure and for once they would be isolated from telegrams, letters and money-making.

"Of course," continued Dr. Grenfell, "the solitude has its disadvantages, but it is encouraging to know that you are the best doctor within hundreds of miles. In the cities of civilization it is somewhat disquieting to feel that there is a better doctor than yourself around the next corner."

Has Written Treatise on Labrador.
Asked if he was engaged in any literary work, Dr. Grenfell said that with the assistance of his associates in the work, he had just finished an exhaustive treatise on Labrador and the book was being published by the MacMillans under that name. It would be the only work of value treating of this great country.

Dr. Grenfell expressed the highest admiration for the fishing people along the coast of Labrador.

"Are they grateful?" he asked.

"Well, they are as grateful as it is in human nature to be," was the reply. "You know that in ancient Judea only one leper of the ten that were healed gave thanks. I can only judge by their actions when I was in trouble. When the Strathcona struck the lee shore and I was wrecked, they stayed by me for days, giving every help and would not take a cent of money. That was what I call practical gratitude."

The North Pole Controversy.
Asked his opinion of the North Pole controversy, Dr. Grenfell said he believed Dr. Cook was the victor of the hallucination that he had found the North Pole and that he had not really done so, but that Commander Peary was the rightful discoverer.

Dr. and Mrs. Grenfell continued on their journey by the late train last night.

S. T. GOLDING DIED LAST EVENING FROM ATTACK OF APOPLEXY

Well Known Horseman Seized With Illness Returning From Heenan Inquest — Passed Away On Reaching Home.

Death came with startling suddenness to a well-known citizen last evening when Mr. Stephen T. Golding was stricken with apoplexy on his way home from attending the Heenan inquest as a juror, and died a few minutes after reaching his residence. Mr. Golding was not in his usual good state of health yesterday, but considered it his duty to attend the coroner's inquest and sat through the inquiry last evening without a complaint. He was accompanied home by two friends and called into Mr. Burpee Brown's drugstore for treatment. He became unconscious while in the store and Dr. Thomas Walker was called. Mr. Golding was taken home in R. T. Worden's coach.

On his arrival home he rallied slightly but his breathing soon became worse and he passed away in a short time.

Mr. Golding was 70 years of age and had been in the livery stable business in St. John for forty years. He always took a deep interest in everything pertaining to horses and for years was director of the old Moosepath Trotting Park Association. He also drove his own horse in races in this city and in Fredericton and his speedy trotter Queen scored many victories. Of late years Mr. Golding's services were much sought after as a starter in local races and he held a license from the International Trotting Association for such work. He was also prominently connected with the importation of some of the best blooded stock in the province and was a director of the St. John County Agricultural Society.

Mr. Golding was born in Wickham, Queens county. He is survived by his widow, one brother, Mr. A. Wellington Golding, of this city, one son, Mr. Ernest Golding, city editor of the Sun and one sister, Mrs. O. G. Branscombe.

Successful Operation.
Word has been received from New York that Mrs. C. A. Stockton, who underwent a serious operation last week, is rapidly recovering. The operation promises to be entirely successful.

An Attack of Measles.
A sailor from the S. S. Hesperian was taken yesterday to the epidemic hospital suffering from an attack of measles. The boat will be well fumigated.

HITCH IN PLANS TO LEASE GREENHEAD LOTS TO CRAIG CO.

Committee Yesterday Refused To Grant More Land Or Permit Export Of Limestone May Abandon Project.

There now seems some question of the David Craig Company will locate on the city's property at Greenhead, as the company and the sub-committee appointed by the common council are at loggerheads over the final wording of the lease. The Craig Company asked for two changes in the agreement as drawn up by the recorder and at yesterday's conference between the committee and representatives of Mr. Craig the members of the committee present were opposed to any such change.

Those present at the meeting included Ald. Likely, the chairman; Ald. Scully and Ald. Vanwart, the recorder and common clerk and Mr. A. A. Wilson, K. C. and Ex-Ald. McGowan, representing the company.

The recorder found it necessary to fix the public road to Greenhead at the southern boundary of the lots to be leased to Mr. Craig and this took away from the company a large tract which the general committee of the council voted to grant to Mr. Craig but which is really under lease to Randolph and Baker. In lieu of this property Mr. Craig asked to have the lease of the two lots adjoining the Dunn property. The aldermen voted to entertain the application. They believe that Mr. Craig has quite land enough.

To Export Raw Material.

Permission was also asked by the company to be allowed to export raw material such as limestone from the property. Mr. McGowan for the company assured the committee that it was not proposed to make a business of exporting, but that Mr. Craig might want to take some of the limestone to make the aggregate in his works near Boston.

The committee felt that they were not justified in recommending that permission be given and the opinion was expressed that the activities of the company should be confined to manufacturing and exporting.

After the meeting, Mr. Wilson said that Mr. Craig had intimated that if there was any further holdup on the part of the council, he would abandon the project of locating in St. John.

Mr. McGowan said that the company's plant near Boston, was running full blast and was looking for orders for concrete houses that they could fill.

GEORGE WILEY HAD NARROW ESCAPE IN SAND POINT SLIP

Falling Between Hesperian And Wharf Was Carried Away By Tide — Rescued When Sinking For The Last Time.

George Wiley of St. John street, Carleton, had a narrow escape from drowning in Sand Point slip about 2 o'clock yesterday morning. He was working at No. 2 hatch on the Allan liner Hesperian and while landing a sling of freight to send down the gangway he was struck by a case and fell between the steamer and the wharf.

Hearing his cries for help one of the men working with Wiley was lowered over the side of the wharf. Mr. Wiley had gone down the second time and when he again rose to the surface the tide had carried him farther out the slip. Letting go of the rope his rescuer swam to him and caught him as he was sinking for the last time.

A rope sling was made fast around him and he was hoisted on to the wharf practically unconscious and with blood flowing from his mouth and nose. He was carried on board the steamer where the ship's doctor attended him. After regaining consciousness he was removed to his home in St. John street.

F. M. A. Smoker.
The smoker held by the Father Mathew Association in their rooms in St. Malachi's Hall, last evening proved very successful. There was an exceptionally good attendance. The following literary and musical programme was carried out: Vocal solos, Frank Hazel, John Simmons, C. A. Conlon, L. Sharkey; Violin and piano solo, W. J. Conway and Frank O'Hara; Readings, G. M. McDade, M. E. Agar, J. B. Dever, P. X. Jennings, A. McCuskey, L. A. Conlon and Wm. F. Higgins. At a meeting held during the evening G. Manning McDade was appointed manager of the basketball team and Jos. Halpin was elected captain with Frank Hazel vice captain. The F. M. A. team will play the St. Peter's Working Club.

Special Clearance of Fall and Winter Waists at M. A. A.'s.

Another great money saving opportunity commencing this morning, in Wash Goods Department. An exceptional clearance of manufacturers' samples and odds and ends in Flannelette, Lustre, Cashmere and Beaten Blouses and Handkerchiefs and Net Waists. The values are most unusual and as the quantity is limited, it would be well to call early if you desire to secure some of these bargains. Sale starts at 8.30.

Truant Officer's Report.

The report of Mr. J. Boyd McMann, truant officer, for November, shows that sixty-five boys and twenty-four girls were absent from school during the month. There were fifteen boy truant, five of these being from the Albert street school.

Mr. Hugh H. Reid, who underwent an operation on Saturday, is improving.

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We have the complete KODAK line.
Prices from \$1.00 up.
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GREATEST SHOE STORES.

SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

He gives twice who gives wisely.
To be long remembered, buy at our stores.
Add to the joy of giving the knowledge that your gifts are appreciated.

A visit to our stores at any time from now until the end of the holiday season will reveal to the observer thousands of pairs of Boots, Shoes, Slippers, Moccasins, Leggings, Overshoes, Rubbers, etc.

Yearly the custom of presenting the members of one's family with an article of footwear is increasing and just so, for where is the person that cannot admire and use such a gift?

For Men
Waterproof Boots
Walking Boots
Patent Gait Boots
Waterproof Overshoes
Snowshoes and Moccasins
Evening Shoes
House Slippers
Rubber Boots

For Women
Fancy Evening Slippers.
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Heavy Walking Boots.
Warm Overshoes
Warm Felt Slippers
Gaiters and Leggings.
Snowshoes and Moccasins
Comfortable House Slippers

For Boys and Girls
Skating Boots
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Snowshoes and Moccasins
Leggings and Rubbers
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For Christmas

We have a stock of the CONFECTIONERY.
PERFUMES in pretty packages, 25c to \$5.00 each.
TOILET SOAP in boxes, 25c to \$1.00 each.
EBONY HAND MIRRORS, 75c to \$2.50 each.
EBONY HAIR BRUSHES, to match mirrors.

E. CLINTON BROWN,
DRUGGIST,
Cor. Union and Waterloo Sts.

A sale that means something is the public demonstration at the corner of Main and Bridge streets. Pigeons' clearance bargains are the greatest money savers ever inaugurated.

Interviewed Mr. M. J. Butler.
Mr. W. M. Collins returned yesterday from Ottawa where he has acted as delegate from the St. John division of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees. Together with the delegates from other cities of the Maritime Provinces, he interviewed Mr. M. J. Butler, Deputy Minister of Railways and Canals in regard to the classification of clerks and the accompanying increase. Mr. Collins stated last evening that he was not prepared to talk on the result of the interview and would only say that Mr. Butler had viewed their proposals favorably.

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Ever Ready, Tubular \$1.50
" " Pocket 1.30
" " Miniature Nickel 1.80, 2.00
Extra Batteries, all sizes, 40 cents

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A fine blue suit or a black sack suit correctly cut and skillfully tailored in true "1910" style—that the sort of holiday apparel YOU need! \$16, \$18, \$20, and \$25 are the prices, and the value is exceptionally good.

For evening dress, our \$25 suits of most recent style (this winter's mode) embody all one could desire. And of course our line of business suits is replete with good things in tweeds and worsteds of newest cut and fashion. A good large line of excellent suits at \$10 to \$25.

FOR CHRISTMAS our fancy knit vests make welcome gifts. Exclusive patterns—only two or three of a kind in stock, \$2 to \$5.

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To Men and Boys
They Appreciate Them Most

There is no gift a man appreciates so much as one he can put into immediate use—one that adds to his personal comfort. It is just such gifts as these that we have been gathering from the markets of the world for months past; they are now at your disposal.

VISIT THE J. N. HARVEY STORES. IT WILL PAY YOU.

Men's Overcoats.....	\$5.85 to \$22.00	Dressing Cases.....	\$2.50 to \$15.00
Men's Suits.....	\$4.95 to \$20.00	Suit Cases.....	\$1.75 to \$17.50
Men's Trousers.....	\$1.00 to \$4.50	Club Bags.....	\$2.00 to \$9.50
Boys' Overcoats.....	\$3.50 to \$15.00	Combination Sets.....	.75c. to \$1.50
Boys' Suits.....	\$2.00 to \$15.00	Sweaters (Men's).....	.75c. to \$3.75
House Coats.....	\$3.50 to \$5.00	Sweaters (Boys').....	.50c. to \$1.50

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J. N. HARVEY, TAILORING AND CLOTHING,
199 to 207 UNION STREET.

The Christmas Showroom Is in Full Holiday Trim

Satisfaction in shopping applies especially to early shoppers

Of course you're in need of a number of Christmas gifts, one for mother, another for sister, probably one for an intimate friend and so on. This immense display of art goods will suggest things beautiful and useful that will make delightful presents.

You will be able here to fill many of your Christmas needs at moderate cost. Hand-Wrought Metal Wares, in Russian Hammered Brass, Burnished Spun and Japanese Brass. Electric Lamps, Electric Light Shades, Banquet Lamp Shades, Rich Cut Glass, Dresden, Crown, Derby and Limoges China. Toilet and Manicure Sets in Sterling, Plated and Art Silver. Artistic Den Ornaments. Other goods too numerous to mention.

A FEW GOOD GIFT HINTS:

PORTIERES, in Tapestry, Rep. and Silk, pair.....	\$4.00 to \$20.00	BED COMFORTS, each.....	\$1.40 to \$2.00
COUCH COVERS, each.....	\$1.50 to \$7.00	DOWN QUILTS, extra soft quality, ventilated, each.....	\$5.25 to \$30.00
SOFA CUSHIONS, each.....	\$1.00 to \$5.25	SHIRT WAIST BOXES.....	\$2.00 to \$5.00
ART SILKS, for Mantel Drapes, Screen fillings, work bags, sofa cushions etc. yd. 75c. to \$1.25		CEDAR CHESTS, moth proof, each.....	\$7.25 to \$17.75
MANTLE DRAPES in silk each.....	\$2.90 to \$7.25	SEWING SCREENS each.....	\$4.50 to \$7.00
ENGLISH WOOL BLANKETS pr.....	\$2.90 to \$7.25	CHILDREN'S SIZE, each.....	\$3.00 to \$5.00
SCOTCH WOOL BLANKETS.....	\$9.25 to \$14.00	TEDDY BEAR CRIB BLANKETS, white wool, pink and blue borders, each.....	\$1.50
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