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St. John, N. B., Sept. 13, 1904.

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## WHOLE FAMILY DIE IN FLAMES.

Father, Mother and Four Children Burned.

Awful Fire in New York Tenement—Heroism of Police and Firemen Saves Many.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Six persons in one family were burned to death and six others were injured seriously in a fire which partially destroyed a tenement building at numbers 68 to 70 First street early today. More than twenty families were asleep in the building and thrilling acts of bravery accompanied their escape, which was compassed by the firemen and the police.

It was shortly after two o'clock when the alarm was given. Over a crowd of street police reserves from three precincts were hurried to the scene. Within a few moments that had elapsed the flames were found to have gained great headway from the first floor and the neighborhood was in a panic of terror. Women and children were being dropped from the windows of the lower floors and dozens of women were fighting in the hallways to reach the open air.

A policeman clambered to the roof of an adjoining building and by clinging to the cornice, with the smoke pouring into his face, reached down to the windows of the fifth floor and raised seven children who were handed out by their parents. Another officer, winding a coat about his head, entered the building from below and reached down the stairs the body of a half suffocated man. Three times the officer was back from within carrying two persons in his arms. Then he fell, exhausted.

Ladders had been run to the top of the building, firemen climbing up rescued at least twenty tenement dwellers who were about to jump. They sought to reach the ladders first, but were thrust back while the women and children were taken out. One fireman, although badly burned, took several persons from a single window on the fourth floor. When the work of rescue had been completed and the flames came under control, the firemen hurriedly searched the crowded flats and on the fourth floor they found six dead. They were Onda Konytchak, his wife, two sons, three months old.

Those injured sustained hurts chiefly by jumping from the lower stories. Police Capt. McDermott and the firemen, first, read the burning building believe the fire was of incendiary origin and it is probable that an investigation will be made. William Shreman, the janitor of the building, says that an attempt was made to set fire to the tenement last night. A woman who lives across the street from the tenement house, says that shortly before the fire broke forth she saw two men steal from the house and disappear.

## MORE FRENCH SHORE TROUBLES.

French and Newfoundland Fishermen on the Verge of War—British Warships Sent For

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Sept. 13.—The difficulties between French and colonial fishermen on the French shore are continuing to grow more acute. On Saturday a British warship, on the demand of the colonial government, stopped a party of colonial fishermen who were fishing in the French waters. On Friday, on the fishing banks fourteen men, armed with knives, from a French fishing vessel, were seen to be attacking a British warship with a piece of clothing, boarded a colonial vessel and carried off her whole stock of fish. Five days previous another French crew did the same thing, the French captain being armed with a revolver. In another section a French vessel deliberately ran down and nearly sank a colonial fishing smack. Grave apprehensions are felt respecting these outrages. British warships will be asked to punish the offenders.

## GIRLS FIGHT DUEL.

Two Beautiful Cousins Clash Over a Youth.

MADRID, Sept. 13.—Jealousy has led two young women, Maria Vega Gonzalez, aged 19, and Maria Gonzalez Garcia, aged 18, to fight a duel under extraordinary circumstances and with fatal results to both. They were cousins, and both were exceedingly beautiful. Unfortunately both had fallen in love with a young and handsome youth who refused to show a preference for either. Their jealousy of each other grew so intense that they finally decided to fight a duel to the death. The encounter took place yesterday. Providing themselves with knives, they climbed out on the roof of an untenanted house, and, taking off their upper garments, attacked each other with great fury. The fight was witnessed by several spectators from a house opposite, and is described as being of an exceptionally desperate character. Both girls were soon covered with blood. They constantly became "locked" together, and hacked at each other's back with their knives. The spectators shrieked loudly for the police, but when they arrived and succeeded in getting across the roof both girls were lying across each other, mortally wounded, presenting a fearful spectacle. One died while being taken to the hospital, and the other succumbed a few hours later.

Yesterday morning a young steer, owned by John F. Taylor, of Rothesay, was found dead not far from the highway. Examination revealed the fact that death had been due to a rifle bullet. It is believed that the rifle was accidentally fired, presumably by a boy.

## RUSSIANS AFRAID OF CHINESE JOINING JAPS.

Situation in Manchuria is Menacing --- Report That Three Thousand Russians Were Captured is Denied.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 13.—The emperor has received a despatch from General Kuropatkin announcing that a considerable force of Japanese had been seen about 25 miles southwest of Mukden. No further engagements are reported.

## REAR ADMIRAL RECALLED.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 13, 3.31 p.m.—The report published in Paris today that Rear Admiral Prince Ouktomsk had been tried by martial, sentenced to death and shot for disobeying the order not to return to Port Arthur after the sortie of the Russian squadron, Aug. 10, is untrue. He has not been tried by court martial, but will be recalled.

## NOTHING NEW.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 13, 1.15 p.m.—No change is reported in the situation at the front and no information is obtainable here of the reports that General Kuropatkin is moving northeast of Mukden.

## 3,000 RUSSIANS NOT CAPTURED.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 13, 1.10 p.m.—The war office authorities the Associated Press to deny the report circulated by the Morning Post of London to the effect that three thousand men of Lt-General Zassachtch's corps had been captured, to deny the report from the same source that he had been wounded and to also deny the statement from Tokio that dumdum bullets were used by the Russians at Liao Yang.

## DANGER FROM CHINA.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 13, 1.10 p.m.—The Russ reports that Chinese troops are concentrating in the valley of the Liao river. The report is causing considerable concern here. The Bourge Gazette thinks it probable that the Chinese government will propose to guard and administer the territory actually occupied by the Japanese, adding: "To this Japan doubtless will readily acquiesce, as it will relieve Japan of guarding her lines of communication. In other words, regular Chinese troops will become auxiliaries of the Japanese and the Japanese army, thus relieved of the necessity of protecting its rear, and last, but not least, will set free all the strength of the Japanese forces to operate against the Russian China this would become actually the ally of Japan. If the reports are confirmed not only Russian but other powers must intervene to show China what the limits of strict neutrality means."

RUSSIAN CRUISER AT 'FRISCO. SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—Warships on cargo to Japan jumped yesterday from a quarter of one percent to from three to five per cent, as a result of the arrival of the Russian cruiser Lena in this port.

ST. FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—Early today a destroyer, the U.S.S. Albatross, G. C. Davidson, commanding, was sent to an anchorage off the Union Works close to the Lena. Later the Paul Jones was reinforced by a steam launch from the Marehead in charge of midshipman Davis, with an armed crew, assisted by the launch as a picket and a patrol the Paul Jones will keep a close watch over the Lena as long as she remains in the harbor. The Japanese laws are rigidly enforced. Both for and against her vigilance is being exercised that no fanatic Japanese attacks the Lena or repeats the Maine incident in this port, and equal vigilance is being exercised to see that she herself receives no military help in the shape of arms, ammunition or equipment, or any coal beyond the quantity to which she is entitled, namely, enough to carry her to the nearest home port. Every boat that approaches the Lena is arrested by the alert launch until officers in charge are satisfied that the boat's errand is legitimate.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 13.—Secretary of the Navy Morton today received a report from Rear Admiral Goodrich, commander-in-chief of the Pacific fleet, stating that he had an inspection made yesterday of the Russian ship Lena at San Francisco, and that she was genuinely in need of repairs. The report states further the nature of the repairs said to be necessary, but the officials of the navy department decline to make this part of the telegram public. The report has been referred to the state department for action.

Admiral Goodrich's report shows that to make temporary repairs to the boilers and machinery of the Lena, according to the naval experts' opinion, would require about six weeks' time. The captain of the vessel claims that it needs new boilers and if the request to be allowed to put these in is granted no less than eight months' time will be required to make the change. State and navy departments officials were in conference this morning and the indications were that the temporary repairs would be allowed.

PARIS, Sept. 13.—The Journal's Liao Yang correspondent, having ridden to Tsien Tsin, sends the following uncensored despatch under date of Sept. 12 at 6 p. m.: "The first part of the campaign may be considered lost. The Russian army has retreated northward in the direction of The Pass or farther. The Russian army's inferiority in men, guns and enthusiasm prevented Kuropatkin's retreating longer at Liao Yang or achieving at Tsien a victory which

would have obliged the Japanese to fall back. The Japanese will shortly triumphantly enter Mukden. "The Russian general staff now estimates the Japanese forces at 450,000 to 500,000. The Russian army will concentrate in the north, but it needs several months in order to fill up the losses in a number of corps, which must be doubled, and to replace reserves by active troops. A Russian offensive movement will be impossible for a long time. Should Russia be determined to continue the effort it, might still vanquish, but at a cost wholly disproportionate to the results. As an impartial witness, I am convinced that it will be to the best interests of the belligerents to sink national pride and by mutual concessions end a war which otherwise will ruin both."

HOME AFTER 54 YEARS. Old New Brunswick Returns from Long Residence in the Great West.

When the Montreal express pulled into the depot today an elderly gentleman stepped lightly from the train and in so doing placed for the first time in fifty-four years his foot in the City of St. John. The gentleman in question is Samuel Calhoun, a native of Shepody Cape, N. B., who went west when a young man. Mr. Calhoun is a brother of E. A. Calhoun, of Rothesay, and it was to see this brother, that he left his adopted home on the Pacific Coast to take the long trip across the continent. Mr. Calhoun is an active man and says he thoroughly enjoyed the trip. He thought that possibly he might meet his brother here and made a careful search of the depot for him. He was not sure whether he would recognise him or not. He went out to Rothesay on the express.

Talking to a Star reporter Mr. Calhoun says that the West is bound to be the greatest country in the world. He has been all over the coast from Panama to Alaska and during the last twenty years has resided in British Columbia. Everything he says is on a huge scale, the mountains, trees and all the resources of the country. It is only now that the people of the coast are awakening to the great possibilities of trade with the far east, a trade in which there are millions to be made.

Mr. Calhoun left Shepody Bay in 1850, going to New York. In 1853 he landed at San Francisco, having made the journey via the Isthmus of Panama. His trip across the isthmus was made with the assistance of mules and was a very hard journey, particularly so when compared with the luxury with which he was just making the return trip.

Mr. Calhoun has not yet decided whether he will go back or not, but the chances are that he will not return, as all his relatives are in this country.

HE RECEIVED HIS PAGES. (Philadelphia Public Ledger.) A young man who was working for a publishing company, when one of the directors and asked him for a page to some distant point. "You have been working for us some time," inquired the official. "Yes, sir," the young fellow answered. "No sir," answered the employee. "Well, if you were working for a farmer would you have the nerve to ask him to harness his horses and take you to a certain part of the country?" the director asked. "No, sir. But if he had his horses all ready and was going to that point, I would call him a very mean farmer if he refused to take me," was the young fellow's reply.

LOST CHILD FOUND. Flossie, the little daughter of Wm. Newman, 38 Simonds street, caused her parents some anxiety last evening. She went out early and when she had not returned at a reasonable hour, they started out to look for her. The little one followed the Salvation Army and with a companion went to Market Square, where a quack was selling medicine. She got home by ten o'clock.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION. WANTED—At once, an experienced laundry girl. Apply to GLOBE LAUNDRY, Waterford street.

## TRAIN ROBBERS MAKE BIG HAUL.

Reported to Have Stolen About \$20,000.

Held Up Rock Island Express and Got Away—100 Men in Pursuit.

DAVENPORT, Ia., Sept. 13.—A Rock Island train, which left Chicago at 6.00 o'clock last evening, was held up near Letts, shortly after midnight. The safe in the baggage car was blown open and its contents taken. The messenger says there was no money in the safe. There were five men engaged in the holdup, according to the conductor. No one was hurt, and the passengers were not molested. A special train with twenty-four men on board left Muscatine at 3.20 a. m. Another special with eight men left West Liberty and a third special is to leave later from Davenport, Rock Island, Ill., for the scene of the holdup. The robbers took the engine, but left the engineer and fireman with the passengers. They started westward in the direction of Letts.

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—The local officials of the Rock Island road confirmed early today the report of the holdup on the road, but had received no particulars.

MUSCATINE, Sept. 13.—It is reported here that the robbers secured \$20,000 to \$25,000. A posse, numbering one hundred men, has left here in pursuit of the hold-up men.

DE MOINES, Sept. 13.—Supt. Quick declares that the robbers got very little money.

## CONSERVATIVE CAMPAIGN.

(Special to the Star.) MONCTON, Sept. 13.—Hon. F. Chase Casgrain, M. P., of Quebec, and E. P. Clarke, M. P., of Toronto, will address public meetings at Moncton, Amherst and other places in the provinces commencing Saturday evening, 24th, at Moncton.

## BUTCHERS REPORTED.

Several City Merchants Neglected to Take Out Licenses.

The following persons have been reported by the police for selling fresh meat in the city without a license. The offences are all dated September 12: F. E. Williams, 91 to 94 Princess street; P. G. Gorman, 23 Waterloo street; J. McDonald, 31 St. Patrick street; J. McDonald, 1 Brussels street; E. & J. McDonald, 113 Brussels street; J. V. Holland, 133 St. Patrick street; T. Lawson, 153 Brussels street; McGivern, 206 Sydney street; J. E. Murphy, 188 Sydney street; Lilly and Son, 31 Charlotte street; F. L. Purdy, 96 Wall street; J. McAuley, 198 Queen street; R. Treacart, 204 Brussels street; C. E. Babbitt, 77 Sydney street; J. H. D. Turner, 19 King square; L. G. Belven, Sydney street.

Through a mistake the name of J. H. Walker, grocer, King street, appeared on the list. Mr. Walker took out his license long ago.

These licenses to sell fresh meat are supposed to be taken out on May 1st but usually are not taken out till October. This year it was decided to report all who had not taken out their licenses at the end of three months.

## I. O. R. STATION REPAIRS.

Work was commenced this morning by Wm. J. Thomas on repairs to the floor of the depot. Mr. Thomas has a big crew of men at work and expects to rush the job through in lively fashion. Some time ago repairs were made to the trucks and in some places they were slightly raised. Mr. Thomas will lay new asphalt wherever it is necessary to bring the floor up to the level of the rails. In all it is expected that it will require twelve hundred yards of new asphalt to make the necessary repairs.

Trinity Precinctory No. 897 R. B. K. will meet in Orange Hall, Gorman street, at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening.

Crown, good dark flour, \$3.50 per bbl. Sweet Home, good family flour, \$5.45 per bbl. Kent Mills Flour, \$5.50 per bbl.

The wholesale price of Kent Mills today is \$5.75 and this offer will only last for a few days, so buy at once from

## The 2 Barkers, Ltd.

100 PRINCESS STREET.

## Big Sale Now Going On!

DRESS GOODS, PRINTS, GINGHAMS, ETC. SKIRTS, WAISTS, WRAPPERS.

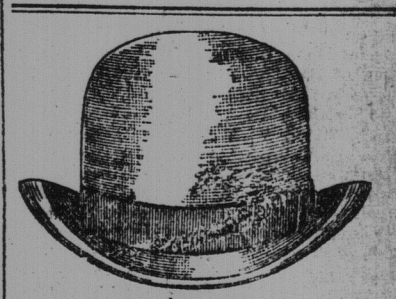
BOYS' CLOTHING At Less Than Cost Price.

## SHARP & McMACKIN

335 Main St., North End.

## THE WEATHER.

Forecast—Moderate north shifting to northeast winds; fine and cool today and on Wednesday. Synopsis—Rain fell generally in the maritime provinces yesterday and heavy locally. Very heavy frost occurred in the Northwest last night. Winds to Banks, moderate to fresh northerly, and to American ports, moderate to light north to northeast. Highest temperature during past 24 hours, 68; lowest temperature during past 24 hours, 48; temperature at noon today, 69.



James Fall Derby.

## Hawes' \$3.00 Hats

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47 KING STREET.

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Property and works of The St. John Pulp Company, Limited (In Liquidation), situated at Miscoe, Saint John County, New Brunswick. The Mill Property of the Company comprises over three hundred acres. Works are situated on the Miscoe River, a quarter of a mile from the sea and six miles by water from the City of Saint John. The wharf accommodation is ample. Works are new and substantially built of pressed brick, fitted with modern and up-to-date appliances, including electric plant, and are capable of producing two hundred tons of pulp per week. There is room in the present building for additional plant, which when installed would double the output. The mill dam is substantially built of stone and is about fifty feet high. Water is taken to the turbine wheels in an iron flume five feet in diameter, which gives ample supply for driving machinery and pulp making. Tenders for purchase of above described property will be received by the undersigned up to October first, 1904, the highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Further information will be supplied on application.  
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Extractions when teeth are ordered.  
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**ABSURD FINANCE.**

The near probability of the time when the people will have a chance to vote their opinion of the government's Grand Trunk Pacific policy is responsible for the revival of that ridiculous assertion, first made by Mr. Fielding a year ago, that the total cost of the scheme to the country would only be \$13,000,000. Considering that there are only two parties to this plan for the building of about 3,000 miles of railway at a cost of about \$200,000,000, and that the other party, the Grand Trunk Company, has assured its shareholders that their share will cost them nothing, it would appear that the government has a miracle or so up its sleeve somewhere.

But that any intelligent man in enlightened Canada can be induced to accept that absurd assertion at its face value is as wonderful a thing as would be the assertion's fulfillment. Just look at it a minute. The government proposes to build outright, at a cost of about \$55,000,000, 1800 miles of railway from Moncton to Winnipeg and to guarantee about 3-4 of the cost of the section from Winnipeg to the coast, which the company, which is to own the whole road when completed, is to build for itself.

Now, though the country becomes liable for many millions by its guarantee for the western section, it is possible that if the road makes sufficient money for the company, we may never be called upon to make good that guarantee. But for the eastern section we incur a direct debt, a debt which must be paid some day. True, as Canada's credit is pretty good, that day may be away in the future, but some day that \$55,000,000 must go back to those who borrow it from or to somebody else, who may inherit the debt from the first lender. In addition to this, as the company is to have the use of the section rent free for ten years, we must pay several millions more in interest during this time.

But because after ten years is up the company has agreed to pay three per cent. interest on the cost of construction—we will have to pay more than that for the money—Mr. Fielding, ignoring altogether the original debt or blindly assuming that because the company pays part of the interest it becomes responsible for the whole debt, justly declares that this ten years' interest—which must be paid out of hand—is the only contribution which the government is making toward the construction of the railway.

It is exactly the same line of reasoning as that adopted by the man who, after running a bill at his laundry, receiving notification that a certain sum of money would be welcomed by that trusting merchant, makes out a note for the amount, signs it, sends it and signs with relief as "Wash," "thank the good Lord, that bill's paid."

**A DIFFICULT DECISION.**

The Liberal leaders are in council today at Ottawa trying to decide on a date for the election. Ever since the house closed they have been scattered over the country sizing up the situation and trying to figure what possibility there is that their chances next year will not be even worse than they are now. If they have found any ground for hope that the slump in the stock of popularity will not go any further they will certainly hang on to power as long as the law allows, postponing their appeal until next year. But if those who have been spying out the land have come back convinced that their prospects are steadily growing worse—that ominous as is the outlook today, it will be still worse tomorrow, the government will probably decide to plunge at once and within a few days announcement of dissolution will be made.

Viewing the situation from the Conservative standpoint the latter decision seems the more probable. The government has undoubtedly lost a lot of ground since last fall, when they were in the same quandary of decision between present and future ills. The midwinter bye-elections indicated great loss in New Brunswick, Quebec and Ontario and the effect of those elections has been to add greater momentum to the current of public disapproval, which will sweep the present government to destruction.

This momentum is increasing, and unless the soon-departing gods have already made them altogether mad the Liberal leaders, while the G. T. P. Company contribution is still intact, will probably face what dangers threaten now, rather than wait for others they know too surely of.

Mr. Tweedie has not yet completed his cabinet. It is suggested that he cannot find a suitable surveyor general in St. John, and that in all the other counties the government is handicapped by the hateful highway act—Sun.

September comes with sapphire eyes  
And hair of fine spun gold,  
She walks the fields in gorgeous glee,  
Her garments, fold on fold,  
Embroidered with the golden grain  
And silvered o'er with summer rain.

Above her bend the sapphire skies  
Where fleecy clouds unfold,  
Around her all the glory lies  
Of all the fields of gold.  
In every tint and shade and hue  
Of gold, of crimson and of blue.

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Has stood the test for nearly sixty years

Diarrhoea, Dysentery, Cramps,  
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Don't experiment with new and untried  
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We have got to receive a complaint as to  
its efficacy.

Refuse Substitutes. They're Dangerous

**LOCAL NEWS.**

A meeting of No. 8 Bearer Corps was held last evening to consider the rules of the proposed club, but as the report on the subject was not ready the meeting was adjourned until Thursday night.

The proprietor of a Waterloo street grocery store yesterday afternoon detected a well dressed woman trying to walk off with a package of tea and a can of cocoa. He made her return the goods and threatened to have her arrested if she ever entered his store again.

The I. C. R. freight sheds are being fitted up with a system of fire protection. It consists of a series of drop pipes running from a large water pipe connected with the city water works. These are attached to these drop pipes and kept ready for immediate use.

The retail druggists of the city are at present considering the advisability of combining for the purpose of maintaining uniform prices in medicines. A meeting was held last Friday but nothing was done. Another meeting will be held in the near future.

Harry Palmer, a young man of Newcastle, Queens county, has strangely disappeared from home. He has been absent since Wednesday last and fears are entertained for his welfare.

**TO PURIFY ABERDEEN DUMP**

School Board Takes Action to Avert a Menace to Children's Health.

The regular monthly meeting of the school board was held last evening. Judge Treisman in the chair. The resignation of Miss A. B. Honeywell and Miss A. A. Tupper were read and accepted as well as those of Sisters Charles and Evelyn from St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's schools.

Applications were read and filed from Miss A. S. Gassville and Miss M. O. Pollard, of Chicago, for positions on the teaching staff. Application was also received from Miss C. Hagarty for leave of absence, which was granted, and an application from Mr. V. Hayes for increase of salary was read and filed.

Miss Brittain who has had leave of absence, asked for reinstatement on the teaching staff. It was moved that Miss Brittain be offered the first available position on the west side.

Ten notices of diphtheria and two of scarlet fever were read.

It was resolved that the attention of the common council and board of health be called to the dump at the back of the Aberdeen school, which is in a very bad condition and endangering the health of the school. It was explained that all the refuse which was allowed to be dumped at Orange street was now dumped within twenty-five yards of the school.

It was decided that the dump was again taken up, and the chairman was authorized to apply for an injunction if necessary.

**OTTAWA NEWS**

OTTAWA, Sept. 12.—It is current around town tonight that no matter what decision the ministers may reach tomorrow, there can be no announcement of dissolution until the return of his excellency. Constitutional usages require that when the prime minister decides that parliament should be dissolved, the sole prerogative of making the recommendation for dissolution rests with him, he must wait upon the representative of the sovereign and state the reasons which have led him to tender his advice. It is urged by some that possibly Sir Wilfrid may have secured the consent of the governor general to dissolve before the end of the month, there is therefore little likelihood of dissolution taking place much before the beginning of October.

OTTAWA, Sept. 12.—The ministers are foregathering for the fateful confab. of tomorrow. Laurier, Mulock, Scott, Cartwright, Hyman, Paterson, Fitzpatrick, Brodeur, Sifton and Prentiss are already here, while Fielding, Borden and Emmerson are expected in the morning. Editor Dan-Bureau of La Presse and Editor McDonald of the Toronto Globe were here today giving the premier pointers.

**GOLDEN WEDDING.**

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac W. Pitt, of Greenwich Hill, Kings county, will observe on Monday next the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding. The event will bring together the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of the elderly couple. Nathan Pitt, of this city, is a brother of Isaac Pitt, and will be present at the wedding anniversary.

Then he turned on his store the light of newspaper advertising and at the people know he was in business and why. He kept them in the dark no longer.

To cure headache in ten minutes use Kunzfort Headache Powders, 10 cents.

**Dowling Brothers,**  
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NEW KID GLOVES, 2 clasp fastening, fine stitched backs, in shades of Tan, Brown, Modes, Beavers, White, Greys, a nice soft Kid at 50c. pair, special.

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ROULLON'S FRENCH KID GLOVES, 2 clasp fastening, fine stitched backs, all the new shades and a warranted glove at \$1.00 pair.

JAMMETTS FRENCH KID GLOVES, best quality, 2 clasps, new stitching, in all the latest shades. Warranted at \$1.35 pair.

LADIES' SILK BELTS, all the latest styles just received. Plain Crush Silk, pleated Crush Silk, tucked Crush Silk, hemstitched Crush Silk, Bodice 1 each, Gilt Buckles, Oxydized Buckles, Black Buckles. Prices 40c., 45c., 50c., 55c., 60c., 75c., 80c., 85c., 90c., \$1.00 and \$1.35 each.

WASHING STOCK COLLARS, Large variety at 25c. each. All styles, all colors; extra value at 25c. each.

TAPPETA SILK STOCK COLLARS, a good variety in all colors, at 25c. each.

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GREATER REDUCTIONS FOR THIS WEEK. COME IN THE MORNING AND AVOID THE AFTERNOON RUSH.

50 Pairs of the best quality SHAKER BLANKETS, in grey or white, pretty borders. At only 95c. pair and \$1.10 pair. For this week only at these prices.

We are showing the greatest values in BLACK and COLORED DRESS GOODS ever offered in this city. Do not miss this opportunity. 15c., 20c., 25c.

HOSIERY for Men, Women and Children, at prices you cannot get elsewhere.

Men's Fleece  
Shirts & Drawers  
90c. Suit.

**THE FAIRVILLE TROUBLE.**

No Steps Have as Yet Been Taken to Prosecute the Offenders.

The Fairville young men, Keenan, Ryan and Brophy, who were concerned in the raid on Minard Akertley's house, and it is said also on that of Mary Morris, are still at large. They seem to be taking no steps to have themselves punished. Policemen are in addition to the lenient treatment which has apparently been accorded these men, said that they regretted that they did not act more stringently in the matter as the prosecution in these cases was never followed up energetically.

**SALVATION ARMY.**

Major and Mrs. Phillips conducted a united service at the Mill street barracks last night. A large crowd was present and the meeting was very successful. In addition to the local Salvationists, there were present seven cadets who are on their way to Toronto to go into training for officership. Their names are as follows: Cadet Stachhouse of St. John; Cadet Harris of Fredericton; Cadet Grey of Yarmouth; Cadet Hubley of Bridgewater; Cadet Morrison of Parrsboro; Cadet Whitely of Charlottetown; and B. L. Cadet McPherson of Glace Bay. They leave by C. P. R. tonight for Toronto.

A banquet will be held at the Main street hall, Indian town, tonight, and a real sociable time will be spent afterwards.

**SEAMEN'S MISSION.**

The ladies auxiliary of the Seamen's Mission held a meeting yesterday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock in the old Chip-house. Miss L. Lovitt occupied the chair. The auxiliary decided to keep the house open every day during the exhibition week, that visitors might have a chance of viewing this historic building. An admittance of 10 cents will be charged, and all visitors will be personally conducted through the house. During the week a sale of fancy goods, photos, booklets and curios will be held in one of the rooms. The hours for visiting will be from 2 to 6 each afternoon.

**WILL GET SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS.**

The sub-committee appointed at the last meeting of the water and sewerage board to look into the conditions surrounding the injury of a horse belonging to James McCarthy while crossing over a service pipe excavation leading to Margaret L. Moran's premises, No. 25 St. James street, met yesterday afternoon. Mr. McCarthy wrote to the superintendent saying that he expected compensation from the city, and the committee yesterday recommended, without prejudice, that he be paid seventy







