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### CAPITAL AND LABOR.

Distinguished Assemblage at National Civic Federation Meeting.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The first annual meeting of the Industrial Department of the National Civic Federation, which convened today in the rooms of the Board of Trade and Transportation, was attended by nearly 200 representatives of great corporations and labor organizations and distinguished citizens interested in the solution of questions concerning the relations of capital and labor.

Senator Marcus A. Hanna presided and delivered the address of welcome to the delegates, among whom were John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America; Oscar S. Straus, member of the court of arbitration at The Hague; Alfred Moseley, at the head of the visiting delegation of British trade unionists; Archbishop Ireland of St. Paul and Bishop McGoldrick of Duluth.

### A RAILWAY RUMOR.

HALIFAX, Dec. 9.—Interesting developments, it is said, will take place shortly in connection with the construction of the Cape Breton Railway. Your correspondent has been informed that the present controllers of the line, the Dominion Securities Co., would complete the road as far as St. Peter's only, after which it would pass into the hands of the C. P. R. and be continued through to Louisbourg. This information came from the directors of the Dominion Securities Company who were in Cape Breton last week, and therefore is apparently authentic.

### RAILWAY FATALITIES.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 8.—The west bound California limited passenger train on the Santa Fe road was wrecked at Rothville Mo., today, causing the death of engineer Samuel Wise and fireman A. Haviland. J. McKean, of New York, who received slight bruises, was the only passenger injured. The wreck was caused by the derailment of the coaches on an open switch.

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, Dec. 8. Two trainmen were killed and two injured by a head-on collision between a passenger train and a local freight on the Pennsylvania R. R. here tonight. The dead are: John Pines, Ashtabula, engineer of passenger train; Frank Smith, Ashtabula, brakeman of passenger train.

### DAY OF SUFFERING.

Boston, Dec. 7.—Rarely, if ever, has Boston experienced a day of suffering as today proved to be. With a snowstorm raging, with the temperature far below the freezing point and with thousands of coal bins empty, the prospect which confronted the city was something appalling. With hundreds it was a case of beg or borrow coal or wood. Coal offices were besieged. Coal teams worked all day but they could not do one-tenth of the work required. On this account hundreds of men, women and children were left without fuel. In the poorer quarters of the city, many people had to remain in bed all day to keep warm.

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

When C. T. Lugin, the well known photographer, went home from his work between nine and ten o'clock last evening he did not know his own hat-rack. That was not Mr. Lugin's fault, because they had never been introduced until that moment. Mr. and Mrs. Lugin had been married for fifteen years and yesterday was the anniversary of their wedding. It was owing to this fact that a new oak hat-rack, along with about forty people invaded the house at 140 Broad street last evening, without telling Mr. Lugin anything at all about it. He accepted the situation very gracefully, offered his hat to the new acquaintance, and a little later made a happy reply on behalf of Mrs. Lugin and himself to the presentation address of John Henderson and the hearty congratulations of the other friends present. Refreshments were served and a pleasant hour was spent by all.

### I. C. R. TICKET OFFICES.

The fittings in the general I. C. R. ticket and freight offices on King street have been changed around so as to afford better accommodations to patrons. The ticket desk which formerly ran down one side of the room is now placed in front, directly facing the entrance, while the general freight agent's desk which is not in such general demand is situated in the rear of the room.

### JACK FROST'S EARMARKS.

"Did you freeze your ears?" eagerly enquired a messenger boy this morning. The Star man regretted that he, himself, had not enjoyed the pleasure but his little boy was on the honor list and would wear the earmarks of Jack Frost all winter.

"I froze both of mine," said the messenger boy, and he was as cheerful about it as if he had been eating pie.

### THE SHELTER WOOD YARD.

The wood yard in connection with the Shelter on Water street, is now in running order, and those wishing hard or soft wood can obtain same by applying to the Seamen's Mission, telephone No. 1104. This wood is cut and split by destitute men who apply for work at the Shelter. A large number are now being looked after there, and the committee in charge trust that citizens will patronize this charity to some extent.

### INQUEST AT BELMONT.

Inquiry Into Cause of I. C. R. Accident Now Going on.

TRURO, Dec. 9.—The inquest into the causes of the terrible fatality at Belmont, by which seven people lost their lives, began here this morning. The evidence of Conductor James Milligan and Baggage Master Woods, who were the only train hands sufficiently recovered to be able to attend, was taken. They described the circumstances attending the accident, but could throw little light on the cause. I. C. R. employees who have been engaged in clearing up the wreck and examining the track around the scene of the accident are also giving evidence. The enquiry will probably continue for some time. It is the general opinion that the jury will acquit the railway officials of any blame in the matter.

### THE HIGGINS CASE.

The Cabinet Will Consider It This Afternoon

OTTAWA, Dec. 9.—The Higgins case is to come before the cabinet today. D. Mullin, K. C., interviewed the minister of justice yesterday afternoon, and also with A. Power of the justice department. He saw the minister again today, and is doing all in his power to get the sentence commuted. There seems very little reason to expect, however, that he will succeed.

### LATER.

OTTAWA, Dec. 9.—The cabinet was in session up to one p. m. considering the Higgins case. The secretary of state declined to make any announcement and it is generally believed that Higgins has a fighting chance for his life, although it is generally understood that the minister of justice has recommended that the law should take its course.

### SHE IS DEAD.

Beautiful Katrina Hoffman Passed Away at Midnight.

The death occurred at the public hospital at midnight of Katrina Hoffman, the beautiful Norwegian immigrant who was taken there suffering from pneumonia.

The story is one of the most pathetic in the history of the institution. Mrs. Hoffman was only 18 years old, and had come with her husband to America to settle. Most of the party went on west, but her husband, a blonde young giant, remained here with her. She could not speak a word of English, and continually wept for her mother, who is in Winnipeg. Her husband is heart broken by her death, and all who have seen her and learned the story of her life are profoundly moved to feelings of pity and sympathy. It was known yesterday that she could not live; but all shrank from breaking the awful news to her husband.

### THE COAL FAMINE.

Thousands of Families in Brooklyn Have No Coal.

(Brooklyn Eagle.)

The first snow storm of the winter caught Brooklyn with empty coal bins and ill prepared for weather so nearly like a blizzard. The coal yards were overrun with people demanding coal, and in some places the gatherings around the yards were so large that the coal dealers were anxious lest the crowds break in and help themselves to the scanty supply.

Nearly every coal dealer in the city said that if the storm continued for as long as two days, the situation would be desperate for families that have no coal. There is practically no coal in the yards and the dealers are having difficulty in delivering what little they have.

At no time, since the effect of the strike was first felt here, has there been anything like a full supply of coal and the resumption of work in the mines did not seem to make much difference in the condition in the market here. Thousands of families have been unable to buy any coal, though the strike has been over for more than a month.

### The Same in Boston.

BOSTON, Dec. 9.—So far as anthracite coal for domestic use is concerned Boston appears to be facing a coal famine. The situation today is the most serious ever known by the local coal dealers, and most of the leading retailers have stopped taking orders.

### KILLED AT COLE'S ISLAND.

James Vincent of Cole's Island, employed by Contractor Simmons, on the new bridge being constructed at that place, was accidentally killed on Saturday afternoon. He was assisting a number of men to place a large bent in position, when he slipped off the stringer and was hurled to the river below, where he struck the ice and broke through. The bent, which was being placed in position, fell upon the unfortunate man and killed him.

The body was recovered and Coronor Earle was notified of the accident. A jury has been empanelled and the inquest commenced yesterday afternoon.

The deceased resided at Cole's Island and worked on the bridge only one day. He was unmarried. Mrs. Beverly Evans, of north end, is a sister.

### THE WELCOME SNOW.

Snow was never more welcome in the country settlements and villages than that which fell in the last few days. It enables the farmer to get out green hardwood and any dry wood they may have for sale. In the villages the price of wood has been nearly as high as in the city, but with good hauling and a larger supply there will be less anxiety among the people.

### COLLIERY DISASTER.

Seventeen Miners Killed and Many Injured by Explosion.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 9.—By an explosion of gas in the South Wilkesbarre mine of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Co. today a number of men are reported to have been killed. Rescuing parties are now in the mine.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 9.—It is feared the explosion was worse than first reported. The list of the dead is now placed at 17. The number of men burned will reach eight. There is great excitement at the Colliery. The relatives and friends of the entombed men have gathered in large numbers and are anxiously awaiting news from below. The South Wilkesbarre mine is one of the most gaseous in the anthracite region.

### HANGED HIMSELF.

Colin Campbell of Campbell Settlement Commits Suicide.

(Special to the Star.)  
SUSSEX, Dec. 9.—Colin Campbell, of Campbell Settlement, who has been in failing health for some time, committed suicide yesterday by hanging himself in his barn.

Colin Campbell was a farmer between forty and forty-two years of age. Although none of his relatives in St. John here were well known to quite a few people here. He was married to a Miss Mercer of Campbell's Settlement and was the father of four young children.

### FIVE WERE KILLED.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 8.—Five Italian laborers were killed, three others seriously hurt and eleven more slightly injured by an explosion in a tunnel being cut by the Louisville and Nashville road at Baker's Hill, twelve miles north of this city, today.

### WEARY OF LIFE.

ATHOL, Mass., Dec. 6.—Moses Ruggles, a well-to-do winter resident of this town, deliberately jumped in front of an express train on the Fitchburg line of the Boston & Maine railroad today and was killed, the body being fearfully mangled. For a long time he had been in poor health, and once before tried to end his life. He was 84 years old.

### RALPH D. HEPENSTAL.

Talks to the Star About the Lake Megantic and Other Things.

Ralph D. Heppenstal, of the Montreal harbor works, was a passenger to this city on the Lake Megantic and is spending a few days in the city. This is not his first visit here, for he was in the advertising department of the Daily Sun quite a number of years ago, before going to Montreal. In the latter city he was employed in the hospital for some years, but is now in the harbor department, engaged on the great new works under construction.

Mr. Heppenstal went over on the Lake Megantic, sailing on October 31st. He says he has crossed on some of the large liners, but prefers the Megantic to any of them. The following address to Capt. Taylor tells how all felt about it:

"We, the passengers, desire to express our appreciation of your splendid treatment of us on your little darling of a vessel. Your rules are so well tempered by your consideration for our comfort that we feel as though we were leaving home when we part from you in St. John."

The weather was very rough on both Mr. Heppenstal's trips, but the Megantic went through it like a duck. Everybody from the smallest boy to the captain tries to make everything comfortable for the passengers. There was a little blind girl on board coming over and every other passenger was her willing slave.

Mr. Heppenstal says that in the old country the people cannot do too much for Canadians. Crossing from Dublin to Holyhead he met an official of the London and Great Northern railway. The latter learned that he had a third class ticket by rail to Liverpool. At Chester a lunch was sent in with the official's compliments. At Liverpool the guard came to say that he had been instructed to see that Mr. Heppenstal got a coach and was not overcharged. Wherever he went he found the same generous desire to make Canadians comfortable. At the Canadian government office in Dublin he found Mr. Devlin anxious to do all in his power for any visitors from this country, who were made thoroughly at home at the offices.

Mr. Heppenstal leaves on Thursday for Montreal.

### POLICE COURT.

The Spirits Will Wait For Jeremiah Till New Year's.

Jerry Daley had a square face of gin in his pocket when he was arrested for being drunk at Reed's Point last night. Jerry always has a square face when he is arrested. "If I am almost daley occurrence, with him. He did not remember being arrested, but he could not forget the gin, and asked for a facelful this morning. He didn't get it. The spirit will wait until Jerry comes out—on New Year's day."

James Lenahan, drunk again, stood out in the cold on Mill street until after eight o'clock last night. After that he was comfortable, and as the supply of coal in jail is ample, he will not suffer from chills during the next twenty days.

Herbert McIntyre was also full yesterday and thought he could defy the north end police force. He put up a fight, but was finally subdued and hauled to the station on a wagon. Two dollars for being drunk and eight for resisting.

## Men's

## Winter

## Goods:

Winter Hats in grey and black, new shapes. Prices \$1.50 and \$2.

Winter Capes, from a good blue cloth driver at 35c. up to one at 1.75

Winter Gloves, wool and fur lined, from 50c. to \$3.

New Goods. Right Prices.

J. & A. ANDERSON.  
19 Charlotte Street.

## HOCKEY BOOTS

Men's, Boys' and Youths' Hockey Boots at such low prices that you will be surprised.

Now is the time to buy, don't wait until the size you want are all sold.

W. A. SINCLAIR,  
65 BRUSSELS ST.



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laundry work will satisfy you or us. We don't like to see a single article go out of this place unless it has had the most careful attention as to washing, starching (where starch is requisite) and ironing. Our aim is to make our patron a satisfied customer. We'd like to put you on our long list. 50 Flat (white) pieces washed and ironed for 50c.

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Park's Perfect  
Emulsion

It's the Remedy that can always be relied upon.

Price 50c. a bottle. Large bot. \$1.

A Houlton letter to the Bangor Commercial says that Miss M. Florence Rogers made an excellent impression in her readings in the Music Hall there last week.

There is full weight in every package of Red Rose tea.

Three acres have been set aside in the Phoenix Park, Dublin, for the national Irish game of hurling.



## STEAMERS, ETC.

### EASTERN STEAMSHIP COY.

International Division.  
WINTER REDUCED RATES.

In effect Nov. 1, 1902, to May 1, 1903.  
St. John to Portland, 12.00; St. John to Boston, 12.00.  
Sailing MONDAY, Nov. 10, 1902, steamers leave St. John at 8 a. m. (Atlantic Standard), Monday and Thursday, for Lube, Eastport, Portland and Boston.  
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Through tickets on sale at principal railway stations, and baggage checked to destination.  
WILLIAM G. LEE, Agent, St. John, N. B.  
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CALVIN AUSTIN, V. P. and Gen. Manager.  
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## TO LET.

TO LET—A nice, convenient flat for a small family, situated on Metcalf street, containing seven rooms, pantry and closets, with a convenient wood and coal cellar, and a large front porch. Call on JOSHUA E. COWAN, 99 Main street.  
TO LET—A flat No. 71 High street, North End. Modern improvements and moderate rent. To be seen any time.

## HELP WANTED, MALE.

Advertisements under this head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

WANTED—Boy, 16 or 18 years of age. Apply to A. B. GILMOIR, 68 King street.

WANTED—A first class job printer at Office of SUN PRINTING CO.

GENERAL AGENTS WANTED in each town for special, accident, sickness, indemnity policies and general insurance business. Liberal terms to reliable men. Write box 215, Montreal.

## HELP WANTED, FEMALE.

Advertisements under this head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

WANTED—A capable girl for general housework. No washing. Apply to Mrs. T. S. SIMMS, 256 Germain street.

WANTED—At the Hotel American at once, a cook and chambermaid.

WANTED—A good girl to do general housework. Apply to Windsor Hotel, No. 29 King square.

WANTED—At once, a housemaid, where a parlor maid is kept. Good wages given. Apply between two and six p. m. at King's Daughters Guild, 13 Prince William street.

WANTED—At once, a girl for general housework. 20 Wellington row.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Advertisements under this head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

WANTED—Everybody to try one of our "Lord's Prayer" Bangie Rings, made from gold filled 14 K. wire, 15 cents by mail. Name Brooches, 25 cts. Brooch and Ring, 35 cts. Send size, stamps or coin, "L. P. B." Ring, St. John, N. B.

BOARDERS WANTED—First class board and rooms may be obtained at reasonable rates at 75 King street, just over Macaulay Bros. store.

"ONE BETTER." You can get one pound of Tartar and one pound of Baking Soda for 30 cents at 137 Charlotte street.

SHOW-CASES—A bargain for some one. See them at W. THOMAS GARD'S, Jeweler and Optician, 48 King street.

## FOR SALE.

Advertisements under this head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

HOUSE FOR SALE—House 185 Adelaide road, 2 flats, 5 rooms on each flat. Enquire on the premises.

## SITUATIONS WANTED.

Advertisements under this head inserted free of charge.

WANTED—A situation as housekeeper or for work in a small family, where the washing is done out. Apply No. 4 Middle street (off Waterloo street).

WANTED—A sober, industrious man, married, wants situation at general work. Accustomed to horses. Apply W. F. Star office.

GENTLEMAN, college-bred, desires immediate employment as teacher, collector, or any suitable occupation where energy and executive ability would be appreciated and fairly remunerated. Address B. A., care of Sun Printing Co.

WANTED—By a middle aged man, employment as bookkeeper or for general office work, long experience, best of references. Address "Scribe," care of Sun Printing Co.

## LOST.

Advertisements under this head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

LOST—Lady's Watch on Rob Chain, between the Opera House and Hotel Dufferin. A reward will be paid for its return. SAMUEL McCUTCHION, Hotel Dufferin.

## EDUCATING RED SISTERS.

(New York Times.)  
Major Pratt, the United States army officer who is in charge of the Carlisle Indian School, admits that many of his graduates who return to tribal life fall in Indian ways again. Therefore he is doing all he can to prevent the educated Indians from going back to the reservations.

He tells of an incident he saw at a western Indian agency. A squaw entered a trader's store, wrapped in a blanket, pointed at a straw hat and asked "How much?"

"Fifty cents," said the merchant.

"How much?" she asked again, pointing at another article. The price was quoted and was followed by another query "How much?"

Then she suddenly gazed blandly at the merchant and asked, "Why?"

"Do you not regard such prices as extortionate for articles of such paltry and unmistakably inferior quality?"

"Do you not really believe that a reduction in your charges would materially enhance your pecuniary profits as well as be ethically proper? I beg you to consider my suggestion."

She was a graduate of the Carlisle Indian School.

TORONTO, Dec. 8.—Rev. John Kelman of Edinburgh has declined the call to be professor of apologetics in Knox College, made vacant by the death of Halliday Douglas.

Bicyclists and all athletes depend on BENTLEY'S Liniment to keep their joints limber and muscles in trim.

THIS ST. JOHN STAR is published by THE SUN PRINTING COMPANY (LTD.), at St. John, New Brunswick, every afternoon (except Sunday) at 4 a. m.

## ST. JOHN STAR.

ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 9, 1902.

## THE BOY PROBLEM.

The valued Telegraph and Dr. Morison, if we may trust the statements of the former, have concluded that the buckaw is the solution of the boy problem. The Telegraph announced the discovery and Dr. Morison appears to have praised both the discovery and the discoverer. The Telegraph modestly intimates as much.

This is interesting, of course, but not conclusive. The Star begs to differ entirely from the Telegraph and Dr. Morison's conclusion that there is nothing like a buckaw to take original sin out of a boy. The experience of this journal of the people is that the suggestion of a buckaw sometimes prompts a boy to more phases of original or some other kind of sin than one cares to enumerate. The buckaw may make lovely music, from the standpoint of the man who stands by and orders the work done, but from the boy's standpoint it is quite another matter. And unless we can get at the boy's point of view, we are very certain to fall in our work of reform. The remark that "there is nothing like a buckaw to take original sin out of a boy," even though it be uttered by a newspaper and endorsed by a divine is nothing more than a half truth. Everybody knows, without a statement by the Telegraph or any clergyman, that Satan finds work for idle hands to do. The statement has become a proverb. But it does not solve the boy problem in St. John.

In the first place, if every boy of between twelve and sixteen years of age were to seek employment today in St. John they could not all get it; in the second place, there are a lot of boys of the age indicated who have no desire to work, and who must be approached in some other way. It is very easy to talk of presenting a boy with a buckaw and a woodpile, but that is neither practicable nor conclusive. Behind a great many boys in this city stand their parents, and parents whose influence would not suggest a buckaw for their offspring. Therefore despite what the Telegraph says and Dr. Morison endorses; the Star begs to affirm that neither the one nor the other has come within measurable distance of the solution of a question that is of first importance in considering the welfare of St. John. In another part of today's Star appears a report of an address on the boy problem, delivered in the city of Brooklyn, which appears in this paper to get a good deal nearer the heart of the subject.

## THE CIVIC NIGHTMARE.

Early last summer the Star told the story of the feud between the engineer of the water works department and Mr. Knox of Silver Falls; and of the seizure by the city officials of the hay cut by Mr. Knox on the land in dispute. Mr. Knox, who appears to have asked no more than his own, claimed that the action of the water works department officer was high-handed in the extreme and that he himself had not been treated with ordinary courtesy in the whole question at issue. He therefore entered an action, and instead of receiving the \$500 offered him by the city he is awarded \$1,200 and costs. The costs will be considerable. It is said that other owners of land were awaiting the result in the Knox case, before taking action on their own account. In the former case the city council was evidently very ill-advised. It would be well now to get the responsibility squarely placed, in order that similar costly blunders may be hereafter avoided. The water department, with its pumping station, flying machine, idle pipe in Carleton, damages awarded, and the like, is becoming a subject of no little interest to the taxpayers.

## MARINE REPAIRING.

In connection with the proposed dry dock, the following from the Maritime Merchant, Halifax, is of interest in St. John:

Repairs on H. M. Cruiser Pallas at this port are now completed. Close on to \$100,000 have been expended on the work, which includes general work on the machinery and in the installation of new fans for the forced draught arrangement. This has all meant busy times for Halifax dockyard laborers, and the consequent distribution of a large sum of money among city tradesmen. The decision to repair the Pallas here instead of at Bermuda, was probably a result of the satisfactory way in which P. M. S. Indefatigable was repaired here last year.

It is reported that the admiralty has under consideration plans to make large improvements on the docking and repairing facilities at Halifax, which would include the building of another large dock and the installation of an efficient repairing plant similar to the one in Bermuda. Previous to the repairing of the Indefatigable, apparently little repair was placed on Halifax by the admiralty as a point for repairs; but an excellent way in which the work was done opened their eyes to the fact that laborers and mechanics

can be secured here, as efficient and adaptable as any in England.

The work at Bermuda, which is still going on, involved the expenditure of millions of pounds, and it would be of untold advantage to Halifax if the talk of plans of enlargement should be carried out.

## HALIFAX NEWS.

HALIFAX, Dec. 8.—The Allan line steamer Corinthian arrived from Liverpool today after a bolsterous passage with continuous gales, heavy seas, snow and rain. She brought the following Royal Canadians: Sergt. Wilkinson, Sergt. Shelton, Sergt. Major Mallin, Pte. Holmes, Pte. Webb, Pte. Davis, Pte. Mitchell. The first four went out with the 2nd C. M. R. and saw service in the whole campaign, being in many of the hard fought battles of the war. Sergt. Wilkinson, who is a fire specimen of a Canadian soldier, lost an eye in the Hart's River battle. The others went out with the 5th C. M. R., just arriving there when peace had been declared. They went up country, deciding if the outlook was favorable that they would take up their permanent residence in the country, but the outlook was poor and they returned to Canada. The steamer brought England, Hungary, German, Syria and immigrants from other places, mostly bound to Montreal, Winnipeg and Saskatchewan. The steamer brought only about 100 tons of cargo for Halifax and left at 4 o'clock for St. John with a big cargo to be landed there. There were two deaths on the voyage. The Tunisian, eastward bound, arrived from St. John at 4 o'clock.

## SATURDAY'S DISASTER.

TRURO, N. S., Dec. 8.—An I. C. R. official just in from the scene of Saturday's disaster says the debris is all cleared from the track and that the locomotive will be placed on the rails tonight. It is not as badly wrecked as at first thought and will be taken to the shops in Moncton on its own wheels.

The condition in which the lever and throttle were found indicates, he says, that but little effort, if any, was made to shut off steam. This is pretty bad. Engineer Truro had no warning that anything was wrong until the crash came.

Already the remains of Malcolm McLean, and those of Miss Croake have been forwarded, the former to Lot 63, P. B. Island, the latter to Halifax. To-night friends of W. B. McDonald and William Kennedy will arrive and tomorrow the remains of the former will be forwarded to New Glasgow, and those of the latter named to River John Road. This afternoon the remains of William Kennedy and those of John C. Toole were forwarded by the Sydney flyer, en route to Newfoundland.

## FIVE CANADIAN CASES.

OTTAWA, Dec. 8.—Now that Professor Asser, the Dutch jurist who was appointed arbitrator to settle the amount of damages due the four United States sailing schooners seized by the Russian cruisers in 1892 off Copper Islands has made his award, it is expected that a settlement on the five Canadian cases will be pushed. Prof. Asser's award reaches the sum of \$101,720. The two Canadian vessels, Ariel and Willie McGowan, four years ago were awarded \$42,000. The claims of the five remaining vessels approximate \$300,000 with interest.

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## RICHIBUCTO.

RICHIBUCTO, N. B., Dec. 8.—The death of James Porteous occurred at Rexton last evening after an illness of several weeks. The deceased was aged ninety years.

This locality is enjoying real winter weather. On Friday night there was a fall of snow followed on Saturday night with a cold wave which closed the main channel last night. Ten feet of snow fell, and tonight the mercury is below zero.

## TO ADVERTISERS.

Copy for CHANGE OF ADVERTISEMENTS in the STAR should be in the office not later than 10 a. m. to ensure insertion in that day's issue.

## FLOUR RATES ADVANCE.

TORONTO, Dec. 8.—At the Canadian Flour Association meeting to-morrow an advance of two and a half cents per 100 pounds in the rates for flour to be exported from Ontario to the seaboard will be made to meet an advance recently put in force by the roads from Chicago to New York. The ports affected will be St. John, Halifax, Boston, Portland, Philadelphia, New York and Baltimore. No advance is expected in local rates.

## MUST YIELD OR FIGHT.

The British and German ministers to Venezuela left Caracas yesterday and boarded their respective warships in the harbor. Both British and German legations have been closed. Unless a satisfactory reply is given their ultimatum, the British and German governments will seize the customs and thus enforce their claims.

## SAVED 24 LIVES.

QUEBEC, Dec. 6.—A public testimonial, inaugurated by the Chronicle, to reward the bravery of Patrick Murphy of this city for saving 24 men, women and children from watery graves, was presented to Mr. Murphy this evening. It consists of an eight day bronze clock, appropriately engraved; a check for \$50, and an address.

## VESSELS ASHORE.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Dec. 8.—The blizzard is still raging and five schooners, the Ellen James, Arbitration, Industry, All Right and Rogers have been driven ashore on different parts of the coast. All the crews escaped.

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## MANUAL TRAINING.

E. G. McCready Addressed St. John School Board Last Evening on This Important Theme.

The regular monthly meeting of the School Trustees was held last evening. Those in attendance were: Chairman Trueman, R. Maxwell, J. V. Russell, Mayor W. W. White, M. Coll, D. H. Nase, C. B. Lockhart, Mrs. R. C. Skinner, Mrs. Dever and Dr. Bridges.

After the reading of the minutes, E. G. McCready, instructor of manual training at Fredericton, was introduced by Chairman Trueman.

Mr. McCready said the question of manual training was one that should be considered fully.

In Fredericton they had a school under the McDonald plan, and one that did not occasion any expense to the city. In other cities in various provinces the scheme was approved of and had been most successful.

The establishment of the project in Fredericton was new to this province, but the general opinion coincided with that of other places, namely, various cities throughout the Dominion the size of St. John.

Mr. McCready, continuing, said he did not wish to present his own opinion, but rather that of others. In this connection Mr. McCready read an extract from the annual report of the chief superintendent of education, in which he recommended that the government make a grant for such work. Continuing, Mr. McCready said manual training could be introduced on a small scale, viz., taking in all grades or only one or two.

Proceeding, Mr. McCready treated with the inauguration of the system in Boston some fourteen years ago. The need of such a system was recognized, and by the assistance of private funds the project started. At first the boys corresponding to our grade eight were looked after, and gradually the movement grew till there was established the Mechanical Arts High School.

This was so eminently successful that starting with a membership of two hundred last year, three hundred pupils were refused admittance, although the accommodation was close to 500.

From this school one-third to one-half of the boys go to the technical schools, and others to machine shops, pattern works, drafting works, etc.

In St. John it seemed that there was a great necessity for such a school. This city was a great centre of mercantile activity, the boys should be looked after. This was an age of great mechanical pursuits, and while he had not room to say against the present school system, it was necessary that something else should be done.

The presidents of the leading American universities approved of manual training as preparatory to university life.

The school in Fredericton was a success. St. John, with its boy problem, was no different from any other city of its size, and it was his opinion that a fully equipped school would help matters. At Fredericton, in a heavy snow storm, the boys attended in very large numbers, and he believed that no form of amusement or games would have attracted the same attendance.

They had a special room in the Normal School building, properly fitted up. To start the work here, say in grade 8, and if successful, as he was sure it would be, to take it up in 5, 6 and 7, it would only be necessary to provide at first twenty teachers, which would cost \$350, benches each \$3, tools for each bench, \$8, and extra tools, \$40. This would give accommodation for all the boys of grade 8, which one teacher could look after.

As to the expense one half of the cost of the outfit would be paid by the local government and \$200 has been voted toward the payment of the teacher's salary.

In conclusion Mr. McCready said he hoped the trustees would see their way clear to establish a class, even if but a trial one. He had conducted a school for the teachers and they were the strongest advocates of the scheme, resulting above all others the exceptional educational value of the system.

In reply to a question Mr. McCready said that a teacher should have a special license from a manual training school as well as being a fully certified teacher.

In reply to further questions he said that he believed at the next session of the local legislature the act would be so moderated as to include domestic science as well as manual training.

The salary of a teacher for the manual training ranged from \$500 to \$1,000. While the hours seemed short, the work was more severe than appeared on the surface.

After Mr. McCready had retired the board went on with regular business. After passing a motion to the effect that the matter of manual training be considered at a special meeting, a letter was read from Miss M. A. Nannery of La Tour school complaining of the heating facilities in her room.

and asked that a change be made. Referred to the chairman of the building committee and west side committee.

Applications for increase of salary were made by Miss Kate R. Bartlett, Elizabeth McNaughton, L. H. Yandall, and an application for position made by Florence Estabrooks. Miss Louise Wetmore asks that she be granted leave of absence for one term to take a course at the manual training school at Truro.

The chairman referred to the fact that the school year, city year and local government year did not end at the same date. It would be better that they concurred. The matter was referred to the chairman and Dr. Bridges to endeavor to see what could be done.

His worship Mayor White, referring to the calling of a special meeting to consider the manual training school question, favored at the same time the consideration of the matter of a business course for graduates of the eighth grade. His worship made an excellent argument in this connection, stating that people who paid heavily, and all did for school purposes, had a right to have their children properly prepared for a business education. At the time the manual training matter was discussed he

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would like to have the question brought up.

Chairman Trueman agreed with Mayor White that it was a most important matter and should receive the most careful consideration.

On motion of Dr. White the matter will be considered when the manual training matter is discussed.

A number of bills were ordered to be paid, after which the meeting adjourned.

## ST. STEPHEN.

ST. STEPHEN, Dec. 8.—Isaiah Bridges, one of the town's oldest and most respected citizens, is critically ill at his home on Union street. He is a member of the livery firm of Hardy & Bridges, well known throughout this province since before the days of the old stage coach lines. He served many years a member of the town council and has been for the past two years the efficient overseer of the poor.

## WINTER PORT MATTERS.

The Allan liner Tunisian reached Halifax at 2.30 yesterday afternoon from St. John, and sailed later on for Liverpool. The Donaldson line str. Alcides is expected to arrive from Glasgow today. Mr. Manchester Importer left Manchester Sunday for Halifax and St. John. Mr. Cosgrove of the Donaldson line left Glasgow Saturday for this port. Mr. Manchester Commerce, which arrived at Liverpool yesterday from Montreal, sails from Manchester for St. John via Halifax on the 17th inst.

The Allan mail steamer Corinthian, which arrived at Halifax yesterday morning from Liverpool, left for this port in the afternoon.

## HOTEL ARRIVALS.

DUFFERIN HOTEL, Dec. 8.—A. S. Johnson, E. E. MacCready, L. W. Johnston, Fredericton; Alex. Murray, Montreal; A. C. Herderson, New York; W. B. Crawford, Boston; A. B. Collins, Bangor; Wm. Blair, Montreal; G. E. Clark, Toronto; J. H. Tabor, L. E. Wallace, Wolfville; A. Hillman, Megantic; F. E. McArthur, Boston.

## MARRIAGES.

PARKS-TORREY.—At the residence of Daniel Chisholm, St. John, N. B., Dec. 8, 1902, by Rev. W. T. K. Thompson, Captain Arthur S. Parks, of Port George, N. B., to Miss Amy L. Torrey, of St. John, N. B.

## ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH GUILD.

The St. Stephen's church guild meeting last evening was in charge of the missionary committee, of which A. W. Macrae was convener. Mr. Macrae, in an address, said the missionary part of church work should be supreme, for by its advancement every other branch of Christian activity was helped.

An address on Jews and Jewish Missions was delivered by Rev. W. A. Ross, of Calvin church. A sacred selection was rendered by the Misses Fowler and Henry Dunn, and solos given by Miss Lindsay and Mrs. Milligan. A paper on Oceania, prepared by Mrs. Struan Robertson, was read by Miss Hattie Thompson. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mr. Stewart, of St. Martin's.

## SWIFT BRITISH BATTLESHIP.

The Duncan, the battleship built for the admiralty by the Thames Ironworks, has come very successfully through her trials. During one hour in the first trial the indicated horse power was 15,000, or 1,000 more than required. At one time the ship actually made for one hour's run 21½ knots, which is in excess of any other first-class battleship in his majesty's navy. Not only was the vessel built on the Thames banks, but the engines were made at the shops in Greenwich.

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