

SOUTH AFRICA.

Further Particulars of the Disaster at Zeefontein.

Latest News From the Front—London News Thinks Laurier Will Want Dual Language at the Cape.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The war office issued Saturday a list of the British casualties at Zeefontein, Dec. 24, when Col. Firman's camp, consisting of three companies of Yeomanry and two guns, was successfully rushed by a Boer force under the command of Gen. De Wet.

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LONDON, Dec. 28.—The war office has received a despatch from Lord Kitchener, dated Johannesburg, saying that the British prisoners captured when the Boers successfully rushed Col. Firman's camp at Zeefontein, Dec. 24, have been liberated and returned to Bothaville.

LORD KITCHENER sends a stirring account of the fighting at Zeefontein, showing that the wounded and prisoners must number about 150. He says that in the absence of Colonel Firman, Major Williams, who was killed, was in command.

The column was encamped on the slope of a solitary kopje, the southern side of which was precipitous. Outposts held the edge of the precipice. The northern slope, on which the camp was pitched, was gentle.

Including the killed and wounded, about half the column is now at Eliand's River bridge. The remainder are prisoners. A 15-pounder, after two rounds, became jammed. The men composing the detachment stood by the gun and were shot down around it.

The Boers who apparently numbered about twelve hundred, under Gen. De Wet, behaved well, leaving men to look after the wounded.

The Imperial Light Horse were fourteen miles distant. They heard of the attack on the picket.

fight at half-past four and arrived at the scene at half-past six. After breathing their horses they galloped after the Boers, who succeeded in reaching the broken country, where the Light Horse were useless against superior numbers.

THE PROCESS OF EXHAUSTION.

The Cape Argus of Nov. 27th says: A week ago yesterday we took the occasion to express, in the most decided manner, the opinion that all recent news regarding the war had been of a distinctly encouraging character.

We went even further than this, and expressed our belief that "if a similar rate of progress were kept up, the war must very soon come to an end, if only—as the number of Boers and rebels is not illimitable—by a simple process of exhaustion." As evidence of this process of exhaustion, and of its magnitude, we publish in another column today an interesting table, summarizing the weekly summaries from Lord Kitchener since June 1.

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NEWFOUNDLAND.

HALIFAX, Dec. 28.—William Smith, secretary of the post office department, Ottawa, who has been in Newfoundland for some time on the invitation of that government remedying the colony's postal service, has made many changes.

TORONTO, Dec. 28.—Hon. Horace Plunkett, ex-M. P., who was defeated by Col. Lynch of pro-Boer fame, in the celebrated Galway contest, was an honored guest of the National Club here tonight. He delivered an interesting address on the social and economic affairs of Ireland.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Bridget Ryan, a bride of 17 months, died at the city hospital Sunday night, and the police say she was murdered. The husband, William Ryan, is locked up at the Dedham street station on suspicion of having some knowledge as to how his wife came by the injuries which caused her death.

YORK ELECTION.

Mr. Gibson Won by a Magnificent Majority.

FREDERICTON, Dec. 28.—Today's election returns were quite naturally received by the liberals with every manifestation of joy. Mr. Gibson, who stood at the poll at Marysville, came to the city early in the evening, and was hailed about town in a barouche by enthusiastic admirers.

Table showing election results for various constituencies: City Hall, Fredericton, Court House, Fredericton, New Maryland, Kingsclear, etc.

The figures were as follows: Gibson, 284; McLeod, 197. Gibson's majority in Dec. 1901, 333; Gibson's majority in Nov. 1900, 70. Brockway is a new poll.

THE FIGURES FOR THE LAST GENERAL ELECTION WERE:

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MOUNTED RIFLES.

OTTAWA, Dec. 27.—The minister of militia has authorized as a special case, issue of rations of food, fuel and light to families of N. C. O. and men on the married establishment of the different units of the permanent force, selected for service with the 2nd Regiment of Canadian Mounted Rifles in South Africa.

The director general medical services says the field hospital company will be entirely independent of the Mounted Rifles, which have their own medical equipment.

A cable from the war office approves of the promotion of Lt. Col. Cameron, senior captain in the Mounted Rifles, to the vacant majority. One of the subalterns will get the vacant captaincy thus created.

The undermentioned officers of the Canadian forces will be recommended to have conferred upon them the colonial auxiliary forces officers' decoration under the provision of a royal warrant, dated the 18th May, 1899: Hon. Colonel F. W. Borden, Lt. Colonel

R. Armstrong, reserve of officers; Lt. Col. B. M. Beckwith, 68th Regiment; Lt. Col. E. B. Beer, retired list; Lt. Col. W. M. Humphrey, Surg. Lt. Col. B. A. Weston, 66th Regiment; Lt. Col. H. H. Tolson, 62nd Regiment; Major D. A. Campbell, Major G. Corbin, 63rd Regiment; Major H. L. Chapman, 64th Regiment; Major W. G. Hart, retired list; Major E. G. Kenny; Major J. Menger, 68th Regiment; Major W. E. Rogers, 68th Regiment; Major J. S. Brown, Maj. T. Twining, 3rd Regiment; Maj. B. Webster, 68th Regiment; Capt. R. H. Humphrey, 68th Regiment.

The undermentioned officers will be recommended to have conferred upon them the colonial auxiliary forces long service medal under the provisions of the royal warrant, dated the 18th May, 1899: Major J. A. King, 68th Regiment; Capt. G. W. Harrington; Capt. W. D. Harrington; Hon. Major H. H. Twining, 3rd Regiment; Hon. Major J. H. Parker, 72nd Regiment.

OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—The war office has called its approval of the appointment of the following additional officers to the Canadian Mounted Rifles: One major, an assistant surgeon, one assistant veterinary officer, an assistant adjutant, a paymaster and an armorer. Dr. Duff of Kingston is mentioned for assistant surgeon, Sergt. Moir, late of the Strathcona Horse, will likely be chosen paymaster, and Robert Donaldson of the military stores as armorer.

OTTAWA. Export of P. E. I. Chickens to England—Teaching Nova Scotia How to Pack Apples.

OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—George Dobson is here in the interests of the Sydney Board of Trade, which is making a vigorous propaganda in favor of that port being selected as a calling place, if not the terminal of the yet to be fast Atlantic service.

W. A. Mackinnon, officer in charge of the fruit branch of the department of agriculture, reports that the first conviction under the fruit marks act had just taken place. The goods examined consisted of apples destined for England. They had been fraudulently faced and apt to mislead the buyer.

According to reports received by the poultry expert of the department, P. E. I. has the shipments of poultry to the mother country for the Christmas market, have brought excellent prices. Fifty-four cases from Prince Edward Island, twelve cents per pound in Manchester, equal to 13 cents per pound in Ottawa.

THE KING RECEIVED MARQUIS ITO.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—King Edward received Marquis Ito in audience at Marlborough House this afternoon. The Japanese statesman had previously called on the foreign secretary, Lord Lansdowne, who accompanied the marquis to Marlborough House and introduced him to the King.

BOSTON TRAGEDY.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The body of Leo Damago, an Italian 30 years old, with a bullet wound in the throat, was found lying in the hallway at 302 Chambers street tonight, and since the discovery the police have been making every effort to apprehend Michael Carrisi, 25 years old, who, they believe, fired the fatal shot.

A deaf mute is using a street railroad compass in New York for the loss of two of his fingers, a loss which he alleges impairs his conversation powers. The deaf-mute replies that under the modern system of talking for mute one hand is enough.

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DEATH'S MYSTERY

Being Made Public by Scientists in Chicago.

Thrilling Story Told by Prof. Jacques Loeb of His Experiments With Eggs of Lower Marine Animals.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Experiments which it is claimed are a beginning of the unravelling of the mysteries of death were made public by Prof. Jacques Loeb at the fourteenth annual meeting of the American Physiological Society at the University of Chicago tonight. During the last summer the noted scientist has been continuing his series of experiments with the eggs of the lower marine animals, especially those of the sea urchin, and tonight, in a paper entitled on the Prolongation of Life of Unfertilized Eggs of the Sea Urchin by Potassium Cyanide, he took a group of the foremost physiologists in America that by means of observation of the effects of certain chemicals upon these minute bits of protoplasm he was ready to make a tentative definition of the heretofore unknown nature of death.

Death, Prof. Loeb affirmed, was not a negative process, a simple breaking down of tissues, as it has been regarded up to this time, but an active agent born with the birth of the egg, and destined, if not checked, to gain the upper hand of life instinct, and bring about extinction. But, greater even than the apparent discovery of this death agent in all substance, is Prof. Loeb's announcement that he has been able to check it in the eggs of the sea urchin at least, by means of chemical agents. This, it is claimed, means nothing less than that on minute scale the secret of eternal life is in the power of mankind.

The experiments, Prof. Loeb said, were simple. Unfertilized eggs of the sea urchin were placed in a weak solution of potassium cyanide and abandoned for several days. In ordinary an unfertilized egg dies in a few hours, destroyed by the death agents born with it. At the end of several days the eggs were again examined and were found to be still capable of fertilization and of producing healthy animals.

Prof. Loeb said that the "mortiferous processes" were due to the action of certain ferments of an unknown nature, whose destructive tendency was counteracted by the potassium salts. Several other papers of importance were read during the meeting. President D. J. L. Inglis of the University of Chicago, gave the results of his research into the effect of common salt upon the heart beat. He affirmed with great emphasis that contrary to the statements of Prof. V. V. Howells of Harvard, salt is the sole agent responsible for the rhythmic action of the heart.

GERMANY Will Send a Substantial Fleet to the Caribbean Sea.

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—The German cruiser Gaisels was today ordered to sail immediately from Kiel to Venezuelan waters. The government intends to send one or two other warships to reinforce the present German squadron in the Caribbean Sea. The additions to Germany's naval force in the Caribbean will not be sufficient to give rise to suspicions among the people of the U. S. that Germany meditates anything beyond the collection of claims due German subjects. The German government desires, beyond anything else in this matter, to avoid disturbing the government or the people of the United States.

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BOSTON LETTER.

Portland Worried Over Their Smaller Ocean Traffic This Winter.

Ministers Shocked at President Fritche's Innovation—Interesting Items About Maritime Provinces People.

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Christmas week in Boston is being observed in much the same way as that of other years. Many persons are away, and those remaining have been content to pass the holiday season quietly.

The third biennial sportsman's exhibition here will be opened in Mechanics' building, Feb. 22. The managers of the show are making arrangements to have the game birds and animals of European and South American countries represented.

It is now possible to talk directly to St. John, for the first time since telephone lines were introduced. The connection was made possible on Monday by the completion of the St. John-Calais section of the New Brunswick Telephone Co.'s system.

Edward E. Cogswell of Boston, a well known authority on horses and horsemanship, has written a sketch of W. W. Bowser, the Malden trainer, who is well and favorably known all over New England.

The good citizens of Portland, while not as yet seriously alarmed, are noticeably worried over the smaller ocean traffic at that port this winter. In former years at this time it was not an uncommon sight to see five or six large ocean steamers loading or unloading there, but now it is stated there are as many as have been seen at one time this season.

The mayor and corporation of Parnham, Que., are showing commendable enterprise in their efforts to establish a new industry in that town. They are advertising in the American papers that they have acquired a large brick building 200x34 feet, with boiler house and addition of 120x34 feet, and chimney 121 feet high.

The educational situation in the maritime provinces is discussed this week by one of the editorial writers of the Boston Herald. The Herald says: "The agitation in Canada in favor of an alliance or federation of all the colleges of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island would appear to be in some respects a desirable movement."

Some of the Boston ministers are greatly shocked because President Fritche of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology has introduced the German system of smoke talks at the well known institution. These smoke talks also include the drinking of a moderate amount of lager beer.

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An Associated Press dispatch from St. Louis, dated Dec. 21, says: Dr. Thomas Delavan Devoe, poet, playwright, miner, dentist and member of a prominent Nova Scotia family, was laid to rest today in the potter's field.

Mrs. Ellen Donnelly, widow of William Donnelly, late of St. John, died in Worcester Dec. 17. The funeral was held Dec. 19 from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. M. C. Mulcahy, in Everett.

Colin F. McDougall, a real estate dealer, died in East Somerville Dec. 23. He was born in Antigonish 46 years ago. The interment will be in that place.

Daniel T. Whitney, a Cambridge grocer, died on Tuesday of heart disease. Mr. Whitney was 83 years of age and was born in St. John.

Elias Piggett is a petitioner in the Suffolk county superior court here for a divorce from Mrs. Cordelia Piggett of Bear River, N. S. Desertion is alleged. The couple were married three years ago, and for a time both lived in Bear River. The libellee is ordered to appear in court on the first Monday of February next.

Twenty candidates are at present attending the Harvard graduates school at Cambridge. Of the number four are from Nova Brunswick and six from Nova Scotia.

The death is announced in Roxbury, Dec. 25, of Miss Margery M. McIsaac, daughter of the late Malcolm McIsaac of Fairview, P. E. I.

The following from the provinces were in the city recently: J. F. Garrison, E. J. Humphrey, St. John; A. D. Gannon, St. Stephen; W. W. Simpson, J. F. Ryan, G. N. Barrett, Fredericton; F. A. Scott and Mrs. Scott, Halifax.

Col. Nathaniel McKay, formerly of East Boston, owner of the Dewey hotel at Washington, has obtained a divorce from Mrs. Jennie Pope McKay of New York in the Oklahoma courts. Col. McKay, who was once a well known ship builder and is quite wealthy, is a son of Hugh McKay of Shelburne, N. S. He is the fifteenth of the sixteen children in the family.

While trade here is seasonably quiet, spruce lumber continues firm, with prices practically unchanged from last quotations. The general firmness is accentuated by continued reports of heavy losses of mill capacity by the recent frosts, and the unfavorable conditions prevailing in the woods, where most of the snow has disappeared. Ten and 12-inch dimensions are still held at \$20, and other spruce dimensions at corresponding rates.

There is little or nothing doing in the fish trade at present, due to the holiday trade in other lines. Provincial mackerel are in evidence occasionally last sales out of vessel having been made at \$10.50 to 10.75. The supply of oysters is not excessive. Prices are unchanged. Barrel herring are firmer at \$8.50 to 7 for N. S. large split and \$5.25 to 5.55 per barrel for medium. Live lobsters are more plentiful, the fishing season in Nova Scotia having opened. Prices, however, have not changed. Jobbers still quoting live fish at 16 cents and boiled at 18. Smelts are not over plentiful this season. The market shows a wide range in prices, according to the quality and condition. Commission men's prices are from 10 to 15 cents per pound.

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A. C. SMITH DEAD.

City and Province Have Lost a Good Citizen.

His Services in the City Council and in the Legislature.

Universal regret was expressed Friday when it was announced that A. C. Smith, the well-known wholesaler and retail produce dealer of Carleton had passed away at his home on the corner of Queen and Watson streets. Mr. Smith had been seriously ill for some five or six months and although death was not unexpected, it has caused profound sorrow.

Besides his wife, formerly Miss Sarah Boone, Mr. Smith leaves two children, H. Colby Smith, of the firm of A. C. Smith & Co., and Sadie, living at home.



LATE A. C. SMITH.

Albert Colby Smith was born at Blissville, Sunbury Co., N. B., 10th March, 1844. His parents (Benjamin Smith and his wife, Amelia, Clark) were natives of New Brunswick, of United Empire Loyalist stock, their immediate ancestors having come from Connecticut. His paternal grandfather was an officer in the British army and fought in the revolutionary war.

Mr. Smith received his early education in Sunbury county schools, and, graduating from the provincial normal school, taught school at different places in New Brunswick for seven years. In 1876 he began business in St. John as a commission and produce merchant and with his partner, Mr. Lockhart, built up a large and progressive trade with the province of Canada as well as with the mother country.

Mr. Smith, apart from his business enterprises, took a great interest in municipal as well as provincial affairs, and served as alderman for Albert ward at the city council board from 1883 till 1888. At the union of St. John and Portland in 1889, Albert ward ceased to exist, but at the first election held in the united cities he was elected one of the aldermen for Brooks ward. In 1890 Mr. Smith, who did not offer for re-election, was succeeded by his business partner, E. Lockhart. In 1891 Mr. Smith was nominated a candidate to represent St. John in the provincial legislature and was returned by a large majority. He was again successful at the provincial election of 1892, but declined a re-nomination in 1895, in favor of Mr. Lockhart. In politics Mr. Smith was a staunch liberal, conservative, a forcible exponent of the principles of the party. In religion he was a Free Baptist and as long as health permitted, took a deep personal interest in the temporal and spiritual welfare of the denomination, being one of its foremost officers.

Mr. Smith had the courage of his convictions, and on more than one occasion opposed himself to the surface currents of popular opinion; the most notable instance being his advocacy of the union of Portland and St. John, when that measure had very few supporters on the West Side of the harbor. Later on he was one of the most vigorous opponents of the Leary dock scheme. In the election of 1890 the Learyites sought to kill his candidature by raising the cry "Smith or One Million Dollars." The electors scorned the bribe and triumphantly sent Mr. Smith to the legislature. Mr. Smith married, 3rd April, 1868, Miss Sarah E. Boone, daughter of William H. Boone, of Fredericton, and a descendant from Loyalist stock.

The funeral of the late Albert C. Smith took place from his residence, Queen square, Carleton, on Sunday afternoon. Despite the severe storm which prevailed there was a large attendance of people in all walks of life, who desired to pay their last tribute of respect to one of St. John's best citizens. Numerous floral offerings testified to the regard in which the deceased was held. At the house a funeral service was conducted by Rev. Dr. Geo. A. Hartley, the pastor of the deceased's church; Rev. G. F. Scoville of St. Jude's church and Rev. C. T. Phillips of Main street Baptist church. Besides these Revs. John Hughes and J. W. Manning and H. M. Spike were present. The choir of the Free Baptist church, assisted by several friends from the churches, rendered appropriate music. The pall-bearers were Jeremiah Smith of Monseppolis, David Smith of Woodstock, Israel E. Smith of this city, brothers of the deceased, and his nephews, B. Frank Smith, Harry G. Smith and Luther B. Smith. The interment was in Cedar Hill cemetery, and the remains were escorted by Carleton Union lodge, F. and A. M., and Golden Rule lodge, I. O. O. F., of both which the deceased had been a member. Short services were conducted at the grave by Rev. Geo. A. Hartley and the chaplains of the orders.

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CANADIANS WELCOME.

Detroit Tribune's Opinion as to the Usefulness of Canadian Troops in South Africa.

DETROIT, Dec. 24.—A second regiment of Canadian Mounted Rifles will soon join the British forces in South Africa. The present war has opened the eyes of the British war department, and British soldiers generally, to the true value of the Canadian troops. At first it was supposed that the Canadians would prove gun-shy; that they would fall into confusion because they had never had the benefit of right army discipline, which makes the individual an automatic fighting machine.

Whatever advantage there may have been in this discipline under the old conditions it is largely offset by the new conditions. The British regular usually stood fast to his tracks against fearful odds. He was a gallant fellow to withstand an assault or to make a charge. Under the new conditions charges and assaults are infrequent. Officers are picked off by unseen marksmen, and unless the individual soldier possesses independence of action to do his duty in the absence of the Canadian went out with the idea of giving the best possible account of himself and at the same time with the idea of self-preservation still fixed in his brain. He was not an automatic fighting machine, but an individual using his own intelligence when he saw opportunity to take a point or to save himself from destruction.

Instead of needing regulars to hold them in line, the Canadians were most effective when given their heads. They fought with intelligence. They moved with rapidity and discretion. They were always ready to take the initiative. When they got into a tight place they invariably showed the good stuff that is in them. Military authorities were slow to appreciate the fact that the best soldier for modern warfare is the hardy horseman of quick intelligence, who can find a shelter for his own skin when the bullets are flying thickly, and who can be skilful use of his rifle and his wits give a good account of himself to the enemy who does not care a pinyon if his cavalry squadron is out of alignment. Who is not ashamed to scud for cover when nothing is to be gained by sacrificing his life. Who, on the other hand, when it comes to a hand-to-hand scrimmage, shows an ability to stay with the regulars and a readiness to make any sacrifice that may seem necessary?

But the British military authorities have gradually come to learn this, and the Canadians as well as the Boers, taught it to them. And so it is not surprising that the latest contingent of volunteers from Canada should be so very welcome.—Detroit Tribune.

NO JOY IN THIS FAMILY.

Illness of the Head of the House Makes the Festive Season a Very Sad One.

The Dyspeptic is generally very cross and irritable. It is impossible to be happy or make others happy when distressed and worried by the illness of a family member. Dyspepsia is a family illness seldom a happy one for when the one who should lead the others in all merry making is nursing a pain which racks his body and irritates his brain, it is very difficult to get up much enthusiasm. Dyspepsia and there is no reason why this should not be forever banished and at once, for Dyspepsia can be presently relieved and permanently cured by Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets.

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THE NEW SUBURBAN.

The following is the time table for the suburban train which it to go on today:

Table with 2 columns: West and East. Lists departure and arrival times for various stations including St. John, Coldbrook, Brookville, Turryburn, Riverside, Rotheray, Quispansis, Model Farm, Jubilee, Nauwieswaku, and Hampton.

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TO COERCE VENEZUELA.

Germany About to Make a Naval Demonstration.

First Move May be to Establish a Blockade of Venezuelan Ports.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The gathering of German warships in the vicinity of Venezuela and the presence in the same locality of many American, British, French and other foreign warships, is directing attention to imminence of the naval demonstration Germany is about to make against Venezuela. Thus far the German government has not made known the exact details of her proposed move, the official communications to the United States being confined to an inquiry as to the attitude of this government on the question of a demonstration. In view of the purpose of the part of Germany not to acquire any permanent foothold in Venezuela, the answer of this government was entirely satisfactory to the German authorities, who since have proceeded with the execution of their plans for coercing Venezuela. It is said to be probable that the first move by Germany will be the establishment of a blockade of Venezuelan ports, so as to prevent the introduction of food products into Venezuela, and thus starve the beleaguered into submission.

Venezuela, it is said, is entirely dependent on the wheat and corn supply of corn, which is a staple among the Venezuelans. The Germans are expected to occupy one or more of the main ports of Venezuela, probably La Guaira and Maracaibo. In this connection most positive assurances have been given to the United States government that the occupation is to be temporary, and for such length of time as will permit the collection of the debt due to Germany, the disposing of the report that there is any ulterior purpose to establish a German colony on Venezuelan soil, and thus starve the beleaguered into submission.

On the part of Venezuela it is semi-completely understood that President Castro has made known that he is prepared for any eventuality. There is complete silence, however, as to the defensive measures Venezuela is adopting, but there is no indication that she is laying mines or preparing in any way to resist the advance of the Germans. Maracaibo, which are such open ports that they are practically defenceless against such a powerful armament as the Germans are bringing to bear. The reliance of Venezuela appears to be on the practical difficulties Germany will encounter. Venezuela herself, it is asserted, has no need of outside supplies, and while corn is much used in the country, it is not raised there, and can be imported from the United States. With reference to German occupation of one or more ports, it is thought that the United States would be aroused within the United States when a European invader is actually operating on American soil and Venezuela issues a declaration of war. It is understood also, also relies largely on the fact that the foreign capital invested in the large Venezuelan ports, and would be the heaviest sufferers from any destruction wrought by the German fleet. Money from France, England, Germany and the United States has built up Laguaira, Maracaibo and the other ports, and it is believed that the Venezuelans will be able to appeal to these foreign governments. There are a few hopeful signs on both sides that at the last moment peace may be averted. The German minister to Venezuela is still at his post, and there is some hope that he may still bring about a settlement. The outlook for a cash settlement, however, is rather meagre since Venezuela's treasury is empty and all of her financial officials are on half pay.

Another possible means of settlement is through the diplomatic offices of a prominent Venezuelan official now on foreign service, who has been summoned by cable to return to Caracas, probably for the purpose of going on a special mission to Germany. The presence of the North Atlantic squadron and many other American warships in West Indian waters, the source of much speculation in Germany and Venezuela. The German official assured the Venezuelans that American ships had nothing to do with Germany's plans against Venezuela, but at Caracas the presence of American ships in the neighborhood is looked upon with satisfaction, and is construed as distinctly significant.

Caracas, Venezuela (via Galveston, Tex.), Dec. 27.—The German cruiser Veyta anchored here at 10 o'clock today. An interesting incident occurred early in the day. When the Venezuelan health officer, accompanied by the Veyta at 6 o'clock in the morning he was not allowed to board the Venezuelan officials immediately interpreted the action of the German officers to mean that the cruiser had visited La Guaira on warlike business, in connection with the claims of German citizens. At 8 o'clock, however, a German officer called on the authorities and explained that the reason for the health officer's visit to the Veyta was due to the fact that he went alongside the cruiser at too early an hour.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

APPLES ON HAND IN THE VALLEY DECEMBER 1ST.

Table with 2 columns: Apples and Barrels. Lists quantities for various locations including Annapolis, Bridgetown, Round Hill, Paradise, Middleton, Wilmot, Kingston, Aylesford, Auburn, Berwick, Waterville, Cambridge, Kentville, Centerville, Shellfield Mills, Hillston, Canning, Wolfville, Port Williams, and Farmers.

The number of apples already shipped at that date amounted to 175,000 barrels, which, taken with those on hand, makes a product of 294,500 barrels, or safe to say 300,000 barrels of apples for this year's crop. The total number of apples on hand in the United States on December 1st amounted to 1,909,950 barrels, held there possibly for an advance in the market. When these apples are turned loose, look out for a drop in prices.

An Object Lesson

to the average housewife is the ease with which washing can be done when Surprise Soap is used.

It is a pure, hard soap which meets the economical housewife that it goes further than other soaps.

It is there for a money-saving soap.

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Situation in and Around Peking—Russians Causing Trouble.

PEKING, Dec. 23.—A Prince of Manchua princes, including Prince Su, collector of taxes on goods entering Peking, started Saturday to meet the Chinese court. Prince Su intends to press his claim to be sent as an envoy to Great Britain upon the occasion of the coronation of King Edward.

The Dowager Empress is making vigorous efforts to assert herself before the Chinese populace with a view of retrieving the prestige lost by her during the last few years. The programme for the court's return to Peking provides that the emperor shall precede the Dowager Empress to this city, in order that he may be enabled to meet her with great honors at the station when she arrives subsequently.

Two thousand Chinese troops entered Peking last Friday. The Austrians have mounted two large guns upon the fortifications surrounding their legation. The other foreign legations keep their guns concealed. Although the British are well supplied with artillery and the Germans can occasionally be seen drilling on their glacis with field and rapid fire guns, the Americans who hold the crucial position at the Cham-Men gate, are not supplied with artillery. With the approval of the American minister, Conger, Major Robertson of the Ninth Infantry, commanding the legion guard here, applied to the war department for two guns. This application was refused because, when the department consulted with W. W. Rockhill, special commissioner of the United States here, on the matter, the latter replied that artillery was not needed and that its presence would be harmful.

PEKING, Dec. 29.—At New-Chwang the Russians have secured control of the telegraphs and cables. This action on the part of Russia is causing dispute between that country and the foreign consuls at New-Chwang.

STEAMERS CRASHED TOGETHER.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The foreign steamer Newburgh of the Hudson River line, and the steam lighter Clifford of Hartford, Conn., came into collision in the North River, opposite 100th street, this morning. The lighter was sunk and applied to the Newburgh stove in. Quick work on the part of the crew of the Newburgh, who lowered the boats and went to the rescue of the lighter, averted what would have probably been the loss of several lives.

MODERN CHINESE WAX.

PEKING, Dec. 29.—Considerable sensation has been caused in Chinese official circles by a dinner given at his residence by U. S. Minister Conger, and which was attended by the leading officials of the Chinese foreign office. The dinner was attended by Ma Tung, a former "Boxer" leader, and Wang Wen Shao, one of the Chinese plenipotentiaries. The dinner was formerly the custom for prominent Chinese officials never to enter a foreign legation except upon the most formal occasions, while the meeting of foreign ladies socially would have been considered as degrading as would the associating with Chinese women upon the same footing.

The present is significant of the progressive tendency of today which has recently been manifested in many ways. "Don't you think a holiday is more cheerful when there is a large family gathered about the festive board?" "I do," answered the sardonic person. "A large family is a glad assurance that there is no going to the enough turkey cut out of the supply the menu for the next three days."—Washington Star.

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THE SEMI-WEEKLY SUN

ST. JOHN, N. B., JANUARY 1, 1902.

THE ELECTION IN YORK.

The election of Mr. Gibson is not a surprising event, but it is one to be regretted. While the member-elect is not likely to do much harm at Ottawa, his return excludes a man who would have been able to do a great deal of good.

Mr. Gibson has a majority of over eight hundred. This is large, but it is not much more than half the majority by which he led over the highest opposition candidate in the provincial election less than three years ago.

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large it is evident that Dr. McLeod, in spite of the defections, and without a daily paper to support him in the county, has retained seven-eighths of his former supporters.

There is another cause for satisfaction in this contest even though it was not successful. Dr. McLeod will be glad to acknowledge that he had the hearty sympathy of the liberal conservative party outside the county.

Six months after the close of the Intercolonial year we have the first official statement of the receipts and expenditures. The statement itself explains the delay.

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MR. FIELDING'S SHOWING. The blue book containing the public accounts of the Dominion was issued at Ottawa yesterday.

the monthly announcements in the Canadian Gazette. In round numbers the receipts for the year were fifty-two and a half millions, and ordinary expenditure forty-six millions.

COLLAPSE OF THE HEROES. If the war in Africa has wrecked some military reputations the United States war with Spain has been equally destructive.

MR. A. C. SMITH. The commercial life of St. John has been enriched with many excellent recruits from the country.

Sch. Seattle wrecked at Little Salmon River on Christmas morning. Capt. Priddle started for St. John on the morning of the 24th.

It appears to be settled that A. A. McLean will oppose ex-Premier Farquharson in West Queens, Prince Edward Island.

WHITE'S COVE. A heavy snow storm prevailed here on Monday, and about six inches of snow fell.

SACKVILLE NEWS. SACKVILLE, N. B., Dec. 30.—The marriage of Bartha, daughter of Clarence Wheaton of Midgie, and Charles Phinney of the same place took place at the home of the bride's parents on Christmas evening.

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MANY THOUSANDS CURED OF CATARRH.

Remarkable Cures Made by Pe-ru-na North and South.



MISS BLANCHE MYERS

Miss Blanche Myers, 3120 Penn street, Kansas City, Mo., a society belle of that city writes:

"During each of the past four seasons I have caught a severe cold when suddenly chilled after an evening party, and a most unpleasant catarrh lasting for several weeks would be the result."

"Last winter my brother advised me to try Peruna, as one of his club friends had been cured of a bad case of catarrh by using it. He procured me a bottle and I was much pleased to find that one bottle cured me."—MISS BLANCHE MYERS.

Peruna cures catarrh wherever located, with the same surety and promptness. There are no substitutes for Peruna.

Miss Estie Becker, secretary of the Goethe Club, of Racine, Wis., writes:

"A short time ago I got my feet wet, and a cold settled on my lungs which nothing seemed to remove. Our family physician tried extracts, powders and pills, but I kept getting worse until my brother advised me to try Peruna and purchased a bottle for me."

"It acted like a charm and in a week I was like my old self once more; in fact I felt stronger and had a better appetite than I have ever had before. Peruna will have a welcome place in our medicine chest, as the whole family believes in it."—Estie Becker.

Peruna is an internal remedy—a scientific remedy for catarrh. It cures catarrh wherever located. Its cures last. Peruna gives strength by stopping waste.

By giving the mucus it enriches the blood. By cleansing the mucous membranes it preserves the vital forces.

A constant drain of mucus from the system is known as systemic catarrh. This may occur from any organ of the body.

Peruna stops this waste by curing the catarrhal condition of the mucous membrane, no matter which organ may be affected. Peruna cures catarrh wherever located.

Peruna can be obtained for \$1.00 a bottle at all first-class drug stores in Canada. Address Dr. Hartman, Columbus, Ohio, U. S. A.

PORTLAND. PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 30.—The big lot of liquor seized by Sheriff Pearson's deputies from the Portsmouth and Portland Express Company last Saturday was returned to the claimants today.

CONSUMPTION CURE. An old physician retired from practice, had placed in his hands by an East Indian missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections; also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints.

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"I was not very well for six years, paid many doctor bills, but never improved very much. Two years ago I was attacked with the grippe, which left me with a severe liver trouble. I gave up hope of ever recovering. Peruna cured me. I feel young again, and am gaining in flesh, as I was very emaciated. My own children are surprised in the great change in me when they come to visit me. We have made your Peruna our household remedy."—Mrs. Mary Cook.

Congressman H. Henry Powers of Vermont, writes from Morrisville, Vt.: "Peruna I have used in my family with success. I can recommend it as an excellent family remedy, and very good for coughs, colds and catarrhal affections."—H. Henry Powers.

Hon. John H. Gear, United States Senator from Iowa, writes: "Peruna I can recommend to all as a very good tonic, and particularly good as a remedy for catarrh."—John H. Gear.

Senator Gear's home address is Burlington, Iowa.

Mr. O. Fisher, 1661 Lexington avenue, New York City, writes: "I had catarrh and was troubled with a constant dropping from the back part of the nose into the throat, and a horrible breath. Also severe hoarseness and yellow discharge from the nose; but I haven't the slightest trouble now of those complaints, and I honestly and conscientiously state that I am cured of catarrh of the nose and throat."

"If there is any way I can state it more positively I can only too glad to do so, and I am willing, very willing, to lend any aid in my power in helping you to induce sufferers to give Peruna a trial."

"My wife is also taking Peruna, and it is helping her wonderfully. She has improved considerably since taking Peruna. She feels fifty per cent better than she has in years, for all of which I am very thankful, as she was extremely nervous, had systemic catarrh, and this blood."—O. Fisher.

"If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis."

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

The Hills of Life, which can be secured at all up-to-date drug stores and upon request is sent free to all, gives a short description of all catarrhal diseases.

CAMPOBELLO NEWS. CAMPOBELLO, Charlotte Co., Dec. 29.—The death of Mrs. Charlotte Newman, widow of the late Leonard Newman, occurred on Sunday, 15th instant.

Arthur and Miss Mary G. Mitchell are home on vacation from Fredericton normal school. Archie Calder of the Halifax law school is visiting his parents here.

A despatch from Montreal on Monday announced the death there of Mrs. Geo. Brownrigg, sister of Mrs. Meade Malloch, with whom the community deeply sympathize.

A well attended ball was held in Flagg's hall on Christmas night. On Tuesday evening the home of Robert Calder, Jr., was the scene of a pretty wedding, when his eldest son, Philip C., was united in marriage with Miss Minnie Lank, daughter of Wm. Lank. Rev. A. J. Prosser performed the ceremony. The bride looked charming. The presents were many and the reception given was a most happy one. The young couple have the best wishes of host of friends.

On Wednesday, St. Anne's Church was the scene of a brilliant affair, when Edward Townsend and Miss Paris H. Davidson were married and wife, Rev. W. H. Street tying the nuptial knot. The bride was dressed in white silk. A reception at the home of the bride's uncle, Harvey Parker, followed.

The death occurred at Wilson's Beach on Tuesday of Capt. William Searle, aged 64 years. His death was due to pneumonia. A wife and a large family of sons and daughters survive. Work in the lobster factory here will be resumed this week.

HOPEWELL HILL. HOPEWELL HILL, Dec. 29.—A wild snow storm prevailed on Friday night, and the "greenness" of Christmas has disappeared beneath a pretty generous covering of the beautiful Lumbermen say a foot of snow fell in the woods.

The steamer Draitberg passed down the bay yesterday with plaster from Hillsboro. This is probably the steamer's last trip this way for the season.

Perley Peck has leased his residence and farm at Hopewell to his cousin, Willard Milton, formerly of Demoselle Creek, Ont. who has lately been living in the States. Mr. Peck will reside with the family. His mother, Mrs. Levi T. Steeves, has removed to Salem, A. C., where her husband has recently built a new house.

One of the Indians who are encamped near this village recently trapped a silver-fox. Roy Barton of Boston is visiting friends at Hopewell.

10 CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—On the French steamship La Champagne, which arrived today, was Jules Cambon, the French ambassador, who has been home on a few months' leave.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

FREDERICTON, Dec. 25.—Reports from all sections of the county are very encouraging. Dr. McLeod and his supporters are entering on the work of the next few days with energy and confidence. Powell's meeting at Stanley Friday evening was a great success and most enthusiastic. It is said Stanley will vote to better than last year for McLeod. Much has been made of the fact that George J. Colter, president of the York Conservative Association, was not in town at Borden's meeting a few nights ago, and the report has been industriously circulated that he had withdrawn his support from McLeod. The fact is that Mr. Colter was ill at home for a week past, but attended Dr. McLeod's meeting at Keswick Monday night and spoke with much vigor and telling effect on behalf of McLeod. He is to address McLeod meetings in the county Thursday and Friday. Dr. Geo. McNally, who voted for McLeod a year ago, has signed a letter in which he states that he will vote for Gibson next Saturday. It is understood that he is an applicant for a government office now vacant in this city. The pressure upon him has been through the fact that he is another instance of the methods against which Dr. McLeod is fighting so vigorously.

SALMON OREBEK, Dec. 25.—The Presbyterian congregation met at the manse Monday evening and presented their pastor, the Rev. D. McLeod Clark, with a handsome funeral. An address was given by Isaac Fraser, in which he referred to the faithful labors of Mr. Clark during his pastorage of eleven years in this congregation. A pleasant time was spent playing games, after which refreshments were passed.

The Baptist congregation of this place held a pie social in the public hall on the 23rd, the proceeds to go towards paying for organ.

W. M. Porter is home from Boston for the holidays. Miss Baird entertained her Sabbath school class at her home Christmas eve. Senator King's health is improving. Dr. H. Hay is in attendance.

HOPEWELL HILL, Dec. 24.—The funeral of the late Miss Maria Reynolds, whose death has been noted, took place today from the residence of Alexander Rogers. The services, which were largely attended, were conducted by the Rev. J. K. King, assisted by the Rev. F. D. Davidson. Both clergymen spoke in high terms of the deceased young lady. The members of Golden Rule Division, S. of T., to which the deceased belonged, walked in a body to the new cemetery, where the burial took place, six of the members acting as pall-bearers.

Miss Annie L. Stuart, daughter of deputy sheriff James G. Stuart, was married last evening to Fred G. Robinson, Rev. J. K. King, pastor of the Methodist Church, officiating. The ceremony took place at 8 p. m. at the home of the bride's parents, the immediate relatives only being present. As coming events cast their shadows before, the "boys" had been busy all day collecting horns, circular saws, cow bells and various other instruments not particularly useful, which they used with fearful results, the effect at the proper time. The newly married couple will reside here.

James Robinson, Peter O'Boyle and Chas. E. Gouvang, who have been working at Bathurst, came to their homes here on Tuesday.

Christmas is being observed very quietly in this section. The absence of snow somewhat detracted from the enjoyment of the day.

SALISBURY, N. B., Dec. 27.—Quite a heavy snow storm is prevailing here today.

Alfred E. Steeves of Dover, N. B., and Miss Hannah Burnham, daughter of Valentine Burnham, merchant, of this place, were married by Rev. J. B. Tiner at the Baptist parsonage Christmas afternoon.

Prof. L. W. Titus, Mrs. Titus and children are spending a few days in Salisbury, the guests of Mr. Titus' sister, Mrs. V. E. Gouvang.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Depends upon the name. Scott's Emulsion is a name that has value. Maybe it doesn't mean much to you—but to the consumptive who has been strengthened and fattened, to the sickly children who have received good health, to the weak mothers and babies who have grown strong—to these Scott's Emulsion means something.

To all of them it has meant an easy and natural return to health.

We issued you a little to try, if you like. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, Toronto.

ceptably filled for the past year, without expressing to you our sincere appreciation of your services.

Your manly and brotherly conduct while occupying the responsible position of master of Salisbury Lodge, No. 20, is well known to all members. You have ever striven, we believe, to do your duty as a Mason in the lodge and out of it, and to exemplify the qualities of true brotherhood upon which our noble order is founded. We desire you to accept the accompanying souvenir as a slight expression of the esteem of your brothers. We also hope that your life may be prosperous and happy and God's blessing may always attend you.

(Sigs) THOS. R. CAMPBELL, On behalf of the officers and members of Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.

CHATHAM, Dec. 25.—The days have begun to lengthen, but "the frost has not begun to strengthen," as the old couplet goes. Tuesday was a real April day, with a downpour of rain which took off a great deal of the snow. Christmas day dawned brightly with a fine westerly wind, which increased in force, making driving rather unpleasant, but notwithstanding unfavorable conditions a great many teams were out. Among the fast ones might be observed Clyde Johnston's, Jimmy Johnston's and Archy Snowball's. They generally kept the order named and exhibited frequent bursts of speed. The streets, roads and ice were all in admirable condition, and very few accidents have been reported. Ice boating was indulged in by a number of our sports, the ice being in good shape with plenty of the propelling power.

Among our Christmas visitors we have Mr. and Mrs. Fred Richardson of Deer Island, Stewart Benson of the Bank of Nova Scotia, Clyde Johnston of Reid & Co., Moncton, "Jack" McCully of the 2nd Mounted Rifles, Halifax, Mr. Dunning of Montreal, Mr. Harper of Point Prim and John Flanagan, teacher.

John I. Noonan, grocer and general furnisher, has assigned to Sheriff Call. Liabilities are said to be in the neighborhood of \$2,500, with assets not likely to realize more than \$500 nett. The sheriff also took possession of the store and stock of Fred A. Noonan under several executions. The store is closed up, and will not likely be opened under former auspices, as it is said that Mr. Noonan, who is now in the West Indies, will engage in developing a mine or deposit of china clay on one of the islands.

The water works test was begun on Saturday, but so many leaks have developed that there has been no real test completed. As soon as pressure was put on the gauge would indicate that a fresh break had occurred, and investigation would show a flood of water in some cellar or bursting up through the roadway. The necessary repairs are being proceeded with, and in a few days we may have a complete system in operation. Mr. McLean, sr., of Charlottetown, is here inspecting the final tests in the interest of his contract.

The Adams House bill of fare on Christmas day was elaborate, reflecting much credit upon the proprietor, some guests taking a full two hours to discuss the various courses and condiments.

It is rumored that D. Ward is about starting an insurance office in town. A Charlottetown firm of plumbers is about establishing a branch of that business in Chatham at New Year's.

The folks of the county aims house had the usual Christmas celebration, and it is needless to say that "Governor" Templeton received many complimentary favors, which were shared by his competent help-met.

Algerman Murdoch has purchased the McNary property, so called, on the Newcastle road. He has a party now engaged in getting in the stone, and has already hauled a large quantity to his wood-yard on Henderson street. The brawny alderman sometimes takes a little exercise wielding the axe at the stump himself, a combination of health, pleasure and profit.

Price Webber begins tonight with an extended engagement at the Masonic Hall here. It is to be hoped he will play in better luck than at the time of a former visit here, when the spall-pox scare put him completely out of business.

The new church for St. John's congregation at the corner of Cunard and Wellington streets is progressing well toward completion. The outside finishing is all on and most of the windows are in place, but it is not intended to have a formal opening until next summer.

Rev. Mr. Matthews of St. Luke's Methodist church is in poor health, but has a valuable assistant in the person of Rev. Mr. Pinkerton.

Dr. P. Cox and several other members of our teaching staff have gone to distant parts of the province to spend the holiday season.

gramme was creditably carried out. Chorus, Sweet Bunch of Daisies, by Geo. Gunter, Myrtle Gunter, Hattie Orchard and Pearl Palmer; recitation, The Girl Who Loves to Giggle, by Louise Reardon; solo, Drunkard's Lullaby, by Myrtle Gunter; recitation, The Boy's Confession, by Walter Young; solo, The Picture No. Artist Can Paint, by Hattie Orchard; recitation, Entertaining Her Big Sister, by Susie Kelly; song by Walter Palmer; recitation, The Saviour's Bird, by Clara Kelly; song, Seven Years in Prison, by Mary Droust; recitation, by Harry Palmer; song, Maple Leaf Forever, by Geo. Gunter; recitation by Carroll Ferns; song, Red, White and Blue, by the school; recitation by Willie Palmer. I want to be a Man. Speeches were made by John P. Wright and others. Mr. Squires will take charge of the school again next term.

Hugh A. Farris, who has been attending Acadia College, is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Farris, W. W. Wright of Westport, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Wright.

Oswald Orchard, who has spent the last year in Portland, Me., returned home last week to spend the winter. Mrs. Eliza McLean is prostrated with lung trouble. Fred Dean is in ill health.

J. A. Molasky and Geo. Alward are getting a large quantity of cordwood at Robertson's Point.

The recent thaw has left the fields and roads bare and wheels have taken the place of runners.

FREDERICTON, Dec. 23.—W. H. Murray of St. John, who arrived in the morning, says that no effort will be made to remove the logs now scattered along the river between Fredericton and Long's Creek until towards the end of March. He does not think that there is any great danger of the lumber being lost. During the recent freshet about one million feet of lumber ran into the Douglas boom.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Provincial Teachers' Institute was held at the Normal school building last evening. Dr. Inch presided. Those present were: Inspector Bridges, this city; Geo. Messinger, Doaktown; D. B. Meagher, Woodstock; Geo. Smith, Shediac; R. F. Steeves, Sussex; and J. E. Dugas, Frobisher Bay. The meeting was opened by the Rev. J. P. Roche, and G. J. Oulton, S. W. Irons and C. H. Acheson, Moncton; Frank Wood, Woodstock; F. A. Dixon and G. J. McNaughton, Sackville; Chancellor Harrison and Dr. Bailey of the U. N. B.; Principal Mullin and Prof. Brittain of the Normal school. It was decided to hold the next annual institute meeting at this city on June 28th and 29th next, Chancellor Harrison, Dr. Inch, H. V. B. Bridges and Prof. Brittain being the committee to make the necessary arrangements. After the meeting the committee enjoyed an oyster supper at Mrs. Hatt's.

Lumber operators are now more hopeful of saving a large part of the logs which came down river in the recent thaw and rise of water than they have at any time since last fall. The water is at high pitch, and the river is likely to freeze over in fair condition, and logs are jammed in comparatively small areas, and many of them are likely to be above the surface when the ice makes, and it is hoped that a large proportion of the lumber can be hauled out and stacked during the winter. Banking operations will not begin until about the first of March, and the weather conditions are expected to be favorable to the work. About a million feet of lumber ran into the Douglas boom last week.

The river from Grand Falls to some distance below Woodstock is entirely free of ice, and below Cromoto there is but a thin coating of ice. At Fredericton the ice is only about six inches thick, and it would not take much of a thaw to take the present ice out, when the logs not in the boom would go to sea and be lost.

The People's Bank of New Brunswick has declared the usual half-yearly dividend of four per cent. on the six months ending 31st inst. The dividend will be payable to the stockholders on and after Monday, Jan. 27th next.

FREDERICTON, Dec. 23.—B. B. Rossborough, manager of the Calais branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia, has arrived home to take charge of his duties. Mr. Rossborough has been in the city for two or three weeks in the United States.

An anonymous friend has presented Victoria hospital with a fine piano for the nurses' sitting room, which gift is greatly appreciated.

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