

The Weather

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf. — Fresh winds, cloudy, with much the same temperature and light local snow falls.

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Temperatures

Minimum and Maximum Temperatures:—Montreal, 18.22; Quebec, 18.22.

ONE CENT

AWFUL SUFFERING IN NICARAGUA

Government Troops Starving and Almost Naked—The Wounded in a Terrible Condition.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Following a peremptory warning to President Madriz that the United States, will hold him personally responsible for the safety of American in the western part of Nicaragua, the state department to-night extended more than moral encouragement to the revolutionists. Under orders from Secretary Knox, American Red Cross funds are to be expended in caring for the sick and wounded troops of both the Estrada and Zelaya armies, more than 2,000 of whom are incarcerated in Bluefields.

According to the latest reports, the medical corps of the various war vessels now at Bluefields has installed hospitals ashore, where scores are being cared for. The procession of sick and wounded men through the town is said to be pitiful. With a view to relieving the situation, Secretary Knox to-night consulted with the American Red Cross, and immediately afterward sent a despatch to Thomas H. Moffatt, United States Consul at Bluefields, saying that the Red Cross to-morrow would telegraph \$5,000 and would send another \$5,000 if needed. The cablegram said, also, that the navy department had instructed Captain Shipley to find surplus supplies from American ships now at Bluefields, and that orders would be given the Prairie now at Colon, to transport immediately to Bluefields from the stores intended for the marine, or from the Panama Canal Commission's Department, such supplies as might be requested, to the limit of \$5,000, which will be recouped from Red Cross funds.

The despatch of this telegram followed close on the receipt of a graphic report from Consul Moffatt depicting the state of affairs in Bluefields. He reported that more than 900 men on both sides were killed in the recent battle at Rama. The despatch follows:—"The thousand starved, emaciated prisoners have been brought here from Zelaya's surrendered army. The sight of the sick and weary, tottering through the streets is horrible; half are more or less. The emergency hospital established by the Desmouines and Yocoma contains 90 wounded, the city hospital 60. Few of the surrendered army had shoes or blankets. Scores were almost naked. All are in a pitiable condition. Estrada is furnishing them with blankets, clothing, shoes and food as best he can. Flour, beans, rice, sugar, coffee and condensed milk are needed instantly to feed the starving Zelaya soldiers. Disease and death threaten unless they are properly given best of food and care. The great and sudden demand for proper clothing and food for the suffering is a problem for the provisional government whose resources are exhausted; their own men, numbering 3,000, are well fed and clothed, but they cannot find means whereby to care for their increased burden."

"I have discussed the seriousness of the situation fully with Capt. Shipley of the Desmouines and believe, and suggest that a ship should be sent to Colon immediately to bring here sufficient quantities of the provisions enumerated to feed 2,000 men for thirty days. Present situation threatens starvation and disease. It is estimated now that over 900 were killed on both sides."

Orders were issued to-night to the Prairie to be in readiness to sail at once from Colon with supplies.

THE DEADLY COAL MINE ONCE MORE

Eight Men Killed and Four Hundred Had Narrow Escape from Explosion.

St. Louis, Dec. 23.—Eight men were killed and 400 others had a narrow escape in an explosion of gas in mine A of the Chicago and Cartersville Coal Co. at Herrin, Ill., late to-day. Open lamps carried by employees of the mine are believed to have caused the disaster. There were three men and a boy in this party and all are dead. The dead include W. T. Pierce, mine engineer, and Thos. Williams, assistant manager. Despite the black dump which flowed into the chambers adjoining those in which Pierce and his party were killed, rescuers went down into the workings within five minutes after the explosion and recovered the bodies of three miners. The efforts to penetrate more deeply into the workings were repulsed by increasing banks of after damp and the rescuers were forced to retreat, leaving the bodies of Pierce and his companions. It is not expected that the bodies can be recovered before to-morrow. To-night all efforts were directed towards fighting the flames.

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NO MYSTERY ABOUT TIBURON ISLAND

Place Only Inhabited by Deer and Wild Pigeons—Nothing of Value There.

Nogales, Ariz., Dec. 23.—The mystery and glamor surrounding Tiburon Island, Gulf of California, has been dissipated effectually through the return of seven American explorers who visited the island. They had supposed it to be inhabited by man-eating Seri Indians and to contain hidden treasure and rich mineral products. The party was under the leadership of Professor Fayette A. Jones. The explorers landed at Keno Ba on the mainland and were visited by 20 Seri men and women who proved friendly and who informed them that there was nothing of value on the island. The expedition crossed to the island, however, and established a permanent camp and for five weeks prosecuted their explorations, finding no indication of anything of value or of great interest. The island is 20 miles wide and 35 miles long and is of volcanic origin. It contains no human beings but hundreds of deer and myriads of wild pigeons. Inscriptions were found proving the visit there in 1905 of a rescue party in search of traces of the Grindell exploring expedition, which was lost the year before.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

PRODUCTION OF GOLD AND SILVER Washington, Dec. 23.—The world's production of gold and silver for the calendar year 1908 is estimated by the Bureau of the Mint to have been: 21,375,480 fine ounces of the value of \$441,932,200, and silver 203,186,370 fine ounces of the commercial value of \$108,684,000. Compared with 1907 there was an increase in the gold product of \$31,376,900, and in silver an increase of 18,992,300 fine ounces. The greatest increase in the product of gold in any country of the world was in Africa which increased from \$151,599,600 in 1907 to \$166,520,500 in 1908. The increase in the United States was \$4,124,300. Mexico's increase was \$3,690,100. The largest increase in the production of silver was in Mexico and amounted to 12,517,000 fine ounces. Canada followed with an increase of 326,400 fine ounces. There was a decrease in the silver product of the United States as compared with 1907 of 4,074,000 fine ounces.

SERIOUS FIRE IN MONTREAL

Hat Factory and Foundry Gutted—Loss Seventy Thousand Dollars Firemen Hurt.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Fire in the Globe Hat Works and the premises of the Canadian Iron & Foundry Company to-night resulted in heavy damage, the place being badly gutted and the loss is estimated at \$70,000, partially covered by insurance. During the progress of the fire several of the firemen were hurt by falling walls, but not seriously injured.

ORDER OF EAGLES LIKE WHISKEY

Galena, Kan., Dec. 23.—A wagon load of beer, whiskey and other liquors seized in a raid on the club rooms of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, was stolen from the city jail to-day by unknown persons. The liquor had looked up and was to have been used as evidence.

ROGERS HAD "THE DROP"

Helena, Mont., December 23.—Harry Rogers, a prominent Teton County ranch man, to-day shot and killed Don Correia, Mexican, who had threatened Rogers' life because Rogers had refused to dance for him. Both drew pistols, but Rogers got "the drop" and killed Correia with his first shot.

VETERANS MEETING.

A meeting of the members of the Veterans Association, 7th Military District, was held at the Drill Hall last evening for the purpose of receiving a report of the delegation that went to Ottawa to interview Sir Wilfrid Laurier and after the usual business had been gone through the President, Chevalier Rouleau, addressed the meeting, stating that nearly 150 veterans from different parts of Canada had met at Ottawa and marched in a body from the Grand Union Hotel to the House of Commons headed by a piper in Highland costume and four officers commanding. They were most favorably received by some of the members and ushered into the Railway Committee room and after the petition had been laid before Sir Wilfrid Laurier he addressed the veterans expressing his sympathy with them and that his desire was to have the matter concluded. It was, he stated, already before his Government and he hoped would meet with success, and it was believed that their claims would be settled before long. Mr. Rouleau's report was received with very great applause, and a very hearty vote of thanks was tendered the delegates. Messrs. C. E. Rouleau, J. Dermody, and Edwin J. Moreau, for their kindness in going to Ottawa to represent the Association.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS

To-morrow (Saturday) being Christmas Day, the Chronicle will be published as usual, and we would request all advertisements to be sent in to the office before 5 O'CLOCK TO-DAY, as no advertisements or changes can be accepted after that hour.

QUEBEC SNOWSHOE CLUB OUTING

Boys of Old Black and Red Had a Splendid Time Last Evening.

The annual outing of the Quebec Snowshoe Club, which is always looked forward to as was this year undoubtedly the most successful in the history of the old club. The members to the number of over fifty, with several guests, assembled at the Q. B. L. & P. Co. station at eight o'clock last evening where a special car awaited them. Proceeding to Kent House shoes were donned and the trampers noiselessly glided over the fields of snow until the Montmorency River was reached, at a point just above the pulp mill. The mountain of pulpwood piled here was viewed with great interest, as was also the loading apparatus and shipping equipment, which was used for the first time last Monday, when some ten cars were loaded on the new branch of the Canadian Northern Railway. Sliding down the steep bank of the river the merry party crossed on the ice to view the cabin of a large beaver colony. The ingenious manner in which the busy animals have felled large trees was the source of much wonderment and deeply interested the trampers, who were greatly surprised to find such a flourishing colony so close to the city. From this point the snowshoers followed the windings of the Montmorency, passing the mouth of the Fairy River, until the magnificent camp of one of the officers was reached. The cozy cottage which had been placed at the disposal of the club for the outing, presented a most cheerful aspect. The spacious living room had been most artistically decorated with the club colors, while the rustic glow from the open fireplace added a homelike charm to the place which at once made every one feel at home. An elaborate supper was served, and much of the success of this very essential part of the outing was due to Messrs. Herbert S. Scott, Colin Ashmead, J. Kennedy and Chester Mowat, who had presided at the party, and were indefatigable in their efforts to satisfy the voracious appetites of the tired trampers. Supper at last over a short business meeting was held, when Mr. E. E. Ross was unanimously elected a member of the club. Professor Oscar Jones was then carried to the piano, over which he presided in a masterly manner, playing the accompaniments for numerous vocal and instrumental numbers which were included in an impromptu programme, to which Messrs. James Harrower, Fred Judice, Frank Stocking, Septimus Barrow and others contributed.

At a late hour the enjoyable entertainment was brought to a close by the signing of "The Old Black and Red" and God Save the King. Shoes were again put on and guided by the moon overhead and the lights of the city to the right, not much difficulty was experienced on the return trip to Kent House. Here a roll-call showed that the party was as numerous as on leaving town, all but an ex-secretary and ex-treasurer having donned shoes. Reaching Quebec a special car which had been elaborately decorated for

the occasion, conveyed the members to their homes.

The outing will long be recalled by those who participated in it, and an opportunity for another such event would be eagerly seized.

Amongst the many pleasant and unusual incidents of the trip was the presence of no fewer than four past Presidents, Messrs. M. Joseph, A. E. Scott, S. Barrow and F. S. Stocking. Colonel Ray, another past President, was, at the last moment, compelled to absent himself owing to a pressing engagement.

While awaiting the arrival of the special car for the return, Mine Host Baker of Kent House was prevailed upon to venture from his desk to explain the advantages of the new slides, when he was pounced upon and given such a bouncing as only the boys of the Old Black and Red can give. Just then the elevator, which, by the way, seems to be having its ups and downs—how in sight and the boys' rushed away, leaving the bewildered Mr. Baker to search for his watch and small change.

Moral: Keep your hand on your watch.

Amongst those who took part in the outing were:—W. Hall, S. Elliot, J. Harrower, B. W. Guvey, C. Fletcher, S. Barrow, P. Langlois, President; H. S. Scott, S. Lemieux, P. Turcot, S. H. Hill, Dr. Lemieux, E. Wood side, L. Denis, Benny Hall, D. Greig, C. Ashmead, F. S. Stocking, B. Henderson, W. H. Ellis, J. T. Cassels, G. Norris, Fred Judice, E. E. B. Rat-tray, A. E. Scott, O. Jones, M. Joseph, G. Joseph, guest; A. Sleath, guest; W. Moaness, George Evans, E. Joseph, G. S. Ahern, A. McNeil, E. Galloway, H. E. Scott, C. W. Mowat, J. Kennedy, Brian Hall.

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The greatest war picture ever seen in Quebec—The Japanese Invasion—will be shown to-day at the Paquetorium. Admission only 5 cents—Don't miss it.

IS CHAMPION STILL

Boston, December 23.—Thos. Houston, of St. Louis, successfully defended his title of pool champion of the world against Benjamin Allen, of Kansas City, Mo., in the three days' match ending to-night, winning by a total net score of 600 to 581. Allen won to-night's match by a large lead, however, during which he broke the world's record for a run, scoring 88. The former records was 79 and had been held by Grant Eby since 1902.

HAVE STRUCK AGAIN

Butte, Mont., Dec. 23.—Striding switchmen who returned to work a week ago, quit again to-day following warnings from local labor union committees. Several mines closed to-day throwing hundreds out of work. Traffic in the freight yards is paralyzed.

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CAPTAIN BERNIER AND THE NORTH POLE.

Captain Bernier is one of our own men, and it was quite appropriate that he should be invited to address our Quebec Canadian Club. The Captain is not an orator, but he is a bluff, energetic navigator, and tells a very interesting story of his doings in the Far North. For a time he may be said to have been a next-door neighbor to Commander Peary and Dr. Cook, while these gentlemen were engaged in their search for the Pole, the one to be discredited and the other to be abused for being envious. When Captain Bernier left for the Arctic regions on his recent expedition to plant the Canadian flag in the new district of Franklin Land and its several islands, he was sailing under instructions from the Canadian Marine Department, and now he tells us pretty plainly that he had to leave many things undone that he would have liked to have done, had he had as free a hand as Peary or Cook. His first effort, as an incipient Arctic explorer, was to induce Sir Wilfrid Laurier to equip an expedition to the North Pole. He, however, failed to realize his aims, since Sir Wilfrid, as usual, thought it best "to wait" until somebody else had shown the way to that far off point of interest, though the nations had for years all been showing the way, tumbling over one another to see who would get there first. Then Sir Wilfrid was seized with the idea that an expedition should be sent out to see what the Arctic regions were like; and we all remember what a time there was in the House of Commons and all over Canada, with respect to the boodling extravagance there was in the purchase of supplies for that voyage of inspection. Captain Bernier was only second in command during that venture; and it says a good deal for him that in this last venture, in which he was first in command, there was no boodling allowed in the purchase of supplies, there being ordered for the voyage only what was necessary. With the honest Captain's eye on them, the boodlers of the Marine Department had to be satisfied with the very smallest dividends, if any, from the fitting up of the Arctic; and the Captain has gone to the centre of the Arctic regions and come back again, with no charge of inaction or overdoing of duty against him. And it is a wonderful story he has to tell of the annexation of the new territory. He has not discovered much that had not been, some time or other, under the eye of the explorers who gave their names to the various islands, inlets and navigable passages in that far-off land; but he has proven very conclusively, that if the North Pole has not yet been located, either by Commander Peary or Dr. Cook, and Canada should seek to share in the romantic search, Captain Bernier is the man to be entrusted with the job. The Canadian Club deserves credit for bringing the sturdy Captain to Quebec to tell his own story in his own characteristic, blunt and forcible way. And no Quebecer is likely to grudge him further employment at the hands of our Government, towards fixing for us the northern boundary-line of our great and extending country. By all means let us have Captain Bernier with us again to tell us in full his romantic experience in the frozen North.

CANADA'S SHARING IN THE EXPENSE OF THE EMPIRE'S NAVY.

There is nothing like an election, general or partial, for the getting at the bottom of a public question; and that is one reason why our election contests would be excellent educational movements, but for the corruptionist and his purchase of votes. Sir Wilfrid Laurier's surrender of his Ottawa seat, has brought out one candidate at least, who is an out-and-out opponent to the spending of Canadian public money either directly or indirectly on a navy. Mr. J. A. Ellis, the candidate in question, condemns openly and above board the idea of a Canadian navy; and now the arguments are being ranged side by side in behalf of the two alternatives of a Canadian navy pure and simple and of continued contributions to the navy of the United Kingdom. So clearly does the Ottawa Journal state the two sides to the question, that we place the arguments before our own readers in the Journal's own words:

A Canadian navy means continuous systematic naval finance. It means the spending of the naval money in our own country. It means the establishment of shipyards and naval training schools in Canada. It means the building of ships in this country, the employment of men in Canada, the purchase to a larger degree than otherwise of materials here. It means the encouragement of

other Canadian industries.

It means a stimulus to some Canadian towns and cities.

It means a new development of National self-effort and education.

It means the avoidance of possible causes of friction with England.

On the other hand, an attempted continuous series of contributions to the navy of England, which is the alternative to a Canadian navy, would mean the following:

1. Canadian taxes spent by England in England, constituting a continual irritation here among some people against Imperial connection.

2. Dissatisfaction occasionally or constantly either in England or here, or both at the shape in which we might put our gifts, or the way in which England might put or handle them.

3. No continuity or system in finance. "Whenever a Canadian finance minister would find his budget troublesome, he will cut two or three millions off the contribution to England, or excise it altogether. This is the most deadly objection of all. It means constant annual squabbling over the navy question—over the principle of assisting England—over the amounts that Canada should be giving—constant turmoil not merely between the two political parties here, but inside of each party also—constant irritation of many kinds, all tending to disgust at the Imperial.

With these arguments before us, we will all naturally take an interest in the Ottawa by-election, helping us, as it will, to lay bare all the phases of the situation. The immediate question is: while Canada is waiting, through the help of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, is Germany also likely to wait? If the corruptionist can only be made to keep his distance in this Ottawa by-election, the verdict of the constituency may lighten up some middle course whereby England may have the contract for our first Dreadnought or two, until Canada is ready to go into the business of building navy ships on her own account.

If this connection the Montreal Star sends a shiver down our backs from the picture it draws of the plight of the Empire's prestige on the high seas should Germany outbid us in the number and size of our biggest ships. "Germany is spending next year," that paper claims, "one hundred and sixteen millions of dollars on her sea ships with half of this devoted exclusively to the building of new ships." Britain, expects to spend about the same amount on Dreadnoughts. "What we do not appear to realize," says the Star, "is that by the time the British Dreadnoughts are launched, in 1912, the greater part of the battleships and armored cruisers which have enabled the British Admiralty to boast its adherence to the principle of two keels for every one that two hostile powers could bring against them, would not be keels but hulks very shortly after they met a squadron of the latest monsters of the deep. Knots slower in speed, thousands of yards shorter in range of guns, tons lighter in weight of projectile, it would be slaughter rather than battle to send them to meet such a fleet as that so feverishly building across the North Sea—and being built with coal bunker capacity only sufficient to carry it to a battle no farther away than the shores of England."

And if this statement of the case be founded on fact there is nothing but alarm already in the situation.

THE FOLLY OF A FOOLISH TONGUE.

We had an idea that some genius of a Canadian politician would, sooner or later, be airing his opinion in the British newspapers as to what the people of Canada thought of the fight that is on in the mother land. Even the King has not escaped a false charge of interference; and how could we expect that the Ottawa correspondent of the Manchester Guardian would let the grass grow under his feet, while hunting up the man who knows, or pretends to know, everything our Canadian Premier has to say about the all-reaching contest. This time the correspondent has succeeded in getting on the trail of one of Sir Wilfrid's own ministers, who claims that Sir Wilfrid and the great bulk of Canadians favor the cause of Asquith and Lloyd-George. The name of that minister ought to be made public, since all the Laurier ministers are involved in this latest escapade of a bosom friend of the Premier himself, who told the correspondent that Lord Lansdowne, in pleading for a reformed tariff for Great Britain was bemoaning himself by hunting for votes on a false issue, and making a guy of the Unionist Party. Possibly there is no word of truth in what the Manchester correspondent has said, at least Sir Wilfrid repudiates having had any direct interview with that scribe. But the correspondence has made quite an excitement in canvassing circles in England; and Canada, innocent of everything reported, beyond being a mere on-looker, has fallen under the bad graces of the English press. And we all know how touchy our own temper is, when somebody on the other side of the

Atlantic, or across the line, tells us what we should do or what we should not do. Only the other day did a Canadian Journal expostulate with a New York daily for counselling Canadians overmuch even in a kindly way. And the indiscreet minister, advertently or inadvertently, has succeeded in opening the veins of British wrath and newspaperdom against Canadians who would dip their fingers in the pie that belongs solely to the British Isles. The indignation, so ill-founded, and all the outcome of the foolish tongue of one of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's own colleagues, gives support to the contention of the Ottawa Journal, that there is more truth than poetry in the danger of Britain having too much to do in Canadian affairs or of Canada making her voice too loud in the councils of Britain. For Sir Wilfrid Laurier or any of his colleagues to tell Lord Lansdowne and his colleagues that they are "parading up and down England in the hope of catching votes," on a false issue, is a little too-too, even from the Canadian standpoint of liberty of speech; and there is no help for it now, until the correspondent of the Manchester Guardian announces the name of the indiscreet Minister, or declares himself to have been a romancer if not worse.

In Ontario there has been enacted a law which forbids the granting of all franchises by municipal councils must first be confirmed by reference to the people before it becomes effective. There is a wisdom in such a law, which may induce our own City Council to delay the annexation of Limoilou until the people are heard from on the subject.

The Mail and Empire has been giving reasons why graft flourishes, and they do not differ very much from our own; though it is well that the article in the Mail appeared after our article was in print or somebody might have accused the Chronicle of playing the old school game of "follow your leader," as has been the case by some who do not know what they are talking about.

Lloyd-George says that the Lords of England are of the class that is only laughed at as "ninnies and noodles." But an American paper says the speeches which these same "ninnies and noodles" delivered in the House of Lords during the debate on the Budget were "amazingly able, and of astonishing value and strength, coming from men of pre-eminent ability and wisdom—the greatest men of England." Isn't it instructive to all of us, how strangely we differ in our opinions about men and things, with samples in hand taken from different ends of the barrel?

There are several ways of putting it, when one is explaining for Sir Wilfrid Laurier why he clung to Quebec and forsook Ottawa, without telling either of the constituencies why he kept them so long on the tenderhooks. This is as good an explanation as any other: It is a strange mutation of politics that Sir Wilfrid Laurier furnished in 1877, what is probably the only Canadian instance of a newly appointed Cabinet Minister going back to his constituency for re-election, and suffering defeat. Quebec East took the homeless minister to its heart in the days of his need, and there is considerable reason why, in the years of his prosperity, Sir Wilfrid should feel a more than ordinary kindness for Quebec East.

There are certain ministers of the gospel, who call a spade a spade as did the prophets of old and Thomas Carlyle. The Rev. Dr. Sparling, formerly of the Methodist Church in Quebec, has lately been telling the people of Montreal what they should do with their boodling aldermen. Dr. Sparling does not mince matters, though we suppose some of the boodlers or their friends excuse their conduct by claiming that no ministers of the gospel should take part in politics. The boodlers are wonderful logicians in their way, the only argument they cannot combat being a term in the penitentiary, and even then they can get their political friends, high enough in power to be considered respectable, to get their term of punishment shortened.

A kind of a threat comes from the Maritime Provinces in behalf of paralleling the railway between Truro and Halifax, the threat being that, if the Intercolonial Railway can do no more than it has been doing in the way of making trade for the people down there, the Canadian Pacific should be allowed untrammelled privileges on the Intercolonial. The Canadian Pacific from Montreal to the Maritime Provinces was built as a kind of parallel line to the Intercolonial, just as the Grand Trunk Pacific is to be a parallel line to the Intercolonial. The Intercolonial has not been a paying business from the beginning, and the more parallel lines the Government can build or subsidize against its own railway, the more is the Intercolonial likely to remain a non-paying concern. But, for all that, there are more millions to spend in this kind of "opposition shop" exploitation against one's own, and the people of the Maritime Provinces may as well have some of that loose cash to make trade for them while the money lasts, but not after.



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AND

NEW YEAR

PRESENTS

We give below a list of articles comprising part of our large assortment of useful and fancy Christmas and New Year presents.

This morning is the best time to do your shopping, so as to avoid the rush later in the day.

ENGLISH PRINTS for Maid's Dresses, in a variety of patterns, 15c. reduced to 12c.

WHITE APRONS for Maids, all new patterns, for 25c., 35c., 45c., 55c., 65c., 75c., 85c., 95c., \$1.10, \$1.25.

BLACK ALPACA for Maid's Dresses at 30c., 35c., 45c., 55c., 65c.

LADIES' NECKWEAR in the latest styles, in lace, silk and net, at 25c., 35c., 45c., 55c., 65c., 75c., 85c., \$1.10.

BLACK ELASTIC BELTS with fancy steel and jet buckles at 30c., 55c., 75c., 85c., 95c., \$1.10, \$1.25, \$1.68.

KIMONO JACKETS in fancy colored eiderdown, at \$1.40, \$1.58, \$1.98, \$2.58, \$2.75, \$3.25.

DOLLS, all nicely dressed, entire new stock at 24c., 45c., 65c., 85c., \$1.48, \$1.68, \$1.75, \$1.88, \$2.25, \$2.35, \$2.75.

TOYS, a variety of mechanical toys for boys, at 24c., 45c.

FANCY CUSHIONS in silk and lace, in a variety of shapes at 25c., 35c., 45c., 65c., 95c., \$1.10, \$1.40, \$1.48.

NEEDLE CASES, a large assortment to choose from at 13c., 15c., 20c., 24c., 30c., 35c., 45c.

KID GLOVES, for black and tan, for ladies at \$1.10, \$1.48.

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This Christmas Season we offer our
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Peridot Rings, 1 Peridot and 2 Fine Diamonds, \$72.
Peridot Pendant, 1 Peridot in Gold Filigree, \$15.
Modern Art Pendant, 2 Peridots and small Rubies, \$20
Diamond-shaped Pendant, Peridot and Pearls, \$19.
Pendant, original design, Pearls and Pear-shaped
Peridot Drop, \$20.
Peridot Bracelet, light filigree bracelet, 12 Peridots,
\$30.
Peridot Bracelet, long link Bracelet, 1 Peridot encir-
cled with Pearls, \$35.
Peridot Earrings, the new long drop earrings set
with pearls, \$16.
Pear-shaped Peridot Necklet, \$22.50.
Pear Necklet, with 8 Peridots, \$35.
Fern Leaf Necklet with 2 Peridots, \$35.
Bow-knot Necklet with 6 Peridots, \$30.
Four large round Peridots, Festoon Necklet design,
\$60.
Etruscan Necklet, 2 Peridots, \$36.
Star Pattern Necklet, 3 Peridots, \$30.
Tery Fine Pendant Necklet set with four fancy cut
Peridots and 16 round Pearls, price \$100.

We have choice specimens of unmounted Peri-
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LIBRARIANS' HOWLERS.

It is usually the ignorant or confused frequenters of a library who are responsible for amusing mistakes, but occasionally an over-haughty guardian of literature gives occasion for a quiet smile to those she serves. To a request for "Prometheus Unbound" one such replied, with chilling decisiveness, "We have no unbound books."

More recently a school teacher, wishing to extend her rather scanty knowledge of the stories of Edgar Allan Poe, in view of the centenary of his birth, inquired at the delivery desk of a rural library for "The Gold Bug," adding, "I can't find it in the catalogue, but I'm sure you have it. A friend of mine had it out last week."

The librarian glanced at the card-catalogue drawer over which the teacher had been poring and smiled a superior smile.

"No wonder, Miss Jones," she explained, with patient gentleness. "You're looking under 'Fiction.' Turn to 'Entomology,' and you won't have any trouble."

Smiling in her turn, a different and more genial smile, the teacher turned to "Entomology," and there, indeed, duly classified with learned works on Lepidoptera and Coleoptera, she found the unscientific but fascinating insect invented by that master of mystery tales.

The president of a woman's club, also brushing up her knowledge of Poe, before writing a paper on his life, sought at the local library for that weird tale of horror, "The Pit and the Pendulum."

She was referred to the card-catalogue, and advised to look under "Mechanics" or "Horology."

Does your betterhalf have friends call for five o'clock tea? Why certainly! Are you just as certain she has a brass hot water kettle befitting the occasion. If not select one at Chinie's branch store and have them send it to her.

BULLS AND BEARS.

A Broad street broker one day received a call from a relative, a Vermont man, who was much interested in the doings of the Stock Exchange, as to certain proceedings of which the broker very politely informed the relative, who had stated his complete ignorance of all pertaining to the subject.

"Now, tell me," asked the Vermont man, when his instructor had given a concrete example of the method of "bulling" the market, "tell me, what do the big operators do when they find themselves on the wrong side and the market turns out to be no 'bull' market at all?"

"Oh, in that case," was the breezy response, "they grin and bear it."



TO THE PUBLIC

CERTAIN ARTICLES HAVE LATELY APPEARED IN SOME OF THE CITY NEWSPAPERS WITH AN UNINTENTIONAL IDEA OF MISLEADING THE PUBLIC IN REGARD TO THE RECENT INCREASE IN THE PRICE CHARGED FOR GAS. IT IS THEREFORE DESIRABLE, IN THE INTEREST OF THE MUTUAL CONFIDENCE AND GOOD UNDERSTANDING THAT SHOULD EXIST BETWEEN US THAT YOU SHOULD BE PLACED IN POSSESSION OF THE FOLLOWING FACTS:

PRIOR TO THE 1ST MAY, 1907, THE RATE CHARGED FOR GAS IN QUEBEC WAS TWO DOLLARS PER THOUSAND FEET, WITH A DISCOUNT OF 37½ PER CENT FOR COOKING GAS AND 12½ PER CENT FOR THAT USED FOR ILLUMINATING PURPOSES, MAKING THE NET CHARGES \$1.75 AND \$1.25 RESPECTIVELY.

THE FRONTENAC GAS COMPANY COMMENCED OPERATIONS AS EARLY AS 1906, AND LAID THEIR MAINS DURING THE SUMMER OF 1907. ON THE 1ST OF MAY, 1907, THE QUEBEC GAS COMPANY ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF QUEBEC, WHEREBY, IN CONSIDERATION OF A REDUCTION IN THE RATE OF TAXATION, THEY AGREED TO SELL GAS FOR BOTH HEATING AND LIGHTING AT \$1.20 NET PER 1,000 CUBIC FEET. THIS RATE CONTINUED IN FORCE UNTIL THE FIRST OF OCTOBER, 1907, WHEN, IN CONSEQUENCE OF A RATE WAR BETWEEN THE TWO COMPANIES, THE PRICE OF GAS WAS FURTHER REDUCED TO \$1.00 PER 1,000 CUBIC FEET. THIS PRICE WAS MAINTAINED UNTIL MAY 1ST, 1909, WHEN A STILL FURTHER REDUCTION WAS MADE TO 50 CENTS PER 1,000 CUBIC FEET.

IT IS A WELL-KNOWN FACT THAT BOTH COMPANIES — EACH VYING WITH THE OTHER FOR SUPREMACY IN THE GAS FIELD OF QUEBEC—HAVE LOST AN IMMENSE AMOUNT OF MONEY. THE PUBLIC RECEIVED THE BENEFIT OF THIS RUINOUS COMPETITION—WHILE IT LASTED—BUT IT WAS OBVIOUS TO EVERYBODY THAT IT COULD NOT CONTINUE.

THE RATE NOW ANNOUNCED TO BE CHARGED FOR GAS, NAMELY, \$1.20 NET PER 1,000 CUBIC FEET, IS MERELY A RETURN TO THAT AUTHORIZED IN THE AGREEMENT OF THE GAS COMPANY WITH THE CITY CORPORATION, WHICH WAS ARRIVED AT IN THE MONTH OF MAY, 1907, AND ACCEPTED AT THE TIME, BY ALL CONCERNED, AS A SATISFACTORY ACQUIESCENCE IN THE DEMANDS FOR CHEAPER GAS.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE LAST SHOPPING DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS

The Christmas Bazaar

VISIT our Great First Floor Christmas Bazaar. Hundreds and hundreds of useful and desirable Christmas gift suggestions will be found here from every department. A few cents will accomplish wonders in the Christmas Bazaar. Everything marked away below actual value. Just the thing for those with a long list of friends and relatives.

Patent Leather Handbags

WE are making a specialty of ladies' Handbags in fine quality patent leather, beautifully finished, with solid leather handles, newest design for the present season, large flap on side, closing with one dome fastener, extremely fashionable and dressy. Regular Price \$2.50. Our Special Leader at the remarkably low price of\$1.39

The "PAQUET SPECIAL" Doll

OUR famous "Paquet Special" Doll is the best value in Canada. This doll is 25 inches high, has moving eyes, jointed arms, legs and hands, beautiful brown, amber or golden curls, and the neatest and prettiest of shoes and stockings. The "Paquet Special" Doll cannot be matched at any price, to be had only at Paquet's. Price\$1.35

Men's Polo Caps

NOTHING could be warmer or more comfortable than these knitted Polo Caps for men and boys. These come in black, navy, brown, Oxford and light grey wool, very heavy weight, newest block for 1909, made with or without peak. These are indispensable for snow-shoeing, skating and tobogganing. Our Prices range from 50c to 90c

Hats Trimmed Free

LADIES purchasing hats amounting in value from \$2 or over, from now until the end of the year, may have them trimmed FREE OF CHARGE. This is an opportunity that you cannot afford to miss. A new hat is always a desirable Christmas gift, and one appreciated by wives and daughters everywhere. Men should take advantage of this.

Shopping Notes from Toyland

PLAY HORSES for children, great variety, all sizes on wheels. Prices range from 15c to \$2.75

DOLLS' GO CARTS, immense selection, rare values at our prices, ranging from 25c up to \$7.50

TOOL CHESTS, splendid choice, all styles and sizes for boys' Christmas gifts. Prices from 35c to \$1.25

ELECTRIC CARS, complete with track, very ingenious and scientific. Prices range from\$1.75 to \$15.00

DRUMS, with genuine calf parchment tops, 10 and 12 inch. Prices according to size from\$1.50 to \$2.00

NOAH'S ARKS, from the smallest that's made to the largest that's sold. Prices from 5c to 50c



Suggestions for Ladies' Gifts

LACE HANDKERCHIEFS, good quality, neat lace border, put up 3 in a box. Special, per box 30c

LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS, real Irish linen, fine quality, put up 6 in a box. Special, per box 50c

LADIES' GLOVES, fine French kid, black, white and leading colors. Special, per pair\$1.00

LACE HANDKERCHIEFS, good neat lace border, put up 6 in a box. Special, per box 60c

LAWN HANDKERCHIEFS, handsomely embroidered, Irish lawn, 6 in a box. Special, per box 90c

LADIES' GLOVES, French kid, tan, brown, navy, myrtle, old rose, amethyst, white, black\$1.25



Suggestions in Fancy Goods

GILT CLOCKS, 24 kt. gold plate, 30 hours' time guaranteed. Regular Price, \$2.50. Special, each\$1.69

PERFUMES, assorted odors, large bottle put up in fancy box, "Paquet Special." Price each, 50c

TOILET CASES, best assortment in Quebec, sterling silver, ebony, etc. Prices\$1.00 to \$2.50

ATOMIZERS, for perfume, assorted designs in beautifully colored glass. Regular Price 30c for 20c

INK STANDS, very neat and attractive, a special line to be had only in this store. Price 15c

FANCY COMBS and Hair Ornaments, for ladies, cut steel, stone set, etc. Prices\$1.50 to \$2.50

The New Lace and Dutch Collars are Acceptable

DUTCH COLLARS in fine Guipure lace, beautiful Paris shade, rare value at our Special Price 35c

LACE SETS, white embroidered linen collars with cuffs to match, very attractive. Special\$1.25

LACE COLLARS, Dutch effects in a combination of Point Grec and Point Venice. Special\$2.00

DUTCH COLLARS, exquisite design in Paris Guipure lace, very attractive gifts. Special Price 60c

LACE COLLARS, in point Grec, very fashionable this season, extremely handsome. Price\$1.50

LACE SETS, in ecru Guipure lace, collar with cuffs to match, extremely handsome. Price\$2.25

DUTCH COLLARS, with cuffs to match, in white imitation Irish lace. Our Special Price\$1.00

LINEN COLLARS, white embroidered coat collars, fine quality, extra value. Special Price\$1.75

COAT COLLARS, in white embroidered linen and guipure lace, exquisite quality. Special\$3.00

Something Useful for the Home

TABLE COVERS, chenille, 1x1 to 2x3 yards, knotted fringe, rich designs. Prices from 54c to \$4

DRESSER SCARFS and Pillow Shams, in white lawn, openwork designs. Prices from, each 32c to \$1.00

LACE CURTAINS, white, neat design, 3½ yards long. Reg. Price, 75c a pair. Special 50c

TABLE COVERS, tapestry, 1x1 to 2x3 yards, knotted fringe, red or green. Prices from 75c to \$13

CENTERPIECES, white guipure laces, special importation. Special Prices ranging from 30c to \$12.50

HEARTH RUGS, fine Axminster, size 27x54 inches, floral and ornamental patterns. Special, each\$2.50

Silver, Cut Glass and Bric-a-brac

SILVERWARE, a great assortment of fine silver-plated articles for the sideboard, at Special Prices.

STATUETTES, American, German, Austrian, French and English importations, at prices ranging from 10c to \$25.00

CUT GLASS, Bon Bon Dishes, Berry Bowls, Cream Pitchers, Vases, Celery Trays, etc., at Special Prices.

VASES, hundreds of different styles, rich decorations, magnificent choice, at prices ranging from 10c to \$8.00



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BOULTER'S Tomatoes, 3-lbs. tins, greatest bargain ever offered in Quebec. Purchase Sale Price, per can, 7c

BOULTER'S Green Peas, 2-lbs. tins, extra special bargain, good quality. Purchase Sale Price, 3 cans for 25c

BOULTER'S Sugar Corn, 2-lbs. tins, immense quantity, special purchase. Purchase Sale Price, per can 7c

BOULTER'S Wax Beans, 2-lbs. tins, 5,000 cans. On sale Friday at the Extra Special Sale Price, per can 6c



Store Opens To-night Until 10 P.M.

THIS store will be open to-night and every night from now until the end of the year until 10 p.m. or as late as may be necessary to satisfy the demands of holiday shoppers. Those who cannot come in the daytime may do their shopping in the evening and be sure of prompt attention and courteous treatment. Never before in the history of this store have we been in a better position to handle the holiday crowds. Evening shoppers are requested to take small purchases with them whenever possible, and thus enable us to make prompt deliveries of bulky packages.



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VISIT the PAQUETORIUM and see a regular 10c show for 5c. Purchasers of groceries receive a Free Ticket with every \$1.00 worth purchased. These Free Tickets are good on every day in the week except Saturday. Children under seven years of age are admitted FREE when accompanied by a parent or guardian. Every picture shown at the PAQUETORIUM is carefully passed upon by our own strict board of censors before the public is admitted. The films are received every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from the best film makers in the world. Friday's programme will please you.

Legal Notices

Canada, } In the Recorder's
Province of Quebec, } Court of the City of
District of Quebec, } Quebec
No. 2157 of 1909.
The City of Quebec,

Plaintiff;

vs.
Joseph Lefebvre, of our City of Que-
bec, in our District of Quebec, La'orer,
Laborer,

Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear with-
in one month from the last publica-
tion of this notice.

Quebec, 21st December, 1909.
EDWARD FOLEY,
Clerk of the Recorder's Court of the
City of Quebec.

Canada, } In the Recorder's
Province of Quebec, } Court of the City of
District of Quebec, } Quebec
No. 1819 of 1909.
The City of Quebec,

Plaintiff;

vs.
Henry Ahern, of our City of Quebec,
in our District of Quebec, La'orer,
Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear with-
in one month from the last publica-
tion of this notice.

Quebec, 21st December, 1909.
EDWARD FOLEY,
Clerk of the Recorder's Court of the
City of Quebec.

Canada, } In the Recorder's
Province of Quebec, } Court of the City of
District of Quebec, } Quebec
No. 2030 of 1909.
The City of Quebec,

Plaintiff;

vs.
Simeon Moreau, of our City of Que-
bec, in our District of Quebec, Store-
man,

Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear with-
in one month from the last publica-
tion of this notice.

Quebec, 21st December, 1909.
EDWARD FOLEY,
Clerk of the Recorder's Court of the
City of Quebec.

Canada, } In the Recorder's
Province of Quebec, } Court of the City of
District of Quebec, } Quebec
No. 2041 of 1909.
The City of Quebec,

Plaintiff;

vs.
Sophie Roy, wife separated as to
property from Chrysante Cantin, both
of our City of Quebec, in our District
of Quebec, and the said Chrysante
Cantin, mis en cause, to author-
ize his said wife,

Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear with-
in one month from the last publica-
tion of this notice.

Quebec, 21st December, 1909.
EDWARD FOLEY,
Clerk of the Recorder's Court of the
City of Quebec.

Canada, } In the Recorder's
Province of Quebec, } Court of the City of
District of Quebec, } Quebec
No. 2051 of 1909.
The City of Quebec,

Plaintiff;

vs.
Joachim Fortier, of our City of Que-
bec, in our District of Quebec, Civil
Employee,

Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear with-
in one month from the last publica-
tion of this notice.

Quebec, 21st December, 1909.
EDWARD FOLEY,
Clerk of the Recorder's Court of the
City of Quebec.

Canada, } In the Recorder's
Province of Quebec, } Court of the City of
District of Quebec, } Quebec
No. 1817 of 1909.
The City of Quebec,

Plaintiff;

vs.
O. Rivard, of our City of Quebec, in
our District of Quebec, Civil Employee

Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear with-
in one month from the last publica-
tion of this notice.

Quebec, 21st December, 1909.
EDWARD FOLEY,
Clerk of the Recorder's Court of the
City of Quebec.



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Dressing Cases
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Dividend No. 71.

A dividend of one and three quar-
ters per cent on the capital stock of
this Society, has been declared for the
current quarter, payable at the office
of the Society on the 31st of January
next.

The transfer book will be closed
from the 21st to the 31st instant in-
clusively.

By order of the Board,
ROBERT LAROCHE,
Secretary-Treasurer.

December 22, 1909.

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GILBEY'S "Chateau Loundenne" Claret—awarded two gold medals.
GILBEY'S London Dry Gin—the purest Dry Gin made.
GILBEY'S "Old Tom" Gin—the purest sweet Gin made.
GILBEY'S "Plymouth" Gin—unexcelled in purity and flavor.
GILBEY'S "Strathmill" Scotch Whisky—all six years old, Pure Malt.
GILBEY'S "Spey Royal" Scotch Whisky—choicest and oldest procurable.
GILBEY'S "Blue Star" Brandy—a very old, pure grape Cognac.
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Fancy Boxes suitable for Xmas and New Year's gifts, filled with the
finest chocolates and other confections.
Almond Cream Desserts, nut shaped and in biscuit form.
Bon Bons in fruit and flower designs.
Also a large assortment of Caramels and Home-made Candy, Ice Cream,
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Sometimes About The Origin Of This Architecture.

In arriving at the chalet as a solu-
tion of their architectural problem the
Swiss have produced a strongly in-
dividual architecture and have not
been influenced to any other way by
the architecture of other countries.
No other people have produced in the
past anything even resembling the
Swiss chalet. No architecture in any
other country, except possibly Spain,
seems to be so much a part of the en-
vironment.

It is hard to picture Switzerland to
ourselves without thinking of this
form of house as part of the natural
surroundings. Besides being beautiful
the homes of the Swiss are eminently
practical. In fact, the reasons for the
individuality that they have attained
upon close study are found to be that
they have first solved the needful
considerations made necessary by the
unusual severity of the climate. The
other influence shown in the houses of
the Swiss, and one that reveals the
traits of the people, is the fearless
honesty in showing the construction
of their building and making this
construction beautiful. There is no
mask about a Swiss house, no false
plastering over of honest construc-
tion. They are frankly wooden houses,
a true application of the material
nearest at hand, a true type for a
forest country. In this respect the
architectures of the Swiss are entirely
opposed to the school of which the
French are perhaps the greatest expo-
nents.

The French are artists, carrying arti-
ficiality to its highest development.
But in the Swiss national architecture
—and the Swiss chalet is the true
type of the Swiss national architec-
ture—we reach the highest form of
natural architectural expression. It is
through this sheer force of honesty
and frankness in construction that the
Swiss have arrived at almost perfect
national style, through which we can
clearly see, as the homes of the people
invariably reveal, the true character of
the nation. We feel this honesty and
lack of superficiality immediately upon
contact with the Swiss people. This
character is also revealed in the cities
and in the laws. Switzerland is a
clean country.—From the Delineator.

A GELATINE AEROPLANE.

Some wonderful examples of the
chef's art were shown at the Cookery
Exhibition at the morticultural Hall,
London, Eng., recently. Mr. Percival
E. Sheppard, of Croydon, showed an
exhibit called "A Cook's Dream; or,
Fantasy of the Kitchen." It was a
polar landscape with knives and forks
stuck in the ice. Dishes rested on
the snow and ice.

There were "Bare cutlets"—a mound
of cutlets with the bare bones super-
imposed. "Seal steaks"—steaks with
the scarlet tops of young tomatoes
set like a seal on them, and a "Taco
de?" which had as its crust the
model of an Eskimo dog—the last of
the pack.

Another striking exhibit was a
model aeroplane constructed of maca-
roni and gelatine.

A salmon trout, with tomatoes and
artichokes in the middle division,
and prawns and shrimps set about,
made quite a harmony in color.

Most of the great chefs in London
had masterpieces on view, and military
cooks were in force. Grenadiers,
Coldstreamers, Scots, and Irish Guards
all sent teams, as also did the Army
Service Corps, the Gordon Highland-
ers, and the Worcester Regiment.
Sailor cooks from the naval barracks
at Chatham, Davenport, and Port-
smouth also displayed their skill.

Vegetarians were not forgotten, for
there was shown a non-flesh dinner
of olives, soups, tomatoes, celery,
patties, with nut roast for the joint,
and "Aubergine au gratin" for the
saucy.

A menu that will last a family of
six for two days at a total cost of
2s. can also be seen. It is cooked by
children under twelve years of age
from the Council schools.

The Chinese Minister was present
one day, and paid special attention
to the Chinese school, as represented
by "Fillets de Sole Shanghai"—a
creamy-covered sole half hidden in a
yellow banana skin.

ENSLAVING 1,000 CHILDREN PER MONTH.

The December American Magazine
contains the third installment of "Bar-
barous Mexico," by John Kenneth
Turner. In this article Mr. Turner de-
votes himself to the slaves of the Valle
Nacional, which he claims is the worst
slave hole in the world. On his way
out of the valley, after some remark-
able personal experiences, he describes
meeting a well-known "labor agent"
as follows:

"At Tuxtla, on our way back to
the world we met a certain very well-
known 'labor agent,' who dressed like
a prince, made himself agreeable and
answered our questions freely because
he hoped to secure the contract for
furnishing labor for my mythical com-
pany."

"The fact that I am a personal
friend of some of the governors and
mayors," he said, "puts me in a posi-
tion to supply you with labor better than
anyone else. I am prepared to furnish
you any number of laborers up to
40,000—men, women and child-
ren, and my price is 50 pesos each.
Children workers last better than
adults and I advise you to use them
in preference to others. I can furnish

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you 1000 children a month under 14
years of age, and I am prepared to
secure their legal adoption as sons and
daughters of the company, so that
You don't pay your 50 pesos until
reach the age of 21!"

"But how," I asked, "is my com-
pany going to adopt 12,000 children
a year as sons and daughters? Do
you mean to tell me that the govern-
ment would permit such a thing?"

"Leave that to me," replied he
significantly. "I'm doing it every day,
they can be legally kept until they
you set the children and the adoption
papers, too!"

A Word of Advice
About Xmas Dinner
How to Avoid
Indigestion.

"Eat's a plenty," as the
small boy says, will be done
by many who have weak stom-
achs on Christmas Day, and
frequently causes sudden deaths
from heart weakness, apoplexy
and the like in this class of
a delicate in the class of suf-
ferers all during the holidays
because of indigestion induced
by over-eating and over-taxed
the stomach. We want to aid
those who suffer with dys-
pepsia and stomach disorders,
so that they can eat of all the
good things and not be com-
pelled to suffer afterwards. One
or two teaspoonful of the fol-
lowing will digest any meal
you can eat. It is capable of
taking over the entire work of
digestion, thus relieving the
weak stomach. It is said by a
great specialist to have cured
many famous people, who lived
"too high." Get the ingredients
at any leading drugstore and
mix at home in half pint bottles.
Two ounces syrup of Ginger,
two ounces essence of Pepsin, and
once ounce Comp. essence of
Cardiol.

These are powerfully blended
in this recipe, but can be used
freely by old people or child-
ren with weak stomachs, so
that they will feel good all
through the holidays. Let's
hope that many dyspeptics and
old people will take advantage
of this Xmas recipe.

Rapid tea infusers and individual
brass tea kettles, separate and "on
stands," just received at China's branch
store, Fabrique street. They are nov-
elties and suitable for Xmas gifts.

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THE MAGIC OF "BOW BELLS."

A few days ago the famous "Bow
Bells" rang out their welcome to
London's new Lord Mayor.

At present there are in England only
two important foundries devoted ex-
clusively to bell-making—one at
Loughborough and the other in the
Whitechapel Road, London. In the
latter were born the "Bow Bells."
The present "tenor," as the deepest
bell of a peal is called, was cast there
in 1788. It weighs 2 1/2 tons, and re-
placed a bell which was also founded

in Whitechapel in 1669. The foundry
was established in 1570.

There is a peculiar magic in the
tones of a bell, due to the fact that
it strikes, not a single note, but a
chord. The lip gives out the "funda-
mental note," the waist must sound
mental note," the shoulder a fifth
higher, and the top the exact octave,
thus completing a perfect chord. From
which it will be seen that bell-casting
is by no means the work of an or-
dinary mechanic, but is art of a
highly-trained specialist.



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New Lace Collars, Bow Ties, Veilings, Silk and Elastic Belts, etc.
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New Frillings, narrow widths and cords, by the yard and in fancy boxes.
Embroidered and Silk Hose, Silk Undervests, from 58c to \$2.00.
Norfolk Coats in knitted wool, for ladies.
Golf Jackets from \$1.50.
Blouse Waists at cost.
Ceetee Underwear for ladies and children.
Wolsey combinations for ladies at half price.
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BIRTH
LEGARE—At 1185 St. Valler street, on December 21st, at Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Legare a son, Godfather and godmother, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fortier.

DIED.
FAFARD—At St. Joseph de Levis, on the 23rd December, 1909, at the age of 90 years, the Rev. Edward Fafard, parish priest.

The funeral will take place on Tuesday, the 28th instant, at 10 a.m. Monday, the 27th, a high mass will be sung at 8 o'clock in the chapel of the Convent of Jesus-Marie, where the remains will be exposed from to-day until the eve of the funeral, when, at 3 o'clock p.m., the corpse will be removed to the parochial church.

MORISSETTE—On the 22nd instant, Madame Adelarde Stanford, wife of Narcisse Morissette, aged 73 years and 6 months.

The funeral will take place on Friday morning, 24th instant, the remains leaving the late residence of deceased, 14 St. Antoine street, at 8.45 o'clock, for the Basilica and thence to St. Charles Cemetery.
Deceased was the mother of Mr. Geo. Morissette, tailor, of Mountain Hill. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

New Advertisements

The Great Finale—Myrand & Pouliot. Ho! For Christmas—Gaspard Huot. Notice to Gas Consumers—Frontenac Gas Co.

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IN AND ABOUT TOWN

BOUT WAS UNSATISFACTORY

Meeting Between Alf. Lynch and Jimmie Walsh at Varieties Last Evening.

The boxing exhibition between Jimmie Walsh, of Boston, champion bantamweight of the United States, and Alf. Lynch, of this city, took place last evening at the Varieties, in the presence of about 1,200 spectators, and the result proved to be anything but satisfactory to the large crowd present. Considerable interest was manifested in this encounter, as both men were known to be well up in the men's art, but as far as the exhibition was concerned, if the Queensbury rules had been carried out, as they should have been, the audience would have been much better satisfied.

It was well known that Lynch was up against "one of the best," and the general impression was that Walsh would win the bout, but when the referee, Edouard Lachapelle, announcing the conditions before the exhibition, stated that no decision would be given that impression was changed. No articles had been signed between the parties and this was due to the fact that Walsh refused to weigh in, and everything regarding the contest was practically left to Mr. Drapeau, proprietor of Les Varieties, who had gone to considerable expense in bringing both men to town.

As a preliminary to the evening's performance two local young men, Letourneau and Belanger, boxed five rounds, which was rather interesting and resulted in a draw.

While this bout was going on Lynch and Walsh arrived at the theatre and by mutual consent, Edouard Lachapelle, of this city, was agreed upon as referee, and made an ideal official, giving satisfaction to both spectators and principals. Before the exhibition started, Lachapelle announced that he would not give any decision, and if both men were on their feet at the end of the tenth round a draw would be declared, and this is just what happened.

The referee's announcement naturally called off all bets, and in a few minutes both principals received the usual applause as they entered the ring, pounds and his opponent. Lynch had been announced at 113 pounds and his opponent at 115, but it was easily seen that Walsh weighed somewhat more and as a matter of fact he must have been ten pounds heavier.

In the first round Lynch started in to lead by attacking Walsh with both hands and his friends came to the conclusion that Walsh was not going to have it all his own way. This was also the case in the second round, but when that round was concluded there was a general cry that both men had only sparred two minutes. Referee Lachapelle then came to the ropes and announced, to the surprise of all, that by agreement between Lynch, Walsh and Mr. Drapeau, it had been decided that the rounds would last two instead of three minutes. This information was anything but satisfactory to the large crowd present, who attended the exhibition expecting to see a first-class performance under Queensbury rules, and when the referee's announcement was made, there was a general cry of dissatisfaction. There was no excuse whatever for limiting the rounds to two minutes and even if the principals had agreed to such a change, Mr. Drapeau should not have allowed such an agreement to be carried out as the spectators had been invited to attend an exhibition which they did not intend to attend any other boxing exhibition.

Although Lynch showed up in good style in the first few rounds his opponent gave him very few chances and was exceptionally quick in getting out of the way. Clinching was frequent in every round, but the opponents immediately separated upon the referee's instructions, although Walsh got in a few foul hits in the mix-ups, which Lynch, however, did not object to. In the final rounds Walsh appeared to be much stronger and put up a better exhibition, but could not knock Lynch out in a 2-minute contest and the match was finally declared a draw.

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Christmas novelties, suitable for ladies and children at Dynes. See add top of this page.

Snow Berlines are as popular with the youngsters as ever. Get 'em at Chinie's, Fabrique street.

Your time is precious, but in going to Faguy, Lepinay & Frere you are certain to find everything you need in the line of useful presents, or toys of all kinds. Come and see.

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"AUNT MARY" IS DELIGHTFUL

Miss May Robson Appears in a Charming Character at the Auditorium.

Dear and delightful "Aunt Mary" in the person of Miss May Robson, speedily found her way to all hearts at the Auditorium last evening, and this famous comedienne, who has established for herself a high and well-deserved place on the American stage, successfully proved her claims to be one of the most artistic and most amusing of these very few ladies who are to-day winning fame in the impersonation of character parts that appeal to the mass of theatre-goers. There is not a great deal to the little comedy of "The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary," outside of Miss Robson, but even if the piece was more meagre than it really is, her charming art is more than sufficient to carry it to success. There was a fair-sized audience present, and it was one which seemed quickly adopted "Aunt Mary," the constant bubble of laughter and applause throughout the evening testifying that it was more than pleased with the snappy and breezy lines on which the comedy is built, and the really charming manner in which the star carried it along. Miss May Robson is an actress of attraction and remarkable ability, and she kept her audience more than delighted. She possesses a charm all her own, and the witchery of her talent fastens itself upon the attention of those who see her in a manner that cannot be denied. No finer or more charming personation has been seen here in many a year, and she made the character so lovable and so touching that none could resist her. Her work appeared in a rarely seductive manner, and the fascinating touch which she gave to the many humorous situations in which she was the central figure was refreshingly satisfactory. There is, perhaps, no more brilliant comedienne before the public to-day, and her intelligent and captivating impersonation is one which Quebecers have too few occasions of appreciating. "Aunt Mary" is all right, and Miss Robson has found it a splendid vehicle for her wonderful talent. She is an aunt that any one might be proud of, and one for which many might in vain wish to change. The New England spinster has been seen so many times upon the stage that provincials have come to regard her as a stereotyped type, which has come down to them from the dim and distant past. Miss Robson's conception of the character is, however, an agreeable and original relief, and the lovable, motherly and friendly character which she presents is one that endears itself to her audience. Miss Robson is a charming woman both on and off the stage, and Quebecers will miss a rare treat if they do not seize the opportunity of seeing her during her brief engagement here. She is supported by a well-balanced company, all of whom contribute in their own particular spheres to the success of the piece. Miss Faye Cusick made an admirable "Betty," while Miss Grace Morse awakened a sudden and active interest in that place called Kalamazoo, at least if it can be expected that all girls from the Michigan town are of her stamp. Jack Storey, as the harem-segum but still adorable "Jack Watkins," also appeared to good effect, and a word of praise is also due the stereotyped "Lucinda." The three acts of the comedy are splendidly staged, scenic scenery being used, and the musical numbers in the second were well received. "The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary" provides an ideal Christmas attraction, and there will be no doubt be crowded houses throughout the engagement. There will be an evening performance to-day and a matinee and night performance to-morrow.

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Almanac for 1910

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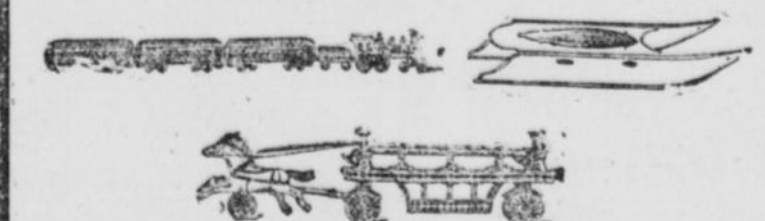
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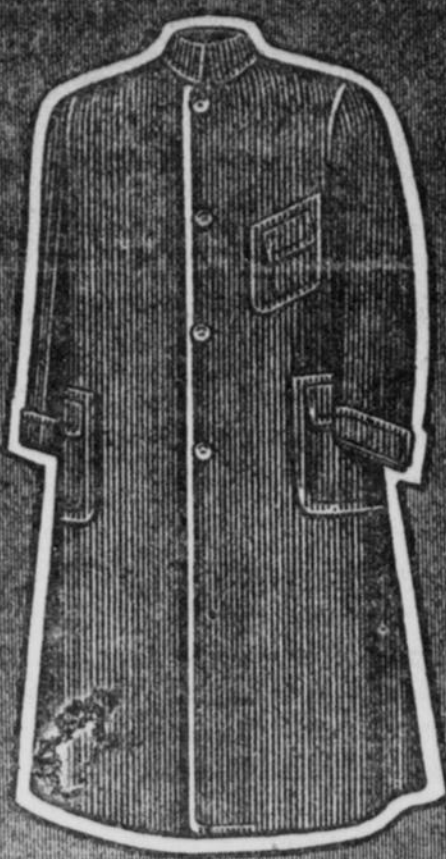
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QUEBEC SNOWSHOE CLUB PROGRAMME

Enjoyable Series of Weekly Tramps Has Been Arranged for the Winter.

A most agreeable programme has been arranged by the committee of the Quebec Snowshoe Club for the weekly tramps during the winter. Three tramps have already been included in, and the special features for the assemblies of the club members for the season are as follows:—

Dec. 30th—Club Tramp—Apple sauce.

January 6th—Club Tramp—"Conversation and Lime Light," by Mr. Louis Brunet.

January 13th—Club Tramp—Iniation night.

January 20th—Club Tramp—Races.

January 27th—Ladies' Tramp—Leaving Tollgate at 8 p.m.

February 3rd—Club Tramp.

February 7th—Dinner Dance.

February 10th—Club Tramp—Stag Euchre.

February 17th—Club Tramp—Indoor Sports.

February 24th—Club Tramp—Military Tactics.

February 26th—Ladies' Tramp—Leaving Tollgate at 5 p.m.

March 3rd—Club Tramp—Beans.

March 10th—Club Tramp—Stag Euchre.

March 17th—Club Tramp—Smoker.

A suagining party and a visit from the Sherbrooke Snowshoe Club will also be on the card for the winter.

COLLINS FAMILY FACTOR IN BASEBALL

Enough Players by That Name to Make Up Excellent Team.

The Collins clan of baseball fame simply won't give up the ship. When nine of the boys enrolled, some of them in the minors and others in the immediate circles, the family is bound to have its full fighting strength on the field when the season is given its opening blast.

Pugilism has furnished its quota of Sullivan. Football has developed a flock of Poes and the national pastime annually brings out a whole brigade of Smiths, Joneses, Millers and the like. But the Collins tribe only recently stepped to the front with its nine hearties.

For manager of this motley array of ball tossers the honor might be conferred on Jimmy Collins, new child of the Providence Club of the Eastern League. In years gone by Jimmy had all the other third-batters clinging to the ropes and pleading for assistance. But it isn't what you were. It's what you are to-day. And Jimmy is somewhat stout for his size at this stage of the game. As a Pilgrim, back in the world's championship days, and later as an Athletic, the Buffalo boy led all leagues.

Eddie Collins of Philadelphia, might be appointed a committee of one to conduct the sweating classes with Orth Collins, of Minneapolis, once a Bison, for the fielding department. The other candidates for the troops follow:— Eddie Collins II, Utica; Joe Collins, Little Rock, (to be at Chattanooga); in 1910; Billy Collins, Bloomington; Jimmy Collins II, Burlington; Bob Collins, Portsmouth, and Bob Collins II, Toledo.

SHRUBB IN BUSINESS.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—Alfred Shrubbs, the English runner, has gone into the leather goods business under the name of the Dominion Trunk and Leather Goods Company, Ltd. His factory already has an output of 150 to 200 trunks weekly. Referring to the racing game, Shrubbs says that he wishes McLeod, of Grenfell, across the manager, would not have so much to say:—"Let him get down to contracts, if he wants a race," says Alfie.

ATELL AND MOWATT.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 23.—Abe Attell and Tommy Mowatt, of Kansas City, will box ten rounds before the Twin City Athletic Club here next Monday night. The match will be at catch weights. Much interest is attached to the bout because Mowatt has been out of the ring for four years, and upon his showing in this fight largely depends whether he will re-enter the boxing game.

HOCKEY IN NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 23.—In the first real clash of the season between collegiate hockey teams Williams beat Princeton to-night by 5 goals to 4. The Williams goals were made by Van Gordon (3), Hurlbert and Michaels, while McKenney, Connet and Kay (2) scored for the Tigers.

TALKS OF A HOCKEY MERGER

Efforts Are Again Being Made, it is Said to Bring Pro. Leagues Together.

The report that efforts were being made to bring together the National and the Canadian associations has been made so frequently within the last two weeks, with no results following, that it is almost monotonous to state that such efforts were again made as late as Tuesday of this week, says the Montreal Gazette.

The scheme proposed to the clubs was the old one of an eight or nine-club league playing a single schedule. Nationals and Canadians would become one and Quebec, unless it gave proof that it would place a strong seven on the ice, might be dropped, says the same authority, leaving eight clubs out of the present ten. Ottawa, it is said here refused to consider the proposal.

The difficulty, as repeated often enough in these columns, is that from the night the National Association was formed the clubs have been bound to one another in such a way that any new combination is practically an impossibility. Possibility a final effort will be made before the end of the week to bring about a merger, but the officials of the leagues and the clubs are still convinced that a change is only a remote chance. Much, however, depends on Ottawa and a change of front on Ottawa's part might bring about a settlement of the trouble. Rumors of a merger have also been noised about Ottawa, but the following despatch indicates the proposing of a combination on different lines.

According to news from Ottawa, it has been learned there that there is another move on to bring an end to the war between the rival hockey leagues, the National and the Canadian. President D'Arcy McGee, of the Ottawas, announced that the club had been approached and invited to confer with representatives of the National with a view to amalgamating in one huge league. The scheme, it is said, is to drop Quebec, Cobalt and Haliburton and one of the French teams, and have the Wanderer and All-Montreal teams amalgamate, thus having Renfrew, Ottawa, the Wanderer All-Montreal combination, Shamrocks and National-Canadian combination in it. It is also said that there is another proposition to keep Quebec, Haliburton and Cobalt in it, and to split the league into two sections. The proposition emanated from Montreal, but the Ottawas refuse to say which side made it. The Ottawa officers will meet to take some steps in the matter.

It would appear, according to some papers, that Quebec's position to still worrying the other clubs of the Canadian Association. "It was understood," said one of the officials of a local club, "that every club should place a strong seven on the ice. Professional hockey is straight business now, and if any one club does not show that it intends to have a first class seven then it will be dropped. Clubs that are going to a heavy expense to get players cannot afford to have a weak team in the league. It means a straight loss every time the weak club comes to meet the others. There is no need for any of the other clubs to worry about Quebec. The locals will be there with a team that will give some of the supposed good ones all they can do, and Quebec will prove just as strong a drawing card upon the circuit as it has done in years gone by."

ST. PATRICK'S HOCKEY CLUB.

No one should miss the euchre, which is to be held on Monday evening next in St. Patrick's Hall, and which has been organized by the followers of St. Patrick's Hockey Club. There promises to be a most interesting time. Tickets are only 35 cents and there will be refreshments, as all who are present can count on having a good time.

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Emma Falek, a wealthy resident of Woodlawn, who died recently, provided that the dogs in her household should be well cared for after her death. In her will she instructs her executors to pay \$100 to each person who will support any one of the dogs during its life.

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Says Jeffries Will Win from Johnson in Less Than Half of the 45 Allotted Rounds.

James J. Corbett has picked James J. Jeffries to knock Jack Johnson out "in less than half the allotted 45 rounds" in the big fight scheduled for July 4 of next year. In an interview made public the former heavyweight champion says:—

"When James J. Jeffries climbs out of the prize ring on the evening of July 4 next in some Western City—Salt Lake City or San Francisco—the world will cheer him as the real champion of the century. Between the time that he entered the squared circle and the second that he left it, he will have disposed of all the claims of Jack Johnson to the title of world's champion. The seafarer who spent months wondering whether Jeffries and lost his punch or whether he still had his wind, will then wake up and try and dope out why they ever lost their bearings."

"In my day there have been battles in which the contestants have been pretty evenly matched, but when Jim Jeffries faces Jack Johnson in the ring, the spectators will see in Jeffries a man who was cut out by nature to be a fighter pure and simple, and in his opponent a dusky marvel of the science of boxing."

"In the set of articles that the two men signed, one paragraph called for 45 rounds or more. That was unnecessary, for Jeffries will dispose of his colored rival long before half of that time has elapsed. And when it is all over, the Johnson adherents will realize that their idol was up against the marvel of the past decade."

STRANGEST OF PLASTER CASTS.

(From Outing).
In the museum of Algiers there is one object which is unique in the world's list of curiosities. It is a plaster cast of the martyr Geronimo in the agony of death. The Algerians put Geronimo alive into a soft mass of concrete, which presently hardened into a block and was built into a fort.

This was in 1569, and about 40 years later a Spanish writer described the event and told exactly how that particular block could be located. The fort stood for nearly 300 years. Then, in 1863, it was torn down, the block was identified and broken open and an almost perfect mold of the dead martyr was found within.

They filled the mold with plaster, and the result, a wonderful cast, lies there in the museum to-day, face down as he died, hands and feet bound and straining, head twisted to one side in the supreme torture of that terrible martyrdom.

It is a gruesome, fascinating thing, and you go back to look at it more than once, and you slip out between times for a breath of fresh air. If I lived in Algiers and at any time should sprout a little bud of discontent with the present state of affairs—a little sympathy with the subjugated population, I would go and take a look at Geronimo, and forthwith all the discontent and the sympathy would pass away and I would come out glowing in the fact that France can crack the whip and that we of the West can ride them down.



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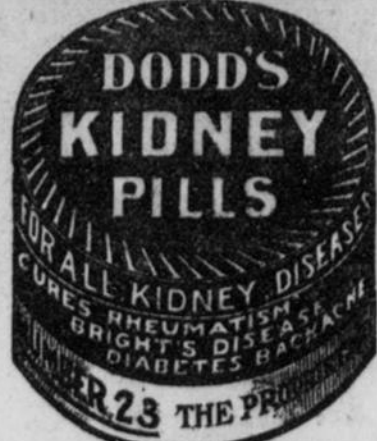
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SHIPPING NEWS

STEAMER MONTCALM.

C.G.S. Montcalm arrived in port at noon yesterday from Seven Islands and other ports on the north shore. On the way down the steamer had fine weather, but on her return passage she encountered a heavy snow storm and had to put into Tadoussac, where she remained for two days. Otherwise the voyage was uneventful.

STEAMER CORINTHIAN FLOATED.

Halifax, Dec. 23.—The Allan liner Corinthian was floated this morning, and is now at Furness Withy pier re-loading cargo for London and Havre. The steamer came off the ledge easily and without apparent damage, and is not showing any signs of making water. The work of removing cargo was continued all day yesterday and through last night, and at the time of floating some two thousand tons had been removed. After the steamer had been floated, she proceeded up the harbor under her own steam, and docked at the pier. It is expected she will sail Saturday night.

FOR CANADA'S NAVY.

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 23.—H. M. S. Apollo, a third class cruiser of 3,400 tons, has been purchased by Canada from Great Britain and is being made ready to proceed to Esquimalt for use as a training ship and fishery protection cruiser in British Columbia waters, forming the nucleus of a Canadian navy for the Pacific. H. M. S. Egeria, an old survey vessel, has been recommissioned until 1911, and will continue hydrographic work, and H. M. S. Albatross will recommission at Esquimalt in March. Numerous applications are being received for places in the Canadian navy.

SERVICE TO CUBA.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—The steamer Bencliff will sail from St. John on Jan. 5, the first sailing in the new Canadian service to Cuba.

BERWIND IN PORT.

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 23.—The steamer Berwind arrived safely in port to-day. She had been missing since Wednesday morning of last week.

STEAMER SALITAS ASHORE.

London, Dec. 23.—The German freight steamer Salitas went ashore at Dunceless, a headland projecting into the English Channel, during a gale yesterday. The vessel was bound from Tacoma via various ports for Hamburg.

STEAMER GEORGIA DAMAGED.

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 23.—The steamer Georgia returned from Salina Cruz to-day with her starboard bow patched with cement, having broken several plates in collision with the breakwater at Salina Cruz. Temporary repairs were made there, and she will go to Esquimalt dock for survey and repairs, after discharging her cargo of 2,300 tons.

FREIGHTS AND CHARTERS.

New York, Dec. 23.—The demand for steam and sail tonnage was light and but little was done in chartering. Rates were notably steady and prompt vessels of all kinds in limited supply. Quotations to Liverpool, 2d; London and Antwerp, 1d; Glasgow, 2d; Hull and Bristol, 2d; Rotterdam, 5c; Bremen, 20 pennings; Hamburg, 27 pennings; cotton to Liverpool, per 100 lbs, 14c.

Charters — German steamer, 2,624 tons, general cargo, New York to Australia and New Zealand, berthed, February 15; British steamer, 2,958 tons, general cargo, New York to South Africa, berthed, January 31; British steamer, 2,136 tons, transatlantic trade, one trip on time charter, private terms, early January; British steamer, 2,300 tons, timber, Gulf to Rotterdam, 71s 3d, option Rotterdam and Amsterdam, 72s 6d, January; German steamer, 1,713 tons, West India trade, three to four months, £675, January; Dutch steamer, 1,872 tons gross, same trip on a round trip, private terms, January; Norwegian steamer, 846 tons, same, one round trip, private terms, prompt; British steamer, 1,335 tons, rails, Baltimore to Tampico, private terms, prompt; British steamer, 1,364 tons, rails, Baltimore to Tampico, private terms, prompt; British steamer, 1,364 tons, coal, Norfolk to Port Spain, private terms, prompt; schooner, 447 tons, lumber, Mobile to San Juan, \$6.50; schooner, 654 tons, same, option Ponce; schooner, 1,867 tons, ties, Brunswick to Philadelphia, private terms; schooner, 657 tons, lumber, Ferdinandina to Philadelphia, \$5.25.

NOTES.

Steamer Canada Cape, Captain Symons, from the St. Lawrence, arrived at Port Natal, via Cape Town, on the 16th instant.

Steamer Nordstjernen, Capt. Meinert, from Sydney, C.B., arrived at Sheerness on the 20th instant.

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QUEBEC CLEARING HOUSE.

Quebec, Dec. 23.—Total Clearings for the week ending to-day, is \$2,538,498.

PERSONAL

A. E. Grandbois, St. Casimir, is at the Clarendon.

P. O. Trudel, Montreal, is stopping at the Clarendon.

P. Strickland, Montreal, is staying at the Clarendon.

P. C. Neault, M.P.P., Grand'mere, is at the Clarendon.

Victor Archambault, Sherbrook, is registered at the Clarendon.

W. R. Chisholm, Pt. aux Tremble is registered at the Clarendon.

Mr. Paul Garneau, of Montreal, is spending the holiday season in Quebec.

Mr. E. J. Tremblay is staying at the St. James, Montreal for a few days.

Major Poole and Major Petry are spending Christmas at the Triton Club.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Scott are spending the winter months at the Chateau Frontenac.

The following Quebecers are registered at the Place Viger:—Dr. Paquin, Charles Lanctot, Alex. Read, A. J. Langevin.

The death of Cure Fafard of St. Joseph de Levis took place yesterday morning. He was 82 years of age and had been in charge of the parish for the past 36 years.

Arrivals at the Victoria:—E. Gury, L. Hardy, St. Romuald; E. Bosworth, Montreal; H. Cowley, Chas. S. Emsley, G. F. Hall, May Robson Co.; A. Reid, city; E. Rossignol and wife, Chambord; T. Bureau, L'Ange Gardien; G. E. Minville, St. Stanislas; J. A. Baribeau, Sorel; P. Dube, Notre Dame du Sacre-Coeur; J. Walsh and wife, Boston; E. E. Keavin, manager, May Robson Co.

Dr. P. S. Cote, a member of the editorial staff of Le Canada, died at his home, Montreal, on Wednesday afternoon, at the age of 32, after a brief illness. Dr. Cote was a native of New Brunswick, was educated at St. Joseph's College, Memramcook, and at Laval University, where he obtained his doctor's degree six years ago. He practiced his profession in Montreal until about six months ago when he joined the staff of Le Canada. His wife and one child survive him. Madame Cote, his wife, is a well known literary woman in French-Canadian circles, and has written several articles under the nom-de-plume of "Colombine." She is assistant librarian at the technical library in the library in the Monument National.

TO THE PUBLIC

Please don't forget that we have everything in stock required for the festive season. Our recent importations of fine French confectionery, fancy hampers, and bonbonnières are most attractive, while our European wines, liquors and celebrated brands of Havana, Manila and domestic cigars are the finest that the markets supply. Everybody will be pleased at the fine quality and moderate prices of our goods.

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FOR SALE.

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FOR SALE.

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For sale or exchange for two property, a very nice property with fine building lots facing a very nice park near QUEBEC, and on the shore of a pretty river—ideal summer place. May be exchanged in part or in whole with town property. A good bargain for a quick buyer.

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FOR SALE.

On Laliberte street, a solid brick house, with good stone foundation, good cellar, wood shed, etc. For sale at very good conditions.

FOR SALE.

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FOR SALE.

At St. Rock, on Grant street, near St. Joseph street, two houses, one in wood and brick, ceiled, and the other one in solid brick, with two tenements, good shed and cellar, etc. For sale at very good conditions.

FOR SALE.

Four pretty houses situated on St. Oliver street near the church. Three of them built in wood and brick ceiled for sale, to be paid as a rent; the other one, solid brick, with four tenements, payable half cash, and balance easy conditions.

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FOR SALE.

Desvillieres street, at St. Sauveur, a pretty little cottage very near the church, built in solid brick, heated by hot air furnace, electric light, W.C., good cellar, etc. For sale at very good conditions.

FOR SALE.

A very good house, solid stone, situated on St. Francois street, at St. Rock, being at the angle of two streets, containing two tenements. For sale very cheap and at good conditions.

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Ask your Pharmacist for a 50-cent case of Pape's Diapiesin, and take a little just as soon as you can. There will be no sour risings, no belching of undigested food mixed with acid, no stomach gas or heartburn, fullness or heavy feeling in the stomach, Nausea, Debilitating Headaches, Dizziness or Intestinal griping. This will all go, and, besides, there will be no undigested food left over in the stomach to poison your breath with nauseous odors.

Pape's Diapiesin is a certain cure for out-of-order stomachs, because it prevents fermentation and takes hold of your food and digests it just the same as if your stomach wasn't there.

Relief in five minutes from all stomach misery is at any drug store waiting for you.

These large 50-cent cases contain more than sufficient to thoroughly cure almost any case of Dyspepsia, indigestion or any other stomach disturbance.

CONDEMN ROLLER TOWELS.

Kansas Board of Health Says the Rotating Wiper Must Go.

All our favorite gods and sacred traditions fall one by one before the onslaught of reform. So closely have the clippers of the political vandals shorn us of those personal privileges enjoyed by our sires that the modern man stumbles in his melancholy pathway to the grave, beset on all sides by proscriptions, regulations, and rules of conduct, and feels himself lucky if he dies out of jail. In Kansas, beautiful, proud, prosperous and far-famed Kansas, the reformers have found their paradise. Topeka is the latter-day Delphi and the oracle of reform speaks in many tongues.

The latest reformatory utterance is a condemnation of the roller towel. It has been officially declared that the roller towel is even more dangerous than short sheets, drinking cups and cracked dishes. Per square foot the roller towel contains a greater number of germs than any other article of household use. It is to be found everywhere else in the Sunflower State, and for the protection of society the time-honored rotating rag must go. Perhaps this is all for the best, yet it is permissible to pause and sigh at the passing of the old roller towel. It has served long and well and millions of our most respected citizens have left their sooty imprints upon its inviting folds.

Its rattle has been soothing music to sputtering patrons of public wash-rooms, and in spite of the progressive cycle of its layer upon layer of discolorations it possessed a simple dignity that could not be defied. Even when, limp and discredited, it feebly tooned in unvoluntarily from its soiled fold, the roller towel was not without virtue. Always some one came to toy gingerly with its edges in the hope of finding one small area less dirty than the rest.

Powing to the decree which banishes the roller towel from sight, we yet remember with something like affection the long years of intimate association with it in which it never failed. It has represented human democracy and comradeship. It was the bond that united the high and the low and it touched all mankind with a welcome of humid salute. The arrogant forebore the roller towel in the days of its effluence, but it remained faithful and its very form typified unchanging purpose.

Legions of men and women have vainly sought the end of the roller towel. It has remained for the Kansas State Board of Health to lay a vandal hand upon this ancient institution and tear it from its honored place behind the door.—Kansas City Journal.

HOW STEEL SHOULDER-STRAPS ORIGINATED.

The story goes that the steel curb shoulder-strap of the British cavalry originated in a woman's wit and resourcefulness. Of course, chain armor is an ancient thing; but when Sir George Luck was serving out for Kandahar during the first operations against Afghanistan, Lady Luck, knowing something of the fighting methods of the tribesmen, whose four-foot knife can cut clean from shoulder to belt, sewed a couple of steel curb chains under each of the shoulder- straps on her husband's tunic. As a protection from sword-cuts those proved so effective, that at the end of the campaign Sir George made a report in relation thereto, with the result that they were adopted as a permanent feature of the cavalry uniform.

COURT OF SESSIONS.

The inquiry on discovery in connection with the Lamoignon libel case was concluded in the Court of Sessions yesterday morning after the hearing of six witnesses. The inquiry into the case of Boucher, accused of being the author of the alleged libel, was fixed for the 28th instant.

SPOT CASH SHOP

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THE REAL THACKERAY.

(Saturday Review.)

There is about Thackeray, through all his varying moods of sadness or loving kindness, through all his flashes of grim humor or pitiless insight, a suggestion of a still sanctuary kept inviolate. He seems to have been as jealous for the seclusion he needed for his inner self as he was often boisterous in his expression of the superficial mood that possessed him. The real Thackeray will never be known, for the inquirer with eyes to see behind the veil will not be the one to tear it aside for a spectacle.

The Thackeray the world knew was himself a fascinating figure. A man who combined the humor of ripe judgment with a boyish rest in life was likely to charm and dominate and mystify his generation. Viewed from outside, he appeared, partly on account of that very shyness that hid the real man, as a bundle of contradictions. He was a man who could say a savage thing because of the very tenderness of his sensibility, who could wound a friend because of the very earnestness of his desire to please, who could appear self-conscious and awkward because of the very naturalness of his heart. Then in an access of health or spirit he could leap all barriers and appear unerringly to friends and listeners.

The way in which he regarded his own fame is typical of the Thackeray we have tried to know. No man ever enjoyed his fame more than he, but no man's head was ever less turned than his. The story is told that Charlotte Bronte, sitting opposite to him at dinner, regarded him for a long time as a hero. "And," said Thackeray, "I had the miserable humiliation of seeing her ideal of me disappear as everything went into my mouth and nothing came out of it, until at last, as I took my fifth potato, she leaned across with clasped hands and fearful eyes and breathed imploringly: 'Oh, Mr. Thackeray! Don't!'" This is one of those stories which may not be true, but ought to be. It shows Thackeray in his typical attitude to life and to himself. He enjoyed the situation and criticized it implicitly as he enjoyed it. A hero perhaps—but there were the five potatoes. It takes a man of humor to see the two things together without laughing stupidly or unkindly or cynically or self-consciously either as his admirer or at himself.

MOTHER BERTRAND WON

AN AUTO AT THE FAIR.

Girl Who Attended the Convent Took a Chance in Her Name and Got the Lucky Number.

The proverbial bull in a china shop is paralleled for inconsistency with an automobile in a convent; yet that is likely to happen if Mother M. Bertrand, the mother superior of the Dominican Convent in Albany, and the province provincial of all the houses of the order, accepts her due in having had chosen, in her name, the lucky number in an automobile raffle at the Knights of Columbus fair in Poughkeepsie. Mother Bertrand did not take the chance herself, of course. Religious seldom go to fairs and cloistered nuns never. Mother Bertrand is a cloistered nun, who only goes out by permission of the bishop when necessary call her from one house of the order to another. This is not of daily or even weekly occurrence, and when she does go it is in a closed carriage, and not in an automobile.

Mother Bertrand has never taken an auto ride and so will have no personal use for the car which she won in this way. Miss Crowley, a former student at the academy, and a weekly week-end visitor there, is employed in Poughkeepsie, but her heart is with the nuns in the Dominican convent, to whom she returns every Saturday evening. When she was asked to take a chance on an automobile she put down the name of Mother Bertrand.

Sister Monica, speaking for Mother Bertrand, said that without doubt the automobile would be sold and the money given to the order. In the meantime the automobile people who gave the car are awaiting instructions for its disposal.

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GOOD LONDON ADVERTISING FOR CANADA.

Unique Canadian advertising is at present being done by the Grand Trunk Railway. In one of the large windows of their handsome new offices on Trafalgar Square, they have erected a transparency map of Canada 6 x 12 feet. It is mounted upon a huge sheet of frosted glass, which at night or after dusk is illuminated by 24 twenty-five candle lamps, so that the map may be seen clearly and readily by those passing by in carriage or bus. The map is quite up-to-date, and each province is distinctly drawn, so that at a glance, the observer can take in the extent of the Dominion, the location of the province, the vast waterways and inland seas, and in general have impressed upon his mind, Canada as she is. The whole structure when put in place weighs slightly over 14 tons.

A paper read last night by Mr. MacKinnon, Canadian Trade Commissioner at Birmingham, under the auspices of the Royal Colonial Institute was a great success. The chair was taken by Lord Strathcona, and Mr. MacKinnon's valuable paper was listened to with much attention by an influential audience. Mr. MacKinnon went deeply into his subject and the facts and figures given in his address cannot fail to be of benefit, particularly so, when the paper in question will appear in the January issue of the Royal Colonial Institute Journal.—Monetary Times.

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Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, at its next session, to obtain an act dividing the municipality of the parish of St. Tite, in the County of Champlain, and erecting a town municipality district, and separate from the former which would be known under the name of "Municipality of the Town of Saint-Tite-Ville."

This new municipality would be bounded to the north by the "Le Bourdais" brook; to the east by a line starting from the "Le Bourdais" brook at five and one quarter arpents from Notre Dame street, running across lot number 307 in line with the cemetery fence, thence towards the south across lots 247, 246, 245, 243, 241, 233, 224, 81, 82, and 83 as far as lot number 84 exclusively at a distance of five arpents and two perches from La Montagne Street; to the south by part of said lot number 84, by part of lot number 211, and by the lot number 210; to the west by the River des Envies; said lot numbers being the cadastral numbers for the said parish.

Quebec, November 27th, 1909.

ST. LAURENT & METAYER,

Attorneys for Petitioners

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Public Notice

Public notice is hereby given that, under the Quebec Companies Act, 1907, letters patent have been issued by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec, bearing date the sixth day of December, 1909, incorporating Messrs. John T. Ross, gentleman, James Hamilton, banker, Vesey Boswell, brewer, Alfred C. Dobell, advocate, of the City of Quebec, Joseph Paquet, merchant, of the Town of Levis, for the following purposes:

To carry on a general business as brokers and agents of the City of Quebec, and elsewhere in the Province.

To act and carry on a general business as merchants, traders and generally carry on business and commerce.

With power to hold and acquire both moveable and immovable property by any title whatsoever and mortgage, dispose of and exchange the same.

With power to amalgamate themselves with or acquire the stock in other incorporated companies and pay for the same in cash or in paid up stock of the company.

With power to acquire the stock or good will of any firm or person or persons as a going concern, and to pay for the same in fully paid stock of the proposed company.

With power to use its surplus funds in paying off or redeeming any bonds which may be issued by the company.

And generally to do all and singular the business and transactions which may be necessary for effective carrying out of the undertaking of the company, under the name of "Dominion Brokerage Company of Quebec," with a total capital stock of one hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars (\$135,000.00), divided into nine thousand (9,000) shares of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) each.

The principal place of business of the corporation will be in the City of Quebec.

Dated from the office of the Provincial Secretary, this sixth day of December, 1909.

JOS. DUMONT,

Deputy Provincial Secretary.

GIBSON & DOBELL,

Attorneys for Incorporators.

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Canada, In the Province of Quebec, Superior Court District of Beauce, No. 519.

Dame Florida Deslauriers, wife of Timotheus Fleury, plumber, of the village of St. Joseph, in the District of Beauce,

vs

The said Timotheus Fleury, Defendant.

An action in separation as to property has been instituted in this case by the plaintiff against the defendant.

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Nowhere have the follies of men and the fickleness of his fortune been more often or more signally illustrated than in the mining regions of New Mexico. The mining history of the territory embraces a period of three full centuries. In that long period of time it would be hard to find as core successful prospectors who enjoyed the fruits of their labors. Some ignorantly cast away the boon for which they had striven; others were betrayed by craft or guile, and many fell, on the very hour of success, at the hands of savages.

Probably the most remarkable body of silver ever discovered in the Southwest was the Lake Valley deposit of New Mexico. In fact, the Bridal Chamber ore body has never been equalled in richness by anything found in any other silver mine in the world, not even excepting the big bonanza strike in the Comstock lode. The discovery claim was located by George W. Lufkin, a cowboy, in August, 1878. He was "riding the circle" in the discharge of his duties, with mind intent upon his four-footed charges, and with no thought in the world of finding anything more valuable than a maverick. In some way the girth of his saddle became unbuckled and he dismounted from his pony to tighten it. That done his attention was directed to a peculiar piece of stone dislodged by the pony's foot. Picking it up he was astonished at its weight, but knew little about minerals to be able to decide whether it contained anything of value or not. Suspecting that it might be worth something, he had it assayed. It ran more than 5,000 ounces of silver to the ton. The news was too good to be kept, and he took in a partner, Christopher Watson by name. Together they located the Bridal Chamber mine, on the spot where the cow pony's hoof had dislodged the rich piece of flint.

The three discoverers of the Las Animas district fared better than the majority of their kind. All realized fair-sized fortunes—but their wealth did not stay with them. Dan Dugan died in poverty in 1884. Dave Stitzel still lives in Hillaboro—near the spot where he picked up the flint that led to the discovery of the mines to which the town owes its existence and its prosperity. His last days will be spent in comfort, but not in affluence. Hank Dorsey, now a resident of Silver City, announces himself "broke" at the age of 73, but declares that he will find another Rattlesnake Lode and make another fortune before he goes "over the range."

In 1860 a party of wayworn, weary and disappointed prospectors from California were making the long overland journey back to their Eastern homes, poorer than when they had started with the first eager rush of the forty-niners. While making their way across the wastes of sand and salt flats (lava) that composed the New Mexico deserts they stopped in Bear gulch to quench their thirst in the stream that flows through. As one of the party—Birch by name—stooped to drink, his thirst was suddenly forgotten, for he caught the glint of yellow in the sands. What California had withheld, New Mexico gave freely, and in a few months, 2,000 miners from Sonora, Chihuahua, Texas, Kansas, Missouri and a score of other States were washing the "Birchville" sands.

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There will be the customary mid-night celebration at this church, when special music will be rendered. On Christmas Day there will be the usual celebrations and in the afternoon there will be a coral service.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

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Sunday after Christmas—Holy Communion at 8; Morning Prayer, 10.30; children's service, 2.30; Evening song at 7 to be concluded by Christmas carols. Seats free. All welcome.

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There will be service in this church at 11 o'clock a.m. when the Offertory will be in aid of Jeffery Hale's Hospital. There will be special music by the choir.

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There will be service in St. Mary's Church, Montmorency Falls, at 11 a.m. to-morrow.

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Christmas Music—Christmas Day at 11. Prelude—Pastoral Symphony. Handel. Anthem—Ring out, sweet bells. Stainer. Carol—Good Christian men, Rejoice. Postlude—Hallelujah. Handel.

SUNDAY, 26TH.

Morning.
Prelude—Improvisation.
Anthem—Nazareth. Gounod-West.
Solo, Mr. J. Reid.
Carol—The First Noel.
Postlude—Festal March. Elvey.
Evening.
Prelude—The Angelus. Starmer.
Anthem—Let us now go even unto Bethlehem. Hopkins.
Carols—(1) "Sleep, Holy Babe." Field.
(2) "Holy Night." German.
Postlude—Grand Chorus. Reed.
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CHALMERS' CHURCH.

Morning.
Organ Prelude—March of the Magi Kings. Dubois.
Invocation and Doxology.
Psalm, Selection 118.
Reading of the Scriptures.
Anthem—The Birthday of a King. Neidinger.
(Solos by Mrs. Smith and Mr. Campbell.)
Reading of the Scriptures.
Hymn 538.
Offertory.
Carol—What a Marvel of Glad Tidings. Perry.
Prayer.
Solo—Bethlehem.
Mr. H. M. Gilchrist.
Hymn 27.
Sermon—The First Christmas (Children's sermon), by the Pastor.
Anthem—Bethlehem's Plain. Wadell.
(With Solo by Mrs. Ross.)
Hymn 25.
Benediction.
Organ Postlude—Marche de Fete. Clausmann.
Evening.
Organ Prelude—Yuletide Chords. Englemann.
Invocation and Doxology.
Psalm Selection 68.
Reading of Scriptures.
Solo—In Old Judea. Geibel.
Mrs. F. J. Smith.
Hymn 31.
Offertory.
Anthem—Glory to God in the Highest. Simpson.
(With Solo by Miss Waters.)
Prayer.
Male Quartette—Beautiful Angels. Lorenzo.
Messrs. Kinnear, Gilchrist, Campbell and Fletcher.
Hymn 28.
Sermon—After Christmas Thoughts by the Pastor.
Solo and chorus—O Holy Night. Adam.
Hymn 34.
Benediction.
Organ Postlude—Hallelujah Chorus. Handel.
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Christmas Day Service, 11 a.m.
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Organ Prelude.
Anthem—O Come all Ye Faithful. V. Novella.
Carols—Ring Out Ye Bells and Holy Night.
Subject by the Pastor—"The Message of Christmas."
Sunday, 11 a.m.
Organ Prelude—Larghetto—Geo. Calkin.
Carol—Emmanuel. From Far Away.
Organ—Romance Sans Parole. Guilmette.
Pastor's Subject—"The Transforming Spirit of Christmas."
Organ Postlude—Allegro (1st Sonata du Camer). A. L. Pearce.
Sunday 7 p.m.
A Christmas service of song as follows:
Organ—Prelude—"Andante"—Geo. Calkin.
Carol—"Sleep Holy Babe."
Anthem—"Sweetly Through the Night." Shelley.
Solo—"Angels Ever Bright and Fair." Handel.

Carols—(a) In the field with their flocks.
(b) "The three Kings of the Orient Are."
Address—"Music, the Gift of Christmas"—Rev. G. H. Cobblestick.
Solo and Quartette—"O Holy Night."
Carols—(9) "Now dies in David's City."
(5) "Bethlehem."
Solo—"This Day is Born a Saviour."
Anthem—"Sing Alleluia Forth."
Burke.
Organ Postlude—"Finale."
A. L. Pearce.
Soloists—Mesdames W. Paxman and F. B. Poulin, Meses, G. Davies, E. Holtby and M. Shaw.
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Kyrie. Soprano Solo. Miss M. Mahoney.
Christe, Soprano Solo. Miss M. Mahoney.
Gloria. Soprano Solo. Miss M. Mahoney.
Credo. Soprano Solo. Miss M. Mahoney.
Offertory—"O Mira Nox." Adam.
Sanctus. Soprano Solo. Miss M. Mahoney.
Agnus—Trio. Miss M. Mahoney, Mr. Jos. Shields, Mr. R. Timmons.
Adeste Fideles. Soprano Solo. Miss M. Mahoney, Mr. Jos. Shields, Mr. R. Timmons.
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The last week of the year. Prices are going to be very interesting for this last week at Myrand & Pouliot's stores. Be there and have your own advantage.

LA GUIGNOLEE.

A meeting of the Commercial Travellers was held at their rooms last night and was most enthusiastic. All arrangements were completed and the collection will be made as mentioned below. The new division of Montcalmville will be collected and Mr. Adelard Lemieux named as chief of this division. Give only to the wearers of the official badge Friday, December 24th, and no others. The badge is pale blue, stamped with the crest of the Travellers and the word Guignolee, 1909. Collectors will start Friday morning and complete the collection in Palace Ward and Lower Town, also the factories, banks and establishments closed in the evening will be called upon. At the request of the St. Malo collectors, Little River Road will be visited Xmas day only.

SPOT CASH SHOP

From 24th December until 31st of December, 1909:

One Bottle Gin (John de Kuypers & Son), price 60 cents for 53 cents.

N. MOISAN,
Cor. Julia and D'Artigny Sts.
Phone 1406.

MRS. D. R. MURPHY

New Goods for the Holiday Trade.

New Blouse Waists, Dress Skirts, Fancy Collars, Jabots, Silk Scarfs, Veiling, Fancy Handkerchiefs, Fancy Veil Pins, Necklaces and other goods suitable for Christmas and New Year's gifts.

A Big Reduction is Being Made on all Trimmed Hats.

The balance of our lovely Dressed Dolls are offered at large reduction.

46 FABRIQUE STREET.

Phone 22.

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Splendid Monkeys and Horses

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A. GAGNON & CO.,

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Furniture!

Auction by Ls. Deschenes.

ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29th, 1909, AT 10 A.M., VERY ATTRACTIVE SALE OF HIGH-GRADE FURNITURE AT MORGAN'S BLOCK, NO. 14 ANN ST.

I have been instructed to sell by Public Auction, without reserve on

Wednesday, Dec. 29, 1909,

At 10 o'clock sharp.

A large quantity of new and second-hand furniture, comprising: One very handsome parlor set in silk, with wire backs; one silk drawing room set with mahogany frame; one complete set of dining room furniture in solid antique oak; antique mahogany tables; one "Mosaic" table (very pretty); two large round mahogany tables; solid brass bedsteads (latest designs); black walnut and solid oak sideboards with plate glass; extension tables, fancy chairs and tables for drawing rooms and boudoirs; rattan arm chairs and rockers; folding lounges; 3 handsome sets of dining room sets; babies chairs and sleds, etc., etc.

The above sale will be still more interesting than Mr. Beauty's sale, which took place at the same place last week. Goods on view Tuesday, December 28th, all day. Sale Wednesday at 10 sharp.

L. DESCHENES,

Auctioneer.

Canada. In the

Province of Quebec, Superior Court

District of Quebec.

(Under the Winding up Act, Cap. 144, Revised Statutes of Canada.

In re La Cie Jos. Villeneuve,

In Liquidation.

and

J. Boutin-Bourassa,

Liquidator.

Notice is hereby given, that pursuant to an order of Mr. Justice, Sir Francois Langlois, rendered on the 22nd day of December instant, a meeting of the contributors, creditors, shareholders and members of the above Company, will be held at the Court House, in the City of Quebec, on the 29th day of December instant, at 10.30 A.M., for the purpose of giving their advice as to the advisability of the said liquidator, being authorized to deliver to D. S. Bildeau and Dr. Villeneuve, certain lumber pledged to them and to pay to them certain moneys realized by the sale of a portion of the said lumber.

Quebec, 23rd December, 1909.

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