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THE TIMES.
 A citizen of Halifax, who gets the Times every day, compliments this paper very highly on its excellent news service, and the general nature of its daily contents. The compliment is appreciated, coming as it does from another city, which has five newspapers of its own. In St. John, the general appreciation of the merits of the Times to give the citizens the best evening paper east of Montreal is shown not only by words of commendation but by a steadily growing subscription list. The Times had expected ere this to have received its new dress of lead type and advertising type, ordered some weeks ago, and said to be on its way, but is still awaiting its arrival.
 Work on the new building to be the home of the Times will be begun at once, and vigorously pushed to completion. A description of that building is elsewhere given in this issue.

ASSESSMENT COMMISSION.
 The decision of the city council to appoint a paid commission to consider amendments to the present assessment law is hardly what was expected. The majority of the aldermen are apparently of the opinion that the present law can be made satisfactory by amendment, and the commission must approach its work with limited powers. Why should not the commission be free to recommend an entirely new law, if on enquiry its members believed that to be the proper course?
 The appointment of a commission outside of the council is a wise move, since it is obvious that the members of the council, with so many other matters to consider, could not give to this one the attention it requires. If a good commission is appointed, even with limited instructions, the result should be an improvement in the present system. No assessment law pleases everybody, and there will be keen criticism of whatever action may be taken, but careful study of existing inequalities should point the way to a system more equitable and less unsatisfactory to the majority of taxpayers.

A GREAT CHARITY.
 In a circular issued by the National Sanitarium Association, it is stated that \$400,000 has been expended by the Association in eight years to extend its work in Muskoka and that 1,500 patients have been cared for in these homes. It also says: "Since the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives was opened in 1902, not a single patient has ever been refused admission because of his or her poverty." In this hospital nearly 400 patients have been cared for. The number of deaths in Ontario from tuberculosis was 3,154 in 1897 and only 2,072 in 1903. The reduction is attributed largely to the work done in the Muskoka hospital and homes. The work is well titled "a great charity."
 It does not appear that any movement has yet been started in New Brunswick for work along similar lines. An appeal for action has been laid before the St. John city council but has not yet been considered. It ought to be possible for municipalities in this province as well as in Ontario to give countenance and aid to a work of such great importance.

CONCERNING GAS.
 The Montreal Witness prints the following interesting article on the recent action of the city of Toronto in connection with its gas supply:
 An incident of much municipal and financial interest, this week, has been the purchase of enough of the stock of the Toronto Consumers' Gas Company by the city of Toronto to give the mayor of the city a place on the board of directors. The city now owns two hundred shares, which, at fifty dollars per share, gives the necessary ten thousand dollars stock in the company. The Consumers' Gas Company of Toronto maintains that its franchise is a perpetual one, as the clause in its charter in regard to purchase by the city of Toronto is only operative with its consent. During the past year or two there have been many matters in dispute between the city and the council, numerous conferences were held between them, but no agreement was come to, and finally the company broke off all negotiations. Then the city brought suit against the company on the grounds that the company had not complied with the act of 1887 by its methods of keeping its accounts, and of breaking its reserve and its plant and buildings renewal fund, and that amounts had been improperly written off for depreciation. Judgment, however, was given against the city with costs. An attempt to obtain from the legislature an amendment to the gas company's act did not result in achieving for the city all that was desired, but permission was obtained to purchase at auction enough of the new stock of the company to qualify the mayor for a seat on the directorate, with the object of working reforms from the inside. The purchase is a good investment, apart from its significance in the direction of public ownership. The presence of the

WHITE PLAGUE IN SCHOOLS.
An Article that Should Arouse the Attention of the Public.
 (Manchester Union.)
 It has just come to light that not very long ago a case of tuberculosis was discovered in one of the public schools of a city. The discovery was made by persons who were not school officials and the matter has not called to the attention of the Board of Health but the case was a bona fide case of consumption and the sick child was in attendance in a school room of that city. Other children were consequently running the risk of infection. The discovery became the cause of a good deal of earnest discussion in certain circles and is likely to lead to a request that provision be made to avoid this contagion.

Burdock Blood Bitters Saved Her Life.
 Read what Mrs. Wm. Castillous, Newport, Quebec, has to say about Burdock Blood Bitters:—"Last December I fell very sick after confinement. I was not able to walk for three months, and was given up to die by the doctor. My husband read of the many wonderful cures made by Burdock Blood Bitters, so I procured me two bottles. After using it for about ten days, I was able to get around, and could mind my baby without help from anyone. I am now well, and able to do my own work. I told a lady friend of mine who was troubled in the same way, and she used it with equal success. I cannot too highly recommend your medicine, for I know just how good it is, and hope and wish that anyone suffering as I did will give it a trial."

TOMORROW IN THE CHURCHES.
 Zion Methodist church, junction of Wall street and Burpee Avenue. The pastor, Rev. Dr. Wilson, will preach at 11 and 7. Sabbath school at 2.30. Strangers made welcome.
 Mission church St. John Baptist, Paradise Row, Rev. P. Owen-Jones, Priest in charge, 3rd Sunday in Advent, Holy Eucharist (plain) at 8 a. m.; high elevation and sermon at 11 a. m.; choral evensong and sermon at 7 p. m.; Catholic Ritual. All seats free.
 Waterloo St., F. B. church, Rev. A. J. Prosser, pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. S. S. at 2.30.
 St. Paul's (Valley) church, Holy Communion 8 a. m. Morning prayer 11 a. m. Children's service 3 p. m., with offertory for our little Indian girl. Evensong 7 p. m., at the conclusion of which "Dies Irae" will be sung. Preacher at both services the rector, Rev. A. G. H. Dicker.
 Y. M. C. A. meeting for boys at 10 a. m.; speaker J. E. Irvine. Bible study club at 4 o'clock. Subject: "Samuel."
 People's Mission, Waterloo street; Sunday school at 11 a. m., social service at 3 p. m., preaching at 7 p. m., prayer meeting Tuesday, and Thursday evenings at 8 o'clock. All strangers welcome. Seats free.

The Tabernacle, Haymarket Square, Minister, Rev. P. J. Stackhouse, B. D. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m., by pastor. Evening subject "The True Emphasis in Life." Baptism at evening service. All seats free.
 Calvin Presbyterian church, Rev. J. M. Nicholson, Pastor, 11 a. m., and 7 p. m., public worship and preaching; 2.30 p. m., Sabbath school and Bible class.
 Leinster street Baptist church, Rev. W. L. Archibald (missionary elect) will preach in the morning, and Pastor Christopher Burnett in the evening. Men's Baraca Bible class at 2 p. m.
 St. James church, Rev. A. D. Dendy, rector. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Holy Communion at 9 a. m. Sunday school and Bible class at 3 p. m. The Bishop of the diocese will administer the rite of confirmation to a number of candidates, during the evening service. All seats free.
 Unitarian church, Hazen Avenue, services at 7 p. m., sermon by minister, Rev. A. M. Walker, Subject: Capital Punishment. Sunday school at 2.30. Thursday, 8 p. m. Discussion Hour, paper by Mr. Eben Perkins—topic, Present Temperance Laws and their Enforcement.
 Gospel service at the King's Daughters' Guild, Sunday 4 p. m. At the close there will be a service for the reception of new members. Those wishing to join the order can do so at this meeting. All are welcome.

SKIN GRAFTING.
Young Lady Submits to Operation For Her Sister's Sake.
 Little Pauline Sylvester, 8 years old, who was severely burned on the arm, and chest more than two months ago at South Portland, Me., is substantially improving as a result of a skin grafting process, performed several weeks ago. The operation was performed by Dr. Frank I. Brown, assisted by Dr. George Stütley. The skin was grafted from the arm of Miss Cora Sylvester, aged 18, and who was selected as the donor because she was suffering from the same disease. No less than 16 pieces were grafted from her arm to the arm and chest of her little sister. These little patches of healthy skin have taken firm hold and the burns are all closing the good skin and flesh reaching gradually out to form a union with the grafted portions.

THREE POEMS.
 BY MUTSUHITO, EMPEROR OF JAPAN.
 The translations below of poems by His Majesty, the originals of which appeared in the Kokumin Shimbun for Nov. 7, 1904, seem to have been composed at different periods. No. I. evidently was written before the war. No. II dates from the actual commencement of the war. No. III. is what we see in Japan today.
 I.
 My heart's at peace with all, and fain would I live, as I love, in life-long amity; And yet the storm-clouds lower, the rising wind strikes up the waves; the elemental strife Rages around. I do not understand Why this should be.
 II.
 'Tis surely not our fault We sought to be sincere in deed and word; We have exhausted every means to press A clear and truthful case, but all in vain. Now may the God that sees the hearts of men Approve of what we do.
 III.
 They're at the front Our brave young men; and now the middle-aged Are shouldering their arms, and in the fields, The old men gather in the abundant rice, Low the sheaves, all ages vie In cheerful self-devotion to the Land.
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morning by Professor Watson, of Mount Allison, and in the evening by Doctor Sprague of this city. All who attend may be sure of an interesting experience. Reports of the Society will be given and offerings to its funds will be received. Strangers will be specially welcomed to the services.
 Rev. A. J. Prosser, the new pastor of Waterloo St., F. B. Church will conduct the services at the seaman's institute tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. All seamen, and the general public are invited to attend.
 In Queen Square Methodist church the pastor, Rev. Dr. Sprague, will preach tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, and Rev. C. W. Hamilton in the evening. Sunday school is at 2.30 p. m.
 Coburg street Christian church, J. F. Floyd, minister. Services at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m. Subject for evening: Second sermon in series on our tour around the world. Through the Land of Golden and seeing the Mummied Pharaohs who oppressed Israel. Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. Christian Endeavor meeting Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Prayer and social meeting Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. A cordial invitation given to all.

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GRAND FALLS NEWS.
 Grand Falls, Dec. 1.—Mark Costigan, Bert Currier, Wm. Malcolm and Jack Burgess, all Grand Falls boys, have gone to Moncton to join the O. P. R. survey, from there to Chatham.
 Chas. Henderson, C. P. R. Conductor, who has been ill for many months, has gone to Boston to consult a specialist. He expects to pass the winter in Hot Springs, Arkansas.
 Miss Hester Edgecombe, St. John, a popular teacher in the town schools, intends to resign at the end of the present term.
 George Mochler has sold his residence on Front street, to Otis Simois, who resides just across the Victoria county line in Maine, and who will remove to town.

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 But the world widens when that ruled us lies Broken among our childhood's toys for days, We win to self control, And mail ourselves in manhood and there rise Upon us from the vast and windless height thoughts that are unto the soul. What stars are to the night, The Spectator.
 Five hundred thousand dollars will be spent by an English syndicate to establish an independent packing plant, for export trade only, in Denver, Colorado. One hundred thousand dollars is to be spent for the enlargement of the Colorado Packing Company's plant, and \$50,000, for the enlargement of the stock yards in Colorado's capital. With the improvements planned, Denver is to be made the packing-house centre of the West, taking its share of the trade now going to Kansas City and Omaha.
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