

TONIGHT'S ATTRACTIONS.

Daily Stock Company at the Opera House, in "A Runaway Match."

Local News.

The policemen are very anxious to meet Hazen Campbell's tug-of-war team under any conditions.

Scotch and American Anthracite Coal, Acadia Pictou landing foot of Germain St. George Dick, Tele. 1116 48 Britain St.

The ferry steamer Maggie Miller, which runs between Millidgeville and Bayswater has been laid up for the winter and is now at Hilyard's slip.

There will be a meeting of the H. M. S. Polymorphian Club in Tabernacle Hall tonight. Important business will be transacted and a large attendance is requested.

A pocketbook containing a small sum of money, found by Miss Bluet of Harrison street, has been left at the north end police station where it may be had by the owner.

The Ancient order of Hibernians and the ladies' auxiliary, of Moncton, will hold an at home at "Castle Hall" Robinson street, on Monday evening, Jan. 2. Several St. John people have received invitations.

Those who have delayed purchasing a house coat or a fancy vest will no doubt feel gratified when they take advantage of the concession offered in Gilmour's clearance of these popular holiday articles. See his advertisement in this paper.

There were four prisoners before the magistrate this morning. Two simple drunks were fined four dollars or ten days each, and one was remanded. William Griffin, who was arrested on a warrant for using obscene language was remanded.

A very attractive line of new ties was received by express yesterday by W. N. Harvey, the Union street clothier. They include the newest things including a reversible puff, which ties in one. There is a fine variety of ties, of the newest shades and makes, and there is certain to be a large run on them for the holiday trade.

The Dailey Stock Co., is putting in some fine attractions for the remainder of this week and for next. "The Runaway Match" will be put on tonight; "The New Dominion Saturday afternoon; "Arizona" Saturday night. On Monday and the first half of next week "Our New Minister" will be on the boards. These productions are up-to-date in every respect and should attract large audiences.

WEDDINGS.

Willband---Stevens.

A very quiet and pretty wedding took place at the Methodist parsonage Truro, Dec. 14, when Miss Ida Pearl Stevens, of Chester (N. S.), was united in marriage to Edgar Manning Willband, commercial traveler for the Welcome Soap Co., of St. John. Rev. J. Atkins officiated. The bride was attired in a beautiful gown of white silk voile, trimmed with lace and applique, and carried a bouquet of white carnations and maiden hair fern. After the ceremony a reception was held at the Learment Hotel, after which the happy couple left for Halifax, on a wedding tour. The bride's traveling suit was of dark brown broadcloth, tailor made, with hat to match. She was the recipient of a number of useful and costly wedding presents among which was a gold watch and a cheque for \$100.

COUNTY COURT.

The case of Hatfield vs. Smith came up before Judge Forbes in the county court chambers this morning. F. R. Taylor for the plaintiff, and J. King Kelley for the defendant. The plaintiff W. B. Hatfield had taken a contract for mason work on a building belonging to the defendant Ezekiel Smith. Mr. Hatfield charged for extras to the amount of \$160, which Mr. Smith refused to pay. Mr. Hatfield applied for a mechanic's lien, under affidavit. Mr. Kelley objected to the affidavit on the ground that it was not made according to the act; as the plaintiff did not swear the money was due. Several witnesses were examined and the matter will be settled by arbitration—Judge Forbes acting as arbitrator—without regard to the affidavit. The case was resumed this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

WINTER PORT NOTES.

C. P. R. steamship Montford, Captain Cross, arrived this morning from Bristol, with cargo for this city and the west. Steamship Manchester Corporation sailed this morning for Philadelphia and Manchester, with a general cargo and a large shipment of pulp for Philadelphia. Donaldson line steamship Tritonia is due to arrive this afternoon. The passed Cape Race Tuesday. Manifest for the following United States products were received at the Custom House today viz: 24 cars pork products, 4 cars lard, 1 car lumber and 1 car tallow, in transit for U. K.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Royal.—Chas. Byrd, Montreal; M. Casle, Truro; W. R. Barnhill, Toronto; Jno. Lyons, Moncton. Victoria.—Jas. M. Nair, Andover; Mabel R. Cochrane, Boston; W. S. Riving, Boston; L. F. Mills, St. Stephen; A. Nathan, Moncton. Quebec.—H. S. Gagnon, Calhoun's Mills; Albert Gagnon, Woodstock. Clifton.—G. A. Wright, M. D., Bristol; Mrs. W. A. Taylor, Florenceville.

CHRISTMAS IN THE CHURCHES.

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Herald Angels sing" and "Of the father's love Begotten." In the evening there will be festive songs. The carol will be "O Little town of Bethlehem," Benjamin Lombard, of New York. The professional hymn "While Shepherds watched their Flocks," the other hymns will be "Angels in the realms of Glory" and "God from on high hath heard." The rector will preach at both the services.

CARMARTHEN STREET.

The Carmarthen St., Methodist church choir will sing Christmas hymns and anthems at the morning service. In the evening there will be a special Christmas service by the children, entitled "The Birthday of Our Lord." The programme will be as follows:— Opening Chorus..... "Christmas Chimes are Ringing"..... Invocation..... Responsive Reading, Singing by School..... "Christ, Our King"..... Recitation..... "The Search for the King," Song by the Primary Department..... "The Blessed Day," Recitation..... "Selected," Hymn..... "No. III," Exercise..... "Jesus, Our Guiding Star," Solo and Chorus..... "Star So Bright," Recitation..... "Selected," Singing by School..... "Christmas Sunshine," Announcements..... Chorus by School..... "Hail, All Hail the King," Responsive Exercise..... "For Jesus," Singing by School..... "At Christmas Time," Christmas Address..... by the pastor, Rev. T. Marshall. Solo and Chorus..... "Praise for his Glory," Collection..... Closing Chorus..... "Ring the Joy Bells."

ST. ANDREW'S.

Morning. Prelude..... "Pastorate" (Wely.) To Deum..... (Kotzschmar). Anthem: "O Zion, that bringest good tidings," (Stainer) Solo..... "Bethlehem" Mrs. McNeill. (Deale.) Postlude..... Christmas March, (Merkel.) Evening. Prelude..... "Pastorate" (Best.) Anthem: "Glory to God in the Highest" (Simper). Solo: "Angel's Song" Mrs. Henning (Shelley). Anthem: "O come let us worship," "Psalm 95," (Mendelssohn) Solo: "O holy night" Mr. Hogan. (Adam.) Postlude..... "March Lyro. (Whitaker). Christmas hymns at both services.

QUEEN SQUARE.

The regular choir of this church will be assisted in its Christmas music by Mrs. F. G. Spencer, Prof. Titus and Herbert Mayes. Their programme for the morning includes:— Te Deum by Woodward, Duet, "Confidence," by Mrs. F. G. Spencer and Prof. Titus. In the evening a trio "Praise Ye" by Mrs. F. G. Spencer and Messrs. Mayes and Titus, solo by Prof. Titus, and hymns appropriate to the day, add churches.

VICTORIA STREET.

The regular hymns will be sung in addition to the following anthems Morning service. Anthem, "Star of the East." Anthem, "Shout the Glad Tidings." Evening service. Anthem, "Star of the East."

ZION CHURCH.

Morning service Anthem, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," Bouly. Anthem, "Who is He that Cometh." Evening service. Anthem, "There Were Shepherds." By W. T. Giff. Soloist, A. C. Powers. Invocation solo, "The New Born King," Mr. Titus. Anthem, "Calm on the Listening Ear of Night."

STONE CHURCH.

The music at the services for Xmas Day will include morning Introductory Vol. Pastoral Symphony (Mass.); Handel Proper Psalms, Te Deum, Benedictus Sir C. V. Stanford in Bb Anthem "O Sing to God (Noel) Gounod and Carol. Evening, Proper Psalms Magnificat Munc Din, Stanford in Bb Anthem "The Angel Gabriel" Smart, "Bethlehem" Gounod, D. A. Fox organist.

BIG CROWD AT THE OPENING.

There was a large number of young folks at the opening of Victoria rink last evening when the ice was in perfect condition and the music of the most enjoyable kind. Indeed, both Manager Armstrong and Professor McIntyre excelled themselves in these particulars, but both promise even better things before the season is far advanced. The old Vic. is brighter and cheerier than ever and the large number of young folks who circled the enclosure last evening enjoyed the occasion to the utmost.

GOOD SLEIGHING.

The snow will bring the farmers to town, making poultry cheap. Our goods have always been cheap. Our stock consists of suitable gifts for a gentleman. Pipes in cases at 95c., best quality cigars at 75c. or \$1.00 per box. Cigars and cigarettes cases also holders in all styles. Large variety of Meerschaum pipes also tobacco pouches at reasonable prices at Louis Green's.

The Boston express was one hour late a half rate today, and the C. P. R. over two hours. The delay was due to heavy traffic and the storm which is raging west. The C. P. R. on leaving here was packed with passengers.

NOMINATIONS FILED AT COURT HOUSE TODAY.

There Were No Speeches and Therefore A Very Small Attendance --- Names of Those Who Nominated the Different Candidates.

This is nomination day for the approaching city and county by-election. Sheriff Ritchie opened his court at 10 o'clock and closed it at 12 o'clock. Up to 11.40 no nominations were filed, but within the remaining twenty minutes they came in in a bunch.

A. O. Skinner's nomination paper was filed by H. S. Keith. He was nominated by Robert Thomson, Henry Hilyard, Thos. Gorman, John Sealy, J. V. Ellis, John E. Moore, J. Fraser Gregory, H. A. McKeown, L. O. Beattie, Richard O'Brien, Walter E. Foster, Alexander Macaulay, J. Pender, A. P. McAvenny, J. Boyle, Travers, Thos. McAvity, John Keeffe, Theodore H. Estabrooks, John Flood, M. F. Mooney, W. H. Barnaby, A. W. Adams, Joseph Bullock, G. Sydney Smith, M. J. Nugent, Henry Gallagher, Joseph Finlay, M. B. Edwards, Henry Maher, Wm. Jarvis.

Robert Maxwell's nomination paper was filed by W. H. Harrison and was signed by W. H. Thorne, J. F. Robertson, J. E. Wilson, R. B. Emerson, J. R. Armstrong, W. Christie, S. C. Drury, S. S. Fisher, W. F. Hatheway, A. Malcolm, W. W. White, Thos. Kickham, H. W. Barker, J. Seaton, G. V. McInerney, H. B. White, P. Grannan, I. W. Holder, C. Berton, Lockhart, M. F. Kelley, Wm. Shaw, W. S. Daley, H. C. Smith, W. D. Baskin, Chas. Emerson, John

Killen, Jas. McKinney, L. P. D. Tilley, Wm. Lewis, and E. R. Chapman.

Jas. Lowell's nomination, which was signed by the following, was filed by Coun. J. W. Long—C. P. Baker, John A. Gregory, Jas. Hayes, John D. Kelley, W. H. Barnhill, R. W. Skillen, F. M. Corham, Brunswick H. Webb, Emery A. Titus, H. E. Gillmour, Wellington Vail, A. A. Splane, Joseph Lee, Fred W. Henderson, E. S. Williams, Jas. Ready, Dr. M. L. Macfarland, John M. L. Macfarland, Geo. E. Barnhill, Jeremiah J. Hennessy, Jas. Mills, John A. Avery, Wm. H. McKee, A. W. Anderson.

Miles E. Agar's paper was filed by B. R. Armstrong and signed by J. D. Hazen, Jas. Morland, Wm. J. Jones, C. Benton Lockhart, Alex. Willis, Sr., W. J. Dean, A. Collins, Jas. H. Gray, Wm. Fox, A. Gilson, Peter Lawlor, E. J. Neve, R. J. Bowes, John Irvin, F. H. Spraul, Jas. Desmond, H. Sheehan, T. L. Dean, Samuel Armstrong, E. J. Young, A. E. Josselyn, F. L. Foley, Jas. Long, Jos. Semple, Jas. McDonald, Jas. E. Arthur, J. R. Armstrong, R. Catherwood, J. Irvine, J. V. Lawlor.

There were no speeches and the attendance at the proceedings was very slim and was confined principally to the candidates and the press representatives.

CLAIMS HE SAW TORPEDO BOATS.

Russian Lieutenant Makes Important Statement re North Sea Incident.

Bordeaux, Dec. 22.—Four Russian naval officers bearing despatches from Vice-Admiral Rojstvenky have arrived here on board the Messengers Maritimes Packet. Lieut. Valron, of the torpedo depot ship Kamchatka was interviewed and said that he was conveying to Emperor Nicholas the reports of the Commanders of the warships that were present at the Dogger Bank incident, together with vice Admiral Rojstvenky's report. He also was taking for investigation by the international Commission at Paris the original tapes of the wireless instruments, showing the messages that were exchanged between the vessels of the Baltic squadron at the time of the firing upon the Gamecock fishing fleet. Lieut. Valron says he worked the searchlights aboard the Kamchatka and that he saw plainly two four-funnelled torpedo boats, their color being a dingy gray, whereas the Russian torpedo boats were black. When he perceived these boats pursuing the squadron the order to fire was given.

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS.

A large number of students from the provincial colleges arrived yesterday. Among those who came were:

From St. Joseph's College, Memramcook—Louis McDonald, Louis Slattery, Frank McGuire, Arthur McCluskey, Harry McDermott, John McDermott, Urban Sweeney, Leo Donoherty, John McCarthy, Jos. Mooney, Fred Mahoney, Louise Fleming, Fred Manning, St. John; Hector Bellevue and Joseph Desier, Fredericton; Frank Brophy, Wm. Fleming and Theodore Sears, Fairville; James Boyle, Eastport; Bernard Staling, Tusket (N.S.) Arthur Stephens, Portland (Me.); Armond Poirier, Salem (Mass.); Jas. Martin, Milltown (N. B.); John Dimeen, Montreal; Jas. Clare Clairville (N. B.); Justin Guirk, Boston. From St. Francis College, Antigonish (N. S.); came Harold McGoldrick, Don Patton, Wm. McIntyre, Joseph Brennan, Fred McAvin, Frank Hamilton, Guy Ramsey, St. John; Hugh Sullivan McAdam; Joseph Gallagher, of Bath (N. B.).

The students from St. Joseph's will return to their studies on January 7, and those of St. Francis' on Jan. 10.

Five Nova Scotians were passengers on the Atlantic express today en route to their homes at New Glasgow. They have been attending the military college at Kingston.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Amasa Weldon, of the I. C. R. at Moncton, is in the city. J. M. Lyons, I. C. R. general passenger agent, returned to Moncton today.

Le B. Dickson, commercial traveler, leaves this evening for Moncton. He will spend Christmas at his home in Hillsboro A. Co.

J. M. Jarvis, I. C. R. district superintendent at Truro, is in the city. Dr. James Hannay passed through the city today, en route to Halifax to spend Christmas week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Chipman and family left last night for Boston where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. Chipman's parents. Before returning to St. John, Mr. Chipman will go to New York on a brief business trip.

Miss Mary Baillie is home from Boston to visit her parents and may remain until after New Year's. Hon. Frank J. Sweeney was in the city yesterday and returned to Moncton last evening.

YACHT SEIZED FOR SMUGGLING.

Sydney Excited Over Interesting Case --- Embellizer gets Two Years

Sydney, N. S. Dec. 23.—(Special)—The American yacht Mischief, Capt. Sparks, which put into Mira Bay a few weeks ago considerably damaged from a terrific storm which overtook her while on a trip from Newfoundland, was seized today by customs officials for alleged violation of the customs laws of Canada. When seized, fifty cases of liquor were found on board, and it is now alleged that the Mischief has been actively in pursuit of the smuggling business since coming into Canadian waters, some months ago. The yacht is now at Louisburg. It is alleged that liquor dealers at Louisburg and Glace Bay may be implicated in the case.

C. W. Fraser, formerly of Westville, was sentenced to two years in Dorchester today for embezzlement. Fraser was employed as cashier in the Eastern Canada Book Store, this city.

AGED 104 YEARS.

Grand Valley, Ont., Dec. 23.—(Special)—John Small is dead at the age of 104. He was born in County Antrim, Ireland, August, 7, 1800, and settled in Erin township near here when a young man, residing here ever since. Four sons and four daughters survive.

H. A. Burnham.

Woodstock, Dec. 23.—(Special)—His many friends in Woodstock received word today of the death, at East Florenceville, yesterday, of H. A. Burnham, proprietor of the Exchange Hotel, in that place.

Mr. Burnham has been sick for several weeks but it was hoped that he would recover. A mother, two sisters and two brothers survive him. One of the brothers, Charles Burnham, now located in British Columbia, will be unable to attend the funeral, which takes place on Saturday at 2 p. m.

A concert, under the auspices of the Men's association of the Mission church of St. John Baptist will be given in the school room on Thursday evening the 29th inst.

The performers have been carefully selected from the best local talent and the public may be assured of a rare musical treat.

The bank of Montreal has given the Western Union and C. P. R. messenger boys 50c. each as a Christmas gift.

MACAULAY BROS. & CO.

Special Sale Real Eider Down QUILTS!

Rich Sateen Covering on best soft selected Eider Down, selling at \$5.25, \$5.75 and \$6.25. SILK AND SATIN COVERINGS IN GREAT VARIETY.

All New Winter Jackets and Coats for Ladies and Misses at just one-half regular prices.

White Golf Jackets, new style of knitting, with shawl collar and Gilt Buttons, at \$1.85 each.

MACAULAY BROS. & CO.

HOUSE COATS at REDUCED PRICES.

We will clear out the balance of our stock of SMOKING JACKETS and HOUSE COATS tonight and tomorrow at

25 p. C. Discount.

We have had a big sale of HOUSE COATS this season, and have a few of all sizes left which we do not want to carry over, so offer them at

Twenty-Five Per Cent. less than regular prices.

HENDERSON & HUNT.

Opposite Royal Hotel. 40-42 King Street.

A GRAND FINALE.

Winding Up a Successful Season in House Coats and Fancy Vests---Broken Lots---but a Good Selection Still.

To effect a quick clearance all HOUSE COATS are divided into four lots and priced--

\$2.50, \$3.00, \$5.00, \$7.50.

The largest number is in the \$5.00 lot.

We advise prompt purchasing, because people have confidence in the genuineness of our announcements of this nature, and are quick to take advantage of the inducements offered.

FANCY VESTS that sold at \$3.50 to \$4.50, NOW \$2.50 and \$3.50.

A. GILMOUR, FINE TAILORING and CLOTHING, 68 King Street.

ST. JOHN, N. B., DEC. 22, 1904.

CHRISTMAS PLEASURE IN CLOTHING GIFTS.

If you want Christmas to be bright and merry just use your means and influences to make others happy, choose from the following list of useful gifts---they'll be appreciated.

Men's Suits and Overcoats, \$3.95 to \$15.00 Men's Reefers, \$2.98 to \$6.00 Boy's Overcoats, \$2.50 to \$10.00 Boys' Reefers, \$1.49 to \$3.50 Men's Pants, \$1.00 to \$3.50 Boys' Suits, \$98 to \$7.50 Boys' Short Pants, \$25 to \$17.50

Underwear, Shirts, Mufflers, Umbrellas, Ties, Collars, Caps, Gloves, Suit Cases, House Coats, Armlets, Braces, etc

J. N. HARVEY, Men's & Boys' Clothier, 199 and 201 Union St.