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THE FERRY TARIFF.

It was like shaking hands with an old friend for the aldermen yesterday to discuss the miserable character of the ferry service.

There is no more occasion for aldermanic surprise now than in former years. The public is not asked to endure more this winter than it endured a year ago.

No one will question the need of improvement in the service. But what is done must be done with a full knowledge of the changed conditions that will exist when the new boat is put on the route.

But this is a good time to discuss the whole question of the ferry service, and consider what course will ensure the best service when the new boat is ready for the route.

EXPENSIVE LIGHT.

At the board of works meeting yesterday, the director reported that the street railway were charging by metro for electric light in the east side ferry house and the price was too high.

STREETS OF ST. JOHN.

The city council of St. John spends in the neighborhood of \$1,000 per mile on the streets each year. The street account is over \$50,000 behind.

But one more table is necessary to show just how the tax payer is affected by the street expenditures. The first column gives the actual returns of the chamberlain from taxes collected.

Table with columns: Ass't, Total, Dr. Bal., Receipts, Exp'd. Rows for years 1889-1903.

The figures which are given above show the amount which the tax payers have contributed directly towards the maintenance and improvement of the streets.

There was a good attendance last night at the Christmas entertainment of St. Stephen's Sunday school. The programme consisted of recitations, piano solos, as well as a number of gramophone selections.

CRITICAL YEAR IN WORLD'S HISTORY.

Speculations Concerning the Events of 1905--- Russia's Fate in the Balance---Otherwise the Outlook For Peace is Hopeful---King Edward's Statesmanship.

London, Jan. 3.—The crisis in the world's history, which the rapid news has developed so rapidly in the opinion of the most careful observers, approaching its climax.

No one denies the momentous importance of the situation upon which the new year dawns. No one doubts that 1905 will witness sufficient progress in the solution of the problem of European and Asiatic destinies.

There are those who believe that Japan's comet-like appearance in the firmament will be followed by a sudden vanishing. There are those who believe, on the other hand, that we shall see before another year the disruption of the Russian empire.

UNCLE SAM WANTS WHEAT.

Drawback of Duty to be Allowed on Canadian Wheat.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 2.—The unexpected announcement from Washington that Attorney-General Moody's decision that the duty on Canadian wheat imported for export flour could be refunded to United States millers had been confirmed by the Cabinet, was glad news to Western Canadians.

The demand for millable wheat across the line has been such that wheat prices there were higher than in Canada so much so, that this year especially saw an epidemic of wheat smuggling across the line by Canadian farmers.

Some idea of the difference in price may be gathered from the quotations which appeared as usual yesterday in the market reports, when at Winnipeg May options were quoted at \$1.03, and at Minneapolis at \$1.16.

Despite the heavy duty imposed on imported wheat of 25 per cent., American millers imported large consignments of wheat from the Canadian West this year.

A bill from the recorder was referred to a committee by the board of works yesterday. Some months ago a fierce demand was made on the chamberlain to tell the aldermen how much the recorder got in a year from the city.

And still the question of mooring posts at Sand Point is not settled.

AGAIN.

Metaphors there are more roses yet to blow.

Though now the clouds hang drear it seems in pain.

I plucked them once, rich in their crimson glow.

And shall again.

My way was through a summer garden fair.

In lush June, and the larks sweet strain.

Banished far each passing sting of care.

And shall again.

I have not lost my hopes of days to be.

And sigh me not for golden years awane.

I, too, once dwelt in fair, sweet Arcady.

And shall again.

ST. STEPHEN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL.

There was a good attendance last night at the Christmas entertainment of St. Stephen's Sunday school. The programme consisted of recitations, piano solos, as well as a number of gramophone selections.

PRESENTS FOR YOUR FRIENDS.

Wonderfully Beautiful.

Is the line of Christmas Goods I am showing this year. The stock includes the Choicest and Best and Newest Styles in

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SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Mace's Bay Wharf," will be received at this office until Friday, January 27, 1905, inclusively for the construction of a wharf at Mace's Bay, Charlottetown County, N. B., according to a plan and specification to be seen at the office of E. T. P. Shawen, Esq., Resident Engineer, St. John, N. B., and at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed form supplied, and signed with the actual signatures of tenders.

An accepted cheque on a chartered bank payable to the order of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, for one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) must accompany each tender. The cheque will be forfeited if the party tendering declines the contract or fails to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,

FRED GELINAS,

Secretary,

Department of Public Works,

Ottawa, December 27, 1904.

Newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority from the Department will not be paid for it.

Marked Down January Sale.

Women's Felt Congress, 60c, were 75c.

Women's Felt Slippers, 40c, were 55c.

Women's Felt Shoes, 90c, were \$1.00.

Women's Jersey Waterproof Overboots, \$2.00.

Women's Croquet Rubbers, job lot, sizes 2 1-2, 3, 3 1-2, 20c.

Women's Storm Rubbers, job lot, sizes 2 1-2, 3, 30c.

Men's Waterproof 2 Buckle Overboots, job lot, all sizes \$2.

Men's Felt, laced and elastic Boots all sizes, \$1.35, were \$1.75.

Men's Felt, leather foxed laced Boots, \$1.50, were \$1.85.

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