

ST. JOHN STAR, TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1905.

Over the Border

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(Continued.) "Bring your lighted torch into the back," said Traquair to Angus. "That will prevent this wolf worrying about his property. When you've done that, throw him across your horse and follow us. Has there been sign of any one else about?"

"No, ma' lord," replied Angus, promptly obeying the injunction about the torch. He then tossed the howling human mass in front of his saddle, sprang into his seat and went down the road after the two who preceded him, the flames from the burning both already throwing long shadows ahead.

The Earl of Traquair, chagrined at the temporary defeat of his plans, inwardly cursing the stupidity of those with whom he was compelled to act, rode moody and silent, and this reserve the young man at his side made no attempt to interrupt until they had reached a slight eminence, where the nobleman reined in his horse and looked back down the valley at the blazing steading, which now filled the hollow with its radiance.

"We will wait here till Angus overtakes us," he said. "This horse may collect some of the moths, and it's better traveling three than two."

"Where are you off to?" asked the Earl indifferently, gazing anxiously down the road for a sight of his follower, who was not yet visible.

"I cannot have those fools pottering and whispering in the matter. They must know nothing of my going. You will meet them two days hence, except whenever they do a rebel gallop. It will be one blacked out of the way, and then wise folk can do their bit travels unmolested."

PURSE TO FATHER CARLETON; Annual Re-union of Y. M. S. of St. Joseph Held Yesterday.

The annual New Year's reunion of the Young Men's Society of St. Joseph took place yesterday afternoon in the society's rooms and included a presentation of a purse to Rev. C. P. Carleton, the energetic spiritual director of the society.

The president, Thomas Heffernan, was the chair and the attendance of members was large. An interesting programme was first carried out as follows: Piano solo, Edward McCourt, solo, James Daley; step dancing, Walter Harris; piano solo, A. Godose; solo, Joseph Mahoney, and recitation, Norman McEgan. A. McCluskey and J. M. Elmore were called upon also and gave some most interesting recitals.

The weekly meeting will take place tonight, postponement last night. Nominations for officers will take place at this meeting.

FREDERICTON SPORTS. The Holiday a Quiet One—Trojans Deleted R. C. R. in Hockey.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 2.—Today was generally observed here as a holiday. The weather was very mild, a slight rain falling in the afternoon. The horsemen had a fine time on their new track on the river. All the fast ones were out and the bushes were fairly lively.

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TRIAL BEGINS. The Fight For Charles L. Tucker's Life.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 2.—With scarcely a trace of nervousness in his manner, Charles Louis Tucker today appeared in the Middlesex county superior criminal court to stand trial, charged with the murder of Miss Mabel Page at Weston on March 31, 1904.

The first day of the trial was remarkable in that a lengthy debate on technical points was held, a jury was empaneled and the opening address begun. Tomorrow morning the jury will visit the scene of the crime and of his malice aforethought, did strike, cut stab and thrust in and upon the neck and body of her, the said Mabel Page, giving mortal wounds.

During the reading of the indictment by Clerk of Court Theodore C. Hurd, the prisoner stood in his cage and gazed into the faces of the jury. When the clerk pronounced the words in the indictment: "The said Chas. L. Tucker then and there held her, the said Mabel Page, feloniously, wilfully, strike, cut stab and thrust in and upon the neck and body of her, the said Mabel Page, giving mortal wounds," Tucker appeared absolutely unmoved, although all eyes in the room were focused upon the trial was noteworthy inasmuch as the jury was empaneled before the afternoon adjournment.

Most of the talesmen who were rejected had so pronounced an aversion to capital punishment that they did not believe they would be able to give the verdict even if the evidence should warrant it. Rev. Mr. Nason, one of the jurors selected, told the court that the evidence would have to be so strong as to induce him to vote for a conviction, but the government did not challenge him, the prisoner accepted him, and he was empaneled.

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PRETORIAN AT HALIFAX. Had a Rough Voyage Across—Christmas on the Ship.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 2.—The mail steamer Pretorian arrived this morning from Liverpool, which she left on Saturday, having been detained by fog. She had a rough trip, especially the run into a heavy gale. Her daily runs were as follows: 156, 315, 300, 278, 280, 222, 281, 300.

Christmas and New Year's were spent on the steamer. She brought 10 saloon, 26 second and 252 steerage. Her saloon passengers were Jas. Brownman, A. Cadman, Mrs. Cadman, Miss S. E. Field, Major Gardner, S. G. Hale, N. S. Poole, H. Thompson, William Wild and Rev. P. Fleming, the new R. C. Garrison chaplain for Halifax.

IN YORK THEATRE. The farewell week of vaudeville at the York bids fair to be a record-breaker as far as business is concerned. The house was packed to the doors at both performances yesterday.

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HOTEL ARRIVALS. PARK HOTEL, Jan. 2.—Phil Norton, Worcester; Allen Doone, Edna Kelley, San Francisco; L. A. McGee, Amherst; R. W. Bent, Middleton; F. W. Magee, H. C. Smith, G. E. Craig, Montreal; Chas. Powers, Ed Williams, Boston; Geo. C. Anderson, W. H. Green, Halifax.

VICTORIA HOTEL, Jan. 2.—H. H. Parlee, Sussex; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gregory, South Bay; R. A. Greenhath, Chicago; Gep Collinson, Rothesay; W. A. Frederickson, H. H. Wherry, Montreal; T. M. Simpson, W. J. Dickson, Halifax; R. F. Benson, Truro; E. R. Spragg, Moncton.

WEEK OF PRAYER. Services in the week of prayer were held last evening in several city churches. In St. Luke's, Rev. Samuel Howards was the speaker. Rev. David Young delivered the address.

AMUSEMENTS. Opera House. The Dailey Company. Big Holiday Attraction.

TONIGHT In Old Kentucky. Latter Half of Week CHRISTOPHER, JR. Next Play: The Virginian

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Saint John Opera House Company will be held at the Opera House on Thursday, January 5th, 1905, at 8:30 p. m.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL. VAUDEVILLE Week of Jan. 2nd, 1905. ALLEN DOONE and CO., In the Irish Piper. LAWRENCE and THOMPSON, Comedy Cyclists. OHADWICK TRIO, It's a Hoopla!

VICTORIA RINK. New Year's Day, BAND Afternoon and Night. BIG HANDICAP RACE. 25 STARTERS 25 New Year's Night.

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SUN. MON. TUE. WED. THU. FRI. SAT. The baking of the week in a private family is always a trying labor, and the result does not always turn out to be entirely satisfactory.

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