

## ARCH SUPPORTS

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## LOCAL NEWS

### BOARD OF TRADE CAMPAIGN

The membership campaign of the Board of Trade is in full swing this afternoon and the canvassers are meeting with a ready response.

### RUSH AT TREASURER'S OFFICE

Wednesday, December 31, is the last day for the payment of city water rates and in consequence there is a rush of ratepayers to the office of the city Treasurer.

### APPLIED FOR LAND

Soloman Paul, a young Micmac Indian belonging to Cape Breton, has applied to the government under the Settlement Act for ninety acres of land near Inniskillen Station. It is his intention to settle upon the same early in the spring.

### NEW YEAR'S RACES

A meeting of the horsemen of the city will be held tomorrow night at eight o'clock at the office of Dr. G. C. McDoy, King Street. The meeting will be for the purpose of organizing matinee races to take place on the river on New Year's Day.

### C. T. ACT CASES

Three offenders against the Canada Temperance Act acknowledged first offences before the police magistrate this morning. Fines of fifty dollars and costs were imposed. A second offense charge against Long's Hotel is to be heard tomorrow.

### THE I. C. R. TRUNK ROBBERIES

The charge against the three I.C.R. trainmen on the charge of theft of hundreds of dollars' worth of baggage entrusted to them, will be taken up on Tuesday in the Moncton police court. The men have engaged Messrs. E. A. Rilly, K.C., James C. Sherren and Arthur N. Charters to defend them, while Mr. F. P. Murphy is prosecuting.

### RETURNED HOME.

Detective James Roberts of the police force, arrived home Saturday night after a trip to St. Martins in search of his son, Wilfrid, who was reported lost last week. His son first learned that he was thought to be lost by reading a despatch in The St. John Times sent by the Fredericton correspondent. Detective Roberts was informed by long distance telephone that his son was safe.

### MASONIC INSTALLATION.

Hiram Lodge, No. 6, A. F. & A. M., installed officers St. John's night, Saturday, December 27. R.W. D.G.M. Dr. H. V. B. Bridges performed the installation. The officers are as follows:

W.M., H. S. Campbell.  
S.W.A., F. Good.  
J.W., H. C. Colwell.  
Chaplain, R. B. Wallace.  
Secretary, M. Tennant.  
Treasurer, L. H. Bliss.  
S.D., Alex. Murray.  
J.D., C. A. McVey.  
S.S., L. S. Morrison.  
J.S., H. H. Hagerman.  
D. of C., G. Y. Dibblee.  
Organist, E. Cadwallader.  
I.G., Frank Creed.  
Tyler, A. B. Brown.

### N. B. H. L. MEETING

Messrs. Albert E. Smith and D. L. Dolan who were at Chatham Saturday attending a meeting of the New Brunswick Hockey League returned today. It is reported that itly although the meeting had some stormy parts.

## DECLARES RESERVOIR PERFECTLY FEASIBLE FOR THIS CITY

Consulting Engineer F. A. Barbour Completed Examination at Filtration Plant and Pumping Station on Saturday---Reports Later

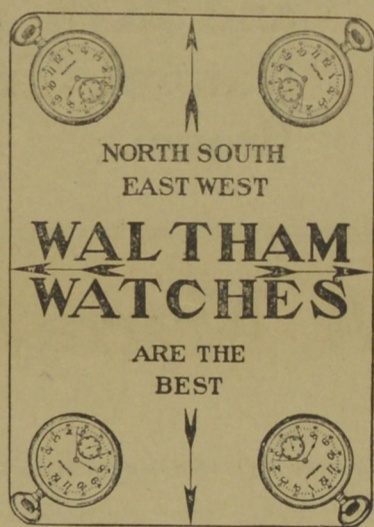
Consulting Engineer F. A. Barbour of Boston, who was brought here by the Water Committee to make an inspection of the pumping station and the filtration plant, completed his work on Saturday, returning that night to St. John. Mr. Barbour will prepare a report which will be presented to the committee of the whole council, it is expected, by next Monday night, the regular meeting night. This report will deal particularly with the question of using electric current for power at the pumping station in view of the proposition of the Eel River Light, Heat & Power Company.

Mr. Barbour is quoted as saying that the employment of electric current at the pumping station would necessitate the construction of a reservoir on the hills south of the city, and that such a reservoir would be perfectly feasible. The cost of installation of a reservoir and connecting mains is estimated to be in the vicinity of \$50,000 but the engineer says that the cost of operation would be little less than that of the present system. Mr. Barbour, it is understood, desired more information concerning their proposition than has been given so far by the representatives of the Eel River Company.

With regard to the filtration plant, the engineer is reported to have said, "Efficiency means supervision," and that efficient management was to a great extent the product of experience. Mr. Barbour made a thorough test of all parts of the plant and his report is awaited with interest.

### MISTAKE IN TELEGRAM

Fred Wade the Marysville hockey player who received an offer from the New Glasgow team in the M.P.H.A. is in doubt as to what he will do. A telegram from him to Manager Gregory of New Glasgow through error gave his weight as 120 lbs instead of 170 lbs and New Glasgow has secured another cover point thinking Wade too light. Wade has a good offer from Campbellton however.



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## FOURTEEN BELOW CIPHER RECORDED HERE LAST NIGHT

First Real Winter Weather of season Comes With Rush--Travelling Throughout Country Now of Best Kind

The thermometer took a tumble last night and reached the lowest point registered this season, fourteen degrees below zero. This was the temperature registered at the city pumping station. On Friday night the temperature recorded there was three degrees below the cipher the lowest up to that time.

The sudden drop in the temperature caught many householders unawares on account of the weather being unseasonably mild up to this time. As a result frozen water pipes were numerous and there was a considerable demand for plumbers this morning.

Reports from the country indicate that the travelling in all sections is good the snow of last week having been followed by just the right kind of weather to make good roads. Local merchants, however, bewail the fact that the snow did not come some days earlier and make the Christmas trade better although the Christmas business was very good even without the snow.

### DIED THIS MORNING.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Howie, widow of the late William A. Howie, passed away last night at the home of her son-in-law, M. A. Tweeddale, 515 Brunswick street, after an illness of some weeks from acute indigestion. The deceased was seventy-one years of age. Mrs. M. A. Tweeddale is the only daughter of the deceased. Wm. A. Howie of Norfolk, Va., and James T. Howie of St. John, are sons. Sisters are Miss Mary Thompson of Boston, Mrs. J. Fleury of Eau Claire, Wis.; and Mrs. George Palmer of Montreal, who was with the deceased at the time of death. John Thompson of Boston, and William Thompson of Sackville, are brothers. The funeral will take place Tuesday at 2.40 p.m. Rev. Dr. W. H. Smith will conduct the service. Interment will be made at the Old Burying Ground.

Miss Agnes Swim of Boston is visiting friends here.

# After Xmas Bargains

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Men's Plaid Wool Slippers	85c
Children's Felt Slippers	50c to \$1.25
Suit Cases	\$1.50 to \$60

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