

Holiday Goods

Permit us to remind you of a few lines that will help to make your Xmas shopping easy.

Neckwear, Gloves, Caps, Hdkfs., Umbrellas, Hosiery, Underwear in all the leading makes, Flannel Shirts, Boy's Pants, Suits, Sweaters.

Blankets and Bed Comforters.

Remember - Give Practical, Useful Gifts this year.

Peter Farrell & Co.

Agents for Progress Brand Made-to-Measure Clothing.

A Few More Useful Gifts

SERGE DRESSES, \$8.00 to \$18.00
SILK and VELVET DRESSES, \$10.00 to \$18.00
HOUSE DRESSES, 89c. to \$3.00
CHILDREN'S DRESSES, \$1 to \$8.
DAINTY TEA APRONS, 58c. to \$1.50
OVERALL APRONS, 58c. to \$1.50
PRETTY BOUDOIR CAPS, 50c. to \$3.00

CREPE DE CHINE WAISTS \$3.50 to \$7.50
SILK WAISTS, \$1.25 to \$5.00
VOILE WAISTS, 98c. to \$4.50
PLAIN CASHMERE HOSE, 35c. to 75c. per pair
SILK HOSE, 50c. to \$1.50
Flennelette NIGHT DRESSES, \$1.00 to \$1.75
SPECIAL PRICES on Ladies' and Children's Winter Coats.

R. L. BLACK, YORK STREET
AGENT for STANDARD PATTERNS

GAIETY SPECIAL TODAY!

The Funniest Man in the World

Charlie Chaplin

In the Latest Release on his famous \$1,000,000 Contract

"The Adventurer"

Extra Today! **HARRY D. CAREY** in "THE SOUL HERDER," a Universal Western Feature.

Mon.—**VIVIAN MARTIN** in "LITTLE MISS OPTIMIST"

DEPLETION OF BIG GAME FEARED BY GUIDES' ASSN.

(Continued from page 6.)
This brings me back to the present condition of our game and better protection and how I believe that better protection can be brought about.

First, the matter of size of bull moose that should be taken. Our association has always upheld that no bull should be killed until it had at least ten points on its antlers. This means that it must be about four years old. This I believe would be a start in the right direction.

Second, I believe now as in the past, that there are too many wardens and that two or three men in each county going from place to place, subject to change by the chief game warden, would be of more value. These men I believe should be chosen regardless of political views, practical woodsmen who can go anywhere in the woods, to be well paid and always on the job. With such men it would be possible for the chief game warden to have an organization almost like the Northwest Mounted Police, and at less cost, and which would be ten times more protection to the game than the system now adhered to. With men of this type it would be possible to gather information concerning conditions of game in certain sections and by keeping notes of everything pertaining to what came under their observation, the authorities would have in a short time information that would be invaluable to them, in judging for themselves how to overcome any decrease in game.

Along with the above suggestions I believe that it is necessary to get the press more interested in this important question. It is a question of vital interest to our country that our game should not be slaughtered regardless of the future.

While we have ample game to supply the amount allotted to our citizens by law and to all sportsmen who may visit our land, it is very doubtful if we have any more ten years hence if the laws are not obeyed. Good times come with the advent of sportsmen to this country and when this war is over hard times may creep in and it would be folly to drive from a country a business that indirectly has put gold in the pockets of all our people.

Shooting Accidents.

One thing more I wish to call attention to and that is the increase in shooting accidents. It is to the credit of the guides of New Brunswick that no accidents have happened among the great numbers of parties under our guidance. These accidents have increased with the number of local hunters, and the number of young boys carrying firearms. In some sections it is very unsafe to go in the woods unless one is willing to run the risk of being shot by some careless hunter. I believe that it would be a good act if our association could ar-

LOST—On York street, between the High School and Queen street, a black silk beaded bag containing a sum of money. Finder will please leave at the Mail Office. 21

range to get a few hundred posters printed on cotton, setting forth the necessity of being careful with firearms, of protecting our forests from fire and of obeying the game laws. I believe that they could be gotten up in a manner that would attract attention and, distributed among the guides and put up in the woods, they would attract anyone who might pass. I believe that they would cause many to stop and think and might be the means of saving lives and also advertise this association as a body working for the public benefit and safety.

These thoughts are my own, gleaned from facts as I see them. Imperfect though they may be, yet I have written them with the hope that by more strenuous effort we might awaken our people to the necessity of better protection of game, and while some of us may have different views on this matter, I think that you will agree with me when I say it is time to work together for a common cause.

Japan has 110,000 railroad employees who receive an average wage of 31 cents a day. The average wage of an American engineer is \$5.40 a day.

DECREASE IN NUMBER CASES, PATRIOTIC FUND

Average per Family Shows Little Change—Total Number of Cases is Now 310.

Following is a statement showing the amount expended by the Fredericton Branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund for the month of December, 1917:

No.	Cases, Munic.	Av. per Amount Family
136	Fredericton	\$1,967.00 \$14.57
108	York Co.	1,577.50 14.60
38	Sunbury Co.	569.50 14.98
26	Marystown	396.00 15.23
3	Outside	15.00 5.00

310	\$4,525.00
Expense	101.65
	\$4,626.65

General average per family exclusive of expense \$14.59

General average per family inclusive of expense 14.92

There has been a decrease in the number of families, 326 being the number last month. The average expense in November was \$14.91 including expense; excluding it \$14.53.

Mr. W. M. Black of St. John, is a guest at the Queen.

Mr. Fred L. Corey of Gagetown, is at the Queen.

SOCIETY NEWS.

Miss Edith Gregory left for St. John this morning to spend Christmas with relatives.

Col. and Mrs. T. G. Loggie are leaving this evening for Montreal where they will meet their son Major G. P. Loggie and spend Christmas with him.

Miss Smith of Halifax is spending the holidays with her sister Mrs. G. A. Taylor.

Miss Kathleen Taylor has returned from Halifax where she was nursing.

Miss Goddard who is spending some time with her aunt, Mrs. Rupert Taylor is going to St. John to spend Christmas at her home.

Miss Stewart has been appointed matron of a hospital in Halifax. She is here for Christmas but will return to Halifax next week.

Miss Marion Crockett has returned from Halifax for Christmas.

Miss Nora Thompson has come home to spend Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Ross Thompson.

Harry B. Nicholson of Crown Point, Ind., has married 18,000 couples since he has been a justice of the peace. His highest record for a single day is 52 marriages.

NOT TAKEN SERIOUSLY

Montreal, Dec. 22.—The Gazette does not regard seriously the proposal to separate Quebec from the other provinces. It says editorially:

"Mr. Francoeur's motion requires little comment. It is the product of a narrow mind, and others with narrow minds may be left to become excited over it. The wise and solid opinion of Quebec can be depended upon to treat it according to its insignificance."

A Korean lad holds the world's record for rapidity at figures. Recently he added mentally a column of 25 items of four figures each in seven seconds.

A Good Lamp Makes a Splendid Christmas Gift

A lamp that gives a mellow light, easy on the eyes, is a Christmas Gift of the right sort.

The Rayo Lamp

Not only gives holiday pleasures but keeps giving pleasure year after year.

For Sale only by

Lemont & Sons, Ltd.

For Christmas

MANICURE AND DRESSING CASES in Parisian Ivory and Ebony, MANICURE PIECES Separate, MILITARY SETS, CASE BRIAR and MEERCHAUM PIPES, SAFETY RAZORS, etc. PATHE-PHONES from \$45 up. Call and see one.

RYAN'S DRUG STORE THE PENSLAR STORE

Our Final Appeal

to you for to purchase pleasing presents that will bring joy and lasting remembrance to the recipient. The time is growing short, the selection is growing more limited. Do your shopping to-day.

Our store is well stocked with gifts that will make it easy for you to select the proper gifts for each particular person.

Gifts for the grown up folks as well as a large assortment of Toys, Games, Dolls, Sleds, Skates for the little tots.

LAWLOR & CAIN

Christmas Prices

The great Xmas Rush to YERXA'S is now going on. Don't put off till the last day. Get it now.

CANDY

Barley Toys 25c. lb.
Xmas Candy 20c. lb.
Best Chocolates 30c. lb.
Good Chocolates 25c. lb.
Best Mixed Candy 18c. lb.
A large assortment.

NUTS.

Best mixed Nuts 27c. lb.
2 lbs. 52c.
Brazil Nuts 25c. lb.
Almonds 29c. lb.
Filberts 28c. lb.
Walnuts 29c. lb.

ORANGES.

We have a large shipment of Oranges and Bananas to arrive tomorrow. See our low prices.

SUGAR

Best fine Granulated Sugar, 10 lbs. \$1.00.

MOLASSES

Fancy Barbadoes 85 cents gallon.

COFFEE.

Try our Blue Banner Coffee. Same low price and high quality. 35c. lb.

FLOUR.

Try our Blue Banner, made from high grade wheat only.
Barrels \$12.25
98 lb. Bags 6.00

DRIED FRUITS.

New Seeded Raisins . . 15c. pkg
New Seedless Raisins 14c. pkg
Citron Peel 38c. lb.
Lemon Peel 30c. lb.

BEST MALAGA GRAPES 25c. lb.

Yerxa's

Branch Stores Woodstock and St. John

GEM THEATRE

There is one day in the year that we believe should be rightfully named CHILDREN'S DAY, and that day is

CHRISTMAS!

In view of this, and with gratitude for the children's patronage, we have arranged a SPECIAL PROGRAM in honor of the little ones for MONDAY and TUESDAY, December 24th and 25th. Matinees at 2.30.

"TWIN KIDDIES"

Featuring the Famous 5-Year-Old Child Star
BABY MARIE OSBORNE

She plays two parts, a good little girl and a bad little girl. They meet, and in a prank change their dresses; and there it starts.

AN ADDED ATTRACTION

"BETTY'S CHRISTMAS TREE"

All decorated and lighted, and Every Child 12 years of age and under will receive a present if they attend the matinee. No advance in prices. MONDAY, DECEMBER 24TH No advance in prices.

ALSO: 8TH INSTALMENT "THE FIGHTING TRAIL"