

LOCAL NEWS

TO ADVERTISERS.

To insure prompt change of ads., copy must be in this office not later than 8 a. m. on the day they are to appear.

BANKER TRANSFERRED

Harold Walker, son of Ald. Walker, who was on the staff of the Royal Bank at Sydney, has been transferred to the Glace Bay branch.

AUCTION SALE.

Mr. D. J. Stockford will sell at public auction on Tuesday next, beginning at ten a. m., the household effects of Miss Mary Brown, King Street, West End. See advt.

FLOWERS FOR XMAS.

Messrs. J. Bebbington & Son, the enterprising florists, have a fine display of plants and cut flowers for the Christmas trade. They also have holly, lettuce, celery, parsley, etc. Send in your orders early.

MISS LETHA CHANGES HANDS.

Miss Letha has changed ownership and is now the property of Mr. John T. Hatt, of Marysville. Mr. Wm. A. Clarke has disposed of the mare to Mr. Hatt. It is likely that she will be seen on the ice this season.

AT THE GEM.

tures ever shown. The Little Child, a very pathetic picture, is one that you will see three of the finest pictures will all like. And one of those western pictures. One that you all like to see.

BURNS THREW BOTH

Sandy McLeod and "Cyclone" Busch of New York, who wrestled here on Thursday night, went up against "Cyclone" Burns at Moncton last night. Burns threw McLeod in twenty-five minutes and Busch in thirteen. He had guaranteed to throw both in one hour.

THE CHRISTMAS MAIL

The Mail today consists of twenty pages and is probably the largest newspaper ever issued from a printing office in this city. Subscribers should make sure that they receive the handsomely illustrated supplement. Copies of The Christmas Mail ready for mailing may be had on application at the counting room.

HATTIE GOES HOME.

Hattie Leblanc, the young Cape Breton girl who was on Wednesday acquitted of the murder of Clarence Glover, passed through St. John at noon yesterday, accompanied by her two sisters and her father and mother. While in the St. John depot she did not converse with any one, save to ask how long it was before the train left the station.

LIBEL CASE ON MONDAY.

On Monday Police Magistrate Marsh will decide whether or not there is sufficient evidence in support of the charge of criminal libel preferred against James H. Crockett, managing director of The Gleaner, to warrant it being sent to a higher court. The public is keenly interested in the outcome of the case, the departure from the city of Miss Nellie Lawson, who is wanted as a witness, having added to the interest.

MAMMOTH PORKER.

Coun. Tabor C. Everett, a leading farmer of Kingsclear, brought a load of pork to the market this morning, which attracted more than a passing notice. The lot weighed a ton, and in it were two of the largest hogs seen in the local market for years. One, a three year old Yorkshire, tipped the scales at 772 pounds. The next largest weighed 560 pounds. Coun. Everett sold the load to Mr. T. W. Sanson.

ANOTHER MYSTERY

The visit of Mr. Pinder, M. P. P., to the city this week and an extended call which he made to the home of an old, a very old friend, who resides on George street, is causing no little comment about town. This is probably due to the fact that Mr. Pinder's frequent visits to the city are generally made for political rather than for social purposes. Perhaps on this occasion he was trying to discover the whereabouts of the missing witness in the criminal libel case.

C. P. R. PRIZE WINNERS.

The C. P. R. has awarded prizes for the best photograph of a station garden on the various division on its system. In some cases competitors sent in photographs, but did not send negatives in accordance with the requirements of the competition, and these were not considered by the judges. The competition was open to amateur and professional photographers, and the rivalry was keen. Atlantic division winners were: Grand Bay, N. B., U. V. Caulfield, agent, 1st prize, \$10; Harvey, N. B., D. E. DeWitt, agent, 2nd prize, \$5.

Mr. F. L. Stratton of Boston, is in the city.

RUMORED THAT MILL
WILL BE BUILT BETWEEN
CITY AND SPRINGHILL

Negotiations For Property Are On—
Mr. Joseph Hawkins of Douglas
Mentioned in This Connection.

It is understood that negotiations are under way for the purchase of a large block of land on the Woodstock Road between this city and Springhill. It is also rumored that the purchase of the property will be followed by the erection of a mill if a suitable site on the river front can be secured. The land mentioned as being concerned in the transfer is a part of the Kitchen property.

Mr. Joseph Hawkins of Douglas has been mentioned in connection with the rumored transfer. This morning Mr. Hawkins informed The Mail that no transfer had yet taken place, and no definite announcement could be made at the present time.

It is understood that efforts have been made by certain parties recently to secure the Springhill mill site, but without success.

TWO BELOW THE CIPHER.

The temperature last night was not as low as it was on Thursday night. At the pumping station last night, the thermometer registered 2 below zero. Today the weather has moderated considerably.

A NOBBY DISPLAY

The Christmas display of men's furnishings at the Broadway Store has been pronounced the finest in the city. The hustling proprietor, Mr. W. E. Farrell, only recently returned from a business trip to the upper provinces, where he secured the latest fads and notions for his Christmas trade.

TERM CLOSES ON THURSDAY

The present term at the Provincial Normal School will close on Thursday next. The Christmas vacation will continue from that day until Tuesday, January 3rd, when the new term will begin. At the U. N. B. the term will also close on Thursday. Lectures will recommence on January 5th.

BUSINESS PROFITABLE.

Mr. Adam Moore, the well-known guide of Scotch Lake, who was here this week, reports that his total cash receipts during the recent hunting season amounted to \$2,800. Out of this amount he hired help and paid for supplies. His parties paid the sum of \$850 for licenses. Mr. Henry Braithwaite's gross receipts for the year totalled \$2,600. He had out 14 sportsmen, who contributed \$700 to the provincial revenue for game licenses.

LATE ROBERT S. SANSON.

The funeral of the late Robert S. Sanson will take place at Jewett's Mills, tomorrow afternoon. Rev. W. Rogers Pepper will conduct the service. The deceased is survived by a widow and eight children. Mr. John Sanson, of Vancouver, is a brother. The sisters are Mrs. D. J. Griffiths of Stanley; Mrs. Thos. Griffiths, of Cardigan; Mrs. Dr. Gregory of Fredericton, and Miss Elizabeth Sanson of Boston. Mrs. Sanson was formerly Miss Gilmore of Stanley. Interment will be made at Scotch Settlement.

CHURCH SERVICES

GEORGE STREET BAPTIST.

Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School at 2.30 p. m. Rev. Joseph E. Wilson, the new pastor, will preach at both services.

GIBSON BAPTIST CHURCH.

Pastor Rev. W. H. Jenkins. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST.

Preaching at Seventh Day Adventist Church by Eld. J. O. Miller, of St. John. Special music.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

Minister, Rev. Dr. W. H. Smith. 11 a. m., Subject, The Personality of Man. 7 p. m., Subject, Love's Demand. 2.30 p. m., Sunday School and Bible Classes. Subject in Men's Class, The Church and the Ex-Convict. All welcome.

SALVATION ARMY

Services on Sunday conducted by Capt. and Mrs. Howland 7 a. m. prayer meeting; 11 a. m. holiness; 3 p. m. praise; 7.45 Subject "The Atonement" Special singing and music. All welcome.

BRUNSWICK STREET BAPTIST.

Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. with preaching by Rev. J. H. MacDonald. Sunday School and Bible Study classes at 2.30 p. m.

REFORMED BAPTIST.

Sunday. Praise and Testimony Service at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

EARLY CHRISTMAS
SHOPPING IS THE
SLOGAN JUST NOW

Christmas Trade Reported to Be Up
to Average—Country Market Today
Largely Attended.

With only one week intervening between the present date and Christmas, everyone should remember to shop early as the tardy Christmas shopper is not viewed with any kind feeling by clerk or delivery-boy. So far indications are that Christmas trade will be up to the average in spite of the fact that the lack of snow in the immediate vicinity of the city has made the country roads very poor. A moderate fall of snow early next week will make travelling excellent in the country and will improve trade to a considerable extent.

The stores of the city have put on their usual Christmas dress and in all there are fine displays of seasonable goods.

CHRISTMAS MARKETS.

The country market this morning was large and was an indication of what the market will be on Wednesday and Saturday next. A number of the farmers used sleds to come to market on but those living within a few miles found wheels to be the better for roads.

MUCH PORK AND BEEF.

Large quantities of pork and beef were brought in today, the record for the season being brought from Kingsclear. Chickens were plentiful and turkeys and geese were to be bought. Pork was sold for 8 and 9 cents, beef for 6 and 8, chickens for 20 cents per pound, turkey for 25 cents per pound. Geese were offered for \$1.75 each, but the price dropped to \$1.50 and less. Butter was sold for 22 and 23 cents per pound and eggs for 40 cents per dozen. There was also a considerable quantity of mutton in the market and sold for 7 cents per pound.

There are said to be large quantities of pork in the country, the farmers holding much of it back until later in the winter.

UNIQUE TONIGHT

The most sensational feature film seen here for a long time was that shown at the Unique last evening, "The Little Station Agent" by Edison. It is a great railway picture which holds audiences spellbound throughout its entire length. Tonight will be the last chance to see it. Two western features besides and orchestra.

DEMAND BEING
MADE FOR COMPLETE
POLICE RECORDS

Claimed City Lost Recent Suit Through
Lack of Proper Reports From
Police.

There is a movement on foot to have a complete record of arrests kept by the local police and also a record of events which may come to the notice of the police or may be reported to them. In the past more or less complete records have been kept of arrests, street accidents etc., but in some cases it has been found very difficult to obtain information about such events any great time after they have occurred.

A recent instance of this was in the matter of the suit brought against the city by Messrs. Nason and Grass for injury sustained by themselves and damage to the carriage in which they were driving, in a collision with the city's steam roller which had been left standing in the street at night. The case was tried some month after the accident and the defence was unable to secure any definite information concerning the circumstances surrounding the accident. At the time the City Clerk who conducted the city's case made some pointed remarks about the inability of the police to give definite information concerning the accident on account of no record having been kept. It is claimed that lack of information had much to do with the loss of the case by the city.

Some years ago a properly arranged book for police records was obtained, it is understood, but was never used. At various times, however, the policemen have kept private records but a complete record has been lacking.

In other cities records of arrests show the name of the prisoner, the age, place of birth, and circumstances of arrest. It is probable that a system of that kind will be employed by the local force.

Next Tuesday—at Edgecombe's there will be a special sale of gloves—among them will be a lot of 78c. A pair of kid gloves makes a nice Christmas present.

The Big Store will be open each night next week until ten o'clock so may have a chance to do their Xmas Shopping.

Mr. James Vanstone and daughter Hazel, of Chatham, are visiting relatives in the city.

Mr. Ralph Ginter who has been attending Acadia University is expected home this evening.

OPERA GLASSES and
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White and Pearl Oriental Opera Glasses, Gold Mounted, "Lemaire" and "Colmont." Prices from \$5 up. The newest thing in Reading Glasses, with fine Gold filled and Nickel Rims. Prices from \$1 to \$3. A splendid present for the old folks.

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