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**THE WEATHER.**  
Maritime — Light variable winds, fair today. Saturday, easterly winds and milder.

## BAT NELSON WAS BESTED

### Hogan was too Much for Him in a Ten Round Bout at New York

#### The Crowd Conceded that the Californian had Best of Nearly Every Round

New York, Dec. 23.—Battling Nelson failed to show his old championship form in the ten round bout with "One Round" Hogan, last night. The crowd conceded almost every round to the Californian. Hogan was effective with his punch, while Nelson's work was almost altogether in-fighting which did little damage. Despite its one sidedness, the bout was a fast one.

Hogan went in at 134 at six p. m. with Nelson at catch weight about five pounds heavier. "One Round" easily had the better of the first session, but he was much at fault for clinching. In a sharp rally in the fourth, Hogan sent the battler to the ropes with a left jab and right swing and Nelson came back but weakly, with short arm jolts. In the fifth Hogan staggered the Battler, with a hard right uppercut to the chin, after which the Battler got in close and failed any clean blows. Hogan opened the next round with a left and right to the head without return. The Battler later rushed in with a right to the head, which was too far back to be effective. Hogan returned with rights and lefts to the head and a right to the neck. Hogan landed four lefts in quick succession in the seventh, but later, after breaking a clinch, the Dane swung a staggering hard right to Hogan's body. Hogan came back with uppercuts both right and left. The battler got in a good blow in the eighth, but Hogan was quickly back again with a stinging left to the face and rights to head and body.

Hogan opened with hard blows in the ninth, and was really all over his man, with Nelson resorting to in-fighting again. In the last round Nelson landed a hard right to the pit of Hogan's stomach, and a full minute of hammer and tongs fighting followed in which the crowd voted Hogan had the best of it.

## CHICAGO EMPLOYERS ARE LIBERAL GIVERS

Chicago, Dec. 23.—The manner in which Christmas will be celebrated in Chicago this year promises effectively to silence the pessimists who have been complaining of poor business and hard times. There have been no doubt, more prosperous years, but if there was a slight decline in business activity this year it will not be reflected in the celebration of Christmas. The big Chicago corporations, industrial concerns, banks, department stores, etc have distributed more than \$2,000,000 in bonuses and other Christmas gifts to their employees and the smaller firms have also followed the time-honored custom of remembering their faithful employees in various ways.

The Salvation Army and the Volunteers of America as well as many other charitable organizations, the churches and many private individuals have made extensive preparations for distributing food, clothing, toys groceries, shoes and other gifts among the poor city. The contributions for that purpose have been exceptionally liberal this year.

## OUTPUT OF JOGGIN MAY BE DOUBLED

Amherst, N. S., Dec. 23.—Senator Wm. Mitchell of the Maritime Coal Railway and Power Company was in Amherst today, consulting with Geo. B. Burchill manager of the Company in reference to plans for the doubling of the output in the mines at the Joggins, by installing an electrical equipment and also doubling the capacity of the electrical power plant at Chignecto. He left for Montreal tonight.

## NEW YORK WILL OBSERVE CHRISTMAS IN ROYAL STYLE

### The Poor of the City Will be Well Looked After--The Newsboys will Have Their Usual Feast--"Big" Tim Sullivan, the Laird of the Bowery, will Feed Five Thousand Persons--How the Day Will be Celebrated at Washington--Many Gifts Have Arrived at the White House

New York, Dec. 23.—Today being the last shopping day before Christmas and a half holiday for many thousands of workers who had had no time during the week to make their purchases, the street cars, the streets and the shops were crowded with shoppers all day, especially in the afternoon. For weeks the slogan "Do your shopping early" had been hammered into the general public and, no doubt, a great many persons gave heed to the admonition, but it is human nature to be forgetful, especially during the excitement of Christmas shopping. The result is that even "early shoppers" crowd the shops during the last hours available. A large percentage of the crowds consists of people of the poorer classes who were compelled by financial reasons to postpone their shopping to the last minute.

Judging from the preparations made Christmas will be unusually bountiful this year. As usual the poor class will be remembered throughout the city. The Salvation Army has arranged to contribute 30,000 Christmas baskets among the deserving poor this year and the Volunteers of America will probably feed as many more. Food and other gifts will also be distributed by the Bowery Mission, the Bowery Y.M.C.A., at the Young Men's Home, at the Home of the Little Mothers, the Little Sisters of the Poor, the Friendly Sons and scores of other charitable institutions.

### NEWSBOYS' TREAT

The Newsboys will have their customary Christmas feast, given to them in memory of their late benefactor William M. Fless, while Tilford will preside at a spread and distributions of gifts to the Little Mothers. Big "Tim" Sullivan, the Laird of the Bowery, has arranged to feed 5,000 persons of the annual Christmas banquet. In addition to that scores of wealthy men and women have made liberal arrangements for having baskets with food and other gifts sent to poor families in various parts of the city.

### IN INSTITUTION

The inmates of the prisons, of the various charitable institutions and even of the hospitals will, in a limited measure, take part in the general holiday cheer. All kinds of good things and delicacies will be on their Christmas menu to replace for that day severely plain though nourishing fare of other days. In many cases the inmates also will be entertained with music, singing and even with moving pictures.

## BIG FLOODS IN GEORGIA AND PEOPLE ARE FLEEING

(Canadian Press.)  
Macon, Ga., Dec. 23.—The Ocmulgee River, fed by forty hours of unceasing rain, in Middle Georgia, flooded the danger line last night in the flat lands of Macon and thirty families, with the water at their thresholds, have fled to higher levels for safety, many leaving their belongings to the mercy of the waters. John Hill, who tried to save cattle swept into the river, is missing.

## HEAD-HUNTING GAME LIBERALS DECLARE

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 23.—The personnel of the new Civil Service Investigation Commission has created a good deal of nervousness among Liberal employees of the government. Officials here are inclined to look upon it as a head hunting party. Not much is known here of Mr. G. N. Ducharme of Montreal, but Mr. A. B. Morrone and Mr. R. S. Lake are two strong Conservatives. Both are defeated Conservative candidates and

have always been regarded as strong party men. On the whole the commission is regarded by Liberals as panned for the purpose chiefly of receiving and giving publicity to complaints of Conservative officials, who have gone to the administration with disclosures of minor irregularities. A good many Conservative civil servants have sought promotion in this way already. Campaigns have been launched

### CHRISTMAS CHEER AT THE CAPITAL

Washington, D. C., Dec. 23.—For the time being all threatening international complications, all tariff tinkering, the obstreperousness of the insurgents, the war against the trusts and the uncertainties of the political horizon have been pushed into the background by the impending Christmas celebration. "Peace upon Earth" rules in the national capital and the last preparations for the greatest holiday of the year kept everybody busy today, from the members of President Taft's family to the last department clerk. Many members of Congress and hundreds of the department employees have gone to their respective homes to spend the holidays, but the large number remaining in town celebrate Christmas in the customary manner. Of course there will be no Christmas tree at the White House, as there are no small children, but the members of the President's family, all reunited for the holiday season, will exchange gifts and enjoy Christmas cheer at the festive board, with only a few personal friends added to the family circle. For weeks large quantities of Christmas presents from all parts of the world have arrived at the White House, but in deference to the wish of Mrs. Taft the opening of the packages have been postponed until the morning of the Christmas Day, next Monday.

The members of the Cabinet and the diplomatic representatives of foreign nations at the capital have arranged for elaborate Christmas celebrations of their respective residence and in accordance with the customs of their respective countries. The children of the diplomatic colony are all to a great extent Americanized and have entered into the spirit of an American Christmas with youthful zest and ardour.

## CEMENT CASE IN COURTS

### Bank of Montreal is Bringing Suit Against Sir Sanford Flemming

#### The Case an Outcome of the Big Cement Merger--Others Involved in the Affair

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—An action involving \$85,000 has been taken by the Bank of Montreal against Sir Sanford Fleming, Joseph Irvin, Sandford Hall Fleming, Hugh Fleming, Wm. Exshaw and the Anglo Finance Company.

The case is another outcome of the cement merger recently put through and is the largest taken in the local courts in many years. The bank brings suit against the defendant mentioned on certain promissory notes, the liabilities of the Western Cement & Coal Company, Limited, better known as the Exshaw Plant. The defendants are claimed to be liable for the following amounts:

Sir Sanford Fleming, \$89,109.50; J. S. Irvin, \$20,739.73; Sandford Hall Fleming, \$10,369.86; Hugh Fleming, \$10,369.86; The Anglo-Canadian Finance Company, \$20,739.73; Wm. Exshaw \$10,369.86. In every case interest at the rate of five per cent. is asked.

The defence in the case will be the same as that entered in the first case taken by the Bank of Montreal against Sir George Fleming and Mr. Irvin. Their claim is that the Exshaw concern was taken into the cement merger and that its liabilities should have been taken care of by the merger.

As has been stated, there will be issues raised at the litigation of these cases that will practically necessitate the reopening of the affairs of the cement merger, and a thorough investigation into its formation. Startling developments are expected when these cases are heard. The claim of the defence is that the trade in debtness of the Exshaw works was to have been taken over when the merger was effected and that the cement merger but that when bought in off the market for practically nothing.

## HARDWARE MEN HAD PLEASANT REUNION

### Mr. S. W. Smith Formerly of Fredericton was Host to His Old Friends

Last evening, there was a very pleasant little supper held at Washington's Restaurant formerly by Mr. S. W. Smith who was formerly employed with R. Chestnut & Sons, but is now a traveller for the Bramdam, Henderson Co. of Halifax and Montreal.

Mr. Smith has returned from an extended trip to the West Indies and South America in the interests of his firm. After the oyster had been disposed of Mr. Smith gave an outline of his trip taking his hearers with him from New York to the West Indies and South America and back again via the Panama Canal. There were also some selections rendered by the "Hardware Quartette" with the assistance of some outside talent. A very pleasant evening was spent by all.

### PERSONAL

Ashleigh W. Turner of Gibson left on the evening train for Montreal, where he intends spending Christmas with his father. Mr. W. W. Gerow of St. John was in the city last night attending the annual dinner of the New Brunswick Guide's Association. Mr. B. E. Armstrong of Montreal is registered at the Barker House. Mr. C. M. Power of Amopolis is registered at the Barker House.

ed in most of the departments for the dismissal of prominent Liberals to afford the opportunity for Conservatives to move up. An effort has been made to undermine the security of several of the deputy ministers in this way.

## FRIEND OF RICHESON MAY BE STAR WITNESS

### C. S. Pierce, a College Chum of Cambridge Pastor, Accused of Murder, Has Been Arrested by Order of the District Attorney--Likely to Make Revelations at the Trial on Jan. 15--Knew of the Engagement Existing Between Richeson and Miss Linnell

Boston, Dec. 22.—Charles Scroggins Pierce, a student at the Newton Theological Institution, and a close friend of the Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, who will go on trial Jan. 15, charged with causing the death of Avis Linnell, was arrested yesterday because he would not submit to examination by District Attorney Pelletier. In an interview at his rooms in the Theological Seminary last night, after his release under bonds of \$300, Pierce intimated that his testimony at the trial might reveal startling facts. He admitted that he was well acquainted with Miss Linnell and with Miss Violet Edmonds, the Brookline girl to whom Richeson was engaged, and when asked if he was not one of the persons who visited the clergyman while he lay ill at the Edmonds home just prior to his arrest, Pierce was visibly embarrassed. "I had rather not talk of that matter," he said.

He also declared he preferred not to talk of Richeson's engagement to Avis Linnell, although he admitted he had known of it and that he had been in Hyannis at the time Richeson was established in his pastorate there. Pierce was the first man whom Richeson asked to see after his arrest. They were drawn together by the fact that both were from the south, Pierce's home being in Tyler, Texas. Pierce entered the Newton Institution in 1909. He frequently preaches in churches about Boston. At the institution he serves as treasurer of the students' boarding club.

### REQUEST IGNORED

District Attorney Pelletier believes that Pierce may be able to aid the government in securing missing links in its chain of evidence against Richeson, particularly as to the pastor's meetings with Miss Linnell. Two weeks ago the prosecutor wrote to Pierce asking him to appear at the office of the district-attorney. The letter was ignored.

On Wednesday, the day Richeson wounded himself, Pierce was served with a summons. He wrote a letter in reply declaring that he understood his rights; that the summons was not from the court; that he could not

be forced to obey and that he would answer none of Mr. Pelletier's questions about Richeson.

Judge Chase of the superior court was informed by District Attorney Pelletier who cited the Revised Laws which provides for the arrest of a witness ignoring a summons. The judge issued a warrant. Inspector Lynch arrested Pierce at the Newton Theological Institution and took him to Pemberton square.

At a conference with the judge the prosecutor said he was satisfied that Pierce would answer a further summons. Thereupon Judge Chase permitted the inspector to be surety for Pierce.

Mr. Pelletier took summary action in the matter yesterday because he feared that Pierce would go home for Christmas and not return from Texas in time for the trial.

### STUDENTS GIVE NEW LIGHT

The arrest of Pierce, following closely as it did upon Richeson's self-mutilation, caused much talk among the students of the seminary. For the first time it was learned last night that on the day Richeson is alleged to have purchased the cyanide of potassium which is supposed to have caused the death of Avis Linnell, he had supper at the seminary.

One of the students speaking of the matter declared that Richeson dined with several of his friends there at 5 o'clock that evening.

They say that Richeson was in unusually good spirits and was laughing and joking throughout the entire meal.

Richeson was recovering slowly yesterday in his cell at the Charles St. Jail. Physicians expressed the belief that he would recover within ten days unless blood poisoning develops.

The minister has made no explanation of his injury, according to his counsel, physicians and jail officials. Attorney William A. Morse said last night that he had found his client too weak to talk. Attorneys Lee and Harrison, associate counsel for the defence, will spend Christmas in Virginia. Mr. Morse would not say last night whether the nature of the defence had been affected by his client's condition.

## TURKEYS WILL SOON BE IN THE DODO CLASS

### Statistics Show Big Falling off in the Number Raised in the United States--Extinct in Ten Years

(Canadian Press.)

Washington, Dec. 23.—Unless something is done to rehabilitate turkey growing, there will be no such things as Christmas or Thanksgiving turkey in the United States within the next ten years. The census bureau has issued a bulletin showing that in 1910 there were only 3,668,708 turkeys on farms in this country, while in 1900 there were 6,594,095. At this rate the turkey will be in the dodo class by 1920. There was also a reduction of about fifty per cent. in ducks during the ten years, and the number of geese dropped considerably. Chickens increased, however, the total for the country going from 233,566,021 in 1900 to 289,345,133 in 1910.

Mr. and Mrs. John Maxon and their grand-daughter, Miss Eva Maxon are going to Woodstock to spend Christmas with their son Mr. Tyler Maxon and daughter, Mrs. John Bardeley.

## MUCH MONEY SENT ABROAD FROM CANADA

### Express Company Officials Declare that Present Season has been a Record Breaker in this Respect

(Canadian Press.)

Montreal, Dec. 23.—The marked feature of the present Xmas season so far as foreign business is concerned according to the statement of Express Company officials, has been the large amount of money sent abroad, especially to Great Britain and the United States. It is today stated by officials of the Dominion, Canadian and other express companies, that the amount of money which had been sent to Great Britain and the United States for Xmas this year was far ahead of anything they had ever experienced before.

The reverse was experienced with presents, coming to Canada, and instead of money, there was an avalanche of packages arriving which had given the express companies an enormous amount of work to do. Motor truck delivery has been started for the first time.

1895—Joseph Smith, founder of Mormonism, born. Died June 27, 1844.

## MAY BLOCK REBEL SCHEME

### Premier of China is Firm in His Opposition to a Republic

#### Brigands are Getting in Their Work in China--Made a Big Haul Recently

(Canadian Press.)

Harbin, Manchuria, Dec. 23.—A band of Chinese brigands today attacked an imperial convoy, which was on the way to Kirin, the capital of the Province of Kirin, with a large amount of bullion. The robbers carried off the sum of \$550,000. The number of brigands in the province has increased rapidly since the beginning of the political disturbances, and the consequent unsettled condition of all parts of the country. Many soldiers have deserted from the army and have joined their ranks and now live openly by plunder. Murders occur frequently along the high roads, and the brigands even attack at times settlements of considerable size in which they loot the stores and do not hesitate to murder the inhabitants if they offer any resistance.

Pekin, Dec. 22.—Yuan Shi Kai, the premier, evidently still remains steadfast in his decision not to accept a republican form of government for China as the price of peace within the empire. Members of the premier's entourage reiterated today that Yuan never will advise abdication of the emperor and thereby become a traitor. They say that if the formation of a republic is unavoidable he will resign his office as prime minister.

It has been suspected the Tang Shao Yi, the representative of Yuan and the imperial government at the Shanghai peace conference and Yuan were playing a pre-arranged game with the intention gradually to shear the Manchus of their power, and thereby prevent a Manchu rising in Pekin; but the fact that Tang has telegraphed friends here asking them to endeavor to persuade Yuan of the necessity to accept a republic indicates that Tang and the premier are not in accord.

After many conferences prior to his departure for Shanghai, Tang evidently believed that Yuan had been won over to the republican idea while on the other hand Yuan thought Tang had been brought around to see the necessity for the continuance of the monarchy.

Members of Yuan's entourage declare in these beliefs each man was self-deceived.

### OUTCOME DUBIOUS.

Though none of the members of the foreign legations will venture a prediction on the outcome of the situation, there is a feeling that an agreement is possible between Yuan and a number of the rebel provinces, perhaps not immediately but after several renewed armistices. Yuan, it is thought, may offer the last concession possible, namely the retirement of the Empress Dowager and the appointment of a Chinese regency, to effect peace.

The premier has steadily been replacing officials and army officers through the northern provinces with trusted men loyal to himself. He believes he could regain and retain many of the rebel provinces if money of bankers is willing to support him, but up to the present time the legations have disagreed regarding a loan.

The British legation desires the monarchy continued, but is receiving serious protests from business interests in the south which dread a boycott of their goods. The American legation and also that of Japan advocate supporting Yuan Shi Kai financially.

## WATTERS TO ADDRESS PEACE MEETING

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 23.—The Georgia Peace Society has concluded arrangements for a mass meeting to be held in Atlanta tomorrow to urge the ratification of the arbitration treaties now pending in the United States senate. Henry Watters, the Louisville editor, has accepted an invitation to deliver the principal address.