

## LOCAL NEWS

## XMAS ADVERTISING.

Don't delay making your arrangements for Christmas advertising. You have the goods, let The Mail serve you in the capacity of a salesman. Telephone the counting room and our ad man will call on you.

## LADY TILLEY INJURED

Lady Tilly while paying a visit to Rotheray last week, fell and hurt her knee. She will be confined to the house for some days.

## LIEUT.-GOVERNOR TWEEDIE.

His Honor Lieutenant Governor Tweedie arrived here this morning from St. John and is at the Queen Hotel. He probably will leave this evening by I.C.R. for Chatham.

## TO SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGES.

Rev. J. Charles MacDonald of Forest City, and Rev. J. H. Balcolm of Sussex, have been registered under provincial statutes to solemnize marriages.

## MAKING GOOD PROGRESS

Reports from Temperance Vale are to the effect that it is expected that rails on the Southampton Railway will be laid as far as Temperance Vale the latter part of this week.

## BEAN SUPPER

A bean supper will be served in the Y. M. C. A. hall on Saturday evening from 5.30 to 7 o'clock. Business men and those who have Christmas shopping to do will find it very convenient to attend.

## QUIET WEDDING.

Mr. Hazen Briggs of Lakeville, Corner, and Miss Laura Colwell of Scotchtown, Queen's County, were married today at the Brunswick Street Baptist Parsonage. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. MacDonald.

## ESTEY-MURRAY.

There was a quiet wedding at the home of Rev. J. J. Colter on Sunday December 17th, when Mr. Frank Estey of Lower Kingsclear, and Miss Jessie Murray of the same place, were united in wedlock. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Colter.

## ARTIC RINK OPENING

The grand opening of the Artic Rink for the season takes place tomorrow, Thursday evening. An excellent sheet of ice is ready. The 71st Regt. Band will furnish music. A season ticket would make a Christmas present that would be enjoyed throughout the entire winter.

## WITH ADVERTISERS

Attention is called to the advertisements of F. B. Edgecombe Co., The St. Mary's Department Store, Peter Farrell & Co., and C. W. Hall who are using increased space in this issue advertising Christmas goods. These Christmas advs. are helps in the selection of Christmas presents.

## GEM THEATRE ENTERED.

The Gem Theatre at the corner of Brunswick and Carleton Streets, was entered Monday night or early Tuesday morning by a party or parties unknown and electric wires in the interior of the theatre were cut, but as far as is known, no other damage was done. Entrance was effected by forcing the side-door on Brunswick Street.

## DIED AT HOSPITAL

The death of Emilias Cole occurred last evening in Victoria Public Hospital from Kibney trouble induced by injuries received some time ago in an attempt to help a horse that was cast in a stall. The deceased was a resident of Central Waterville, York County, the remains being taken there this morning for burial. The deceased was aged forty-two years.

## DELEGATION ENCOURAGED

Representatives of the New Brunswick Temperance Federation had an interview with Premier Fleming yesterday and discussed temperance legislation and the enforcement of the liquor laws in the province. The temperance people after the interview said that they were very much encouraged by the attitude of the premier and they expected that the work all over the province would be much more satisfactory to the temperance organizations.

## CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The school at Penniac held its Christmas concert last evening which was a very enjoyable affair. Mr. C. H. Handly acted as chairman. There was an excellent programme successfully carried out. Miss Violet Paterson who has been teaching there for the past few terms and who is leaving was presented with an address and a beautiful Christmas gift. Mr. Hiram Wade secretary of the Trustees making the presentation. Messrs. Hanley, Wade and White distributed the presents to the children from a large Christmas tree.

## HARTT BOOT

& SHOE CO. HAD  
GOOD YEAR

Business in all Parts of Dominion Showed a Gratifying Increase-- Management of Factory Congratulated

PROSPECTS ARE FOR  
ANOTHER GOOD YEAR

The Hartt Boot & Shoe Company promises to break all records this year in the size of its output. The staff of travellers have come in off the road and all, particularly those who cover the Western country, report a substantial increase in their sales. The company manufactures a high grade of shoes and the demand for them is steadily increasing all over the country. The number of employees at the factory has been increased and of late many of them have been working over-time.

## SAME MANAGEMENT.

An effort is being put forth in certain quarters to make it appear that the shoe factory is now under new management. This is not a fact. Mr. J. A. Reid is now and has been the manager of the concern for a number of years and is undoubtedly the right man in the right place.

## IMPORTANT INDUSTRY.

The citizens of Fredericton have reason to be proud of the Hartt Boot & Shoe Company and owe much to such men as Ald. Edward Moore, Mr. John Kilburn and others who stood loyally behind the enterprise during the early days of its existence. The fact that people who a few years ago let slip no opportunity to knock the institution and slander those connected with it, are now singing an altogether different tune is significant to say the least. All will rejoice that the loyal citizens who had the courage to invest their money in the enterprise stand to reap a good return from the investment. The Mail hopes to hear of the concern doubling its present output in the course of a few years.

T. M. BREWER, CHIEF  
RANGER, I. O. F.

Annual Elections Last Night--Court Had Most Successful Year-- Prospects are Bright

The annual election of officers of Court St. Mary's, No. 145, I.O.F., was held last night and resulted as follows:

T. M. Brewer, C.R.  
J. C. Cowie, V.C.R.  
J. G. Hall, Rec.-Sec.  
J. C. Machum, Fin.-Sec.  
R. B. Hanson, Treas.  
K. McLaggan, Orator.  
T. Tomlinson, Supt. of Juvenile Courts.

T. F. Carle, Organist.  
H. Gorman, S.W.  
C. E. Blair, J.W.  
S. N. Clark, S.B.  
J. W. Stickels, J.B.

## THE APPLES SOLD WELL

A. G. Turney, provincial horticulturalist, has received returns from the exhibits of New Brunswick apples which were shown at St. John, and afterwards at the Toronto fruit exhibition. After all the handling involved in this exhibition the Famous McIntoshes brought from \$2 to \$2.25 a box, or at the rate of about \$6 a barrel, through commission merchants. Other grades brought correspondingly high prices. These figures in the upper Canadian market in competition with the best apples the world can produce are, he thinks, an excellent testimonial to the value of New Brunswick fruit products.

## TODAY'S MARKET.

The country market today was largely attended and the farmers who had produce were after top-notch prices, but failed to get them. As much as 32 cents per lb. was asked for turkeys, but many of these desirable fowls sold for 2 cents per lb., and upwards. Geese sold at prices varying from \$1.25 to 1.80 each and ducks from \$1.40 to \$1.80 per pair. Beef sold from 5 to 8 cents per lb., and pork from 6 to 8 cents.

Mr. W. S. Benson of Prince Rupert is in the city.  
Mr. J. R. Kennedy of Salisbury is at the Queen.

FREDERICTON STEAM LAUNDRY  
SCENE OF FIRE LAST NIGHT

Damage to Amount of \$1,000 done to Building by Midnight Blaze--Cause of Fire Unknown--Contents of Building Suffered Little Damage--Water Pressure Good and Firemen Worked Well

The Fredericton Steam Laundry late last night was visited by a fire which for a time threatened to assume serious proportions, but which was finally subdued at about 12.30 o'clock this morning, after doing damage to the amount of about \$1,000 to the building, and but slight damage to the laundry machinery. Clothing and other articles which happened to be in the laundry at the time, escaped injury.

The blaze was first observed shortly after eleven o'clock by Mr. Harry Walker of Walker Bros., tailors, whose place of business is next to the laundry. Mr. Walker had returned to his store late, and on leaving observed a light in the third floor of the laundry. He thought at first a lamp had been left burning and notified his brother, Mr. Joseph Walker, by phone of the matter. Mr. Niles was told of the situation at his home and said that no light had been left burning. The keys were given to Mr. Joseph Walker, but by the time the latter had reached the laundry the fire broke out and an alarm was rung in from box 21 at the City Hall.

## PROMPT RESPONSE.

The firemen responded quickly and soon had two lines of hose laid, which were later supplemented by a third. The fire was all in the third story of the building and ladders had to be used to reach it. The night was cold and the result was that quantities of ice formed on the walls of the building. One stream was taken through a front window of the third story and another played through the side windows from the roof of Walker Bros.' building. The firemen had a pretty hard fight, but subdued the flames after over an hour's fight, confining the damage to the third floor. The rubbered roof on the building kept the flames in, but the supporting rafters were burned through.

## CAUSE UNKNOWN

The origin of the fire is not definitely known but it is thought may have caught from a fuse. It had been burning for some time before being discovered. The smoke from the fire was very dense and was noticeable all over the city. It penetrated not only to all parts of the laundry but also

so through the brick walls into the adjoining building occupied by Yerxa & Co., grocers. For a time it was thought that building was on fire also.

## WATER PRESSURE GOOD

No one who saw last night's fire could complain of lack of water-pressure. The engines at the pumping station gave the firemen all the water needed in fact a lower pressure would have been just as effective.

## INSURANCE CARRIED

The building which is owned by Mrs. Willard Kitchen was insured for \$5,000, half of that amount being carried with the Sovereign and National Insurance Companies represented by Ald. T. S. Wilkinson and half with companies represented by Frank I. Morrison & Son. Mr. Thos. S. Niles, proprietor of the laundry had the machinery insured for \$1,000.

VICTORIA LODGE, P. A. P. B.  
ELECTED OFFICERS

At the regular meeting of Victoria Lodge, No. 23, P.A.P.B., of Marysville, held in the Orange Hall Monday the 18th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Fred Gamble, W.M.  
Robert Cain, D.M.  
Percy Haines, Chap.  
E. Manzer, R.S.  
Marion Minue, F.S.  
H. D. Robinson, Treas.  
D. E. Pickard, D.ofC.  
Fred Robinson, I.G.  
James Loney, O.G.  
Harry Stephenson, D. E. Pickard and Benj. Fullerton, committee.  
Harry Stephenson, trustee for three years.

Fred Gamble, trustee for one year. The 'Prentice Boys are enjoying a season of prosperity, many young men are joining the order every meeting. The officers will be installed on Monday, January 1.

Mr. J. B. Erskine of St. John arrived in the city last night.  
Mr. S. M. Lemton of St. John is at the Queen.

## THE VALUE OF A GOOD NAME

Our name on a card or box is a guarantee that the article is the best that can be purchased for the money. We do not keep goods that will not give satisfaction.

## FOR YOUR BOY.

A pair of Cuff Links, Gold Sidnet Rings or best of all, surprise him with a new watch. You can get a beauty from \$5.00 to \$20.00.

## FOR YOUR GIRL.

A Silver Napkin Ring, a Gold Necklace, with a Locket, (it could be engraved with her monogram), a Silver Mesh Bag or a fine Parasol would please her.

SHUTE & COMPANY 566 QUEEN STREET  
A Reliable Place to buy

Attractive and Useful  
CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Fancy Case Goods,  
Military and Cloth Brushes,  
Smokers Sets,  
Brass, Copper and Nickle Chafing Dishes,  
Coffee Percolaters,  
Hot Water Kettles,  
Brass Jardiniers,  
and Fern Dishes.

Colwell & Jennings  
The Home Furnishers.

## "JUST THINK" ONLY

## 3 Buying Days Until Xmas



Only a few days left in which to do your HOLIDAY SHOPPING, and you must not forget anybody you wish to remember.

COME TO THE  
BIG DRY GOODS STORE

and let us help you to select your gifts.

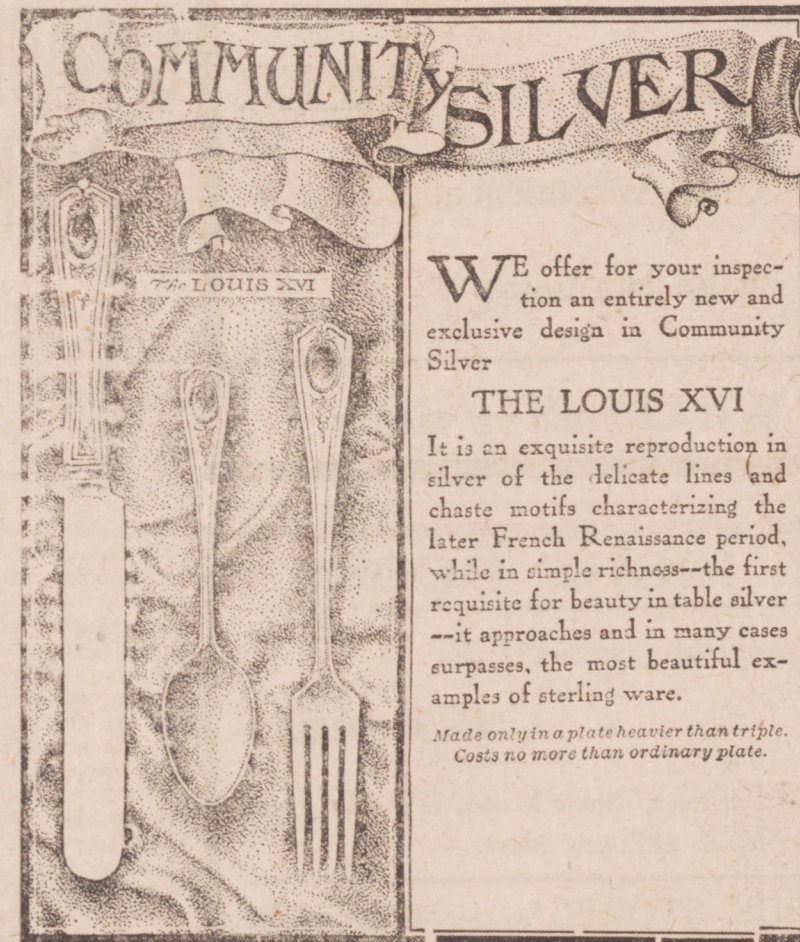
We have bought Specially for this season.

Our display of Useful and Fancy articles is the "Best Yet."

"Our Prices are Right."

Come and let us help our friends to have a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Fred. B. Edgecombe Co., Ltd  
LADIES AND GENTS FURNISHINGS



WE offer for your inspection an entirely new and exclusive design in Community Silver

## THE LOUIS XVI

It is an exquisite reproduction in silver of the delicate lines and chaste motifs characterizing the later French Renaissance period, while in simple richness--the first requisite for beauty in table silver--it approaches and in many cases surpasses, the most beautiful examples of sterling ware.

Made only in a plate heavier than triple. Costs no more than ordinary plate.

Jas. S. Neill & Sons Limited  
F'ton's Big Hardware Store Wholesale and Retail

## Useful Christmas Gifts



Ceaser Slipper  
for the children - 49c.

Mens' Felt Slipper  
89c.

R. B. VanDINE - - YORK ST.  
QUEEN ST.  
Remember our Shoes are always High Class

XMAS  
CANDY

We have all our candies in now including Xmas Mixed, Cream, Chocolates, Candy Canes and Toys, "G. B." Chocolates in fancy boxes from 25c. to \$1.25.

C. H. BURTT