

Events of a Day.

Hospital Aid Special Sale.

The young ladies of the Hospital Aid will make a special feature of their sale on Wednesday, Dec. 17. They will dispose of a number of fancy novelties suitable for Christmas gifts. Home made candy and five o'clock tea as usual. This will be the last sale of the season, so do not fail to attend. Remember the place, old legislative building, opposite Bank B. N. A.—Dec. 13, d21.

The Weather.

The weather probs today say: Fresh to strong northerly winds, fair and cold; Tuesday, winds becoming southerly, fair and mild.

Steamship Ashore.

The steamship Manchester Trader, well known at St. John in connection with the winter port business, is reported ashore at Port Medway, N. S.

Seriously Ill.

Mrs. T. G. Loggie has been called to Pictou, N. S., by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. MacKinlay, who is suffering from a bronchial affection.

Concert Posponed.

The Ellison Van Hoose concert, which was to have taken place next Wednesday evening, has been postponed until Thursday, owing to a failure to make certain train connections.

Hampton Wedding.

Dr. Stephen G. Ritchie, of Halifax, formerly of St. John and a graduate of the U. N. B., was married at Hampton Thursday evening to Miss Carrie Evans, second daughter of Rev. Dr. Evans, the well known Methodist clergyman.

The Winter Fair.

The second maritime winter fair will be formally opened at Amherst tomorrow afternoon by Hon. W. S. Fielding, minister of finance. Hon. L. P. Farris will also be one of the speakers at the opening and left for Amherst this morning.

Removed to His Home.

Frank Deboo, the express messenger, who was injured in the I. C. R. wreck at Belmont, has so far recovered that he was able to be removed to his home at Newcastle, N. B., on Tuesday. He will not, however, be able to resume work for some time.

Christmas Concert.

The Diamond Jubilee club, of Durham Bridge, will give a concert on Christmas evening in the hall at that place. After the interesting program has been rendered, a basket social will be held and refreshments served. The proceeds will be for the Church of England building fund.

Board of Health.

A special meeting of the Board of Health has been called for 4:30 o'clock this afternoon to make arrangements to have the city sewers flushed without delay. The corner wells are in a disgraceful condition at the present time, and it is to be hoped that the board will have the cause of the trouble removed.

A Quick Trip.

Dr. Judson Coy of Prince William, who was in the city to-day, made the trip from his home to Long's Hotel, behind his spanking team of blacks in the short time of two hours and fifteen minutes. The distance covered in that time was twenty-two miles. The doctor reports the roads in splendid condition.

Death at Durham.

The death occurred at Durham Bridge yesterday of Earl E., the ten year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Banks, of that place. He was operated upon a few days ago by Dr. Moore, of Stanley, for an abscess, but died of its effects. The funeral will take place on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock with Undertaker Robert B. Adams in charge of the arrangements.

Don't Miss Thursday's Grand Concert.

Those who have not as yet secured their tickets to hear America's greatest tenor in the Opera House Thursday night should do so at once. To hear Van Hoose sing the grand aria from Aida, is worth going miles to hear. One of the most interesting numbers on the programme will be the duet from the third act of Aida for tenor and soprano, in which splendid opportunity will be given

to hear the soprano, Miss Wetmore. There is no doubt that the city hall will be the scene of one of the finest concerts Thursday night ever heard in the provinces.

FRENCH MATTIE'S ESCAPE.

Sent to Jail to Serve out Penalties in two Cases.

A middle aged woman of easy virtue known as French Mattie, was found intoxicated on Queen street at a late hour on Saturday night and was taken to the lockup by the police. This morning at the police court she pleaded not guilty to the charge, but was convicted and fined \$4.00 or ten days jail. Mattie, it will be remembered was the chief actor in a window smashing episode at Gerow's livery stable several months ago, and a complaint against her for destroying property was lodged at the time with the police magistrate. The case was tried ex parte and the charge being sustained, Mattie was ordered to pay a fine of \$10 and damages and costs amounting to \$6.50, or two months' imprisonment. About this time the C. P. R. authorities were offering inducements to men and women to go west to assist in gathering the enormous grain crop and Mattie decided that a trip of that kind was about what she needed and accordingly shook the dust of Fredericton from her feet and boarded the first excursion train without going through the formality of settling up at the police court. Had she remained in the west Col. Marsh would no doubt have been glad to have charged the amount of the fine up to profit and loss, but Mattie evidently has conscientious scruples and did not care to have this done. Unlike others who have gone west in recent years under a cloud, she decided to return and face the music, and landed here a couple of weeks ago. As a result of this unwise action on her part she is now a prisoner at the county jail and will remain there for two months and ten days, unless some friend takes compassion on her and puts up the amount of the fines.

A Grant of Land.

George Powell, of this city, who served in South Africa with the first contingent, enlisting at Toronto, has been officially notified that a grant of 160 acres of land has been made to him by the Ontario government. All of the Ontario men who served with the Canadian contingents have been rewarded in like manner by the government of that province. The land is located in the northern part of the province in what is called New Ontario. Mr. Powell holds the position of foreman in Hugh O'Neill's bakery.

Christmas Chocolates.

C. Fred Chestnut, the well known druggist, is showing a magnificent line of Rowntree's English chocolate creams, imported especially for the Christmas trade. They are put up in neat little boxes and baskets which sell all the way from 10 cents to \$2.50 each. When the chocolates are disposed of the packages, can of course, be utilized for other purposes. Mr. Chestnut has been handling this class of goods for several seasons and finds the demand constantly increasing.

Presentation.

Miss C. Maud Ferguson, who is to be married at her home here on Saturday morning next, to Harry Currie of Woodstock, severed her connection with the Gleaner office on Saturday evening, after sixteen years' service as accountant. Prior to her departure she was waited on by the employees of the establishment and presented with a solid silver soup tureen as a token of their esteem.

The New Skating Rink.

The Arctic rink is rapidly nearing completion. A good sheet of ice has been obtained and this morning Secretary-Treasurer Winslow and Manager Cropley took a spin over the almost perfect surface. Contractor Minnie is pushing building operations and everything will be in readiness for the grand opening on Dec. 25th. Have you purchased that ticket for your Xmas gift yet?

The Bridge Closed.

The highway bridge, has been closed for traffic and teams are now making use of the river. The bridge is to undergo extensive repairs during the coming winter.

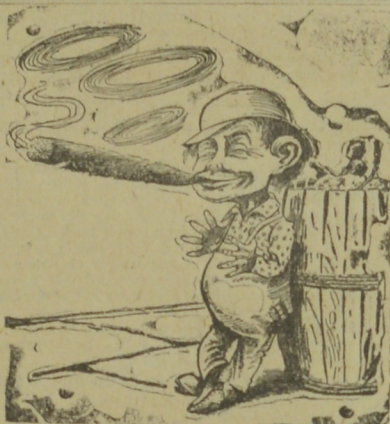
Messrs W S Hooper, J D McKay, O H Giles, William McKay and Henry Willmot went to Amherst this morning to attend the fat stock show.

Training the Horses.

The fire department horses were hitched to the hook and ladder truck and hose sled for the first time on Saturday afternoon and acquitted themselves well. They were a trifle nervous at first and came out of the hose station on the bounce. They soon quieted down, however, and the drivers anticipate no further trouble. It is the intention of Ald. Stockford to exercise the horses in that way every afternoon until they get accustomed to the work. The animals wear in their stalls a combined bridle and halter, which is only removed when they are feeding.

Normal School.

Persons who are prepared to furnish board and lodging for Normal school students are respectfully requested to notify the Principal, and to state whether for male or female students.—Dec. 15 d3.



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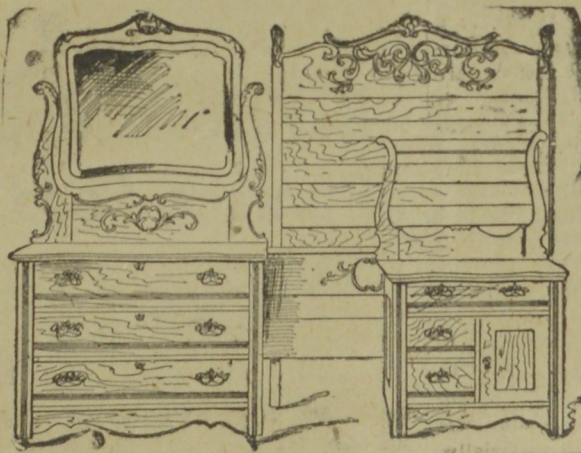
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Presents.

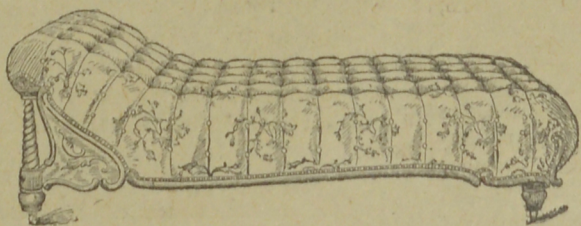
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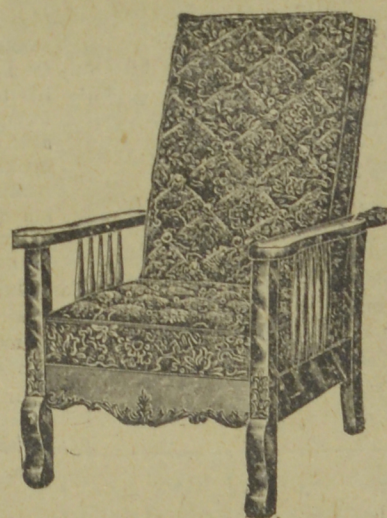
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