

THE NEW RINK

Opened Under Very Favorable Conditions.

THE ICE THROGGED WITH MERRY SKATERS.

Brief Description of the Splendid Structure.

The new skating rink was opened to the public last evening, and the very large attendance of skaters and spectators is pretty good evidence that the thoughtfulness and enterprise shown by the syndicate of business men in providing our young people with a place for healthful amusement, is warmly appreciated by the community. The ice was in splendid condition for skating, and the hundreds of young people of both sexes who glided around to the music of the 71st band, had enjoyment pictured on their countenances. It is safe to say that it was, all things considered, the most enjoyable skate they ever had in Fredericton. The band rendered a splendid programme of music, which was appreciated by skaters and non skaters alike.

The new rink is said to be the largest, and is undoubtedly the finest structure of its kind in the Maritime provinces. In size it is 210 x 103 feet, and has an ice surface 172 x 82 feet. A sidewalk ten feet in width extends all around the building down stairs.

There is also a balcony nine feet wide, reached by two flights of stairs from the main entrance. There are large and comfortable dressing rooms for ladies and gentlemen down stairs, one on either side of the entrance, and up stairs are two sitting rooms with glass fronts, through which a good view of the ice can be obtained. The rooms are comfortably heated, well furnished and provided with all the necessary sanitary fixtures.

The entrance to the rink is from Carleton street and the front of the mammoth building, which is in the Corinthian style of architecture, makes a very imposing appearance.

The main building is brilliantly illuminated with the Dow kerosene lamp, a recent invention, put to practical use for the first time. There are eighteen lamps of 1500 candle power suspended over the ice and they give forth a mellow, steady light, in many respects superior to that derived from electricity. The dressing rooms are illuminated by electric incandescents, and a number of these over the main entrance.

Robin Cropley is manager of the rink and William Saunders is the caretaker. They are obliging and courteous young men and did all in their power last evening to make it pleasant for skaters and spectators.

The rink was designed and built by William Mione of Gibson, and reflects the highest credit upon his skill as an architect and mechanic.

Manager Cropley estimates that there were twelve hundred people at the rink

last night, about two hundred of whom were holders of season tickets.

The rink is to be open for skating every afternoon and evening during the winter. A band will be in attendance one afternoon and two evenings in the week.

Several of the lamps behaved badly last evening, but Mr. Dow expects to have them in proper working order to-night.

Farmer's Great Loss.

Bradford Gilbert, one of the largest farmers in Dorchester, Westmorland Co., met with a most disastrous loss Wednesday night. By the explosion of a lantern his large barns were destroyed by fire and with ten head of cattle which could not be rescued. The rest of the large stock was got out with difficulty. The loss of hay and grain was very heavy. The total loss not estimated; no insurance.

Camp Outfit Burned.

W. A. Lindsay, while out hunting at Keswick yesterday, had the misfortune to have his camping outfit, consisting of a tent, blankets, fur coat, etc., destroyed by fire. An Indian name Sacobasin who accompanied him was reprimanded by Mr. Lindsay for imbibing too much fire water, and is suspected of having set the fire in a spirit of revenge.

The quarterly board of the Methodist church on Christmas eve, presented C. H. B. Fisher, with a very handsome Morris chair, in appreciation of his services as leader of the choir for many years.

BORN.

At St. John, Dec. 24, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Albrighton Clarke, formerly of this city, a daughter.

A Merry Christmas

Come to Gilman's and buy yourself and friends some presents that will make their hearts glad. We have a good assortment in Furniture, Crockery, Glassware and Plated Ware to choose from. Come and see the goods and ask prices.

GEO. GILMAN,
York Street.

Blue Ribbon Seeded Raisins,
New Dates,
New Grenoble Walnuts,
New Terrazona Almonds,
New Sicily Filberts,
Fresh Roasted Peanuts,
Schepp's Shred Cocoanut,
Minute Tapioca,
McLaren's Jelly Powder,
Cox's Gelatine.

At lowest prices.

JAS. HODGE

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

Village of Petitcodiac Partially Wiped Out

FLAMES PURSUED THEIR WAY UNMOLESTED.

Loss Put at \$20,000—Fire Still Burning.

(Special to the Daily Herald.)

Moncton, Dec. 26.—The most destructive fire for years occurred at Petitcodiac this morning. It originated from a furnace in B. Ryan's tailor shop. John Murray who lived over Ryan's shop, but was visiting with his wife at Moncton, lost everything except the clothes they wore.

Hugh Church's shop used by A. Z. King, magistrate, was badly destroyed, including all the books and papers.

Church's workhouse was totally destroyed with the stock of different parties.

J. B. McAfee's store was next to be attacked and only a few articles were saved. This was a new store and was one of the finest in the town.

The old bank building, used by G. M. Blakney as a store, was destroyed, but nearly all the goods were saved.

Foresters' furniture was totally destroyed, amounting to \$250, also chairs belonging to the Masonic Lodge, and a number of other buildings threatened. The fire was still burning at 11 a. m. today.

McAfee and Murray were the heaviest losers, the former's loss in goods is \$10,500, insurance \$2,000.

Ryan's insurance covered one half the value of his loss.

The total loss amounts to \$20,000.

COLD AT DAWSON.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Vancouver, Dec. 26.—Fred A. T. Congdon, crown prosecutor in the Yukon who has arrived from Dawson City, says the thermometer has reached 58 degrees below. There has been very little snow.

THE LATE ARCHBISHOP.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

London, Dec. 26.—The remains of the late archbishop of Canterbury, have been removed to Canterbury for interment tomorrow.

BALFOUR'S ILLNESS.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

London, Dec. 26.—Premier Balfour is confined to his bed at Whittingham, Scotland, suffering from a sharp attack of influenza.

Mrs F. B. Jewett, mother of Elijah Yerxa, is seriously ill at Sheffield from an attack of typhoid fever.

SALE OF

Ladies' and Children's Flannelette Underwear

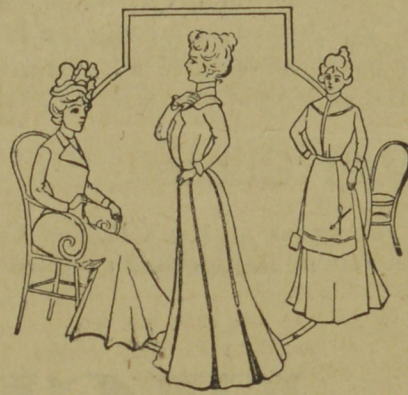
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FLANNELETTE UNDERWEAR

Has been Greatly Reduced.

Nightdresses in white, pink and blue, nicely trimmed with lace and same shade of Hamburg, 65c. to \$1.15. Drawers, in white, pink and blue, well made, Lace and Hamburg trimmed, 25c. to 60c. Underskirts in white, pink and blue with tucks, Lace and Hamburg trimmed, 38c. to 55c. Also Children's Nightdresses, Drawers and Sleeping Garments.

TENNANT, DAVIES & CLARKE Fall and Winter Styles!



It is good to know all the latest in Tailor-made Suits, and this knowledge is easily acquired by looking over the

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Ladies' Tailoring in all its branches neatly done at

JAS. R. HOWIE'S, 210 Queen Street

Call and see the new Plates for Fall and Winter and we will quote you prices

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Present her with an ATOMIZER and a bottle of Perfumery or Toilet Water. We have a specially fine lot of Atomizers, many new designs, and our showing of Perfumery is unrivalled in the Province.

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KERNER'S NEW KLONDYKE

Special Offers for Saturday Before Christmas.

Buy now as Everything is Reduced. Special for Tomorrow and until Christmas

Men's Boys' and Youth's Overcoats

We have made special prices for to-morrow and until Christmas in all Overcoats, prices \$4, \$5, \$6 and \$8 worth 40 per cent more.

Raglanettes

Men's Raglanettes from \$5 to \$8.50, worth \$8 to 12. Youths' Raglanettes from \$4.75 to \$7, worth \$6.50 to \$9 Boys' Raglanettes from \$4.50 to \$6 worth 35 p.c. more

Christmas Suits

We have made a special reduction in all our men's suits specially for the Christmas trade. Prices \$4, \$5, \$6, 7 and 9, worth 50 per cent more.

Boys' Christmas Clothing. Our Boys' Suits are built to stay with the boy, and prices special for to-morrow and until Christmas, from \$1.75, \$2.25, \$3, \$4 and \$5. Remember all these suits have just come in for Christmas trade.

Christmas Gloves

We have Men's Gloves of all kinds—Gloves made for every purpose. Come here for glove satisfaction. Prices from 45c., 65c., 75c., 95c. and \$1.25 to \$2.50 all lined. We can satisfy the glove wants of every man in town.

Xmas Ties

We have the nicest collection in latests style of Christmas Ties ever shown in this city, from 10c., 15c., 20c., 25c. and 35c. to 45c., worth 25c to 75c.

Christmas Hosiery

We have a beautiful assortment of Hosiery for men who like to dress their feet well, new and exclusive patterns in smart effects. Prices 12c., 15c., 20c., 25c. to 45c., for Xmas.

Ladies' Jackets

This season's coat, December fashion, all-wool goods, lined through and through, worth \$10 and \$12 for Christmas gifts, for \$6.25 and \$7.25, only.

Ladies' Dress & Walking Skirts

The latest and most up-to-date Skirts in all shades are here and prices are special for Christmas trade, one third their regular price. We are selling the best skirts now from \$1.75, \$2.25, \$3.00, \$4.00 and \$5. Remember the prices.

Ladies' Underwear from 20c., 25c., 30c., 40c. and 75c. Chatelaine Bags of all kinds from 25c. to 75c.

Silk Waists

We have just opened the nicest and best quality of silk waists from \$2.00, \$3.00 and \$4.50. Less than wholesale prices.

All kinds of Jewelry for Christmas gifts. Big reduction specially for to-morrow and until Christmas.

Costume cloths

We have over 40 pieces of all kinds of the latest colors in ladies' costume cloth in Black, Blue, Grey, Fawn, Green and other colors for 30c., 40c., 50c., 60c., 85c. and \$1. All these cloths are 54 and 60in. wide,