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FOR SALE — EDISON GOLDMOULDED Records for December. Call early for choice Edison Phonographs, latest improved. $10 upwards, at WILLIAM CRAWFORD'S 105 Princess street.

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WANTED — GENTLEMEN BOARDERS. Pleasant rooms and good board. MISS WILSON, 86 Coburg street. 12-18-6 t.

WANTED—SECOND-HAND ROLL TOP desk. P. O. BOX 316. 12-18-t f.

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NOTICE OF LEGISLATION—NOTICE IS hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick, at the next Session thereof, for an Act to incorporate "The Congregation of the Hazen Avenue Synagogue." Dated November twenty-first A. D 1906.

ALEXANDER W. MACRAE,
11-23—1 mo. Solicitor for Applicants.

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LOST — MONDAY AFTERNOON, BEtween Chipman Smith's and Macaulay's a purse containing a sum of money. Finder will be rewarded on leaving with MR. EASSON, Bank of Nova Scotia. 12-18- t. f.

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WANTED—FIRST CLASS HOUSEMAID and a general girl. Good wages. No washing; also, a young lady would like to do copying at home. Apply MISS BOWMAN, 141 Princess Street. 12-18-t. f.

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WANTED—TWO GIRLS, AT ONCE—ONE neckband ironer (with experience preferred), and one to work on mangle. Apply UNGAR'S LAUNDRY. 12-17—tf.

WANTED—GIRL FOR GENERAL WORK. MRS. I. H. NORTHRUP, 197 Charlotte street. 12-1—tf.

WANTED—GIRL FOR GENERAL HOUSE work. Apply MRS. A. J. RUSSELL, 56 Hazen street. 12-5—tf.

WANTED—GIRL FOR GENERAL HOUSE work. References. Apply during mornings. W. B. HOWARD, 107 Leinster street. 11-22—tf.

WANTED—BOYS' PANTMAKERS. Apply at 141 MILL STREET 11-7-t f.

MALE HELP WANTED

WANTED—MEN TO TRAVEL FOR THE International Nurseries. Outfit, including sample case, free. Several good vacancies. New season now commencing. We guarantee best treatment, regular remittances, highest pay. For terms write now. LUKE BROTHERS COMPANY, Montreal.

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TO LETS

TO LET—SMALL FURNISHED FLAT OR rooms, centrally located, suitable for light housekeeping. Apply FLAT care of Times Office. 12-18- t. f.

TO LET—ONE NICELY FURNISHED Front Room, with or without board. Apply 152 Duke street.

TO LET — SEVERAL COMFORTABLY furnished and equipped rooms for light housekeeping, reasonable rent, at METROPOLITAN HOTEL, 103 to 109 Charlotte street.

Christmas Gifts FOR 1906.

We have just opened a very fine assortment of Choice Packages of Perfumes and Toilet Articles of the best makers, and one of the largest and best assortments of XMAS PACKAGES OF HIGH CLASS CONFECTIONERY ever imported, containing the very latest and newest styles and designs, many of them very rich and beautiful, making a very handsome Xmas Gift.

We have them at prices to suit all.

We invite you to call and see them and solicit your favored patronage.

W. HAWKER & SON,
DRUGGISTS,
104 Prince Wm. Street. St. John.

SHEFFIELD

SHEFFIELD, Dec. 19.—The seven cent supper, held under the auspices of the Maugerville and Sheffield Baptist Sewing Circle in the temperance hall at Maugerville last evening proved to be a grand success. There was a big crowd in attendance and the sum of $60 was realized and will go towards repairing the church at Lower Maugerville.

Mrs. Banks has returned home from a visit to relatives at Oromocto.

Mr. Gunter and son of Jemseg were in Sheffield today in search of lost cattle.

Rev. Mr. Sable has recovered from his recent illness, and is at present visiting his son John at Moncton.

John Hoben of Upper Gagetown was in Sheffield this week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Barker of Sheffield Academy are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a son.

The annual meeting of the Auxiliary Bible Society is to be held in the Temperance Hall at Sheffield Academy on Thursday evening, Dec. 27.

Miss Olive and Mrs. Frank Coburn of Little River visited friends here this week.

Harvey Upton who has been confined to his home with a very bad hand, is able to be around again.

The Reading Circle meets at the home of Mrs. David Burpee, Upper Sheffield, on Friday evening, the 28th.

Mrs. Tom Young and little daughter Annie, of Little River, have returned home from a pleasant visit with relatives here.

EGGS AT 70 CENTS

(Halifax Chronicle).

Prices still hold remarkably firm, and in some instances fresh eggs sold in the green market here during the week as high as 70 cents a dozen. The supply of both held and fresh eggs is small, and demand is good as usual at this season of the year. Limed are quoted at 23 cents and fresh case eggs at 25 cents. There was not much if anything made on held eggs last winter and stocks here this year are smaller.

The butter market is strong, with higher prices. Creamery is now quoted here at 28 cents, dairy rolls at 25, and tubs 23 to 24. Holders of both creamery and dairy are very independent, the demand being great and the stocks small. The winter make in the upper provinces will be small, owing to shortage of hay. As high as 26 cents has been paid by buyers in Montreal for finest creamery, ordinary grades out of cold storage bringing 25. Dairy is very scarce.

T. C. Burpee, engineer of maintenance on the I. C. R., came in on the Boston train last evening.

Some Choice Hits.

BY WALTER WELLMAN.



WHEN YOU DON'T NEED.

Mrs. Wise—I hear that beef is to be cheap this Christmas.

Mr. Wise—Yes, and coal will be cheap by the Fourth of July.



George—Don't you think it's time we got married? We've been engaged a year now.

Nance—Oh! that's not long. Why, I've been engaged to Fred over two years.



Cholly—Yes. Gertrude is very considerate for a fellow's feelings, don'tcherknow. When she threw me over she took the sting from the refusal by saying I could still take her out to dinner, theatres, etc.



There was a rich girl from Calcutta,
Whose heart was all of a flutter;
She had married a duke and then was forsook
On the very day after he got her.



Mamma—Now, Lillie, you must remember that it hurts mamma more than it does you when she whips you.

Lillie—Why don't you cry, then?



MATRIMONIAL BLISS

George (after a long absence)—So you and Helen are now married and happy, eh?

Fred—Yes. Er—that is, I am married and she is happy.

"PRAIRIE BELEL" TRAGEDY ENACTED ON THE MISSISSIPPI

Vicksburg, Miss., Dec. 19.—One of the worst accidents in recent history of the Mississippi river occurred today when the steamer W. T. Scovel, plying in the Vicksburg and Davis Bend trade was destroyed by an explosion. Owing to the large number of negroes on board it is impossible to ascertain the exact number of the dead and injured, but the officers of the boat who arrived here tonight state that no less than ten, nor more than sixteen were killed. It is believed an equal number were injured. Among the dead are: Captain John Quackenboss, master of the steamer.

Clerk, Wade Quackenboss.

Lavell Yerger a commercial salesman of Jackson (Miss.)

The white injured include Tenny Roberts, assistant pilot, of Vicksburg.

John Dougherty, the pilot.

Charles McKenna.

The number of dead and injured negroes cannot be stated at this time, but of a crew and passenger list of about forty, about half are missing.

The bodies of the dead negroes were cared for at the place where the accident occurred, as were also some of the injured. Five of the injured negroes were brought to Vicksburg on the steamer Senator Cordell with the white dead and injured.

The accident occurred at Gold Dust Landing, about seventeen miles south of Vicksburg.

The Scovel was at the landing taking on freight just before noon when suddenly a terrific explosion occurred and the boat was blown almost to atoms.

Many of the timbers of the vessel were thrown hundreds of yards. The pilot house and front part of the cabin were blown to splinters and the boat began to sink immediately.

MONCTON COUNCIL PASSED 'PHONE BILL

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 19.—At a meeting of the city council tonight the telephone question came in for a considerable discussion. A report was submitted authorizing notice for an application for legislation to construct and maintain a telephone system in the city of Moncton.

Ald. Welch, Masters and Bourque opposed the city engaging in the operation of any more franchises than at present.

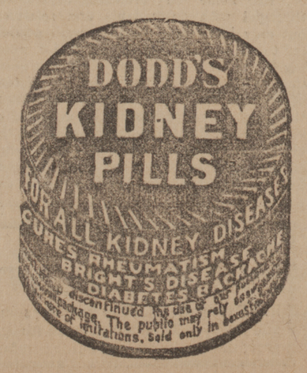
It was pointed out that the management of the water and light department by the city was not such a success as to encourage any further undertaking by the municipality. To put in municipal telephones system would mean adding considerably to the debt of the city, which the taxpayers wouldn't stand for.

It was suggested that safe guards should have been thrown about the telephone companies' operations here instead of allowing the latitude they have. A government owned system for the province was advocated.

Some members of the legislative committee admitted they never proposed that the city should undertake to install and operate a telephone system, one member saying it was only a big bluff to scare the company into coming to terms. A motion authorizing the application for legislation passed four to three.

Fred G. Williams, the well known I. C. R. clerk, is to be married on the 27th inst. to Miss Edith Crisp, eldest daughter of the Rev. R. S. Crisp of Milltown.

The marriage of Miss Jessie Sherrard, daughter of T. F. Sherrard, of this city, to Dr. Montague, of Winnipeg, is announced to take place here December 27th.



SACKVILLE

SACKVILLE, Dec. 19—The death of John Wesley Turner, a respected resident of Baie Verte, occurred on Sunday after a month's illness. Deceased was seventy-five years old. He was a man of sterling character and will be much missed in the community. Two sons and two daughters survive. The sons are Morley, of Baie Verte, and William of St John; the daughters, Eliza and Eva at home. He also leaves one brother, Botsford, of Port Elgin, and two sisters, Mrs. Thomas Wood and Mrs. Wesley Wood, of Baie Verte. Funeral took place on Tuesday and was largely attended.

Edgar George, of Rapid City Mrs., reached here yesterday to spend the Christmas tide with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. George, Upper Sackville.

Rev. Chas. Stebbings, of Deer Island, is the guest of his uncle, Alderman W. I. Goodwin today. He is en route to Tryon, P. E. I. to spend Christmas with his parents, Rev. Thos. and Mrs. Stebbings, Methodist parsonage.

Mrs. A. W. Bennett entertained at bridge last evening.

E. P. Goodwin, C. E. of Quebec, is the guest of Colonel and Mrs. Harper.

Ralph Trites and F. T. Siddall went to St. John today to attend a meeting of the Hockey Association.

Ideal Christmas Gifts.

The idea of giving useful presents for the home has general acceptance now.

We are offering our Entire Stock of Furniture and Christmas Goods at reduced prices.

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A telegram received here today announced the sad news of the death of James Fawcett son of Wm. B. Fawcett. Deceased was seventeen years old. He went to Alberta a few months ago where he was engaged in cattle ranching. Mr. W. B. Fawcett has the sympathy of the community in his great bereavement, this being his only child. He lost his daughter about a year ago.

Jos. Dobson had the misfortune to fall a day or two ago and fracture two of his ribs. He is confined to the house as a result.

Mt. Allison institutions closed today for the Christmas vacation, the majority of the students and teachers have gone to their respective homes for the Christmas tide.

Miss Lida Estabrook, of Ottawa, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Estabrook, Middle Sackville.

Miss Greta Ogden leaves on Friday for Montreal where she will spend Christmas.