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TUESDAY	6,592
WEDNESDAY	6,575
THURSDAY	6,568
FRIDAY	6,577
SATURDAY	6,570
TOTAL	39,488
Daily Average	6,581
Average Daily Sworn Circulation First Three Months, 1906,	6,741

THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Secretary Burns of the board of health, in an interview printed in Saturday's Times, took exception to some statements made in this paper on Friday. The Times had stated that there was no vehicle quickly available to take a diphtheria patient, for example, to the epidemic hospital. Replying to this, Mr. Burns is thus quoted;

"He said the board of health has a good ambulance which is available for all cases of contagious disease, which are to be taken either to the epidemic or isolation hospital."

All the Times need say in reply to this statement is that the hospital authorities are not aware that there is any such ambulance in the public hospital grounds. There may be one at the isolation hospital, away outside of the city, but it would be absurd to say that it was instantly available.

With regard to the other ambulance, the secretary is right in saying that the safety board has control of it. The safety board, then, should see that it is provided with clean blankets and kept in good condition.

With regard to the fumigation of premises, if the board has not power enough or help enough to see that this is properly done, it should be provided with both. Neither easy-going physicians nor careless householders should be permitted to endanger the public health.

Secretary Burns is not at all to blame for any lack of power or help that may handicap his efforts. But the board knows what it needs, and should insist upon being clothed with all needful authority, and given whatever help it requires in the interests of the public health.

OURSELVES AND OTHERS

A St. John paper on Saturday quoted the following statement from the Chatham World:-

The St. John Globe's afternoon rivals have been giving away advertising for the purpose of attracting patrons from the old favorite, but the Globe's prosperity is not lessened. Advertisers accept all they can get for nothing or at low rates from the other papers, and then go to the Globe and pay the same old price. A new brick building has just been erected alongside of the old one, and most of it will be used by the newspaper and its job department.

From his personal knowledge of the editor of the Chatham World, the editor of the Times is assured that if there is anything the Chatham man would like to pride himself upon, it would be his spirit of fair play. It is therefore the more surprising that he should publish an untrue statement concerning a contemporary.

The Times is one of the St. John Globe's afternoon "rivals," if the term "rival" appears to the World to be the higher term. If the World desired to say something nice about the Globe, there was ample opportunity without dragging in another paper and telling untruths about it. The Times does not give away advertising. This question is one that the editor of the World, himself an old St. John newspaper man, can easily settle for himself. Fair play would have suggested such a course before he published a statement which is untrue, and which also, to the extent of the World's circulation and that of papers copying its article, one of which at least knows better, might prove damaging.

The Times does not cut advertising rates. It has many times declined advertising because the rates offered were too low. This paper, with the largest circulation of any afternoon paper in St. John, is also the best advertising medium. It has attained this position in a little over a year and a half. Its advertising patronage has steadily increased. It has no quarrel with any of its contemporaries, old or young, with regard to the quality, the quantity, or the price of advertising, and has never sought to attract their patrons or any others except by a statement of its own merits as an advertising medium, presented in the usual way of business. The advertisers in this paper not only pay a fair rate for space, but are satisfied that they get value.

Speaking of new buildings and that sort of thing, if the editor of the World will call on the occasion of his next visit to St. John, the Times staff will show him the finest newspaper quarters in these provinces, devoted entirely to the newspaper business.

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

Perhaps it would be an exaggeration to say that at no time since the period of corduroy roads have the streets and sidewalks of St. John presented as battered and broken an appearance as they do this spring, but the need of repair is painfully obvious, all over the city. There are numerous holes in the sidewalk that become pools of water when it rains. The paved street between Duke street and Indiantown is in many places quite as bad as a corduroy road. Streets that are not paved present a wretchedly uneven surface. The streets and sidewalks are like those of a city that had lost faith in itself and no longer cared for either comfort or appearances. Even Nature appears conscious of the generally dejected atmosphere, and in its dumb way tries to sympathise. During the heavy rain of yesterday as much of the surface of the Princess street hill as could conveniently move ran generously down and tried to fill up the holes in the pavement on Prince William street. The pathetic effort was a failure. There were too many holes. At some other points, the rain carried sand or earth out upon the sidewalks with a like benevolent aim, but all to no purpose. Perhaps the street department, with larger resources, will take the hint.

The St. John Star takes the extraordinary ground that the St. John city council should be in no hurry to consider the nationalization of the port. If St. John people had adopted that attitude with regard to the beginning of winter port business, the trade might still have been going to Portland, Me. The best friends of St. John are the St. John people. They would be extremely foolish to sit down and wait for something to turn up. Mayor Sears should get his committee together as soon as possible. The board of trade might also with profit discuss the situation.

The St. John ferry service, despite the purchase of an $80,000 steamer, was reduced yesterday for a time to a tugboat and boats propelled by oars. When the Ludlow was disabled Saturday night one of the older boats should have been ready to take her place, but the only one available refused to work properly when brought out yesterday. There is apparently need of a new ferry committee, armed with a larger club. The freshet is not the only party responsible for these various freaks of the ferry.

The Constitutional Democratic Congress in St. Petersburg yesterday is said to have cheered for ten minutes when it was reported that the Governor-General of Moscow had been assassinated by a bomb-thrower. This is a sinister prelude to the opening of the new Russian parliament, and should warn the government to endeavor to meet as far as possible the views of the moderate reformers.

In the first week of February an order was passed to improve the sanitary conditions of the market. Nothing has since been done. Chairman Vanwart of the safety board says he will see that something is done by the new board. The citizens will be glad to receive the assurance.

More soundings are to be taken at Sand Point and a chart prepared. Now that the winter port season is ended, this is the proper step to take. The next step will be to provide for any dredging that may be reported necessary.

It was the irony of fate that the Sun on Saturday, on the very day on which it boasted of its growing greatness as a newspaper, was "clean scooped" by the Telegraph on the most exciting local news story of the day.

The coal strike will not take place. President Mitchell fears that the miners would not stand together. Mr. Mitchell's influence is not as great as he had believed it to be. He is wise not to precipitate a conflict.

Director Murdoch will find food for reflection in the discussion and the action of the city council this morning, and will perhaps feel less disposed to say that "a portion of the press" is actuated by malice in its criticism of his course.

The east side of Prince William street, from the post office to Duke street, is perhaps the worst piece of paved street in North America—unless there is a worse piece on Main street.

THIEVING BANK CASHIER GOT TEN YEAR SENTENCE

Milwaukee, Wis., May 6—Henry G. Goll, former assistant cashier of the First National Bank of this city, who was convicted on nineteen counts in the United States district court a week ago of misappropriating funds of the bank, was late this afternoon denied a new trial by Judge Quartes and sentenced to ten years in the military prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

RAILWAY EARNINGS

Canadian Pacific Railway Company's return of traffic earnings:

April 21 to April 30, 1906	$1,578,000
April 21 to April 30, 1905	1,254,000
Increase	$ 324,000

TEMPUS FUGIT.

Mistress. "Well, why don't you boil the eggs?"

Cook. "Sure, I've no clock in the kitchen to go by."

Mistress. "Why, yes, Bridget, there's a clock in the kitchen."

Cook. "Phwat good is ut? Ut's tin minits fast."—Cleveland Leader.

THE FAMILY ALBUM.

Mr. Hayrick. "Have you pictures of the children?"

Mrs. Cornerib. "Yes; I 've took care to have 'em cured of sumpin' every year regular."—New York Sun.

Stores open till 8 tonight. St. John, N. B., May 7th., 1906.

ORDER YOUR SUIT

This Week for the 24th.

If you want your New Spring Suit made to order, and want it for the 24th., you had better order it this week. You can save the price of an extra pair of pants in ordering it here, and get the high standard of fit, style and workmanship that have made our tailoring so popular. Our low prices are made possible by our strictly cash business.

MEN'S BUSINESS SUITS TO MEASURE	$13.50 to 30.00
MEN'S OVERCOATS TO MEASURE	15.00 " 25.00
MEN'S FROCK SUITS TO MEASURE	23.00 " 35.00
MEN'S PANTS TO MEASURE	3.50 " 7.50

J. N. HARVEY, Tailoring and Clothing, 199 to 207 Union Street.

English Ankle Ties.

There are no rough seams in these slippers to hurt the child's tender feet, the inside finish is as smooth as wax. They are made over the orthopedic last, with only one lift on the heel. Four different Leathers: Patent Calf, Black Kid, Brown Kid and Tan Calf.

$1.00 for 4 to 6; $1.25 for 7 to 10.

"Let the Child's Foot Grow Naturally."

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THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. make good paints and good varnishes for all parts of buildings inside and outside, and for all household uses. They make special paints for special purposes, each one the best of its kind. No matter what you want to paint or varnish, you'll get best results, full measure, and save most money if you use *THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS PAINTS AND THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS VARNISHES.*

Color cards and full information upon request.

THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. are the largest paint makers in the world. They have built up their business on good quality.

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Big Furniture Sale

Commencing, Tuesday May 1st

Which will be continued throughout the month, BARGAINS IN EVERY line. Persons going housekeeping would do well to select their goods during this sale. Goods stored until required. Ask to see our $30.00 BRASS BED. Regular Price, $40.00.

Sale will Commence Tuesday, May 1st.

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Women's Oxfords.

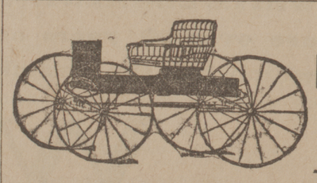
We are showing a very complete line of Oxfords, stylish, well made and perfect fitting. You are asked to inspect. See our Oxfords at $1.50 and $1.85.

J. W. SMITH, - 37 Waterloo Street.

YOU have read of the Land of Canaan, the Land flowing with Milk and Honey. When that was written they did not have **Cream Separators.** New Brunswick is a land flowing with **Cream and Honey.** Headquarters for both,

ST. JOHN CREAMERY, 92 King Street.

OUR BUTTER IS AS GOOD AS THE BEST.



ALL STYLES OF

Rubber Tired Carriages

IN STOCK AND MADE TO ORDER.

A. G. EDGECOMBE, 115 to 129 City Road

More Shoe Bargains.

INFANTS': 28c., 48c., 68c., 78c., 98c.

CHILDREN'S: 88c., 98c., $1.08, 1.18, 1.28.

WOMEN'S: 48c., 78c., 98c., $1.28 1.48, 1.98.

MEN'S: 98c., $1.28, 1.48, 1.98, 2.48.

BOYS': 88c., 98c., $1.18, 1.28, 1.48.

C. B. PIDGEON, Corner Main and Bridge Streets, North End.

For the Bright Sunny Days.

Straw Sailor Hats, for little girls and boys

Some fancy shapes trimmed for school girls

A. B. WETMORE, 59 Garden Street.

A CRISIS COMING

The New York Journal of Commerce a few days ago published a rather significant article on the present period of price inflation in the United States, and concluded with this warning sentence:—

"That the existing conditions portend a crisis there can be no doubt, though it does not appear to be immediately impending; it is to be hoped, however, that during the interval we may learn how to avert the force of the shock and graduate the process of readjustment."

The Journal of Commerce arrives at this conclusion by a survey of the course of prices, which largely regulates the course of industry, trade and finance. The current of prices, it says, follows an undulatory movement, which, while subject to certain excesses, ordinarily runs its course in ten-year cycles. One of these cycles, the Journal contends, is now nearing its consummation, and hence the coming crisis. It will be of interest to our readers to follow the argument which leads to this conclusion:—

"Life, in all its activities, is in an unprecedented state of tension. An enhanced valuation has been put upon every form of property. The artificial marking-up of prices is taken for an increase of wealth, whilst in the things that constitute real wealth there has been no corresponding gain. This wild self-deception encourages extravagance in expenditure and produces a false confidence which leads to unhealthy expansions of credit. The flattering deception that we are fast growing marvelously rich encourages a relative waste of wealth; and so the infatuation proceeds until it expires from general exhaustion of confidence and of the means of living up to false standards.

The last thing which a people in this condition of infatuation is willing to confess is the self-deception to which they have committed themselves. And yet, if a man desires to pursue a safe and conservative course, he need have no misgivings as to how to do it. The course of prices is the true guide to mercantile operations and to fiduciary investment. When, in either department, prices rise persistently above the average, the stage for caution has been reached; when the rise in values is relatively fixed and general, the region of positive danger has been entered. Applying the price test, what do we find to be the condition of affairs today? Taking the year 1895 as representing a post-panic stage, when values were below the average, and comparing that with 1905, we find the following showing as to the course of prices for eighteen representative commodities during those ten years, the data being compiled from the latest annual issue of the Statistical Abstract of the United States:

	1895	1904	Adv	P. Ct. Adv.
Cotton, mid	7.44c	11.75c	4.31c	58.
Stand. sheetings	5.74c	7.13c	1.39c	24.
Wool, medium.	20c	32½c	12½c	63.
Wheat, No. 2 red West..	67c.	$1.00	43c	64.
Corn, No. 2 mixed	47½c	59c	11½c.	24.
Lard, prime	6.5c	7.32c	82c	13.
Beef, extra India..	$8.09	$8.82	.73	9.
Pork, mess	$11.91	$14.01	2.10	17.
Sugar, raw, cwt	3.23	3.97	.74	23.
Coal, anth (Ph)..	3.50	4.50	1.00	28.
Coal, bitum (Bal)	2.00	2.25	.25	13.
Iron, pig No. 1	13.10	15.57	2.47	19.
Iron, bar (Phila)..	32.29	38.49	6.26	19.
Steel billets	18.48	22.18	3.70	20.
Steel rails	24.33	28.00	3.67	15.
Petroleum	4.9c	7.8c	2.9c	60.
Tobacco leaf.	8.7c	9.6c	.9c	10.
Leather, sole	15.3c	18.9c.	3.6c	23.

"Out of these eighteen quotations, there is no exception to the rule of an exceptional advance, the rise ranging between 9 per cent and 64 per cent and averaging about 28 per cent. Another excellent record of prices is compiled by Dun's Review. The articles quoted are compiled in seven groups, breadstuffs, meats, dairy and garden, other food, clothing, metals and miscellaneous,—each group including a wide diversity of products and that diversity affording an average which covers a very extensive range of quotations. The quotations included in these groups, for the years 1895 and 1905 are as follows:

	1895	Jan 1 1905	Inc'se	Inc'se P.Ct.
Breadstuffs	$14.76	$18.27	3.51	24.
Meats	8.62	7.95	*.67	*8.
Dairy and garden	9.87	13.94	4.07	41.
Other food	8.69	10.69	2.00	23.
Clothing	15.31	16.31	1.00	5.
Metals	11.02	16.19	5.17	47.
Miscellaneous	13.23	16.93	3.70	28.
Total	$81.50	$100.28	$18.78	23.

* Decrease.

"One of these groups—"meats"—shows a decline in price of 8 per cent, while the rest exhibit advances varying between 5 per cent on clothing and 47 per cent on metals and averaging 23 per cent net on the whole large range of prices. Thus, in one set of quotations we have an average advance of 28 per cent and in another a rise of 23 per cent. Perhaps it may be fairly inferred that the average rise between 1895 and 1905 was 25 per cent.

"Can this be considered a fair and normal level of values? It is higher than any realized since the resumption of specie payments; and yet the whole drift of invention has been towards the cheapening of productive processes. We are told that the advance in prices has been compelled by the rise in wages; and yet the workman maintains that the advance in prices has been the cause of his demanding higher pay; and undoubtedly there is much justification for this plea. It is a baseless assumption to suppose that this vast inflation can be harmlessly maintained. One of its effects must be in checking home consumption, and another in arresting the demand for our products in foreign markets. Thus, the inflation holds the seeds of its own defeat and must be followed by a collapse commensurate with the diseased conditions.

"So far, we have failed to learn how to treat these abnormal conditions. From sheer cowardice, we fail to apply a remedy until cure is beyond possibility. Anticipative treatment can alone succeed. The worst conditions of inflation may be dispersed provided, before the nervous phase of the disease is reached, a steady and persistent repressive treatment is judiciously applied. The dispensers of loans must be the physicians, but the homeopathic method might be the safer, easier and more efficacious. Anything short of this means a crash; which means ten-fold worse consequences than a slower process of wearing out the disease. That the existing conditions portend a crisis there can be no doubt, though it does not appear to be immediately impending. It is to be hoped, however, that during the interval we may learn how to avert the force of the shock and graduate the process of readjustment."

Removal Notice.

Arnold's Department Store, has removed to

83 and 85 Charlotte St.,

Robertson, Trites & Co's. old stand, second building from King Street.

April 16, 1906.

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Our 50c. English tapestry carpets in different colors, etc., can be had now while the assortment is complete.

75c. ENGLISH TAPESTRY CARPETS in pretty floral effects, the best value we ever offered, at 75c. per yard.

ENGLISH TAPESTRY CARPETS at 60c., 65c., 68c., 70c., 73c., 75c., 78c., 80c. and upwards.

ENGLISH FLOORCLOTHS, Linoleums at 45c and 50c. per yard. Floorcloths at 25c., 30c., and 35c. per yard, 4 yds wide Linoleum at 50c. per yard.

FURNITURE — Pretty Bedroom suites, Sideboards, Extension Tables, Parlor Suites, Dining Chairs, Willow Rockers, Fancy Rockers, Odd Bureaus and Commodes, Iron Beds, Brass Beds, etc.

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High Class Tailoring,

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All sizes 2½ to 7.

The neatest, nicest Women's Shoe ever sold at the price.

Blucher cut, large eyelets, Cuban heels, medium soles.

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Just Arrived on Last Night's Boat.

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