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SHORTAGE OF FISH FOR LENTEN SEASON

Local Dealers May Have to Import Haddock From American Markets.

Montreal Witness)

The local market for fresh, frozen salted and smoked fish is exceptionally active just now, and on account of a shortage in the supplies of several of the more active varieties, there is a tendency towards higher prices which the close proximity of the Lenten season, with its resultant increase in consumption, does not arrest. The duty on the principal varieties of fish that are imported from the United States has been increased 100 per cent. from ½c to 1c per pound, and though the higher tariff has not made difference so far it will probably have a noticeable effect in the event of local dealers having to look to New England markets for their Lenten supplies of fish. The most marked scarcity is that in the supplies of haddock. The demand has up to now been met with fish taken from Canadian waters, but the season is closed, and as stormy weather interrupted fishing operations during the open season there will not be enough haddock in store to meet the demand that is anticipated from the trade during the next few weeks, and wholesale jobbers will have to secure supplies on outside markets.

There is a large variety of fish offering under the heading of fresh frozen, and prices are all firmly held.

Among the salt and pickled varieties, green cod is reported to be in good supply.

There is a prospect of an advance in the price of haddies on account of the shortage of the fresh haddock and all other lines of smoked fish are firm.

Oysters are quiet and prices are unchanged, but there is a very fair enquiry for lobsters.

CHEAP FINANCING FOR CAN. PACIFIC

Company Gets Very Favorable Price for Some Preferred Stock in London.

(Montreal Herald,

It became known in local financial circles today that the Canadian Pacific Railway had just succeeded in doing some railway financing at a very low rate while the leading American railways are still paying very high rates for their money.

The statement made by another local evening paper on Tuesday that an issue of debenture stock had been made is incorrect.

What has been accomplished is that the Canadian Pacific has sold £1,500,000 or $7,500,000 of its four per cent. non cumultative preferred stock in London at 101½. How favorable a price this is may be appreciated when it is remembered that recently some of the leading American railways have issued five per cent. short term notes around 98.

The Canadian Pacific it is officially stated was not anxious to dispose of any of their preferred stock at present as they had all the proceeds of the last issue of common stock still in the treasury, but the offer made by a London syndicate was such an attractive one that the C. P. R. executive decided to accept it.

This is another instance that the Canadian Pacific never sells any stock in bonds unless the public is eager for them. In the present instance the railway was approached by London interests, and asked if they would sell.

DUNN'S TRADE REVIEW

New York, Feb. 8—R. G. Dunn & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade tomorrow will say:

Severe storms restricted new business in many sections of the country during the past week and increased the delay on making deliveries of old orders. Low temperature and snow stimulated activity in seasonable lines of merchandize at retail, but the interruption to general trade was sufficient to retard distribution considerably.

Current sales in cotton grades are not as large as in the closing week of 1906, but it is surprising that any new orders should appear after the volume placed at that time. Some reaction at times in option prices of raw cotton had no depressing effect on the finished product and the only weak feature is the absence of foreign trade. Inquiries from China are at prices far below the present views of sellers, and no business results. Aside from a few of the highest priced lines, the men's wear woollen goods market may be considered fully opened. Initial orders were only fair, and it is uncertain whether buyers will make up the difference later in the season. A more normal movement of dress goods is recorded.

New England manufacturers of footwear report a liberal demand from eastern wholesalers for supplementary spring lines, retail stocks having been depleted by the vigorous demand that has accompanied severe weather. The outlook is bright for a large spring trade which maintains firm quotations and no readjustment of prices is contemplated. The local jobbing trade is exceptionally active and retail holdings of rubber goods are so far reduced that there is more inclination to prepare for the coming season. Improvement is noted in leather, bids at fractional concessions being rejected, evidencing confidence in maintenance of the recent advance. Hemlock and Union sole sell at full figures and activity is noted in side, upper and calf leather. Packers have sold hides suitable for sole leather through March salting at full quotations, despite the fact that the take-off this month and next is the poorest quality of the year.

Commercial failures this week in the United States are 243 against 229 the corresponding week last year. Failures in Canada numbered 30 against 29 last year.

GRAIN MARKET STRONG

MONTREAL, Feb. 8—The grain market is in a very strong position, and prices which advanced so strikingly yesterday, are very firm and continue high today. The rise was due, to a great extent, to the increased strength of the Europen market, and that strength is largely due to the latest news regarding famine conditions in Russia. From latest advices from Chicago, it is learned that there are good orders and plenty for export wheat and corn, but business is somewhat hampered by the scarcity of offerings and the high prices asked. It is reported that the Russian government has bought up practically all the wheat in Odessa for relief of the famine stricken, and will possibly shortly prohibit the exportation of grain from the country. There is a report that Russia has been buying American wheat in Hamburg.

A WAITING MARKET

(Montreal Witness)

The market shows every indication of being a waiting one, and the heavy liquidation that has characterized the different sessions for the past weeks has almost entirely subsided, and, as a rule, quotations, are held at a fairly steady level.

Considering the attractive tit-bits now offering in the investment market, and the unique state of individual prosperity throughout the United States and Canada, it is not to be expected that the conditions now existing will continue later than the early spring. Most market authorities look for a forward march of prices at an early date, and such a march, backed by the enormous public funds known to be available, cannot fail to completely annihilate the hopes of the bear factions at least for an indefinite portion of this year.

THINKS WORST IS OVER

The head of a Wall Street house that is seldom or never quoted—one that keeps in the background, but whose connections are enviable—in talking over the situation yesterday said: "I feel that the worst is over. We are beginning to receive investment orders, not as much from local customers as from those in other cities—Pittsburg, Boston, Philadelphia. Good railroad stocks are returning to favor. Of course, our biggest business recently has been in short term notes. We have placed large quantities, especially in Boston. People prefer them, as they show better returns. Stocks, however, are now down to a reasonable level. They may go a little lower—there may be irregularity for a week or so—but I think the tide has turned." He deprecated Wall Street's attacks upon President Roosevelt, and added that the best thing to do was simply to look on.

ABNORMAL CONDITIONS

(Wall Street, 'Journal.')

A sharp decline in stock prices at the very time of the year when an advance usually takes place, gold imports from Europe at the very time that currency returns from the interior, treasury withdrawals from the banks at the very time the government is increasing its surplus, and does not need the money, a wave of pessimism at the very time when the business interests of the country have balanced their books with the greatest profits ever made in a single year—these are developments of an abnormal financial situation so puzzling to all observers that ordinary foresight fails in sizing up the future.

Back of all is a political struggle now beginning for the control of the government at the next presidential election. This struggle looks as if it might assume the dimensions of a mighty political crisis such as this country has not experienced in a generation.

FISH CULTURE WORK

Recent returns show that the St. John harbor fisheries yielded the fishermen about $145,000 last year, an increase of $22,000 over the average value of the fisheries in recent years. This large gain was in the value of the salmon catch, due in a large measure to the fish culture work carried on by the Dominion government. The catches of several years have been steadily growing larger, and that of 1906 was the best recorded in fifty years.

WORLD'S SUGAR OUTPUT

The United States Consul General at Frankfort reports that, according to the latest investigation, conducted by the International Association for sugar statistics the present season's production of beet sugar by European countries is estimated at 6,352,697 metric tons (metric ton 2,204.6 pounds) against 6,663,397 tons for 1905-6.

TIMES DAILY PUZZLE PICTURE

February 9, 1893—Fourteen years ago today the prisoners in the Panama Canal trial at Paris, France, were sentenced to imprisonment and fines.

Find a Frenchman.

ANSWER TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE.

Left side down, in front of figure.

THE WORLD OF SHIPPING

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

1907		Sun		Tide	
February		Rises	Sets	High	Low
8	Fri.	7.40	5.37	7.46	2.05
9	Sat.	7.39	5.38	8.51	3.12
10	Sun.	7.37	5.40	9.52	4.15

The time used is Atlantic Standard Time.

VESSELS BOUND FOR ST. JOHN.

Steamers—
Almeriana, 1824, London, Feb. 1.
Bengore Head, 1619, Ardrossan Feb. 1.
Empress of Ireland, 8028, Liverpool, Feb. 8
Lake Manitoba, 6275, Liverpool, Jan. 30.
Lake Michigan, 5949, Antwerp, Feb. 6.
Laurentian, 2,833, Clyde, Jan. 27.
Montcalm, 2568, Bristol, Jan. 29.
Manchester Importer, 2538, Man. Jan. 26.
Pretorian, 4299, Liverpool, Feb. 7.
Parisian, 3885, Liverpool, Jan 31.
Pomeranian, 2700, London, Feb. 7.
Yola, 2246, Newcastle, Jan. 29.

PORT OF SAINT JOHN.

Arrived today.

Coastwise:—

Schr Alice May, 18, Murray, fishing.

Cleared today.

Stmr Canada Cape, 2795, Symons, for Cape Town and other South African ports, Wm. Thomson & Co. general cargo.

Stmr Lakonia, 3046, Gillies, for Glasgow, R Reford Co. general cargo.

Schr Elma, 298, Miller, for City Island for orders, Stetson Cutler & Co, 1,672,100 laths.

Sailed today.

Stmr Empress of Britain, 8024, Murray, for Liverpool via Halifax, C P R Co. pass and mdse.

Schr Norombega, 266, Pederson, for City Island for orders.

DOMINION PORTS

Halifax, N S, Feb 8—Ard stmrs Canada, from Liverpool and sailed for Portland; Manchester Importer, from Manchester, Heely, from St John; schr Fauna, from New York. Cld—Schr Drusie, for Louisburg (C B.)

BRITISH PORTS.

Liverpool, Feb. 8—Sld, stmr Empress of Ireland for St. John via Halifax.

Adelaide, Jan 23—Ard bark Nellie Troop, Owen, Buenos Ayres for Newcastle (N S W.)

Inishtrahull, Feb 8—Passed stmr Marina, St John and Halifax for Glasgow.

Liverpool, Feb 8—Sld stmr Empress of Ireland, for St John.

Liverpool, Feb. 7—Sld stmr Pretorian, for St John.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Yokohama, Feb. 6—Ard stmr Empress of Japan, from Vancouver.

Bahia Blanca, Jan 31—Ard, ship Norwood, Boston.

Chatham, Mass, Feb. 7—Stmr Sylvia, from New York for Hillsboro.

Portland, Feb. 7—Sld schr Alacala for Liverpool, N. S.

Portsmouth, N H, Feb. 7—Sld schr Isiah K Stetson, St. John.

Mobile, Feb. 6—Cld bark Golden Rod, Irving, Havana; Hornet, McLennan, Pascaoula.

Savannah, Feb 7—Ard stmr Eueria, Mulchay, from Ferinandina.

Colertine, Feb 8—Ard stmr Pydna, Fitzpatrick, from Buenos Ayres.

New York, Feb 8—Ard stmr Pandosia, Wyman, from Boston.

Philadelphia, Feb 6—Ard schr Leah A Whidden, Innes, from San Blas.

City Island, Feb 6—Passed schr Almeda Willey, (Am), Hatfield, from St John for New York, laths.

New York, Feb. 8—Ard schr Harry Knowlton, from South Amboy for Boston.

Cld—Stmrs Lucania, for Liverpool; New York, for Southampton.

Portland, Me, Feb 8—Ard stmrs Dominion, Cain, from Louisburg (C B); Cape Breton, McDonald, do; schrs Norman, Olsen, from St John for Bridgeport; Maple Leaf, from South Amboy for St Andrews (N B); towed here from near Bideford Pool where she was ashore, by the tug Priscilla; schr only slightly damager.

Cld—Schr H H Kitchener, for LeHave (N S.)

New Haven, Conn, Feb 8—Sld schr Crescent, for St John (N B.)

Boston, Feb. 8—Ard stmr A W Perry, from Halifax.

Cld—Schrs Anna, for St John; Rebecca M Wells, do; Latooka, for LaHave (N S.)

Sld—Stmr Boston, for Yarmouth (N S.)

Vineyard Haven, Mass, Feb 8—Ard barkentine Glenville, from Halifax for New York; schr Emily Anderson, from New York for Parrsboro (N S.)

Havana, Cuba, Jan 29—Ard brigt Marconi, McLeod, from Liverpool (N S); 30th, schrs Advent and Strathcona, both from Port Tampa; Brooklyn, Hare, Mobile.

Gulfport, Miss, Feb 4—Sld schr Attractor, Scott, Savana la Mar; 5th, bark Alde, Hall, Parma, Barbados; schr C W Mills, Malknau, Havana.

REPORTS, DISASTERS, ETC.

Boston, Feb. 7—The four-masted schr Andrew Adams from Curacoa for Baltimore, before reported ashore 19 miles south of Cartagena, was floated Jan. 30 after jettisoning cargo of guano, but she leaked so badly that she soon filled and sank; crew saved. The Andrew Adams left Little Curacoa Jan 1 for Baltimore, and on Jan 4 when 90 miles NW of Curacoa, during a gale, the vessel sprang aleak and the pumps became choked with guano. She is now a total loss.

Portland, Feb. 7—The two-masted schooner discovered ashore near Biddeford Pool today was the Maple Leaf, a 91 ton craft, belonging to Parrsboro, N S and bound from Poston to Parrsboro, with coal. The crew remained on board without danger, the sea being smooth. On request of the captain the tug Priscilla was sent out from this city this afternoon and it was expected to float the schooner with the high tide.

Nassau, Feb 2—No hope is entertained of saving steamer Elva (Nor), from Baltimore for Vera Cruz, before reported stranded at Abaco. She is full of water.

Schooner Sirocco, (Br), Robbins, which put in here Nov 5 while on the passage from St. John (N B), for Cardenas, has discharged all her cargo and was hauled out on the marine railway and surveyed. Her keel was found badly shattered and in very bad condition; forefoot badly split; rudder gone and some of her seams were open. Vessel was badly hogged about four inches amidships and otherwise damaged. Surveyors recommended that a new keel and garboard streaks on both sides be put in, new forefoot, new rudder and deck and hull entirely recaulked and other repairs made.

RECENT CHARTERS.

British ship Brynhilda, 1409, from Buenos Ayres to Boston with hides $6,500.

British bark Ladysmith, 698 tons New York to Vita Cuba, coal p.t.

British schr Moama, 384 tons, Kings Ferry to Trinidad, $6.50; sch Melrose, 637 tons, Jacksonville to Mayaguez, P. R. p. t.; British schr Marjorie J Sumner, 355 tons, Jacksonville to Amherst, N S. $7.50 in place of British schr Theta, before reported.

McKinley, Canadian port to Hommelvik, p. t.; steamer Othella, 2,391 tons, Canada and United States trade, time charter. Schooners Moama, King's Ferry to Trinidad, lumber, $6.50; Marjorie J. Sumner, Jacksonville to Amherst, lumber, $7.50, in place of schooner Theta, before reported; steamer Cheronea, Calais to New York or Philadelphia, chalk, prompt.

NOTICE TO MARINERS

Pollock Rip broken part, bell buoy, numbered 1 A. Pollock Rip Slue, Mass. has been run into and capsized. A fresh buoy will be substituted as soon as practicable.

VESSELS IN PORT

Not Cleared

(With their Tonnage and Consignee.)

Steamers.

Athenia, 5982, R Reford Co.
Canada Cape, 2795, Wm Thomson & Co.
Inishowen Head, 1,988, Wm. Thomson & Co.
Lakonia, 3,046, R Reford Co.
Mount Temple, 6661, C P R Co.
Nordpol, 2,428, J H Scammell & Co.
St. John City, 1411, Wm. Thomson & Co.
Vileland, 1299, J H Scammell & Co.

Bark.

Mary Barry, 506, J Splane & Co.

Schooners

Abbie Keast, 95, W Watson.
Annie A Booth 165 A W Adams.
Alaska, 118, J W Smith.
Comrade, 97, J M Driscoll.
D W B, 120, D J Purdy.
E. Merriam, 331, F C Beatteay.
Emily F. Northam, 315, A W Adams.
Eric, 119, N C Scott.
F and E Givan, 99, F Tufts & Co.
Fanny, 91, F Tufts & Co.
Genevieve, 124, A W Adams.
Georgie Pearl, 118, A W Adams.
Harry Miller, 246, A W Adams.
Helen, 122, J Splane & Co.
Hunter, 137, D J Purdy.
Ida May, 119, D J Purdy.
Jennie C, 98, A W Adams.
J Arthur Lord, 189, F C Beatteay.
Lizzie H Patrick, Master.
Laura C Hall, 99 master.
Lavonia, 266, J W Smith.
Lotas, 98, A W Adams.
Lucia Porter, 284 P McIntyre
Lena Maud, 98, J W Smith.
Myrtle Leaf, 336, A W Adams.
Onward, 92, J W McAlary.
Otis Miller, 98, J W Smith.
Pardon G Thompson, 162, A Cushing & Co.
Pansy, 76, Master.
Perry C, 287, master.
Phoenix, 396, Master.
Priscilla, 101, A W Adams.
Rebecca W Huddell, 210, D J Purdy.
Rewa, 122, D J Purdy
Roger Drury, 397, R C Elkin.
Romeo, 111, P McIntyre.
Sallie E Ludlam, 199, D J Purdy.
Three Sisters, 275, J E Moore
Walter Miller, 118, N C Scott
Wandrian, 311, J A Likely.
Witch Hazel, 235, F C Beatteay.

MARINE NOTES

The Annapolis, N. S. schoner, Elma, Capt. Miller, cleared today for City Island for orders, with 1,572,100 spruce laths.

The St. John bark Nellie Troop, Captain Owen, arrived at Adelaide, Australia, Jan. 23, from Buenos Ayres, bound for Newcastle (N. S. W.)

Bark Hornet, of St. John, has cleared from Mobile for Pascagoula. She is in command of Capt. McLennan. The bark was damaged in a storm some time ago.

Schooner C. P. Dixon, from Philadelphia Aug. 30 for Fajardo, has been posted at Lloyds as missing.

South African line steamer Canada Cape, Captain Symons will sail tomorrow for Cape Town and other South African ports, with a full general cargo.

Battle liner Eretria, Capt. Mulcahy, arrived at Savannah last Thursday from Ferinandina; steamer Yyana, of the same line, Capt. Fitzpatrick, arrived at Colertine yesterday from Buenos Ayres, and the Pandosia, in command of Captain Wyman, arrived yesterday at New York from Boston.

Orders have been given by the Dominion line to a Belfast (Ire) firm to lay down immediately another big vessel for th Anglo-American-Canadian trade betwen Liverpool, Portland and Montral. She is to be named the Albrta in honor of th new province in the west. She will be 14,000 gross tons, 550 feet long, 67 ft. bam, speed 16 knots. Her saloon accommodations will be large and equal to the highest class of Atlantic passenger steamers in every respect.

It is said that by the application of a new and improved method of adjustment of th ordinary typ of reciprocating engines vibration will be eliminated equally with the turbine system, and hence her building will be watched with much interest by the maritime world.

N. Y. STOCK MARKET

Saturday, Feb. 9th, 1907.

New York Stock Market and Chicago Market Report and New York Cotton Market. Furnished by D. C. Clinch, Banker and broker:

	Yesterday's Closing	Today's Opening	Noon
Amalg Copper	112¾	112⅞	112¾
Aanconda	283	283	285½
Am Sugar Rfrs	133	133½	134⅞
Am. Smelt & Rfg.	143	142⅜	142⅜
Am Car Foundry	43¾	43⅞	43⅞
Atchison	104¼	104	103
Am Locomotive	71	71	70⅞
Brook Rpd Trst.	73⅞	73¼	73⅛
Balt & Ohio	116¾	116¼	116⅛
Canadian Pacific.	181¾	181½	181
Colo F & Iron	48⅞	49	48½
Erie	35¼	35	35⅞
Nipissing	12b	11⅞b	11⅝b
Kansas & Texas	38⅞	39	38½
Louis & Nashville	139⅜	139⅝	139⅝
Mexican Central	24½	24½	24½
Missouri Pacific	84⅜	84⅜	83⅞
N. Y. Central	128¼	128⅛	127¾
North West.	164½	164½	164½
Peo C & Gas Co.	97½	96½	96⅝
Reading	123¾	123¾	122¼
Republic Steel	26	26¾	26⅞
Pennsylvania	131⅝	131¼	130⅝
Rock Island	26½	26	25⅝
St. Paul	147⅞	147⅞	147
Southern Ry	26⅝	26½	26
Southern Pacific.	94	93⅝	93⅛
Union Pacific.	173¼	173⅞	172½
U S Steel	45	45	44½
U S Steel pfd.	104⅞	104⅝	104¾

Total sales in N Y yesterday 841,900 shares.

CHICAGO MARKET REPORT

May Corn	46⅞	46½	46½
May Wheat	80	79⅞	79⅝
May Oats	40⅝	37	37
July Corn	46½	46½	46⅝
May Wheat	39⅜	79⅜	79⅛

MONTREAL QUOTATIONS.

Dom Coal	62b		
Dom Iron & Steel	22¾	22¼	22¾
Dom I & S., pfd.	58	58½	58⅛
Nova Scotia Steel	70b	72	72
C. P. R.	181b		
Montreal Power	94¾	91½	91⅝
Detroit United	79¾	79¾	79¾

N. Y. COTTON MARKET.

March Cotton	9.52	9.50	9.47
May Cotton	9.67	9.62	9.62
July Cotton	9.78	9.74	9.72
October Cotton	9.92	9.88	9.84

WALL STREET

NEW YORK, Feb. 9—Declines not exceeding ½ were the rule in the opening dealings in stocks and the transactions were small. A number of the southwestern railroads and railroad equipment stocks showed gains and Anaconda rose 2, Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie fell 1½.

First Typist—"And has he really asked you to ride uptown with him every night in the subway?"

Second Typist—"Oh, yes. It's a standing invitation."—Harper's Weekly.

EMPRESS SAILED THIS MORNING

Owing to the severe storm last evening, the C. P. R. steamer Empress of Britain did not sail last night, but left her berth at 7.15 this morning. The steamer will call at Halifax, where the Overseas mail will be put on board, the train bearing it having passed through here this morning.

The body of Lady Grenfell, daughter of Earl Grey, arrived here yesterday afternoon about three o'clock and was placed on board in the baggage room, which had been prepared with decorations of cedar boughs and wreaths for its reception. The casket was borne by twelve sailors from the steamer, who passed between a double row of members of the crew drawn up across the freight shed. The total passenger list was 450—ninety saloon, one hundred and ten second cabin, and two hundred and fifty steerage.

BABY SLEEPS SOUNDLY

Babies who are given an occasional dose of Baby's Own Tablets always sleep soundly at night, and it is not the drugged sleep produced by sleeping drops or "soothing" syrups either—the sleep is natural, healthy and restful, and baby wakes up in the morning bright and cheerful. The Tablets are the best medicine in the world for the cure of all the minor ailments of little ones. Mrs. L. Gagne, Edmundston, N. B., says:—"My baby was cross and fretful and I hardly ever got a good night's rest until I began giving Baby's Own Tablets. These Tablets removed the cause of the trouble and now baby sleeps well at night." The Tablets are sold by druggists or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

DEATHS

GASS—February 8th. 1907, at his home, Village Road, Hampton, N. B., Robertson Gass, in the 46th year of his age.

Funeral Monday 11th. inst., at twelve o'clock from his late residence to the Maritime Express arriving here at 1.45 p. m. when coaches will be taken for Fernhill cemetery.

SEARS—At Fairville, on the 7th. inst., Lawrence Sears, in the 51st. year of his age, leaving a wife and one son to mourn their loss.

Funeral from his late residence, Main street Fairville, on Sunday, at 2.30. Friends invited to attend.

LOONEY—In this city, on the 8th. inst., infant son of James and Sarah Looney.

Funeral on Saturday (Feb. 9th.) at 2.30 from Millidge Avenue.

FOR MANUAL TRAINING

New School Building on Waterloo Street is Now Ready for Its Equipment.

As the school of manual training is finished the reports of the work done will be submitted to the school board Monday night.

A Times reporter visited the school yesterday afternoon and although the machinery for conducting the school has not been installed, yet the inside of the building itself has a very attractive appearance.

The school, which is situated on Waterloo street, opposite Cliff street, is built upon a huge rock and the foundation is encased in an up-to-date fence.

The location on the rock has permitted the building to have an excellent veranda, which sets off the school to good advantage.

There are two entrances from the veranda, one facing Cliff street and the other cut in the side of the building. The door facing Cliff street will be used only on special occasions, but the one on the side is that through which the scholars will daily pass.

By entering the front door the visitor comes into a beautiful large room, well lighted by four large windows. At present it is not the intention to use that room for teaching, but it will be known as "the front room."

Going out of the front room toward the ell, the visitor passes through a small hallway into another large room, which will be used for domestic science. Like the front room, this one is well lighted and spacy. A large sink has been placed in it and a range will be purchased in the near future.

Off the hallway is a fine laboratory, which will be used exclusively by the female pupils. A goodly proportioned cloak room is situated off the domestic science room.

From the ladies' floor the visitor goes up stairs and there ascertains that the second floor is laid out exactly as the lower one. The room, however, over "the front room" will be used as "the manual training room" and will have twenty large benches placed in it.

Excellent sanitary arrangements have also been provided for the male pupils.

The carpenters, save a little work on the veranda, are finished and the painters completed their duties yesterday.

For a visitor to enter the school now he can see nothing but the inside of the building itself, as it is not graced by any equipments as yet. The newness of the building, though, gives a very pleasing impression.

The benches are expected to arrive any day now and from this out the school will be equipped little by little until it will open probably on April 2nd.

The building is painted a light green hue and presents a very excellent appearance. There is a very regrettable feature in the building, however, and that is that the side facing Union street is not by any means "plum," and that defect deteriorates greatly from the appearance of the building from Waterloo street.

Speaking with the Times, James Myles, the carpenter, stated that the old frame was used, and that was the cause of the side being out of "plum." With reference to any other particulars of the building Mr. Myles said that he would give nothing for publication until he submitted his report on Monday evening to the board of school trustees.

MONTREAL CLEARINGS

Montreal Clearing House returns for the week ending Feb. 7:

1907	$32,212,294
1906	21,778,287
1905	22,106,661

M. R. A. BUYERS LEAVE

W. G. Smith general retail buyer for M. R. A., Ltd., left by steamer Empress of Britain this morning for English and other European markets. On Friday night Miss Hoyt of the millinery department and Miss McBeath of the ladies' tailoring branch of the business, left for New York to attend demonstrations at the leading modistes. In New York these ladies will meet W. L. Robson, the mantle buyer, who is returning from Europe, and will confer with him as to American purchases.

UNCLE JOSH WHITCOMB.

The "Uncle Josh Whitcomb" Company, comprised of Yarmouth local talent, will arrive Monday. The cast of characters, etc., will appear in Monday's Times.

NEW YORK BANK STATEMENT.

Reserves on all deposits, dec.	$ 9,283,225
Reserves other than U. S., dec.	9,514,725
Loans, inc.	1,518,900
Specie, dec.	7,418,200
Legal tenders, dec.	4,659,400
Deposits, dec.	11,187,500
Circulation, inc.	149,400

Statement decidedly unfavorable.

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