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The Evening Times.

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THE WEATHER.

Today and on Thursday, light to moderate west to southwest winds, local snow flurries, but mostly fair, not much change in temperature.

HUNTING FOR THE ARK IS A POPULAR PASTIME NOW

Once Downed By a Flood, Dr. Pugsley's Patronage Committee Gets Busy---No Jobs In Future With-out the Sanction of the Seven Noahs.

The Bible relates that the deluge by which the earth was submerged was sent as a warning. Noah and his family were the only ones to heed it and they escaped its awful consequences by retreating into the ark and eventually finding a landing place on desolate Ararat.

Deluges as conveyances of warning are now obsolete but when the history of recent events in St. John is written for the edification of "teeming millions yet unborn" it will surely be recorded how, late in 1907, a Flood caused considerable consternation in the city of the Loyalists and consequently seven Noahs---appointed by the of the shorn coat-tails---sat up and took notice.

The rise of the Flood was not sufficient to bring about the complete submersion of the Noas but it did raise considerable turmoil on the political waters and the Noas were much humiliated thereby. The political sea became so rough that even the Ottawa oil dispenser around whom the Noas lived and moved and had their being, became worried and informed his henchmen that unless they put him wise to any future floods, earthquakes or other disturbances which might break at any moment, their seven heads would fall into the basket and he would get a new bunch.

As a result of this the stalwart seven got busy, climbed into their Princess street ark and went into secret session. When they emerged therefrom it was announced that they had decided to form

themselves into a mighty barrier to block the way and stifle the ambitions of any job hunters who, by ignoring them, might get next to a real wise one and land a job while they were preparing to act.

A singed cat dreads the fire. Once stung, careful the next time and so on ad lib.

Consequently any one who wants a government job now must apply to Dr. Pugsley's Noahs. He is down and out.

Already splendid results have followed the strenuous application of this policy of vigilance. True, Mr. E. H. S. Flood passed up the ark collection but they have since appointed a snow shoveller for Christmas, steamed for Southampton yesterday with the greatest bulk of east-bound Christmas mail that has ever been shipped from New York in one bottom. Stowed away in her 4143 mail sacks were 35,107 postal orders, representing a cash value of \$1,102,422.50. Postmaster Morgan said that never in his association with the post office has he seen such a large amount of Christmas money orders as was sent abroad from December 3rd to yesterday.

"I know of nothing," said Mr. Morgan, "which indicates more clearly the excellent financial condition of the country than these money orders. Last year was admittedly a prosperous year, yet the increase in money orders sent abroad this holiday season exceeds the figures of the corresponding period of 1906 by \$1,156,088.00. The money sent abroad this year shows the financial condition of the rank and file of the people. If the foreigners are able to send this amount abroad, it is safe to assume that thrifty Americans have a similar if not greater amount saved."

FOWLER AND STANFIELD

They Will Speak in Weston, Ont., Today In the Interests of the Conservative Candidate.

TORONTO, Dec. 18--(Special)--Interest in the Centre York campaign is becoming intense and political gatherings arranged to support the candidature of Captain Tom. Wallace, Conservative nominee, are being largely attended. R. L. Borden and other Conservative leaders are coming up to participate in the fight. Today, Messrs. G. W. Fowler, M. P., of Sussex, N. B., and John Stanfield, M. P., who has just reached here, will address the solid Liberal contingent from Nova Scotia, will speak at Weston.

BLIND ARE EXPERT STENOGRAPHERS

New Field for the Sightless Made Possible By a Short Hand Machine.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18--A new field of endeavor has been opened to three men and women whose misfortune it is to be blind, a field which heretofore has been controlled by men and women whose chief requisition has been keen eyesight. The new work is that of shorthand and typewriting, and the first blind woman exponent to enter the profession in New York state, if not in the entire country, may be seen daily at her desk in the offices and salesrooms of the New York Association for the Blind, No. 118 and Fifty-ninth street. In addition to the large volume of office work correspondence, the stenographer has many outside customers who come in during the day to give her dictation. With a speed exceeding that of the average shorthand writer, and with no other guide than a remarkable mentality and amazing subtle sense of touch, the stenographer takes down the dictation by means of a shorthand machine.

LATE PERSONALS

D. A. McLeod came in on the Montreal express at noon.

George E. Day returned on today's Montreal train.

Stephen B. Gervoy was a passenger to the city on the Montreal train today.

The following U. N. B. students passed through the city at noon on the way to their homes in Moncton: Frank Tingley, Miss George E. Ryan, Harold Murray and Harold Bell.

Miss Mary F. Cotter, who has been visiting in Boston has returned home.

A letter from H. L. Spencer, who is living at White Head, Kings county, states that the veteran poet and journalist has lost the use of his right eye. Mr. Spencer's friends will learn with regret of an affliction so severe to one to whom reading is so great a source of pleasure and companionship.

LIQUIDATOR APPOINTED

TORONTO, Dec. 18--(Special)--Mr. Martin of this city has been appointed liquidator of the Bohemer Erb Company of Berlin. The company conducted a large departmental store. Its liabilities, which have been accumulating for some time, are heavy, and many creditors are involved. The company succeeded A. O. Bohemer and Company, Limited, which assigned about a year ago. The business is being continued in charge of the liquidators.

Luke Monahan and Patrick Carroll, two sailors who had accumulated heavy cargoes of joy water, said they were on their way to their vessel when arrested. Both were allowed to go with a caution from his honor.

LOST---BETWEEN CLIFF AND BRITAIN streets via Waterloo, Union and Charlotte streets. Gold Chain Bracelet with monogram on lock. Finder kindly leave at 65 British streets. 2063-12-19.

DOES NOT LOOK LIKE HARD TIMES

More Christmas Money Orders Sent Abroad from United States This Year Than Ever Before.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18--The Tribune today says: The White Star Line Oceanic, the last steamer to leave this port that will land passengers in England before Christmas, steamed for Southampton yesterday with the greatest bulk of east-bound Christmas mail that has ever been shipped from New York in one bottom.

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AN ATTLEBORO BANK CLOSES

Its President Was Found Dead Last Night and Investigation Follows.

NORTH ATTLEBORO, Mass., Dec. 18--The Jewelers' National Bank of this town, whose vice-president and cashier, Frederick E. Sargeant, was found dead in a bath tub at his apartments last night, failed to open its doors for business this morning.

A notice posted on the door stated that the bank would remain closed pending an examination of its affairs.

Although President Albert D. Wiggin, of the bank, who is in New York city, sent instructions from that city last night that the institution should open for business as usual today, the directors at an early meeting held today voted to keep the bank closed until a thorough examination of its books had been made.

The following notice was posted on the door: "This bank will not open for business today, pending an examination of its affairs, per order of the Board of Directors." Bank examiners Ewer and Currier were here early today and at once began their investigation, being assisted in their work by the bank officials. Medical Examiner C. H. Holden, stated today that he had not given the cause of the death of Mr. Sargeant as "accidental drowning," as reported last night, but simply as "drowned." Further than this he declined to discuss the case.

It was expected that President Wiggin, who also is vice-president of the Chase National Bank of New York city, would arrive here some time today.

The bank was the successor of the Attleboro National Bank which was organized for the convenience of the jewelry trade in that district.

KAISER'S HEALTH GIVES CAUSE FOR GRAVE ANXIETY

PARIS, Dec. 18--The French press is considerably occupied with everything that concerns the German emperor, particularly his health. In spite of the assurances given by physicians and statements issued from authorized sources, the Paris journals still persist in believing that he is affected by a grave malady.

The newspapers urge that no reliance should be placed on authorized statements and cite the case of King Alfonso of Spain, who was actually in the hands of Dr. Moure, being treated for a nasal obstruction, while it was positively denied by authority that he had ever consulted Dr. Moure or that anything was the matter with him.

H. A. Powell, K. C. returned to the city on today's Montreal train.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

PRIDE HATH A FALL.

The Times new reporter stalked into the office this morning without deigning to notice the other members of the staff, and kept his head very high as he seated himself at his desk. The other fellows eyed him for a moment and then exchanged winks. There was a whispered conference at the sporting editor's desk, and presently the group strolled casually over to the desk of the new reporter.

"Not speaking to anybody today?" blandly queried the sporting editor.

The new reporter haughtily surveyed the group and growled: "What's the matter with you fellows?"

"We just wanted to say 'Good morning,'" gently responded the sporting editor.

"We heard that the boarders up at the house presented you with an address last night, and we wanted to show our own

HON. J. I. TARTE REPORTED DYING

He Has Been Ill for Some Time in His Home---Black Sod Bay Promoters See Sir Wilfrid.

OTTAWA, Dec. 18--(Special)--A private despatch from Montreal says the Hon. J. I. Tarte is dying.

Sir Thomas Trowbridge, head of the Black Sod Bay syndicate, is in the city today and had an interview with Sir Wilfrid Laurier in regard to the project. Sir Thomas also met some of the other ministers. He says that the British government will not aid any project that does not include the Pacific as well as the Atlantic. This, Sir Thomas says, is not properly understood in Canada, it must begin at Liverpool and end at Sydney, taking in New Zealand. That was the view of the imperial conference.

The parliamentary committee of which Lloyd George is the head, would never entertain a proposition that left out the Pacific. If this were done Sir Thomas says that all the governments concerned, the imperial, the Canadian, the Australian, and the New Zealand, may be relied upon to give a subvention. He is surprised to find that the Canadians seem to be confining their attention to the Atlantic in the scheme. Irish members would also oppose any project that would leave out Ireland.

It was proposed too by his company to have a 25-knot service on the Atlantic fortnightly instead of the present and only one on the Pacific.

MONTREAL, Dec. 18--(Special)--Latest advices from Boucherville early this afternoon are that Hon. J. I. Tarte continues to lie at the point of death and the end may come at any moment.

THE STEEL COAL CASE

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 18--(Special)--When the Steel-Coal argument was resumed this morning the court room was well filled with spectators.

Mr. Lovett continued his address regarding the features of the contract and the interpretation of it as found in the decision of Judge Longley.

At noon he finished and J. J. Ritchie began on the same side. He reviewed the facts as produced in evidence at the trial in Sydney. First, he dwelt on the stone and shale portions of the evidence, endeavoring to show that it had been proved that the coal supplied was free from this material and that the judge had no warrant in saying in regard to this coal that it had laminations, or layers of impure matter. Court adjourned at one for lunch.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Miss Mary Jane Daley was held at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon from her late residence, 41 Britannia street, to St. John the Baptist church, where service was conducted by the Very Rev. W. F. Chapman, V. G., and interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of John E. Carson, who died in Boston on December 5th, was held at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon from his brother's home, 233 Waterloo street. Rev. Dr. Raymond officiated, and interment was made in the church of England cemetery.

DR. McQUEEN ILL

AMHERST, Dec. 15--(Special)--Amherst is alarmed to hear this morning of the very serious illness of Dr. C. A. McQueen, one of the most prominent physicians, who was stricken with pneumonia last Friday. A consultation was held this morning, and the doctors consider his condition very serious.

Dr. McQueen is a brother of Sheriff McQueen, of Dorchester, and is considered one of the town's cleverest medical men. He has been practicing in Amherst for twenty years.

SIR WILLIAM IS WISE

TORONTO, Dec. 18--(Special)--Sir William Mulock gives an unqualified denial to the rumor which has been current here to the effect that he will leave the bench to re-enter politics.

PETROLEA, Ont., Dec. 18--(Special)--Petrolea will accept an offer of \$10,000 from Andrew Carnegie for a public library on the usual conditions.

WALKED IN AND STOLE THE COIN

Bold Robbery in a Fredericton Boarding House---Sir John Allan's Granddaughter Married.

FREDERICTON, Dec. 18--(Special)--A wedding of interest to many New Brunswick people was solemnized at St. Simon's church, Fredericton, yesterday afternoon when Miss Maggie Allen, late of this city, was wed to the altar by Henry G. V. Smith, of the civil service, Ottawa. Miss June Allen, the bride's half-sister, was bridesmaid, and the groom's brother was the best man. After luncheon at the home of Mrs. H. E. Bond, the happy couple left for New York on their honeymoon. The bride is a grand-daughter of the late Chief Justice Allen, and sister of Mrs. A. R. Wetmore, of this city. For several years she has filled the position of superintendent of the Victorian Order of Nurses, with headquarters at Ottawa.

Between six and seven o'clock last evening, while the members of the household were at supper, a young colored woman entered the boarding house of Mrs. James McNally, Northumberland street, and making her way into the attic stole eighteen dollars from a trunk belonging to two Acadian normal students. The thief was caught in the act by one of the students, but managed to get down stairs and out of the house before she could be apprehended. The police were immediately notified and later in the evening arrested a young colored woman named Hattie Waters who has done time in Dorchester but she could not be identified by victims of the robbery and was discharged.

William McLellan and J. D. Black will represent the Capital Hockey Club at the annual meeting of the New Brunswick League to be held in St. John tomorrow. Frank and John Gibson will represent the Marysville Crescents. Fredericton delegates will advocate the double penalty referee system and are able to submit the Marathons and Crescents to the league.

Thomas Bridges a well known resident of Sheffield died last night aged seventy-eight years. He is survived by a widow, three sons and three daughters.

Due to the high freight which prevails it has been found necessary to use the sewerage pumping plant during the past few days. It was expected when the sewerage system was installed it would only be necessary to use the pumping apparatus during high water in the spring.

Turkeys sold in the market here this morning at fourteen cents per pound.

TO CIVILIZE THE "FORBIDDEN CITY"

Telegraphs, Mails, Hospitals, Schools, and a Newspaper, Are Projected in Lhasa.

PEKIN, Dec. 18--The throne has sanctioned the construction of a telegraph line into Lhasa, the capital of Tibet and the residence of the Dalai Lama, the supreme head of the Lamaist hierarchy. This innovation was recommended by the Chinese resident at Lhasa who, since the advent of the British expedition of 1904, has been working for the enlightenment of the Tibetans.

The throne furthermore will give hospitals, schools and a mail service to Lhasa, and it is reported that a request has been made for permission to publish a newspaper there.

DR. BAYARD'S FUNERAL

The funeral of the late Dr. William Bayard will take place tomorrow, Thursday afternoon, at 2:45 o'clock. The body will be taken to Trinity church where a service will be held and interment will be made in Fernhill cemetery.

In the police court this morning Archibald McLeod was fined \$4 or ten days for drunkenness.

MONTREAL STOCKS

MONTREAL, Dec. 18--(Special)--Stocks continued dull to day the only feature being a bear pressure on Montreal Power. Yesterday it sold off one point to 84 but later rallied to 84. Today the price was again at 84. Other features were Detroit, at 35, So., 77, Toronto Railway 94 1/2, and Nova Scotia Steel, 55.

THE SCHR. JESSIE BARLOW SUNK OFF CAPE COD

She Collided With the Tug Lehigh and Went Down in 24 Feet of Water---Crew of Six Men Escaped---Was Coal Barge for Rockland.

CHATHAM, Mass., Dec. 18--An unknown thrashed schooner believed to have been bound north from a coal port, sank off here some time during the night. The vessel went down in about 24 feet of water and her hull is entirely submerged. She was discovered at daybreak today. The crew of the schooner and Monomoy Point life saving stations have gone to the scene. The sunken vessel lies about four miles off the Cape Cod shore and about a mile north of the Pollock Rip lightship.

It is believed that the schooner was sunk as the result of a collision with some other craft.

Last night between 10 and 11 o'clock the beach patrols from the life saving station at Monomoy and Monomoy Point noticed a peculiar mix-up of signals at approximately the same spot where the schooner's spars are protruding above the sea today. The patrols watched for signals of distress to be displayed but did not see any.

At daybreak the schooner's spars were seen above the water. The vessel was submerged about half way up to the cross

trees. There was no sign of life on board the vessel, no one so far as could be seen having sought refuge in the rigging. The life savers reached the sunken vessel shortly before 8:30 a. m., having had a long hard row of more than an hour and a half. It is generally believed that the crew of the schooner either was picked up by the craft with which the schooner was in collision, or has found shelter on board the Pollock Rip lightship. On account of the schooner being so deeply submerged it is considered doubtful if the life savers will be able to ascertain her name, unless they find some member of the crew.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., Dec. 18--The schooner Jesse Barlow, of Mystic, Conn., was run down and sunk in Pollock Rip, Mass., by the tug Lehigh at 8:34 o'clock last night, and her crew of six men, who narrowly escaped being carried down with their vessel, reached the tug and were brought here today. The Barlow was bound from South Amboy for Rockland with coal, and was a dangerous menace to navigation, 100 feet north of the Pollock Rip lightship.

CURLERS WILL OWN AMHERST

Maritime Curling Bonspiel Will Open There on Feb. 5---Three Hundred Curlers Expected.

AMHERST, N. S., Dec. 18--(Special)--It is now definitely decided that the maritime curling bonspiel will open here on Wednesday, February 5th. The committee have already begun to prepare and are now at work fitting up the Maritime Fair building for the event. J. P. Atherton, secretary, has just returned from Toronto, Montreal, Hamilton, and other Canadian cities, and says that representatives from those cities will compete in the tournament, also that all the clubs competing last year are sending teams. Over three hundred curlers are expected in Amherst during the week.

MASONIC FUNERAL

Funeral of Late G. Gordon Boyne This Afternoon Was Largely Attended.

The body of G. Gordon Boyne was interred in Fernhill cemetery this afternoon with full Masonic rites. At two o'clock the remains were removed from his late residence, Peters street, to the Mission Church of St. John Baptist, Paradise Row, where at 2:30 o'clock service was conducted by the rector, Rev. E. Revington Jones.

At the close of the service the Masonic body took charge of the arrangements and the members of Hibernia Lodge, of which Mr. Boyne was a member, and representatives of sister lodges, in full regalia, walked from the chapel to the Marsh Bridge, where they dispersed and a delegation from the lodge went out to the cemetery to conduct the service at the grave. The following friends acted as pallbearers:--Hon. J. V. Ellis, Hon. A. T. Dunn, Thomas A. Godsoe, John Johnston, George Blake and William A. Quinton.

The Masons, in their regalia, made an imposing sight, and very many friends of the late Mr. Boyne also walked in the cortege. A large number of beautiful floral tributes from the Masonic order and private individuals testified to the esteem in which Mr. Boyne was held in the community.

Mrs. Frances G. Bustin

Word was received this morning by Undersecretary T. Fred Powers, with death at Halifax of Mrs. Frances G. Bustin, widow of the late Charles H. Bustin, formerly of this city. Mrs. Bustin was formerly Miss Kilgus.

The body is being sent here for interment. It will arrive tomorrow morning and will be held from 10 to 11 a. m. at Mr. Powers' warehouses, Princess street.

CLOSING AT NETHERWOOD

Dinner and Christmas Tree Will Be Held This Evening.

Closing exercises were conducted at Netherwood, the Rotherham school for girls, today. A number of the parents and a friends of the pupils were present and a very interesting programme was carried out. This afternoon the pupils returned to their annual drive and after a most delightful trip the pupils returned to Netherwood, where dinner will be served at 6 o'clock. The toast will be as follows:--Netherwood; Our Guests; Class of '07; Class of '08; Teachers; Holiday.

Among the guests are Judge and Mrs. Wilshire, Rev. A. W. and Mrs. Daniel, Mrs. James Donnelly, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. J. S. Armstrong, Mrs. J. Hall, Miss Walker, Miss Madge Robertson, Miss Graney, and Miss Jean Ketchum and Miss Mary Hamblin of last year's graduating class. This evening gifts will be distributed from a Christmas tree in the dining room.

FAKE PRIEST WAS A SMOOTH CROOK

"Rev. R. W. O'Leary" Trimmed Montreal Tradesmen With Bogus Cheques.

MONTREAL, Dec. 18--(Special)--Representing himself as Rev. R. W. O'Leary, a Roman Catholic priest, and looking the part with much skill, a crook has been doing the people of Montreal by the way of bogus cheques. He obtained from \$300 to \$500 in this way, getting money from tradesmen while making purchases. He was supposed to come from Ottawa.

COURT FREDERICK I. O. F.

The regular monthly meeting of Court Frederick, I. O. F. No. 368, was held last night in their hall, west side. Being the last meeting for 1907, a short programme was carried out, and refreshments served. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

J. A. Lester, C. D.; Dr. P. J. Kenney, Dr. R. G. Day, court physicians; E. J. Neve, C. R.; W. H. Allingham, Vic. O. R.; J. S. Tait, recording secretary; C. E. Belyea, financial secretary; J. B. Tait, treasurer; James Aleton, chaplain; S. Earle, S. W.; H. Ford, J. V.; Fred McAlvay, S. B.; H. Sealey, J. B.; S. Earle, H. Hamilton, trustees; Messrs. Tapley and Foster financial committee.

Police Sergeant Hipwell while on his way home to dinner about noon today had a fall, in which he was severely shaken up and had to be driven to his home.

KINDERGARTENS CLOSE FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Attractive Programmes Carried Out in Free Kindergartens Today.

The Christmas closing exercises of the kindergarten schools of the city are being held today. The children are being taught of happy "kiddies" are turning loose in eager anticipation of the annual festival.

At St. Mary's school house the Free Kindergarten class entrusted to Miss Morton, gave a varied and interesting programme, in the presence of a large gathering of parents and friends of the we scholars. The room was prettily decorated with evergreen, vari-colored paper chains and other articles made by the little ones, while in one corner stood a huge Christmas tree loaded down with dainty pictures, mounted and framed by the children. Among these may be mentioned some splendid representations of the Madonna and the Holy Child. There were also calendars, maple leaves and match scratchers, as well as an abundance of popcorn prepared in the school room by the tots themselves.

At the conclusion of the exercises which were carried through in a manner which reflected a great deal of credit on Miss Morton as well as her pupils, the children were taken to an adjoining room, and when, after a few minutes, they returned to the school room, they were surprised and delighted to find the tree from which many of the articles had been taken, heavily burdened with presents for each of them. Every little girl received a doll, and each boy a shovel, the gifts being accompanied by bags of candy and nuts.

Miss Morton has a class of 46 pupils--27 girls and 19 boys, with an average attendance of thirty-six.

Miss Morton is assisted by Miss Belle Miller, and the volunteer assistants are Misses Nora, Knight, Hattie Vincent, Kitty Best and Edna Austin.

That Miss Morton has achieved success with her pupils was amply testified this morning by the hearty applause and favorable comment of both parents and visitors.

Miss Hutt, whose class is held at Garthmore street Methodist school room, is holding the Christmas closing, as also is the kindergarten class in charge of Mrs. Matthews, at Portland Methodist school room.

Miss Allan's private kindergarten at the Church of England Institute will close tomorrow.