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**WOMEN TO BE KEPT FROM THAW TRIAL**  
 The Think Judge's Ruling Will Exclude Even Prisoner's Wife and Mother.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2—Women will be barred from attendance at the approaching trial of Harry Thaw. It is even doubtful if Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, Mrs. William Thaw and Mrs. George Lander Carnegie will be permitted to attend upon the taking of testimony.  
 Justice Victor J. Dowling, the trial judge, issued a hard order to this effect. He is so greatly opposed to the presence of the curious and morbid at the trials held before him that he will instruct the court officers to keep out every woman who has nothing to do with the case and to restrict the spectators to two hundred. In fact, since the last trial the courtroom has been altered so that there is no longer seating capacity for more than that number.  
 Thaw will enter the room through a new passageway that has been built for prisoners at the end of the room opposite to where he entered it before. He will sit with his counsel inside the rail that has been stretched to cut off spectators from the principals and officers, and his chair will be fully twenty feet removed from that assigned to his wife when she attends to give testimony.  
 Russell A. Peabody, of Thaw's counsel, said that his client was in fine spirits, is completely satisfied with the preparations made by his counsel, and hasn't the least doubt of an acquittal.

**NEW YEAR'S BALL FOR A GIRL OF MILLIONS**  
 Lord Strathcona Celebrates 1908 for His Fabulously Rich Granddaughter.

LONDON, Jan. 1—Lord Strathcona gave a big ball, for the first time for many years, on New Year's Eve at Knebworth Hall, one of the most magnificent old mansions within a short distance of London. The ball celebrated the debut of his granddaughter, Miss Frances Howard, who will be fabulously rich.  
 By a special remainder granted by the late Queen Victoria, Lord Strathcona's title passes to his daughter, the Hon. Mrs. Howard, who is married to a doctor, and from her the title will pass to Mrs. Howard's eldest son, Donald.  
**ARRESTED FOR ASSAULT**  
 PORTLAND, Me., Jan. 1—Herbert A. Nason, of Canaan, was arrested late today by a deputy sheriff on the charge of assault with intent to kill, on Grover Nason, a neighbor.  
 The officers claim that Nason has been under the influence of intoxicants for several days and the residents of the neighborhood where he lives are in terror. They stated that he entered Grover Nason's house and threatened to shoot Grover Nason. He was prevented from doing harm by another man. Nason has been bound over twice on a similar charge and bound over to keep the peace in the future, so the charges were not pressed.

**WRECK THREATENS INDIAN CONGRESS**  
 Moderate Reformers and Extremists Clash—Acclaimed a Secessionist.

SURAT, Bombay, Jan. 1—After 23 years of increasingly successful work, the Indian National Congress now in annual session here, is threatened with wreck. Trouble has arisen from the divergence of opinion between the moderate reformers, who rely upon the aid of the British government in carrying out schemes for the betterment of the natives, and the extremists of the type who caused the recent alarm in Bengal.  
 The crisis came at today's meeting, at which there were nearly two thousand delegates from all parts of India and some thousands of spectators. The extremists who are in a large majority, demanded that the type who caused the recent alarm in Bengal.  
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**GEORGIA CHURCHES PRAY OUT WHISKEY**

**Preachers Smash Flasks on Pulpit Rails Amid Cries of "Amen!"**

ATLANTA, Jan. 1—John Barleycorn moved out of Georgia to the accompaniment of rousing camp meeting hymns, "hallelujahs" and deep-throated "amens" in the churches of Atlanta and other cities of the state, where watch-night services were held to celebrate the coming of state prohibition.  
 In Atlanta these services were held at the Baptist Tabernacle and the Wesley Memorial Methodist church, and were attended by probably six thousand persons. Stiring addresses were made by prohibition orators, and fervent prayers were offered that whiskey might never return to Georgia.  
 At ten o'clock last night when the saloons closed, Dr. Houston, pastor of the Baptist Tabernacle, rose in the pulpit and smashed a whiskey flask on the rail and cried, "The curse of whiskey is dead in Georgia!" A fervent "Thank God!" came from the hundreds present. Similar scenes were enacted in the other churches.  
 It is estimated there is more whiskey in Georgia homes than there has been since the founding of the state.  
 A bill was filed in the United States circuit court asking that the prohibition law be declared unconstitutional. Judge Newman will decide probably tomorrow.

**WEDDINGS**  
**Banks--Tompkins**

A quiet but very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Tompkins, Bristol, Carleton county, on Tuesday the 31st Dec., when their only daughter, Miss Ella K. Tompkins was united in marriage to Hiram H. G. Banks, formerly of Florenceville, but now engaged in the lumber business at Leavenworth, Washington. The ceremony took place at high noon, and was performed by Rev. A. A. Rideout, of Fredericton, cousin of the bride, in the presence of only a few immediate relatives and friends of the young couple. The rooms were very tastefully decorated in honor of the occasion.  
 The contracting parties stood beneath an arch festooned with green and white, from which dropped a large white bell. The bride, who was unattended, was handsomely gowned in cream silk, with lace and applique trimmings, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses. After the ceremony the guests adjourned to the dining room, which had been prettily decorated in red, white and blue, and partook of a tempting wedding dinner, the hostess being assisted in the service by Mrs. Farley, and Miss Raymond, of Woodstock.  
 Both bride and groom are popular, and friends expressed their good will, with some beautiful wedding remembrances that of the bride's father being a generous check, and a handsome seal sack from her mother. The groom's present was a very pretty gold watch and chain. The happy couple left on the afternoon express for a short honeymoon trip. The bride's going-away gown was of garnet broadcloth with hat to match.

**ORANGE LODGE**  
**TURKEY SUPPER**

The Orange lodge at Greenwich Hill, Kings county, held a very successful turkey supper on New Year's eve in their hall. There was a large attendance. Speeches were made by Wilmot Pitt, W. M.; Rev. Mr. Mott and W. L. Belyea, the chairman. David Hipwell, E. G. M., who was present by invitation, also gave an address. The sum of \$25 was realized. Votes of thanks were tendered to the ladies and speakers.  
 A young man returning to his home in Carleton via the ferry on New Year's eve had a pair of skates taken from under his arm in the crush as the boat was being moored on the west side. He looked around quickly, but they had disappeared from sight. Thinking probably some of his friends was playing a joke on him, he got out in good luck and did not make any trouble, but the joke is on him, and he did not have his skates for the holiday.

**MEETINGS IN WESTMORLAND**  
 Government and Opposition Both to Hold Meetings in Few Days.

Sackville, N. B., Jan. 1—Premier Robinson and Messrs. Emmerson, Sweeney, Copp and Leger, are announced to address a meeting at Port Elgin on Saturday in the interests of the local government.  
 Among names likely to go before the opposition convention here on Saturday are F. W. Sumner, F. B. Black, O. M. McLanahan, P. G. Mahoney, Fred. Ryan and C. L. Hanington.

**AT THE NICKEL**  
 Big Holiday Business and Fine Show Were Yesterday's Features.

The Nickel did tremendous business yesterday, the large auditorium being packed to utmost capacity every show. The great big programme brought forth much applause as it was gone through with every forty minutes, and not a person who attended but left with a smile of satisfaction upon his or her face. The entertainment consisted of four brand new pictures, four choice orchestral selections and three illustrated songs. By request, this special holiday bill will be repeated this evening. This afternoon the pictures will be the same, and two of the songs.  
 The most notable hit of yesterday was the delightful fairyland fantasy, A Night In Dreamland. This is the best thing for the children since the Santa Claus pictures, and equals it in merit every bit. It is the photo-story of a little toddler who is carried in his dreams to the land of Santa Claus and Jack Frost, close to the North Pole. Here toy soldiers, candy men, dolls, Teddy bears, etc., all come to life and give the little shaver the time of his life. Finally Jack Frost grows early and chases the whole party back to the wee chappie's home and then—he wakes up. It was an additional delight to hear the merry laughter of the children yesterday as this film was projected upon the canvas.  
 The other new pictures are: The Clown's Love Story, A Day With the French Navy, and a screaming comedy, Disrobing Under Difficulties.

**AT THE OPERA HOUSE**  
 Klark-Urban Co. Did Big Business at Two Performances Yesterday.

In the Opera House yesterday the Klark-Urban Company played to crowded houses afternoon and evening. The matinee bill was The Girl from Mexico and in this laughter provoking play the company made a hit. Miss Maisie Cecil was at her best as the little fire brand and Eugene Powells was very funny as Tom Bunnam. The play was more heartily appreciated than any previous effort of the company and the large audience was well satisfied.  
 In the evening The Diamond Bracelet Robbery, though tinged with a bit of villainy, pleased the audience. Tonight The Many of Mystery will be repeated.


**OBITUARY**  
 Oliver J. Pitfield

Oliver J. Pitfield, for many years a noted figure in shipbuilding circles in St. John, died yesterday morning after a lingering illness, at his residence, 92 Waterloo street. He was aged seventy-six years. Mr. Pitfield was a native of Kings county. He was a master shipbuilder and contractor. He built vessels in Dorchester, Moncton and Newcastle, but the greater amount of his work was done in his shipbuilding yard at Courtney Bay. At one time he was in partnership with Capt. James Cruikshank. From 1879 to 1887 he built vessels almost entirely for Taylor Bros., including the Assyria, Abyssinia, Albania, Asia, Arabia, Armenia, Austria and Africa. He also built the ship General Domville and a number of vessels for the late Judge Palmer. He built the Karnak for Vaughan Bros. of England. Mr. Pitfield was reliable in every business transaction. He is survived by his wife, two sons, Frank and Fred, of Pittsburg, and one daughter, Mrs. George A. Day, of Chatham. A brother, W. T. Pitfield, and sister, Mrs. George A. McIntyre, both of Sussex, also survive.

**LEAVES CARDS TO TELL**  
**YEGGS SAFE IS UNLOCKED**

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Jan. 1—When professional cracksmen entered the Port Dickinson postoffice some time last night they found hanging to the safe door a card bearing the notice: "This safe is unlocked."  
 The burglars opened the safe and took about \$20 worth of stamps. Two years ago the postoffice was robbed, the burglars blowing open and destroying the safe. Postmaster Nash bought a new safe, and since that time he has taken the precaution which last night made it unnecessary for the cracksmen to resort to nitro-glycerin. It is thought that the burglars are the men who robbed the bank at Truxton on Sunday night.

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are as standard articles of trade as sugar or salt. They have taken medals almost without number. Their absolute purity is unquestioned. The name "FRY" on Chocolate or Cocoa corresponds to the word "sterling" on silver.

**WOMEN AS FARM HANDS.**  
 Winnipeg, Mann.—Unable to obtain men enough for the harvest fields, Manitoba farmers hired women in their places. They are said to have done just as good work as the former farm hands, and there was much less shirking among them.  
 That is the way with women. They work too hard—and often overtax their strength. Then the system becomes run down, the liver gets out of order, and constipation and biliousness make life miserable. Mrs. John Cline, of Aylmer, Ont., suffered from these troubles for ten years and found no relief until she tried "Fruit-a-tives." "I want to say a word in regard to "Fruit-a-tives," writes Mrs. Cline. "I had liver trouble for ten years and tried different remedies, but Fruit-a-tives cured."  
 "Fruit-a-tives" are made of fruit juices and tonics and never fail to cure Liver, Kidney, Stomach, Skin and Bowel troubles. 50c. a box.

**DEAF MUTES START NEW YEAR PLEASANTLY**

The members of the St. John Deaf Mute Association held a most successful at home and supper in their rooms at 94 Prince William street last evening. There was a large attendance of friends from other parts of the province, and from Nova Scotia, and the affair was much enjoyed by all. In the parlour where the guests assembled the walls were brightly decorated with greenery and pictures. Two large mottoes with the words "A happy new year" and "Welcome to all," were in evidence and the room presented a pleasing and home-like appearance.  
 The supper room, which was placed at the disposal of the association by R. O. Stocton, was prettily arranged. A large red bell was suspended from the centre of the ceiling over the supper tables, and spiral streamers of red and white crinkled paper radiated from it to the sides of the room, making a charming effect. Flags and evergreen on the walls added to the decoration.  
 The members of the local association, who number about twenty-six, with their guests, sat down about 6.30 p. m. to a bountiful repast prepared by the young ladies.  
 The following is the list of invited guests: Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Ruggles, Bridgetown; Mr. and Mrs. G. S. McKenzie, Moncton; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Harvey, Halifax; Mr. and Mrs. Leo T. Goucher, Halifax; Miss Nellie Dixon, Hampton; Mr. and Mrs. Monty Trenholm, Sackville; J. C. Avard, Shediac; J. Patterson, Mispec; Miss Minnie Knight, Moncton; E. Allen, Amherst; H. Snowden, Sackville; Miss E. Morrison, Halifax; Miss McFarlane, Lunenburg; Miss Katon, Boston; Miss Minnie McLeod, Sussex; Mrs. Addie M. McLean, Chipman.  
 J. Harvey Brown, William Hawker and Miss M. McLean, among others from the city who are interested in the welfare of the association, were also present.  
 When supper was ended, an entertainment was made to the club parlour, where interesting addresses were delivered by Mr. McKenzie, of Moncton, president of the maritime association; Mr. Ruggles, of Bridgetown; William Baillie, the local president; S. J. Doherty, the secretary, and others, and a pleasant time was spent.

**BLANKET SALE**

\$7.00 Blankets only	\$5.98
6.25 Blankets only	4.98
4.50 Blankets only	3.48
3.75 Blankets only	2.98
3.00 Blankets only	1.98
1.65 Shaker Blankets only	1.25
1.50 Shaker Blankets only	1.10
1.75 All Wool Crib Blankets only	1.25

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 is a sure, safe and absolutely Curative Syrup. It has the true bees' honey flavor and contains no opium or alcohol. Is a standby for family use—and can be given to children without fear of injurious results.  
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**DR. SCOTT'S WHITE LINIMENT,**  
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**THREE MONTHS OF COLD WEATHER YET!**  
 We are well aware of the fact that although the winter is not half over, you expect us to give you a pretty close price on an overcoat. If you knew how how close a price we are prepared to quote you, you would drop in today and pick up what are commonly called "bargains." We don't like the word "bargains." They are generally anything but "bargains." Good goods at a low price are the only bargains we have to offer, and another thing—it's nobody's business how little we charge you for an Overcoat, that's a business transaction between you and us. Even the best clothing we have in stock—  
 The Celebrated 20th Century Brand Garments will be sold to you at big discounts. If you buy now, the Overcoat will be practically new for next year.  
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