FINANCIAL and COMMERCIAL

N. Y. STOCK MARKET

Thursday, Jan. 30th.

New York Stock Quotations, 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	51¼	50⅞	50¾
Anaconda	33	32½	32
Am. Sugar Refiners	112½	112	112
Am. Sugar Rfrs., pfd	66⅞	66½	66¼
Atchison	71⅝	71¼	71¼
Am. Locomotive	37	37	37
Brook. Rpd. Trst.	46⅞	45⅜	45⅜
Balt. & Ohio	87¾	87½	87
Chesa. & Ohio	29¼	29⅜	29¾
Chi. & G. West.		5½	5
Colo. F. & Iron	19⅝	19⅝	19½
Great Northern, pfd.	121	120⅝	120½
Erie	15⅛	15⅛	15⅛
Kansas & Texas		23	23
Mexican Central	19	18¾	19½
Missouri Pacific	43¾	44	43½
Nor. & Western		66½	66½
N. Y. Central	97	96¾	97
Reading	101⅞	101⅝	100⅞
Pennsylvania	112⅞	112⅞	112⅝
Rock Island	13⅝	13⅞	13⅞
St. Paul	112¾	112¾	112
Soo		92	92
Southern Pacific	73⅞	73⅞	73
Northern Pacific	125¾	125⅝	126¼
Twin CSity	85½	85	85
Texas Pacific	19	19¼	19¼
Union Pacific	122⅜	122⅛	121⅜
U. S. Steel	28	27⅝	27⅝
U. S. Steel, pfd.	92¼	91⅞	92

Total sales in New York yesterday, 600,600 shares.

CHICAGO MARKET REPORT.

May Corn	60¾	60⅜	60⅝
May Wheat	100⅜	100⅜	100⅜
May Oats	53⅝	53½	53¼
May Pork	12.60	12.62	12.62
July Corn	59	59⅛	59⅛
July Wheat	97½	97⅛	97
July Oats	46¼	46⅛	46⅜

MONTREAL QUOTATIONS.

Dom. Iron & Steel	15	15¼	15¼
Nova Scotia Steel	57b	57½b	57½b
Montreal Power	87	87¼	88

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

January	11.07	11.25	11.13
March	11.20	11.34	11.15
May	11.18	11.35	11.12
July	11.02	11.10	10.96

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NEW YORK, Jan. 30—The president's special message to Congress expected tomorrow.

Thirty-two roads, third week of January show average gross decrease of 7.71 per cent.

Unnamed bond holders of D. H. Co., opposed proposed new securities issues.

LONDON, Jan. 30—Consols money unchanged at 86 9-16, account 1-16 lower at 86 9-16.

Americans steady above parity.

LONDON, 12.30 p. m.—C. P. R. 149 1-2. Money on call 3 1-3 a 3-4 per cent. Discount short and three months' bills 3 1-4 a 3 3-4 per cent.

Bank of England rate unchanged at 4 per cent.

Bank of England return—Reserve 28,932,000 against 27,523,000, proportion of reserves to liabilities 56.68 against 54.87, bullion, 38,508,000 against 37,333,000 last week.

LIVERPOOL:—Spot cotton increased demand. Prices firm. Middlings up 10 points. Futures opened firm 5 1-2 to 7 1-2 advance. At 12.30 p. m.—Steady 5 1-2 to 7 1-2 up from previous closing.

LONDON, 2 p. m.—Exchange 487.05. Anaconda 32 3-4; Amalgamated Copper, 51 1-8; Atchison, 71 5-8; Baltimore & Ohio, 87 3-4; Chesapeake & Ohio, 29 1-4; Chicago & Great West, 5 3-8; C. P. R., 149 1-2; Erie 15 3-8; Erie 1st pfd. 32 1-2; Kansas & Texas, 23 1-2; Louisville & Nashville, 97 3-4; Northern Pacific, 124 5-8; N. Y. Central, 97 1-4! Ont. & Western, 33; Pennsylvania, 112 3-4; Reading, 101 3-4; Rock Island, 13 5-8; Southern Railroad, 10 3-4; Southern Pacific, 73 7-8; St. Paul, 112 3-4; Union Pacific, 122 3-8; U. S. Steel 27 3-4; U. S. Steel pfd. 92 1-4; Wabash, pfd, 16.

Summary—The New Amsterdam National Bank was closed last night by order of the controller of the curency and Charles A Hanna national bank examiner was put in charge.

The Merchants' and Traders' Bank, a state institution with branches in this city and Brooklyn, decided last night to close its doors today. The total liabilities of the two institutions are in excess of $17,000,000. The cause of the decision of the two banks to suspend was the heavy withdrawals from the banks during the last two or three days. The banks soliciting assistance from the clearing house were informed that the entire association of clearing house banks had voted against issuing further loan certificates.

President Kinsman of New Amsterdam has issued a statement that all money will be restored and depositors will be paid in full.

Earnings—Reading system for December—Railway company net increase, $55,857. Coal and iron company net decrease $23,345. Reading company net decrease $9,518, net all companies increase $22,696, surplus increase $20,674. From July 1st, a net all companies increase $1,754,270; surplus increase $1,742,136.

Light demand for stocks in loan crowd. London settlement concludes today.

ROCKEFELLER AND MORGAN

Together They Stood Behind Seventy New York Banks in Recent Panic.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Jan. 30 — John D. Rockefeller and Senator Ben Tillman were principals in a lively verbal setto during the former's trip to this city. Senator Tillman boarded the train in South Carolina and was introduced to Rockefeller by a railroad official. Hard times, the money situation, railroads and Roosevelt were discussed, and the Oil King was not enthusiastic about Roosevelt.

"I think," said Rockefeller, "that Roosevelt made a grave mistake. If he knew abuses existed and he wanted to correct them, he could have gone about it without causing all this agitation and feeling of distrust.

"Now, you might not know it, but Morgan and myself stood behind something like seventy banks in New York during the panic. Now that was a pretty nice thing for two such very, very bad men to do, wasn't it? Think of the thousands of depositors we helped by standing by these banks. But I hope the people will see after awhile that this agitation only hurts them. I can get along all right."

Senator Tillman seemed deeply interested in Rockefeller's remarks, and when he reached his station bade the Oil King a warm good-by. As Tillman left, Rockefeller turned to Mrs. Rockefeller and said: "Well, mother, we're only eleven miles from our station, and I'll be mighty glad when we get there."

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BANKS WILL CLOSE

NEW YORK, N. Y., Jan. 29 — Two financial institutions of New York City, one a national and the other a state bank, will not open their doors tomorrow morning. The New Amsterdam National Bank, capital $1,000,000, was taken in charge by the representative of the comptroller of currency early in the evening, and the Mechanics and Traders' Bank, a state institution, capital $2,000,000, announced shortly before midnight the decision of the directors not to open tomorrow. Both banks announce their ability to pay all depositors. A statement of the New Amsterdam National shows individual deposits of $2,065,272. No statement of the liabilities and assets of the Mechanics and Traders could be had tonight. Both institutions had been known as in the Morse-Thomas chain of financial insitutions, both had undergone a re-organization of the directorates.

The Mechanics and Traders had two branches in Manhattan and ten in Brooklyn. All these branches will remain closed tomorrow.

In its report to the state banking department under date of August 27, 1907, the Mechanics and Traders showed net deposits of $18,825,000. On December 19, the date of its last report these had shrunk to $10,007,000.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Not an article allowed to pass out of Ungar's Laundry doors without passing the close scrutiny of our inspector. Clean, well-ironed and beautiful work.

Vixen Soot Destroyer removes soot from pipe and chimney. Improves draft saves fuel. Price 15c. a package. All grocers sell it.

John Harrison, representing Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society will be in St. John Saturday and Sunday next. Will speak in Princess Theatre (Berryman's Hall) Sunday at 3 and 7.30 p. m. Mr. Harrison accompanied Pastor Russell when here and will answer some of the wrong impressions which have been going around.

FIGHTERS.

Look where you will, there is but one training school possessing a system that actually pushes the student into business troubles—into the so-called "commercial crisis" and compels that student to force his way out of difficulty as rapidly as possible by the legitimate methods known only to experts, or to men who have been "down and out" and fought their way up again to greater achievements, thereby gaining the keenest knowledge of the hardships of business and how to avoid same.

Nowhere in Canada will you find a business school possessing such a staff of experienced commercial manipulators as is to be found in the Currie Business University, Ltd. 'Tis to this school's public service offices that business men apply, today, for reliable and experienced office helpers who know how to fight the battle.

To check a cold quickly, get from your druggist some little Candy Cold Tablets called Preventics. Druggists everywhere are now dispensing Preventics, for they are not only safe, but decidedly effective and prompt. Preventics contain no quinine, no laxative, nothing harsh nor sickening. Taken at the "sneeze stage" Preventics will prevent Pneumonia, Bronchitis, La Grippe, etc. Hence the name Preventics. Good for feverish children, 48 Preventics 25 cents. Trial Boxes 5 cents. Sold by all druggists.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Sophia Doherty

Many friends will hear with regret of the death of Mrs. Sophia Doherty, wife of James Doherty, which took place early this morning at her home, 327 Charlotte street. She was seized with a stroke of apolexy about noon yesterday and gradually sank till death came about half an hour after midnight.

Mrs. Doherty enjoyed a wide acquaintance all over the city, especially in the South End. She is survived by her husband and five daughters—Mrs. James Doherty and Miss Theresa McPartland of this city, and Mrs. Cullen, Mrs. Alfred Manley and Miss Kate McPartland in Halifax. Mrs. Cullen and Miss McPartland will reach the city this morning.

Mrs. Annie DeBoo

Mrs. Annie De Boo died at her home, 454 Main street yesterday afternoon after a brief illness. She was a native of Kings county, N. B. She leaves a family of three sons and one daughter by her first husband the late Peter Donnelly. The sons are: James E., of Boston and John F. and Louis residing at home.

Leonard Splane

A despatch received here yesterday conveyed the sad intelligence that Leonard Splane had met death in an accident at Albany on Monday last. No particulars were given. Deceased was the youngest son of Thomas and Margaret Splane. The family resided formerly in this city. The body is expected here today and the funeral will take place from the I. C. R. depot. Interment will be made in Fernhill cemetery.

WEDDINGS

Patterson-Lisson

Sussex, N. B., Jan. 29—(Special)—The Episcopal church was the scene of a very pretty wedding at 5 o'clock this evening, when Lillian R., second daughter of Thomas Lisson, of Roachville, was united in marriage to Edgar L. Patterson, of Rockville. Rev. Scovil Neales, rector of the church, performed the ceremony. A large number of interested ones were at the church to witness the ceremony. At the conclusion luncheon was served at the home of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Patterson will make their future home at Lower Millstream. Both are well known here and have the good wishes of their many friends.

ROCKLAND, Me., Jan. 30—Dave Sawyer, of Rockland, knocked out Dick O'Brien, of Lewiston, in the third round here tonight. The first two rounds were even, but in the third O'Brien could not withstand Sawyer's fierce attack.

CAPTURED IN BOSTON SHORTLY AFTER SHE FLED FROM ST JOHN

Mrs. Maud C. Clark Who Was in St. John Last Week Arrested by Boston Police on Charge of Abducting Her Four-Year-Old Son.

(Boston Journal.)

After a four months' search, Mrs. Maud C. Clark, the divorced wife of Forrest D. Clark, a civil engineer in the employ of the Metropolitan Steamship Company at New York, was arrested at the home of her mother in Dorchester, last night by Detective Sergts Wait and Angell, charged with the abduction of her 4-year-old son, Carleton Kremer, the adopted son of Dr. Carleton C. Kremer, of 857 Lexington avenue, New York. The arrest was made after Detective Sergt. Wait had a tussle with three men and two women in the house at 7 Mountain avenue, Dorchester.

The arrest marks the beginning of the end of one of the most famous kidnapping cases in this part of the country. The police of two cities in this country and one in New Brunswick were set to work on the case, but for four months Mrs. Clark succeeded in evading the officers armed with the warrants.

According to a statement J. C. Clark, grandfather of the boy, made to The Journal last October, this is the second time the mother has kidnapped the boy. The previous occasion was while the son was being boarded at a house in Melrose by the father, after his parents had been estranged. At that time Carleton was but two years of age.

When Mrs. Clark kidnapped the boy she took a steamer from New York and arrived in Boston Oct. 15. Here she was met by her mother and a young man who took the party to a lodging house in the south end. Almost at the same time as she arrived in Boston Lieut. Fitzsimmons of District Attorney Jerome's staff arrived in Boston armed with a warrant.

Inspector Pierce was assigned to aid him in his search for the woman, but they met with no success. Even while they were out hunting for her, Mrs. Helen Buchanan, her mother, managed to visit her with new clothing and other articles necessary.

After staying in Boston for a while Mrs. Clark and her son went to St. John, N. B., and there she has stayed until this week, when she made up her mind to come back to Boston. Almost as soon as she left her place of abode the Boston police were acquainted with the fact.

On receipt of this information Chief Watts detailed Wait and Angell to the case, with orders to get the woman. For three or four days the residence of Mrs. Buchanan at 7 Mountain avenue has been watched, and last night at 7 o'clock the officers were rewarded, for they saw Mrs. Clark in the house.

Angell went to the rear door and Wait entered by the front entrance. The latter got in first, and when Angell reached the rooms occupied by the Buchanan family he saw Detective Sergt. Wait on the floor with an old man, two younger men and two women pummeling him.

Seeing Wait's plight, Angell at once went to his assistance, and the two officers got Mrs. Clark and the child. They were taken to police headquarters and Mrs. Clark booked on the charge of being a fugitive from justice. Little Carleton was sent to the Chardon Street Home, where he will be cared for until Dr. Kremer arrives.

Word was sent to New York as soon as the arrest was made and it is expected Dr. Kremer and officers will come here for the mother and child within the next few days.

Several years ago in New York Forrest D. Clark, a young civil engineer, met Maud C. Buchanan and after a short courtship the couple were married. For a short time their wedded life was full of bliss and peacefulness, but trouble followed. A child had been born to them at their home, 510 West Twenty-fourth street, New York city, just before the estrangement. Mr. Clark brought the son to Melrose and put him to board with a family he had known during his time at Harvard. It was while the child was being here boarded that the mother is said to have first kidnapped him.

After taking the child this time it is said Mrs. Clark forced her husband to pay for the child's care, and, according to Mr. Clark's father, $3,000 was paid for care. The first estrangement was patched up, but in June of 1906 a second quarrel occurred and the second and final estrangement took place.

In October of the same year, Mr. Clark, doing a little detective work, traced his wife to an Eighth avenue hotel. There he found her in a room and as a result divorce proceedings were instituted, and a decree granted the husband. In the meantime Mr. Clark had placed the boy in the care of Dr. Carleton C. Kremer, a friend whom he had known at Harvard.

Following the divorce proceedings, papers were issued by Surrogate Fitzgerald in the New York county courts, which gave the Kremers the custody of the child. Mrs. Clark was permitted to visit twice a week, and did so until October 14.

On that date she called at the house and found that the boy was out for an airing in the care of a nurse. Seizing this opportunity, Mrs. Clark went looking for the nurse and her charge, and found them close by. On seeing the baby Mrs. Clark seized him from his carriage and made her escape before anything could be done to stop her.

Both Mrs. Clark's folks and the parents of Mr. Clark have at different times made efforts to secure the boy through the courts, but have never been successful.

Mrs. Helen Buchanan, who was present when her daughter, Mrs. Maud Clark, was arrested last night, was found at her home, at 7 Mountain avenue, Dorchester, later in the evening, and although she had not entirely recovered from the excitement incident to the affair, told of the happenings to a representative of The Journal.

"We were sitting at the supper table," said Mrs. Buchanan, 'when, shortly after 7 o'clock, the doorbell rang. My youngest daughter, Ethel, answered the summons and as soon as she opened the door two men, dressed in citizen's clothes, brushed by her and without a word of explanation crossed the hall to the kitchen, where my husband and two sons were sitting.

"Thinking the men to be burglars or some such undesirable characters and infuriated by what they considered an unlawful intrusion into their home, the three men started to give battle. Then it was that the men made known their identity and told us they were inspectors from headquarters and carried a warrant for the arrest of Mrs. Clark.

"Mrs. Clark, with her child, was in another part of the house, and as soon as she learned that the officers had come for her she surrendered to them."

Mrs. Clark, who formerly was Miss Maud Buchanan, has been living with her parents for a short time. Her domestic troubles have been no secret to the immediate neighborhood, but the neighbors refuse to discuss the affair.

The men folks absolutely refused to have anything to say about the arrest. The mother, however, broke down and, with tears in her eyes, told the story.

DR. McVEY WILL RUN FOR KINGS

He Has Consented to Join Government Ticket at Coming Election.

ROTHESAY, Jan. 30 (Special)—Dr. Wm. B. McVey was waited on by a large delegation last night, urging that he allow his name to be placed in nomination at the convention on Tuesday next in Kings county to succeed Hon. Dr. Pugsley in the legislature. To the gratification of the government supporters Dr. McVey finaly consented to allow his name to go before the convention as a standard bearer.

SPRING RUSH HAS STARTED

Miners and Prospectors Are Flocking to Alaska — Like Early Days of Klondike.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 30—The spring rush to Alaska has started, rivalling that to the Klondike ten years ago. The indications are that 20,000 miners and prospectors will go to the northern gold camps within the next few months. Prosperity and high wages prevail in every mining camp in Alaska and in the British Yukon.

In addition the Guggenheim-Havemeyer interests are building the Trans-Alaskan Railway up the Copper river valley to reach what Henry Bratneber, for years the London Exploration Company's copper expert, declares is the greatest and richest copper district yet discovered.

New gold strikes are reliably reported from outlying Klondike creeks, from Stewart, White and Pelly rivers, and from the Tananana, Koyukuk and Copper river districts.

The steamship Saratoga on Saturday night carried 200 miners to Valdez and Cordova. Most of the men will go to the Tananana district over the Valdez-Fairbanks trail, improved by the government last year. Stages are going over this trail in six and a half days.

The Tananana Mine Owners' Association is sending north 150 miners, though last year's labor troubles have not been settled. It is expected that the Tananana district's production this year will reach $10,000,000. Dozens of miners are going to the Klondike and the newer districts on the Upper Yukon. Beginning in May, 10,000 men will go to Nome and other Seward Peninsula camps.

John McMulkin, factory inspector, was in Fredericton yesterday.

CHILD PLEADS FOR ELOPING MOTHER

Girl Won't Go Home With Her Father Unless He Takes His Erring Wife, Too.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—Mrs. Nora Ward, wife of William Ward, proprietor of a hotel at Walden, N. Y., who eloped on Christmas Eve with John McCombs, a well known young man of the town, was found in a furnished room house at No. 106 Commerce street, Newark, yesterday. Her fourteen-year-old daughter, Ethel, who had disappeared with her, was also found there. Harry McCombs, John's younger brother, made up the fourth of the Christmas party that left Walden, but he only went as far as Newburg.

From Newburg the elopers, with Ethel, went to Newark, living at the Commerce street address. After a week's stay there McCombs deserted Mrs. Ward, who soon was penniless and in debt.

Mrs. Ward wrote to her sister at Walden asking for assistance and that she plead with the deserted husband and father to take her and Ethel back.

The letter was turned over to Ward, and last night he reached Newark. With Detective Sergeant Kuhn he found Mrs. Ward and Ethel and they were taken to police headquarters.

Ethel refused to go home with her father unless he took her mother also. He agreed to take both, but said that he would seek a separation on the strength of the story Ethel had told.

IS ENDORSED FOR THE PRESIDENCY

Governor Hughes Will be Supported by New York Delegates for the Republican Nomination.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—Governor Charles E. Hughes was strongly endorsed for the Republican nomination for the presidency and the administration of President Roosevelt was commended in a resolution unanimously passed by the Republican county committee tonight. The resolution further favored an instructed delegation to the Chicago convention from this state for Governor Hughes, which should use all honorable means to secure his nomination until "he is either nominated or directs the with-drawal of his name from the consideration of the convention."

MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 30—(Special)—Stocks were very dull today. Dominion Steel, common, which fell off to 14 3-4, was stronger at 15 1-4; only some C. P. R. rights and a few odd lots changed hands.

C. W. WEYMAN IS INSPECTOR NOW

Kings County Council Appointed Him Yesterday in Place of Mr. Cusack.

Hampton, N. B., Jan. 29—At this afternoon's session of the Kings County Council, a delegation from the Kings county branch of the New Brunswick Temperance Federation League, consisting of the Rev. F. Baird, Sussex; Rev. E. J. Grant, Hampton; and M. G. Harmer, Norton, was introduced to the council and the two former delivered excellent addresses eulogizing the council for the manner in which it has supported its officers in the enforcement of the Canada Temperance Act and suggesting the advisability of appointing a committee to confer with the Scott Act inspector whenever required and aiding him with advice and counsel as occasion may require. Such a committee would keep the council in close touch with the movement in which they had displayed so much interest in the enforcement of good laws and improvement of public morals. This idea was subsequently adopted, and Councillors Jamieson, J. E. McAuley and Allan Price were appointed such committee for the current year.

When it came to the appointment of a Scott Act inspector for 1908, Charles W. Weyman, of Millstream, a former occupant of the office, and Adino P. Wetmore of Clifton, who failed of election last year, were put in nomination, and on a ballot being taken Mr. Weyman was found to have seventeen and Mr. Wetmore thirteen supporters. Mr. Weyman was therefore declared Scott Act inspector for 1908 and his salary was fixed at $500.

P. C. SHORTIS BANJO KING

Wonderful Career of a Halifax Man Who is Now a Great Musician.

A wonderful career is that of P. C. Shortis the world renowned banjo artist who appears in the Opera House here on Feb. 10th. To Mr. Shortis alone is due the introduceion of high class music on the banjo.

Leaving his home in Halifax when eight years of age the future banjoist went on the stage and for years did juvenile parts on the American stage. In his youth the banjo was an instrument constructed from a butter tub and used only in accompanying comic songs. He became interested in the mechanism of the banjo and made a study of it. In order to have one for investigation the young musician hired one from a colored man at a weekly rental of $3. He succeeded in introducing a high grade of music and appeared before large audiences in different parts of the United States. Mr. Shortis then crossed the Atlantic and introduced the banjo in Scotland, Ireland, Spain, Paris, Berlin and St. Petersburg. In each country he played the national airs and made a complete conquest.

For twelve years Mr. Shortis was stationed in London and during that time achieved great popularity. Both in public and private he played for such great opera singers as Nordica, Melba, Ben Davis and others, and played before many crowned heads.

At Balmoral castle he numbered among his audience Queen Victoria, the Emperor of Germany, the Shah of Persia, and other sovereigns. He also filled 193 engagements for the present King while the latter was residing at Buckingham palace.

Mr. Shortis was also introduced from the stage of the Criterion theatre by the late Sir Arthur Sullivan, and given its use gratis by the great comedian, Charles Wyndham.

One great secret of the success of the Halifax boy is that he is the only living musician who plays the banjo without frets, thus rendering possible technique, phrasing, slurring, expression and trills. He also introduces novelties such as imitations of the human voice, playing the banjo with a violin bow, beginning with the horrid music of the Chinese fiddle and ending with the sweet strains of the practised violinist.

Mr. Shortis has arranged a tour through Canada, beginning here on Feb. 10th, and in June may return to London, as he has been specially requested to appear before King Edward.

LEADS BRIDEGROOM INTO TRAP FOR $50

False Friend Betrays Honeymooning Deserter into Hands of Uncle Sam's Men.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—Love and patriotism failed to blend harmoniously in the manly bosom of young Leslie Thompson, late of the Blue Grass State, who about a year ago joined Uncle Sam's fighting forces and is now locked up in the guardhouse at Fort Totten on a charge of desertion. Two causes led to the young soldier's downfall, although he would probably declare that his present predicament is due to the covetousness of a false friend.

Shortly after being sent to Willets Point to learn soldiering Thompson met pretty Edna Allen, just eighteen years old, of No. 13 Bradford avenue, Flushing. She liked his soldierly ways and Southern chivalry. It was her blue eyes and pouting lips that lured him from his country's call, so that when it finally came to a choice between love and duty Thompson was not long in deciding the question. He simply took Miss Allen before a clergyman and she came away as Mrs. Thompson.

It was then that he found soldiering irksome. He pined for freedom, and one night he took French leave. He stayed in crowded New York and obtained a job as a carpenter and was making a good living for himself and pretty bride when an acquaintance of former years happened alone.

This friend was not long in learning the true situation. Then he happened to remember that there is a standing reward of $50 for the apprehension of a deserter. Work became slack in New York and this acquaintance invited Thompson out to Flushing to do some work for him.

Believing himself safe, Thompson put in an appearance at the designated place in Flushing yesterday and was immediately placed under arrest and hustled off to Fort Totten. Word was sent to his wife and she immediately went to Flushing and is now enlisting the influence of Long Islanders on behalf of her husband. She says that she will even go and see President Roosevelt himself. Having seen Thompson safely in custody the false friend smiled complacently and went off to collect the reward.

MADAME NORDICA GREETS HER FIANCE WITH A KISS

Famous Singer, Well Known in St. John, Will It is Said Wed George W. Young, a New York Banker ---At Any Rate She Kissed Him.

NEW YORK. N. Y. Jan. 29—"Hello, George. How are you?" said Madame Nordica yesterday as she stepped from a train at the Grand Central station and kissed George W. Young, head of the banking house of George W. Young & Co., who had been awaiting her arrival from Chicago.

Mr. Young, who recently was divorced by his wife, whispered something in the singer's ear. She smiled, raised her eyebrows as though it was a very pleasant bit of news and was led to a waiting carriage. Mr. Young handed her into the conveyance and the driver was instructed to go to No. 51 West Forty-eighth street, the town house of the singer. Mr. Young did not accompany her, but called at the house later.

The affectionate meeting and greeting of the couple was not unexpected, in view of the story telegraphed from Chicago, when Mme. Nordica left there on Saturday. It was said she had started East at the urgent solicitation of Mr. Young and that they would be married within a few days. As soon as she received the telegram that had to do with her coming east, the singer packed a few things in a handbag and caught the Twentieth Century Limited.

Before leaving Chicago and after her departure, friends said Mme. Nordica was coming to this city to be married. The singer herself was silent on this phase of her trip. When asked the truth of the story yesterday she sent word that she was too fatigued because of her journey to talk.

After the call of Mr. Young he was asked about the report of the coming wedding, but he also maintained a silence. From other sources it was learned that Mme. Nordica, because of the recent divorce of the banker, was in favor of a longer engagement believing that perhaps a wedding within a few weeks after Mr. Young had been divorced on the grounds of cruelty and desertion might cause some unpleasant and undeserved comment.

This view of the case it is said is not held by Mr. Young, and it is intimated that he has been able to make the prima donna see the situation as he sees it. Therefore an early wedding is predicted.

Mr. Young and Mme. Nordica have been associated in business. He is one of those interested with her financially in the success of the San Carlos Opera Company with which she is touring the country. He was the former president of the United States Mortgage and Trust Company and was also connected with other trust companies. He has been a figure in the financial world and was the representative of the McCurdys of the Mutual Life in many heavy transactions. His first wife, who gave him his freedom two weeks ago, was Miss Natalie B. Bray.

In support of the statement that Mr. Young and Mme. Nordica are soon to be married it is said the country home of the singer is being placed in readiness for her occupation. It is at Ardsley on the Hudson.

The place is now in the hands of a caretaker who was busy yesterday with his wife putting things in order. In addition a chef arrived at the country place on Saturday and it is said orders have been sent for stores to merchants in the village.

The caretaker said he was expecting Mme. Nordica, but would say nothing beyond that. The installing of a chef and the ordering of supplies is taken to indicate that the couple may spend their honeymoon there.

The marriage will be the third on the part of Mme. Nordica. Her last husband was Herr Doehme. Soon after she obtained a divorce from him it was reported she was engaged to Captain Jose de la Mar, a millionaire silver mine owner.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND

Discount Rate Remained Unchanged Today at Four Per Cent.

LONDON, Jan. 30—The rate of discount of the Bank of England remained unchanged at 4 per cent.

The weekly statement of the bank shows the following changes:

Total reserve, increased	£1,049,000
Circulation decreased,	234,000
Bullion, increased	1,175,187
Other securities, decreased	508,000
Other deposits, decreased	1.229.000
Public deposits, increased	2.131.000
Notes reserve, decreased	1,276,000

Government securities unchanged.

The proportion of the bank's reserve to liability this week is 56.68 per cent compared with 54.86 per cent last week.

MARTIN AND CLAIR HAVE ALSO RETIRED

Provincial Government's Representatives in Madawaska Have Given Up and Will Not Be Candidates.

(Fredericton Gleaner, Jan. 22.)

Word comes from Madawaska county today that Messrs. Cyprien Martin and Thomas Clair, the two government supporting representatives of the county in the legislature have followed the example of Ora P. King, M. P. P., and quit.

Neither Mr. Martin nor Mr. Clair will be a candidate at the approaching general elections and the situation in Madawaska as a result is very unsatisfactory to Premier Robinson and his campaign managers. Mr. Martin and Mr. Clair have both simultaneously refused to have anything more to do with the matter, and neither one will be a candidate for the government again under any circumstances.

As yet it is impossible to see where the government party will be able to get anything like a representative or satisfactory ticket in Gloucester county and the retirement of Messrs. Martin and Clair has come like a thunderbolt out of a clear sky.

The names now mentioned in Madawaska in connection with the formation of a ticket are Dr. Bernier, Martin Shepherd and a man named Cyr.

THE NEW PROVINCIAL SECRETARY

(Moncton Times)

Mr. E. H. Allen, I. C. R. claims agent, has been called to the provincial cabinet with the important portfolio of provincial secretary. Mr. Allen is a good curler and an all-round good fellow but it may not have occurred to a great many people that he would be preferred to become one of the cabinet of giants Premier Robinson has about him. As a minor official of the Intercolonial railway, Mr. Allen was not supposed to be performing duties that would qualify him for taking charge of the financial affairs of the province of New Brunswick. Indeed, it has been supposed by many that the considerable salary attached to Mr. Allen's railway office was a reward for some real or imaginary political service or family influence rather than as remuneration for the labor demanded. The appointment of Mr. Allen as provincial secretary over the heads of Mr. Sanford Ryan and all the other great financial and administrative lights of the legislature just dissolved is, we suppose, another evidence of Premier Robinson's boasted "constructive statesmanship." That is to say, he is going to construct out of Mr. Allen a great administrator and statesman. Evidently the necessities of the government are great and their confidence in the capacity and power of Mr. Pugsley's "barrel" unlimited.

NORTHUMBERLAND OPPOSITION

The opposition members for Northumberland have called a convention of friends of better government, without regard to federal party lines, to select candidates for the legislature. It will meet in Chatham on Monday, February 3rd. at 3 p. m.

THE FISH MARKET

Receipts of Fresh Fish During the Week Were Very Light.

Wholesale and retail dealers alike report that receipts in fresh fish during the past week have been exceedingly light. Prices are practically unchanged and trade with Western Canada and the Pacific coast is much better than last week. H. P. Robertson shipped a carload of bloaters to Winnipeg, and Leonard Bros. sent a similar quantity through to British Columbia.

Retail figures rule as follows:—Cod 6c. per lb., cod steak 10c., halibut 15c., smelt 10 to 12c., flounders 8c., haddock 6c., salmon 12 to 20c., bloaters 24c. per doz., kippers 36c., finnan haddies 9c. per lb., dried cod 6c., boneless cod 12c., oysters 75c. to $1.00 per quart; clams 15c., scallops 60c., lobsters 15 to 40c. each.

Reports from Bay Verte are to the effect that the fishermen of that district are getting good prices for lobsters.

ONE YEAR IN JAIL

Newcastle, N. B., Jan. 29—In the county court this afternoon Judge McLatchey sentenced Archibald Frackear, of Chatham, to one year imprisonment in the county jail. The defendant was indicted yesterday for assault on Alderman Mersereau, chairman of the Chatham police committee, with the intention of doing grievous bodily harm. The jury gave a verdict for only common assault and the judge gave him the maximum sentence for that offence.

STREET CAR FENDERS

Sir,—Your paper recently called attention to the habit of placing signboards on the fenders of street cars to advertise entertainments, practically rendering those fenders of little use for their specific purpose. If a child, for example, were picked up by the fender and struck this signboard it would probably be thrown off again. I observe today that the police sports are advertised in this way. Should not the police rather request the railway company to place the sign where it could be as well seen without rendering the fender useless?

Yours,

ENQUIRER.

THAT HEN STEALING CASE

Preliminary examination of the two men Hutton and Bristol, accused of stealing hens from Harry Gailey was resumed at Fairville before Justice Masson yesterday afternoon. County Secretary Vincent appeared for the prosecution and J. A. Barry for the defence.

Mr. Gailey, Harry King and Michael Finn gave evidence. Secretary Vincent announced that he had more witnesses to call and the case was postponed until Friday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

DEATHS

DeBOW—In this city on the 29th instant, Annie, widow of the late William DeBow, in the 66th year of her age; leaving three sons and one daughter to mourn.

Funeral on Saturday morning at 8.45, from her late residence, 454 Main street, to St. Peter's church; requiem high mass at 9 o'clock. Friends invited to attend.

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(Too late for classification.)

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