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NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

By special wire to J. M. Robinson & Sons, brokers, St. John, N. B.

Thursday, Dec. 30, 1909.

	Yesterday Closing.	Today's Opening	Noon.
Amalgamated	90½	90⅞	90⅜
Am Car & Foundry	72	71⅞	73
Am Locomotive	60	61	61
Am Ice	25½	25⅜	25½
Atchison	122⅜	122⅝	122½
Am Smelters	104½	104⅜	104½
Anaconda	53⅝	54	53½
Brook Rap Transit	80¼	80¼	80¼
Baltimore & Ohio	117⅜	118	118
Can Pacific Ry	181½	182	182
New York Central	125¾	126	126⅛
Chicago & N Western		182	182
Chesapeake & Ohio	87⅝	88¼	88½
Colorado F & I	50¼	50½	50½
Den & Rio Grande	50⅜	52	52
Delaware & H C	185⅛	186½	185½
Erie	34	34	33⅞
Erie, 1st Pref	51	51½	51⅝
Erie, 2nd Pref		41	41¼
Consolidated Gas	159¾	160½	160
Great Northern Pref	143½	143⅝	143⅝
Kansas & Texas	49½	49½	49½
Louis & Nash	157	157½	157
National Lead	90¼	90½	90½
Mackay Cos		91½	91¼
Missouri Pacific	71½	72	72¼
Northern Pacific	145	145⅜	145½
Pressed Steel Car		51⅝	52⅛
Pennsylvania	137⅛	137⅜	137⅛
Reading	170⅜	171¼	171
People G & L Co	116	116	115½
Rep I & Steel	45⅞	46¼	46
Rock Island	50¼	50⅞	50⅜
Rock Island Pref	90	90½	90⅜
U S Rubber	53¼	53¼	53½
Soo Railway	140⅜	140½	140
Southern Pacific	134⅝	134⅞	134⅜
St Paul	158½	158⅜	158⅜
Sloss Sheffield	87¼	87	87¼
Southern Ry	32⅛	32½	33
Twin City	116¼	116½	115⅞
Union Pacific	203⅞	204	203½
U S Steel	91¾	91⅞	91½
U S Steel Pref	125¾	125½	125⅜
Western Union		77	77¼
Wabash Ry	26⅜	26½	27½
Wabash Ry Pref	61	61	61

Sales—11 o'clock, 278,300.

Sales—12 o'clock, 404,400.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

January	15.56	15.75	15.76
March	15.97	16.06	16.07
May	16.24	16.30	16.36
July	16.22	16.27	16.34
October	13.95	13.99	13.97
December	15.63	15.74	15.74

CHICAGO MARKET.

Wheat—			
December	117¾	118¾	117⅝
May	111⅜	111⅞	111½
July	101½	102	101⅝
Corn—			
December	62⅜	62⅞	62⅞
May	66⅝	66¾	66¼
July	66½	66½	66⅜
Oats—			
May	45⅝	45¾	45⅞
July	43½	43¾	43⅝
Pork—			
May	21.72	21.75	21.80

MORNING COTTNO LETTER

New York, Dec. 30—The cotton market closed at practically the best prices of the day last night with the tone strong and with the trade expecting a continued advance as a result of an improvement in demand and strength in the southern markets. Large lines of long contracts had been liquidated since the beginning of last week without making any great impression on prices and reports from the south indicate that trade buyers are finding it increasingly difficult to buy cotton except on advances. This is the basis for the present strength and bullish sentiment regarding the spot situation is confirmed by the demand here from some of the big spot houses who would hardly be buying futures so freely unless it were to cover hedges or unless they were relatively cheaper than the southern markets.

W. W. PRICE.

NEW YORK FINANCIAL BUREAU

New York, Dec. 30—The bullish manipulative tactics of yesterday are likely to continue today in the stock market according to latest developments and daily operators should be governed accordingly seeking profit in specialties that may be taken up aggressively after a period of quiet or in watching for buying opportunities on little recessions. We see no reason for neglecting moderate returns during subsequent strength. The entire market is displaying a rallying tendency. It may be maintained nutil well toward the close of the year.

One of the important features of the market situation is the break in sterling which further confirms the statements submitted at the time of strength in that department, namely that the rise was due largely to a short interest. Advices from abroad show that the foreign situation is improving and there is a cheerful outlook for the new year.

At home the latest earnings reported especially the Harriman properties fully justify preliminary advices we submitted on this point two weeks ago, and the market naturally takes recognition of developments that promise higher dividends for railroad or industrial coroporations. Press comment seems to have gotten rid of some of its pessimism, and the entire street appears to be waiting to go in, in a good closing of the old year. Market literature has taken on a brighter hue and the gossip heard about the financial district is of a better tone. For the present the conservative bull position modified from an attitude of strict neutrality seems to be the best.

WALL STREET NEWS.

New York, Dec. 30—Americans in London firm, ⅛ to ⅞ above parity.

Financial plan of Chicago City and other railways announced. Whole property to be taken over on a four per cent. basis in $62,000,000 capitalization.

Charles C. Dickson resigns as president of Carnegie Trust Co., and succeeded by Joseph C. Richmann, preseident of the National Starch Company.

Last night coldest night of winter; mercury touching ten degrees.

Jas. C. Bradey, Jr., will apply to attorney general of Ohio regarding purchases of independent telephone companies by J. P. Morgan & Co.

Lackawanna Coal declares initial dividend of 2½ per cent.

Rock Island probe to be continued today.

New issues of Chicago Great Western Railway first mortgage 50-year 4's, over subscribed.

Pittsburg Coal declares 1¼ per cent. dividend on preferred stock, first dividend since April, 1905.

January dividend and interest disbursements estimated at $240,000,000 as against $210,000,000 in January, 1909.

Lackawanna holdings of Lehigh Valley sold to Drexel & Co., totaled 37,000 shares.

Erie November net increase $730,344; five months net increase $1,290,756.

Twelve industrial advanced .65; twenty active railroads advanced .81.

LONDON MARKET.

London, Dec. 30, 2 p.m.—Consols 82⅞, Anc 54⅜, Acp 91⅜, Atch 123, Bo 118¼, Co 88, Ca 182½, D 52, Erie 34⅛, Ef 51¼, Ills 148¼, Kt 49¾, Ln 157¼, Nk 99½, Np 145⅜, Cen 126¼, Ow 49¾, Pa 137¾, Rg 171½, Ri 51⅛, Sr 32½, Sp 135½, St 158¾, Up 204¾, Us 92⅜, Ux 125¾, Wz 61.

WALL STREET TODAY

New York, Dec. 30—Prices of stocks rose briskly in the opening dealings which were active and widely distributed, Reading, C. & O., Rock Island, Wabash pfd., Pacific Mail, Anaconda, Utah Copper and Consolidated Gas all showed substantial fractional gains. Brooklyn, National Gas sold at on advance of three and Sloss Sheffield Steel declined 3-4.

MONTREAL STOCKS

Montreal, Dec. 30—(Special)—Stocks were strong again today with Street Railway, Power and Shawinigan leaders. Owing to talk of an Amalgamated deal, Street rose to 223 1-4, Power 136 1-8 and Shawinigan held firm at 103. Other features were Richelieu 94 1-8, Soo 140 1-2, Pacific 182 1-8, Textile 70, Pfd 115 7-8, Twin City 115 3-4, Toronto Rly 129 3-4, Rio 90 1-2, Mexican 67 1-2, Dom. Steel, 71, Coal 91.

RUBBER TRADE IS PUZZLING THE INVESTORS

(Montreal Witness).

There never was a time when rubber was more 'in the air' than at present. That great uneasiness prevails is quite apparent. You have but to enter into conversation with the manufacturer to discover that he is quite at sea as to what the future holds in store for those engaged in the rubber trade. On the one hand, he is confronted with the prophecy of still higher prices, while on the other, he is advisedly counselled to go slow, as the present high prices must break and a decline ensue. His position is therefore a somewhat perplexing one, and he has to exercise the greatest caution in placing his orders, contenting himself in the main by simply purchasing what he needs for present requirements.

The present situation of crude rubber is such as to give serious concern to all branches of the trade—importers, manufacturers, and dealers of every kind; in fact, all interested in any way, shape, or manner in rubber goods. As usual, and naturally, during an epoch of high prices, the importer, in the minds of the manufacturers, is the shapegoat of the situation; and the old hugbear, the combine for bullish speculation, is held to be responsible for the ills that the trade are, or imagine they may be, suffering from.

Doubtless prices, which are at present ruling on crude rubber, have already caused, and will in the future infallibly cause, a still greater loss to many branches of the rubber industry. But those manufacturers who find that the present prices of crude are such as to greatly reduce, if not actually eliminate the possibility of marketing their product at a reasonable profit, would do well to bear in mind that the survival of the fittest' is the absolute rule in this as in all mundane affairs. Either by chemical or factory research and experiment, by possible improvement in the science of compounding, or by more economical factory and selling costs, much will undoubtedly be effected toward meeting the situation created by the increased cost of crude rubber, and the sooner the trade in general recognize the undoubted fact that a permanent materially higher level of crude rubber prices is here to stay, the sooner will the necessary readadjustment in the industry be satisfactorily accomplished. Those branches which cannot profitably operate will have to disappear, and those interested in them devote their energies and capital in other more profitable directions.

PERSONALS

E. Blake Robertson, of Ottawa, assistant superintendent of immigration, passed through the city yesterday on his way to Halifax.

Miss Belle Parker, of St. John, arrived here yesterday afternoon to spend New Year's with her mother, Mrs. Mary Carven, Main street.—Yarmouth Herald, Dec. 28.

Kenneth Schofield left for Winnipeg last evening.

H. H. Hansard of Ottawa left for home on last evening's Montreal express.

A. B. Copp, M. P. P., of Sackville, is at the Royal today.

Miss R. M. Hopkins, came in on the noon train today to attend the funeral of her mother.

BALFOUR CLAIMS HE WILL HAVE MAJORITY OF 60 IN THE COMMONS

(Times' Special Cables)

London, Dec. 30—Balfour is looking forward to a majority of 60 in the commons while Chamberlain hopes for 100.

Sir G. Parker at Aylesbury said that since Canada gave England the preference, England doubled its shipping with her and last year English workmen got nine millions in wages out of the purchases of Canada.

Through the death of Earl Percy, the candidate in South Kensington, the Conservatives found themselves in somewhat of a difficult position but another candidate will be chosen immediately, says the secretary of the Conservative Association.



ARTHUR JAMES BALFOUR

LOCAL NEWS

Tomorrow night all M. R. A. stores will remain open until 10 o'clock.

Choice apples from 75c. a barrel up—The 2 Barkers.

It wouldn't pay us to urge good clothes unless we sold that kind. C. B. Pidgeon, Cor. Main and Bridge streets.

F. W. Daniel & Co's store will be open Friday evening, New Year's eve, until 10 o'clock.

Macaulay Bros. & Co.'s store will be open tomorrow, Friday evening, until 10 o'clock.

Court Log Cabin, I. O. F., will meet in Foresters' Hall tomorrow evening to elect officers for the ensuing year.

Dancing classes re-open at "Chalet Hall" 74 Germain street, as follows: Advanced, Dec. 29th; Beginners, Jan. 3rd. Private, Jan. 6th.

Only two days left in which to take advantage of our Free Holiday offer. The studio will be open on January 1st. The Conlon Studio.

The approach of Christmastime jogs many a mother into cleansing the family wardrobe. Let Ungar's Landry in on the deal. Tel. 58.

George Elliott who was so badly injured at the Cushing mill pond Tuesday, died in the General Public Hospital at 11 o'clock this morning. He is survived by his wife and one child. His home was in North street, Fairville.

A little after 7 o'clock this morning the fire department responded to a call from box 37 and extinguished a slight fire in a woodshed on the premises occupied by John Lex, St. James street. Little damage was done.

The Every Day Club will give a reception for men on New Year's afternoon. Refreshments will be served to all comers. If any lady willing to donate a cake will telephone No. 1272, it will be called for.

The funeral of Mrs. Hannah Green, wife of Richard Green, was held from 15 St. Andrews street this afternoon at 2.30. Service was conducted by Rev. Neil McLauchlan and burial was in Cedar Hill cemetery.

The first sleighs to cross the river arrived in the city today, four in number. They crossed the Bellisle, and then the Kennebeccasis at Gondola Point. They report the going on the river rather hazardous, but it is expected to be better from now out.

A telegram received at the I. C. R. ticket office to day from John M. Lyons, general passenger agent of the I. C. R., Moncton, says:—"Commencing tomorrow steamers Minto and Earl Grey will be on regular service between Pictou and Charlottetown.

The Nickel Theatre management received a wire from New York today stating that the Rogers-Hackenschmidt wrestling match pictures will arrive here in time to be shown on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week in conjunction with the Johnston-Ketchel contest film.

The hundreds of thousands who have used them will be glad to know that the combined pocket diary—1910—memorandum book and calendar for 1910 and 1911, with other handy information issued by C. A. Snow & Co., of Washington (D. C.) is ready, and will be sent to any address on receipt of two cents postage. Write to C. A. Snow & Co., Washington (D. C.)

The competitions in connection with Canton La Tour Fair were brought to a close last night. The contest for the most popular fireman was won by W. Saunderson and Barney Kneeland proved to be the most popular conductor. The grand door prize was won by G. E. Maxwell. In the contest for guessing the name of a doll no prize was awarded as no one hit upon the right name—Doris.

The "Sobo," of the Pickford & Black Line, has gone round to Halifax to get ready for the trip to Bermuda, the British West Indies and Demerara, commencing on Jan. 6. Already a large number of passengers are booked for the delightful thirty-eight day trip, and Pickford & Black expect when she leaves that every berth will be occupied.

The balance of the doll hats will be sold at 25c. each at the Marr Millinery Co.

29-12-09

The St. John bank clearings for the week ended today were $1,367,306; corresponding week last year, $1,223,953.

An exceptionally good programme is being provided this week at the Gem Theatre, Waterloo street. A feature of tonight's bill is a magnificent representation, in motion pictures, of Shakespeare's tragedy "MacBeath." The Gem is a most comfortable place in which to spend a few hours of the afternoon or evening. There is new heating installed and the seating plan is excellently arranged.

The advertising committee of the board of trade met last evening and decided to inaugurate an advertising campaign to boom St. John. Among the suggestions submitted was one that a prize be offered for the best essay on St. John and Its Resources or a kindred topic to be written by a student in any of the city schools. A committee was also appointed to arrange for a series of newspaper articles advertising the city.

THE WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL TELESCOPE

Has Smaller But More Powerful Lenses Than Any Other Instrument

Treptow Observatory, near Berlin, now boasts the most powerful telescope in the world. Dr. Friedrich S. Archenbold, director of the observatory, admits that the lens of this instrument is smaller than the telescope lenses of the Yerkes and Lick observatories, but, in spite of that, it has a magnifying power greater than any yet built.

The Yerkes lens has a diameter of 104 centimeters, the Lick lens 96 centmeters, while the Treptow instrument has a lens of only 70 centimeters in breadth. The Lick telescope magnifies 4,500-fold; while the Archenbold telescope has a power of 6,000 diametres under favorable atmospheric and light conditions. This increase of power with a smaller lens is explained by Professor Archenbold as possible through a greater focal distance. Then the length of the Yerkes telescope is 18 meters that of the Lick 15, while the Archenbold is 21 meters.

The lens is of extraordinarily fine workmanship, and cost $12,500. It was cast in Jena by Professor Abbe and Dr. Schott. Dr. Steinheil, of Munich, was responsible for the delicate work of cutting it. The metal tube of the telescope proper is enclosed in an outer metal covering so that the temperature may be more uniform and the instrument protected from vibrations caused by the movements of the atmosphere. The apparatus weighs 5,560 pounds and is operated by electricity.

The distinguishing feature of the Treptow Observatory is that it has no revolving cupola. The advantages of the cupola are obtained through the outer metal enclosure of the telescope, and the cost of the observatory is greatly reduced by not having the great revolving chamber usual in observatories.

Dr. Archenbold estimates that with such a cupola the present equipment of the Treptow Observatory would have cost $1,000,000 while without the cupola the cost has only been about $75,000.

The observatory has many original features, none of which have been patented, so that astronomers are free to use them without the payment of royalties. Andrew Carnegie is one of the wealthy men who have given donations to make the Treptow Observatory one of the best equipped scientific establishments in the world—Cincinnati Enquirer.

WASTEFUL PRODUCTION OF HEAT

(From Cassier's Magazine).

The use of fire, by one of those strange incongruities of cosmic growth, has retained more nearly its elemental and primitive form than any other of the essentials to life, existence, and the industrial activity upon which life upon our planet is dependent.

While measurement has been integrated to the fractional part of a wave length of light, and mathematics and physics have reached a development of almost absolute determination, yet the usage of fire, so necessary to human existence and most materially affecting the economic life of society, has remained in a state of primaeval crudity, practically unchanged since its inception and the wanton waste of the world's most valuable resources and fundamental wealth continues in a manner entirely incommensurate with the economical development of our social and industrial life.

A realization of this, however, is being brought about, and as udden and abrupt awakening has come. This is largely due to the work of the geological and mining surveys of many of the manufacturing nations, and to the fact suddenly brought home that their resources are limited, and that the waste of previous years has made inroads far beyond expectation. It is a fact that the day must inevitably come, and may be said to be almost in sight, when, at the present rate of demand plus the expanding demand-curve of an increasing population, the supply of combustible resources will be practically exhausted.

WHY MEN DON'T GO TO CHURCH

(Leslie's Weekly.)

The only part of the United States where people go to church as they used to is in the south, where social customs and habits of thought have undergone least change. Some probably hold the poorer preaching of today responsible for the empty pews. But it should be remembered that better preaching is demanded now than formerly. There is not so great difference as once there was between the intellectual attainments of pulpit and pew, and the preacher is no longer the oracle he once was of the community.

At the root of it all is a declining sense of God and of personal accountability to Him. The claim of God upon every life and the duty to honor Him in the worship of the church must be pressed home upon men's consciences. The pulpit must cease trying to excuse men for failure. Let them face the situation as a business man would do, and let them fearlessly call upon the people to respond to the claim of God.

The All-St. John hockey team will go to Halifax on Tuesday next and will play the Wanderers in the sister city on Wednesday. The team will be made up as follows: Cribbs, goal; E. Inches, point; Jimmy Philps, cover point; Clawson, rover; Kenney, centre, and Phalen, Paterson or Gravity for wings.

TRIES ONCE MORE TO GET HER CHILD

Mrs. Clark Kidnaps Her Son Again—Was Here With Him Some Years Ago

New York, Dec. 29—Four and a half years ago Dr. and Mrs. G. Kremer of 233 West Eighty-third street, then living at Sixty-fifth street and Lexington avenue, who had no children of their own, legally adopted the two-year-old son of Forest Clark, a ship engineer, of Boston, and his wife Maud. The mother at that time could not devote her time to the boy's bringing up and gave him up rather willingly, his foster parents say, although Carlton was a fine, handsome little fellow, with fair hair and dark eyes.

Since then he has lived with his foster father and mother, taking their name, and unwilling, partly because of his luxurious surroundings, but more because of his love for them, to leave them. But the real mother, who has since separated from her husband, grew fonder of her boy after she was alone, and made frequent efforts to get him to come back to her. He would not come. Two years ago, while the doctor's sister was lifting the boy from a street car near his home, his real mother suddenly appeared, snatched up the boy and dashed away in an automobile. Mrs. Kremer later traced her to New Brunswick, and then to Boston, where she was arrested on a charge of kidnapping and brought to this city.

As she was the child's mother, however, the charge would not hold, and she was discharged. Since then, according to Mrs Kremer, piteous calls have at various times come from Mrs. Clark over the telephone asking the boy to return. But he would not.

While Dr. Kremer and his wife were away from home, little Carlton, who is a pet of the whole household, prevailed upon two young women friends of Mrs. Kremer, who had been left to watch him, to take him out doors and engage in a snowball fight with him.

It was quite dark. Presently Carlton after delivering a snowball at one of his chaperons, fled laughing toward West End avenue. He was still laughing when suddenly the two guards saw a woman rush from the corner, catch up the little fellow and dart with him to a waiting automobile.

In another moment the car had started chugging down the avenue. The two women ran after it, but on the slippery pavement they could make little headway.

Near Eighty-third street and West End avenue, Bicycle Patrolman John Finneran was standing. Suddenly the red auto ran by him and from within it came the cries of the little fellow: "Kidnappers, kidnappers! She isn't my mamma!"

Finneran joined immediately by a small crowd that rushed from the quiet houses at the sound of the cries, sped after the automobile. He reached it in a few seconds, just in time to see one of two women in it hugging the little fellow and trying to stifle his cries with kisses.

The boy hailed the policeman joyfully and protested that he was being kidnapped. Finneran took charge of the car and led all in it to the West Sixty-eight street station. There the woman gave her name as Mrs. Clark, but not her address, and insisted tearfully that she was indeed the boy's mother.

TELEPHONE KREMER HOME.

To solve the difficulty, Lieut. Austin, at the woman's request, telephoned to the Kremer home, asking that Mrs. Kremer come to the station to identify the woman. Half an hour later Mrs. Kremer drove up in a taxi. As soon as the boy saw her, he ran to her, crying:

"Mamsi, she isn't my mother, is she?"

Mrs. Kremer, who was moved alike by the boy's pleading and the woman's tears, could not do otherwise than admit that the woman was the little fellow's real mother. She told the lieutenant their past history and said she could not press any charge against her.

CARDINAL SATOLLI NEAR DEATH TODAY

Rome, Dec. 30—Cardinal Satolli, who is ill with nephritis, is failng rapidly today. Life is being prolonged only by the artificial administration of oxygen.

EARL PERCY'S DEATH

Paris, Dec. 30—Earl Percy, of London, a member of the British parliament and formerly British under-secretary of state for foreign affairs, died here today from acute pleurisy.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 30—Pittsburg is facing one of the worst floods of local river history, due to the unusual and severe weather conditions of the past two weeks.

Paris, Dec. 30—The Matin declares that the finding of the United States Immigration Commission, which placed France first among the nations as an exporter of so-called white slave recruits, constitute a national disgrace and appeals to the government to commence immediately pourpartlers with Washington for the effective suppression of the traffic.

RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE

(Leslie's Weekly.)

The story of the railway mail service is like a fairy tale. It was unknown prior to 1862, even to the extent of a single car. In 1880 the government expended $22,000,000 a year in the railway mail service, and in 1908 $81,000,000. As the mail is paid for by weight, this shows a tremendous growth of this branch of the postal service in the 30 years. Twenty years ago there were only 5,000 clerks and superintendents in the railway mail service, and today there are nearly 19,000. The growth of the post offices in the United States is the romance of the public service.

A meeting of the evangelistic committee appointed to arrange for the coming campaign in February is called for this evening in St. Andrew's church. Rev. Dr. Flanders, the chairman of the committee, will preside. The meeting is called to arrange for the appointment of evangelists in the city churches according to the districts and several names will be submitted and perhaps decided upon. Already two have been chosen.

Rev. Dr. Grey, of Boston, has been appointed to conduct the campaign and already he has been given the services of three other assistants, Rev. Mr. Sykes, of London, (Ont.) Rev. Mr. Cameron, of Ontario, and Rev. Dr. Elliott, of Boston.

It is thought likely that in North End, two divisions will be made instead of one as had been arranged for. This matter may come up at tonight's meeting.

WORLD OF SHIPPING

MINIATURE ALMANAC

1909 December	Sun Rises	Sun Sets	Tides High	Tides Low
28—Tues	8.10	4.44	0.25	7.06
29—Wed	8.10	4.44	1.14	7.53
30—Thurs	8.11	4.45	2.01	8.39
31—Fri	8.11	4.45	2.47	9.25

The time used is Atlantic Standard.

PORT OF ST. JOHN

ARRIVED TODAY.

Stmr Amelia, 103, Wrayton, from Halifax and call ports, E. C. Elkin, pass and mdse.

Coastwise—Motor sloop Oriole, 5, Simpson, fishing, and cleared.

CLEARED TODAY.

Stmr Shenandoah, 2492, Trimick, for London via Halifax, Wm Thomson & Co, general cargo.

Schr Margaret May Riley (Am), 245, Granville, for New York, A Cushing & Co, 172,229 feet spruce plank, 918,000 pcs lath.

Coastwise — Stmr Granville, Granville, Sandy Cove.

SAILED TODAY.

Stmr Calvin Austin, for Boston via Maine ports.

Stmr Louisburg, 1182, Marsters, for Sydney, CB.

DOMINION PORTS.

Yarmouth, NS, Dec 21—Ard, schr Princess of Avon Walsh, Boston.

Cld, schr Basile, Comeau, Belliveau Cove.

BRITISH PORTS.

Barbados, Dec 11—Ard, schr Virginian, Publicover, Tusket, NS.

Plymouth, Dec. 29.—Stmr Oceanic New York for Cherbourg and Southampton.

Southampton, Dec 29—Sld, stmr Adriatic, New York via Cherbourg.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Breman, Dec 23—Stmr Pontiac, Meikle, Savannah.

City Island Dec 27—Bound south, stmrs Diana, Windsor for New York; Governor Cobb, Boston for Knights Key (Fla.)

Portland, Dec 27—Ard, schr Jessie Ashley, Maitland for New York.

City Island, Dec 27—Passed, schr Nettie Shipman, from New York for St John.

Barcelona, Dec 11—Ard, stmr Urania, St John via Malaga.

Buenos Ayres, Dec 13—Ard, bark Giacomo, Dalhousie.

Cadiz, Dec 10—Ard, schr H Wright, Malaga.

Havana, Dec 19—Sld, bark Edna M Smith, for Mobile; schr W H Baxter, jr, for Moss Point; C W Mills, for Pascagoula

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Portland, Dec. 28

Kennebec River, Me.

Abagadasset Point Range Lights, discontinued for the winter December 26, will be relighted on the opening of navigation in the spring.

Beaufort, NC Dec 28—The Diamond Shoals lightship, which was blown ten miles off her station on Christmas day by a gale which raged as high as 90 miles an hour, is back at the proper anchorage tonight.

REPORTS AND DISASTERS.

Vineyard Haven, Dec 27—The crew of the schooner Rebecca M Walls, South Amboy for Calais, were successful in their attempt to float the vessel at high tide today, after she had dragged ashore on east side of the harbor during yesterday's gale. Her rudder is unhung, but she is not leaking.

Note—The schooner is in command of Captain McLean, a native of St. John. The schooner is a well known trader to this port.

MARINE NEWS

Bark Nellie Troop, which arrived at Limerick on the 18th Oct., is now laid up.

New Glasgow, N. S., steamship Pontiac, Captain Meikle arrived at Bremen from Savannah, Dec. 23.

Bark Kate F. Troop, which was recently sold at Buenos Ayres, has been broken up. She was formerly owned in St. John and was 1097 tons register.

We regret to learn that whilst visiting his son's family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Davis, on Christmas morning, Capt. Benjamin Davis received a second shock of paralysis, which has confined him to his bed in a semi-conscious condition.—Yarmouth Herald, Dec. 28.

Note—He was also well known in St. John, and his many friends were sorry to read the above.

Wednesday's Portland Argus says:—The safe arrival at Gibraltar of the Shiloh bark Kingdom is reported. The bark left here Oct. 25 and the yacht coronet, which left here several weeks later, was obliged to put into Boston for repairs, having lost several of her sails. She refitted there and is supposed to have got away some time since, although her departure has not been chronicled. She probably slipped away in the dark and thus evaded the reporters. The little Nova Scotia schooner Jessie Ashley, bound to Boston and bearing a striking resemblance to the Coronet, is anchored in the lower harbor and many have thought that the yacht had returned to port.

EXPORTS

For London and Antwerp, per stmr Lake Michigan: Canadian goods—7180 bags asbestos, 1558 pcs hardwood lumber, 1416 bdls maple strips, 4800 bdls spokes, 35 bags peas, 100,488 bushels wheat, 4800 bushels barley, 2973 bags oil cake, 1314 bbls apple waste, 216 cattle, 2400 sacks linseed cake, 8100 sacks flour, 701 crates washboards, 381,173 feet spruce deals, 1590 sacks oat meal, also sundries. Value, $293,298. Foreign goods—1000 bags flour, 6486 pkgs grape nuts, 200 bbls alcohol, 94 boxes leather, 1211 bales hops, 7953 pcs oak, 2096 bdls maple flooring, 1665 cases toasters, 500 boxes prunes, 2555 pcs walnut lumber, 12 boxes gas fixtures, 236 washing machines, 189 head cattle, 15 pkgs sundries. Value, $54,023. Total value of cargo, $347,321.

For Liverpool, per stmr Tunisian: Canadian goods—300 boxes herrings, 101 bbls, 169 boxes apples, 160 bales fish, 78 bags fish, 999 bags flour, 4450 bags oatmeal, 66,607 bushels wheat, 57 boxes meats, 10 cses shoe buttons, 14 pkgs sundries, 1,424,098 feet spruce deals. Value, $126,292. Foreign goods—443 pkgs meats, 117 boxes ham, 45 pkgs pork, 19 pkgs cotton. Value, $48,242. Total value of cargo, $174,534.

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TIMES SPECIALS IN SHORT METRE

Niagara Falls, Dec. 30—The frozen body of Arthur Bell was found on the railway track near here yesterday.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 30—A local company has imported 120 tons of tobacco, the duty on which amounts to $107,009.

Niagara Falls, Dec. 30—The two men Stevens and Leach, arrested on a charge of having in their possession goods stolen from the G. T. P. were remanded yesterday.

Toronto, Dec. 30—The Laymen's Missionary Movement is planning a series of conferences to be held in different cities.

Belleville, Ont., Dec. 30—A man belonging to Madoo was fined $50 yesterday on a charge of having partridges in his possion.

Peterboro, Ont., Dec. 30—T. Stanley, a prisoner in the local jail committed suicide in a cell yesterday.

North Bay, Dec. 30—Mr. Anderson, a prospector and mine owner, was killed here yesterday while boarding the train for home.

Montreal, Dec. 30—Roubilliard's election in the St. James' division is to be protested.

Quebec, Dec. 30—The results of the first day's voting favor the annexation of Nimolieu.

Quebec, Dec. 30—Andrew McCall was killed here yesterday by being thrown from a sleigh and striking a telepraph post.

TOO LATE

(Elizabeth Robins in Everybody's Magazine.)

Here is a story of an accident that it is whispered at London dinner tables, recently befell the king. Among the relays of relations visiting his majesty, it is said there was recently a small princess whose beauty and liveliness brought upon her the special notice of her august host. At some purely domestic luncheon she was given the seat of honor. Far from feeling any proper embarrassment at her elevation, she made bold to converse at her ease, and in the middle of an observation on the part of his majesty, the small princess interrupted.

"When I am speaking," said the king, "you must be still." The child sat obediently silent, eating her meal. At last his majesty, thinking he had been perhaps over-severe with his little kinswoman, patted her kindly on the shoulder: "Now we can listen to you, my dear."

"Oh, it is too late now," said the little princess. "I was only going to tell you there was a caterpillar in your salad, but you've eaten it."

A PARISIAN STRATGEM

(London Chronicle.)

For artistic methods the Parisian beggar is hard to beat. One man recently arrested was in the habit of wandering through the streets followed at a considerable distance by a Newfoundland dog. On seeing a bone or a crust in the gutter he would dart on it feverishly, and the dog would rush up and snatch it from him. A terrific struggle ensued, ending in the flight of the dog, bearing off the prize, while the man lay exhausted in the gutter. It is easy to imagine how kind-hearted wayfarers, after assisting him to rise, would shower coins on a poor devil, driven by poverty to fight so desperately for a meagre crust.

The request of the Osgoode Hall Law School hockey team for a game with All-St. John will be dealt with and negotiations will be opened with a view of getting them here.

Porecelain lined sinks and tubs can be cleaned by rubbing with a flannel wet with kerosene.

SANTA CLAUS IN VISIT TO CARLETON

The annual Christmas entertainment of the Carleton Methodist Sunday School was held in the school-room of the church last evening and the large room was well filled with happy youngsters who anxiously awaited the appearance of Old St. Nic. A large number of the parents were present to see the fun. A well filled Christmas tree delighted the little ones and a nice programme of Christmas choruses and recitations was carried out before Santa Claus appeared at the bottom of the improvised chimney and wished the youngsters "A Happy New Year." Their answer, "The same to yourself, Sir," almost raised the roof.

Santa handed out good things to all the school, not forgetting the superintendent, whose stocking he filled. Altogether it was the most successful Christmas entertainment the Sunday school has had for years.

DEATHS

HOPKINS—Entered into rest on Wednesday, Dec. 29, Sarah Elizabeth, widow of the late John Hopkins, leaving three sons and one daughter.

Funeral Friday afternoon; service begins at 2.30

(Halifax papers please copy.

JONES—In New Britain (Conn.), on Dec. 30, J. Harry Jones, aged 46, son of the late James H. and Hannah Jones of this city.

Notice of funeral later.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

Too Late for Classification.

FOR SALE—Office fixtures, counters, etc., for sale, all in good condition. Apply C. Heans Builder 85 Paradise Row. 23-tf.

FOR SALE—Double seated ash pung, with two black fur rugs, in good condition. Apply R. J. Cox, Harness Maker. 2410-tf.

WANTED—Girl for general housework, at 26 Queen square. 2447-tf

WANTED—Capable girl for general housework. Apply 221 Germain St. 2448-tf

WANTED—Male ordercook, state wages and where last employed. "B" Times office. 2438-1-1

FOUND—Christmas night—Muff. Owner may have same by applying at 48 Hazen street, proving property and paying for this advt. 2449-12-31

FOR SALE—Two sleds and a delivery pung; all new. G. S. Cosman & Co., 167 Mill street or 240 Paradise Row. 2445-1-7

TRY the New Restaurant, 184 Mill street. Choice Chowders, Stews, etc., or for anything eatable, at any time. W. Foster.

ROOMS—Boarding and lodging, 34 Horsfield street. 2446-1-7

WANTED—A reliable man in every locality in Canada with rig or capable of handling horses, on salary or commission, $15.00 a week and expenses with advancement, introducing and advertising our Royal Purple Stock and Poultry Specifics, putting up our bill posters, 7 by 9 feet, selling goods to merchants and consumers. No experience needed. We lay out your work for you. Write for particulars, W. A. Jenkins Mfg. Co., London, Ont.