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## BAD OUTBREAK OF DIPHTHERIA

St. John's, Dec. 18.—(Special).—A fire Saturday night did \$14,000 damage to the four story brick building corner of Dock St. and Market Square occupied as clothing houses by Wilcox Bros. and Joseph Corkery.

The latter's loss is only five hundred but uninsured. Wilcox's loss is seven thousand, insured and the damage to the building, nearly seven thousand, is insured.

An epidemic of diphtheria has broken out in St. Vincent Catholic Orphanage where two hundred young girls reside.

The disease first developed Friday night and now there are 25 victims.

One died this evening and six or eight others are dangerously ill, two hundred more girls attend the day school and these having been exposed to the contagion further spread of the disease is feared.

Diphtheria has been prevalent here for the past few months.

James P. Carr latterly a commercial traveller died on Saturday.

He held the Royal Humane Society medal for saving Archie Frith from drowning in Restigouche River and had previously saved five other lives.

While rescuing Frith the latter caught him by the throat and inflicted injuries which ultimately resulted in his death.

Colonel Wm. Cunard, an old St. John man, formerly a lumber surveyor and at one time keeper of military stores, died in Fredericton last night aged 72.

## GEN. STOESSEL REPORTS ASSAULT ON PORT ARTHUR

Fierce Fighting from November 27 till December 2—Japs Were Repulsed With Bayonet After Suffering Awful Losses Said to Reach Twenty Thousand—A Russian General Dies of Wounds—Severe Cold at Mukden but no Fighting There.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 18.—(Special).—General Stoessel's despatches received Friday night were given out today. He reports up till Dec. 5 and gives details of several Japs' assaults on Nov. 29 to 23rd.

The Japs hurled themselves against the north-eastern front, returning to the assault again and again but were thrown back by bayonets after having occupied portions of the trenches.

Stoessel estimates the Japs killed during these three days numbered two thousand.

Belated despatches indicate that this assault continued for 12 days, or until Dec. 2 as Nov. 29 and 27 which included the attacks on Metro Hill being the fiercest fighting since the beginning of the siege.

The Japs hurled themselves in such masses against bayonets and cannon that they were slain in heaps and Stoessel

## THE TERMINUS ON THE PACIFIC

VANCOUVER, Dec. 18.—(Special).—Plans filed in O laws for the location of the Grand Trunk Pacific terminus show that Kaien Island and Port Simpson are being considered with preference in favor of the former.

The company has staked out the greater part of the Kaien Island shore front and is endeavoring to secure the whole island.

To build the road to Port Simpson would necessitate the building of 14 miles more of road through almost solid rock at a cost of \$100,000 per mile, but a difficulty arises regarding Kaien Island.

Several South African veterans who were given government scrip for a hundred and sixty acres land applied for title to portions of this land. The government refused them on the grounds that the island is included in an Indian reserve but the boundary seems in doubt.

The men however staked off the lands and have engaged Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper to fight for them. Sir Hibbert Tupper has applied for a mandamus compelling the Government to honor its scrip and deed this land to the ex-soldiers.

The outcome is awaited with much interest.

Kaen Island is a barren place, almost treeless, but situated on a splendid harbor where wharves could be built ten miles from the ocean and from which there is a clear passage to the sea.

## THE IVANHOE IS SUPPOSED LOST

She Sailed from Halifax Six Weeks Ago and had on Board W. F. Collings of This City.

HALIFAX, Dec. 19.—(Special).—The schooner Ivanhoe which left here seven weeks ago with a mixed cargo for the Bahamas is thought to have been lost with all hands and has been given up.

She had one passenger William F. Collings of Charlottetown and lately of Winnipeg who was going to Nassau to establish an agency for G. C. Cook of Halifax who had chartered the schooner.

The Ivanhoe was built in Liverpool N. S. last summer and was owned by Robert Moulton of Burgeo, Newfoundland.

## A GOVERNMENT DEFEAT IN YUKON

DAWSON CITY, Dec. 18.—(Special).—Dr. Thompson, Conservative candidate, was elected to the Dominion Parliament Saturday by five hundred and fifty majority, defeating Congdon, Liberal.

The vote stood, Thompson 1634, Congdon 1076.

Yukon residents have for years been dissatisfied with the administration and there was a very strong feeling against the Government.

Congdon was induced to resign the Governorship to contest the seat, but the feeling was too strong to be overcome.

Dr. Thompson is a Nova Scotian.

## THE VERDICT OF PUBLIC OPINION

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## Wouldn't Commit Forgery

Among the candidates for appointment to a vacancy on the police force of an Irish town was one Patrick Murphy, whose appearance before the mayor was hailed with cries of "He can't write!" The mayor said he was only there to take down the names of applicants, who would come up a fortnight later for examination.

A friend set Murphy in a fair, round hand to copy "Patrick Murphy" and kept him practicing at it assiduously. When the eventful day arrived, "Take that pen," said the mayor, "and write your name." As Pat took up the pen exclamations arose: "Pat's a-writer!" He's got a quill in his fist! Small good will it do him! He can't write with it!"

All were dumfounded when Murphy recorded his name in a bold, round hand and the mayor declared "That'll do," but one of them shouted: "Ask him to write somebody else's name, yer honor!"

"Write my name, Murphy," said the mayor.

"Write yer honor's name!" exclaimed Pat. "Me commit forgery and go in' into the police! I daren't do it, yer honor!"—London Tit-Bits.

Ask your Grocer for  
**Windsor Salt**  
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## NEWPORT R. I. IS BURIED IN SNOW

NEWPORT, R.I., Dec. 18.—(Special).—As the result of one of the worst blizzards that has visited this coast in years traffic here is entirely suspended, the streets are impassable on account of snowdrifts and the Fire Department is unable to move its apparatus.

All the railroads and carlines are blocked. On the coast below Wakefield three barges are ashore but the crews have been taken off.

The storm was general along the New England coast but here the snow appears deepest, over two feet having fallen.

## An Emergency Medicine

For sprains, bruises, burns, scalds and similar injuries, there is nothing so good as Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It soothes the wound and not only gives instant relief from pain, but causes the parts to heal in about one third the time required by the usual treatment. As it is an anti-septic all danger from blood poisoning is avoided. Sold by all druggists.

## Grip Quickly Knocked Out

"Some weeks ago during the severe winter weather both my wife and myself contracted severe colds which speedily developed into the worst kind of a grippe with all its miserable symptoms," says Mr. J. S. Eggleston of Maple Landing, Iowa. "Knees and joints aching, muscular sore, head stopped up, eyes and nose running, with alternative spells of chills and fever. We began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, adding the same with a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and by its liberal use soon completely knocked out the grippe. It is a good plan to take a dose of the Tablets when you have a cold. They promote a healthy action of the bowels and kidneys which is always beneficial when the system is congested by cold or attack of the grippe. For sale by all druggists."

## VISITORS HOME FROM WINTER FAIR

The Attendance Large and the Fair a Great Success—Few Islanders in Attendance but Many Prizes Won Island People.

The Island people attending the Maritime Winter Fair at Amherst returned home Saturday by the Minto. They reported the fair a great success throughout in every respect except insofar as the peculiar transportation situation precluded exhibitors and visitors from Prince Edward Island from being as numerous as under other circumstances they should have been.

Speaking to Rev. A. E. Burke in the afternoon The Guardian learned that the fat stock classes were perhaps not as crowded as on some previous occasions, but the individual merit of the animals was far in excess of any previous time. This really is what such a fair aims at.

The attendance at all the meetings was very large. It is estimated that fully 7000 people were present Wednesday.

Agricultural addresses were of a high order and claimed the undivided attention of the sea of humanity which filled the immense auditorium.

## A Certain Cure for Croup

When a child shows symptoms of croup there is no time to experiment with new remedies, no matter how highly they may be recommended. There is one preparation that can always be depended upon. It has been in use for many years and has never been known to fail, viz: Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Give it and a quick cure is sure to follow. Mr. M. F. Compton of Market, Texas, says of it, "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in severe cases of croup with my children, and can truthfully say it always gives prompt relief." For sale by all druggists.

## INFANTS ASYLUM WAS BURNED DOWN

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 18.—(Special).—The St. Vincent de Paul Infants' Asylum on Regent Street, a four story brick structure, was burned to-day.

By the consummate bravery of the Sisters, who conduct the Asylum and by the firemen and police every one of the hundred and fifty children in the Asylum were rescued.

Some of the rescuers were severely burned.

At the opening the public men of the country expressed adherence to the principle of Maritime Fairs and at the closing meeting over which E. L. Hazard, K. C. presided. After the regular program was through resolutions were passed expressive of appreciation of the speakers, workers, contributors and the city. They were moved by Colin Campbell, Deputy Minister Peters of N. B. and Rev. Father Burke of P. E. I.

There was greater interest than ever in the poultry plucking competition although the time made was not as good as usual.

In sweepstakes W. W. Black, Amherst whose herd was at the Prov. Exhibition here carried the trophy.

Our own Mr. Roper, Royalty brought back no less than 16 ribbons clearly showing that if we could get there we can do the work.

The winners of county fruit prizes were: King's John Robertson, New Perth. Queen's—A. A. Moore, Pownal—Prince—C. A. Black.

George Y. Moore of this city took first prize for Andalusian cock and for Andalusian pullets.

## CHICAGO MARKETS

CHICAGO, December 18.—(Special).—  
Dec. Corn 47 1/2 May Corn 45  
" Wheat 109 " Wheat 110  
" Pork \$12.05 " Pork \$12.57 1/2

## SAD DROWNING AT LCKPORT

HALIFAX, Dec. 18.—(Special).—Sadie Locke of Lockport was drowned on Saturday while sliding on the ice on the harbor back of the school house.

Another girl who also went through was seen and rescued but her preserver did not know the Locke girl was in the water and when told it was too late to save her.

## DIED

Entered into rest, at Union North, Lot 33, on the 17th inst., Evelyn Shaw aged 37 years, beloved wife of James D. Rattray.

[Funeral at 2 p. m. to-day (Monday). In this city, on Saturday evening, Dec. 17th, Janet, beloved wife of Nathaniel Pearson, aged 68 years.

[Funeral from her late residence, on Tuesday, at 1 o'clock, to Princetown Road Cemetery.

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## THE MIDNIGHT PROBS

TORONTO, Dec. 19.—(Special).—Decreasing winds fair and colder.

WANTED—A case of headache that Knuffort Headache Powders will not cure in ten minutes.

## SAVED BY LIFE SAVING CREW.

ATLANTIC CITY, Dec. 18.—(Special).—A schooner reported to be the Lizzie Brayton, Baltimore for Providence with soft coal, is ashore off Bay Head.

The life savers/rescued crew, bringing two ashore in the breeches buoy. The schooner will be badly damaged.

## Music Charmed Water

Interesting experiments showing the influence of a tuning fork on jets of water have recently been made at the Royal College of Science in Dublin. A jet of falling water consists ordinarily of two parts—a clear column and a troubled portion. When the troubled part is photographed, with the aid of the electric spark, it is seen to be composed of a succession of drops following one another too rapidly to be separately perceived by the eye. These drops are irregular in size, shape and distance from one another. But if a vibrating tuning fork is placed in contact with the stand from which the jet starts the drops fall into order with beautiful precision, a drop being cast off with each vibration. Many remarkable effects can thus be produced. A continuous jet may be thrown into a form like that of a vibrating string.

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