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**PERSONALS**

Mr J. H. Myers, M.L.A., Hampton, was in Charlottetown yesterday.

Mr and Mrs Ernest E. Poole, of Moosejaw, Sask., are visiting Mr and Mrs John T. Poole, Cardigan.

Hon. J. H. Myers, Hampton, and Mr. S. Beaton, Bonshaw, drove to the city, yesterday.

Mr. C. H. Cross, Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., left Charlottetown yesterday morning on a visit to his home in Montreal.

Mr. Louis Webster, Morell Station, returned on yesterday afternoon's train to his home after spending a very enjoyable visit in this city.

Mr. George H. Stanway has arrived in this city from Winnipeg. Mr. Stanway leaves shortly for Halifax as he has volunteered for service with the second contingent.

Mr. W. H. McGregor, of Central Lot 16, was in Charlottetown yesterday. Mr. McGregor is one of the largest farmers in that part of the county and has lately made quite a number of purchases of pure-bred cattle. He is also an active member of the Canadian Seed-Growers' Association.

**IN MEMORIAM**

**JAMES ALEXANDER ALLEY.**

At 823, 12th street, Nutana, Saskatchewan, the 17th of November, 1914, there passed from earth to Heaven James A. Alley, aged 74. His prayer of childhood days "If I should die before I wake, I pray the Lord my soul to take" was surely answered, for his beloved wife, waking at an early hour on that eventful morning, found her husband cold in death's embrace.

For two years he suffered extreme pain at times, but when these were over, he went about as usual. During that period, he never was confined to his bed for a single day. He bore the suffering without a murmur and always looked on the bright side of life.

The subject of this sketch was born in Cardigan, P. E. I., and was the son of William Alley. There was a large family of sons and daughters, but only three sisters remain to mourn. His brother, Wm. B. Alley, editor of the "Colchester Sun," N. S., died last December, and a sister died a little later. In his own immediate family he leaves to mourn a sorrowing widow and one son, B. P. Alley, assistant inspector of the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Winnipeg. Their only daughter died of diphtheria some years ago at the age of 12 years.

In his early life the late Mr. Alley went to live with his uncle, Thomas Alley, in Charlottetown. He attended the Academy—now Prince of Wales College—with his cousin, afterwards known as Judge Alley. He learned the trade of carpentering, while in his uncle's employ, and was afterwards foreman in the old firm of Peaks Bros. & Co., later starting as a contractor and builder on his own account, which trade he followed successfully up to the time he was stricken with that fatal disease, which ended with a stroke of apoplexy.

**ICE IN NORTH ATLANTIC.**

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—The presence of ice in the North Atlantic steamer lane, an unusual occurrence in December, is reported by Captain Anderson, Norwegian steamship Bra-Kar, which sailed from Copenhagen Monday and passed a berg Monday.

**GERMAN CRUISER REPORTED AS SUNK.**

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Persistent rumours are current that a German cruiser has been sunk off the coast of Scotland.

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**NEARLY THOUSAND AUSTRIAN SOLDIERS KILLED.**

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Nearly one thousand Austrian soldiers are reported to have been killed or injured in a collision of two troop trains near Kamin, Russian Poland, according to the Daily Telegraph's Petrograd correspondent.

**TWO PERISH IN STELLARTON MINE.**

STELLARTON, N. S., Dec. 23.—At 9.30 on Sunday morning an explosion took place in Allan's Shaft No. 1 as a result of which Deputy Inspector of Mines Thomas Blackwood, and Mine Supt. Jas. Brown lost their lives.

A pumpman and a boy were in the mine at the time of the explosion, but were rescued alive. Four men, Thomas Blackwood, James Brown, Alex Sutherland and Overman, Neil McLean went down the shaft to investigate. Sutherland came back alone and reported that his companions were overcome by gas. Immediately a small force of dragoons went down and found Blackwood, McLean, and Brown overcome by black lamp and sent them to the surface where four doctors worked over them, but were unable to resuscitate McLean. A slight fire had been in progress and though walled off, it is thought that it broke through elsewhere, causing the explosion. The mine had been closed down and some time will elapse before conditions can be ascertained.

**THE PRINCE EDWARD.**

Another of the plays of the 'series extraordinary' was presented at the Prince Edward Theatre yesterday and as the all-important rule of these productions seems to be excellence, even in the most minute detail, it is quite unnecessary to say that "The Redemption of David Corson" was a strong drama. This famous tale of a strong Quaker, recluse and mystic, possessed of strong spiritual powers, walked with God and lived in an ethereal world of purity and sanctity. David was a mighty force in the quaint little Quaker community, in which he had spent

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**RINK OPENING.**—The rink will open Xmas afternoon at 3 o'clock. 8034.

**HAMPTON, ETC.**—Presbyterian services, Dec. 27th: Bonshaw, 11 a.m.; Hampton, 3 p.m.; Tryon, 7 p.m.

**CATHOLIC NEWS.**—The masses in St Dunstan's Cathedral will be celebrated each Sunday at 7, 8, 9.30 and 11 o'clock. High Mass will be at 11 o'clock.

**"PRINCE CHAP"**—If you want to thoroughly enjoy yourself, see the powerful comedy drama, "Prince Chap," by Edward Peple, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 29th, in the People's Theatre. 8037.

**UNIFORMS.**—All members of No. 3 Battery, P. E. I. H. B. C. G. A. having uniforms will please return them to the keeper of the Drill Hall, not later than Saturday morning next. By order C. L. MacKay, Major.

**A GOOD XMAS GIFT.**—At Paton's store to-day, splendid Christmas mufflers will be offered at special prices. These are presented in excellent Christmas packages and will make a most useful gift at a moderate cost. 8038.

**MIDNIGHT MASS.**—At midnight service will be held in St Dunstan's Cathedral for the first time since its reconstruction, when Pontifical High Mass will be sung. Immediately after the High Mass a low Mass will be celebrated for communicants.

**LIGHT AND POWER.**—On Christmas Day from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m. there will be no current supplied by the Light and Power Co. This arrangement is made to give the employee the benefit of the holiday. 8036

**MANY VISITORS.**—Charlottetown's buying force was augmented yesterday by hundreds who came in by the special trains. The train from the east brought about 200 passengers, the Summerside special over a hundred, and about 150 arrived from Murray Harbour.

**"PRINCE CHAP"** is a beautifully written story of love, disappointment, tragedy and intense life. In its dramatized form it is enlivened with flashes of comedy, brightened with sparkling humor and chuck full of life. In the hands of the local artists mentioned elsewhere this play next Tuesday evening, Dec. 29th, in the People's Theatre, will be the treat of a life time. Don't miss it. 8037.

**COMMUNICATION.**—The Minto left Charlottetown yesterday morning at 7 o'clock for Picton and returned to the city last evening at 8 o'clock. She had 70 tons of freight, 60 passengers and mail inward. The Stanley made the round trip yesterday returning to Summerside at 3.30 o'clock. She had a small cargo, 45 passengers and a large mail. The special train for the Stanley leaves Charlottetown this morning at 8 o'clock and the Minto leaves the Marine Wharf as usual this morning at 7 o'clock.

**RAILWAY ACCIDENT.**—A railway accident occurred at Fredericton station yesterday, which blocked the track for a few hours, but on account of a quick despatch of special trains traffic was not delayed. Two cars of the Cape Traverse train bound for Summerside left the track at Fredericton, one car sinking deep into the road bed. A crew immediately got to work, and after four or five hours the hard work succeeded in putting the cars on the track. A special train was sent out from Charlottetown to Fredericton, to which all the western passengers were transferred and brought to the city, only about an hour after the scheduled time of arrival.

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A fine display of pretty and artistic pieces—any of which would make an appropriate Xmas Gift—Jardiniere—Fern Dishes—Pedestals—Ash Trays for Smokers—Serving Trays—Cuspidors—Vases, etc, etc.

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Every color combination you could think of.

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**Music Cabinets**

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