

*We Wish Everybody*  
**A Merry Christmas**  
 —AND—  
**A Happy New Year**  
**J. ERNEST H. WORTH**

**Central Guardian**

**SLIGHT COLLISION**—About 6.30 yesterday morning a slight collision occurred between two cars on Kent Street. One of them going east, pulled out to pass a parked car and was sideswiped by one bound west. Both cars were only slightly damaged, and were able to proceed under their own power.

**ACCEPTS CALL TO MANITOBA**—Rev. Ross C. Eaton, for the past seven years pastor of the Baptist Church of Charlottetown, has resigned to accept the pastorate of the First Baptist Church at Brandon, Manitoba. Mr. Eaton will preach his farewell sermon on Feb. 10th. Since assuming his duties as pastor here, Rev. Mr. Eaton has proved himself to be a forceful and able preacher and a very popular pastor. The news of his leaving will be learned with widespread regret. Our citizens generally will extend to Mr. and Mrs. Eaton the best of good wishes in their wider field of endeavour in the Great West.

Charged with bigamy in a London court recently, a young Irishman testified that he was married at the age of 16 to a girl of 26, and thought the marriage was illegal because he did not have his parents' consent.

Several sarcophagi found recently near Tours, France, by a gardener, contained corpses of what are believed to be members of the monastic establishments by St. Martin, Bishop of Tours, in the fourth century.

Operated by a special switch, a new rear signal for automobiles illuminates the word "slow" or "pass" with a hand pointing to the one displayed to guide following drivers.

**THE MAGI**  
 Arise, arise and shine!  
 For lo, the Light Divine  
 Is clearly seen;  
 And Kings have come from far  
 Led by the wondrous star  
 Which shines serene,  
 To seek a King to whom they bring  
 With willing hands, an offering.

Before the Holy Child  
 So tender and so mild  
 They humbly fall  
 And reverence homage give  
 To Him by whom they live.  
 The King of all!  
 Their gifts most rare they offer  
 Of gold and frankincense and myrrh.

The gold proclaims that He  
 The eternal King shall be  
 Of earth and heaven;  
 The frankincense makes known  
 That He is God alone  
 To whom is given  
 All prayer and praise; and myrrh  
 The perfect Man in all His ways.

The gold of love be Thine,  
 O Jesu, Lord Divine,  
 World without end;  
 The frankincense of prayer  
 With praise and homage rare  
 To Thee ascend;  
 Let all below who feel sin's woe,  
 The myrrh of penitence bestow.

O holy Infant King,  
 Such gifts we fain would bring.  
 On this best day;  
 Thee as our God we greet  
 And at Thy sacred feet  
 Our worship pay;  
 O gentle Child, keep undefiled  
 The souls on whom Thy face has smiled.  
 —Wm. Edgar Egan.

**Redferne Hollinshead**, Canadian tenor of international reputation on the concert, oratorio and operatic stage, is one of the artists to sing during the continental broadcast of the Canadian National Railways radio chain on the night of December 27th when fifteen Dominion stations will tie-in from Halifax to Vancouver.

**Thousands Leave Metropolis For Holiday Resorts**  
 (Special to The Guardian)  
 LONDON, Dec. 24.—Christmas weather at the moment in Britain is discouragingly mild with rain constantly threatening. Nevertheless crowds everywhere eagerly participated in the last mad rush at Christmas shopping today and were equally eager in jamming the railway terminals to leave for the country or the seaside. More than a hundred special trains left each of the big stations in London today. Many hotels at such inland resorts as Buxton and Harrogate completed full resources weeks ago. A great exodus to the continent set in the past few days, and the air lines got their share of this traffic. Many of the air liners were decorated with Yuletide festoons in the cabins and the passengers were given fancy canes, so that a curious mixture of the old fashioned and the ultra-modern was witnessed at the airports. The Salvation Army is entertaining 10,000 "down and outs" all over Britain tomorrow.

**BIRTHS.**  
**COLES**—To Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Coles of Milton on Dec. 18, a son.  
**HUME**—At Brooklyn, P. E. I., Dec. 7, 1928, to Mr. and Mrs. Earle Hume a daughter, Jean Enilene.  
**HELM**—At Jeffrey Hale Hospital, Quebec, P. Q., on Dec. 18 to Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Helm, nee Mamie Ross, a daughter. Congratulations.

**DEATHS.**  
**McINNIS**—At 102 Water St., on Dec. 24, David McInnis, aged 6 years, son of Police Officer Wm. and Mrs. McInnis. Funeral Tuesday afternoon.  
**PAYNTER**—At French River, on Dec. 24, Wellington Paynter, aged 68 years. Funeral Wednesday, Dec. 26 at 1 p. m. to Geddie Memorial Church.

**McLELLAN**—At the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. Callaghan, Kinkora, Dec. 24, Mrs. James H. McLellan, beloved wife of the late Dr. J. A. McLellan, Summerside. Funeral from the home of Mrs. (Dr.) J. A. McLellan, Summerside, Wednesday morning, Dec. 26th.

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**IMPORTANT**

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district will require legislative approval.  
 Conversations are proceeding with the U. S. A. with reference to the suppression of smuggling, radio wave length allocations, and St. Lawrence River improvement. Canada's radio policy will not be formulated until the royal commission now at work, has reported, about three months hence. Meanwhile the Dominion will not accept what is offered by the United States in the matter of channels.

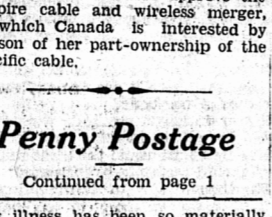
The attitude of Canadian officials is that Uncle Sam has no more to do with the radio channels of North America than he has to do with the ozone, and Canada has no intention of giving the neighboring republic "the air." When the Dominion is ready to spend more on radio broadcasting, she will take whatever steps she requires, irrespective of what happens to broadcasting south of the border, and will not get in hand to Washington asking for favors. Of course, friendly negotiation is much to be preferred and Canada will negotiate, if met in a reasonable spirit.

Important tariff revision is inevitable during the approaching session. Last year the tariff board concentrated on the textile schedules. This year other schedules will be overhauled and brought up to date. Classifications in the customs schedule will be entirely recast.  
 As to tariff changes, Mr. Roby's idea is to deal fairly with all parties. He has not thought of injuring the manufacturers or other producers, but desires fair play for the consumers. There is more than a possibility of a decrease in the duties on liquor and tobacco which are presently producing about 25 per cent of the revenue from excise.

Mr. Euler will be able to report progress in the organization of his department, some sixty offices having been closed in different parts of the country as recommended by the parliamentary committee and the royal commission. This department is now in first-rate order.  
 The aftermath of the immigration inquiry and the action recently taken to implement the committee's recommendations will furnish material for a full dress debate. The appointment of a Canadian minister to Tokio will also bring another protest from the Conservatives. Parliament will be asked to approve the empire cable and wireless merger, in which Canada is interested by reason of her part-ownership of the Pacific cable.

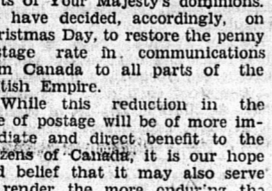
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**The Daily Argument**  
**AUNT HET**  
 BY ROBERT QUILLEN



"I advised all of my girls to marry men that had sisters, so they'd be halter-broke to start with."

**POOR PA**



"Our rich Aunt Betty that we bought the nicest things for didn't send us anything but a Christmas card."

**Appreciation**  
 Mr. M. J. Mahar of the C. N. R. takes this opportunity to thank his brother members of the B. F. T. for their generous remembrance of him at Xmas and for their kindness all during his illness. 9659-12-25-11.

**GERMANS TIRE OVER "TOPSY"**  
 At the season's opening of the Schauspielhaus, in Dresden, "Topsy," an English comedy by Mrs. Mayor, was presented under the German title of "Unter der Baume." According to a German critic, the title "was derived from the figure of a gay girl." The play's reception was lukewarm. Germans considering the dialogue too long and too monotonous.

**FLOODLIGHTS FOR CASTLE**  
 During the celebration in Germany this year in honor of the memory of Albrecht Durer, his famous artist, Nürnberg held special festival nights when the castle was flooded with lights. Standing on a steep sandstone cliff in the center of the city, the edifice could be seen from a great distance at night. The illumination also brought out the statue of Durer, which stands in an open plot below the castle.

For more than five years, Thorford, England, has been without a Christmas tree, and recently for the twenty-first consecutive time, a tree was opened and closed without any bustle being transacted.

**The Sunken Barges of Caligula**

(Condensed from the Living Age)  
 Some 18 miles southeast of Rome lies the lake of Nemi, which was called by the ancients the mirror of Diana. This year the lake is being drained of its waters by means of electric pumps, in an attempt to discover the two great barges of the Emperor Caligula, which he sunk at the bottom. The history of the lake is a strange one, and this is the first attempt to discover its hidden treasures.

Five hundred years ago Cardinal Prospero Colonna whose family held the villages of Nemi and Genzano in fief, obtained the help of the engineer Leone Battista Alberti in a similar enterprise. Alberti caused a raft to be made, upon which he erected machinery and let down into the lake great chains with hooks upon them which were fastened to the prows of one of the ships. But the chains broke and brought only fragments of timber to the surface. This was between the years 1431 and 1439.

Descent in Diving Bell  
 A hundred years later the famous military engineer, Francesco de Marchi made a descent in a diving bell; but the attempt again ended in failure, though De Marchi's account of it was exciting enough. The convex glass of the aperture through which he spied into the bowels of the lake acted like a lens by which he saw fabulous sights; more strange than Edgar's imagined view from the cliff-top, when he saw crows "scarce as gross as beetles," and "fisherman that walked upon the beach appeared like a man." De Marchi's vision was an inverted one. The lens magnified what he saw and he reported the ships to be 475 feet in length.

They were, indeed, of an enormous size, but not so fantastic as this. An accurate description was not forthcoming until last century when two further attempts were made. The first yielded no secret, but in 1895 a more definite account was given of the size and grandeur of the two barges. By means of floats attached to strings to the ship, Eliseo Borghesi outlined the form of the great barge upon the surface of the lake, while divers brought up mooring rings of great beauty and huge timbers were dragged above the water.

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 The first ship is about 200 feet long; the length of the second is probably more than 250 feet. Their depth is unknown, for their long burials had silted them up with sand. Their parapets are gilded, the decks paved with porphyry; bronze heads of lions and wolves, fashioned with workmanship, hold the mooring rings in their mouths, and fountains have played amidships. On lead pipes Caligula's name is inscribed.

For what purpose were these enormous vessels, at least 40 feet longer than the man-of-war of their day, launched upon a tiny lake which measures only four miles in circumference? Were they floating palaces, the property of Caligula, sunk by some catastrophe, held in place by abandoned villas on the shores of the lake was abandoned, because it was not to his liking. Or had they some connection with that other and deeper mystery of Nemi, the sanctuary of Diana?

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**Draining of Lake**  
 Five electrical and engineering firms have offered their services free of charge to the Government to drain the lake until such a time as the prow of the first ship, which is not so deeply sunk as the second. From this point the Government and archaeological authorities will be responsible for the continuation of the work. The pumps, it was thought, would take about six months time.

The railway and the machinery will most surely transform the grove of Diana. But the engineers who are draining the lake have undertaken that the water shall be returned to the basin, and since this is composed of the hardest lava and basalt, and the water nowhere runs underneath the banks, there is no fear of a landslip which would alter the familiar shape of the lake and sweep away its gardens. Nemi will be once more as it was, with the loveliness of its desolation, the exquisite delicacy of the coloring of the woods, the grey-blue color of the lake, and the beauty of the flowers which follow each other in the rapid succession of the Trojan spring.

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and especially to the many kiddies whom it has been our pleasure to photograph.

**CRASWELL STUDIO**  
**GEA READY FOR VEGETABLES**  
 Magnificent displays of home-grown vegetables at club flower shows and fairs this fall have given new interest and impetus to the home vegetable garden. It is an institution that should not be abandoned if space possibly can be found for it. No matter how cheaply vegetables can be purchased in the market, the absolute not-putch of quality cannot be bought at a store. It must be grown.

The soil for the vegetable garden may be put in shape for spring to excellent advantage this fall if more than spading and leaving the soil to weather. In fall spading, do not break up the lumps and place the soil in the tith. Leave the lumps which will permit the air to penetrate the earth more easily and assist in the process of breaking it up. With the winter weathering, it will work much more easily in the spring.

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**Glimpses OF THE GLOBE**  
**AVIATION BIG HOPE FOR CHINA**

Aviation will help greatly in opening up China, according to observations made since the ban against sending flying machines to that country was lifted recently by the United States Government. Vast territories without railways would be fertile fields. To send a letter from Peking to Chengtu, China's most populous province, now requires about three weeks, whereas the route by air would be only 1,000 miles long. The same applies to mail between Shanghai, China's commercial capital, and Chengtu. The flying distance between Canton and Hankow, now a weeks journey overland, would be only 530 miles.

**2,100 IRISH VISIT LOURDES**  
 More than 2,100 persons took part in the recent Irish National Pilgrimage to Lourdes. In the first section was 1,000 pilgrims. Of these 150 were invalids, of whom 16 were on stretchers. The pilgrims were from all parts of Ireland, and traveled in four special trains to Kingstown, England, where they were transferred to a special steamer for the voyage to France. The invalids were conveyed in special cars attached to mail trains. Many clergymen, doctors, nurses and attendants cared for the travelers. At Kingstown more than 2,000 friends and relatives assembled on the harbour front to see them off.

**WHAT IS A SCOTCHMAN PUZZLES**  
 Instructions recently issued by the British War Office that only bona fide Scotchmen are to be allowed to join the Scots Guard has raised the question as to what is a "bona fide Scotchman?" One answer is that he is a man born of Scotch parents no matter where he is born. Another interpretation is that he is any man whose father is Scotch. The London Scots' severe rule governing recruiting were relaxed during the World War so that anyone who owned property in Scotland was enlisted. Then the authorities were confronted with a recruit who stated that he had a pair of trousers being cleaned in Perth.

**CITY WEDDED TO THE SEA**  
 Reviving an ancient rite, the "wedding to the sea" ceremony, to evidence the city's gratitude for the benefits the sea has bestowed upon it, was made a feature of the recent Civic Week celebration in Liverpool, England. Thousands lined the pier head and saw the large ring tossed to the Mersey. Lord Derby, the Lord Mayor of Liverpool, and the Bishop of Warrington took part. Wedding bells rang out in the church spires and 300 children sang sea shanties. Then the Lord Mayor deposited a large laurel wreath in the water in memory of those who had made the supreme sacrifice. Preceding the "marriage procession" marched through the streets.

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**MUFF SLEEVES IN LONDON**  
 Sleeves that may be converted into muffs are expected to take the fancy of London women this winter. On a coat recently shown, the collar was of beaver cuffs with a little frill of material at each end. The cuff may be pulled off to be used as a muff.

**MOTOR LIFEBOATS FOR LINERS**  
 German liners are to be equipped with motor lifeboats. Each ship will carry 20, and all boats worked with cars will be abandoned. It is claimed that the new boat will be much easier handled in a rough sea, can be launched at any tide or in any wind, and will also reduce the risk of food supplies being exhausted before help is available.

**CARANZA BEACON UNDER WAY**  
 Plans are under way for the erection of the powerful aviation beacon in Tijuana, Mexico, in honor of Captain Emilio Caranza, the Mexican flyer who was killed in an attempted non-stop flight to Mexico City. The beacon is to be on top of a building, and its rays will be visible for 25 miles on both sides of the border.

**GOGGLES FOR DOG MOTORIST**  
 Thousands of pairs of goggles for dog motorists are being sold in London. Fond owners have learned that their pets love motoring, but dislike the grit that gets into their eyes. Well-known and popular canines such as the Prince of Wales' Cora, Lord Birkenhead's Jane, and Tullulah Bankhead's Nepoleon, are all experienced motorists.

**TEETH AND TUSKS IN SALE**  
 Elephant tusks, hippopotamus teeth and rhinoceros horns changed owners in a sale held recently at Antwerp, Belgium. In all more than 140,000 pounds of ivory, 2,400 pounds of teeth, and 285 pounds of horn were sold. Teeth suitable for making billiard balls, and known as "billiard teeth," were in some demand.

**Singapore's commercial air service will be inaugurated January 1.**

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**Death of Mrs. J. A. McLellan**

A host of friends at Summerside have been shocked to learn of the death at Kinkora of Mrs. MacLellan, widow of the late Dr. James A. MacLellan, of Summerside, who was accidentally killed some years ago by a tramcar whilst on a visit to Montreal. After his death Mrs. MacLellan conducted a book store in the Gourlie building on Water Street, which was destroyed in the fire which originated in Messrs. Sinclair and Stewart's store adjoining just before Christmas, 1916. She had acquired the well known Jardine bookstore, which she carried on under her own name until last year, when she sold out to Mrs. Annie Hunter. Mrs. MacLellan then went to reside with her only daughter (Irene), Mrs. Joseph Callaghan, whose husband is station agent at Kinkora, where both she and her daughter, who we regret to report, is still seriously ill, recently contracted pneumonia, which in the mother's case ended in her death on Monday morning. The deceased lady was for many years one of Summerside's most justly beloved citizens, held in the highest possible respect by all classes of the community and deepest sympathy is expressed on every hand for Mrs. Callaghan, the only surviving child, in her bereavement.

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