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 MULTIPLEX TELEPHONY—IS NOW DECLARED PRACTICABLE.
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 Washington, D.C., Jan. 5.—Gen. Allen, the chief signal officer of the army, today announced that as a result of recent experiments by the Signal Corps, the multiplex telephone is now practicable, whereby several independent conversations may be carried on simultaneously over the same wire circuit.
 Another important discovery, calculated to double at least the capacity of the existing telephone lines, is that it is no longer necessary to use two wires, or what is known as the Signal Corps, the multiplex telephone but that a single wire with "silent earth" connections, can be used for multiplex telephony.
 The new system is entirely practicable and has long passed the experimental stage, as evidenced by the fact that a single wire circuit between the research laboratory of the Signal Corps at the Bureau of Standards and the Heights north of Washington, and the Signal Corps Connection Laboratory, at No. 1,131 Pennsylvania Avenue, is now in daily use.

THE SPORT REVIEW.
The Jolly Winter Sports Are in Full Vogue.
 Gatch states positively that he will not wrestle Hackenschmidt or anybody else.
 The reported price paid by Toronto baseball club to St. Louis for Phelps, Ash and Backman, is \$4,500.
 Hugh Jennings says "So long as retain any connection with the Detroit club Ty Cobb will play in Detroit."
 As a result of Kingston's defection Toronto Rowing Club and Eatonians will play a senior O.H.A. game on Saturday night.
 "Ciego, compra espejuelos" is what he Cubans say to the baseball umpire. Translated it reads, "If you can't see 'buy spectacles."
 Toronto Telegram: Kingston Franciscans, with only one change from last year's champions, look promising for the junior honors again.
 Edward Barrow, president of the Eastern League baseball league, declares that any steps had been taken toward dropping Montreal from the circuit.
 Toronto News: With Kingston topping out the senior O.H.A. series could have had little outside interest had not Stratford jumped back in.
 Word comes from Montreal that McGill university are holding excellent hockey practices, and Captain Sargent is well pleased with his men. They will visit Boston and New York at the end of this week for a series of games.
 Toronto Star: "Jim" Sutherland's Kingston Franciscans are the joy of his referees. No matter whether they think they deserve a penalty or not he hurls the stick to the roost of the wicked referee's nod. They play a clean game and are gritty enough to take their medicine if the other team can get away with it.
 Davey Topp, the manager of the Hamilton Tigers, is out with a new amendment to the rugby rules. He does not want much, merely suggesting that after a goal from field the ball be kicked off at the forty-yard line, instead of from centre field, as at present. The Interprovincial meeting is in Ottawa next Saturday.
 James T. Sutherland sent this message to Manager Dissette, of the Toronto St. Michaels' hockey team: "I am instructed by the executive of the Ontario hockey club, junior champions of Canada, to offer our hearty congratulations to the senior amateur champions of the world" on the manner in which your club demonstrated the high standard of O.H.A. hockey during your recent trip to the United States.
 Australian papers just to hand contain interesting criticisms of Bill Tapke, Ray Bronson, Cyclone Johnny Thompson and Jimmy Cleary, the fancee pugilists. Tapke appears to have made a poor impression in the stipules, as his recent defeat on a foul by Dick Smith, the Australian middleweight champion, would seem to indicate. When Tapke defeated Ed Williams in the Sydney Stadium the American was harshly criticized.
 Hans Holmer, the Canadian runner, won the professional Marathon at Powderhall grounds, in Edinburgh, Scotland, in the record time of 2 hours 32 minutes and 21 seconds, defeating twenty-six runners of continental and British fame. The amateur Marathon record is 2:30:26, by Galony, of New York, and the best ever of the London Olympic course 2:43:11. The best previous professional record was 2:32:15, by St. Ives, at Seattle. The Edinburgh race was for a purse of \$2,500.

Solve Labor Question.
 Spokane, Wash., Jan. 4.—Declaring strikes and lock-outs to be illegal and providing compulsory arbitration for all disputes, are the means set forth to solve the labor question in a bill prepared by State Senator George W. Bauer, of Spokane, for introduction at the coming session of the legislature. The penalty for inciting a strike or a lock-out is fixed at \$1,000.
Available for Homesteading.
 Spokane, Wash., Jan. 5.—More than 1,000,000 acres of agricultural, grazing and timber lands will be available for homesteading purposes when the Colville Indian reservation, north of Spokane, is opened to settlement, according to Clair Hunt, acting agent in charge of the appointment of the reserve land.
 There was a pretty wedding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Harrison, Smith's Falls, Monday, when their youngest daughter, Kathleen Nora, was united in marriage to Robert Webster Warwick, M.A.
 On Monday afternoon at the Methodist parsonage, Inverness, Miss Anne, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. William Philip, was united in marriage to Henry Howard Gibson, Ottawa.

AT THE GRAND.
 To-night "The Cat and the Fiddle" Will be Presented.
 "The Cat and the Fiddle," best of all the musical extravaganzas will be the attraction at the Grand, to-night. As the title indicates the play tells a wonder story, the doings of the people of the mythical Isle of Eye, in connection with some of our own earth beings. The motif in brief is this, in the far away mythical Isle of Eye, Great Gobs and Queen Circe rule, their reign to be as long as the Eye is kept open, and which closes but once in a hundred years, when a sacrifice in the guise of a maiden marked with a strawberry on her left arm must be offered to appease the mighty power, and continue the reign. Gobs and Circe having dethroned the rightful ruler, the Genii and her Gigantic Cat are in search of the sacrifice, and we find her in America, spiriting her and her friends away to take a cruise on the wonderful ship "Dianna." They sail away and finally come within the wishing rays of the wonderful Eye. Great Gobs sinks the ship and all are washed onto the Isle.
 "St. Elmo."
 Announcement that "St. Elmo" that wonderfully interesting romance, beloved by grandmother, mother and daughter, to say nothing of the charm it has had for many of the sterner sex would they only admit it, is booked for the Grand, on Saturday, Jan 7th, matinee and evening, comes as the best news of many a day to countless people.
 Fascinated by the dramatic qualities of the famous novel, Miss Grace Hayward, herself an actress from early girlhood and whose dramatizations of "Grouse" has pleased thousands, set to work to make a stage story of Mrs. Wilson's wonderful story. That she has succeeded in building a cohesive, thrilling play, teeming with heart interest and with all the dramatic unities preserved in threading the stirring incidents which fill the chapters, is the testimony of thousands who had the good fortune to witness the production.
 "The Third Floor Back."
 An actor, like a prophet, is not without honour except in his own country, and the return of Ian Robertson to America as the "star" of so popular a play as "The Passing of the Third Floor Back" (in which he has appeared some 200 times in England), is likely to engender added interest in both personality and play. The Forbes-Robertson brothers early and appropriately divided their family name for stage purposes, though Ian Robertson did not quit the schoolroom for the stage. He first underwent what he now describes as "seven years penitentiary" in the form of an apprenticeship to the famous firm of shipbuilders, burning his boats behind him, however, as soon as his articles had expired. After an experience of sundry small parts in London, he married the charming daughter of a famous English dramatic critic, and perhaps fearful of paternal criticism, fled with her to America. Here, during the next ten years (though a quarter of a century has elapsed since then) he led up a harvest of rich experience in important parts with Modjeska, Lawrence Barrett and Edwin Booth under Abbey, Frohman and Palmer's management. Ian Robertson with his all English company comes to the Grand on Monday, Jan. 9th, in "The Passing of the Third Floor Back."

A VETERAN MASON.
 He Was Likely Oldest in the Northwest.
 Spokane, Wash., Jan. 5.—Oliver Hazard Perry Gibson, ninety-six years of age, who died at Daveport, Wash., a few days ago, was the oldest member of the Masonic order in the north-western country, if not on the continent. He was initiated at Fort Leavenworth, Kas., early in 1846, just before entering the service of the United States in the war with Mexico. He was born in Shippenburg, Pa., May 10th, 1815, and when a boy moved with his parents to Kentucky, afterward going to Missouri, whence he made a trip as teamster to Santa Fe, N.M. He drove an ox team to California in 1850, returning to St. Joseph, Mo., two years later. He engaged in business at Stewartville, Mo., until 1851 and came to Washington in 1852, settling on a homestead near Davenport. His wife, who died in 1891, was Mary Jane DeAtley, a native of Missouri. Five grown-up children survive. In recognition of his long services, Mr. Gibson was elected an honorary member of America Lodge, No. 65, A. F. and A. M., Davenport, in 1892.
 Mr. and Mrs. T. Coates, Prescott, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on Tuesday night, they having been married in 1861. Their four sons, Rev. Edward Coates, Waterloo, Que.; T. H. Coates, Buffalo, F. G. Coates, Brooklyn, N.Y., and John B. Coates, at home, were present at the celebration.

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