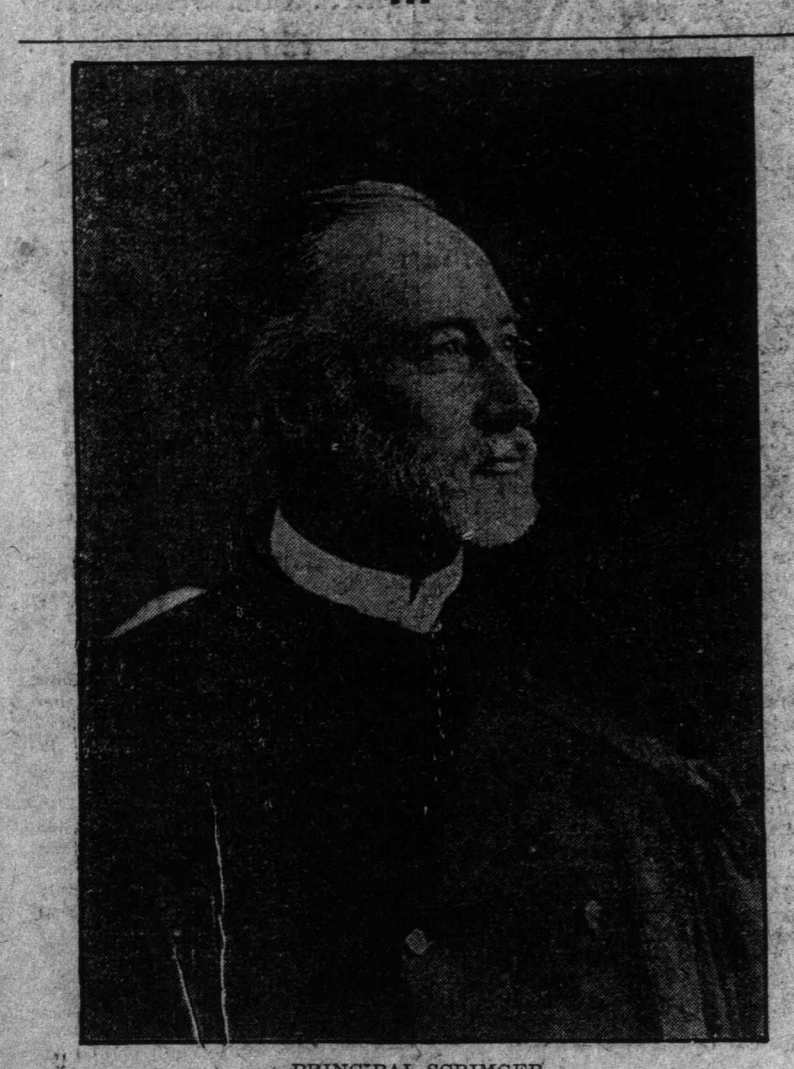


REPORT ON CHURCH UNION ADOPTED BY BIG MAJORITY



PRINCIPAL SCRIBNER

MONTECAL, Que., June 11.—Presbyterian General Assembly this morning resumed the discussion of college affairs and two most interesting appointments were made.

A short storm took place on question of appointment of Rev. Alexander P. Gordon, M. A., of Montreal, Dundas, Scotland, to chair of Old Testament Literature at Montreal. It was the old question, "Is he orthodox?" An attempt was made to put Rev. Mr. Gordon to a vote on the ground that the book of Genesis was a mass of myth and legend. But it transpired that many of the principals of Presbyterian colleges and universities were similar sinners, so that in the end harmony was restored.

Principal Scribner presented the report of the Montreal college. There was an increase in the number of students, the financial statement was satisfactory and the number of new students who entered at the beginning of the session was twenty-eight, the largest of any year in the history of the college.

Principal Scribner said that with regard to the vacancy of the professorship of apologetics and church history, he proposed the name of Rev. R. E. Welsh. The appointment was made.

Principal Scribner then proposed the appointment of Rev. Alexander P. Gordon, M. A., to the chair of Old Testament Literature and exegesis. Dr. Scribner said that it was with great gladness that he must withhold his vote on this appointment, as he has his doubts as to the views held by Mr. Gordon on the Scripture.

He based his doubts on the article which appeared in the "Hibbert Journal" on "Religious value of the book of Genesis." One might as well question the religious value of the Holy Gospel.

Rev. Dr. Baird thought Dr. Sedgewick had made an unwarrantable charge against a minister of another church.

Rev. Mr. Campbell said he was personally acquainted with Dr. Gordon, and he had lived in the same hall with him. Dr. Gordon was not radical in his views.

Principal Scribner deeply regretted this discussion. Dr. Sedgewick had not followed his action to a logical conclusion. Why does he not complain of the other professors whose views are the same as Dr. Gordon's?

Dr. Sedgewick said he knew nothing of these professors' opinions.

Dr. Scribner retorted that if Dr. Sedgewick was ignorant it showed he was not in earnest.

Dr. Sedgewick demanded that such a statement should be withdrawn.

After more warm bandying words, Dr. Scribner said he withdrew anything that might be thought to reflect on Dr. Sedgewick's integrity.

A motion appointing Dr. Gordon was carried. For some time the assembly was in continual hum of conversation from the stormy proceedings of the previous hour.

J. J. MacDonald presented the report of the committee of aged and infirm ministers fund. After enumerating various features of the report, he moved its adoption.

At the opening of the afternoon session John A. Patterson of Toronto read a report on Sabbath observance and legislation detailing the steps that had led up to the passage of the Lord's Day Act, which he said had not yet reached manhood but was still in a melting pot of public opinion. He stated that he would all endeavor to have the law enforced by communicating reasons for it to all under their influence. He declared when the history of modern miracles came to be written one of the mightiest and most prominent would be the passing of the Lord's Day Act, which he declared was the finest piece of civil legislation in the world. He concluded by moving the adoption of the report and the committee's recommendations, which was adopted without discussion.

J. K. MacDonald presented the report of the trustees of the church regarding fund and investments, which was also adopted without discussion.

in conjunction with the committee of the Methodist and Congregational churches were practically endorsed by the general assembly at the conclusion of a memorable debate tonight by an overwhelming vote of the general assembly.

The committee, Principal Patrick of Winnipeg. The debate on the question, which was resumed at the afternoon session, was continued up to the hour of the afternoon adjournment and resumed at tonight's session after the disposal of some other business.

It was long after eleven o'clock when the vote was reached, and the discussion at times was quite lively, prominent members speaking both for and against the projected union.

Principal Patrick closed the debate in a powerful speech, in which he pleaded the objections that had been raised. The amendment proposed by Dr. MacKay of Montreal was withdrawn. Principal Scribner of Montreal then proposed an amendment to the amendment in favor of remitting the whole matter to a committee in order to see if the vote could be avoided and the matter disposed of unamended. But this amendment was defeated by a large majority. The vote was then called on Dr. Barclay's amendment that the whole question be sent down to the presbytery and session to consider it, and it was defeated by a vote of 60 to 124 against. Principal Patrick's motion for adoption of the report was then carried by overwhelming majority, the vote standing 137 to only 11 against.

RE-OPENING OF ALBERT CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY

HOPESWELL, Hill, June 11.—The opening of the Hopewell Cemetery Company was held in the public hall at Riverside last evening, the president, Hon. A. R. McClean, in the chair. The report of the auditor, G. W. Barber, showed a credit balance of \$189.02, in the Bank of New Brunswick, and \$47.37 in the treasurer's hands, making a total of \$236.39. Officers were elected as follows: Hon. R. McClean, president; Alex. Rogers, secretary; Jas. C. Wright, treasurer; committee of grounds—A. S. Milton, Zenas Turner, Wm. H. McRae; finance committee—Jas. C. Wright, Capt. H. A. Turner, Zenas Turner, Geo. W. Barber, auditor.

Church Union Debate

The debate on church union was then resumed, Rev. Mr. MacQueen of Kerkwood being the first speaker. Mr. MacQueen took exception to some of the remarks that had been made regarding the Presbyterian church, and its capability of reaching down to the masses. He claimed that the government of the church was as capable of doing this as any other church, and instance the work of Dr. Chalmers and Dr. Guthrie in this connection. Mr. MacQueen declared that he was not opposed to union in principle, but he believed that they should be careful in the way they proceed. If they sought to press union down from the top mechanically it would never be successful. It must take its roots in the great mass of people. He strongly supported the amendment of Dr. MacKay to secure the views of the church membership as to the desirability of union.

Rev. Mr. Miller, Halifax, expressed the view that much of the discussion should not have taken place. He claimed that the motion of Principal Patrick contained all that was contained in the amendment, and he cordially approved of union.

Rev. James Buchanan, Dundalk, Ontario, strongly supported Mr. MacKay's amendment and questioned some of the actions of the committee. No doubt they were very good men, but there was a modicum of wisdom in remanent in the membership and he believed that the church should not be rushed into the project, but should have an opportunity of pronouncing upon it.

C. W. Totten, Sydney, expressed the view that God was behind the union movement, and because He was it would prevail.

Rev. Dr. Barclay, Montreal, who was received with loud applause, said he did not intend to say one word against union, as, like every man, he longed and prayed for Christian unity, and if that could be best secured by union then he would long and pray for it. He believed, however, that the discussion was premature, and would result in harm instead of good. He desired to make a suggestion which he hoped would be accepted by the movers of the union, as, like every man, he hoped that a division might be avoided.

Dr. Barclay paid a tribute to the work being done by different churches and said the question whether this work would be advanced by preserving the churches as they were or by union was a tremendous one. Which, this was not the time to discuss. The decision, he declared, did not demand any haste, and there was a danger of moving too fast. Dr. Barclay declared that he stood on the democratic constitution of the Presbyterian church and claimed that the people had a right to be consulted before the church was committed to this project. The danger was that steps might be taken which would merely force union, and union so forced would carry with it no guarantee of success.

In conclusion he moved an amendment to the amendment that the whole question should be sent to the presbytery, sessions, and synods to consider it and report at the next meeting. Principal Forrest, Halifax, took exception to the amendment and strongly protested against some of the utterances during the discussion. He declared that the motion of Principal Patrick contained all that the amendment proposed and he claimed that it was not the members of the committee that were forcing the question, but the opinion, as the work of the committee was simply intended to be educational. Mr. Forrest expressed surprise at some of the statements made during the discussion, and said he thought that the sentiment of the report and the committee's recommendations, which was adopted without discussion.

The Assembly then adjourned. The steps taken by the union committee of the Presbyterian churches in



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SUSSEX PRINCIPAL SERIOUSLY ILL

SUSSEX, June 11.—The rectal given in the Infirmary last evening by Miss Alice Leona Mitchell of the Emerson College of Oratory, Boston, was an entertainment of great merit and deserving of better patronage than it received. Miss Mitchell is one of the most talented readers ever heard here. She was assisted by J. D. McKenna and Dr. Warren Hoeg, who sang several solos in their usual accepted manner. General regret is felt at the illness of Principal P. R. McClean from appendicitis, which will necessitate his retirement for the remainder of the term. His classes will be taken by A. B. Magee.

The many friends of F. W. Davidson of the Sussex Mercantile Co.'s staff, who recently underwent a serious operation at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, will be glad to learn that he is progressing favorably toward recovery.

The local officers are making great preparations for the annual militia camp which opens on the 15th inst. The inspection of B Squadron, 8th Hussars, will be held at Collins, Kings Co., at 8.30 a. m. on Thursday, June 20th, by order of S. Kinnett, major officer in command. Horses will be inspected by Capt. W. H. Simon.

Caretaker Campbell is getting the rifle range in readiness for the match on the 17th inst. The Sussex Manufacturing Co. will ship on Saturday to Montreal a load of machinery comprising dimension saw tables, hand saws, buzz planes and other smaller pieces, all built this spring in their new works. This is the first shipment of such machines from the Maritime Provinces. The company has also completed its season's contracts for refrigerators, which have been in great demand. This year's output is about 1,500. The extension to the wood-working factory, which will greatly increase the company's facilities, will be completed at the end of this week.

CASTORIA

CASTORIA, June 11.—The ship *Black on*, Ferry street, Sydney, was practically destroyed by fire tonight. The origin of the fire is unknown. The house was deserted at the time, but the fire is thought to have started by a revolver in the hands of John Boyd, and led to an upstairs room. The man who killed him rushed down stairs and was captured by a policeman near the corner of the water works and Richmond streets, and is now in the police cells. The first that is known of the affair was at noon today, when Boyd opened the door of Wandie's restaurant and a revolver in the hands of John Boyd, Wandie replied: "No, she is not."

"You're a liar," called out Boyd, in an angry tone, which caused Wandie to advance with a short stick in his hand and shake it menacingly at him. Boyd went away and returned in two hours, when the shooting took place. Boyd is not married, but is said to be unmarried of the woman employed by Wandie. The latter was a very respectable man and a good citizen, and lived with a large family on Palmerston avenue.

WOODSTOCK LADY MISSING; MAY HAVE DROWNED HERSELF

WOODSTOCK, N. B., June 11.—Last night about ten o'clock an alarm was raised that Mrs. J. B. Brewer, who resided at the corner of the water works and Richmond streets, and led to an upstairs room. The man who killed him rushed down stairs and was captured by a policeman near the corner of the water works and Richmond streets, and is now in the police cells. The first that is known of the affair was at noon today, when Boyd opened the door of Wandie's restaurant and a revolver in the hands of John Boyd, Wandie replied: "No, she is not."

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FORMER WELL KNOWN C. P. R. OPERATOR KILLED

WOODSTOCK, June 11.—Warren Law at one time operator here for the C. P. R., and a long time at St. Andrews, was killed this morning on the B. & A., where he had recently been employed as brakeman. He was married, leaving a wife and one child. Deceased was native of Canterbury, son of Jarvis Law, postmaster and trader.

FOURTEEN DRUNKS IN SCOTT ACT AMHERST

AMHERST, N. S., June 12.—William Moses, colored, formerly of Annapolis, who has already served two terms in Dorchester, was arrested on the charge of stealing yesterday and brought before Justice Casey this morning. He was sent up for trial to the Supreme Court. Moses is a well known character in police circles in both provinces.

Yesterday was a record breaker in the Police Court here. There were fourteen drunks before the Stipendiary, all of whom were fined. The Scott Act had made the town dry.

BIG DISAPPOINTMENT FOR BANK SHAREHOLDERS

Statement Presented Showing Absolute Emptying Out of the Reserve Fund and the Reduction of Capital Stock of the Sovereign Bank from \$4,000,000 to \$3,000,000.

TORONTO, June 11.—A statement which shows the absolute emptying out of the reserve fund and the reduction of capital stock of the Sovereign Bank from \$4,000,000 to \$3,000,000 was presented to the shareholders today, and received with scarcely any expression of dissatisfaction, although the meeting was considerably depressed by the startling statement of the losses laid before it. Heavy losses were attributed by the president and general manager to the acts of the ex-general manager, D. M. Stewart, who, it is stated, had made large loans and opened accounts without the knowledge of the directors, and this resulted in the provision having to be made for \$2,400,000 bad debts. The result of the reversion of bank's business in absorption of the reserve fund amounting a year ago to \$1,230,000, and reduction in capital stock by a million dollars. The effect of this will be to reduce each shareholder's holding twenty-five per cent. A dividend of six per cent will continue to be paid. Those present at a meeting agreed to a by-law for the reduction of capital and elected Aemilius Jarvis, president at a salary of \$10,000 per year. Jarvis will be active presiding over the bank. His predecessor, Randolph MacDonald, received as president \$2,000 per year. Although it was said he would be present at a meeting to make a statement, D. M. Stewart, former manager, did not appear and the shareholders did not have an opportunity of securing information as to the manner in which the losses were incurred. The directors were prevented from giving this information by the bank act, which forbids discussion of the accounts of the customers of the bank with a large western Ontario manufacturing establishment, which was popularly supposed to be the cause of the loss. Stewart returned a large profit, and the transaction was closed.

Manager Jemmett says: "I have recommended that there be written off for bad debts \$709,655.91, for depreciation in securities, \$150,607.95, and for reduction in bank premiums and turn-over, \$48,108.25. In addition to the set aside in the contingent fund for accounts which are in liquidation, or in which there is a large element of doubt, and a fund of \$300,000 should be provided in respect of certain unsatisfactory advances, the outcome of which is at present by no means clear. To do this it will be necessary to appropriate the whole of the rest fund, leaving the bank with a paid up capital of \$3,000,000. After this has been done there will remain \$2,300,000 to carry forward to profit and loss account of the current year. There is no question that this result will be a great disappointment to the board, and it is with much regret that I find it my duty to advise you to this effect. My course, however, was clear, and I have done as I found them, and to inform you as promptly as possible of the real condition of the bank.

"The management of little use, and would be extremely detrimental to me, to enter into any criticism of the previous administration, or to try to account for the large losses which have occurred. The depreciation in securities is, perhaps not more than should be expected in a year in which values have shrunk as they did last year, and I should hope that under favorable conditions a considerable portion of the amount written off should be recovered."

Jemmett also said that "the bank has in the past been too ambitious. It has piled up its figures at an extraordinarily rapid rate, and has paid a natural penalty for attempting to grow too fast, and for departing from the beaten paths of experience, which in banking more than in any other business it is most necessary to follow. But the losses which have been made are far too heavy to be explained in this way, and I ought perhaps to say that in many cases loans have been made for which sound banking principles offer no apparent justification and under methods directly contrary to those which will be followed by the present management."

In their annual report the directors stated that during the past year it became evident that the affairs of the bank demanded more time than the president could give, and he expressed his desire to be relieved of the presidency at the end of the bank's year. At the meeting of the board, held on the 1st of May last, his resignation was accordingly accepted. At the same meeting D. M. Stewart resigned from the directorate, and Aemilius Jarvis was elected to the board to fill the vacancy. Mr. Stewart, who had been subsequently elected president, in the place of MacDonald, who consented to remain on the board, and was elected vice-president. Mr. Stewart, who was at the time in the interest of Dredner Bank, was also elected a director.

The new president at once turned his duty to strengthening the executive, and on the 27th of May P. G. Jemmett, who had for 25 years been in the service of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and for the last five years secretary of that bank, became the general manager, Stewart being at the same time granted leave of absence. Jemmett's first duty was to make a complete and exact valuation of the bank, and the results of his valuation are given above.

PRINCE GAVE £300 FOR CHARITY IN CITIES

OTTAWA, June 11.—Before leaving Ottawa Prince Fushimi placed three hundred pounds in the hands of Earl Grey for distribution among the charities of the various cities in Canada in which the prince will remain overnight. It is understood that the money will be divided equally between Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Winnipeg, Vancouver and Victoria. The money will be sent to the mayors of their cities with the request that they make the distribution locally.

BAD FIRE AT SYDNEY

HALIFAX, N. S., June 11.—Tinsley Block on Ferry street, Sydney, was practically destroyed by fire tonight. The origin of the fire is unknown. The house was deserted at the time, but the fire is thought to have started by a revolver in the hands of John Boyd, and led to an upstairs room. The man who killed him rushed down stairs and was captured by a policeman near the corner of the water works and Richmond streets, and is now in the police cells. The first that is known of the affair was at noon today, when Boyd opened the door of Wandie's restaurant and a revolver in the hands of John Boyd, Wandie replied: "No, she is not."

SUMMER TIME TABLE OF THE I.C.R.

MONCTON, June 11.—The summer time-table of the I. C. R. comes into effect on June 15, and so far as the city is concerned the changes in the time of the different trains are not very material. There will be five express trains leaving St. John during the day for this city, three of them being through trains. The first, No. 2, leaves St. John at 7.15, No. 4, the "Boston train," going through to Pt. du Chene for P. E. Island connections at 11 o'clock, the P. E. express at 12.30, the latter coming through from Halifax, and there will be a Sunday night express from Moncton, arriving in St. John at 1.40 Monday morning. In addition to these points arrives in St. John at 6.45, the Sussex express at nine o'clock, the Maritime at 12.50, the Pt. du Chene express at 1.30, the C. P. R. at 1.55, No. 15, and the latter coming through from Halifax, and there will be a Sunday night express from Moncton, arriving in St. John at 1.40 Monday morning. In addition to these points arrives in St. John at 6.45, the Sussex express at nine o'clock, the Maritime at 12.50, the Pt. du Chene express at 1.30, the C. P. R. at 1.55, No. 15, and the latter coming through from Halifax, and there will be a Sunday night express from Moncton, arriving in St. John at 1.40 Monday morning.

HARVEY AND SALISBURY LINE TO BE SOLD

In the equity court yesterday a petition was presented for the sale of the Harvey and Salisbury Railway and the accounts of the receiver, as presented from May, 1901, to June, 1907. Reference ordered. This is a foreclosure suit and arose out of a mortgage given by the People's Trust Co., plaintiffs, to the Salisbury and Harvey Railway Co., the Western Union Telegraph Co. and the Investment Improvement Co. of New York, to secure the payment of bonds to the amount of \$350,000 and interest on mortgages given in 1889. In 1899 John R. Ebbony was appointed receiver and the property was ordered

SCENES ATTENDANT UPON



WOMAN DESCRIBES SCENES AT ROYAL PALACE

Was in the Palace at Madrid When That Gave an Heir to Spanish Throne

(The following account of the birth of the heir to the Spanish throne is from a woman who was in the palace on the eventful day. It is addressed to a fashionable member of London's exclusive smart set and will read with interest.)

MADRID, June 7.—My Dear: After what has seemed like months of nervous tension and anxiety, the rumble of every passing cart, it is all over. Really the air was such a hustle and bustle at the last time I have to place myself to believe that it is all true, I and some of the ladies had dined together, as usual. It was too warm to go into the theatre, so we ordered coffee in my room and sat by the open window overlooking the gardens. The queen, with the king and her mother, had quite a long stay there in the early evening. We finished our coffee and then I went out and looked once more at those bare flag-sticks poking up into the blue night sky. I had those bare poles on fire? Wait for me! I would be first or colored lights, then I would off to bed.

That night there was no one waiting in the big square. For weeks there had been small groups hanging about, hoping to be the first to get news, but that particular night the sentries had it to themselves.

I was awakened by a voice shouting "God save the king!" I simply fell out of bed, rushing to the door without my dressing gown, screamed: "Is the palace on fire? Wait for me!" I opened the door. Made de B. stood there. She was absolutely crying with excitement. "Fire! You grose, not the queen!" I rushed for my dress. "The queen! Marie had her hair in curl-

COUNTRY MARKET

Wholesale.		Retail.	
Potatoes, per bbl.	2.00	2.50	3.00
Carrots, per bbl.	0.75	0.80	0.85
Beef, western	0.06 1/2	0.06 1/2	0.06 1/2
Beef, butcher	0.08	0.08	0.08
Beef, carcass	0.08	0.08	0.08
Mutton, per lb.	0.09	0.09 1/2	0.09 1/2
Ham, per lb.	0.15	0.15	0.15
Roll butter, per lb.	0.22	0.22	0.22
Tub butter, per lb.	0.22	0.22	0.22
Eggs, per dozen	0.18	0.18	0.18
Turkey, per lb.	0.13	0.13	0.13
Fowl, per pair	1.00	1.00	1.00
Chickens, per pair	1.00	1.00	1.00
Geese, per pair	1.00	1.00	1.00
Wild ducks, per pair	1.00	1.00	1.00
Calves, per lb.	0.00	0.00	0.00
Lamb, per lb.	0.15	0.15	0.15
Sheep, per lb.	0.15	0.15	0.15
Pigs, per lb.	0.05	0.05	0.05
FISH.			
Rippling herring, 1/2 bbl.	2.25	2.50	2.75
Crabs, large dry	4.50	4.50	4.50
Mud crabs	4.25	4.25	4.25
Cod, small	3.00	3.00	3.00
Pinnac haddies	0.08	0.08	0.08
Herring, old	2.00	2.00	2.00
Bay herring, 1/2 bbl.	2.00	2.00	2.00
Godfish, fresh	0.02 1/2	0.03	0.03
Pollock	0.25	0.25	0.25
Smoked herring	0.07 1/2	0.08	0.08
Shalburne herring, per lb.	0.00	0.00	0.00
Haddock, fresh	0.02 1/2	0.03	0.03
Gaspereaux, fresh	1.00	1.00	1.00
Haddock, per lb.	0.20	0.20	0.20
Salmon, per lb.	0.20	0.20	0.20
Shad, fresh	0.20	0.20	0.20
Retail.			
Spring lamb, per cwt.	1.00	2.00	3.00
Beef, corned, per lb.	0.09	0.10	0.10
Pork, fresh, per lb.	0.14	0.15	0.15
Ham, per lb.	0.10	0.10	0.10
Saucon, per lb.	0.13	0.13	0.13
Tripe, per lb.	0.10	0.10	0.10
Turkey, per lb.	0.13	0.13	0.13
CATTLE.			
Butter, fresh, per lb.	0.25	0.25	0.25
Butter, salted, per lb.	0.22	0.22	0.22
Lard, per lb.	0.12	0.12	0.12
Eggs, per dozen	0.22	0.22	0.22
Onions, per lb.	0.05	0.05	0.05
Cabbage, each	0.08	0.08	0.08
Potatoes, per bushel	0.25	0.25	0.25
Celery, per lb.	0.10	0.10	0.10
Lettuce, per lb.	0.05	0.05	0.05
Parley, per lb.	0.05	0.05	0.05
Beans, per lb.	0.05	0.05	0.05
Carrots, per peck	0.30	0.30	0.30
Cauliflower, per lb.	0.10	0.10	0.10
Squash, per lb.	0.00	0.00	0.00

THOMAS D. JORDAN, of the Equitable Life Assurance Co. now on trial for forgery.