

OUR CURBSTONE OBSERVER ON CHRISTMAS BOXES.

The word Box is peculiar to the English language. Notwithstanding the fact that the Chinese have Boxes equally as pugilistic as any in the western world...

Las week I was visiting a friend on Sherbrooke street, and I had occasion to spend a few minutes with the five-year-old heir of the house...

The mention of Santa Claus switches me on to another track; at this season my reflections are not always consecutive...

We lived two miles from the Church, and it was the custom on Christmas eve for a large double sleigh to be prepared to convey the members of the household to Midnight Mass...

considered themselves as guests and had not ventured to ask whether there was anything to be had...

RANDOM NOTES AND GLEANINGS.

NEEDLE'S TRAVEL.—Being troubled with severe pain in her shoulder, Mrs. M. Mercer, of Union Hill, N.J., visited Weismann's dispensary...

WOMEN DOCTORS.—What may put to the test the determination of one of the "weaker sex" is the following case which is occupying attention in medical circles in England...

RAILWAY DISASTER.—After we had gone to press last week the news of a sad accident on the C. P. R. was received from Vancouver, B. C. A freight train was passing east at a slow rate around a dangerous curve...

IMMIGRANTS' ILLITERACY.—Analysis of the official figures of immigration for the fiscal year 1901 affords an interesting view of the relative standards of education among the common people...

FLASHES OF HUMOR.—A SHUT MOUTH CATCHES.—A physician says that people who sleep with their mouths shut live longest...

HER CHOICE.—Doctor: "My dear young lady, you are drinking unfiltered water every year, and it is a bad habit. You should have it boiled; that will kill them."

WOULD NOT TELL 'ER.—Mrs. Noozy: "I think it's the most ridiculous thing to call that man in the bank a teller."

A GIRL'S TASTE differs according to her age. At sixteen she wants a dude with toothpick shoes and a microscopic moustache...

TO SETTLE OLD SCORES.—"Mudstone, lend me \$150, will you?" "What for, old fellow?" "I want to pay my wife's funeral expenses."

THE POMPONS JUDGE.—When in a certain county district a month or two ago, says a business man, having an idle hour, I strolled into the country court-room...

toir on Monday. There were no really good cattle on the market today and 4c per lb. was about the highest price paid...

EUROPEAN MARKETS.—London—On passage, wheat, sellers at an advance, maize rather firmer; country wheat markets, firm.

BRITISH CATTLE.—Edinburgh, Nov. 25.—Messrs. John Swan & Sons' weekly report on the live stock trade says:—The supplies of fat cattle on offer this week have been exceedingly large...

MILLIONS FOR MILK TRUST.—A Chicago company with \$2,000,000 capital is said to be back of a project to control the milk market in Columbus. The project involves the construction of several large milk depots with facilities in each for the sterilization and clarification of milk and its cold storage...

MARKET REPORT.—The opening of the week finds the grain situation very little changed if at all, but flour and feed prices are higher all round.

GRAIN.—New crop, No. 2 oats locally, at 50c to 51c; No. 2 barley, 56c to 57c; No. 3 extra barley, at 53c; buckwheat, 53c, east freight; peas, 80c high freight.

FLOUR.—Manitoba patents, \$1.10 to \$1.30; strong butters, 9c; sausage rollers, \$3.45 to \$3.60; in bags, \$1.70 to \$1.80; Ontario patents, \$3.70 to \$4.

FEED.—Manitoba bran quoted \$20 to \$21; shorts, \$22 to \$23; bags included; Ontario bran in bulk, \$20.50 to \$21.50; Ontario shorts in bulk, \$22.50 to \$25.50.

ROLLED OATS.—Millers' prices to shippers, \$2.70 in bags and \$5.50 to \$5.65 per barrel.

HAY.—No. 1, \$10 to \$10.50; No. 2, \$9 to \$9.50; clover, \$7.25 to \$7.50 in car lots on track.

BEANS.—Choice primes, car lots on track, \$1.40 to \$1.50; broken lots, \$1.45 to \$1.55.

PROVISIONS.—Heavy Canadian short cut, mess pork, \$21 to \$21.50; pure Canadian lard in wood pails, 20-lb., \$4; Bour's Head brand, in 20-lb., wood pails, \$1.95 to \$2, and Glote, at \$1.72 to \$1.80; 20-lb. tin pails, 4c per lb.; hams, 12c to 14c, and bacon 14c to 15c per lb.

MARPLE PRODUCTS.—New syrup, at 61c per lb. in wood; 70c per tin; sugar, 9c to 10c per lb.

HONEY.—White clover, 10c to 10 1/2c per lb., section; tins, 9c; buckwheat, 2c less.

BUTTER.—Choice creamery, 20c to 20 1/2c; seconds, 19c; winter butter, 19c to 19 1/2c; western dairy, 10c to 10 1/2c; rolls, 16c.

EGGS.—Selected cold storage, 22c; Montreal limed, 17c to 18c per dozen; best selected candled, 22c to 24c.

CHEESE.—Ontario, Septembers, 9c to 9 1/2c; October, 9c to 9 1/2c; Eastern counties, 9c to 9 1/2c; Quebec, 9c to 9 1/2c.

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