LOCAL MARKET.

London, Monday, Dec. 28.

Usually the last week in the year there is very little farm produce offered at the market, as the farmers sell their surplus stock in the previous week.

Half a dozen loads of hay were on the stand. The demand was fairly brisk at $19 to $19 75.

A load of oats was offered, which sold at $1 14 per cwt.

There was no shipment of live hogs today.

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COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 28.—Cotton—Futures opened: December, 9.13c; January, 9.19c; March, 8.77c; May, 8.88c; July, 8.88c; August, 8.78c bid; October, 8.65c to 8.66c.

OIL MARKETS.

PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 28.—Oil opened and closed at $1 78.

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PRODUCE MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—The markets are all very dull, but there is not much easing in prices, although buyers are determinedly holding off.

Wheat—Ontario No. 2 white, 93c to 94c outside; No. 2 red, 95c to 95½c; No. 2 mixed, 93c to 94c; Manitoba wheat, spot, No. 1 northern, $1 08 to $1 08½; No. 2 northern, $1 05 to $1 05½; No. 3 northern, $1 03 to $1 03½, on track at lake ports; all-rail, No. 1 northern, $1 12 to $1 12½; No. 2 northern, $1 09 to $1 09½, delivered at Ontario points.

Barley—No. 2, 53c to 55c; No. 3 extra, 52c to 53c; No. 3, 50c to 51c outside.

Oats—Ontario No. 2 white, 38c to 38½c outside; No. 2 mixed, 37c to 37½c outside; Manitoba No. 2, 43c on track at lake ports.

Corn—Old, 69c, Toronto freights, for Nos. 2 or 3 yellow; No. 2 yellow, 68c; No. 3 yellow, 66c to 66½c, Toronto freights.

Buckwheat—No. 2, 56c to 56½c outside.

Peas—No. 2, 85½c to 86c.

Rye—Dull; No. 2, 69½c to 70c.

Flour—Manitoba first patents, $5 80; seconds, $5 30; strong bakers, $5 10; Ontario winter wheat patents, $3 70 to $3 75, in buyers' sacks outside.

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DAIRY MARKETS

LIVERPOOL DAIRY REPORT, WEEK ENDING DEC. 18.

[Hodgson Bros'. Letter.]

Cheese—The market rules steady and demand moderate. There is no material change to report in the price of finest cheese, but there are pressing sellers of riper qualities, summer makes. English cheese are more restricted in supply and firm in value. We quote today: Finest Canadian, white and colored, 59s 6d to 61s per cwt; fine Canadian, do, 56s to 59s; finest New Zealand, do, 58s 6d to 60s; English cheese, according to quality, 60s to 76s per 120 lbs.

Butter—The market was firm at the beginning of the week, with good inquiry, but later the position is easier and lower prices are being accepted, the exceedingly mild and wet weather adversely affecting the market. Secondary grades of butter are plentiful, with a slow sale, while low grade confectionery butters are neglected. The Copenhagen quotation is cabled 2 kroner lower for next week. We report today's values as follows: Choicest Canadian creamery, in 56-lb boxes, 105s to 107s per cwt; choicest Finnish, Swedish and Danish, in Kiel casks, 113s to 116s; choicest Russian and Siberian, do, 102s to 104s; secondary grades, do, 96s to 100s; choicest Australian, 105s to 108s; choicest New Zealand, 111s to 113s; choicest Irish creamery nomially 112s to 114s; choicest Argentine, 106s to 108s; choicest States creamery nominally 94s to 96s; States ladles, imitations and process, 88s to 92s.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

Liverpool, Dec. 26.—John Rogers & Co. quote today: States steers, 12c to 14c; Canadians, 11c to 13c; ranchers, 10c to 11½c; cows and heifers, 10c to 11½c; bulls, 10c; trade slow but firm.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, Dec. 28.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,250 head; active and 15c to 25c higher; prime steers, $6 50 to $7; shipping, $5 50 to $6 50; butchers, $5 to $6 25; heifers, $4 25 to $5 50; cows, $3 50 to $5; bulls, $3 to $4 50. Veals—Receipts, 500 head; active and 50c higher, $7 to $9 75, a few at $10.

Hogs—Receipts, 13,600 head; active and 20c to 25c higher; pigs 35c to 50c higher; heavy, $6 20 to $6 35; mixed, $6 25 to $6 30; Yorkers, $5 75 to $6 25; pigs, $4 50 to $5 75; roughs, $5 50 to $5 75; stags, $4 25 to $5; dairies, $5 90 to $6 15.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 15,000 head; active and strong to 25c higher; lambs, $5 to $8, a few at $8 10; yearlings, $6 to $6 35; wethers, $4 50 to $4 85; ewes, $4 25 to $4 50; sheep, mixed, $2 to $4 65; Canada lambs, $7 60 to $7 75.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Cattle—Receipts, 9,000 head; market steady to 10c higher; beeves, $3 65 to $7 70; Texans, $3 60 to $4 45; westerns, $3 60 to $5 65; stockers and feeders, $1 50 to $5; cows and heifers, $4 40; calves, $6 50 to $9.

Hogs—Receipts, 30,000 head; market generally 10c higher; light, $5 10 to $5 85; mixed, $5 50 to $6 10; heavy, $5 50 to $6 15; rough, $5 50 to $5 70; good to choice heavy, $5 70 to $6 15; pigs, $4 to $5 10; bulk of sales at $5 60 to $5 95.

Sheep—Receipts, 25,000 head; market steady to 10c lower; natives, $2 65 to $4 85; westerns, $2 60 to $4 80; yearlings, $3 to $6 20; lambs, natives, $4 50 to $7 60; westerns, $4 50 to $7 60.

ENGLISH MARKET.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Dec. 28.—Wheat—Spot, No. 2 red western winter, 7s 11½d. Futures steady; December, 7s 11⅝d; March, 7s 7¾d; May, 7s 7¼d.

Corn—Spot steady; new American mixed (vio Galveston), 5s 5d. Futures steady; January, 5s 3¼d; March, 5s 3d.

Hops (at London)—Pacific coast firm, £2 5s to £3.

Bacon—Cumberland cut dull, 40s; short clear backs easy, 46s; clear bellies weak, 56s.

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John T. Green Is Again President Of the W. O. Travellers' Association

Annual General Meeting Held in the Masonic Temple on Saturday.

At the general meeting of the Western Ontario Commercial Travellers' Association, held in the Masonic Temple on Saturday afternoon, the reports of the year were read and were found to be most satisfactory. The meeting was most harmonious, and the prosperous condition of the association was most favorably commented on. Mr. J. T. Green, president of the association, occupied the chair.

The election of officers took place, and the nominations of the meeting held two weeks previous were confirmed.

Benefit Fund.

The readjustment of the mortuary benefit fund was the cause of considerable discussion.

It was impossible to arrive at any conclusion in the meeting and on motion of Mr. William Turnbull, a committee composed of Messrs. W. R. Grant, William Gray, William Turnbull, J. M. Dillon, W. L. Underwood, P. M. Millman and Col. J.W.Little was appointed to thoroughly consider the whole question and report at the next meeting.

No More Proxies.

The right of a member to give the power of attorney to another member to vote was abolished at the suggestion of Mr. R. E. Davis, and in the future each member must vote himself. It was also decided that the trustee should receive the ballot paper instead of the secretary, as in times past. It was also decided to increase the duties of the treasurer, and he was voted a salary of $200 per annum.

Investing Funds.

Mr. William Gray moved that all the funds of the association should be invested in the name of the president the trustee and the treasurer. Mr. J. M. Dillon seconded the motion, and it was carried without difficulty.

There was considerable discussion on the motion not to extend the privileges of membership to the ladies, but it was voted down, by a considerable majority.

Mr. E. J. Dawson and Mr. J. F. Kern were re-appointed auditors for the coming year.

Annual Report.

The past presidents, W. R. Grant and C. W. Nichols, were appointed scrutineers, but reported that it would be impossible to bring in a report until the evening, owing to the large number of ballots cast.

The annual report was received and unanimously adopted. The officers were congratulated on the splendid showing of the year.

The sum of $300 was voted to the charitable fund, on motion of P. M. Millman.

At 8 o'clock in the evening the adjournment meeting was held to receive the report of the scrutineers.

The Elected.

The following were declared elected directors for London for the ensuing year: E. N. Hanna, A. S. Wallace, H. W. Lind, Frank Lawson, Wesley Smithson, R. H. Turnbull, and P. M. Millman.

The scrutineers also reported that 69 ballots had been rejected, owing to the fact that the voters failed to comply with the bylaws of the association.

Mr. C. Turnbull was unanimously chosen director for Galt.

The Officers.

That completed the roster of officers, which is as follows:

President, J. T. Green (re-elected); first vice-president, R. E. Davis (re-elected); second vice-president, D. Ferguson (re-elected); third vice-president, John Lennox, Hamilton (re-elected); treasurer, W. L. Underwood, London (re-elected).

The following are the directors: London, E. N. Hannah, A. S. Wallace, H. W. Lind, Frank Lawson, Wesley Smithson, R. H. Turnbull and P. M. Millman; Toronto, Wm. Stone, H. Horsman, A. E. Johnston; Ottawa, F. E. Breckenridge; Hamilton, George Hope, John Booker, H. R. Thurber; Stratford, James Dow; Brantford, George Watt, jun.; St. Marys, James Maxwell; Montreal, H. H. Hannon, H. A. Bordeau; Ayr, John G. Watson; Oshawa, Major R. Dillon; St. John, N. B., D. George Clark, A. T. Lane; St. Thomas, B. F. Honsinger; Woodstock, Alby Robinson, R. G. Bickerton; J. E. Ferguson; Windsor, James E. Smyth; Chatham, Charles Hadley, A. E. Merritt; Ingersoll, Wm. Waterworth, C. W. Johnston; Sarnia, Wm. Storey; New Hamburg, J. Ratz; Winnipeg, H. J. Boyd, H. W. Little; Aylmer, R. G. B. Moore; Calgary, J. A. Brookbank; Victoria, B. C., T. Harry Slater.

With the exception of the London directors all were elected by acclamation.

The new board met directly after the general meeting and elected Col. J. W. Little as trustee, and Mr. Alf Robinson as secretary.

Those Present.

The members present: Wm. Gray, W. L. Underwood, Wm. Turnbull, E. N. Hannah, A. S. Wallace, L. C. Johnston, W. S. B. Barkwell, Wm. Lind, George Fraser, P. M. Millman, A. Shoebottom, E. W. B. Eardley, F. M. Boyden, T. T. Mortimore, Wesley Smithson, Robert Tait, J. L. Johnson, A. E. Barbour, F. E. Harley, Wm. Risdon, R. E. Davis, J. M. Dillon, C. E. Perry, J. T. McPetrie, Donald Ferguson, J. H. Stevely, J. H. Brown, J. Connors, Lorne Johnson, Wm. Connors, H. W. Lind.

John S. Townsend Was Re-elected Travellers' Club Choose Officers

Secretary Lind's Report Showed a Balance on the Right Side of the Ledger.

The annual meeting of the Travellers' Club was held in the clubrooms on Saturday evening, with a large attendance of the members.

Mr. John S. Townsend, the president, in opening the meeting, declared that he was pleased to see so large a representation of the members present. The year had been one of the most successful in the history of the club. The membership had increased greatly, and was now the largest in the history of the club. Financially they were in a splendid position, and the profits for the year were the greatest yet. The election of officers was then called for and resulted as follows:

The Officers.

Honorary President—Hon. C. S. Hyman.

Honorary Vice-Presidents — Ald. Donald Ferguson, Mr. C. W. McGuire, Mr. H. E. Buttrey.

President—Mr. J. S. Townsend (re-elected).

First Vice-President—Mr. S. Frank Glass (re-elected).

Second Vice-President—Mr. A. H. Brener (re-elected).

Secretary—Mr. Fred Lind (re-elected).

Directors—J. W. Ferguson, B. S. Murray, H. W. Lind, Frank Lawson, Edwin Paul, Benj. Noble, J. T. Green and F. S. Fisher.

Auditors—A. H. Moran and J. K. Spry.

A Popular Secretary.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the secretary, Mr. Fred Lind, for his untiring efforts during the year. He had a great deal of work to do, and he did it well. Mr. Lind made a brief response.

Hearty votes of thanks were also tendered the special committee.

Mr. Edwin Paul, the chairman, Frank Lawson and C. W. McGuire made brief speeches in reply.

Mr. Jeffrey Hale and Mr. Wm. Ward acted as scrutineers.

The meeting was adjourned until the first Saturday in January.

Those Present.

Among those present were: J. A. Carling, J. J. Dyer, Jack Wood, E. W. M. Flock, Alf Gunther, C. H. Firth, J. W. Ferguson, Benj. Noble, John Stevely, Ald. Donald Ferguson, A. E. Somerville, A. L. Davis, C. W. McGuire, A. T. Edwards, H. E. Buttrey, Jeffrey Hale, W. Ward, E. Paul, J. T. Green, B. S. Murray, Frank Lawson, H. W. Lind, A. H. Moran, J. K. Spry, S. F. Glass, R. McGregor, J. Loughlin, F. S. Brenton, J. Minhinnick, R. Arkell and others.

British Ship Lost With All Hands

Newcastle, N. S. W., Dec. 28.—The British steamer Advance and the British bark Iverna were in collision off here today. The Advance went down, and with the exception of her first officer, all the members of the crew lost their lives. The Iverna put into Newcastle, leaking badly.

Kinmount Merchant Burned To Death

Kinmount, Ont., Dec. 27.—The home of John Henry Anderson at Tory Hill was destroyed by fire at 5 o'clock Saturday morning.

Mr. Anderson is missing, and bones found in the ruins suggest that he lost his life in trying to get out of the house.

Mr. Anderson was crown lands agent and also postmaster and storekeeper for a number of years.

He owned the public hall there, and on Friday night John A. Kelly, ventriloquist, Toronto, was giving an entertainment. After the concert a dance was held. Mr. Anderson went home about 4 o'clock.

It is thought a lamp was overturned. Mr. Anderson, who was about 50 years of age, was alone in the house, Mrs. Anderson being in Toronto. He leaves six children, three boys and three girls. His mother, Mrs. Duncan Anderson, lives on Walmer road, Toronto; two brothers also reside in Toronto, Dr. H. B. Anderson and Dr. Duncan Anderson.

Coroner Giles, Haliburton, was notified, but decided that an inquest was not necessary.

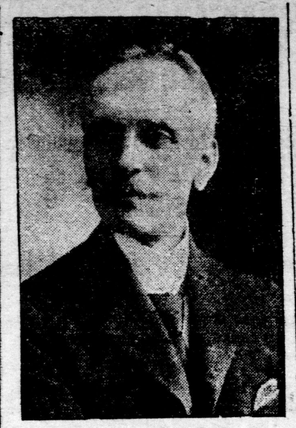
TO REVISE CANON LAW

Pope Will Frame Code of Catholic Religious Law.

Rome, Dec. 28.—Piux X. has set in motion two of the greatest works which have been attempted in modern times—the revision of the Vulgate and the codification of the canon law. The latter is now approaching completion.

The work consists of gathering together all the laws, rules and regulations of the Catholic Church, which hitherto have been unclassified, into one code—doing what Caesar and Napoleon did for the civil law.

The work is divided into three parts, the first being now complete. Proofs will be sent at once to all the bishops of the world, who will correct, amend and expunge. As the proofs will all be gone through carefully and then adopted, wherever the commission deems best, the Pius Code will take its place in history and would in itself be sufficient to render the present pontificate memorable.



MR. ALF. ROBINSON,
The Efficient and Popular Secretary of the W. O. C. T. Association.

SUFFRAGETTES KATABOLIC

They Tend Toward the Male Type, Biologists Say.

London, Dec. 28.—Dr. Shipley's explanation of the militant suffragette mania as a modern outbreak of tarantism is affording a good share of the Yuletide fun. One highly technical writer points out that the present age is suffering from a severe increase of katabolism among women. A writer in today's Times explains that there is normally a tendency in the female sex to conserve energy or anabolize, while in the male sex it is toward its liberation, or katabolism. This eminent biologist adds:

"During the last few decades there has been a distinct tendency in some women to increase their katabolism and approximate it to the male type of outbursts. These are followed by relatively quiescent periods when they take up work in the mills and also at the professions.

"Following the results of a recent German work, we may say that such women have reverted to hermaphroditism by decreasing their anabolism and increasing their katabolism. Usually the process is interrupted by marriage and motherhood, which has a reversing tendency in this country.

"Lancashire is pre-eminently the county of katabolic women, and in accordance with the general fitness of things we find it to be the home of the militant suffragette. An examination of the police court records gives two points in regard to women arraigned:

"1. Previous katabolic history.

"2. Motherhood has not occurred or is no longer possible."

This inexorable mouthpiece of science adds: "Nature is sometimes ironical, and one of her ironies appears to be the militant suffragette who is most energetic in trying to obtain the vote for her sex in virtue of the loss of some of the qualities pertaining to that sex, and the assumption of some of those pertaining to the other."

The suffragettes themselves are not submitting to these awful dicta of science. One protestant in the Times winds up her protest with this earnest appeal: "Who is going to turn the hose on Dr. Shipley?"

A TWO-DAYS' CHRISTMAS

London Extended the Celebration Over Saturday Also.

London, Dec. 28.—Nothing perhaps could better indicate the external quiet of a London Christmas than the fact that not only on Christmas Day, but Saturday for the first time not a single afternoon paper was published. The homestaying proclivities of Londoners at Christmas time were recognized by everybody. Match sellers and other familiar curbstone vendors abandoned the city and hastened to try their fortunes with the suburban churchgoers. During the day the trams and busses reduced their service by two-thirds, practically closing altogether early in the evening. Christmas Day is by law the same as Sunday. By custom it is even quieter. The Strand and Fleet Street, the sidewalks of which on Saturday are always crowded with a slowly moving mass of east end visitors, were deserted. Even the public-houses in the poor populous districts were scantily patronized. Perhaps the most mournful places in London on Christmas Day are the clubs, which were almost entirely deserted. The west end restaurants, especially those where there is music, were crowded from 6 to 11 at night, and there was great difficulty in finding a seat unless it had been engaged beforehand. Saturday the streets were almost as deserted as the previous day,but at night thousands turned out for the pantomines at the theatres and music halls.

MR. W. SMITHSON,
Who Has Been Appointed to the Directorate of the Western Ontario Travellers' Association.

WAR PERIL IN BALKAN DELAY

Europe Remains Under Menace of Grave Crisis.

AUSTRIA HAS GAME OF BLUFF

Withdrawal of Earlier Implied Indemnity Offer to the Turkish Government.

London, Dec. 28.—The year is ending with the greatest political crisis of this generation still unsolved. The natural optimism of the season tends to make even those best acquainted with the vast complications of the situation take the most hopeful view of its grave dangers. The hour has not yet come when the refusal of substantial concession would mean immediate war. When that situation does arise, as seems probable within a few weeks, then the real purpose of those who now threaten the peace of the world will be disclosed.

Even Austria herself or those individuals who today control her policy, will not choose war when that momentous responsibility is forced upon them. The real peril, therefore, is in the delay, for which they are now responsible. Spring, if it is allowed to come without a settlement, will see rifles going off of themselves.

It would be easy to draw gloomy forebodings from Austria's recent attitude towards Turkey and other powers. There are those who believe Aehrenthal and his associates are indulging one more bluff in the hope of still getting the best of the diplomatic game they are playing.

One Basis of Settlement.

Despite their recalcitrant declarations, there is a settlement possible which even Austria herself may be forced to accept when it becomes a choice between it and a European war. This is, briefly, that Austria pay Turkey a moderate indemnity and Turkey cede a narrow strip as a connecting link between Servia and Montenegro.

Austria today would reject that suggestion with indignation, yet the other day she allowed the impression to get abroad at Constantinople and other capitals that she was willing to give an indemnity to Turkey amounting to $10,000,000, and it is known the Porte would accept $20,000,000. Austria, to be sure, has denounced the idea that she would permit the creation of the buffer strip described, but her objection, if persisted in, would amount to to a confession of her future ambition to push the Austrian flag to Salonika, a thing which Europe in its present temper would not permit at any cost.

Germany's Position in Doubt.

The diplomatic world, moreover, is not convinced that Germany's indorsement of her ally's adventure is by any means as whole-hearted as her official utterances indicate.

Austria's official feelings at the present moment are, in fact, decidedly sore, and she betrayed them freely yesterday in public comments upon Isvolsky's circular note to the powers. She accuses Russia paradoxically of seeking delay and being secretly opposed to the European conference which she has advocated from the first.

Austria's sudden repudiation of the idea of indemnity to Turkey is said to be caused by the impression that France can be induced to finance Turkey temporarily in the interests of peace.

The earnest efforts of France to calm the rising storm have been utterly misinterpreted at Vienna. If it is supposed there the republic is willing to pay the penalties of Austria's misdeeds for the sake of guaranteeing peace, Aehrenthal, in a word, continues to show amazing and incomprehensible wrong-headedness regarding the whole situation, which is the chief difficulty in the way of reaching a general settlement. Much, in fact everything, depends upon whether private negotiations between the powers, now to begin, will change his isolated point of view and gain at least such concessions as alone can avert war.

Personal Mention

Dr. Whittaker, of Edmonton, is visiting his parents in South London.

The many friends of Mrs. Golding, of Glencoe, will regret to learn that she is ill in Victoria Hospital.

Mr. J. Wallace Laut, city editor of the Syracuse (New York) Post-Standard, left for that city Saturday evening, after a visit at his home in this city.

Mr. Hubert McBean Johnston, of Milwaukee, formerly of London, spent Sunday night in London on the way to his home from Toronto, where he had been on a visit. Mr. Johnston was formerly a well-known London newspaperman and magazine writer. He is now at the head of the literary department of one of the largest advertising agencies in the United States, and is doing well.

Mrs. James R. Elliott, of Lansing, Mich., is the guest of Mrs. Ed. Struthers, for the holidays.

Toronto Globe: Capt. Lindsay, Stanley Barracks, has gone to London, Ont., and Buffalo, for a visit.

TO COPY LEMIEUX ACT

Wisconsin State Seeks Law to Help Settle Labor Disputes.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 28.—A Madison, Wis., dispatch says a determined effort will be made to enact legislation for Wisconsin intended to bring about a greater measure of equality of conditions between employer and employee in labor disputes along the lines of the Roosevelt publicity prescription. To this end a bill will be introduced at the coming session of the legislature embodying the principle of the Canadian arbitration law.

Dec. 26-27.—At Rotterdam—Statendam, from New York.

At Southampton—Philadelphia, from New York.

At Glasgow—Ionian, from Portland.

At Genoa—Montserrat, from New York; Duca de Geneva, from New York.

At Marseilles—Venezia, from New York.

At Havre—La Bretagne, from New York.

At New York—New York, from Southampton; Lucania, from Liverpool; La Lorraine, from Havre.

At Halifax—Tunisian, from Liverpool.

At Philadelphia—Pretorian, from Glasgow.

At Queenstown—Celtic, from New York.

At Liverpool—Winnifredian, from Boston.

A CHANCE FOR THE "KIDDIES"

The Advertiser has secured a large number of Teddy Bears and Santa Claus dolls which will be distributed free to the children.

The dolls are very pretty, and will be well worth keeping. No charge will be made for them.

Any girl or boy bringing a coupon from The Advertiser will be given one. These coupons must be presented to the circulation department, and the "kiddies" will be accommodated.

This offer will be open for one day only. The coupons must be presented tomorrow.

The patterns are waiting. Now let the boys and girls get busy. It is open for one day only.

Cut this coupon out and send it in:

THE LONDON ADVERTISER FREE DOLL COUPON.

Kindly give me one of the dolls you advertise in today's Advertiser.

Name .....

Dec. 28, 1908. Address .....

A Disastrous Fire at the "Soo"

Sault Ste. Marie, Dec. 28.—The Canadian Soo was visited by a bad fire early this morning, in which the Hussey and Coronation blocks were badly gutted.

Alex. Kemp, aged 65, is believed to have perished.

The business places burned are:

Carconen's large confectionery store, insurance $1,200.

Partlow's second-hand store.

Kemp's carpenter shop.

St. James' Hall, meeting place of all local Roman Catholic societies.

The following, who occupied rooms, were burned out:

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. Balder, Mr. and Mrs. H. Lemon, and Mr. and Mrs. F. Martel.

On lower floor of Coronation Block Bemrose's large clothing stock is almost a complete loss, and on the floor above, the lodge room of Bessemer Lodge, I. O. O. F., was badly damaged.

The cause of the fire, which started in the confectionery store, is unknown, but those nearby say it followed an explosion.

The Federation Drops the Unfair List

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Notwithstanding the unanimous protest of labor against the jail sentence imposed on Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison, the Central Federated Union here received yesterday from Mr. Gompers a letter in which he notified the unions that he had discontinued, on the advice of counsel, the "we don't patronize list" in future issues of the Federationist, the labor organ. Upon hearing this the Central Federated Union also decided upon the advice of the chairman to suspend its unfair list for a while. This was agreed upon at the same gathering, where a resolution protesting against Judge Wright's decision was adopted.

HAINS TO BE STAR WITNESS

(Continued From Page 1.)

condition of Captain Peter C. Hains.

The trial will not likely be concluded for ten days.

Captain Hains Insane.

John F. McIntyre, counsel for Thornton Hains and Captain Peter C. Hains said that the mental condition of Captain Peter C. Hains, jun., was very alarming.

"I can see no improvement in Captain Hains' mental processes," said Mr. McIntyre. "His condition is truly alarming, and I fear a fatal termination of his trouble. The captain puts on his army uniform three or four times a day, and imagining himself at Fort Hamilton, gives orders to an imaginary company of soldiers. He recites poetry and sings airs from the opera during the day. I am extremely apprehensive over the outcome. The treatment now being given him may be effective in time, but I doubt it."

Joseph H. Shay, of counsel for Hains, testified as to the interview with Martin Skura, the cabman who drove the Hains brothers to the yacht club. Shay said that Skura told him that the name of Annis was never mentioned during the trip to the yacht club, and that no one asked him to follow close behind the stage in which Mrs. Annis was driving.

During the examination of the witness Dr. Austin Flint, the alienist, came into court. Dr. Flint has been retained by the prosecution.

Mr. Shay further declared that he was near Thornton Hains the night of the coroner's inquest, and that the defendant had no conversation with Policeman Fallon, who testified that Hains said to him that he wished he could go down into hell and get Annis and kill him again.

John F. McIntyre, chief of Hains' counsel, next testified. He related the incident during which Officer Fallon said he heard the defendant make a statement regarding Annis. Mr. McIntyre said that he saw Officer Fallon going toward Thornton Hains, and he instructed his client not to talk. The witness said that Thornton Hains made no statement to Fallon in his presence.

Leo Bugg, a real estate dealer, was next called.

Invited to Bayside.

Mr. Bugg said he had been associated with Mr. Jesperson in real estate, and that last April he had property for sale near the Bayside Yacht Club.

"Some time in April I saw the defendant in my office," said Mr. Bugg, "and we talked about Bayside property. We arranged to go down and see the land on the following Saturday."

Mr. Bugg said the appointment was never kept, and he never saw the defendant after that date in April. All the property at Bayside, the witness said, was near the yacht club. Most of this property was sold before Aug. 15, said Mr. Bugg. Examined further, Bugg said he told Mr. Hains that either he or Mr. Jesperson would meet him at Bayside. The date of the appointment in Bayside was either the last week of April or the first week in May, said Mr. Bugg, who further declared that he never told the defendant that he could find Mr. Jesperson at the yacht club at any time.

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