# Nervous Market at Chicago Governed by Crop Advices

## Trading in Wheat Futures Narrow, With Public Showing Little Disposition to Enthuse—Liverpool Cables Firmer.

World Office,
Saturday Evening, March 12.

Liverpool wheat futures closed to-day 1-8d to 7-8d higher than yesterday; corn 1-8d higher.

May wheat at Winnipeg closed 3-8c higher than yesterday; May corn 5-8c higher and May oats 1-4c lower.

May wheat at Winnipeg closed 5-8c higher than yesterday; May oats 1-8c lower.

Chicago car lots to-day: Wheat 55, contract 18; corn, 239, none; oats, 137,24; rye 1 and barley 49.

Winnipeg receipts of wheat to-day were 185 cars, against 184 a week ago and 239 a year ago; oats to-day 86, a year ago 53; barley, 6, 6, and flax 1.

Duluth receipts of wheat to-day were 73 cars, against 49 a week ago and 119 a year ago.

Minneapolis receipts of wheat to-day were 340 cars, against 344 a week ago and 115 a year ago.

### Primaries.

| | To-day. |
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| Wheat— | Bush. |
| Receipts | 645,000 |
| Shipments | 230,000 |
| Corn— | |
| Receipts | 507,000 |
| Shipments | 548,000 |
| Oats— | |
| Receipts | 557,000 |
| Shipments | 402,000 |

### Russian Crop Report.

Broomhall's cable says: Russia—In the southern region the weather has become very cold, which is unfavorable for the growing crops, which are without snow cover. In the Azoff the weather is very stormy, which is expected to delay shipment.

### ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce at the St. Lawrence Market on Saturday were light—no grain, only a few loads of hay, about 35 loads of mixed produce, in the north building, with only a moderate delivery on the basket market.

Hay—About ten loads of hay sold at unchanged quotations.

Dressed Hogs—A few lots sold at $12.50 to $12.75 per cwt.

Poultry—Receipts light, all offerings being eagerly sought after at higher prices. Prices for dressed poultry were as follows: Turkeys, 20c to 25c; ducks, 20c to 22c; chickens, 20c, 21c and 22c was paid; fowl, 15c to 16c per lb.

Butter—Receipts fairly large. Prices were a little firmer, but not what might have been expected for choice lots, the advance not being equal to that charged at the wholesale stores for the best grades. Prices ranged at from 28c to 32c the bulk of the best going at 30c. Some lots sold as low as 25c to 27c. The Locust Hill butter sold in wholesale lots at 32c per lb. last week.

Eggs—Some special customers paid as high as 35c, but the bulk of the eggs sold at from 30c to 33c per dozen, with prices likely to go still lower.

### Market Notes.

The leading buyers on the basket market for poultry were John Barron, J. A. Paterson, A. Thompson, Harris Abattoir Company and J. Tomalin. Competition was keen, the result being that the farmers got the highest prices paid this season.

M. P. Mallon, wholesale dealer in poultry, reports fresh dressed lots as being very scarce, and as a consequence was doing a large trade in cold storage lots, of which he has a plentiful supply, which is coming out of storage in excellent condition.

One farmer, when renewing his subscription for The Toronto World, stated that he only took The World for its market reports, and that if it cost $10 per year he would not be without it.

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| **Grain—** | | |
| Wheat, fall, bush | $1 09 | to $1 10 |
| Wheat, red, bush | 1 09 | .... |
| Wheat, goose, bush | 1 05 | .... |
| Buckwheat, bush | 0 55 | .... |
| Rye, bushel | 0 63 | .... |
| Barley, bushel | 0 58 | .... |
| Peas, bushel | 0 90 | .... |
| Oats, bushel | 0 35 | .... |
| **Seeds—** | | |
| Timothy, per bushel | $.... | to .... |
| Alsike, No. 1, bush | .... | .... |
| Alsike, No. 2, bush | .... | .... |
| Red clover, No. 1, bush | .... | .... |
| Red clover, containing buckthorn, bush | .... | .... |
| **Hay and Straw—** | | |
| Hay, No. 1 timothy | $18 00 | to $21 00 |
| Hay, clover, ton | 9 00 | 16 00 |
| Straw, loose, ton | 8 00 | .... |
| Straw, bundled | 16 00 | .... |
| **Fruits and Vegetables—** | | |
| Onions, per bag | $1 10 | to $1 15 |
| Potatoes, per bag | 0 50 | 0 60 |
| Apples, winter bbl | 1 25 | 3 00 |
| Carrots, per bag | 0 40 | 0 50 |
| Parsnips bag | 0 65 | 0 75 |
| Beets, per bag | 0 55 | 0 65 |
| Cabbage, per barrel | 1 25 | 1 50 |
| **Dairy Produce—** | | |
| Butter, farmers' dairy | $0 27 | to $0 32 |
| Eggs, strictly new-laid, per dozen | 0 30 | 0 33 |
| **Poultry—** | | |
| Turkeys, dressed, lb | $0 20 | to $0 25 |
| Geese, per lb | 0 17 | 0 18 |
| Ducks, per lb | 0 20 | 0 22 |
| Chickens, per lb | 0 20 | 0 22 |
| Fowl, per lb | 0 15 | 0 17 |
| **Fresh Meats—** | | |
| Beef, forequarters, cwt | $8 50 | to $7 50 |
| Beef, hindquarters, cwt | 9 50 | 11 50 |
| Beef, choice sides, cwt | 8 50 | 9 50 |
| Beef, medium, cwt | 7 50 | 8 25 |
| Beef, common, cwt | 5 00 | 7 00 |
| Yearling lambs | 0 13 | 0 16 |
| Mutton, light, cwt | 9 00 | 11 00 |
| Veals, common, cwt | 7 00 | 8 00 |
| Veals, prime, cwt | 10 00 | 12 00 |
| Dressed hogs, cwt | 12 50 | 12 75 |

### FARM PRODUCE WHOLESALE.

| | | |
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| Hay, car lots, per ton | $15 00 | to $.... |
| Hay, No. 2, car lots | 14 50 | .... |
| Straw, car lots, per ton | 7 50 | 8 00 |
| Potatoes, car lots, bag | 0 47 | 0 50 |
| Turnips, per ton | 6 50 | .... |
| Evaporated apples, lb | 0 07 | .... |
| Cheese, per lb | 0 15 | 0 15½ |
| Eggs, new-laid | 0 26 | 0 27 |
| Eggs, storage | 0 25 | .... |
| Butter, separator, dairy, lb | 0 28 | 0 27 |
| Butter, store lots | 0 22 | 0 23 |
| Butter, creamery, solids | 0 26 | 0 27 |
| Butter, creamery, lb. rolls | 0 29 | 0 31 |
| Honey, comb, per dozen | 0 10½ | .... |
| Honey, strained, per lb | 0 25 | 0 [illegible] |

### Hides and Skins.

Prices revised daily by E. T. Carter & Co., 85 East Front-street, Dealers in Wool, Hides, Calfskins and Sheepskins, Raw Furs, Tallow, etc.

| | | |
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| No. 1 inspected steers and cows | 0 11½ | to $.... |
| No. 2 inspected steers and cows | 0 10½ | .... |
| No. 3 inspected steers, cows and bulls | 0 09½ | .... |
| Country hides, cured | 0 08½ | 0 09 |
| Calfskins | 0 12 | 0 13 |
| Horsehides, No. 1 | 2 12 | .... |
| Horsehair, per lb | 0 32 | .... |
| Tallow, per lb | 0 03 | 0 03½ |
| Sheepskins | 0 90 | 1 00 |

Wool—Old hide for prices on request.

### GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Trading in grain futures at Winnipeg was narrow and the price pit moved in a nervous way, under further crop damage reports from the southwest, but the public refused to enthuse over such advices and the market closed at a slight advance over previous session.

Local quotations were held firm thruout the whole list. Manitoba wheat No. 2 northern moved up ½c in sympathy with the movement in Winnipeg, where prices advanced ⅝c at the close. Other grains were unchanged.

Local grain dealers' quotations are as follows:

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 northern, $1.12. No. 2 northern, $1.11 track, lake ports, ½c over these prices with winter storage.

Oats—Canadian western oats, No. 2, 41½c, lake ports; No. 3, 40½c; ½c over these prices with winter storage. Ontario, No. 2, 38c, at points of shipment.

Wheat—No. 2 mixed, $1.08; No. 2 white, $1.08½, outside.

Buckwheat—No. 2, 53c outside.

Barley—No. 2, 54c to 55c; No. 3X, 53c; No. 3, 49c, outside.

Mill feed—Manitoba bran, $22.50 per ton, shorts, $24, track, Toronto; Ontario bran, $23.50 in bags. Shorts, $1 more.

Rye—67c to 68c outside.

Manitoba flour—Quotations at Toronto are: First patents, $5.70; second patents, $5.20; strong bakers', $5; 90 per cent. patents, 29s bid, c.i.f., Glasgow.

Corn—New, kiln-dried, corn, 69½c; new, No. 3 yellow, 68c; No. 4 yellow, 65c, Toronto freight.

Peas—No. 2, 83c to 84c outside.

Ontario flour—Wheat flour for export, $4.45, seaboard.

### FRUIT MARKET.

Quotations for foreign fruits are as follows:

| | | |
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| Grape fruit, Florida | $4 50 | to $5 00 |
| Grapes, Malaga, keg | 5 00 | 7 00 |
| Lemons, Messina | 2 25 | 2 50 |
| Lettuce, Boston head, hamp. | 2 50 | .... |
| Oranges, Cal., navels | 2 50 | 3 25 |
| Oranges, Valencia, 714's | 4 00 | 4 25 |
| do. 420's | 3 75 | 4 25 |
| Oranges, Mexican | 2 00 | 2 50 |
| Pineapples, 24's | 4 25 | .... |
| Pineapples, 30's | 3 75 | .... |

### Toronto Sugar Market.

St. Lawrence sugars are quoted as follows: Granulated, $5.30 per cwt., in barrels; No. 1 golden, $4.80 per cwt., in barrels. Beaver, $4.90 per cwt., in bags. These prices are for delivery here. Car lots 5c less. In 100-lb. bags prices are 5c less.

### New York Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, March 12.—Sugar—Raw firm; Muscovado, 3.89c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4.36c; molasses sugar, 3.61c; refined sugar steady.

### Winnipeg Wheat Market.

Wheat—March $1.04¼, May $1.06⅝, July $1.07⅝.

Oats—May 36⅝c, July 37⅝c.

### Chicago Market.

J. P. Bickell & Co., Lawlor Building, report the following fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade:

| | Close Mar. 11. | Open. | High. | Low. | Close. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wheat— | | | | | |
| May | 113¼ | 113⅝ | 113¾ | 113¼ | 113⅞ |
| July | 106½ | 106⅞ | 107⅛ | 106½ | 107 |
| Sept | 105⅝ | 105⅞ | 106⅛ | 105⅝ | 106⅛ |
| Corn— | | | | | |
| May | 63¾ | 64 | 64½ | 63¾ | 64⅜ |
| July | 65⅝ | 65⅞ | 66¼ | 65⅝ | 66¼ |
| Sept | 66¼ | 66⅝ | 66⅝ | 66⅛ | 66⅝ |
| Oats— | | | | | |
| May | 44⅝ | 45 | 45½ | 44⅝ | 45⅜ |
| July | 42½ | 42¾ | 42¾ | 42½ | 42¾ |
| Sept | 40¼ | 40¼ | 40½ | 40 | 40⅜ |
| Pork— | | | | | |
| May | 25.50 | 25.70 | 25.87 | 25.65 | 25.82 |
| July | 25.55 | 25.65 | 25.82 | 25.65 | 25.75 |
| Lard— | | | | | |
| May | 13.95 | 14.00 | 14.07 | 14.00 | 14.07 |
| July | 13.80 | 13.90 | 13.97 | 13.90 | 13.95 |
| Ribs— | | | | | |
| May | 13.37 | 13.40 | 13.55 | 13.45 | 13.52 |
| July | 13.27 | 13.37 | 13.40 | 13.37 | 13.40 |

### Chicago Gossip

J. P. Bickell & Co. say at the close: Wheat—Fluctuations the past week were influenced mainly by crop advices, which averaged unfavorable; reliable sources claimed material damage and were good buyers on all declines. Government report, wired early in the week, was construed moderately bullish, and, in our opinion, figures suggest no bundensome supplies at expiration of present crop year. The situation will probably prove irregular until something more definite is known regarding condition of growing plant; but on all declines we continue to favor holding position.

### Liverpool Grain and Produce.

LIVERPOOL, March 12.—Closing—Wheat—Spot dull; No. 2 red western winter, no stock; futures firm; March, 8s 2-3d; May, 7s 11 3-8d; July, 7s 11d. Corn—Spot steady; new American mixed, 5s 5 1-2d; old American mixed, 5s 9d; futures dull; March nominal; July, 5s 3 5-8d. Peas—Canadian, steady, 7s 6d. Flour—Winter patents quiet, 33s. Hops in London (Pacific Coast), steady, £5 5s to £6 10s. Pork prime mess, strong, 13s 9d.

Hams—Short cut, strong, 70s 6d. Bacon—Strong, Cumberland cut, 72s; short rib, 73s; clear bellies, 73s 6d; long clear middles, light, 72s 6d; do., heavy, 71s; short clear backs, 70s; shoulders, square, strong, 62s. Lard—Strong; prime western, 71s 6d; American refined 71s 6d. Cheese firm; Canadian finest white, 62s; do., colored, 60s 6d. Tallow—Prime city nominally, 33s; Australian in London, firm, 35s 6d. Turpentine spirits, steady, 42s. Rosin, common steady, 10s 7 1-2d. Petroleum, refined, steady, 7 1-2d. Linseed Oil, steady, 35s 9d.

### London Produce Market.

LONDON, March 12.—To-day's boat ex Denmark landed 553 bales of bacon. Danish 75 to 77. Canadian 74 to 76, hams, long cut, scarce, 74 to 80; cheese quiet but steady, choice at 62 to 74, finest 60 to 61.

### New York Dairy Market.

NEW YORK, March 12.—Butter—Firm; unchanged; receipts 5731.

Cheese—Firm, unchanged; receipts 2176.

Eggs—Easier; receipts 7063; state Penna. and nearby hennery white fancy, 29c to 30c; do., gathered white, 27c to 29c; do., hennery brown and mixed fancy, 27c to 27 1-2c; do., gathered brown, fair to prime, 26c to 27c; western firm, 26c; seconds, 25c to 25 1-2c.

### London Wool Sales.

LONDON, March 12.—The offerings at the wool auction sales to-day amounted to 12,239 bales. There was a spirited demand, and prices were firm, especially for fine greasy crossbreds, the latter were taken by Americans and realized 2s 5½d; coarse crossbreds are still 5 per cent. below the last sales, owing to lack of American buying. Next week, 74,870 bales will be offered. To-day's sales follow:

New South Wales, 2600 bales; scoured, 4d to 2s 6½d; greasy, 5¼d to 1s 1½d.

Queensland, 1100 bales; scoured, 1s 8d to 2s; greasy, 6¼d to 1s 1½d.

Victoria, 2300 bales; scoured, 1s 2d to 2s 5½d; greasy, 7d to 1s 4d.

South Australia, 100 bales; greasy, 8d to 1s.

West Australia, 200 bales; scoured, 7d to 1s 1½d.

Tasmania, 100 bales; greasy, 10½d to 1s 1½d.

New Zealand, 5600 bales; scoured, 1s 0½d to 2s 6½d; greasy, 7d to 1s 2d.

Cape of Good Hope and Natal, 200 bales; scoured, 5½d to 1s 10d; greasy, 6½d to 11d.

### New York Metal Market.

NEW YORK, March 12.—The metal markets were quiet and practically nominal. Local dealers quote lake copper at $13.62½ to $13.87½; electrolytic at $13.37½ to $13.62½, and casting at $13.12½ to $13.25. Tin was weak, at $32.12½ to $32.20. Lead was easy; spot, $4.55 to $4.65. Spelter—Dull, $5.65 to $5.70. Iron—Unchanged.

## CATTLE MARKETS

### Hogs Active and Generally Higher at United States Points.

CHICAGO, March 12.—Cattle receipts estimated at 400; market steady; beeves, $5.25 to $8.40; Texas steers, $4.75 to $5.90; western steers, $4.80 to $6.60; stockers and feeders, $2.60 to $6.25; cows and heifers, $2.65 to $6.80; calves, $7.50 to $10.

Hogs—Receipts estimated at 7000; market 10c to 15c higher; light, $10.45 to $10.90; mixed, $10.50 to $10.95; heavy, $10.55 to $11; rough, $10.55 to $10.70; good to choice heavy, $10.70 to $11; pigs, $9.60 to $10.40; bulk of sales, $10.70 to $10.85.

Sheep—Receipts estimated at 1000; market steady; native, $5 to $8.10; western, $5.50 to $8.10; yearlings, $7.85 to $8.75; lambs, native, $8 to $9.60; western, $8 to $9.65.

### East Buffalo Live Stock.

EAST BUFFALO, March 12.—Cattle receipts 100 head; active and strong.

Veals—Receipts 150 head; active and 75c to $1 lower; $6 to $10; a few $10.25.

Hogs—Receipts 1300 head; active and strong; heavy, $10.95 to $11; mixed, $10.95 to $11.05; yorkers, $10.75 to $11; pigs, $10.70 to $10.75; dairies, $10.75 to $10.90.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts 1200 head; active; sheep steady; lambs 25c higher; lambs, $6.25 to $10; ewes, $7.50 to $7.75; sheep mixed, $3.50 to $7.55.

### New York Live Stock.

NEW YORK, March 12.—Beeves—Receipts 1228; nothing doing in live cattle; feeling firm; dressed beef steady; exports, 450 cattle and 4511 quarters of beef.

Calves—Receipts 177; dressed calves quiet and steady.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts 2333; sheep nominal; lambs, 10c to 25c higher; sales, $10 to $10.25.

Hogs—Receipts 2975; nominally firm.

### British Cattle Markets.

LONDON, March 12.—Liverpool and London cables quote live cattle (American) firm, at 13 1-4c to 14 1-2c, dressed weight; refrigerator beef firm, at 10 3-4c to 11 1-4c per pound.

LIVERPOOL, March 12.—There was little demand for cattle to-day in the Birkenhead market, but, owing to supplies being less, prices were well maintained. Canadian steers showed an advance of 1-4c per pound, States steers making 13 1-2c to 14c per pound, and Canadians 13 1-4c to 13 3-4c.

### Union Stock Yards.

There are 119 carloads of live stock at the Union Stock Yards for sale at Monday's and Tuesday's market, consisting of 2563 cattle, 19 hogs, 126 sheep and 57 calves.

Besides the above, there are 22 carloads of 440 cattle, being fed and watered at these yards, in transit for export.

### British Cattle Market.

LONDON, March 12.—(C.A.P.)—Cattle received at Deptford the past week totaled 700, the smallest of the present year, consisting entirely of shipments from the United States, and 582 beasts for sale Saturday, met with firm trade, making from 14½c to 15c a pound; 168 were killed prior to sale.


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### LIVE STOCK EXCHANGE.

Wm. J. Neely, President.

The following well known live stock dealers at the Toronto markets have become incorporated as the Toronto Live Stock Exchange: Wm. J. Neely, David McDonald, Alexander Levack, James Stanley McLean, Wesley Dunn, John Taylor, Frank Hunnisett, jr., Ellsworth Maybee, Andrew Y. Hall, Wm. Crealock and Cornelius Woods.

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The principal purposes of the exchange are to promote uniformity in the customs and usages of the live stock trade; to provide for a speedy adjustment of business disputes between members, and to secure the benefit of co-operation.

## FIVE MEN BLOWN TO BITS

### Fatal Explosion at Powder Works Near Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 12.—(Special.)—Four Japanese and one white man, all employes of the Western Explosives Co., were killed Saturday in an explosion in the dynamite works on Bowen Island, 18 miles from this city.

All the men and the powder house in which they were working were blown to atoms.

### Hespeler's New Church.

GALT, March 13.—(Special.)—St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Hespeler, have a new and imposing edifice, erected at a cost of $25,000, which was formally dedicated to-day. E. A. Breckenridge, Rev. J. M. Murray, B.D., of Toronto, and Dr. Norman Anderson, organist of new St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, participated in the special services. Next Sunday the services will be continued and an opening congregational social held.

The church was designed by Taylor & Taylor, Brantford, and built by J. Gaetz, Berlin.

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## BOARD OF TRADE AIMS AT 2500 MEMBERSHIP

### Secretary Morley Inaugurates Aggressive Campaign—What It Stands For.

The Toronto Board of Trade is aiming at a membership of 2500, and to this end every member had been circularized to put his shoulder to the wheel.

Secretary F. G. Morley is also sending out literature which proves the usefulness of the board of trade. One folder is a resume of "Things Done." It says: "Perhaps no work of the board stands out more prominently than its successful fight for the preservation of the waterfront and the protection of citizens. The result of this struggle, dating back to 1889, should redound not only to the benefit of Toronto, but the province as a whole. The tendency of to-day is to minimize danger, and the question of separation of grade crossings thruout the Dominion is being seriously considered."

In the matter of the reduction of freight rates, it is pointed out that the board of trade made its first application to the railway commission in June, 1904. The work of the special committee secured a reduction not only for Toronto, but all territory east of Port Arthur, amounting to from 5 1-2 to 21 per cent. The new rates went into force Jan. 1, 1908.

The new bills of lading, for which shippers struggled for years, are also the work of the board, and it was the active campaign of the committee which saved the situation when the express companies attempted to put into operation a new tariff.

The board likewise co-operated in bringing about an understanding between the city and county officials for better roads within a radius of 20 miles of Toronto; it stands for the reclamation of Arshbridge's Bay and the deepening of the Welland Canal. In addition, the secretary has maintained a "bureau of information," and has distributed a "year book," giving much useful information about Toronto, to every board of trade and chamber of commerce thruout the world.

## MAY BE ACQUITTED

### Accuser of Countess Tarnovska May Not Testify Against Her.

VENICE, March 12.—(Special cable to The Sunday World.)—The trial of Countess Tarnovska, otherwise "The Enchantress," charged with the murder of Count Kamarowski, was resumed to-day, and almost immediately adjourned because of the sudden collapse of M. Prilukoff, one of her fellow prisoners.

It is now reported that doubts are entertained whether the prisoner, Nafoff, will maintain his accusatory attitude toward the countess. He is more desperately in love with her than ever, and has written a poem of adulation to her in his cell.

Failing his evidence, it is believed the countess has a fair change of acquittal.

## EXPLOSION OF NAPHTHA

### Causes Quarter of Million Dollar Fire in Boston.

BOSTON, March 12.—(Special.)—The explosion of a can of naphtha in the repair shops of the Boston Elevated Railway on Harrison-avenue this afternoon started a fire which destroyed a building and caused a loss of a quarter of a million dollars. The explosion occurred in the armature room, where workmen were mixing paint.

Capt. Lannigan and Hoseman Henry Hartland were buried under a falling wall and badly injured.

The main power-house of the street railway system, which furnishes motive power for both surface and elevated lines, is near the burned structure, but it was believed that the flames would be confined to the shops.

The burned building was a three-storey brick structure, 300 x 100 feet, and was bounded by Harrison-avenue, Albany-street and Union Park-street. It contained the company's machine shop, carpenter shop and storerooms.

## PARIS STILL HOPEFUL OF TARIFF SOLUTION

### Don't Like the Dogmatic Nature of American Arguments.

PARIS, March 12.—(Special to The Sunday World.)—The presentment of the French arguments and the point of view concerning the United States customs tariff have given rise to comments and replies. Here are the declarations of one of the most qualified persons on the subject:

"We are already acquainted with these arguments. They are those set forth in the letter of Mr. Shoniger, president of the American Chamber of Commerce. They always bring back the question to the theory of "everything or nothing," which, apart from its unpleasantly absolute nature, appears to us in the present case to assume a somewhat dogmatic character by clinging to an intransigeant formula for all American products.

"This theory contends even for categories of products, the importation of which in France is almost or entirely non-existent. In reality it is only on two or three American products that discussion is practically open.

"In return, this theory disposes really too easily of the right of appreciation which the tariff law leaves to the president of the United States, and which Mr. Taft himself officially defined in his message.

"What are in fact to be the 'good and sufficient reasons' to which the presidential message alludes, unless they are those which in certain determined cases might lead the country to make certain special concessions on the general tariff.

"It seems clear to us, upon the ground, which is that of equity and common sense, a solution ought to be found."

## DOCTOR AND HIS WIFE TAKE POISON TOGETHER

### Leave a Pathetic Note Asking That Ashes Be Scattered To Winds.

PHILADELPHIA, March 12.—(Special.)—Seated opposite each other at the breakfast table in their apartments on Filbert-street, near 19th, to-day, Dr. Charles C. Benson, 73 years old, and his wife, Isabella, 67, drained two glasses containing poison and died soon after.

When the room of their apartments was entered, Dr. Benson and his wife were found seated face to face at the table, with their heads drooping. Two notes lay on the table, one of which read: "My dear wife and I have decided that we do not wish to longer live. We have committed suicide. We ask for decent attention, and wish our bodies cremated and the ashes scattered to the air. To those who will attend to our funeral we will give all the property remaining to us. I have two patents pending in the patent office, and much medicine and drugs, also some little furniture."

Dr. Benson was an Englishman and had lived in this country for forty years. His wife came from Baltimore, and the couple at one time lived in that city.

The doctor was a candidate for a prize offered by the French Academy of Medicine for the discovery of a cure for tuberculosis.

### DAM BURST, IMPERILLING 900 SCHOOL CHILDREN.

CARDIFF, Wales, March 13.—The bursting of a dam at an old colliery at Blaenelydach, in Rhondda Valley, has flooded the village lying below, destroyed many houses and rushed into a school having 900 pupils, who narrowly escaped drowning.

Six lives were lost in the village, the inhabitants of which fled.

## ST. LAWRENCE ARENA FOR Q.O.R. REHEARSALS

### Conductor of Pageants Will Arrive in Toronto About the Middle of April.

George I. Riddell, secretary Queen's Own Reunion, received a communication on Saturday that Mr. Henderson of London, England, who is arranging the pageants for the reunion in June, will arrive in Toronto about the middle of April. Property Commissioner Harris has placed the north St. Lawrence market at the disposal of the regiment from May till June 17, for the holding of rehearsals. Four hundred children in uniform will take part in the program, and hundreds of ladies have signified their willingness to appear in the pageants.

Newspapers all over Canada have been enlisted in the work of promoting the celebration, and Secretary Riddell has many telegrams and letters from them asking for details.

"The interest being taken in this affair is tremendous," said he. "We are getting enquiries from the Atlantic to the Pacific." A few days ago a letter was received from Vancouver from Major H. D. Hulme of the Sixth Regiment, D.C.O.R., stating that 61 ex-members of the Q. O. R., now resident in Vancouver, have already signified their intention of coming to the celebrations.

The secretary of the committee-in-charge is busily engaged just at present in getting in touch with all the ex-members of the regiment wherever they may be located. "We have 10,000 names just now," said he, "and we are finding out their addresses as quickly as we can."

On Tuesday a large consignment of beautiful regimental buttons will arrive and each ex-member will be sent one of these as a souvenir. The secretary, urgently requests every ex-member to send his name and address and receive the button. Coincident with the arrival of names are dozens of letters from people claiming to be ex-members, but for whom there are no records on the rolls of the regiment.

In nearly every town and city in the Dominion and in the United States and elsewhere are men who have served in the Queen's Own, and the semi-centennial committee is desirous of getting personally in touch with as many of them as possible. To that end it will greatly facilitate matters if the ex-members who see this article will at once communicate with the permanent secretary, G. I. Riddell, 36 East King-street, Toronto, and urge all other ex-members to do likewise. Mr. Riddell will promptly send them particulars.

## THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING

### Were Married in Toronto Half-a-Century Ago

The golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. George Gilchrist was celebrated on March 8, at their home on Thoroold-street. A reception was given to their many friends and relatives, and a family dinner was served at which the bride and groom of 50 years were surrounded by their five sons, one daughter, and nineteen grand-children. An address was presented by their eldest son, J. T. Gilchrist, along with a purse of gold on behalf of the family. Many handsome gifts were received, including a gold headed walking cane, and gold handled umbrella presented by the employes of the J. C. Gilchrist firm.

Fifty years ago George Gilchrist was married to Miss Isabel Campbell, daughter of the late John Campbell of Toronto, at Knox Church manse by the Rev. Dr. Topp.

Mr. Gilchrist was one of the pioneers of Pickering Township, being born shortly before the Mackenzie rebellion.

Mrs. Gilchrist was born in Toronto, in 1838, on the present site of The Globe office.

### Goderich Church Burned.

GODERICH, March 13.—About 1.30 p.m. Saturday fire broke out in St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, originating from the sanctuary lamp. The church was almost completely gutted. The loss is partially covered by insurance.