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LATEST MARKETS

STOCK MARKETS.

H. C. Becher, Broker, Bank of Commerce building, received the following by private wire from Bartlett, Frazier & Carrington today:

New York, Jan. 25—Noon — Despite the bad showing made by American stocks in London this morning, our market has held remarkably well and it has been strong throughout. Gains have been scored in a number of issues and specific strength is manifested. There has been good buying of a number of stocks, but this is more particularly evident in Mo. Pac., Wabash and Penna. Of course this has given rise to further talk of a Gould-Penna truce. Copper acted in the early trading as if some of the weaker bull forces had been shaken out. Virg-Chemical had an upward movement. Reading has been very strong. People's Gas advanced on the favorable decision. The market is likely to continue strong during the afternoon. Sales at noon 452,000.

MONTREAL.

	Montreal, Jan. 25. Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	120	119¾
Winnipeg Electric	175	170
Montreal Street Railway	206	205½
Toronto Railway	101	100⅝
Wes India	75	45
Halifax Street Railway	89¼	86
Twin City Transit Railway	95⅞	95¼
Richelieu and Ontario	83¾	83
Commercial Cable	190½	187
Montreal Telegraph	165	158
Bell Telephone	160	150
Dominion Iron and Steel, com	9	8¾
Dominion Iron and Steel, pref	30	25
Montreal Heat, Light and Power	75	74½
Nova Scotia Steel, common	81¾	81
Detroit Railway	68	66⅞
Dominion Cotton		82½
Merchants'		35
Montreal Street Bonds	105	103
Dominion Coal, common	64⅞	64½
Int. Coal		80
Trinidad Railway		72
Bank of Montreal	250	
Molsons Bank	198	195¼
Merchants		150
Ogilvie Flour	175	150
Ogilvie Bonds	112	
Ogilvie Flour	123	115
Union Bank	135	
Hochelaga		133
Dominion Iron and Steel Bonds	56	55¼
Colored Cotton	98	
Toledo Bonds	23	21½

SALES: C. P. R., 100 at 119, 100 at 119⅝, 75 at 120; Montreal Railway, 75 at 206½; Twin City Railway, 75 at 95¾, 75 at 95⅝, 175 at 95½, 25 at 95¼; Switch, 5 at 60¼; Coal, common, 75 at 66, 25 at 65¾, 25 at 65, 10 at 64½; Power, 50 at 75, 2 at 75¼; Toronto Railway, 5 at 101¼; Halifax Railway, 5 at 90; R. and O., 25 at 83; Commercial Cable, 30 at 190, 82 at 190½; Toledo Railway, 50 at 22; Bank of Commerce, 10 at 150; Bank of Montreal, 10 at 248; Merchants' Bank, 1 at 151, 3 at 150¼; Hochelaga Bank, 25 at 133½.

5 to 6½ per cent is now obtained by the investor on first preferred stocks and bonds of the best railways, in consequence of this year's enormous shrinkage in values.

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NEW YORK.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

New York, Jan. 25.	Open.	High.	Low.	2 p.m
Amal. Copper	50¾	51⅞	50⅜	50¾
American Sugar Co	129½	131⅝	129½	130½
American Locomotive	19¼	19¼	19	19
American Foundry	20½	20¼	20¼	20¼
American Refining	49	50⅞	48⅞	50
Atcheson, com	69¾	70	69¼	69⅝
Atcheson Pfd	91⅞	92¼	91⅝	91⅞
B & O	83¾	84½	83⅝	83⅞
Brooklyn Tran	50¼	50⅞	49⅞	49¾
C. P. R	119¼	120¼	119¼	119½
Chesapeake & Ohio	35	35	34¾	34¾
Chic. Great Western	17¼	17¼	17⅛	17⅛
Chicago and Alton	37⅞	37⅞	37¾	37¾
Col. Fuel and Iron	31	31	30¾	30¾
Erie	28¼	29	28¼	28¼
Erie Pfd	69	69¾	69	69¼
Illinois Central	134¼	134¼	133⅞	133⅞
Kan. and Tex, com	18⅝	18⅝	18½	18⅝
Kan. and Tex, pref	142¼	142¼	141	141¼
Louisville and Nashville	108½	109	108	108
Manhattan	145¼	146⅛	145	145
Metropolitan St. Ry	123	123	122½	122½
Mexican Central	13	13¼	12⅞	12⅞
M. P.	95⅛	95¼	94⅞	94⅞
N. Y Cent'al	120¾	121⅛	120¾	120¾
Norfolk and W	61¼	61¾	60½	60½
Ont and West	23¾	24⅛	23¾	23⅝
Pacific Mail S. S. Co	30	30	29¾	30
Pennsylvania	121¾	122⅜	121¼	121½
People's Gas	100	102⅛	99⅞	102⅛
Reading	46¼	48	46⅛	47⅞
Republic I. and S	48½	48½	47¼	47⅜
Rock Island	25½	26⅞	25¼	25⅞
Southern Railway	22½	22¾	22	22⅛
Southern Ry, Pfd	84	84½	83⅞	84⅛
Southern Pacific	51	51½	50¾	50⅞
St. Paul	146¾	147¼	146	146⅛
Texas	27	27⅝	26¾	26¾
Twin City	95¼	95½	95¼	95½
Tennessee Coal & Iron	39¾	40	39	40
Union Pacific	81⅝	81¾	81⅛	81⅛
Union Pacific, pref	90⅞			
U. S. Leather	7⅞	8¼	7⅞	8⅛
U. S. Leather, pref	79½	79¾	78⅞	79½
U. S. Rubber	13½	13¾	12⅞	12⅞
U. S. Steel, com	11⅞	12⅛	11⅛	11⅛
U. S. Steel, pref	59⅛	59⅝	57⅞	58⅛
Wabash, com	21⅝	21⅝	20⅞	21
Wabash, pref	40¼	40⅞	39⅞	39⅞
Western Union Tel	88	88¼	88	88¼
Wisconsin Central	21⅝	21⅝	21¼	21¼
Wisconsin Central, pref	47¾	47⅞	47¼	47¼

TORONTO.

	Toronto, Jan. 25. Ask.	Off
Ontario		125
Toronto	235	226
Commerce	152	150
Imperial		213
Dominion		225⅞
Hamilton	207	206½
Nova Scotia	270	..
Ottawa	215	
Traders	140	136
British North America		96
Western Assurance		96
Imperial Life		149
Consumers Gas		208
Ontario and Qu'Appelle Land		94
Canada Northwest Land, pref		98
Can. Pacific Railway Stock	119⅞	119⅝
Soo, pref		123
Soo, com		66
Toronto Electric Light		132½
General Electric	145	143⅝
London Electric	106	
Commercial Cable	190	188¼
Dominion Telegraph		119
Richelieu and Ontario Nav. Co	85	83
Niagara Navigation		113
Northern Navigation		113
St. L. and C. Navigation	120	110
Toronto Street Railway	101¼	100½
Twin City Railway, new	95	94¼
Winnipeg St. Rai way	180	160
Sao Paulo Tramway	92¼	91¾
Dominion Steel, com	10	8½
Dominion Coal, com	65¼	65
Nova Scotia Steel, common	82	81
Canada Salt	117	..
Crow's Nest Coal	350	..
British Canadian L. and I		85
Canada Landed and Nat. Inv	106	103
Canada Permanent		122½
Canada Savings and Loan		119
Central Canada Loan		150
Dominion Savings and Invest		70
Hamilton Provident		119
Huron and Erie L. and S. Co		178
Landed Banking and Loan		119
Lon. and Can. L. and A		90
Manitoba Loan		95
Toronto Mortgage		85
London Loan	120	113
Ontario Loan and Deb		120
Toronto Savings and Loan		130
Dominion Iron and Steel Bonds	56	55¾
Nova Scotia Steel		104¾

SALES: Western Assurance, 14 at 97; Cable, 25 at 186⅛, 25 at 186, 50 at 189, 25 at 189⅛, 25 at 189½; Standard Bank, 10 at 225; Northern Navigation, 50 at 77½; R. and O., 100 at 83; Sao Paulo, 20 at 92, 5 at 92¼, 2 at 92; C. P. R., 740 at 120, 50 at 120¼; Dominion, 12 at 252; Canadian General Electric, 45 at 141¼, 25 at 142, 5 at 142¾, 5 at 142⅝, 25 at 143¾, 10 at 143½, 60 at 144, 35 at 144; Soo, common, 25 at 66; Nova Scotia Steel, 50 at 81¾, 50 at 81⅝, 50 at 81¾, 50 at 81¾; Coal, 125 at 65¼; Twin City, 50 at 94¾, 50 at 95, 25 at 95¼, 25 at 95¼, 10 at 95¼, 25 at 95.

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For coughs and colds.
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For rough, red and chapped hands and face, and
STRONG'S BAKING POWDER.
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AMERICAN MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, Jan. 25—Noon,—Flour—Receipts, 19,396 bbls; sales, 6,400 pkgs; flour was quiet but firmer; Minnesota patents, $4 75 to $5; Minnesota bakers, $3 90 to $4 20; winter straights, $4 20 to $4 35; winter extras, $3 20 to $3 50; winter low grades, $3 to $3 30. Buckwheat flour—Dull, $2 10 to $2 25. Rye flour—Firm; fair to good, $3 40 to $3 45; choice to fancy, $3 50 to $3 85. Wheat—Receipts, 9,750 bu; sales, 760,000 bu; wheat had a firm opening on cold weather west, a decline in consols and shorts covering; May, 93 5-16c to 93 15-16c. Rye—Firm; state and Jersey, 56c to 58c; No. 2 western, 67c, nominal, f.o.b. afloat. Corn—Receipts, 5,600 bu; sales, 40,000 bu; corn was also firm and higher in sympathy with wheat; May, 55⅝c. Oats—Receipts, 42,000 bu; nominal; track, white state and western, 45½c to 50c. Sugar—Raw nominal; fair refining, 2 27-32c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 11-32c; molasses sugar, 2 9-32c; refined dull; crushed, $5 05; powdered, $4 55; granulated, $4 45. Coffee—Firm; No. 7 Rio, 8½c. Lead—Firm, $4 60 to $4 65. Wool—Firm; domestic fleece, 28c to 32c. Hops—Firm; state, common to choice, 1903 crop, 28c to 37c; 1902 crop, 23c to 27c; olds, 10c to 15c; Pacific coast, 1903 crop, 26c to 34c; 1902 crop, 23c to 27c; olds, 10c to 15c.

LOCAL MARKET.

London, Monday, Jan. 25.

There was a very light amount of business done at the market this morning.

Eight loads of hay were on the stand and sales were brisk, at $8 to $8 50 per ton.

A load of straw was offered, which brought $5 per ton.

One load of wheat sold at $1 30 per cental.

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LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Jan. 25.—Cattle—Receipts, 20,000; market steady to strong; good to prime steers, $4 90 to $5 65; poor to medium, $3 25 to $4 50; stockers and feeders, $2 to $4; cows, $1 50 to $4; heifers, $1 75 to $4 50; canners, $1 50 to $2 45; bulls, $2 to $4; calves, $3 to $4 10.

Hogs—Receipts, 42,000; market steady to strong; mixed and butchers, $4 90 to $5 10; good to choice heavy, $5 05 to $5 30; rough heavy; $4 85 to $5 05; light, $4 60 to $5; bulk of sales at $4 85 to $5 05.

Sheep—Receipts, 20,000; sheep steady, lambs steady; good to choice wethers, $4 10 to $4 50; fair to choice mixed, $3 25 to $4; western sheep, $3 50 to $4 35; native lambs, $4 50 to $6; western lambs, $4 15 to $4 95.

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CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

Chicago, Jan. 25	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
Wheat—May	91⅞	92¾	89	89⅞
July	82⅞	83¾	81½	81⅞
Corn—May	49¾	50⅛	48⅞	49¼
July	48	48⅛	47½	47⅝
Oats—May	42¼	42½	41⅝	41¾
July	37⅝	37⅞	37⅛	37⅞
Pork—Jan	13 30			
May	13 40	13 57	13 37	13 47
Lard—Jan	7 27			
May	7 37	7 55	7 37	7 52
S.Ribs—Jan				
May	6 75	6 85	6 75	6 80

PRODUCE MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Jan. 25.—Wheat—The snow blockade on the railways has greatly interfered with the shipment of wheat and other grain; the farmers' deliveries have fallen off, and owing to scarcity of power it has been difficult to secure prompt shipment; the demand from the Ontario millers for wheat has been good and higher prices have prevailed; cars of No. 2 red and white are quoted at 80c, freely bid, east and west, with holders asking 82c; goose is quiet, at 72c for No. 2 east; spring is steady, at 76c for No. 2 east; Manitoba is steady, at 94c for No. 1 hard, 91c for No. 1 northern and 88c for No. 2 northern, at Georgian Bay ports, and 6c more grinding in transit. Flour—There has been a better demand for export from Newfoundland, as well as for export to the old country, and the market is firmer at $3 15 to $3 20 for cars of 90 per cent Ontario winter wheat patents in buyers' bags, east or west; choice brands are held 15c to 20c higher; Manitoba flour is firm, at $4 65 to $4 90 for cars of Hungarian patents, $4 35 to $4 60 for second patents, and $4 25 to $4 50 for strong bakers, bags included, on the track at Toronto. Millfeed—The demand has been better and the market is steady, at $17 for cars of Ontario shorts and $15 for bran in bulk, east or west; Manitoba millfeed is steady, at $20 for cars of shorts and $18 for bran, sacks included, on the track, Toronto freights. Barley—Steady, at 43½c for No. 2, 41½c to 42c for No. 3 extra, and 40c for No. 3 for feed, east or west. Buckwheat—Steady to firm, at 48c for No. 2, east or west. Rye—Steady, at 53c for No. 2, east or west. Corn—There has been a good demand for Canada corn in good condition the past week for export, via New York; it is understood that there is difficulty in securing properly-cured American corn for prompt shipment in large quantities for export; cars of Canada mixed corn are quoted at 37½c and yellow at 38c west; American is steady, at 50½c for No. 3 mixed and 51½c for No. 3 yellow, on the track at Toronto. Oats—In fair demand and steady; cereal millers are bidding 31c for No. 2 white east and local exporters quote ½c less; No. 2 white are quoted at 30½c, middle freights. Rolled oats—Steady, at $4 10 for cars of bags and $4 35 for barrels on the track at Toronto. Peas—Steady, at 62c for No. 2 west and 63c east. Butter—The receipts are fairly liberal and the demand is confined largely to choice table goods, the low grades and medium sorts being slow; prices are steady at quotations; creamery prints, 20c to 22c; creamery solids, 19½c to 20c; dairy pound rolls, choice, 15c to 16c; dairy large rolls, 14c to 15c; dairy tubs, good to choice, 15c to 17c; dairy, medium, 13c to 14c; dairy, poor, 10c to 12c. Eggs—The light receipts of strictly fresh-gathered stocks and the higher prices for all the best offerings, have tended to check the consumption; there is a moderate demand and the market is about steady, at 35c for new-laid, 30c for selected stock, 26c to 27c for cold storage and 23c to 24c for limed. Live hogs—The offerings have been fair the past week; the demand has been steady, and the tendency of the market has been lower; select bacon hogs here are quoted at 5⅛c per lb, and heavy and light fats at 4⅞c. Dressed hogs—Steady, cars on the track here are quoted at $8 by local packers; farmers' lots delivered here are quoted at $7 25 for light and $6 50 for heavy.

CHARLES TEMPLE VICTIM OF THE CROSSING ACCIDENT

Remains Identified by Relatives and Others—On His Way Home When Injured.

The man who was fatally injured at O'Brien's crossing of the C. P. R. in London Township, on Saturday afternoon, was identified this morning as Charles Temple, of Hyde Park, an employe at Carling's brewery.

The identification was made by a number of the brewery employes, and Mr. Fred Floyd, of this city, a brother-in-law of the deceased. Temple was about 30 years of age, and leaves a wife and two children. When he was struck by the engine he was on his way home from work, having left the brewery about 5 o'clock.

Dr. MacLaren, the coroner, who was notified, will hold an inquest. He stated this afternoon that he had interviewed a number of the C. P. R. officials in this city, and that they would not give him any information whatever about the accident. Under these circumstances, there was nothing left for him to do but hold an inquest.

Dr. MacLaren will also hold an inquest in the case of Mrs. Ball, the old woman who was found frozen to death in her home on Elizabeth street. He decided this matter after a consultation with Crown Attorney Magee, who was of the same opinion as the coroner—that it was in the public interests to do so, when such a thing should occur in a city of London's size.

The inquest in the case of Temple will be commenced at Stephenson's undertaking parlors at 5 o'clock this afternoon, and half an hour later the Ball inquest will be opened at Smith & Son's. The same jury will probably serve on both.

LONDONER LEFT AN AFRICAN EXPEDITION IN GOOD TIME

Mr. Ronald Harris Was at One Time With Party That Was Massacred by Natives.

The dispatch from London, Eng., under date of Jan. 24, stating that the foreign office had received news of the massacre of a British expedition in East Africa, is of particular interest to one Londoner—Mr. Ronald Harris, son of Mr. George B. Harris, "Eldon House," Ridout street.

The expedition had been operating in East Africa under the auspices of the East Africa syndicate, and according to the cable dispatch, it was slaughtered by Turkhana tribesmen, who have always proved hostile to whites, or even the natives belonging to other tribes.

For about two years prior to July last, Mr. Harris was a member of the expedition, coming home at that time to pay a protracted visit to his relatives in this city. Two others left the expedition at the same time, four remaining to carry on the work. They were Messrs. Brown, of Philadelphia; Blick, who hailed from California, and Brittlebank and Brooks, two young Englishmen.

Mr. Harris was a very warm friend of the first named, and is naturally anxious to learn the full particulars of the affair. He says that prior to his departure for home, gold had been discovered at a point about 80 days march north from a line of railway, and that in August, Brown, Blick, Brittlebank and Brooks started to ascertain the extent of the find. They were the only white men in the party. Accompanying them, Mr. Harris says, there would be from 200 to 300 natives, and Mr. Harris says that as these were not of the Turkhana tribe, they, too, would also be wiped out.

The Turkhanas are a powerful tribe, which has all along caused trouble in East Africa, opposing any inroads made in their territory by foreign expeditions or other tribesmen. They never resort to the use of rifles, but depend almost entirely on the shield and a spear, with which they indulge in battles at close quarters.

CORONER ORDERS INQUEST INTO DEATH OF MRS. BALL

Unfortunate Woman Appears to Have Been Very Eccentric—Stories of Her Life.

From all that can be learned the late Mrs. Ball, who was found frozen to death, was a very peculiar woman, very proud and jealous of her independence. About a year ago some neighbors of the woman notified Mayor Beck that she was in need of fuel and food, and his worship sent Inspector McCallum out to the little house on Elizabeth street. As soon as the old lady learned that the object of Mr. McCallum was to extend charity to her, she flew into a passion, and ordered the inspector to leave her house at once.

"You may go and tell those who sent you," she exclaimed, "that I need no charity. I am able to buy what I want, and I stand in need of nothing."

"After further parley, Mrs. Ball asked Mr. McCallum to order her some coal at an east end yard, she paying for the coal herself.

The neighbors also claimed that the old woman earned a good deal of money telling the fortunes of the young, and that her customers were many. The coal firm whom she bought her fuel from also stated that she always paid for what she got.

WOULD LIVE ALONE.

Some time after this visit of Inspector McCallum's, a Mrs. Bailey, of Grand Rapids, and who is the old lady's daughter, called on Mr. McCallum and asked him to try and influence her mother to go to Grand Rapids and give up the little home here. Mrs. Bailey added that Mr. McCallum might be able to frighten her if he could not coax the woman into going to live with her. She feared, she said, that her mother would burn the house some day and lose her life in the fire.

The inspector did his best to cause the old woman to do as the daughter wanted, but was unsuccessful. The deceased was a Roman Catholic, and at various times, attempts were made to induce her to go into the home here, but she always objected to doing so.

Mr. McCallum says that Mrs. Ball never asked the city for aid, nor did she ever receive any.

Some of the neighbors tell many tales of the peculiar old woman. It is said, that the woman at times labored under the hallucination that her neighbors were encroaching on her little estate, and that they were moving their fences onto her property under cover of darkness. To prevent this imaginary wrong she sat up many a night.

The house in which Mrs. Ball died is a dismal place. In one corner stands a heap of ashes where the deceased had thrown them. There was no food in the house, but the loaf of bread, and the place was untidy and slovenly. Despite all the assertions as to the woman having had money, there is no disputing the fact that she was in dire distress and was starved to death as well as frozen. Dr. Hutchinson says she was worn away to a skeleton, and starvation was written on every feature.

In view of the fact that the old lady appears to have died from neglect, the coroner has ordered an inquest to be held at 5:30 this evening at Smith's undertaking rooms.

SHOE-SHINERS IN COURT

Fined to the Extent of $6 in an Assault Case.

Charge of Stealing Money Dropped—Drunk Sent Down.

Frank Chaplin, the Chatham man who was arrested here last week on a charge of stealing money from a drunken man whom he had taken care of, and who was remanded to inquire into his character, was discharged this morning, the police magistrate holding that the evidence was not conclusive.

The charge of assault laid against Theodore Zarus and Constantine Zonaris, two Greeks who work at the shoe-shining parlor on Richmond street, came up for trial. The complainant was Mr. Allen Rogers, of Cook's shoe store, who had occasion to go through the shine depot. The former defendant was fined $5 and costs and the latter $1 and costs.

The case of John Coleman charged with keeping a gaming house, and of the others, charged with gambling at his cigar store, was dismissed, there being no evidence against the young men.

John McKenzie, an old offender in the dew-drop habit, was fined $20 or 21 days.

HAY MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Jan. 25.—Baled Hay—The receipts are about equal to the demand and $5 to $5 50 per ton for car lots on the here are quoted at $8 to $9 per ton.

Baled Straw—Quiet and unchanged, at $5 to $5 50 per to for car lots on the track at Toronto.

A MURDER SUSPECT.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 25. — Joseph Heltger, a prominent young man of Bedford, Ind., was arrested at that place today in connection with the Sarah Schaefer murder, and brought to Jeffersonville penitentiary to avoid any possibility of mob violence.

Engagement Rings, Wedding Rings, Gents' Rings,
A fine assortment at right prices.
ADKINS, Jeweler, East London.
Marriage Licenses issued.

HAD A NARROW ESCAPE

Mr. John Murray Falls 35 Feet From a Scaffold.

He Was Working on the First Presbyterian Church.

Mr. John Murray, a plasterer, fell off the top scaffold of the new First Presbyterian Church Sunday school this afternoon, and had a narrow escape from death.

The scaffold from which he slipped was 35 feet high, and he landed with his whole force on the ground. When picked up he was unconscious, and was taken at once to Victoria Hospital, where Dr. Jento attended to him with the other surgeons. He was found to be not dangerously injured, but his nose was broken and his face was a mass of scars, besides having three ribs on his right side broken.

A NEW DINING-ROOM

Olympia Moved Across Street—Quick Lunch System Added.

The well-known Olympia Restaurant will in future be conducted on the opposite side of Dundas street, at No. 175½. It will be managed along lines that are entirely new to this city. The front part has been arranged for the serving of quick lunches, where a patron who is in a hurry can be quickly served with any light and tasty foods that he may desire. This department will be managed by Mr. Frank Smith, and the cook will be Mr. George Austin, who has had experience in this method in Detroit. Behind this part of the building will be the restaurant proper, with the same accommodation as before, only fitted up more handsomely and with better facilities for giving prompt and satisfactory attention to customers. The most seasonable delicacies will always be in supply. This department will be in charge of Louis Campbell, who was formerly manager of the old Olympia. The owner, Mr. Karkompass, intends retaining his old place across the street, and will use it as a wholesale candy and ice cream establishment, this part of his business having grown so as to demand larger accommodation. The new restaurant opened today, and will be ready for the use of its patrons from now on.

TOSSED COIN TO DECIDE

Dr. English Elected Chairman of the Board of Health.

Was Tied With Ex-Ald. Carruthers on the First Vote.

At the inaugural meeting of the board of health for 1904, held this afternoon, Dr. English was elected chairman.

The board was evenly divided between Dr. English and ex-Ald. Carruthers, who was chairman last year, and to decide the matter a coin was tossed.

Dr. English won.

INVARIABLY IN ADVANCE

The McClary Manufacturing Co.'s Distinguishing Policy.

Busy Days at Head Office—Branch Managers Meet.

For the past few days the head office of the McClary Manufacturing Company in this city has been the scene of an interesting gathering, the branch managers of this notable company having met to discuss the features of last year's business, and consider plans for the future. At this meeting the following representatives were in attendance: Messrs. A. D. Kennelly, Toronto; A. A. Brown, Montreal; J. W. Driscoll, Winnipeg; W. E. Drake, Vancouver; John J. Foot, St. John, N. B., and John D. Laidlaw, Hamilton.

A well arranged programme of meetings for each day was carried out, when opinions were freely exchanged upon such subjects as "Lines of Goods for 1904," "Improvements on Present Lines," "Buying and Selling Methods," "Shipping," "Stockkeeping," "Advertising," "Office Systems," etc.

The business of the McClary Company covers such extensive and widely different territories, that new conditions are continually developing, and these have to be met with goods suitable to their peculiarities. In order to produce such goods it is necessary for the men from the different territories to meet at the head office and explain their needs and make suggestions. The McClary Company have always shown commendable enterprise in meeting and supplying such needs, and it is largely due to this progressive policy that they attribute their present leading position in Canada as manufacturers of stoves, ranges, furnaces, enameled and tin wares of all kinds.

Their Winnipeg branch manager, Mr. J. W. Driscoll, has unbounded confidence in the west, and thinks that the past two years' influx of population is not in the nature of a boom, but is only the beginning of a steady flow of immigration, which will continue until all the arable land in Manitoba and the Territories has been taken up.

The latest established branch, St. John, N. B., under the management of Mr. J. J. Foot, previously of the head office staff here, has made satisfactory progress, which is very encouraging in view of the peculiar conditions existing in that territory. Small foundries are located in a great many towns of the Eastern Provinces, and these concerns place their stoves, etc., on the market at almost manufacturer's cost, so that the McClary goods have won a foothold in that territory only on account of their superior qualities.

The managers of the other branches, Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver, also report a very considerable increase in last year's business, and predict a heavy demand for this year.

The branch managers left today for their various cities.

KING PETER SNUBBED

With His Daughter Was Ignored at a Ball in Belgrade.

Belgrade, Servia, Jan. 25.—King Peter's subjects are not inclined to show him that respect which is due a sovereign. The other day he went with his daughter, Princess Helene, to a charity ball in Kolaratz Hall, which was attended only by junior subaltern officers. The royal visitors were not received by the managers of the ball, and the King was a pathetic figure as he stood alone, apart and unnoticed. No refreshments were offered to the King nor to the Princess. Driven by hunger they took lunch in the smoky beer saloon of the hall. All the hot food had been eaten, and the King and Princess had to be content with cold ham and moldy cheese, which they ate at a beer-stained table, without even a table-cloth.

CONDENSED LOCAL NEWS

—The Y. M. C. A. gymnasium will be the scene tonight of a basketball contest between teams Nos. 1 and 4.

—On Friday last a very pleasant evening was spent at the residence of Mr. Charles Holliday, Clarence street, it being the birthday of Mrs. Holliday. Many of her friends showed their appreciation of her that evening by surprising her in a body. Games and other amusements were indulged in, refreshments were served, and all the party left after wishing Mrs. Holliday many happy returns of the day.

FUNERAL OF MRS. BROWNE.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Browne took place this afternoon from her late residence, 174 Hamilton road, to Woodland Cemetery. Rev. Geo. J. Bishop, of the First Methodist Church, conducted the service.

TOO COLD FOR SCHOLARS.

So great was the cold in several schools this morning that the scholars were dismissed and allowed to return home. The studies were resumed in the afternoon.

ASSAULTER UNKNOWN.

Mrs. Parker, who was assaulted in her store Friday afternoon, can naturally give little information as to her assailant's description. Up to 3 o'clock this afternoon no arrest had been made.

LABOR NOT IN VAIN.

Rev. J. J. Ross, of the Talbot Street Baptist Church conducted the weekly Sunday afternoon meeting at the Y. M. C. A. yesterday and in spite of the weather there was an encouraging attendance. Mr. Ross spoke on "Labor not in vain," and the meeting was a very bright one.

SATCHEL SNATCHING.

The city police have been receiving complaints of satchel-snatching, and are after the culprits. The latest case is that reported to have Saturday evening about 8:30 o'clock, when Miss McLaughlin, a young woman working for Mr. D. Bowen, had a small hand-bag taken from her on Richmond street.

MRS. HOWARD TAYLOR.

Mrs. Howard Taylor, of the China Inland Mission, who is to speak at the Dundas Center Church tonight, will deliver an address on Tuesday evening at the Christian Workers' Church on King street, afterward addressing Mr. Camp's class at the Auditorium for fifteen minutes.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.

Anniversary services were held in Chalmers Church, Sunday, the pastor, Rev. Walter Moffat, preaching morning and evening. There was a large attendance, despite the cold weather. Tonight the annual Sunday school entertainment will be held in the church, the building being beautifully decorated for the occasion.

ALLEGED CATTLESTEALER.

Fred Parsons, was arrested in Denver, Col., and brought back to Canada to stand his trial on a charge of being implicated in the Caradoc cattle-stealing case of July, 1902. Three others were sent to penitentiary at the time for stealing seven head of cattle from Mr. Chute, of Caradoc, and Parsons, who, it was alleged, was with the gang, went to the United States. He was arrested in Denver, but waived extradition and was brought back here by Chief Wilson, of Strathroy, and Provincial Detective Rogers.

WINNIPEG'S GROWTH.

Mr. Herbert J. Boyd, of Winnipeg, is on a short visit to relatives in this city, and before returning home he will take a business trip to New York and Pittsburg. Mr. Boyd is one of the many Londoners who are prospering in Manitoba's capital, and he speaks in glowing terms of the prospects for the western country. While the new building erected in Winnipeg last year were valued at $8,000,000 or more, contracts have already been awarded for buildings valued at $4,000,000 or $5,000,000 to be put up this year. On every hand, Mr. Boyd says, there are indications of advancement.

THE FOO CHOW MISSION.

A well-attended meeting was held in Bronyn Hall on Saturday afternoon, to hear Miss Leslie, of the C. E. Z. M. S., speak on her work on Foo Chow, China. Rev. Principal Waller presided. The W. A. M. A. of the Diocese of Huron is particularly interested in this mission, as they support a lady missionary there. Miss Leslie referred to the good work done by Huron's missionary, Miss Kirkby, and her special adaptability for the work among the Chinese. She gave instances of the great faith of the converts and their patience under persecution, willing even to give up their lives during the Boxer troubles rather than deny their Master. Miss Leslie was one of the few missionaries who passed through the anxious times of the plague in Foo Chow and the Boxer agitation of a later date.

WELL WORTH REMEMBERING.

If correspondents and advertisers and all who write to newspapers would only take a little more care with their writing it would prove a boon to all concerned. Contractions, erasures, interlineations, transpositions and various forms of confusion are handed in carelessly to be printed in the calm confidence that they will be figured out all right. Now if the writers would only recollect that it is just as easy for them to send in plain copy for the printer, it would make things pleasanter. A printing house is a busy place. There is nearly always a rush on, with everybody working at high pressure. A little courteous consideration for the printer would save a lot of trouble and many an aggravating mistake. Often there is the greatest trouble in deciphering names of persons or places, which may be very clear to the writer, but not to the person who receives the manuscript.

D'ANNUNZIO'S LUXURY

The Celebrated Author Grows Even More Luxurious.

Florence, Italy, Jan. 25.—Gabriel d'Annunzio, in the luxury of his life and the splendor of his habitation, becomes more and more the sybarite of authors. Besides, his high artistic sense qualifies itself with "atmospheric" surroundings.

Report has it that he goes to the chase armed, not with the newest fowling piece, but with bow and arrows, as did Apollo.

When he dines he seats himself in a great chair on a dais covered by a canopy. And when he performs the sacred and profound duty of writing, D'Annunzio, clad in a stole of cloth-of-gold, stands before a Gothic desk, while censors, burning perfumes, swing solemnly on his either hand.

His villa, "Capponsisia," near this city, is magnificent. A subdued greenish radiance pervades its reception room, whose walls are hung with flower-bordered Gobelin tapestry as a background for bas-reliefs in majolica and terra-cotta. The room is full of shimmering statuettes, rare objects of art and choice Greek bronzes.

And D'Annunzio's bedroom—in each of its four corners stands a statue ascribed to a master of the Renaissance. The bed is low and broad, and covered with brocade embroidered with lilies in gold thread.

KAISER AND SHAKESPEARE

The Emperor Shows an Actress How to Recite the Lines.

Berlin, Jan. 25. — Emperor William is the best Shakespeare scholar in his court. He has an intimate knowledge not only of the original English and of the splendid German translation, but of the acting edition as well. Barnay, the great Bavarian actor and theater director, tells this story in his recent book of reminiscences:

"On one occasion on which "Richard II." was performed at the Berlin Theater Royal in the presence of the Emperor, the latter sent for Herr Barnay at the close of the performance and said to him:

"During the performance, Herr Barnay, four lines were said which are not to be found in the original Shakespeare.'

"'It is true,' returned the director, 'they are an interpolation by Dingelstaedt (a commentator) to obtain greater clearness.'

"The Emperor frowned and said: 'In future, Herr Director, see that you avoid such mutilation. We are not to play tricksfl with Shakespeare.'"

A better story is about "Much Ado About Nothing." The Emperor was listening to Fraulein Poppe as Beatrice declaiming the beautiful speech