Washington report- In this dis to come, and 'God is live.'" course Dr. Talmage describes in a But for this divine feeling I think new way the sacrifices made for the world's disenthrallment and deliverance. His text is, I. John, iv., 16: "God is love."

Perilons undertaking would it be to attempt a comparison between the attributes of God. They are not like a mountain range, with here and a higher peak, nor like the with here and there a prounder depth. We cannot measure We would not dare to say whether His omnipotence, or omni-science, or omnipresence, or immutability, or wisdom, or justice, or love is the greater attribute, but the one mentioned in my text makes deeper mpression upon us than any other. evidently a very old man who wrote the chapter from which I take the text. John was not in his dotage, as Prof. Eighhorn assertbut you can tell by the repetitions in the epistle and the rambling style and that he called grown people children" that the author probably an octogenarian. Vet Paul. in midlife, mastering an audience of Athenian critics on Mars hill, said nostronger or more important than did the venerable John when he three words of my text,

Indeed the older one gets the more appreciates this attribute. The severity have gone out of the old man, and he is more lenient, and, aware of his own faults, is osed to make excuses for the ts of others, and he frequently ejaculates, "Poor human nature!" The young minister preached three sermons on the justice of God and one on the love of God, but when he got old he preached three sermons on the love of God and one on the justice of God.

Far back in the eternities there came a time when God would express one emotion of His nature which was yet unexpressed. He had made more worlds than were seen by the ancients from the top of the Egyptian pyramid, which was used as an observatory, and more worlds than modern astronomy has cata-logued or descried through telescopic or descried through telescopic All that showed the Lord's almightiness, but it gave no demonstration of His love. He might make fifty Saturns and a hundred Jupiters and not demonstrate an instant of That was an unknown pasof the universe. It was a suppressed emotion of the great God. But there would come a time when this passion of infinite love would be declared and illustrated. God would veil it no longer. After the clock of many centuries had run down and worlds 'ad been born and demolished on a comparatively obscure star a race of human beings would be born and who, though so bountifully provided for that they ought to have behaved themselves well, went into insurrection and con and revolt and war-finite against infinite, weak arm against thunderbolt, man against God.

If high intelligences looked down

saw what was going on, must have prophesied extermination, complete extermination, of these of-fenders of Jehovah. But no! Who is that coming out of the throne room of heaven? Who is that coming out of the palaces of the eternal? It is the Son of the Emperor of the universe. Down the stairs of the high heavens He comes till he reaches the cold air of a December night in Palestine, and amid the bleatings of sheep and the lowing of cattle and the moaning of camels and the banter of the herdsmen takes His first sleep on earth and for 23 years invites the wandering race to return to God and happiness and heaven. They were the longest 33 years ever known in heaven. Among many high intelligences, what impatience to get Him back! The Infinite Father looked down and saw His Son slapped and spit on and supperless and homeless, and then, amid horrors that made the noonday heavens turn black in face, His body and soul parted. And Prince to come on such an errand and endure such sorrow and die such a death? It was to invite the human resistance. It was because "God is

The schoolmen deride the idea that God has emotion. They think it would be a divine weakness to be stirred by any earthly spectacle. without feeling, a cold and cheerless divinity. But the God we worship is one of sympathy and compassion and helpfulness and affection. "God

In all the Bible there is no more con-solatory statement. The very best people have in their lives occurrences inexplicable. They are bereft or per secuted or impoverished or invalided. They have only one child, and that dies, while the next door neighbor has seven children, and they are all spared. the market is rising and the day after the market falls. At a time when they need to feel the best for the discharge of some duty they are seized with phy-Trying to do a good useful thing, they are sical collapse. misrepresented and belied as if they had practiced a villainy. injustices. Others of less talent. with less consecration, go on and up. while they go on and down. There are in many lives riddles that have never been solved, mysteries that have never been explained, heartbreaks that Go to that man or that woman with philosophic explanation, and you will make mat-ters worse instead of making them bet-But let the oceanic tide of the text roll in that soul and all its worriments and losses and disasters will
be submerged with blessing, and the
suffered will say: "I cannot understand
the reason for my troubles, but I will
one reason for my troubles, but I will

the reason fo some day understand. And they do haps honored by elaborate eulogium one rib, like a woman, you would never world will join in the mot come by accident. God allows them and tall shaft of granite, all four be able to shut it up.—New York Press. should still cast our

sed wickedness of the nations! See the abominations continental! Behold the false religions that hoist Mahommed and Buddha and Confucius! Look at the Koran and the Zend-Avesta that would crowd out of the world the Holy Scriptures! Look at war, digging its trenches for the dead across the mispheres! See the great cities, with their holocaust of destroyed manhood and womanhood! What blasphemies assail the heavens! What butcheries sicken the centuries! What procession of crime and atrocity and woe encircle the globe! If justice had spoken, it would have said: "The world deserves annihilation, and let annihilation come." If immutability had spoken, it would have said: "I have always be opposed to wickedness and always will be opposed to it. The world is to me an affront infinite, and away with it." If omniscience had spoken, it would have said: "I have watched that planet with minute and all comprehensive inspection, and I cannot have the of-fense longer continued." If truth had spoken, it would have said: "I declare that they who offend the law must go down under the law." But divine love took a different view of the world's obduracy and pollution. It said: "I pity all those woes of the earth. I cannot stand here and see no assuagement of those sufferings. I will go down and reform the world. I will medicate its wounds. I will calm its frenzy. I will wash off the pollution, I will become incarnated. I will take on my shoulders and upon my brow and into my heart the consequences of that world's behavior. I start now and between my arrival at Bethlehem and my ascent from Olivet I will weep their tears and Farewell my throne, my crown, my sceptre, my angelic government, my was conquered by his own love. love.

"God is love." emphasis be put upon the thought of my text. Let it appear at the begining of every creed and at the close The ancients used to tell of a great military chieftain, who, about to go to battle, was clad in armor, helmet on head, and sword at side, and who put out his arms to give farewell embrace to his child, and the child, affrighted at his appearance, ran, shrieking, away. Then the father put off the armor that caused the alarm, and the child saw who he was and ran into his in their make-up, terrorising rather than attracting. They must not hide the smiling face and the warm heart of our Father, God. Let nothing im ply that there is a sheriff at every oor ready to make arrest, but over us all a mercy that wants to save and around us all a mercy that wants save, and save now.

If one paragraph of the creed seems to take you, like a child, out of the arms of a father, let the next paragraph put you in the arms of a mother. "As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you." Oh, what a mother we have in And my text is the lullaby sung to us when we are ill, or when we are maltreated, or when we are weary, or when we are trying to do better, or when we are trying to do better, or when we ourselves lie down to the last sleep. We feel the warm cheek of the mother against our cheek, and there sounds in it the hush of many mothers: "God

The world needed no Bible to tell of God's wisdom, for everything, om a spider's weg to the upholstery of a summer's sunset, from the globe of a dewdrop to the rounding of a world, declare that. But there was world, declare that. But there was one secret about God that was wrapped up in a scroll of parchment, and it stayed there until apostolic hand unrolled that scroll and let out upon the world the startling fact, which it could never have surmised, never dessed, never expected, that He lov-our human race so ardently that will pardon sin and subdue the offender with a divine kiss and turn foaming malefactors into worshipers the throne. Oh, I am so glad that the secret is out and that can never again be veiled! Tell to all the sinning, suffering, dying race, tell it in song and sermon on canvas and in marble, on arch pillar; tell it all around the

ea. h-"God is love."

Notice that the wisest men of the nations for thousands of years did not, amid their idolatries, make something to represent this feeling, this emotion. They had a Jove, representing might; Neptune, the god of the sea; Minerva, the goddess of Venus, the goddess of base appetite; Ceres, the goddess of corn, and an Odin, and an Osiris, and a Titan, and a Juggernaut, and whole pantheons of gods and goddesses, but no shrine no carved image, no ulptured form has suggested a god of pure love. That was beyond hu-man brain. It took a God to think

that, a God to project that, a God let down from heaven to achieve that. Fear is the dominant thought in all false religions. For that the devotees cut themselves with lances and swing on iron hooks and fall under wheels and hold up the right arm so long that they cannot take it down. Fear, brut For that we kneel at our altars. For that we contribute our alms. that martyrs suffered market place and at Lucknow and Cawnpore and Pekin. That will yet beliewel the round earth and put it as emerald on the great, warm, throbbing heart of God.

sides chiseled with the story of how good and great they were. But no one ander the heavens or over the heavens has ever been so much slandered as God. Bad men have fought against Him and have thought they heard His voice in the crash of a thunder storm, but have not seen Him in the sunshine of the spring morning. They have blamed Him for wronge which they had done themselves. The sight of a church building excites their dis-

gust. They like the madrigal of a saloon better than the doxology of a temple. They do not want to live temple. They do not want to his with Him in heaven, but would prefer on leaving this world to go into some realm where God has abdicated throne and from which He is exiled forever. The reason is, they do not know Him. They do not realise the fact that God is the best friend this world ever had or ever will have, and that He would do more for their happiness than any one in the wide universe; that He would help them in the wear and tear and tussle of this life; that He would hush their sorrows; that He would help cure the evil habits with which they sometimes struggle; that He would at their request not only forget but forget the wrong things in their life. Yes, forget! # And that is the only thing that God ever does forget—pardoned transgression. The best memory in the universe is God's nemory, and He remembers all that has transpired in all time and in all eternity save kind of occurrence. That passes completely out of His memory. He declares: "Their sins

What do the Bible and the church liturgies mean when they say: "He descended into hell?" They mean that his soul left his sacred body for awhile and went down into the prison of moral night, and swung back its loor, and lifted the chain of captivity. and felt the awful lash that would have come down on the world's back and wept the tears of an eternal sacrifice, and took the bolt of divine indignation against sin into himself, having vanquished death and hell, came out and came up, having achieved an eternal rescue if we will accept it rom Olivet I will weep their tears and suffer their griefs and die their death.

Enrewell my them was a suffer their griefs and the suffer their griefs are grief the suffer their griefs and the suff He knew what kind of pay he would get for exchanging celestial splendor eaven, till I have finished the work for Bethlehem caravansary, and he and come back!" God was never con- dared all and came, the most illustrious quered but once, and that was when example in all the ages of disinterested

and their iniquities will I remember no

Yea, it was most expensive love In this day, when the creeds of There is much human love that costs nothing, nothing of fatigue, nothing of noney, nothing of sacrifice, nothing of numiliation. But the most expensive humiliation. But the most expensive movement that the heavens ever made was this expedition salvatory. It cost the life of a king. It put the throne of God in bereavement. It set the universe aghast. It made omnipotence weep and bleed and shudder. It taxed the resources of the richest of all em-pires. It meant angelic forces detailed to fight forces demoniac. It put three vorlds into sharp collisionarms and snuggled against his heart. to destroy. I charged on the spears and rang with the battleaxes of human to save, another to resist, and another I charged on the spears and diabolic hate. Had the expedition of love been defeated the throne of God would have failed and Satan would have mounted into supremacy, and sin would have forever triumphed, and mercy would have been forever dead. The tears and blood of the martyr of the heavens were only a part of the infinite expense to which the God. head went when it proposed to save

Now, the only fair thing for human hearts to do is to echo back that scy-ereign love. You and I have stood in mountainous regions where, uttering one distinct word, the echoes come back with a resonance startling and captivating, and from all our hearts there should sound unto the heavens responses glorious and long continued. Let the world change its style of pay nore payment by lances, by hammers: o more payment by blows on the cheek and scourging on the back, and hooting of mobs, but payment in arors of soul, in true surrender of heart and love to the God that made us and the Christ who ransomed us and the eternal spirit who, by regenerating

power, makes us all over again. Leander swam across the Hellespont guided by the light which Hero the fair held from one of her tower windo and what Hellesponts of earthly struggle can we not breast as long as we can see the torch of divine love held out from the tower windows of the king! Let love of God to us and our love to God clasp hands this minute O ye dissatisfied and distressed souls, who roam the world over looking for happiness and finding none, why not try this love of God as a solace and spiration and eternal satisfaction? When a king was crossing a desert in caravan, no water was to be found, and man and beast were perishing from caravan, no thirst. Along the way were strewn the bones of caravans that had preceded. There were harts or reindeer in the ring's procession, and someone their keen scent for water and cried out, "Let loose the harts or reindeer!" It was done, and no sooner were these creatures loosened than they went creatures loosened than they went scurrying in all directions looking for water and soon found it, and the king and his caravan were saved, and the king wrote on some tablets the words which he had read some time before "As the hart panteth after the water , so panteth my soul after Thee,

MAY LIVE 100 YEARS.

The Pope's Doctor Declares His

Vitality is Most Robust. Rome, Jan. 2.-Dr. Lapponi, chief physician to the Pope, announced yes-terday that His Holiness had sustrained the fatiguing labors of the last year so heroically that he would probably live to be 100 years old. He es suffered no reaction from his recent great exertions.

During 1900 he officiated at 70 functions in St. Peter's, received 225 functions in St. Peter's, received 225

ollgrimages, spoke to over 4,000 personages to whom he gave audiences, ssued 80 encyclicals, 20 apostolic letters, and composed several poems.

The gas lighting contract for Toronto has at length been signed by the Carbon Light & Power Company, of Philadelphia.

If an umbrella were made of only one rib, like a woman, you would never

JANUARY 13, 1901.

The Triumphal Entry .- Matt. 21; 1-17.

Commentary.—1. Drew nigh—This was Sunday, commonly called Palm Sunday. Jesus and His disciples left Bethany and journeyed towards Jerusalem. Bethphage—The location of this town is not definitely known; it was between Bethany and Jerusalem. this town is not definitely known; it was between Bethany, and Jerusalem, and is thought by some to have been a suburb of Jerusalem. Sent two disciples—Supposed to have been Peter and John. After they left Bethany Jesus sent these disciples on ahead.

2. The village—Bethphage. Ye shall find—Here we have a wooderful in-

2. The village—Bethphage. Ye shall find—Here we have a wonderful instance of Christ's prescience in very minute matters. Taking the different accounts together, Jesus says, 1. Ye shall find a colt with its mother. 2. Both would be tied. 3. They would find them as they entered the village. 4. At a place where two ways met. 5. No man had set upon. village. 4. At a place where two ways met. 5. No man had sat upon the colt. 6. The owners will question you. 7. When told that the Lord hath need of them they will let them go. A colt with her—The other accounts neution the celt only and do not reention the colt only, and do not refer to its mother. Our Lord chose an animal on which never man had sat. "Those which had never been yoked were considered as sacred."—Clarke oose them-The animals were tied; and so men's possessions are "tied" by pleasure, or greed, or gain, or habit, or the gordian-knot of selfishness.—Hom. Com,

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ness.—Hom. Com,

3. Straightway he will send them

Our Lord did not beg, but borrowed
the colt, therfore this should be
understood as the promise of returning him.—Clarke,

4. Might be fulfilled—Was the chief
motive of Jesus merely to fulfil a
prophecy, and did he turn out of the
way for that purpose? Rather, let
us see that this was the right
thing to do at this time.

thing to do at this time.
5. The daughter of Sion—The church Beloid—Give attention and look with astonishment and wonder. Thy King cometh—Jesus Christ is appointed King over the church (Psa. ii. 6), and is accepted by the church Theorem. 6), and 1s church.—Henry. Meek—comes something great the by the church.—Henry.

When a king comes something great
is expected, and great demonstrations
are made. But in this case all is
different. Christ appears in his meekness, not in his majesty. He is ready to suffer for Zion's sake. And sitting

on the colt. He comes "lowly"

6. Did as Jesus commanded—What a blessing it would be if every one did as Jesus commanded them, with out stopping to question, or sug gest a different course.

gest a different course.

7. Their clothes—They spread their loose outer garments on the colt and sit Jesus thereon, thus acknowledging Him to be their king. "This was a custom observed by the people a custom observed by the people when they found that God had appointed a man to the kingdom.

8. A very great multitude — Vast rowds were present at the Pass-ver. In the time of Nero a census was taken and it was ascertained that there were 2,700,000 Jews present at this feast. Garments in the way—An Oriental mark of honor at the reception of kings on their entrince into cities.—Lange. It was customarking control of the control tom ry in royal processions to spread decorative cloth or carpet upon the ground, that the feet of royalty ground, that the feet of royalty might not be defilled, or that dust might not arise.—Morison. Branches from the trees—This was a demon-stration of their joy. "Carrying palm and other branches was emblematical of gracers and victors."

f success and victory." 9. Hosanna-Hosanna is a rendering into Greek letters of the Hebrew words, "Save, we pray." Psa. exvii. 25. It is like a shout of "Salvation! Salvation!"—Schaff. It is used as an expression of praise, like "Hallelujah!" The Son of David—A common Ypression for the Messiah In the highest—"In the highest degree; the highest strains; in the high and lifeless; there is nothing so alculated to kindle enthusiasm. was in the midst of this general re joicing that Jesus were solem. Luke xix. 41.

10. Was moved—"Was stirred."—R. The word in the original is forcible. convulsed" or "stirred" as by an earthquake, or by a violent wind.—
2arr. Who is this—Well may we, as well as they, ask this question.

11. This is Jesus—And thus He is he Saviour, the Deliverer. Matt. i. 21. The prophet of Nazareth—That prophet referred to by Moses. Danter of the control o cophet referred to by Moses. Deut. Christ, the Son of God, the living Word. 12. In the temple—This was the next day, Monday. Jesus and His discuples went back to Bethany on Sunday night. This was the second cleans ing of the temple; one of His first acts, three years before this was to purgo His Father's house. Cast out—In the first instance He used a "scourge of small cords," now His word is sufficient, Money-changers—Pligrims brought with them the coingre of this course of the surface of the surfac age of their own country—Syrian, Egyptian, Greek, as the case might be—and their money was either not current in Palestine, or, as being stamped with the symbols of heathen worship, could not be preceived. be treasury of the temple.

13. It is written—In Isaiah lvi. 7.

A den of the ves.—The business was right enough in itself, but they had perverted the use of the Lord's house, and evidently were robbing the by charging extortionate

prices.
14. He healed them—In the pre sence of all the people He performed most wonderful cures. He now shows the proper use of the tem-

ple. 15. Were sore displeased - The leaders saw that they were unable to check His growing popularity. Even the children had taken up the strain and were singing His praises the world had gone after Him. John

16. Hearest Thou what these say They were anxious to have Christ rebuke them; but, instead, Jesus quotes from Psa. viii. 2 to show that even this was in harmony wit the Scriptures.

the Scriptures.

17. To Bethany—They again return to Bethany to lodge.
Teachings.—"The triumphal procession was a dim foreshadowing of the triumph of the gospel; Jesus is riding through the centuries toward through the contribution and all the new Jerusalem. and all the will join in the Hosanaus." We

SUNDAY SCHOOL

fore Christ. We should ride through
Africa, India and China. Shall we
cast our wealth, our talents and
our deeds of love before Him, and
thus lend Him our aid?

PRACTICAL SURVEY.

This entry to Jerusalem took place just before the feast of the Passover, the last that Jesus celebrated with His disciples. Luke xxii. 15-18. The Faschal lamb, four days before the Passover, was selected and set apart for that purpose. Ex. xii. 3.6. So Fassover, was selected and set apara for that purpose. Ex. xii. 3, 6. So Christ, four days before His crucifix-ion, allowed Himself to be publicly lon, allowed Himself to be publicly proclaimed and acknowledged as the Messiah, Mark xi. 10; Luke xix. 38.

The preparation for the entry. 1.
Jesus demonstrates to His disciples His knowledge of all things by telling them where they would find the ass tied. V. 2. Several other is evangedists, John i. 47, 48; Matt. ix. 4. 2. He showed His power over the hearts of men in persuading the owner immediately to send the ass at His request.

quest.

The circumstances attending the entry, 1. Consider His equipage.

"Sitting upon an ass' colt." John Xii. 15. Animals which had been used xii. 15. Animals which had been used for service of any kind were not to be used for sacred purposes. This is the only time we ever read of Jesus riding. "They cast their garments on Him." Mark xi. 7. No. gorgeous trappings; no cloth of gold coverings; no spangled ornaments decked the humble animal the Master rode. Only the travelstained outer garments of his lowly followers. "Others spread their garfollowers. "Others spread their gar-ments...and...branches from the trees in the way." They had no royal tapestry with which to carpet the way, as is often done for earthly royalty, but they gave the best they had. The temple cleansed. Note: vho came from afar to be able to tant provinces into the current coin

had. The temple cleansed Note: The various types of business cast out were legitimate in themselves. It was a great convenience for those buy animals for sacrifice rather than to bring them long distances. Also to be able to change the coin of disof Judea. But the secular was out of place in God's house. Those who engaged in it were actuted by mercenary motives, and in their transactions were doubtless guilty of extortion. V. 13. Carnal-ity stirred at the praise of Christ. ongs, acclamations and shouts of praise were common in the temple The priests and scribes were exasperated because Jesus, whom they hated, was being honored.

FATE OF CHARLIE

Collis Says the Abductors Drowned the Boy.

THE KIDNAPPERS WERE SHOT. New York Report.—"When Charlie Ross' abductors found that the ran-

som they demanded could not be col-lected with safety by themselves, if at all, they drowned the boy in North This is the positive statement of

Gen. C. H. T. Collis, who, as City Solicitor of Philadelphia, conducted the unsuccessful negotiations with the abductors for Charlie Ross' return He made it while discussing the merits of the Cudahy abduction case.

"When the body was taken from

when the body was taken from the river," said Gen. Collis, "it was much swollen. Mr. Ross, who came on from Philadelphia, refused to claim it as the body of his son. But none of the rest of us connected with the case had any doubt of it. Mr. Ross continued to hope till he died that we were mistaken.

"When the boy was drowned he had become a dangerous encumbrance to the scoundrels who had him in to the scoundrels who nau nim ... their keeping. They knew by this time that all our schemes of negotiation for the boy's return included a net for their capture. It was evident that they knew this, for every appointment agreed to by mail o through the 'personal' columns of th Philadelphia papers was broken by them. I believe that I was per sonally engaged in every adventure

of this sort.
"The position of the abductor was rendered the more hazardous by the passage of an act, drafted by me, making kidnapping a crime, next in gravity to murder, and offering a reward to any person who would give information leading to the return of the victim

Abductors are Shot.

"It was not long after the passage of this act that Charlie Ross' body was taken from North River, And in the following December, 1874, the abductors, Mosher and Douglass, were fatally shot while attempting to rob the house of Judge Van Brunt, at Bay the house of Judge Van Brunt, at Bay Ridge, Before he died, Douglass con-lessed to the abduction, but did not say what disposition had been tanade of the child. But we, who had been active in schames to recover him, were already confident that Mosher, and Douglass, or their accomplices, had thrown him into North River.

When Douglass made his dving conless on, he said that only Mosl what had become of Mosher was then dead. drowned and he continued his search. Though the belief of Gen. Collis, Pinkerton Detective Linden and others engaged in the pursuit of the abduc-tors, that the body found in North River was that of Charlie Ross, was widely published at the time, the general public still sided with the father, and the case has continued to be termed a mystery to the present day.

New Field Opened. "What would have followed the suc essful ransom of Charlie Ross for arge sum of money," said Gen. Collis, is hard to tell. I think it would have established a new industry for criminals. So, also, thought the Governor and the District Attorney. Perhaps we were wrong. I fear that the compounding of this recent felous by Mr. Curiahy may inspire unemployed vagabonds to engage in similar enterprises."

Proceedings will be taken to-day to bring about, if possible, the annulment of the marriage of Miss Annie Jeune, daughter of James Jeune, who lives on Church street, Toronto, and Thomas Poble, a young man with no fixed place of no fixed place of abode, on the ground that the parties at the time the ceremony was performed were not of sound mind,

The Markets

Leading Wheat Markets

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0771-2 Toronto Farmers' Market.

The total receipts of grain on the street market here to-day were small, amounting to about 1,200 bushels. The market was strong and prices were higher all around. Wheat—250 bushels of white sold 11-2c to 2c higher at 69c to 691-2c, 250 bushels of red 1c higher at 69c, and 400 bushels of goose 1c to 21-2c higher at 63c to 641-2c.

ligher at 63c to 64 1-2c. Barley—150 bushels sold 1 1 2c high-

er at 43c Ryc-One load sold 1c higher at 52 1-2c per bushel.
Oats-400 bushels sold 1-2c higher at 29 1-2c to 301-2c.

Hay and Straw—Prices of hay were easier, 20 loads selling 50c lower at \$12.50 to \$13.50 per ton. Straw was scarce and firmer, one load selling \$1 higher at \$12 per ton. Dressed Hogs-Market quiet, with to \$7.75 per cwt.

Butter and Eggs—Market steady,

with very small offerings.

Poronto Dairy Markets

Butter-Dairy rolls, large or small, Butter—Dairy rolls, large or small, choice, in good demand and will readily bring 19 to 20:. Creameries are firm and in fair demand. Commission houses sell to the trade as follows: Dairy, tubs and palls, choice, 171-2 to 181-2c.; medium, 16 to 161-2c.; poor, 13 to 15c.; dairy prints, choice, 19 to 21c.; large rolls, good to choice, 19 to 20c.; creamery boxes, 21 to 22c. and pounds, 23 to 24c.

Choese—Full cream, July and August make, sells at 11 to 111-2c.—Mail and Empire.

Toronto Hides and Wool.

Hides, cured, per lb., 9c; green, 6-3-4c to 8 1-4c; No. 3, 5 8-4c. Calfskins, No. 1 per lb., 8c; No. 2, per lb., 7c; deacons, dairies, each 60c; lambskins and pelts, each, 90c; horse hides, each \$2.50 to \$3; deerskins, green, per lb., 10c to 12c; dry, per lb., 17c to 23c; tallow, rendered, per 1b. 17c to 23c; tallow, rendered, per
1b. 5 1-4c to 6c; slaughter, per lb.,
2 1-4c to 3c; wood, pulled, super, per
1b. 17 1-2s to 18c; pulled, extra, per
1b. 20c to 21 1-2c; fleece, unwashed,
1b. 9 1-2c to 10c; pickings, per lb., 81-2c; horsehair, clean, per lb., 30c.

Manitoba Wheat Markets.

The country market has been very quiet and deliveries by farmers light Prices to farmers cover a pretty wide range, varying according to freight rate and quality of grain. As high as 65c per bushel is being paid for No. 1 hard wheat and the range is from about 55c to 65c. The unexfrom about 55c to 65c. The un pected strength developed in the wheat markets to-day led to stronger feeling here and prices were quoted 1c up at 66c for No. 3 hard in store Fort William. The market, however, was little more than nominal, as buyers were scarce at the advance.-Winnipeg Commercial, Dec

Bradstreet's on Prade

Trade in Montreal this week has active. The trade so far this month, has been very satisfac tory. There has been an increased amount of money in circulation this month. Values in the wholesale market are held very firmly for most lines. The outlook for the spring

trade is promising.

Trade at Toronto has been rather quiet this week. The results of the Christmas business have been very encouraging. The position of goods for the spring trade is very satisfac-tory. Prices of domestic lines are keeping firm and staple goods are excellent property. The outlook for the spring is very encouraging. Business at London has been very

active the past week. Large sales of holiday goods put the retailers in possession of considerable ready money and the recent cold weather has enabled them to get rid of some of their heavy winter goods. The prospects of spring are very

At the coast cities trade in holiday goods was very active till the be-ginning of this week. Large ship-ments of goods for the holidays were made to inland cities and towns and the reports show that busin seasonable goods was quite active at nearly all points. The outlook for business is fair. At to meeting controlled to renew the agreem at made hash

spring.

Mild weather interfered somewhat with trade at Winnipeg last week but the Christmas business did much to revive activity and sales by retailers were large. The deliveries wheat at the country elvators has been increasing lately. There is a good demand for labor and men are

wanted for bush work.

At Ottawa there has been an active week in retail trade circles and somewhat of a lull in wholesale business. Sales of holiday stuff were large, and more expensive goods sold than in former years. Payments are somewhat better. Values of staple goods for the spring are firm.

Hard to Undr tand Women.

'Oh. you can't please a woman," he id, disgustedly; "it's no use trying."
What's happened now?" "I met that pretty Miss Brown in

a dark hallway and kissed her. I didn't think she'd mind, you know." "And did she mind?"

"Well, she pretended to be very angry, so I thought I'd smooth things down by telling her that it was things

down by telling her that it was all a mistake, that I thought she was nebody else.'
And then?" Why. then the really was very

Carious Suit in Connecticut. A New Hartford, Conn., strawberry perries eaten by the three dest that