FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

MEAT MARKET VERY INACTIVE

Wholesalers Are Complaining — Snow Kept Farmers Away Today.

The steady fall of damp snow this morning deterred a great many farmers from coming to London and, as a result, the mid-week market did not assume its usual proportions.

Hay and oats were not offered extensively. Prices remain about the same as yesterday, oats topping the market at $1 18 per cwt., and hay at $16 50 to $17.

Wholesale butchers complain of an inactive meat market. Notwithstanding that high prices prevail in the retail meat shops. Prices do not show any marked falling off, but the market is slow and heavy.

Beef varies from $7 to $9 per cwt. Mutton averages about the same price. Lamb brings 10c to 11c per lb.

Butter and eggs continue to sell high. Butter retails at 28c to 29c per lb.

Eggs are worth 29c to 30c per doz.

Poultry prices are marked by a certain activity and are fairly firm.

Turkeys bring as high as 19c and 20c per lb. retail.

Grain, Per Cwt.			
New wheat, per cwt.	$1 27	to	$1 29
Barley, per cwt.	1 10	to	1 11
New oats, per cwt.	1 46	to	1 48
Grain, Per Bushel.			
Old wheat, per bu.	85	to	86
New wheat, per bu.	85	to	85
Hungarian seed, per bu	80	to	80
Hay and Straw.			
Hay, per ton	16 50	to	17 00
Straw, per ton	8 00	to	8 00
Dairy Produce.			
Butter, store lots, lb.	24	to	25
Butter, creamery, lb.	27	to	27
Butter, dairy, wholesale	26	to	26
Butter, dairy, retail, lb	28	to	30
Butter, farmers' print	30	to	32
Eggs, dairy hall price	30	to	30
Eggs, fresh-laid, doz.	30	to	30
Eggs, cold storage, wholesale	28	to	30
Eggs, cold storage, retail	30	to	32
Honey, sections, doz.	2 00	to	2 00
Poultry, Dressed.			
Turkeys, lb. retail	19	to	20
Turkeys, lb. wholesale	18	to	19
Turkeys, old toms, lb.	16	to	17
Chickens, per pair	1 00	to	1 50
Chickens, lb. wholesale	12	to	13
Old fowl, per lb.	8	to	9
Spring chickens, lb.	12	to	13
Ducks, per pair	1 75	to	2 00
Ducks, lb. wholesale	12	to	13
Ducks, lb. retail	14	to	15
Geese, lb. wholesale	12	to	12
Turkeys, bazaar prices	22	to	25
Geese, lb. wholesale	14	to	14
Poultry, etc., Alive.			
Turkeys, per lb.	11	to	12
Ducks, per lb.	9	to	10
Spring chickens, lb.	10	to	11
Old fowl, per lb.	6	to	7
Butchers' Meats.			
Lamb, per lb.	10	to	10
Beef, young, cwt.	7 00	to	9 00
Dressed hogs, choice	8 60	to	8 75
Veal, per cwt.	10 00	to	11 00
Beef cows, cwt.	7 00	to	8 50
Mutton, per cwt.	7 00	to	9 00
Live Stock.			
Select hogs, cwt.	5 75	to	5 75
Fat sows, cwt.	4 40	to	4 50
Stags, per cwt.	2 00	to	2 00
Export cattle, cwt.	6 00	to	6 50
Milch cows, each	40 00	to	60 00
Small pigs, pair	4 00	to	7 00
Hides and Wool.			
Lambskins, each	60	to	70
Hides, No. 1, lb.	10	to	10
Hides, No. 2, lb.	9	to	9
Hides, No. 3, lb.	8	to	8
Wool, unwashed, lb.	12	to	12
Wool, washed, lb.	20	to	20
Calfskins, per lb.	14	to	14
Tallow, rough, lb.	3½	to	3½
Tallow, rendered, lb.	5	to	5½
Sheepskins, each	60	to	70
Vegetables.			
Beets, per bunch	5	to	10
Cucumbers, per doz.	20	to	20
Squash, per doz.	80	to	1 00
Green corn, per doz.	12	to	12
Tomatoes, basket	25	to	25
Green tomatoes	20	to	20
Preserving tomatoes	25	to	25
Artichokes, per peck	25	to	25
Parsnips, per bu.	25	to	40
Potatoes, per bag	90	to	1 00
Turnips, per doz.	20	to	25
Radishes, doz. bunches	30	to	30
Celery, doz. bunches	40	to	40
Cauliflower, per doz.	75	to	1 50
Carrots, per bu.	35	to	35
Pickling cucumbers, 100	35	to	40
Flowers.			
Carnations, per doz.	25	to	40
Asters, per doz.	10	to	15
Fruits.			
Apples, per bu.	50	to	70
Apples, per basket	25	to	30
Grapes, per basket	25	to	35
Pears, per basket	60	to	60
Pears, per bu.	1 25	to	1 25
Chrysanthemums, doz.	1 00	to	1 00

LIVE STOCK

CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—Cattle—Receipts, 6,000; market steady to strong; beeves, $4 70 to $9 15; Texas steers, $4 10 to $5 90; western steers, $4 to $7 25; stockers and feeders, $2 80 to $5 75; cows and heifers, $2 to $6; calves, $5 50 to $8 75. Hogs—Receipts estimated at 21,000; market higher than yesterday's average; light, $5 40 to $6 30; mixed, $5 70 to $6 45; heavy, $5 70 to $6 45; roughs, $5 70 to $5 95; good to choice heavy, $5 95 to $6 45; pigs, $3 55 to $5 50; bulk of sales at $6 to $6 30. Sheep—Receipts estimated at 23,000; market steady; natives, $2 50 to $4; westerns, $2 50 to $4 10; yearlings, $3 75 to $4 20; lambs, natives, $4 to $6 30; westerns, $4 25 to $6 25.

TORONTO, Nov. 2.—Cattle—Yesterday cleared the market of the poorer quality of stock, and today's market is composed of a much better class. C. Zeagman sold 200 mixed cattle at from $3 25 to $4, and gives the following quotations: Cows, $3 25 to $4; stockers, $2 75 to $3 75. C. McCurdy bought 60 common cattle and from $3 75 to $4 00, and gives his opinion that the trade is firmer and the class better. Receipts show 163 cars, comprising 2,356 cattle, 3,497 sheep, 1,600 hogs and 225 calves.

PRODUCE

TORONTO, Nov. 2.—Trade is generally quiet on the market this morning. Latest quotations: Ontario wheat—No. 2 white, red or mixed, 87c to 88c, in car lots outside. Manitoba wheat—No. 1 northern, new, $1 06; No. 2 northern, $1 03½; No. 3 northern, $1 00½, on track at bay ports. Canadian western oats—No. 2, 44½c; No. 3, 43½c, on track at bay ports. Ontario oats—No. 2 white, 44c to 44½c, on cars at country points, and 47c to 48c on track at Toronto. Corn—American No. 2 yellow, 78½c, c. i. f., Midland. Peas—No. 2, $1 to $1 10 for car lots outside. Rye—No. 2, 85c to 90c outside. Barley—Malting, 99c to 95c outside; feed, 80c to 85c. Buckwheat—Nominal, at 55c to 58c outside. Millfeed—Manitoba bran, $23, in bags, on track at Toronto; shorts, $25. Ontario bran nominal, at $24 in bags; shorts nominal, at $26. Manitoba flour—First patents, $5 50; second patents, $5; strong bakers, $4 80. Ontario flour—Winter 90 per cent patents, $3 60, Montreal freight.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 1.—Wheat—Close—December, $1 05½; May, $1 09¾ to $1 09¾; July, $1 10½; cash, No. 1 hard, $1 07; No. 1 northern, $1 06 to $1 06¾; No. 2 northern, $1 03½ to $1 04¾; No. 3 wheat, 99c to $1 01¾. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 69c to 70c. Oats—No. 3 white, 45c to 45½c. Rye—No. 2, 91½c. Bran—Spot, $22 to $22 50. Flour—First patents, $5 10 to $5 40; second patents, $4 70 to $5; first clears, $3 60 to $3 95; second clears, $2 50 to $2 90.

DULUTH, Nov. 1.—Wheat—Close—No. 1 hard, $1 07¾; No. 1 northern, $1 06¼; No. 2 northern, $1 03¾; No. 2 northern, $1 00½; December, $1 05¼ asked; May, $1 09¾ asked.

CHICAGO, Nov. 1.—Barley, feed or mixing, 75c to $1 01; fair to choice malting, $1 14 to $1 28. Timothy seed—$13 to $15 50. Clover—$14 to $19 50.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 2.—Close.—Wheat—Spot steady; No. 3 Manitoba, 7s 9d; futures steady; December, 7s 4d; March, 7s 3¾d; May, 7s 2¾d. Corn—Spot steady; American mixed, 6s 5d; futures easy January, 5s 7¾d; February, 5s 7¼d. Flour—Winter patents, 27s 9d. Hops (in London)—Pacific coast, £11 to £12. Beef—Extra India mess, 88s 9d. Pork—Prime mess western, 97s 6d. Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, 53s 6d. Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, 53s 6d; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, 60s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, 56s; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, 59s; do, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, 58s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, 49s 6d; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, 47s. Lard—Prime western, in tierces, 46s 6d; American refined, in pails, 47s 3d. Butter—Good United States, 112s. Cheese—Canadian finest white, 68s 6d; do, colored, 69s. Tallow—Prime city, 35s. Turpentine spirits—35s 3d. Rosin—Common, 15s 3d. Petroleum—Refined, 6½d. Linseed oil —42s.

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WINNIPEG, Nov. 2.—Wheat—Close—December, 15⅝c; May, 88⅛c.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 2.—Wheat—Close—December, $1 05⅜.

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

[Special to H. C. Becher & Co.]

CHICAGO, Nov. 2.

	Open	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
Dec.	96	96⅞	95⅛	95⅜
May	101½	102⅜	101	101¼
Corn—				
Dec.	63	63	61⅞	62
May	64⅝	64¾	63¾	63¾
Oats—				
Dec.	46⅛	46¼	45⅜	45⅜
May	48⅞	48⅞	48⅛	48⅛
Pork—				
Jan.	15 90	15 90	15 85	15 87
Lard—				
Jan.	9 15	9 15	9 10	9 12
Short Ribs—				
Jan.	8 20	8 25	8 20	8 25

SUGAR.

TORONTO, Nov. 1.—Sugar—Montreal granulated, in barrels, $6; in bags, $5 95; Acadia, bags and barrels, $5 95; Beaver, and Imperial, bags only, $5 80; yellow, barrels, $5; bags, $5 55.

OIL.

LONDON, Nov. 1.—Oil—Calcutta linseed, November and December, 67s; linseed oil, 35s 9d; sperm oil, £24 10s; petroseed oil, 35s 9d; spermoil, £24 10s; petroleum, American refined, 5⅜d; spirits, ditto, 7½d; turpentine spirits, 34s 9d; rosin, American strained, 15s 8½d; fine, 18s 6d.

SAVANNAH, Nov. 1.—Turpentine, firm, 45¼c; sales, 433; receipts, 299; shipments, 394; stocks, 36,297. Rosin, firm; sales, 1193; receipts, 2715; shipments, 289; stocks, 84,816. Quotations: B, $6 15; D, $6 20; E, $6 25; F, $6 25; G, $6 35 to $6 40; H and I, $6 45; K, $6 45; M, $6 50; N, $6 70; window glass, $7 20; water white, $7 50.

COTTON.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1. — Cotton — Futures closed steady. Closing bids: November 9.05, December 9.20, January 8.98, February 9.04, March 9.08, April 9.13, May 9.19, June 9.23, July 9.28, August 9.23, September 9.20, October 9.15. Spot closed dull; middling uplands 9.40, middling gulf 9.45; sales, 200 bales.

HIDES.

TORONTO, Nov. 1.—Hides and Wool —Latest quotations: City hides—No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 12½c; No. 2 inspected steers and cows, 11½c; No. 3 inspected steers, cows and bulls, 10½c. City calfskins—14c to 15c. Country markets—The prices for country stock being paid by city dealers are: Hides, cured, 11½c; green, 10½c; lambs and pelts, 50c to 65c; horsehides, No. 1, $2 25; horsehair, 20c to 32c; calfskins, 13c to 14c. Wool—Unwashed, 13c to 14c; washed, 19c to 20c; rejects, 15c.

BEANS.

TORONTO, Nov. 1.—Beans—Prices steady at $2 15 to $2 20 for primes, and $2 25 to $2 30 for handpicked.

POTATOES

TORONTO, Nov. 1.—Potatoes are firmly held owing to a good demand and restricted supply. Ontario potatoes are firm and quoted in car lots on track, Toronto, at $1 per bag, and out of store at $1 15 to $1 20. Delaware are quoted at $1 15 in car lots and $1 25 out of store.

HORSES.

TORONTO, Nov. 1.—Horses Quotations from sales at the horse market were as follows: Heavy drafts, 1,500 lbs and up, $190 to $275; do., 1,250 to 1,450 lbs, $170 to $210; farm chunks, $140 to $180; general purpose and expressers, $140 to $190; drivers, $90 to $175; serviceably sound horses, $20 to $130.

SEEDS.

TORONTO, Nov. 1.—Seeds—Alsike easing a little; clover and timothy are steady. Prices paid by dealers at country points are as follows: Alsike—Fancy, $9 50 to $10; No. 1, $9 25 to $9 50; No. 2, $9. Red clover—Fancy, $11; No. 1, $10 50 to $10 75; No. 2, $10 25 to $10 50. Timothy—Fancy, $7; No. 1, $6 50; No. 2, $6 25.

HAY.

TORONTO, Nov. 1.—Baled Hay and Straw—No. 1 baled hay, $15 to $15 50 per ton, on track, Toronto; inferior hay, $12 to $13. Baled straw—$6 50 to $7 per ton on track.

DAIRY.

MADOC, Nov. 1.—Cheese boarded, 419; 300 sold at 14 1-16c; balance at 13⅞c.

FINANCIAL.

Montreal Stock Sales—Morning Session.

C. P. R., 50 at 238¾, 25 at 238½, 25 at 234, 250 at 239¼, 120 at 239⅝, 82 at 238¾, 10 at 238⅝; Illinois, preferred, 50 at 89; Montreal Railway, 127 at 223, 25 at 223½; Mexican, 50 at 90; Toronto Railway, 68 at 136¾, 25 at 136⅞, 513 at 137, 23 at 137⅛, 151 at 137½, 125 at 137¾, 125 at 137½, 100 at 137⅝, 225 at 137½, 25 at 137¾, 175 at 137⅝, 75 at 137⅝, 235 at 137½, 25 at 137⅝, 150 at 137⅝, 108 at 137½, 10 at 137⅝, 2 at 138, 205 at 137¾, 50 at 137⅝, 50 at 137¾, 372 at 137½, R. and O., 25 at 121½, 1 at 122, 10 at 121¾, 50 at 122¼, 160 at 122½, 25 at 122½, 150 at 123⅜, 310 at 124; Power, 105 at 175½, 75 at 176¼, 150 at 176¾, 20 at 176⅝, 25 at 176⅜; Halifax, 100 at 150; Shawinigan, 60 at 116¾; Rio, 100 at 116, 145 at 115⅝, 125 at 115⅝, 35 at 115½, Winnipeg, 107 at 251; Porto Rico, 25 at 71⅜, 25 at 71⅝; Soo, common, 150 at 135⅛, 25 at 135¼, 175 at 135⅝; Twin City, 5 at 106½; Quebec Railway, 200 at 60, 50 at 60½; Steel of Canada, 125 at 33, 175 at 33½, 150 at 33¾, 337 at 33½, 5 at 33¾, 25 at 33⅜, 75 at 33⅝, 230 at 33¾, 96 at 33⅝, 35 at 34; Cement, 25 at 30¼, 125 at 30, 25 at 29⅝; do, preferred, 128 at 90¼, 110 at 90¾, 2 at 90, 50 at 90⅛, 150 at 90¼, 10 at 90¼; Steel of Canada, preferred, 10 at 90, 10 at 89, 10 at 88¾; Woods, common, 25 at 144; Iron, preferred, 16 at 102, 25 at 101; Ogilvie, 1 at 132; Scotia, 4 at 95, 35 at 94½; General Electric, 40 at 106½; Woods, preferred, 25 at 123; Scotia, preferred, 5 at 125; Crows Reserve, 200 at 285; Canadian Car, preferred, 20 at 102; Textile, common, 85 at 70, 5 at 71; Packers, 25 at 74; Steel Corporation, 2 at 56⅛, 100 at 57¾, 125 at 58, 125 at 57⅞; Cement, bonds, $9,000 at 100; Rubber, bonds, $1,000 at 97¾; Ogilvie, bonds, $1,000 at 113; Iron, bonds, $3,000 at 94; Textile bonds, C, $750 at 96¾; Porto Rico, bonds, $1,000 at 90¼; Penmans, bonds, $1,000 at 95½; Molsons Bank, 25 at 206¾.

Toronto Stock Sales—Morning Session.

Sao Paulo, 75 at 182¾, 25 at 182½, 50 at 182½, 55 at 182; Canadian Steel, 50 at 33¾, 25 at 33⅝, 500 at 33½, 100 at 34, 50 at 33⅝, 25 at 34, 175 at 33¾; do, preferred, 55 at 88¾, 50 at 88¼, 5 at 88¾; General Electric, 50 at 106¼; C. P. R., 10 at 239; Maple Leaf, 70 at 64½; do, preferred, 10 at 98½; F. N. Burt, preferred, 1 at 117½; Toronto Mortgage, 69 at 133¾; Dulnth-Superior, 10 at 81¾; La Rose, 100 at 278; Toronto General Trusts, 4 at 177; Rio, 50 at 116, 140 at 116¼, 140 at 116, 35 at 115⅝, 200 at 115⅝, 100 at 115½, 5 at 115⅝, 50 at 115½, 205 at 116; Black Lake, 95 at 3⅞; Canners, 25 at 67¾; Locomotive, 20 at 30⅝, ½ at 30⅝, 35 at 31; do, preferred, 10 at 90; Pacific Burt, preferred, 30 at 89; Cement, 10 at 30⅜, 120 at 30, 25 at 30⅛, 125 at 30; Landed Banking, 20 at 138; Porto Rico, 25 at 71⅝, 5 at 71⅜; Toronto Railway, 25 at 137⅜, 100 at 137⅝, 25 at 137¾, 75 at 137½, 150 at 137¼, 25 at 137¾; Canada Landed, 25 at 160; Electrical Development, bonds, 1,000 at 90½, 500 at 90⅝, 3,000 at 90½, 2,000 at 90½, 1,000 at 90¾; Bank of Toronto, 2 at 202½; Bank of Commerce, 10 at 203¼; Imperial Bank, 2 at 223½; City Dairy, 6 at 56; Winnipeg, 10 at 250, 10 at 251, 25 at 251; Traders' Bank, 1 at 143; Twin City, 10 at 106, R. and O., 110 at 123, 5 at 123¼.

THE MONEY MARKET.

LONDON, Nov. 2.—The supply of money was abundant and discount rats were steady today. There was a general improvement on the stock exchange under good local and continental support. Consols, diamond shares and Chinese securities led the advances and underground rails and omnibus stocks were helped by the rumored amalgamation of the London transit companies. Home rails were uncertain, owing to fears of labor trouble. American securities opened quiet and a fraction lower. An upward movement followed, but prices ragged again before noon on realizing. In the afternoon New York buying strengthened prices from ⅛ to a point, and the market closed steady.

WALL STREET.

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—Wall street, noon. —The opposing influences of profit-taking and of a resumption of buying for long account caused the stock market to waver for at time after the opening today, but before trading had been long under way the movement became definitely upward. The undertone was steady and well diversified, although the buying was hardly as active as yesterday, owing to the fact that the most pressing requirements for covering short contracts had been satisfied. Prices were raised steadily until Union Pacific had been marked up to 188, Lehigh Valley to 171, Reading to 163¾, United States Steel to 59⅝, and American Smelting to 67⅝. These figures were 1 to 2 points above yesterday's closing, and reflected the urgency of the demand from the professional contingent. Purchases for both accounts were extensive in all the speculative favorites, and there was an unquestioned air of confidence in the buying. On a fractional reaction shortly before noon the market became quiet. Bonds were firm.

TORONTO, Nov. 1.—Closing Cobalt prices today:

	Asked.	Bid.
Beaver Consolidated	46½	45¾
Buffalo Mines	1.75	1.25
Canadian Goldfields	2½	2
Chambers-Ferland	10¼	9¾
City of Cobalt	9	8½
Cobalt Lake	28¼	28
Con. M. & S.	46.00	45.00
Foster Cabolt	2½	1¾
Great Northern	13¾	12
Green-Meehan	2½	1¾
Kerr Lake	3.25	2.75
Little Nipissing	2½	1
McKinley-Darragh	1.85	1.80
Nova Scotia	9½	8
Ophir Cobalt	8	6
Peterson Lake	7	6½
Right of Way	7	6½
Rochester	2½	2
Silver Leaf	3	2½
Tem. & Hudson Bay	100.00	85.00
Temiskaming	37½	36⅝
Wettlaufer, xd.	90	82
Apex	15	12
Bobie	1.65	1.15
Dome Extension	75½	75
Hollinger	11.00	10.75
Monita	14	12
Pearl Lake	45	42
Preston East Dome	28	22½
Swastika	34	32¼
Vipond	47	45¾
West Dome	1.15	1.00

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.

[Special to H. C. Becher & Co.]

	Open.	High.	Low.	2pm.
Amal. Copper	64	65⅝	64	64½
Amer. Beet Sugar	57	57⅜	56⅜	56¾
Amer. Locomotive	34⅛	35⅜	34⅛	35
Amer. Refining	64⅜	68½	64⅝	67⅞
Amer. Cotton Oil	44			
Atchison, com.	107⅝	108¼	107¼	108
Atchison, pfd.	103⅜			
Baltimore & Ohio	97⅞	98⅜	97⅞	98⅛
Brooklyn Transit	75⅝	76	75⅜	75⅝
Canadian Pacific	237⅜	239	237⅜	238
Chesapeake & Ohio	73½	73¾	73⅜	73½
Col. Fuel & Iron	26⅞	27	26½	27
Erie, com.	33⅜	33⅝	32⅝	32⅝
Erie, pfd.	52⅞	53⅜	52½	52½
Kansas & Texas	31⅝	31⅞	31⅝	31¾
Louisville & Nash.	148⅞	149	148⅜	149
Missouri Pacific	41⅞	42	41⅝	42
New York Central	106¾	107⅛	106¾	107

A COLLEGE FOR HOMEOPATHICS

Move Is on Foot to Establish One in Ontario.

Dr. Charles E. Jarvis has just returned from Toronto, where he attended the annual meeting of the Canadian Institute of Homeopathy. The meeting was held in Grace Hospital, and a number of interesting papers were presented. The advisability of establishing an college in this Province, a college, affording homeopathinc teaching, was discussed considerably by the members. The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Dr. Hamilton Evans, of Toronto; vice-president, Dr. Charles E. Jarvis, of London; secretary-treasurer, Dr. Richards, of Toronto. The officers constitute the executive of the institute. The next meeting will be held next September in this city.

DEATH OF MRS. SLEESOR

East End Lady Passed Away After a Long Illness.

The death of Jennie Sleesor, wife of William J. Sleesor, 520 Adelaide street, took place Wednesday evening at Victoria Hospital. The late Mrs. Sleesor had been ill since last April. She was taken to the hospital on Tuesday, and her condition grew rapidly worse until death came. She was an active member of the Maitland Street Baptist Church.

Besides her husband she is survived by one daughter, Mildred, and one son, Mulford, both at home. Four sisters and three brothers also survive. The sisters are: Mrs. J. Sweetman, of Toronto; Mrs. J. Carse, of Detroit; Mrs. Annie Trebilcock, of Chicago, and Mrs. Robert Craig, of Windsor. Alexander and John Russell, of this city, and Daniel, of Ballantyne, Mich., are brothers. The funeral arrangements have not been completed as yet.

THE LAST LAUGH.

Toronto, Nov. 2. — Told that they were not needed this morning when they went to a fire at the Adams harness factory, the firemen were just about to go away, when there was a loud explosion in the building, followed by fire and smoke from the top story. The employees in the factory thought they had the fire out and were laughing at the firemen. When the men went to get into the building they found the doors locked and they had to force them open. The fire did about $10,000 damage.

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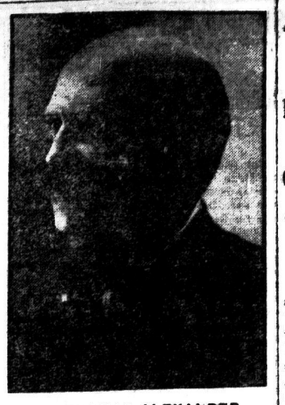

MR. THOMAS ALEXANDER,
Of the Interdenominational Committee of the Men's Missionary Convention, who is chairman of the Special Metings Committee.

WAITING FOR HUSBAND WITH LOADED GUN

Montreal Woman Was About To Take Law Into Her Hands

[Canadian Press.]

Winnipeg, Nov. 2.—The Winnipeg police last night arrested Mrs. McDonald, of Montreal, while she was waiting for her husband in the C. P. R. station with a loaded revolver. Early in the day she had appealed to the police to arrest her husband on a charge of bigamy, but they would not do so until she had formally sworn out a warrant. Mrs. McDonald did not appear at the station, but managed to locate her husband in St. James, a suburb of the city. She learned that he was about to go west, and purchasing a revolver went to the station. She told some people of her intention to shoot her husband on sight and they called the police in. When arrested Mrs. McDonald had a loaded revolver concealed in her muff. Since her arrest the police have been investigating.

THE AXE IS FALLING AT THE CAPITAL

Hundreds of Employees in the Outside Service May Be Dropped.

[Canadian Press.]

Ottawa, Nov. 2.—The long-expected fall of the official axe in the Government workshops here is beginning to be felt. What is known as an "O. P." list is being drafted, it is rumored, and among the hundreds of employees in this branch of the outside service apprehension is felt as to who will be slated for "offensive partisanship."

One of the changes already made is the reduction of Foreman Painter Grandall to the rank of an ordinary painter, his place being taken by the promotion of a man named Grevier, who has been in the service since before 1896. J. G. Shearer, superintendent of buildings, has been transferred to a new position, charge of buildings at Rideau Hall. His old post has not yet been filled. A long list of dismissals is expected within a few days.

CONSTABLES FOR THE SARNIA STRIKE

Names of Those Who Went From London to the Tunnel Town.

Acting High Constable Arthur Corsant rounded up nine men to act as special constables for the Northern Navigation Company during the trouble with strikers at Sarnia and Point Edward.

Those who were sworn in before Squire Chittick and sent down for duty are Edgar Morden, James Armstrong, Thomas Dorothy, John H. Strewin, Thomas Kinsey, R. Norton, Thomas Oliver, Lawrence Irwin and William Sadler. The constables had a rather lively time during their first day's service, twenty-five arrests being made by the specials during trouble with the strikers.

"Ad." Writing Contest.

Great interest is being shown by the pupils of the public schools in the "ad." writing contest being conducted by Oak Hall. Mr. Ely, the manager, willingly answers the questions put to him by the pupils when they come in to inquire as to prices, etc. The contest being decided before Christmas will allow the winners extra Christmas pocket-money.

Card of Thanks.

Mr. John Bedggood, 210 Horton street, wishes to thank his many friends both in and out of the city for the many kindnesses shown him during his sad bereavement.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets do not sicken or gripe, and may be taken with perfect safety by the most delicate woman or the youngest child. The old and feeble will also find them a most suitable remedy for aiding and strengthening their weakened digestion and for regulating the bowels. For sale by all dealers. 5

Personal Mention

John Wesley Butt, Springfield, son of Rev. W. H. Butt, of this city, who was sent to Victoria Hospital and operated on for appendicitis last week, is reported as being out of danger, and his speedy recovery is now looked for.

Death of Miss Pack.

The death of Mary Jane Pack, daughter of William and the late Sarah Pack, took place on Tuesday evening art Victoria Hospital, after a brief illness. The deceased was in her 41st year and is survived by three brothers, Joseph, Alfred and George, of this city, and two sisters. The funeral will be held on Friday from the residence of her brother, Joseph Pack, 121 Cathcart street, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Services at the house at 2 p.m. will be conducted by Rev. G. W. Dewey, assisted by Rev. Mr. Harvey, of Askin Street Methodist Church.

Too Late to Classify.

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[Canadian Press.]

Edinburgh, Nov. 2. — Before a large and representative Scottish audience, with municipal councilors, university professors and Presbyterian ministers, in prominent seats at the synod Hall, Whiteaw Reid, the United States ambassador, last night delivered the inaugural lecture of the Philosophical Institution. He chose for his subject the achievements of the Scot and the Ulster Scot in America, and before he finished he had succeeded in astonishing even Lord Rosebery and the learned professors, with detailed evidence that those ubiquitous agents of civilization, were largely responsible for the war of independence, for the leadership of the anti-slavery movement, for the conduct of the civil war, for the conquest of the great west by energetic and indomitable men, and for the accomplishment of many marvels of American progress, material and intellectual.

Great Were the Scots.

It was subtle flattery that was offered to a home-loving assemblage, as a demonstration that the Scottish and Ulster tortoise, beginning late, had outstripped both the Puritan and the cavalier bares in promoting the welfare of the American commonwealth, but it was heartily appreciated and warmly applauded. The thoroughness with which every branch of this historical exploration of racial tendencies was conducted, and the earnestness with which the motherland was credited with the characteristic work of America, were proofs that the ambassador had in his own veins the blood of the Scottish covenanters.

Lord Rosebery, in expressing thanks for what he described as a great intellectual treat and an illuminating and interesting address, referred to the ambassador's services in warming British hearts toward America and to his Scottish ancestry. His lordship closed with an amusing protest against further immigration to America, especially of statesmen like Alexander Hamilton.

LOCAL ITEMS

A Garbage System.

The board of works will meet tonight and another effort will be made to decide on a garbage destroyer. The members of the board of health will be present, as well as some of the members of the hospital trust. Other matters of importance will also be discussed.

To Settle Suit.

The suit entered by Mr. Ben V. Hole against Hon. Adam Beck for $13,000 on the contract for the Horton street pumping station, will likely be settled. Trial of the action was set for January, but several conferences have been held between the parties of late, and a settlement will probably be reached within a short time.

Mocha Temple Meeting.

The notice for the next ceremonial session of Mocha Temple has been issued. The date has been set for the 6th of December. This will be a big affair, as it is expected that 50 candidates or more will be taken over the hot sands. Ill. Potentate C. W. McGuire and Recorder W. H. Abbott are working on the arrangements.

Y. M. C. A. Chess Club.

The second session of the Y. M. C. A. Chess Club was held at the Y. M. C. A. parlors on Wednesday evening, and the results were as follows: Ashplant won two and lost one with Bluett; Harvey won two and lost one with Davis; Davis won one from Bluett, and one from Dr. Cline; Gray won three and lost one with Cruttwell; Harvey won three from Gray.

A Good Cause.

The Byron Sanatorium and other hospitals in the city are desirous of obtaining any class of magazines or reading matter, and would ask citizens to kindly donate them to the Princess Patricia Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, who will see that they are distributed properly. Already a number of donations have been given, for which the Princess Patricia Chapter are duly thankful.

Trasfer of License.

The following applications for transfer of license have been received at the provincial secretary's office, Toronto: From McMillan & Hart, Glencoe, to John McMillan, Glencoe; from Mrs. Emma Ranger, Cosby, to Nelson Perron, Sudbury; from Jos. Cassidy, Huntsville, to J. J. Fullen, Toronto; from John Thompson, Port Rwan, to R. A. Craise, Port Rowan; from Helm & Diehl, Stratford, to E. Gifford, Berlin; from M. D. C. Nicholls, Emsdale, to Thos. Mountney, Bracebridge.

"The Rosary."

"The Rosary," Edward E. Rose's production, was given at the Grand on Tuesday evening before a large audience. The cast was a very capable one, and the interpretation pleased immensely. The play is one of human interest, and is founded on the rosary, an emblem of purity in the Catholic Church. The company was much stronger than that which appeared here in the same play last season. The story deals with the experiences of a family in New York city, which a man sought to wreck, because the wife of another had rejected him. The priest finally restores all to happiness.

A Burning Fuse.

The fire department had a run to the corner of Dundas and Clarence streets last evening, where a fuse was burning on one of the electric light poles. The East London company were help up by a street car, particularly at Wellington street, and the firemen complained to Chief Aitken. The latter will probably investigate the affair.

Power Customers.

The electrical department have now over 4,000 customers for Niagara power. Of this number 2,850 are connected up at the present time. From 20 to 30 are added daily, so it will not be long until the city is completely covered. Superintendent Glaubitz expects to have 5,000 consumers signed up by the end of the year.

Prayer Service.

The midweek prayer service at Adelaide Street Baptist Church was well attended last evening. An address was given by the pastor, Rev. J. H. Boyd, and a number of special song numbers were given by members of the congregation. The Wednsday night meeting at Adelaide Street Church is growing in attractiveness and popularity, and both the pastor and congregation are doing a great deal to make their midweek service bright and inspiring.

Traffic Not Affected.

Last night's snowstorm, although pretty general over this division, did not affect today's trains to any noticeable extent. Both the Grand Trunk and C. P. R. officials report that traffic was not interfered with in any way, and that the trains are running pretty well on time. The snowfall was not very heavy around London, but north of the city quite a few inches fell.

Charge of Assault.

Lewis and Silas Logan, Muncey Indians, are before Squire Chittick at the court house this afternoon to answer charges of having assaulted a relative, David Logan, a week or so ago at the Muncey Fair Grounds. It is claimed that the prisoners threw stones and injured the complainant during a quarrel.

An Interesting Address.

An interesting address was given by Convention Secretary A. J. Robinson, of the Men's Missionary Movement, in the Wellington Street Methodist Church last night. Mr. Robinson emphasized the strong possibility of placing Christianity before 1,000,000 unevangelized heathen within the next 125 years. But to do this every professing Christian would have to assume his proportion of the obligation. He advised conducting an "Every Member Canvas" in each church in order to increase the church's activity in missionary work. A meeting of the executive of the Western Ontario convention will be held in the Y. M. C. A. tonight.

Couple Entertained.

The Daily Province of Vancouver had the following in its issue of Thursday, Oct. 26: "In compliment to Dr. and Mrs. Barrett, whose marriage took place a few weeks ago in the east, Mr. John F. Langan last evening entertained a party of friends at dinner at the Hotel Vancouver. The affair was distinguished by very handsome decorations. Palms and ferns were arranged about the private dining-room, where 24 guests were seated about the table, which was adorned with beautiful pink and white roses. After dinner the guests assembled in the drawing-room,