The Canada Permanent and Western Canada Mortgage Corporation.

HALF-YEARLY DIVIDEND.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of three per cent. (3%) on the paid up capital stock of this Corporation has been declared for the half-year ending December 11. C. able to and after

Thursday, the 2nd Day of

More Strength Shown in Wall Street Issues Yesterday.

C.P.R. Higher on Canadian Boards-Bank Stocks Firm-Market Quotions and Comment.

Wednesday Evening, Dec. 4.

Stock dealing on the local exchange today was again of a fair volume, but price changes were not of any significant nature. C.P.R., no doubt helped by another week of very large earnings, recovered over a point of its loss today, selling up to 114. General Electric is being freely dealt in at from 229 to 220%, a slight failing of from its high ngure of last week. Twin City was easier to-day and closed 1/2 lower than the opening. Dominion Coal was arrive, but price of the stock remained about stationary at 47% to 47. Northern Navigation sold up 1/2 per cent. from last sale, changing hands at 108. Toronto Railway was sold for 117, Cable at 185, Canada landed 101, Toronto General Trusts at 103 and Carter-Orume preferred at 105%. Bank shares are still in demand at steady to fractionally higher prices. Commerce brought 154 to 154%, Ottawa 205 and Toronto 230.

There was but small trading on the Montreal Exchange to-day and slight changes in prices. C.P.R. was a point higher, selling up to 114½, and Montreal Railway was firmer at 272. Toronto Railway brought 116½, Twin City 10734 to 107½; Dominion Steel preferred 81½ and Dominion Coal 47½.

The New York stocks had a better tone to-day with a tendency to higher figures. Rock Island, N.Y.C. and Manhattan each had good advances during the day, and Copper, after a weak opening, rallied nearly three-points. No further gold engagements at present and the favorable impression created by the President's address are thought to be factors favorable to advancing prices.

Excitement Over Cotton.

Liverpool, Dec. 4.—There was a large attendance on the Cotton Exchange to-day, and considerable excitement prevalled owing to the news from New York regarding the government estimate of the probable production of the cotton crop. Prices opened 12 points above yesterday's closing figures. During the morning the excitement decreased and prices fluctuated, touching one or two points higher than the opening quotations. Then they settled down, leaving the tone very steady.

The official prices issued at 12.30 p.m. showed values to be from 10½ to 14 points showe yesterday's closing. Excitement Over Cotton.

hove yesterday's closing. Wall Street Pointers.

A rumor says that negotiations have been neactically completed by which a controlling in erest in Rock Island has passed from Chicago owners to interests affiliated with Pennsylvania. This had something to do with the strength to-day.

Atchison directors declared a regular semi-annual dividend of 2½ per cent. for preferred at their meeting yesterday.

Congressional opposition is expected to the President's proposal to reduce duties on Cuban sugar. Wall Street Pointers

on Cuban sugar.

A more cheerful sentiments prevails in London financial circles generally, and the tendency in the securities markets is towards improvement.

The banks have lost \$5,147,000 to the sub Treasury since Friday.

Railway Earnings.

St. Paul gross increase for fourth week November, \$77,345, and for month \$389,131.
Norfolk & Western, surplus after charges for October, increase \$131,240.

Fifty-two roads show net increase for third week in November, 10.51 per ce.t.
Hocking Valley, fourth week, November, \$121,206, increase \$11,421.

Denver, Rio Grande, fourth week November, \$23,300, increase \$12,400.

M. & St. L., fourth week, \$101,245, increase \$19,710.

Iowa Central, fourth week, \$62,105, increase \$1476.

London Street Railway, fourth week November, \$2,574.07, increase \$534.13. For month \$10,335.67, increase of \$1,055.35. Railway Earnings

part of the market to-day was in fair demand, the rate ruling about the rest of the railroad list was steady. The rest of the standard copper was erraite and the market showed a disposition to move independent of the vagaries of this stock. A favorable point was than 10 gold was engaged for export by the morrow's steamer, the state of the foreign exchange market not permitting shipments at a profit. Money was in fair demand, the rate ruling about 4½ per cent. for call loans. The strength of the near the rest and the market is to a considerable extent in the hands of traders, affording opportunities for small profits on julic turns. Manhatan was unusually active at advancing prices, and was followed by R.R.T., but Metropolitan was extremely irregular, but it gave clear evidence that the continued ease in money and the general expression of satisfaction at the continued ease in money and the general expression of satisfaction at the continued ease in money and the general expression of satisfaction at the continued ease in money and the general expression of satisfaction at the continued ease in money and the general expression of satisfaction at the continued ease in money and the general expression of satisfaction at the conservative tone of the President's message eral expression of satisfaction at the conservative tone of the President's message eral expression of satisfaction at the conservative tone of the president's message eral expression of satisfaction at the conservative tone of the president's message eral expression of satisfaction at the conserv Ine stock market to-day was extremely irregular, but it gave clear evidence that it was under the control of the bulls. The suspension of the gold export movement, the continued ease in money and the general expression of satisfaction at the conservative tone of the President's message were the influences which affected general sentiment. Sugar, after an early sharp advance, lost 2 per ceat. on the realization that the question of reciprocity might command debate in Congress for a long time. Locomotive stocks were strong on reports of new orders for the company. P.O. was marked up sharply on the shorts. Amalgamated Copper received decided support on account of improvement in trade condition. The market closed strong.

Foreign Exchange.

Messrs. Glazebrook & Becher, exchange brokers, Traders' Bank Building (Tel. 1991), to-day report closing exchange rates as follows:

Between Ban'ts.

Price of Silver.

Bar silver in London uncertain at 251/d Norvolk & Western ... per ounce.

Bar silver in New York, 54½c. Mexican Northern Pacific, pref...103½ dollars, 42c.

Ontario & Western35% Montreal Stock Exchange.

ntreal, Dec. 4.—Closing quotations to C.P.R., 1144 and 1144; Winnipeg

Railway, 120 and 110; Montreal Railway, 272 and 27114; Toronte Railway, 117 and 1164; Halifax Railway, 1017, and 101; St. John Railway, 115 and 111; Twin City, 10714 and 10714; Dominion Steel, 29 and 2714; do, pref., 814 and 8114; Richelleu, 115 and 112; Cable, 186 and 1844; Montreal Telegraph, 175 and 173; Bell Telephone, 172 and 1704; Montreal Light, Heat and Power, 95 and 945; Montreal Cotton, 70 and 49; Colored Cotton, 60 and 55; Merchants' Cotton, 96 and 90; Payne, 17 and 13; Virtue, 24 and 22; North Star, 50 and 20; Dominion Coal, 474, and 47; do, pref., 121 and 119; Bank of Montreal, 270 and 280; Ontarlo Bank, 125 bid; B.N.A. Bank, 129 bid; Molsons Bank, 20714; and 2063; Bank of Toronto, 240 and 229; Merchants' Bank, 155 and 169; Royal Bank, 180 asked; Union, 117 asked; Hochelaga, 145 and 139; Windsor Hotel, 95 and 82; Cable reg. bonds, 98 bid; Dominion Steel bonds, 83 and 8294; Halifax Railway bonds, 105 and 108; Colored Cotton bonds, 100 and 98; N. R. bonds, 113 and 109; Dominion Coal bonds, 110 bid; Northwest Land, pref., 75 and 70.

January Next.

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Afternoon sales: C.P.R., 25 at 114, 100 at 1144, 175 at 1143, 175 at 1144, 175 at 1164, 175 at 1074; Bell Telephone, 15 at 171; North Star, 2000 at 27; Dominion Coal, 50 at 474; Molsons Bank, 6 at 207; Steel bonds, \$4000 at 83; Montreal Heat and Light, 25 at 944, 110 at 95, 67 at 95, 10 at 944; Dominion Cotton, 25 at 55; Montreal Light, Heat and Power, 25 at 95; Dominion Steel preferred, 125 at 8134.

Toronto Stock Market.

Trust 135
Gen. Trusts 165
Gen.

Dom. S. & I. Soc. 75

Ham. Provident ...

Euron & Erie ...

Imperial L. & I. ...

Landed B. & L. ...

London & Canada 95

Lendon Loan ...

Manitoba Loan ...

People's Loan ... 37

5 at 101, 6 at 101; Cable reg. bonds, \$300 at 101.

Afternoon sales: Bank of Commerce, 20, 80 at 154%; Bank of Ottawa, 100 at 205, Toronto General Trusts, 30, 5 at 163; C.P. R., 25 at 114, 25 at 113%; General Electric, 20, 10 at 229, 10, 40 at 229%, 10, 10, 40 at 229%; 10 at 229%; 10, 10 at 229%; Northern Navigation, 20 at 108; Toronto Railway, 25, 100 at 117; Twin City, 50, 25, 75 at 107½, 25, 25, 25 at 107%; Carter-Crume, pref., 15 at 405%, 50 at 105%; Dominion Coal, 25, 25 at 47%, 50, 50 at 47; W. A. Rogers, pref., 1 at 104%; London and Canadian Loan, 31 at 90½.

Thompson & Heron, 16 West King-street, Toronto, report the following fluctuations on the New York Exchange to-day:

Between Ban'ts.
Buyers. Sell:rs. Counter.

N.Y. Funds. 132 dis par 1-8 to 14
Mont'l Funds. par par 1-8 to 14
Bod alwaysight. 85-16 9 91-8 to 91-4
Demand 8'g. 95-8 911-16 97-8 to 10
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Rates in New York—Posted. Actual.
Sterling, demand. 4.88½ 4.87% to 4.874/.
Sixty days' sight. 4.85 4.84% to 4.84½

Money Markets.

The Bank of England discount rate is 4 per cent. Money on call 3% to 37-16 per cent. Rate of discount in the open market for 3 months' bills is 3% to 37-16 per cent. Local money market is steady. Money on call, 5 to 5½ per cent.
Money on call in New York 3½ to 4 per cent. Last loan, 4 per cent.

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Price of Silver. London Stock Market

Ontario & Western Pennsylvania Southern Pacific Southern Railway

Berlin, Dec. 4.—Exchange on London, 20 marks 43½ pfennigs for cheques. Discount rates: Short bills, 2½ per cent.; three months' bills, 2½ per cent.

London, Dec. 4.—Bar gold, 778 9½d; American eagles, 768 4½d. Gold premiums are quoted as follows: Buenos Ayres, 137.20; Madrid, 40.95; Lisbon, 33.

Paris, Dec. 4.—Three per cent. rentes, 101 francs 65 centimes for the account. Exchange on London, 25 francs 15 centimes for cheques. Spanish fours, 73.07½.

New York, Dec. 4.—Cotton.—Futures opened firm; Dec., 8.11c; Jan., 8.07c; Feb., 8.07c; March, 8.08c; April, 8.08c; May, 8.08c; June. 8.05c; July, 8.08c; Aug., 7.86c; Sept., 7.75c offered.

Cotton—Futures closed barely steady;
Dec. 8.04c; Jan. 8.04c; Feb. 8.04c; March offered.
Cotton—Futures closed barely steady; Dec., 8.04c; Jan., 8.04c; Feb., 8.03c; March, 8.03c; April, 8.02c; May, 8.03c; June, 8.03c; July, 8c; Aug., 7.85c.
Cotton—Spot closed quiet, 1-16c higner; middling uplands, 8%c; middling Gulf, 8%c. Sales, 900 bales.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

Liverpool, Dec. 4.—(4 p.m.)—Cotton—Spot fair demand: prices \(\frac{1}{2} \) higher; American middling, fair, 4 27-32d; good middling, 4 21-32d; middling, 4 9-16d; low middling, 4 15-32d; good ordinary, 4 11-32d; ordinary, 4 3-32d. The sales of the day were 10.000 bales, of which 300 were for speculation and export, and included 9200 American. Receipts, 22,300 bales, all American. Fatures opened firm and closed firm at a net advance of 10 to 15 points. American middling, G.O.C., Dec., 4 28-64d, to 4 30-64d, buyers; Dec. and Jan.; 4 28-64d, sellers, Jam. and Feb., 4 26-64d to 4 27-64d, buyers; April and May, 4 24-64d to 4 25-64d, buyers; May and June, 4 24-64d to 4 25-64d, sellers, June and July, 4 23-64d, buyers; April and May, 4 23-64d, buyers; April and May, 4 23-64d, buyers; April and May, 4 23-64d, buyers; Aug. and Sept., 4 18-64d, buyers; Aug. and Sept., 4 18-64d, buyers.

Price of Oil.

Pittsburg, Dec. 4.—Oil opened and closed at \$1.30.

Metal Markets.

New York, Dec. 4.—Plg-iron—Steady. Copper—Nominal; broker, \$16.50 to \$17; exchange, \$16.50 to \$17. Lead—Dull; broker, \$1; exchange, \$4.37%. Tin—Weak; Straits, \$24.50; plates dull; spelter dull; domestic, \$4.30, nominal.

Toronto Mining Exchange. ron Mask 20 23 4 12 52 38 9 21 untain Lion rth Star ler-Cariboo ...

31/2 Sales: Deer Trail, 500 500, 500 at 2%. 125 at 2½, 500 at 2%; Republic, 1000 at 4%; War Eagle, 1000 at 11½; Wonderful, 3500, 3500 at 2. Total, 11,125. Montreal Mining Exchange, Montreal Mining Exchange.

Montreal, Dec. 4.—Morning sales: Dom.
Con., 1000 at 4%; Slocan Sov., 1500 at 2%;
Payne, 1000 at 15; North Star, 1000 at 27.

Afternoon sales: Centre Star, 2000 at 30;
Virtue, 1500 at 22½.

OIL WELL AT NORTHWOOD.

An oil well was shot yesterday at North-wood; on Wildblood's prace, by the Ontarlo and California Oil Company. The tarlo and California Oil Company. The shooting of the well is sery dangerous work, nitro-glycerine being the explosive used. Clinton Woodward of Woodward Sons, Petrolea, did the dangerous part of the work, and performed his work well, making a good shot. The nitro-glycerine is lowered into the well in large tia tubes. In this case 20 quarts of nitro-glycerine were used, and as many as 200 quarts have been used to shoot a well by Mr. Woodward. Another smaller tube is then partly filled with nitro-glycerine and a fuse is attached to it. This the shooter drops into the well and the explosion of the smaller ly filled with nitro-glycerine and a fuse is attached to it. This the shooter drops into the well and the explosion of the smaller one sets the big one off. To one standing a couple of hundred feet away a vibration is felt underneath the feet, then a report as that of a small cannon is heard, then, to be seen spouting several hundred feet into the air, is the water, mud and small stones. From the time the shooter drops the fuse he has just about 45 seconds to get away. A photo of the shot was taken by N. C. Gibson, who accompanied the party from Chatham, which consisted of party from Chatham, which consisted of Peter McNaughton, A. Fennings, Martin Carlyle, Frank Cartier and a representative of The Planet. The company has three other wells close to this one shot yesterday, one of which is said to be the best in Canada, and the shooter says it's the best he has shot in six years.—From Chatham, Ont., Planet, Nov. 30.

Wabash Railroad Co.

If you are contemplating a trip south or west for the winter, please consider the merits of the Wabash line, the short and true route to the south or west, including Old Mexico, the Egypt of the New World. Texas and California, the lands of sunshine and flowers. Travelers will tell you that the Wabash is the best-equipped line in America, everything is up-to-date and west for the Wabash line, the short and true route to the south or west, including Old Mexico, the Egypt of the New World. Discovering the New World of Texas and California, the lands of sunshine and flowers. Travelers will tell you that the Wabash is the best-equipped line in America, everything is up-to-date and first-class in every respect.

Passengers leaving Toronto and west via evening trains reach Chicago next moraing, St. Louls next afternoon at 2 p.m., Kansas City same evening 9.30 p.m.

Rates, time-tables and all information from any R. R. agent, or J. A. Richardson, District Passenger Agent, northeast corner King and Yonge-stree's, Toronto.

In Behalf of Ex-Mayor Morris.

Ottawa, Dec. 4.—Six thousand names have been signed to the petition to the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council asking for the rewas convicted of buying liquor in an hotel was convicted of buying liquor in an hotel after hours. The petition will be taken to Toronto by Mr. C. B. Powell, M.L.A., and he will present it to the Lieutenath-Governor-in-Council. If a decision favorable to the ex-Mayor is given, Mr. Morris will enter the municipal contest in January as a Mayoralty candidate.

A Successful Medicine.—Everyone wishes

A Successful Medicine.—Everyone wishes to be successful in any undertaking in which he may engage. It is, therefore, extremely gratifying to the proprietors of Farmelee's Vegetable Pills to know that their efforts to compound a medicine which would prove a blessing to mankind bave been successful beyond their expectations. The endorsation of these Pills by the public is a guarantee that a pill has been produced which will fulfil everything claimed

Yesterday's Close Nearly Two Cents Higher Than Tuesday. Local Grain, With Outside Market Quotations and Gossip.

World Office,
Wednesday Evening, Dec. 4.
Both wheat and corn futures advanced today in Liverpool, the former 1/d to %d and
the latter 1/d to %d.
Chicago grain markets made another big
advance to-day. December wheat closed
at 75%c, a rise of 1%c from last night; December corn advanced 1/4c and December
outs 11/gc over yesterday's close.
In Winnipeg No. 1 hard Manitoba closed
at 74c; No. 1 Northern, 70/4c, and No. 2
Northern 671/4c spot, ex-store.

Liverpool Apple Market.

Messrs, Woodall & Co. cabled to-day as follows: "Twelve thousand five hundred blis selling. No Canadians offering. Market active." Leading Wheat Markets Pollowing are the closing quotations at important centres to-day:

Cash. Dec. May. 83 75¼ 82½ 73%

Flour—Ontario pateuts, in bags, \$3.00 to \$3.70; Hungarian patents, \$4: Manitoba bakers', \$3.75. These prices include bags on track in Toronto. Ninety per cent. patents, car lots, in bags, middle freights, are quoted at \$2.60 to \$2.90.

Wheat—Millers are paying 72c to 72½ for red and white; goose, 64c to 65c, north and west; middle, 66c; Manitoba, No. 1 hard, 87c, grinding in transit. Oats-Quoted at 44c north and west, 45c middle, 451/2c east. Barley-Quoted at 53c middle for No. 2 and No. 3 extra 51c.

Rye-Quoted at 52c to 53c middle and 54c Corn-Canadian sold at 63c

Oatmeal-At \$5.25 in bags, and \$5.40 in arrets, car lots, on track, Toronto; local its, 25c more.

St. Lawrence sugars are quoted as fol-lows: Granulated, \$4.38, and No. 1 yellow, \$3.53. These prices are for delivery here; carload lots, 5c less. ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce were 5700 bushels of grain, 25 loads of hay, 3 loads of straw, 150 dressed hogs and a few lots of potatoes.

Wheat—One thousand bushels sold as follows: White, 300 bushels at 68c to 77c; red, 200 bushels at 70c to 76c; goose, 500 bushels at 66c to 67c.

Barley—Two thousand five hundred bushels sold at 53½c to 62c.

1) ats—Two thousand bushels sold at 47c to 47½c. olats—Two thousand bushels sold at 47c to 47½c.

Rye—One hundred bushels sold at 56c.
Pens—One hundred bushels sold at 75c.
Hay—Twenty-five loads sold at \$10 to \$11 per ton for timothy and \$6 to \$8 for clover or mixed hay.

Straw—Three loads sold at \$9.50 to \$10.50 per ton.

Dressed Hogs—Prices firm, but unchanged.

Grain-Wheat, white, bush\$0 68 to \$0 77 red, bush 0 70 0 76 spring, bush 0 75½ goose, bush 0 66 0 67
 Peas, bush
 0

 Beans, bush
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 15
 Rre, bush

 Barley, bush
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 Oats, bush
 0

 Buckwheat, bush
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 52
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 Alsike, choice, No. 1....\$7 00 to \$7

Alsike, good, No. 2....6 56 6

Red clover seed 4.75 5

Timothy seed 2 00 2 Hay and Straw-Fruits and Vegetables-

Dairy Produce-Butter, lb. rolls\$0 18 Eggs, new-laid, per doz..0 35 Fresh Meats-
 Fresh Meats—
 Seef, forequarters, cwt... \$4
 50
 to \$5
 50

 Beef, forequarters, cwt... \$6
 00
 7
 70

 Beef, hindquarters, cwt... \$6
 00
 7
 70

 Mutton, carcase, per lb... 0
 04
 0
 05

 Veal, carcase, per cwt... 7
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 8
 00

 Lambs, springs, per lb... 0
 05
 0
 06

 Dressed hogs, cwt...... 7
 75
 8
 60

NOT A UNIT.

Washington, Dec. 4.—The wide diversity of views of leaders of the Presbyterian Church on revision of the creed was demonstrated when the committee of 20, appointed by the General Assembly to effect this work and submit it to the next assembly to effect was found that none of the members of any sub-committee or section had united upon any report of statement. The General committee decided to transact its work in full committee.

Wabash Barth.

· Chicago Markets, The Witzel-Groch Co. report the folling fluctuations on the Chicago Board Wheat-Dec. ... 63% 63% 63% 651% 651%

A Successful Medicine—Everyone wishes to be successful in any undertiking in the proprietors of the propr Liverpool, Dec. 4.—(12.30 p.m.)—Wheat, firm: No. 1 Northern, 5s 10½d. Corn, firm; 5s 4½d. Lard, 48s 3d.

value; March, 5s 3d, value; May, 5s 3d, value. Flour, Minn., 18s 3d to 19s 6d.
London-Closing—Mark Lane miller market: Wheat, foreign firm and rather Jearer; English nominally unchanged. Maize, American firm at an advance of 3d; Danubian firm. Flour, American firm at an advance of 3d. English nominally unchanged. Wheat, number of cargoes waiting at outports offered for sale, 5; wheat, on passage, near positions in demand; cargoes Waila, iron, Ang., 28s 9d, sellers; parcels No. 1 Northern, steam, Jan., 29s 14d, pald; cargoes Karachi white, Dec. and Jan., 28s 3d, pad. Maize, on passage, quiet but steady; spot American mixed, 26s 6d. Flour, Minn., 29s 3d.

Parls—Closing—Wheat, tone steady; Dec., 22f 25c; March and June, 23f. Flour, tone steady; Dec., 2ff 80c; March and June, 29f. Antwerp—Wheat, spot steady; No. 2 red winter, 10%f.

Chicago Gossip. Lilicago at the close of the market to-day.

Wheat—Has shown great strength from opening to-day; volume of trade has been large. Cables did not show the weakness unticipated in view of our decline yesterday, which encouraged renewed buying by holders and also by bulls who had sold out yesterday. There was additional country buying noticeable which added to local bullish sentiment. Receipts were not so excessive as compared with last year, but export clearances were very light. Weather map indicated probable relief of dry weather next few days, but the bearish probabilities were ignored, the strength in coarse grains alone offsetting any news of bearish sort. Values look high considering the situation from supply and demand standpoint, and sales should pay profit in hear ruture.

Corn moved up 1%c to 1%c, getting to the best, prices so far. There was little reaction. Cables were higher. Country offerings were small. The market felt the big cash business of Tuesday. Kansas City and St. Louis reported their exchanges filled with western buyers on corn and oats. There was more of the same buying as Tuesday, led by the Phillips crowd. Offerlags small. A great big outside demand, but scattered thru many commission houses. Receipts 103 cars, with 105 cestimated for to-morrow. Clearances 21,000. Corn helped by oats strength.

Oats were up 1%c to 1%c over Tuesday, the July for a while going the fastest. Rids west last night at best prices and best premium of season and practically no purchases. Good cash sales here and a large business from Peorla. Receipts but 90 cars, with 105 for to-morrow. Big trade both ways in futures. New buying and profit-taking. The day's prices were the best so far.

Provisions opened fairly steady and afterward advanced on buying by the outside trade and advance in wheat. Hedgers sold moderately on the advance and toward the close market was shade easier. Cash demand was fairly good. Hogs to-morrow, 41,000.

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It looked reasonable to expect a small break this morning, but the dood of buying orders prohibited anything of the sort. Good profit taking around 70½ on the first advance put price down ½ c, but all the wheat was well taken, and second buige stronger than the first. Close was strong and eyery indication that to-morrow will see the price up another cent or two. The pit Shows all the earmarks of an old bull market. No matter how you figure it wheat is still far too low. Speculation has not run to such a high pitch for a year, and all concentrated in the one grain. Foreigners are buyers at this advance, and, considering that they have followed the hand-to-mouth plan, and have no great supplies to draw on, it is true that the price is already well up over low price of a couple of months ago, but this under such conditions as prevall in wheat at present counts nothing. There is a full head of steam on, and only one thing to do—go up with the market and don't haggle over fractions.

Corn fooled the trade, too, yesterday. The bulge looked much like short covering, but this morning it developed that a remarkably big cash business was done yesterday, largely to the southwest. Local receipts were light, and Liverpool up. These conditions started prices up again, till, alded by wheat, market topped at 674c, closing a full 1½c better than yesterday. Corn will sell a good deal higher, but seems beyond reach of the general public.

Flour quotations—Patent winter, \$3.90 to \$4.20; straight roller, \$3.40 to \$3.00; extra, none; superfine, none; strong bakers, \$3.00 to \$3.50; Ontario bags, \$1.65 to \$1.75.

Grain—Wheat, No. 2 Minitoba hard, 75-to 76c; corn, 65c to 67c; peas, 85c to 85c; cats, 50c to 51c; barley, 55c to 57c; rye, 50c to 61c; buckwheat, 55c to 57c; rye, 50c to 61c; buckwheat, 55c to 57c; ontmeal, \$2.60 to \$2.70; cornmeal, \$1.35 to \$1.40.

Provisions—Pork, \$20 to \$21; lard, \$c to \$c; bacon, 13e to 15c; hans, 13c to 14c.

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Produce—Cheese, 8½c to 9c; butter, townships 20c to 21c, western 15c to 16c; eggs, 15c to 17c.

New York Grain and Produce.

New York, Dec. 4.—Flour—Receipts, 18, 779; sales, \$400; State and western narket was quiet but firmly held; rye four, imm; fair to good, \$3.15 to \$3.50; choice to fancy, \$3.45 to \$3.70. Wheat—Receipts, 15, 200; sales, 2, 245,000; option market had an active and strong advance this morning on higher cables. heavy outside buying and small Northwest receipts; Dec., \$2c to \$3.71.60; sales, 2, 245,000; option market made season high records on active outside buying and a big cash demand west, Dec., 16%c to \$4.71.6c. Rye—Firm; State, 64c to 85c.

C.1.f., New York car lots; No. 2 western, 68%c, f.o.b., afloat. Corn—Receipts, 50,000 bushels; sales, 230,000; option market made season high records on active outside buying and a big cash demand west, Dec., 16%c to \$4.71.6c. Rye—Firm; State, 64c to 85c.

C.1.f., New York are liming, 3%c; centring and big cash demand west, Dec., 16%c to 50c. Sugar, 24.8c.

Season high records on active and strong, with cern; track white State, 50c to 35c; track white western, 50c to 55c. Sugar, 3c; redicted, white western, 50c to 55c. Sugar, 3c; redicted, white western, 50c to 55c. Sugar, 3c; redicted, 50c. 15c. Sugar, 3c; redicted, 50c.

New York Butter and Cheese.

New York, Dec. 4.—Butter—Firm; receipts 4942; creamery firsts, 23c to 24½c; do., seconds, 20c to 22c; do., thirds, 16c to 18c; creamery, June make, extras, 21½c to 22c; do., firsts, 20½c to 22c; do., firsts, 20c to 22c; do., seconds, 17c to 19c; western infattion creamery, fancy, 18c to 18½c; do., firsts, 20c to 22c; do., firsts, 20c to 22c; do., seconds, 17c to 19c; western infattion creamery, fancy, 18c to 18½c; do., firsts, 20c to 15½c to 16½c; do., lower grades, 14c to 15c; western iactory, June packed, fancy, 15c; do., fair to prime, 14c to 14½c; do., lower grades, 12½c to 13½c; renovated butter, fancy, 18c to 19c; do., common to choice, 13c to 17c.

Cheese—Firm; receipts, 3563; State full cream, small, sept., fancy, 10½c to 11c; do., late made, average best, 19½c to 9½c; do., common to fair, 7c to 9c; do., cay, follower of the made, average best, 19½c to 9½c; do., late made, average best, 19½c to 9½c; do., common to fair, 7c to 8½c; light skims, small, cole, 1½c; part skims, pinne, 6½c to 7c; do., seemmon, 3c to 4c; full skims, 2c to 2½c.

Eggs—Steady; receipts, 2238; State, Pennsylvania and near by fancy, selected, 30c; do., ungraded, 22c to 25c; southern graded, 25c; do., fancy, graded at mark, 26c; do., fancy, graded at mark, 26c; do., ongraded, 20c to 24c; refrigerator, 16½c to 19c; limed, 17c to 18c. New York Butter and Cheese.

CATTLE MARKETS. Prices Steady to Higher in New

New York, Dec. 4.—Beeves—Receipts, 3.
582; steers steady to 10c higher; bulls and cows steady to strong; steers, \$3.75 to \$5.75; oxen and stags, \$2.12\\[delta_0 to \$4.25; cows, \$1.50 to \$3.40; export do., \$4.25; cows, \$1.50 to \$3.50. Exports, 36 cattle, 50 sheep and 3698 quarters of beef.

Calves—Receipts, 1647; veals slow; prime about steady; grassers steady to strong. Caives—Receipts, 1647; veals slow; prime about steady; grassers steady to strong; veals, \$4.50 to \$8; little caives, \$3.50 to \$4; grassers, \$2.50 to \$3; few choice, \$3.25; western caives, \$3.50.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 10,998; sheep steady; lambs steady to 10c nigher; sheep, \$2 to \$3.40; tops, \$3.50; culls, \$1.50; lambs, \$4 to \$5.40; one car, \$5.50; culls, \$3.50; no Canada lambs.

Hogs—Receipts, 2944; slow; nominal quotations, \$5 to \$6.

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one of the dealers said it was reported that Mr. Robertson of the Department of Agriculture made a contract to purchase half a million bushels of oats in Manitoba, on the assumption that he could get the oats for 25 cents, and raffway charges. After counting the various charges, he found he could pay the farmers 27 cents, but this aroused the western grain dealers, who offered 30 cents, thus putting the price up to more than Mr. Robertson could pay.

One grain dealer stated that it was this same contract that was about to be filled from the granaries of Ontario by the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa. This dealer expressed the opinion that the government should leave the filling of such contracts to the dealers or business much of the country.

LOCAL TOPICS.

Albert Mitchell has been appointed cierk at the Information Bureau at the Union Station. 450 men, returned to the city from the Northwest yesterday.

The Ladies' Literary League of McMaster University will hold their annual open meet-ing in the College chapel Saturday evening, Dec. 7, at 7.45 o'clock. The attendance last month at Harbord-street Collegiate Institute was incorrectly reported yesterday. It should have been 196 boys and 203 girls, a total of 399. An illustrated lantern lecture on the Pan American Exposition (Whittemore views) will be delivered by the rector, the Rev Canon Sweeny, D.D., at 8 o'clock this even ing, in St. Philip's Schoolhouse.

Hayana filled cigars, my own manufac-ture, sold at five cents, equal any ten-cent cigars. Buy direct and save middlemen's profit. Union made. Alive Bollard, 199 Yonge-street. Mayor Howland will discuss some of our municipal problems before the University of Toronto Political Science Club this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The meeting will be held in Room 2, University College, and is open to the public.

The C.P.R. royal train was in Toronto for a few hours yesterday. The cars were given a thoro cleaning in the local yards, and afterwards ieft for London. They will also be exhibited at Galt, Woodstock and Owen Sound.

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At a special meeting of the council of the Toronto Astronomical Society, held is the hight, an idluminated address was presented to Mr. Andrew Elvins, as an expensed to Mr. Andrew Elvins, as an expectation of Montreal Grain and Produce.

Montreal, Dec. 4.—Flour—Receipts, 1200
barrels. Market quiet.

Flour quotations—Patent winter, \$3.90 to \$4; patent spring, \$4 to \$4.20; straight roller, \$3.40 to \$2.00; extra, none; superfine, none; strong bakers', \$3.60 to \$3.80; on.

Tarte, in the east end of the Bay, has been suspended. It was also found that been suspended. It was also found that

Alton, Dec. 4.—Between 6 and 7 o'clock this morning the foundry owned and operated by Alexander Dick was totally destroyed by fire. The fire was not discovered until it was too late to save any of the contents, and as a strong north wind was blowing strenuous efforts were required to save the buildings on the opposite side of the street, There was no insurance on either the building or contents, and great sympathy is felt for Mr. Dick, as his loss will amount to about \$8000. The five is supposed to have arisen from a defective stove in the woodworking department, where there was abundance of shavings and other inflamable material.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—Cattle—Receipts, 16,000: good to prime, \$6.40 to \$7.50; poor to medium, \$3.90 to \$6: stockers and feeders, \$2 to \$4.25; cows, \$1.25 to \$4.75; heliers, \$2 to \$4.75; calves, \$2.50 to \$5.50; Texas fed steers, \$5.15; western steers, \$3.75 to \$4.90.

Hors—Receipts, 50.000; mixed and butch \$4.90. Hogs—Receipts, 50.000; mixed and butch ers, \$5.05 to \$6.10; good to choice heavy, \$5.85 to \$6.20; rough heavy, \$5.45 to \$5.10; light, \$5 to \$5.75; bulk of sales, \$5.75 to \$5.95.
Sheep—Receipts, 25.000; good to choice wethers, \$3.50 to \$4.25; western sheep, \$3 to \$4; native lambs, \$2.50 to \$5; western lambs, \$3 to \$4.25.

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Ottawa, Dec. 4.—J. S. Larke, writing from Sydney, says that Australia exhibits no interest in the question of preferential trade. The government seems to be walting for a proposition from Canada.

West Grey Inspector.
Owen Sound, Dec. 4.—H. H. Burgess,
B.A., has been appointed Public school inspector for West Grey.

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