FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

TURKEYS SOLD AT 16c POUND

Much Poultry Was Offered on the Local Market.

DAIRY PRODUCE FIRM

Potatoes Were Plentiful Again—Apples Scarcer—No Change in Butchers' Meats—Other Quotations.

Although not as large as last week, there was a very good turnout on the local market this morning, and a very brisk sale.

There was quite a supply of poultry offered, and it brought very good prices. Turkeys sold generally at 16c per lb, and some sales were reported at 17c. Even at these prices sales were very brisk, as people are beginning to realize that there is every likelihood of there being a very strong advance in price before Christmas. Chickens, too, had a very brisk sale, and they, too, showed a tendency to increase in price, ranging from 12c to 13½c per lb.

Dairy produce remained firm in price. Butter was inclined to be a trifle scarce, but the price remained as usual. Eggs were decidedly scarce; crate lots sold mostly at 30c, while single dozens sold for 32c and 35c cents. In the dairy hall still higher prices were reported.

Potatoes Plentiful.

There was a very large market of vegetables. Potatoes were again offered in very large quantities, but had only a moderate sale. The market has been glutted lately with the supply, as there has hardly been a market day when there hasn't been from 20 to 50 loads offered. Naturally the prices are not very strong. The majority sold at 50c, while some single bags brought 60c.

Of other vegetables, cabbages were very much in evidence, and like all other green vegetables had a very good sale. They sold from 20c to 40c to dozen. Celery and cauliflowers were also offered in some quantities.

Apples, practically the only fruit now offered on the market, were somewhat less plentiful today. The farmers are beginning to store them away, and from this on it is expected the supply will not be so large.

Butchers' Meats.

There was practically no change in butchers' meats, with the exception of dressed hogs, which are inclined to be easier. $10 was the maximum price today, despite the fact that there was the usual good demand. It is expected that the price for live hogs for Monday's market will be $7.50.

There was little hay offered and no change in prices. Oats, too, were fairly scarce, and showed little tendency toward any change in price, the majority selling from $1.22 to $1.25.

Other quotations are as follows:

Grain.			
Wheat, per bu	$1 00	to	$1 05
Oats, per cwt	1 22	to	1 25
Corn, per cwt	1 37	to	1 40
Buckwheat, per cwt	1 05	to	1 20
Barley, per cwt	1 15	to	1 20
Peas, per cwt	1 15	to	1 25
Beans, per bu	1 95	to	1 00
Rye, per bu	1 05	to	1 10
Hay and Straw.			
Hay, per ton	13 50	to	15 50
Straw, per ton	7 50	to	8 00
Dairy Produce.			
Butter, creamery, lb	0[illegible]	to	0[illegible]
Butter, rolls, lb	25	to	26
Butter, crock, lb	24	to	25
Eggs, crate, dozen	28	to	30
Eggs, fresh-laid, dozen	28	to	35
Honey, strained, lb	10	to	12
Honey, in comb	12	to	15
Poultry, Dressed.			
Turkeys, per lb	15	to	17
Ducks, spring, per lb	12	to	13
Old ducks, per lb	8	to	9
Old fowl, per lb	8	to	9
Chickens, per lb	12	to	13½
Geese, each	1 00	to	1 25
Poultry, Alive.			
Old fowl, per lb	7	to	8
Turkeys, per lb	12	to	14
Spring ducks, per lb	9	to	10
Ducks, per lb	9	to	9
Young fowl, per lb	9	to	11
Butchers' Meats.			
Beef, by the carcass	7 50	to	7 00
Mutton, per cwt	6 00	to	6 50
Mutton, per cwt	6 00	to	7 00
Veal, per cwt	8 00	to	9 00
Spring lamb, per lb	10	to	11
Dressed hogs, per cwt	10 00	to	10 25
Live Stock.			
Small pigs, per pair	6 00	to	8 00
Select hogs, per cwt	7 40	to	7 50
Fat sows, cwt	5 00	to	6 00
Stags, per cwt	3 00	to	3 50
Export cattle, cwt	5 00	to	5 50
Milch cows, each	30 00	to	55 00
Hides and Wool.			
Lambskins, each	90	to	00
Wool, washed, per lb	20	to	22
Wool, unwashed, per lb	19	to	21
Hides, No. 1, lb	11	to	11
Hides, No. 2, lb	10	to	10
Hides, No. 3, lb	9	to	9
Calfskins, per lb	15	to	15
Sheepskins, each	75	to	1 40
Tallow, rough, lb	3	to	3
Tallow, rendered, lb	5½	to	5¼
Vegetables.			
Potatoes, per bag	50	to	60
Turnips, bu	30	to	35
Celery, per dozen	40	to	50
Sage, per dozen	00	to	00
Lettuce, per dozen	00	to	00
Savory, per dozen	00	to	00
Cauliflowers, each	15	to	30
Cabbage, dozen (to size)	20	to	40
Red cabbage	40	to	40
Onions, per bu	1 25	to	1 25
Beets, per bu	40	to	45
	20	to	25
Beans, per bu	1 20	to	1 50
Spinach, per bu	50	to	60
Mangoes, per bu (on the load)	00	to	00
Carrots, bu, by the load	35	to	35
Fruits.			
Apples, per bag	40	to	60
Apples, per bu	30	to	50
Apples, per barrel	1 00	to	2 00
Pumpkins, each	5	to	5
Quinces	35	to	40
Citrons, per dozen	50	to	1 00

PRODUCE.

CHICAGO EXCHANGE Chicago, Dec. 4

Wheat, Dec.	106⅞	106⅞	105⅞	105⅞
May	105⅞	105⅞	105½	105⅞
Corn, Dec.	57⅞	58	57⅞	57⅞
May	61⅞	61⅞	60⅞	60⅞
Oats, Dec.	40⅞	40⅞	40⅞	40⅞
May	42⅞	42½	42½	42⅜
Pork, Jan	21 80	21 30	21 05	21 10
May	20 55	20 55	20 40	20 45
Lard, Jan	12 40	12 40	12 22	12 22
Oct.	11 47	11 47	11 42	11 45
Ribs, Jan	11 22	11 22	11 10	11 15
May	10 62	10 65	10 60	10 62

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 4.—Wheat—Spot, firm; No. 2 red western winter, 8s 1½d; futures quiet; December, 8s 8⅞d; March, 7s 7⅝d; May, 7s 6d. Corn—Spot, American mixed (via Galveston), 5s 10½d; futures quiet; December, La Plata, 5s 5¼d. Peas—Canadian steady, 7s 9d. Flour—Winter patents firm, 33s 6d. Hops (in London)—Pacific coast steady, £6 6s to £7. Beef—Extra India mess, 91s 3d. Hams—Short cut firm, 64s 6d. Bacon—Cumberland cut quiet, 61s; short ribs weak, 67s; long clear middles, light, dull, 65s; do, heavy, dull, 64s 6d; short clear backs dull, 65s; clear bellies dull, 72s; shoulders, square, dull, 57s. Lard—Prime western strong, 70s; American refined steady, 70s 6d. Cheese—Steady; Canadian finest white 56s; Australian, in London, 34s 6d. Turpentine spirits—Steady, 39s 3d. Rosin—Common steady, 10s. Petroleum—Refined steady, 7½d. Linseed oil—Steady, 31s.

TORONTO, Dec. 5.—The local grain market are again easier today. Local dealers' quotations are: Ontario wheat—No. 2 mixed winter, $1 04 to $1 05 outside; No. 2 white $1 04 to $1 05 outside. Manitoba wheat—Spot, No. 1 northern, $1 01½; No. 2 northern, $1 02½, on track at lake ports, for early January delivery. No. 1 northern, $1 10½; No. 2 northern, $1 08½, all-rail. Corn—American oil No. 2 yellow, 71c to 72c; new No. 2, 87c, Toronto freights. Oats—Canadian western, No. 2, 39c; No. 3, 38½c, on track at lake ports; No. 2 white, 36c to 37c outside; No. 3 white, 35c outside, 38c to 39c on track at Toronto. Barley—No. 2, 79c to 69c; No. 3 extra, 57c to 58c; No. 3, 52c to 53c; feed barley, 49c to 51c outside; Manitoba, No. 3, 53c; No. 4, 51c, on track at lake ports. Peas—New No. 2, 86c to 88c. Rye—No. 2, 72c to 73c outside. Buckwheat—No. 2, 53c to 53½c outside. Manitoba flour—Quotations at Toronto: First patents, $5 60; second patents, $5 10; strong bakers, $4 90; 90 per cent patents, Glasgow freights, 28s 6d. Ontario flour—Winter wheat patents, for export $4 20 to $4 25 in buyers' sacks outside. Millfeed—Manitoba bran $21 per ton; shorts, $23 to $24, on track at Toronto; Ontario bran, $22; shorts, $24, on track at Toronto, bags included.

TORONTO, Dec. 4.	Asked.	Bid
Asbestos pref	..	90
Bell Telephone	..	144¼
Canadian General Electric	114	..
Canadian Pacific Ry	179¾	179
City Dairy, Com	..	32½
City Dairy, pref	..	99¼
Consumers Gas	..	205
Crow's Nest	..	75
Detroit United	..	75
Dominion Coal, com	92	..
Dominion Steel, com	6⅞	..
Dominion Telegraph	71	70¼
Electric Dev., pref	50	..
Intercolonial Coal, com	..	82½
Illinois, pref	..	92½
Laurentide Paper com	..	121
Mackay, com	92¾	91¾
McKay, pfd	..	79
Mexican L. & P.	68½	67½
Niagara Navigation	137	..
Northern Navigation	128	..
Penman	58½	58
Penman, pref	..	85
Porto Rico Railway	45	..
Rio de Janeiro	91¼	91
R. & O. Navigation	..	85
Rogers, com	135	132
Rogers, pref	112	105
Sao Paulo Tramway	149½	149¼
Shredded Wheat	..	40
Shredded Wheat, pref	99	..
Toronto Railway	125	124¾
Tri City, pref	93	..
Twin City	113	112¼
Winnipeg Railway	180	..
Crown Reserve	..	490
La Rose	500	495
Nipissing	..	10.65
Tretheway	142	141
Bank Commerce	..	190¼
Dominion Bank	242	241
Bank of Hamilton	205	204
Imperial Bank	227	225
Merchants Bank	..	163
Molsons Bank	..	200½
Bank of Montreal	..	250
Bank of Nova Scotia	270	..
Bank Ottawa	210	..
Royal Bank	..	224
Standard Bank	..	227
Traders Bank	..	147½
Union Bank	..	136½
Agricultural Loan	..	122¼
Canada Landed	..	150
Canada Permanent	162	161
Central Canada	160	..
Colonial Investment	68	..
Dominion Savings	..	7[illegible]
Hamilton Provident	..	131
Huron & Erie	..	196¼
Huron & Erie 20 per cent	..	186
Landed Banking	..	130
London & Canada	..	110
National Trust	..	180
Ontario Loan 20 per cent	..	127½
Real Estate	..	104
Toronto Mortgage	..	130
Electric Development	..	84
Mexican Light and Power bonds	..	82½
Rio de Janeiro bonds	93¼	93
Sao Paulo	..	90

Closing bids: C. P. R., 25 at 179½; Rights, 1 at 9¾, 5 at 9⅞, 1 at 10, 100, 50 at 9⅞, 3, 45, 25 at 9¾, 45, 3, 10, 15 at 9⅞, 1 at 10, 5, 3, 100, 25, 100, 100 at 9¾, 1 at 10; Mexican L. and P., 25 at 68½; F. N. Burt, preferred, 3 at 91¾, 25, 25, 25, 25, 25, 25, 25, 25 at 92; Con. Gas, 2 at 205; Canada Permanent, 70, 30 at 161½; Sao Paulo, 20, 5, 10, 5 at 149½; Twin City, 10 at 113⅞, 50, 25, 25, 150, 50, 10, 5, 25 at 113½, 25 at 113¼, 5, 25, 25, 25, 25, 5, 50, 25, 75, 25, 20, 10, 5, 25, 25, 100, 100, 25, 50, 10 at 113, 25, 25 at 112⅞, 100, 200 at 113¼, 25 at 113⅛; Dominion Steel, 15, 50 at 68½; preferred, 1 at 1366, 10, 5 at 136⅜; bonds, 1,000 at 96, 7,000 at 95½ and interest; Nipissing, 10 at 10.50, 20, 20, 20 at 10.55, 10 at 10.60, 20 at 10.55; La Rose, 100 at 497, 50, 50, 100, 10, 25 at 4.95; Dominion Coal, 100, 50 at 91⅞, 100, 25, 5, 50, 25, 25, 50, 25 at 92; Commerce, 96 at 190½; Dominion, 2, 10, 50, 27, 2 at 241; Duluth Superior, 25, 25, 20 at 69¾, 3, 25, 50 at 70, 100 at 69¾, 100, 100 at 69½, 25 at 69¾, 25 at 70¼; Mackay, 10 at 92¼, 25, 75 at 92⅝, 25, 25, 25 at 92¾; Winnipeg, 8, 2 at 184; Crows Nest, 100 at 55; Laurentide Rights, 8 at 6½.

Reported by C. N. Spencer, Stockbroker, Market Lane, for The Advertiser.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5—Close.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amal. Copper	87	88	86⅝	87⅞
Anaconda Copper	48⅞	49¼	48⅞	49¼
American Sugar	119¼	120⅞	119¼	120½
Amer. Beet Sugar	46¼	46½	46¼	46¼
Amer. Locomotive	61¼	63	61¼	62¾
American Foundry	..	..	..	..
American Refining	98¾	99	98¼	98⅞
Amer. Cotton Oil	67⅝	68	67⅝	68
Atchison com.	119½	120	119½	119⅞
Baltimore & Ohio	115¾	116¼	115¾	116¼
Brooklyn Transit	81	81	80½	80¾
Canadian Pacific	178⅝	180⅛	178⅝	180⅛
Chesapeake & Ohio	86	87	86	86⅝
Consolidated Gas	152	152	151	151¼
Col. Fuel & Iron	50¾	51	50¾	50⅞
Chicago & N. W.	176⅜	178¼	176⅜	178¼
Erie, com.	32⅞	33¾	32⅞	33¾
G. Northern, pfd	141⅝	143¾	141½	143½
Inter-Metropolitan	24¾	24⅞	24⅝	24¾
Inter-Met., pfd.	57½	58½	57½	58
Kansas & Texas	47¾	48	47¾	48
Louisville & Nash	151	153	151	153
Mexican Central	21⅜	21⅞	21⅜	21⅞
Missouri Pacific	71	71⅛	70⅝	70⅝
New York Central	127½	127¾	127½	127⅝
Northern Pacific	142¾	144¾	142⅝	144
Norfolk & Western	94½	94⅞	94⅜	94¾
National Lead	88½	88⅞	88	88
Ontario & Western	47⅛	..	..	..
Pacific Mail	45	..	..	..
Pennsylvania	129¾	131¼	129¾	131

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People's Gas	114	114⅛	113¾	114
Pressed Steel Car	52⅞	..	..	..
Reading	170¾	171	169⅞	170⅞
Republic Steel	46¼	..	..	..
Rock Island	40	40¼	40	40⅞
Rock Island, pfd	85	88¼	86	88¼
Southern Railway	31⅛	31⅛	31	31⅛
Southern Ry., pfd	69⅛	..	..	..
Southern Pacific	129⅛	130	128¾	129½
St. Paul	155	155¾	154½	155
Union Pacific	199¾	201¼	199¼	201
Central Leather	46⅛	46¼	46	46
U. S. Rubber	53	54	53	54
U. S. Steel	89⅝	90¾	89	90⅝
U. S. Steel, pfd	124	124⅝	124	124⅝
Wabash, com.	21	21¼	21	21¼
Wabash, pfd.	57⅞	57⅞	57	57

MONTREAL, Dec. 4.	Asked	Bid
Ogilvie Milling	..	112¼
Bell Telephone	..	145
Canadian Converters	44	43
Canadian Pacific	..	180
Detroit Electric	65¼	65⅝
Dominion Coal, com	92	91¾
Dominion Steel, com	6½	6⅜
Dominion Steel, pfd	136¼	135
Duluth, com	17	16½
Halifax Electric	121	120½
Illinois Traction, pref	94	92¾
Lake of the Woods, com	129½	129
Laurentide Paper, com	125	123¾
Minn. & St. Paul	..	134½
Mt. L., H. & Power	136¼	136⅛
Montreal Street Railway	211½	211
Montreal Steel Works	93	..
Nipissing	10¼	..
Nor. Ohio T. & L.	35	34
N. S. Steel & Coal	83⅛	83
Ogilvie Milling pref	126	..
R. & O. Navigation	85½	86¼
Toledo Electric	19	..
Toronto Railway	125¼	125½
Twin City	113	112¾
Quebec, com	..	68¼
Quebec, pref	118¾	118
Reserve	502	500
Duluth Superior	69⅝	68½
Bank British North America	190	..
Bank of Commerce	..	190¼
Eastern Township Bank	165	163
Hochelaga Bank	143¼	..
Merchants Bank	165	164¼
Bank Nova Scotia	..	276¼
Bank of Ottawa	210	..
Bank Quebec	123	..
Royal Bank	226	..
Bank of Toronto	218	..
Union Bank	..	135¼
Rubber bonds	95	94⅝
Textile com	73¼	72¼
Canadian Colored Cotton	61⅛	61
Dominion Textile, pref	107	105½
Dominion Park	55	50
Asbestos com	30	..
Dominion Coal bonds	98	97¾
Dominion Cotton bonds	101	..
Dominion Iron and Steel bonds	95½	95¼
Mexican Electric bonds	82	..
Montreal St. Railway bonds	..	99
Textile bonds A	96	95½
Textile bonds B	..	90¼
Textile bonds C	96	92
West India	..	105
Penman, com	58	57

Closing bids: Pacific, 75 at 179¾, 100, 2 at 179½, 25 at 179¾, 25 at 179½, 10 at 179¾, 150, 50 at 180; C. P. R. Rights, 3 at 9½, 266, 38 at 9⅝, 400, 160 at 9¾, 10, 150, 50 at 9⅞, 3, 1 at 10; Power, 1 at 127, 10 at 126½; Rails, 10 at 124¾, 4 at 124, 100, 50 at 125, 50 at 125¼; Street Railway, 25 at 211½, Quebec, preferred, 25 at 118, Quebec, common, 50 at 68½, 50 at 68⅞, 25 at 68½ Detroit, 120 at 64, 50 at 64¼, 28, 125, 4 at 64½, 75 at 65, 50 at 65, 25, 10 at 65¼, 50, 1 at 65½, 50, 175 at 65⅞, 325, 175, 50, 25 at 65¾, 175 at 65⅝, 5 at 65½, 80, 10 at 65⅞; West India, 55 at 75; Halifax Railway, 25 at 120½; Laurentide Reserve, 2½ at 6½, at 6⅞, 10 at 6½; Ohio, 25 at 45; Iron, common, 250 at 68½, 50 at 68¾, 25, 150 at 68¼, 100 at 68, 125 at 68½; Asbestos, common, 100 at 29½, 4 at 29; Asbestos, preferred, 5 at 126; Ogilvie, preferred, 5 at 126; Rubber, 100 at 94¼, 25 at 94½; Textile, common, 25 at 73; Reserve, 600, 100, 100 at 495, 1,000 at 483 (30 days), 100, 100 at 497, 200 at 499, 100 at 500, 1,000 at 502, 350 at 504; Scotia, 1 at 83¾, 25 at 83, 2 at 84; Coal, common, 50 at 91¾, 300, 15 at 92, 75 at 92¼; Iron, preferred, 30 at 136, 15 at 136¼, 10 at 136½; Laurentide, 50 at 121; Molsons Bank, 5, 10 at 208; Quebec Bank, 11 at 122½; Bank of Montreal, 39, 10 at 251; Bank of Commerce, 17 at 190½; Merchants Bank, 4 at 165; Colored Cotton, 5,000 at 100; Tac. bonds, 6,000 at 95; Rubber bonds, 500 at 98½; Textile bonds, A, 2,000 at 96, 250 at 97; R. and O. 10 at 86.

Special to The Advertiser from Edward Cronyn & Co., Toronto.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 4.—Special.—Beaver, 31 half; Chamber, 38; Crown Reserve, 5; Cobalt Lake 16; Coniagas, 555; Foster, 37; Meehan, 12; Kerr Lake, 8; La Rose, 495; Little Nip., 20; Nipissing, 10.70; Otisse, 25; Rochester 17; Nova Scotia, 48; Silver Leaf, 14½; Temiskaming, 72; Tretheway, 142.

By private wire to H. C. Becher, London, from Harris, Winthrop & Co.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4—Wall street, 10 a.m.—Railroads in the Northwest reported to be making headway against the strike.

Great lakes navigation closes today.

Transfer of Equitable control starts numerous stories of important bank mergers.

Ninety-two per cent of English cotton spinners vote to continue short time until March.

Appellate division of supreme court holds that insurance limit is constitutional.

Bradstreet's says trade reports show rather more irregularity, varying with sections reporting.

Dun's Review says some slowing up is occurring, although that makes no impression on the general volume of transactions.

Eastern roads expect demand for increased wages.

Easier tone is reported in the pig iron market.

Idle cars increased 8 per cent in the fortnight ending Nov. 24.

OILS.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 3.—Oil opened and closed at $1 48.

OIL CITY, Pa., Dec. 3.—Credit balances, $1 48.

LIVE STOCK.

EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 4.—Cattle receipts steady; primes unchanged. Veals—Receipts 100 head; active and steady. Hogs—Receipts 3,200 head; 5c and 10c higher; fairly active on heavy; slow on light; heavy, $8.55 to $8.60; a few $8.50; mixed, $8.50 to $8.55; Yorkers, $8.35 to $8.50; pigs, $5 to $8.35; roughs, $7.50 to $7.75; dairies, $8.25 to $8.40. Sheep and lambs—Receipts 5,700; steady. Sheep active and lambs slow; lambs, $5.25 to $7.50; Canada lambs, $7.25 to $7.50.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—Cattle—Receipts estimated at 400; market steady; beeves, $3 85 of $9 25; Texas steers, $3 70 to $4 75; western steers, $4 to $7 40; stockers and feeders, $3 10 to $5 15; cows and heifers, $2 10 to $5 65; calves, $6 35 to $8 50. Hogs—Receipts estimated at 11,000; market was steady; light, $7 70 to $8 30; mixed, $7 80 to $8 35; heavy, $7 90 to $8 40; rough, $7 90 to $8 10; good to choice heavy, $8 10 to $8 40; pigs, $6 65 to $7 70; bulk of sales at $8 05 to $8 30. Sheep—Receipts estimated at 1,500; market steady; natives, $2 75 to $5 10; westerns, $3 to $5; yearlings, $5 50 to $6 80; lambs, native, $5 25 to $7 75; western, $7 50 to $7 75.

DANIEL RATZ DEAD.

Elmira, Dec. 3.—One of the leading citizens of this town and a prominent resident of Waterloo County, Daniel Ratz, died about 8:30 last evening after several months' illness from Bright's disease. He was the second son of the late John Ratz, and was born in Woolwich Township in 1860. He conducted a flour mill in Salem for some years, after which he succeeded his father, along with his brother, in the milling business in Elmira. He served in the council, two years as reeve and two years as county councillor. At the last provincial election he was the Liberal candidate for North Waterloo. A widow and three daughters survive.

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ELECTRIC CO. DIRECTORS WILL HOLD MEETING

To Consider What Will Be Done in Regard to Local Street Light.

An answer to the proposition made by the City to the London Electric Company, re street lighting, will not be made until after Wednesday next.

On that day a meeting of the directors of the Company will be held in Toronto, when this matter will be discussed.

"I cannot say what the Company will do until after the directors meet on Wednesday next," said Mr. C. B. Hunt. "Our president is in Montreal, and we could not get together before that time. After the meeting we will know what is to be done."

All efforts to find the possible course of action were unavailing. The streets will be lighted just the same.

Interesting developments are expected shortly.

STRIKE WILL NOT EFFECT RAILWAYS OF CANADA

Local Railwaymen Say They Do Not Expect Any Trouble.

Local railroad officials are unanimous in stating that they do not anticipate that the trouble with the switchmen, which is tying up a number of American roads will in any way effect Canadian roads. The C. P. R. officials state that their switchmen are working under a sliding rate which is agreed upon every year. The men who work in yards where there is a great deal of business to handle, get paid more than those who are employed in a yard where there is less work. The men, it is said, are fully satisfied with their present wages and conditions. The Grand Trunk men get 23 cents an hour for a day of ten hours. This was the rate agreed upon between them and the railroad some time ago and the agreement will be in force for many months. No trouble is anticipated when the time comes for renewing the agreement.

UMBRELLA WAS BURNED IN ITS OWNERS HANDS

A "Sassy" Foe on a Shower Stick on Richmond Street at Noon.

An umbrella is a fine instrument to ward off a shower or stave off freckles, but it is not a success at fire-fighting.

This was demonstrated this morning on Richmond street in front of Mills' book store. A gentleman was standing there with an umbrella, looking into the window. He noticed a lot of smoke near him, and looked around for the blaze. Feeling his hand getting warm, he looked at the umbrella, and discovered a cute little blaze in its interior. The stranger, made frantic efforts to open the machine up, and when he succeeded in doing so all he had left was the handle and the frame. The rest was burned to a nice little bunch of ashes.

It is supposed that somebody dropped a cigarette in the midst of the shower-stick.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS HOLDING NOMINATIONS

Contest for the Presidency Is Likely—Nominations for Treasurer.

Nominations for the offices of the Western Ontario Commercial Travellers' Association will be held this afternoon, and it is likely that there will be a contest for the presidency.

Mr. R. I. Davis is first vice-president of the association, and will be a candidate for the office of president. Mr John M. Dillon, a past president, has been approached, and may be a candidate. It was stated that in all probability some person else would run. Ald. Donald Ferguson is second vice-president, and will be made first vice-president.

Mr. Alf Robinson will be retained as secretary, and nominations will be made for treasurer.

LATE LOCAL ITEMS

Checks Forwarded.

Mr. W. T. Mullins, the secretary of the Mooney Gibson reception committee, according to the agreement of the committee regarding the disposal of the surplus funds gathered for that event, on Thursday sent a check of $13 62 to the Protestant Orphans' Home, and a similar check to the Mount Hope Orphanage.

A Narrow Escape.

Richard Georgeson, of 651 Marshall street, had a very narrow escape from at least serious injury yesterday afternoon at Glennies' chicle factory on Rectory street, near the Grand Trunk, when his smock was caught in the elevator gearing and torn off him.

He was somewhat bruised but luckily his injuries amounted to but a few bruises.

Georgeson was working at the elevator at about 5:30 when his sleeve was caught in the shafting. He was pulled up against the machinery, but the wheels clogged with the clothing and stopped.

He was quickly released by a number of other workmen and sent to his home.

A Bazaar.

The bazaar to be held at the residence of Mr. G. C. Gibbons, 257 Dufferin avenue, next Wednesday afternoon and evening, Dec. 8, should attract general interest and raw a very large patronage. This undertaking originated entirely with Miss Gibbons, and is the outcome of her sympathy with the good work of the Children's Aid Society, and her desire to relieve its present great need of funds, she has kindly tendered to the board of management of this most worthy charity the total proceeds of her enterprise. Her generous offer has, of course, been most gratefully accepted, and while all the plans of the bazaar and their development rest entirely with Miss Gibbons, she has asked the co-operation of the ladies of the house committee of the shelter home, and they are most willingly giving any assistance within their power in helping to make it a splendid success.

Mrs. Orrin Thomas and Miss J. Foster, of Brandon, Man., have arrived home, owing to the illness of their father.

Alaska has three times the placer area California had. California has produced in 59 years $1,400,000 in gold, and Alaska will produce three times as much when properly developed.

EAST LONDON

MULTI-MILLIONAIRE IS ON VISIT TO LONDON

Mr. H. Rowley, of Sen Sen Fame. Inspects Somerville Factory in East London.

Mr. H. Rowley, of New York, president of the Sen-Sen Chicle Company of the United States, into whose control the Somerville firm has passed, is paying a visit to the city and is a guest of Mr. C. R. Somerville. He is accompanied by his wife.

Yesterday and today he paid visits to the Somerville factory, and was delighted with the arrangements there. Everything was found in perfect condition. No changes are mooted for the present, but it is possible that the factory may be considerably enlarged in the spring.

"He is paying a visit to me," said Mr. C. R. Somerville. "He has made a close inspection of the plant, and found everything most satisfactory. This is his first visit to London in 15 or 20 years, and, of course, he notes many changes."

Mr. Rowley is one of the recognized big financiers of the United States, and heads the merger that practically controls the gum trade of the continent.

DEATH OF MRS. RICHARDS

Well-Known Lady of the East End Has Passed Away.

The death took place yesterday of Mary Hargraves, beloved wife of Obadiah Richards, at her late residence, No. 354 Glebe street.

The late Mrs. Richards had been ill for the last six months, and bore her long illness with Christian fortitude. She was greatly beloved by a wide circle of friends, and was an old resident of Queen's avenue, East London. She leaves, besides her husband, two daughters, Mrs. W. Spence, of this city, and Mrs. Frank Whittaker, of Windsor; two sons, Alexander, of Edmonton, and Frederick, of Boston. Her sister, Mrs. Wm. Chapman, resides in this city, and one brother, George Hargraves, in Jersey City. The funeral was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

FIRE DID NO DAMAGE.

The firemen were called to Hayes' grocery on the corner of Adelaide and Elias streets at 1:325 yesterday, where a large pot of tar had boiled over and set fire to a pile of packing cases in the yard. The blaze threatened to cause serious trouble, but was extinguished with sand.

YOUNG CANADIAN CLUB.

The members of the Young Canadian Club of the King Street Presbyterian Church were entertained at the manse 78 Queen's avenue, Thursday by Rev. James Rollins, the pastor, and Mrs. Rollins. A splendid musical programme was given, and a pleasant time spent.

CHARGE OF ASSAULT.

A young boy whose parents reside in Chelsea Green will appear before Squire Chittick this afternoon, charged with assaulting another little boy 7 years of age.

VERY LITTLE ILLNESS.

According to one of the principals of an East End school this year the attendance has been affected less through illness than in any other period in the last five year.

He claims that there is very little scarlet or typhoid fever and diphtheria has caused practically no loss of time.

The schools will close for the Christmas holidays on Dec. 22, and the entertainments will probably be held the day previous.

MOTHERS' CLUB MEETING.

The Mothers' Club of Chelsea Green met last Thursday in the schoolroom, the president, Mrs. Sellery, presiding. Papers on "The Christmas Thought" and "Christmas in Other Lands" were given by Miss Sheils and Miss Porteous, followed by a short interesting discussion. The next meeting will be held the first Thursday in the New Year, when Mr. McRoberts, principal of Aberdeen school, will give an address on "Parliamentary Procedure."

FIRST ANNIVERSARY AT KNOLLWOOD PARK CHURCH.

The Knollwood Park Presbyterian Church was opened just one year ago today, and the anniversary services will be held tomorrow. Rev. Thomas H. Mitchell, of New St. James', will preach at 11 a.m., and the pastor, Rev. P. E. Nichol, at 7 p.m. Miss Irene Straitch and other soloists are to take part.

New drive-sheds have been erected, and will be found a great convenience to many. Special collections are asked for to pay for recent improvements. On Monday evening Mr. Nichol will give his splendid illustrated lecture, with Tissot's views on "The Life of Christ."

CHELSEA GREEN CASE.

The case of the young boy whose parents reside in Chelsea Green, who is charged with terrorizing another little boy two years his junior, opened before Squire Chittick this afternoon at 2:30. No decision had been reached in the case at the time of going to press.

LATE MRS. RICHARDS.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Richards, who died Friday at her late residence, 354 Glebe street, was held this afternoon to Woodland Cemetery, Rev. Dyson Hague, of Memorial Church, conducting the service.

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A Rectory street grocer has complained to the police that two young men, well known in the East End, stole a box of fish, and later made themselves a nuisance