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Toronto Stock Market.

Toronto, D	TORONTO, Dec. 30.		
Ask.	Off.		
Montreal	235		
Ontario100}	99		
Toronto 234	2-84		
Merchants	176		
Commerce	1348		
Imperial190	1895		
Dominion 251	218		
Standard	172		
Hamilton173	170		
British America 1294	129		
Western Assurance	169}		
Consumers' Gas	212		
Montreal Gas 1894	1884		
Dominion Telegraph	130		
Montreal Telegraph			
Morthwest Lang Company, pref 54	51		
Canada Pacific Railway Stock 81#	811		
Commercial Cable Company 1781	1781		
Com. Coupon Bonds105	1048		
Commercial Registered Bonds105	1045		
Postal Telegraph Company			
Bell Telephone Company	174		
kichelieu & Ontario108	107		
Montreal Street Railway 236;	235*		
Toronte Street Railway 872	878		
Dominion Savings and Invest 78	744		
Farmers' Loan and Savings			
Farmers L. and S. 20 per cent			
Huron and Erie L. and S	1644		
Huron and Erie. 20 per cent	152		
London and Canada, L. & A 80			
London Loan	102		
London and Outario 90	a		
Ontario Loan and Debenture	120		
SALES-1 p.mWestern Assurance	e. 15 at		
1091; Canadian Pacific Ry., 25, 25 at 81	: Com-		
mercial Cable, 25 at 178; Toronto R	v 50 at		
871. 11:30 a.mToronto Ry., 50 at 87			
973			

Montreal Stock Market.

MONTREAL, Dec. 30		
Ask.	Off. I	
Canadian Pacific 81	814	
Duluth. common 31	3	
Duluth, preferred 63	6 !	
Commercial Cable, xd	178	
Commercial Cable Coupon Bonds 106	104	
	104	
Montreal Telegraph	179	
Richelieu and Untario	1071	
Montreal Street Railway 2:61	236	
	2331	
Toronto Railway, xd 88	874	
Montreal Gas Company	189	
Bell Telephone	174	
Royal Klectric, xd	141	
Bank of Montreal	236	
Ontario Bank	99	
Molsons Bank	104	
Bank of Toronto	2281	
Merchants Bank	176	
Merchants Bank of Halifax	120	
Quebec Bank	120	
Union Bank	!	
Bank of Commerce	134	
Northwest Land pref	50	
Montreal Cotton Company, xd140	138	
Canada Colored Cotton 75	58	
Dominion Cotton 971	944	
SALES-Canadian Pacific, 75 at 814; Ric.	h. &	
Ont 25 at 1078 Toronto Railway 510 at	. 88. 1	
100 at 874: Mont. Gas Co., 350 at 1884, 100 at	189.	
100 at 874; Mont. Gas Co., 350 at 1884, 100 at 285 at 189, 59 at 1894; Bell Telephone, 6 at	175:	
Bank of Montreal, 22 at 237; Bank of Toro	nto.	
at 229; Dominion Cotton, 25 at 95.		

COMMERCIAL.

Toronto Produce Market. Toronto, Dec. 30 .- Wheat-There is

more offering and the market is firmer, the export demand having somewhat revived. The western market today was weak, however, and that will probably prevent any immediate advance in prices. Red winter wheat is quoted west at 83c. Manitoba wheat is rather firmer at \$1 04 for No. 1 hard, grinding in in transit, and 971/2c to 98c Sarnia and Midland elevator. Flour-In fair demand only and steady at \$3 90 for straight roller west. Millfeed-Steady, at \$10 to \$11 for shorts and \$7 50 to \$8 for bran west. Barley -Unchanged, at 32c to 33c for No. 2, 27c to 28c for No. 2 extra, and 25c to 26c for feed outside. Buckwheat— Bteady at 32c east. Rye—Steady, at 44½c to 50c west. Oats—Firm, with sales of mixed at 24c and white 25c west. Peas-Firmer, and sold west at 6c. Baled hay, \$8 to \$9 for cars on the track here, and \$5 for straw. Eggs -New laid scarce and wanted; they are quoted at 17c to 18c, held fresh, cold storage, 14c to 15c, and limed at 131/2c to 14c. Butter-Coming in more freely, and the demand is good and prices steady at 131/2c to 14c for good large rolls, and 15c to 16c for choice dairy tubs.

Montreal Produce Market.

Montreal, Dec. 30.-Grain in store: Grade 2 oats, 27c; peas, 51c; rye, 52c; buckwheat, 351/2c; feed barley 34c to 35c; malting barley, 45c to 50c; red winter wheat, 90c; white do, 89c; flour, bakers', \$4 50 to \$5; spring wheat patents, \$5 40; winter do, \$4 75 to \$5; straight roller, \$4 35. Feed-Ontario bran, \$10 50; shorts, \$11; Manitoba bran, \$10 50; shorts, \$11 50, bagged. Provisions: Canadian pork, per bbl., \$15 to \$16; ham, 11c to 13c; bacon, 10c to 12c; lard, pure, 7c to 71/2c; compressed, 5c to 54c. Produce: Eggs-Demand good; new laid, 22c choice candled, 18c to 19c; Montreal limed, 14c to 15c; western, 12½c to 13c. Poultry -Turkeys, 9c to 91/2c; chickens, 6c to 7c; ducks, 6c to 8½c; geese, 5c to 7c. Market firm and steady. Beans-80c for primes; choice hand-picked, 90c. Honey-Quiet; white, 121/2c; colored, 10c; dark, 7c to 8c. Potatoes-50c to 60c per bag.

Unicago Exchange. Following are the fluctuations on the Chicago

Board of Trade Broker, Masonie				
		CHICAGO, Dec. 30.		
	Open.	High.	1.0W.	Clove.
Wheat-Dec	96	96	941	911
May	924-3	93	91+	921
July	831	831	83	834
Gorn- Dec	271	271	27	27
May	291	29%	294	299
July	304	31	30}	304
Date-Dec	221	227	224	221
May	231	231	231	234
Pork-Dec	8 75	8 75	8 75	8 75
Jan	8 77	8 82	8 75	8 75
May	9 00	9 02	8 95	8 97
Lard-Dec	4 55	5 55	4 55	4 55
Jan	4 62	4 65	4 60	4 62
May	4 77	4 8 1	4 75	4 77
Mbs-Dec	4 40	4 00	4 40	4 40

American Markets.

BUFFALO, N. Y.. Dec. 30.—Flour, quiet. Wheat, No. 1 hard, \$1 004; No. 1 northern. Site. Winter whet, No. 2 red, 95c; No. 1 white, 95c. Core, No. 2 yellow, 32ic; No. 3 yellow, 32 c; No. 4 yellow, 31ic; No. 2 corn, 32ic white. 274c.

DETROIT, Dec. 30.—Wheat, No. 1 white, cash, 914c; No. 2 red cash, 914c; Dec., 914c;

May, 944c. May, 921c. TOLKIPO, Dec. 30.—Wheat, c sh, and Dec.

May 291c. Oats—Cash, 281c. Dec., 281c. May 291c. Oats—Cash, 23c. MIL. AUKEL, Dec. 30.—Wheat, cash, 87c;

May. 92c.

NEW YORK. Dec. 30. — Flour — Receipts 3,558 bbls. sales, 2,700 packages: dull and lower to sell. Hye flour—Dull Wheat—Reseipts, 135 050 bu: sales, 1,10,000 bu options paned easy and broke sharply under liq idation, after which it rained on covering, lan., 931 to 9.4: May, 934c to 93 15-16: Dec., 1 004 to 31 01. Rye—Qui t. No. 2 western, 495c, i. f. Buffalo. Corn—Receipts 30,225: sales, 1,5000; options opened steady, but eased off with wheat: May 345c to 35c. Oats—Receipts, 135,400; options quiet. Butter—Receipts, 135,400; options quiet. Butter—Receipts, 135,400; options quiet. Butter—Receipts, 3,500 packages: firm: state dairy, lackages; firm: state dairy, lackages; steadier: likkims, 2c to 35c. Eggs, receipts, 7,398 which had been blown down by the storm.

Wheat — Spot, No. 2 red western winter, no stock: spot No. 1 red northern spring, quiet, 7s 94d.

no stock: spot No. 1 red northern spring, quiet, 7s 94d.

Corn-Spot American mixed, steady, 3s 22d: Futures steady: Dec., steady, 3s 22d: Jan., steady, 3s 22d: Feb., steady, 3s 24d.

Figur-St. Lou stancy winter steady, 10s.

Beef-Firm. extra India mess, 66s 3d; prime mess, firm, 56s 3d.

Pork - Prime mess, fine western, firm. 48s 9d; do. medium, western firm, 46s 3d.

Hams-Short aut 14 to 16 lbs, firm, 34s.

Bacor-Cumberland cut, 25 to 10 ps., easy, 20s 6d; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs, easy, 32s; long clear middles, light, 35 to 38 lbs, dull, 29s; long clear middles, heavy 40 to 45 lbs, dull, 25s; short clear biddles, heavy 40 to 45 lbs, dull, 20s; short clear biddles, heavy, 45 to 50 lbs, no stocks; clear bellies, 12 to 14 lbs, dull, 40s; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs., steady, 30s Shoulders-Square 12 to 14 lbs., firm, 28s 6d.

Lard-Prime western, steady, 24s.

Butter-Finest American, 92s; good, 60s.

Rosin-Common, steady, 48 ldd.

Cheese-American finest white, steady, 42s 6d; colored, steady, 42s 6d.

colored, steady, 42s 6d.
Tallow - l'rime city, steady, 18s 6d.
Cottonseed oil - Liverpool refined, steady; 14s

Turpentine spirits-Steady, 24s.

H. D. At London (Pacific coast), firm, &4
15s to &5 5s.

live Stock Markets CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Hogs—Receipts, 35,000; left over, 1,542; active and steady; light, \$3 30 to \$3 50; mixed, \$3 35 to \$3 52½; heavy, \$3 25 to \$3 52½; rough, \$3 25 to \$3 30. Cattle—Receipts, 7,500; strong to 10c higher; beeves, \$3 80 to \$5 35; cows and heifers, \$1 90 to \$4 50; Texas steers, \$3 25 to \$4 25; stockers and feeders, \$3 25 to \$4 25. Sheep-Receipts, 13,000; steady.

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Now It's Denied

That the French Have Gobbled Hai Nan Island.

The Storm on Britain's Coast Continues - Turkey Trying to Place

More Troops in Crete. TURKISH "CHEEK." Constantinople, Dec. 30.-The repre-

sentatives of the powers have refused to permit the Turkish government to replace 4,500 time-expired troops on the Island of Crete. THE STORM ON THE BRITISH

COASTS. London, Dec. 30 .- The gales continue about the British coasts, and the anchorages are full of vessels which have sought shelter. The channel service between Dover and Calais and Folkestone and Boulogne-Sur-Mer was sus-

pended this morning. STORY OF THE FRENCH GRAB DENIED. Paris, Dec. 30.-The officials of the French ministry of marine regard the report of the occupation of the Island of Hai Nan, off the south coast of China, by the French fleet in those

waters, as an invention. During the day a semi-official contradictiton was issued to the report that the French flag had been hoisted over the Island of Hai Nan.

ST. ANDREW'S CHEER.

The Deserving Poor Made Happy-The Annual Distribution.

The relief committee of St. Andrew's Society were busy this afternoon distributing Christmas cheer from the store of Messrs. T. A. Rowat & Co.,

Between three and four hundred families were given baskets of provisions, valued at \$1 30 each. The total amount distributed was 2,000 pounds of meat, 500 pounds of sugar, 200 pounds of tea, 500 pounds of flour, currants, raisins, and two barrels of oatmeal. The committee comprised Messrs. A. Tytler (chairman), J. Shand, D. Fraser, ex-Mayor Taylor, R. Henderson, J. Milne, D. Donaldson and J. W. Jones.

HUGH McKAY'S WILL.

Leaves His Entire Property, \$86,000 to

Mr. James Magee, Q.C., of Magee, McKillop, Murphy & Mackenzie, this morning filed an application with Mr. John Macbeth, clerk of the surrogate court, on behalf of the Lendon and Western Trust Company, who are executors under the will of the late Hugh McKay, cigar manufacturer, who died last summer, for the probate of the will. The whole of the estate is left to the widow and children of deceased, and the amount bequeathed is sworn to be \$65,949 60 in Ontario, besides \$20,000 interest in an estate in the United States.

Steamsh.p Arrivais.

Dec. 29	At	From
New Yo k	Sou hampton	New York
Noordland	Antwerp	New York
	Lo. don	
	Liverpool	
	Liverpool	
Mississ.ppi	New York	London
Dec 30.	At	From
	New York	
	Bremen	
	London	
Cunc	Liver ool	New York

At the preliminary hearing of the before Magistrate Wingfield, Hurlburt lands for arrears of taxes. Forty-nine

proves him to be a man of extremely nervous, unstable and excitable disposition. No man thoroughly trained in the amenities of public life would for a moment so far forget himself as to community as "niggers." Being subjected to the severest condemnation by the cuse, however, is a weak one. It was the language of the heart, and the tongue let it slip! It is in part the penalty of inexperience. If Dr. Wilson had served the city as Ald. Parnell has done for years, he would have been more choice in his language.

Just think how the city would be humiliated if Dr. Wilson were to be elected mayor, and the Governor-Genilar bad break by the inexperienced and excitable civic head!

Topics of Today.

Sir Henri Joly can be Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec if he chooses.

minion insolvency law.

Archbishop Bruchesi, of Montreal, is back in Montreal from Rome. He declined to discuss his holiness' pro- fulness of the motorman. nouncement on the school question.

It isn't absolutely necessary to wait until Saturday before "swearing off" bad habits. You can do it now and or anything in the way of drugs, call be ready to do it again by that time.

gues that there is more evidence that tor of Zion Methodist Church, per-Dr. R. M. Bucke, of this city, wrote

has imposed a fine for under-valuation returning they will reside at St. George, upon the contractors who supplied Ot- IN NO. 3 WARD. gine. The engine was entered for cus- last night in No. 3 ward remarked t'ms at \$3,570, and sold to the city for of his stewardship on No. 2 commit-\$4,200. The Customs Department has tee; that Ald. Stevely explained thor-

LATEST WEATHER FORECAST. Toronto, Dec. 30.-11 a.m.-Probabilities for the lower lakes region for the next 24 hours: Fair and comparatively

mild today, turning cold tonight.

Around the City

-Miss J. Waugh, of Glanworth, is holidaying with Mrs. W. R. McKay, 131

-Mr. Chas. Currie, manager of the Lima, Ohio, street railway company, is spending the holidays in the city. -Miss Lizzie Gourlay, of Mount Clemens, Mich., has been visiting for a few days with Mrs. Alf. Robinson, Dufferin avenue.

-Sergt. Judges and Sergt. Hyman, of the London Field Battery, leave on Monday for a course at Kingston School of Gunnery. -Two children of Mr. Robert G. Bowie, Gunn street, West London, have been taken to the hospital, suf-

fering from diphtheria. -The Y. M. C. A. Juniors held another gymnasium contest yesterday afternoon, the result of which will be given in tomorrow's issue.

-Manager Carr, of the street railway, is in receipt of a handsome chromo calendar from the St. Louis Car Company. It is a superb work of -Mr. Alf. Gammon, of Hamilton, was

in the city yesterday to act as groomsman at the wedding of Mr. H. S. Horwood, night clerk at the Tecumseh House.

-Miss Sarah Mickle, of Wallaceburg, is spending a few days with Mrs. W. R. McKay, 131 William street, on her way to visit friends at Toronto and -Mr. and Mrs. E. Winnett, Adelaide street north, are entertaining

their nephews, Messrs. David and Edward Updike, sens of D. S. Updike, attorney-at-law, New York. -At the police court this morning Fred Wilson was charged with driving an unlicensed delivery wagon. Judgment was suspended, and the owner of the wagon will be summoned.

-The late Dr. Gardiner sent to Great Britain some time ago for information on sewerage matters. The replies arrived after his death, and were today handed to the mayor by

-The market this morning was only an average one, and most of the poultry offered was left over from the Christmas trade. The mild weather did not in any way affect the prices, which were as high as a week ago. city, was the groomsman at the wedding trust expressed no opinion whatever. of Dr. G. W. Johnston, of the Provincial University, to Miss Mary Coyne, of Brampton, in that town, yesterday.

Dr. Wilson, one of the mayoralty candidates, referred to the colored citizens as "niggers." The Free Press attempts to let its candidate down by saying that he really meant to use the term

-During the current year 1,360 cases Parke, including 40 juvenile offenders. This is an increase of 183 cases over 1896, when 1,177 cases were tried, including 52 juvenile offenders. The number of juvenile offenders shows a decrease of 12 during the year.

-County Treasurer McEvoy lots were offered and 37 sold. The principal purchasers were D. McAl-

stand he has taken on important edu-

-Raw strong, fair refining, 3ic; centrifugal.

Stest, 4ic; refined, strong. Hops—firm. Lead
-Strong; unchanged.

English Markets.

The bad break which Dr. Wilson made

The bad break which Dr. Wilson made at the meeting in No. 3 ward last night years. "Whatever else fails," said one

> -Rev. George McKay, Kincardine, has been in the city this week, accompanied by his two sons, en route for Embro, the old homestead. Mr. Mcspeak of a respectable section of the Kay's father was a pioneer of this district.so famous for its stalwart "Macs. having come to Oxford county 67 years ago. The house he built still stands, large majority of the audience. Dr. and has a McKay for an occupant, and Wilson, of course, apologized. His ex- | the old clock still ticks in the hallway.

-Beginning on New Year's Day, the street railway company will inaugurate a new departure on the system. One hundred dollars will be set aside as prize money for the employes. The first prize will be \$25, the second \$15, third \$10, and so on. These prizes will be given to the men who make the best record for neat appearance. the least number of accidents, collect the greatest number of fares, and have the least number of complaints.

-Mr. Samuel Munroe entertained the eral, or some other dignitary were to employes of John Marshall & Co., last come here, and be subjected to a sim- night. They took advantage of the occasion to present to Mr. J. L. Heath, who is leaving the firm, a handsome gold watch, chain and locket. Mr. Walter Simson made an aldress complimentary to Mr. Heath, which expressed the sentiments of all. freshments, speech and song combined

to make a very pleasant evening. -While Mr. and Mrs. Bowers, of Lon-The Toronto Mail and Empire comes don township, were driving north on out strongly for the passage of a Do- Richmond street, their horse took fright at an approaching trolley when in front of Loveless' grocery store. The The Toronto city council last night animal jumped in front of the trolley, passed a resolution expressing appreciation of the sojourn of Lord and Lady from the sleigh, and continued up Richmond street for a short distance, when it was caught. The damage to the vehicle was slight, and Mr. and Mrs. Bowers escaped uninjured through the care-

-A very quiet wedding took place yesterday at the beautiful residence of Mr. Thomas Ryan Preston, the contracting parties being his daughter, Miss Jennie, and Mr. Charles G. Routledge, G. T. R. operator, Dumfries, son of Mr. John Routledge, Wortley A writer in the Toronto News ar- road, city. Rev. Mr. Terryberry, pasbridesmaid or groomsman, and only Walt Whitman's poems than there is immediate relatives and friends of the that Bacon wrote Shakespeare's plays. contracting parties were present. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Routledge left on a honeymoon trip to The Dominion Customs Department ledge left on a honeymoon trip to Toronto, Hamilton and London. On

tawa recently with a Lafrance fire en- | An elector who attended the meeting that Ald. Carrothers gave an account committee, of which he was a member, but confined himself to personal

REUNION. A social reunion under the auspices of the King's Daughters and Sons of Hill Street Methodist Church was held on Tuesday evening, Mrs. R. Winnett, president, occupying the chair and performing the duties in a very able and pleasing manner. After the usual opening exercises the following programme was gone through with: Reading, Miss M. Tagg; duet, Miss B. Harpln and Mr. Stephenson; solo, Mrs. McCrimmon; address, Rev. H. J. Uren. Mrs. J. H. Brooks and Mrs. Cake were then called on, and on coming forward, made a presentation to the president, Mrs. Winnett, on behalf of the circle, of a very handsome genuine sable muff. The recipient, though taken completely by surprise, made a very happy reply. Refreshments were then served, after which a quartet by Messrs. Stevenson and Winnett and Miss B. Harpin and Mrs. McCrimmon was given, followed by a duet by the Misses Tagg, both of which were highly appreciated. Miss Minnie Piercy presided at the organ. A very pleasant evening was brought to a close by Rev. H. J. Uren pronouncing the benediction.

Misrepresented!

Another of Dr. Wilson's-Extravagances Nailed-A Bogus Charge Against Mayor Little.

At last night's meeting in No. 3 ward Dr. John D. Wilson accused Mayor Little of sending around a circular asking the doctors of the city to agree to purchase Hellmuth College for hos-

The statement is utterly false. What are the facts? The hospital trust were asked by influential persons to consider the merits of the college building as a hospital. The structure was examined and reported upon by architects. Circulars were then sent to the doctors embodying the architects' rereport and a list of question to be answered by the medical men. The replies showed that a majority of the physicians were opposed to the college as a hospital. Thereupon the trust immediately dropped the matter.

The circular was not sent out by Mayor Little, as Dr. Wilson says. The

hospital trust issued it. The circular did not urge that Hellmuth College be purchased, as Dr. Wilson affirmed. It merely asked the -Dr. James W. Tupper, professor of judgment of the doctors on the suit-English in the Western University, ability of the college building. The

At No. 3 ward meeting last night, Burned to the Ground.

Summer Pavilion at Springbank Destroyed.

have been heard by Police Magistrate | The City Loses the Building and the Lessees the Contents - Flames Spread Quickly,

morning held the annual sale of county Messrs. Bradford & Hodgins, of this families.-[Hamilton Spectator. city, and in less than an hour the many friends of Mr. Gillesple in this building was burned to the ground. The city will extend sincerest congratuapine, T. Tambling, John Thornicroft, D. S. McDonald, Henry Macklin, W. Scarrow and W. J. Saunby.

engineer on duty at the pump house was the first to notice the blaze, which seemed to have originated in the west seemed to have originated in the west -The many friends of Mr. E. W. end of the second story, occupied dur-Boyle, candidate for school trustee in ing the summer months as an ice cream the fifth ward, are pleased at the parlor. As there is no hose at the park, he was unable to do anything cational questions. His outspoken appreciation of the commercial form of the Collegiate Institute is much liked.

—The drivers of the Canadian and



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COWAN'S CASH HARDWARE Dundas St

the attention of many citizens. Springbank hill glistened in the bright glare, and a dull crimson glow was spread over the sky. It was a beautiful, though costly, sight. Manager Carr, when notified, had a car taken off the regular service, and it reached the scene of the fire about 8:40, with Commissioners Cowan and Judd, Engineer Moore, Chief Roe, two firemen, and a quantity of hose. A line of hose was laid, but it was too late to be of effect on the building, so the attention of the firemen was turned to the platform and cribwork beneath the hotel, and the The origin of the fire is unknown.
Mr. Walter Bradford visited the building during the afternoon and building the afternoon and b

apparently secure. It is not probable that electricity was the cause, as the power on that line is cut off at 6:30. The building was valued at \$3,500, and the loss falls on the city. It was insured for \$1,200, and contained about \$200 worth of benches used in the park in the summer. The lessees also had chattels and goods in the building valued at \$500, which were destroyed. Their loss was partly covered by insurance. The street railway company lost the wiring and electric light fix-

tures in the building. The old building was formerly St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church of this city, and was moved to its later site by the late Charles Coombs, who owned a mill where the pump house now stands. Mr. Coombs used it as a storehouse for a while, but when the city purchased his property the building was converted into a summer ho-

Connubial Quintet.

Several Young Londoners Feel and the woodwork around the chimney Cupid's Shafts.

exacted a penalty of double the duty oughly the work of No. 3 committee, to which he belonged, but that Ald. on the amount of under-valuation, or Winnett made no reference to No. 1

Three London Ladies Wed Strangers (Church. Besides her father and mother, she leaves one sister, Mrs. Emerson and Two Citizens Woo and Win Brides Elsewhere.

> Christmas week has marked the happy union of several Londoners in matrimonial bonds. Three young London ladies were wedded to residents of other cities yesterday, and earier in the week the grooms in similar happy events-one at Hamilton and one at

Glencoe-were Londoners. MORGAN-WHITHOUSE.

At 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon Miss Ada Whithouse was married to Dr. J. H. Morgan, formerly of Kerwood, but now of New York city, at her cousin's residence on Bathurst street. The bride, in a beautiful wedding gown, was supported by her cousin, Miss Maude McCoubrey, while Dr. J. A. Tanner, M.A., a former college companion, assisted the groom. The ceremony was performed by the bride's uncle, Rev. A. E. Ames, of Woodstock. The happy couple, after breakfasting, left on the 4:20 train via Niagara Falls for their new home in New York, accompanied by the best wishes of their friends. The large number of handsome and valuable presents amply testified as to the esteem and popularity

of the bride and groom. WISMER-SCOTT. A similar event took place at the same hour at the residence of Mr. Thos.

Scott, 91 Bruce street, South London, when Miss Jennie, his eldest daughter, was wedded to Mr. Hilliard Wismer, of Niagara Falls, son of Mr. Henry Wismer. The interesting ceremony was performed by Rev. J. G. Stuart, of Knox Church, in the presence of about 30 relatives and friends of the contracting parties. Though quiet, it was an exceedingly pretty wedding, and the young people were showered with presents. Miss Aggie Scott, sister of the bride, assisted as bridesmaid, while Mr. Fred Gidley supported the groom as best man. The bride was prettily attired in a traveling costume of covert cloth, and the bridesmaid was also becomingly gowned. After the ceremony an inviting wedding breakfast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Wismer left on the 4:25 express for their new home in Niagara Falls, amid the heartiest good wishes of their friends for future happiness and continued prosperity.

BLACKBURN-MARSHALL Later in the day, at the residence of the bride's father, 31 Craig street, Miss Alberta R. Marshall, eldest daughter of Mr. H. F. Marshall, was wedded to Mr. Leonard A. Blackburn, of North Branch, Mich. Rev. Richard Hobbs officiated. The bride was beautifully attired in white brocade satin. Her sister Stella was the bridesmaid, and wore a heliotrope surah silk. Miss Underhill was maid of honor, and was attired in a dress of pink brocade satin. Mr. Fred C. Bellard, of North Branch, Mich., officiated as best man. The wedding was a very pretty one, and was attended by many friends of the family, among the number being the grandfather of the bride, Major Marshall, of Harley. A sumptuous dinner was subsequently partaken of by the company, after which the young couple left on the 8 p.m. train for Detroit, Saginaw and North Branch, amidst the best wishes of hosts of friends and admirers.

GILLESPIE-ALEXANDER. At the residence of A. Alexander, 182 Wentworth street south, last Monday, were married his third daughter, Kate, and George Hamilton Gillespie, jun., of London. Rev. John Morton officiated. Miss Alexander, sister of the bride, Shortly before eight o'clock last eve- was bridesmaid, and William Gillespie. ning, fire broke out in the pavilion at of Princeton University, brother of the groom, was best man. The marriage Springbank, which had been leased to took place in the presence of the two city will extend sincerest congratula-

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wedded couple on their return to

to London.

SCOPES-MARSHALL. The marriage of Miss Mary E. Marshall, of Glencoe, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Marshall, and Mr. Frederick R. Scopes, of London, was celebrated on Thursday evening at the home of the bride, Rev. Mr. McKenzie, of London, officiating. The bride was attended by her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. Marshall, the groom by Mr. W. Marshall, of Glencoe.

In Southwold.

Mr. John Bole's Residence in

Ruins.

Sad Fate of His Daughter Etta - Apparently Suffocated in Trying to Extinguish the Flames,

[G. N. W. Special to The Advertiser.] Southwold, Ont., Dec. 30.-Fire broke out in the farm house of Mr. John Bole about 5 o'clock this morning, in which the place was totally destroyed, and his

daughter Etta lost her life. Mr. Bole awakened to find the house on fire. He immediately called his daughter, who slept upstairs, and started for her room, only to find her lying dead and slightly burned on the floor beside her bed. She apparently had been suffocated while trying to extinguish the flames. Strange to say, the bed, which she had just left, had not yet caught fire, although the floor were burning. How the fire originated

is a mystery.
Miss Bole was about 23 years of age, and an earnest worker in the Methodist

Dawdy, of this place. Nearly all the contents of the house were saved, together with the adjoining buildings. Insured in the Southwold

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