The Planet

BAILY AND WEEKLY

THE DEADLY LYDDITE.

Lyddite, the high explosive with which the English are doing such fearful execution in South Africa, was discovered purely by accident. Lyddite is, in fact, nothing but pieric acid in a solidified state. Picric acid was first made in 1771 and was for more than a century used to dye without its explosive qualities being even suspected. It has an intensely bitter taste and was used for that reason in the adulteration of beer. The fact of its long use without an accident illustrates what is to-day one of the most valued properties of the new explosive. If lyddite be heated gently, for instance, it may be poured from one vessel to another with perfect safety. . If heated over an intensely hot fire it chars with a slight fizzle. If pounded on an anyil there is no explosion. Lyddite may therefore be handled and transported without fear of accidents. It is only when a "detonator" is exploded in con tact with it that the explosive force of lyddite is liberated. A detonator is sensitive body which explodes with great violence, and in practice it is not placed in the lyddite shell until the gun is about to be fired. In making lyddite carbolic acid and sulphuric acid are mixed in equal proportions and the temperature raised to the boiling point, when nitric acid is allowed to flow into the mixture. The yellow crystals which form in the bottom of the vessel after cooling are pure picric acid. When it is desired to make lyddite shells the picric acid crystals are melted and the semi-fluid mass poured into empty shells.

AN EXPOSURE OF PREMIER ROSS COURSE TOWARDS THE MACHINE

about the appointment of a commis

sion to investigate the West Elgin frauds, no commission has yet been appointed. Mr. Ross evidently want to get the bye-elections over before th exposures come. As a matter of faccriminal detectives and not govern ment commissioners were the one case. But, all through, every move has been calculated with the view, apparently, of aiding the driminals to When private individuals took action on their own account, the accused parties were released on stray They are now missing. The whole proceeding has been a scandalous one, and only shows on the part of the powers that be a desire to defeat the ends of justice. If the commission were in tended to be of any service at all the facts it could have brought out should have been in possession of the people before the bye-election. This the Ross government took very good care to prevent by not appointing any con missioners. Speaking of Premier

ronto Weekly Sun says: The present (Dominion) Government took office less than a month after the Manitoba election frauds, with which Mr. Ross classes those of West Elgin, were committeed. But they is sued no royal commission. They tool a far more effective course. Sir Oliver Mowat was no sooner sworn in as min ister of justice than he took the Mantoba cases in hand. In conjunction with the Manitoba government he caused detectives to be set at work on the charges, He caused many of the perpetrators of the frauds to be arrested. He had them indicted and brought to trial. No expense was spared to punish them, and to vindi-

Ross's course in this matter the To

cate the law .. Instead of seeking to justify himself by comparisons with the late Conservative government, Mr. Ross would have been in a stronger position if, in the West Elgin case, he had followed the example set by Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his colleagues. There was no occasion to wait until the election petition was disposed of, or until the judges had made their report. Every ballot manipulator could, as Mr. Justice Osler pointed out in his judgment in the North Waterloo case, have been pro- Er dimply cheek wiv a smile is ceeded against under the Dominion criminal code, If this course had been taken, the worst offenders, instead of being at large, might now have been undergoing terms of imprisonment. It is not too late to take this course now, instead of appointing a royal commission, or relying on the cumberous machinery of the Ontario election act.

"Beware the French-Canadian horde Who'd rob thee of thy due award, "On-tay-ree-oh! On-tay-ree-oh!" -Old Liberal Battle Song.

The Toronto Star, Liberal, is authority for the statement that a timber limit which brought the province only \$70,000 was resold for \$300,000. Why cannot the Ontario government, we would like to know, sell these limits to as good advantage as private speculators in them? Looking at the disparity of these figures gives us the idea that we can now guess where the money which oils the machine comes from.

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Things are looking blue for Donald McNish in West Elgin. In a lukewarm way his supporters, seem to be putting up but a poor defensive fight.

With Hon, John Dryden in South Ontario it is a fight for his politicallife. He is struggling hard but the out ook is not bright for him.

Brace up! Let the Tories know That the plotting, tricky French, Who in power they would entrench, Don't rule thy roost, Ontario!"

-Old Liberal Battle Song.

The letters to Mr. Tooley, the South Ontario Tanglefoot dispenser, impli rate Hon. John Dryden as one of the managers of the machine. Now, we don't for a moment believe John is any desper in the whole dirty corruptionist business than the rest of them, but the rest so far have been sharp enough to leave no direct evidence behind them. Consequently what are they going to do with John for getting found out-?

THE LOST MILLIONS.

Toronto San. It was Mr. Ross, now Premier of Ontario, who at the late session of the Legislature introduced the resolutions granting large donations to a number of railroad promoters. In his speech on that occasion Mr. Ross stated that the country to be opened up by the proposed railroads would form 270 counties and sustain a population of 15,000,000 people. In his speech at Whitby he placed the future population of this same territory at 6,500,000. This is a loss of 8,500,000 in less than eight months. Where have these 8,-500,000 all gone? If Mr. Ross continues to wipe out our population at this alarming rate the Province will be desolate in less than a year.

"THE BIBY."

Westminster Gazette.

"It's more than rather likely there's a kid."-Kipling.

Our bloomin' income's five and nine, So we biles no turtle whereon to dine, It's a hi'porth o' fish, or it's bread

An' a mug o' milk fer a rare young tease;

I 'ears 'em shoutin' 'ow the ranks is thinnin', But she wipes me tears, in me arms

a-grinnin'-The biby. A fif' flight garrit in Brimstone Flats, It hain't hideal as a 'ome for brats;

I bean't no swell like a horf'cer's mate, An' daily charin' 's a 'hardish fate, But if I be wife, or I be widdy, I'll stand a credit t' Bill an' the

kiday-The biby.

I spreads a shike-down on the flore, An' dreams of Bill an' the wrestlin' Boer,

While, there she sleeps in a soda box, Tucked in, warm, wiv a shawl an' frocks.

wreathin', Sweet little hyngel, a'tho' she's teeth-

The biby

There'll be a welcome back, me dears, To Dossets an' Gordons an' Fusiliers, In their dinted circumstence of strife Marked deep, perchanst, but back wiv

From Maxim an' Mauser, fro' shell an boulder, 'N I'll bear 'er hup, wiv a shout, o' me

shoulder-

The biby.

Mary Jine 'll be lookin' for Joe. An' Richel the flahr gal f'r Mile End

Mo' But if Bill gets 'ome thro' storm ar slew. We'll be there fust at Waterloo,

An' thro' the shoutin' an' shovin' an' crowdin' A special' oor'y it'll be allowed in

The biby.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in

Latest Quotations Which are of Interest to Everybody.

Retail Prices in Chatham-Gossip

About Grain. Planet Office, Wednesday evening.

Wheat-Receipts locally light; the market is thereby kept firm here. The Chicago market is a trifle better, being about 3-8 to half a cent higher.

Oats-The export inquiry has not been so brisk for the last day or two, but the quotations remain unchanged,

with light receipts.

Barley-Light receipts and light demand. The price remains about the

same.

Corn—A little more is coming in.
The demand is not very brisk, with unchanged prices. The market has no movement and is very dull.

Beans—There are no beans moving.
Farmers are not delivering and dealers have no orders. The market is looking

firm on the other side, which will strengthen prices here. The Canadian trade, however, is pretty well filled for the present. Beans were in demand yesterday in Detroit, and the market osed at an advance of from two to three cents.

Dressed Hogs - These are moving

more freely, with unchanged prices. The ruling price is \$4.75, with a downward tendency.

Wheat 67c. Wheat 67c.
Mixed oats, 231-2 to 241-2c.
White oats, 211-2 to 251-2c.
Barley, 70 to 73c per cwt.
Corn, in the ear, 29c. per bu. Corn, new, shelled. Beans, \$1.05 to \$1.20. Buckwheat, 45c. Clover seed, \$4 to \$4.75. Alsike, \$5 to \$6.50. Red Clover, \$4.50 to \$5.50. Timothy, \$1 to \$1.25. HAY AND HOGE.

Hay, timothy, per ton, \$750 to \$8. Hay, clover, \$2 to \$1.50.

Hay, baled, \$5.50 to \$6.50.

Hogs, fat, \$3.25 to \$3.60. Hogs of the right kind, weighing from 70 to 200 lbs., \$3.60 to \$3.65. Dressed hogs, light weights, \$4.75.

HOUSEKEEPERS' PRICES.

Wednesday's market was below the verage. This is somewhat unexpect ed when the good roads and mild wea-ther is considered. There was a plentiful offering of vegetables, and sales Apples and pears were in good sup-

but there are no changes of value Dressed meats were decidedly scarce to-day. Pork offered at 5 and 6c., and beef was quoted at the same price. In the shed, butter was only in fair supply and sold a little easier than on

Saturday, at 20c. Eggs were a trifle firmer, at from 18 to 20c. There was a good supply of fowl. Chickens were quoted at from 20 to 30c., ducks 25 to 30c., turkeys at 75c. to \$1, and geese at 40 to 50c. Eggs, 18 to 20c.
Butter, 20 to 22c.
Apples, 15 to 20c. a peck.
Cabbages, 5 to 12c. each.

Pears, 20 to 25c. a peck.
Apples, 10 to 15c. a peck.
Potatoes, 60 to 65c. a bag.
Cauliflowers, 5c. up.
Onions, yellow, 20c., white, 30c.
Carrots, 10c a peck. Parsnips, 15c. a peck. Turnips, 10c. a peck. Beets, 15c. a peck. Pumpkins, 5c. Green peppers, 5c. a dozen. Celery, 4c. up. Cider, 25c. a gallon. Chickens, 20 to 30c. Spring chickens, 15 to 20c. Ducks, 25 to 30c Turkeys, 75c. to \$1. Mutton, 5 to 6c. Geese, 50c apiece. Wild ducks,, 25c to 75c. a pair. Pork, 5 to 6c. Beef, 5 to 6c.

LOCAL WOOL AND HIDES.

Wool, washed, 14c. cash, 16c. trade Wool, washed, 14c. cas Wool, unwashed, 10c. Calf skins, 8c. Sheep skins, 30 to 75c. Lamb skins, 40 to 55c. Pelts, 29 to 30c. Horse hides, \$1 to \$2. Skunk skins, 25 to 75c4 Fox skins, \$1 to \$1.50. Coon skins, 25 to 75c. Dog skins, 25 to 50c. Mink, 75c, to \$1.50. Tallow, rendered, 8 to 40.

FISH MARKET.

Herring, 25c. a dozen Pickerel, 8c, a pound. Whitefish, 8c. a pound.

TORONTO BEAN MARKET. Toronto, Nov. 29.—Beans—Good enquiry and prices firm. Choice hand-picked beans sell at \$1.40 to \$1.50 and common at 75 to 80 cents per bushel..

TORONTO GRAIN.

Toronto, Nov. 29.—Wheat — There was a moderate rally in Chicago today. Local prices of Ontarios are about the same, and of Manitobas a shade better. Red and white Ontario sold to millers at 64 1-2 to 66c, accordingly. wheat unchanged at 70c, middle freights, and 69c, north and west. Manitobas quiet; No. 1 hard, g.i.t., 77c, and Toronto and west at 76c; and track,

Midland or Owen Sound, 72c.

Flour—Dull. Straight roller, in buyers bags, middle freights, in demand by exporters at \$2.60, with \$2.70 asked.

Same, in wood, for local account. \$3 per bbl. asked, and \$2.90 bid for single car lots.

Barley,—Quiet. Car lots, No. 2, mid-dle freights, sold at 39c. Peas—Firmer. The demand is said Peas—Firmer. The demand is said to be due to necessity of filling ocean freight space. Car lots sold at 57c, north and west, and 57, middle freights. Car lots, east held at 59c. Rye — Easy and unchanged at 50c west, and 51c east.

Oats—Easier. White was quoted at 27c. east, and 261-2c middle freights; mixed at 241-2c.

mixed at 241-2c.
Millfeed—Unchanged. Bran is quot-Millfeed-Unchanged. Bran is quot-ed at \$12 to \$12.50, and shorts at \$14 Central Drug Store. C. H. Gunn & Co. Corn-Quiet. No. 2, American, yel-

low, quoted strong at 421-2c, Toronto and mixed at 42c. Chatham corn is offering at 40c.

Oatmeal — Quiet; \$3.35 for cars of bags, and \$3.45 for bbis., on track, Toronto.

Buckwheat—Car lots, east, sold to-day at 491-2c, and west at 481-2c.

TORONTO PRODUCES.

Toronto, Nov. 29—Eggs—Market is firm. There is a good steady local movement. Receipts of new laid light. Choice eggs 171-2 to 18c; No. 2 at about 14 to 15c; limed eggs are quoted at 15 to 16c.

Butter—Market firmer. Deliveries of choice butter rather light, Local demand is good. Local quotations to the trade:—Dairy, tubs, poor to medium, 13 to 15c; strictly choice 16c to 17c; large rolls, 17c; small dairy, lb. prints, about 18 to 19c; creamery, tubs and boxes, 20 to 21c.; pounds, 22 to

Potatoes—Free deliveries and a glow local demand keeps prices down. Car lots are sold on track here at 38c. to 40c. per bag, and at farmers' wagons about 50c per bag. Out of store, choice

stock brings 45 to 50c per bag.
Dried apples—Dealers pay 51-2 for dried stock, delivered here, and in small lots, resell at 6 to 61-2c; evaporated, 8 to 81-2c, in small lots. Honey—Strong. Dealers quote from 9 to 10c. per lb for 5, 10, or 60-lb tins, and in comb at around \$2 to \$2.25

er dozen sections.
Baled hay-Steady demand, and the rices well maintained. Stocks of No. \$1, light here. Dealers here buy around \$8.50 to \$8.75 for car lots No. 1, delivered; car lots resell here at \$9 to \$9.50 choice, and No. 2 is slow at \$8 to \$8.50.

Straw—Nominal. Car lots are quoted at \$4.75 to \$5 on track.

Hops,—Quiet. Dealers here quote from 14 to 16c, for Cainada '99's.

Poultry—About steady. Chickens job at 25 to 40c; geese at 5c to 6c; ducks at 40 to 60c per pair; and turkeys at 7 to 8c. per lb.

DRESSED HOGS.

Toronto, Nov. 29. — Dressed hogs fairly steady, and values without change. Deliveries are keeping up rather well, and packers are free buyers. Pork products steady, but demand inclined to fall off a little now. Dressed hogs, in car lots, delivered, sell on track at \$5 to \$5.15, as to weight. On the street, in farmers' loads, choice bring from \$5.25 to \$5.40, according to quality.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK.

Toronto, Nov. 29. - At the western cattle yards yesterday morning we had a total of 60 loads, including 2,000 hogs, 1,430 sheep and lambs, 20 milkers, 30 calves, and nearly two thousand tur-

The average quality of the cattle was The average quality of the cattle was no better; prices were practically unchanged, but sales were not quite so slow as they have been lately, and there was a fair clearance.

There was no export cattle here of any consequence, and quotations are merely nominal at from 4 to 41-2c per

Good butcher cattle finds a ready sale; choice selections bring from 4 to 41-4c per lb.; ordinary stuff from 31-4 to 33-4c, and common from 21-2 to 3c per lb. All the good to choice stuff sold readily. The demand to-day was a little more brisk.

Export bulls are wanted at from 4

to 41-2c per lb.

Heavy feeders are worth from 31-2 to 37-8c per lb. Stockers are no good just now; the Buffalo market is in bad shape; heavy stockers were a slow sale at from 21-2

to 3c per lb; yearlings, light, sold at from 2 to 21-4c per lb.

There was a much better enquiry for choice milch cows here to-day. They will sell, if choice, up to \$50 each. Common cows sell at from \$22 up-

Choice yeal calves are also in steady demand, and will realize up to \$10 each fore the right kind. There was a live trade in sheep and lambs to-day, but prices are unaltered. Choice ewes are worth from 31-4 to

31-2c per lb. Lambs are selling at from 33-8 to 3 3-4c per lb. Bucks sell at 21-4 to 21-2c per lb.

Tarkeys are in general demand, but they must not be too small. There is a slight advance in hogs today. Choice hogs, scaling from 160 to 200 lbs., are selling at \$4.25 per cwt.; thin hogs sell.at \$3.75, and fat hogs at \$4 per cwt. Stores are not wanted.

BUFFALO LIVE STOCK.

East Buffalo, Nov. 29 .- Cattle-There were a suit twelve loads, which were left over from Monday, and they were principally medium weights. The demand for good butcher cattle was fair, considering the fact that this is poul-try week. There was no particular demand for medium weights.
Sheep and lambs—There were about
20 loads, including 13 loads of Canada
lambs. There was a fair trade.

Choice to extra native lambs were quotable at \$5.15 to \$5.40.
Good to choice, \$4.85 to \$5.15.
Common to fair, \$4 to \$4.50.
Sheep, choice to extra, \$4.15 to \$4.40.
Good to choice, \$3.75 to \$4.15.

Common to fair, \$2.50 to \$3.50. Canadian lambs, choice to extra \$5.25 to \$5.50.

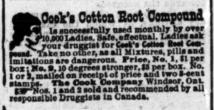
There was a fair clearance and steady close.

Hogs—The offerings were 34 loads; the general trade was dull, on the basis of \$3.85 to \$4.

Heavy and mixed were quotable at

Yorkers, \$3.85.
Pigs, \$3.85 to \$3.90.
Roughs, \$3.30 to \$3.40.
Stags, \$2.60 to \$3.
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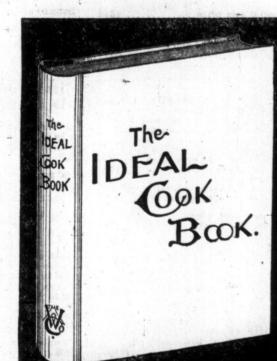
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