In his new book, "Ave Roma Im-mortalis," F. Marion Crawford has an interesting chapter on Leo XIII. It forms a companion sketch of Mr. Crawford's earlier articles on Rome, the Vatican and the Holy Father which appeared in The Republic. In his sent work the novelist writes :

Joachim Vincent Pecci, since 1878 Pope, under the name of Leo XIII, was born at Carpineto, in the Volscian hills, in 1810. His father had served in the Napoleonic wars, but had al-ready retired to his native violage, where he was at the time a landed proetor of considerable importance and the father of several children. Car-pineto lies on the mountain side in the eighborhood of Segui, in a rock district and in the midst of a country well known to Italians as the Ciociaria. This word is derived from "cioca," the sandals worn by the peasants in that part of the country in the place of shoes, and bound by leathern thongs to the foot and leg over linen strips which serve for stockings. The sandal, in-deed, is common enough, or was common not long ago in the Sabine and Sammian hills, and in some parts of the Abruzzi, but it is especially the property of the Volscians all the way m Montefortine, the worst den of thieves in Italy, down to the Neapol Joachim Pecci was born itan frontier. Joachim Pecci was born with a plentiful supply of that rough, untiring mountaineer's energy which has made the Volscians what they have been for good or evil since

the beginning of history.

Those who have been to Carpineto have seen the dark old pile in which the Pope was born, with its tower which tops the town, as the dwellings of the small nobles always did in every hemlet and village throughout the south of Europe. For the Pecci were good, gentle folks long ago, and the portraits of Pope Leo's father and other, in their dress of the last century, still hang in their places in the mansion. His Holiness strongly re sembles both, for he has his father's brow and eyes and his mother's mouth

IN HIS YOUTH

he seemed to have been a very dark man, as clearly appears from the portrait of him pain ed when he was in Brussels at about the age of 31 years. The family type is strong. The extra-ordinary clear, pale complexion is also a family characteristic. Leo XIII.'s face seems cut of live alabaster, and it is not a figure of speech to say that it appears to emit a light of its own.

Born and bred in the keen air of the Volscian hills, he is a southern Italian, but of the mountains, and there is still something about him of the hill people. He has the long, lean, straight, broad-shouldered frame of the true mountaineer, the marvellously bright eye, the eagle features, the well-knit growth of strength trace able even in extreme old age; and in character there is in him the wellbalanced construction of a steady caution, with an unerring, unhesitating

In the matter of physique there is, indeed, a resemblance between Lec XIII., President Lincoln and Mr. Gladstone - long, sinewy men, all three of a bony constitution and indomitable vitality, with large skulls, high cheek bones and energetic jaws -all three men of great physical strength; of profound capacity for study; or melancholy disposition and of unusual elequence

Born during the height of the con-flict between belief and unbelief, Leo XIII., by a significant fatality, was raised to the Pontificate when the Kulterkampt was raging and the attention of the world was riveted on the deadly struggle between the

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH AND BISMARCK -a struggle in which the great chan-

cellor found his equal if not his master The Pope spent his childhood in the simple surroundings of Carpineto, than which none could be simpler, as every one knows who has ever visited an Italian country gentleman in his home Early hours, constant exercises, plain food and farm interests made a strong man of him, with plenty of simple, commonsense. As a boy he was a great walker and climber, and it is seid that he was exceedingly fond of birding, the only form of sport afforded in that part of Italy, and practised there in those times as it is now, not only with guns, but by means of nets.

The stiff mannerism of the patriarchal system which survived until refrom the early Roman times gave him that formal tone and authoritative manner which are so character istic of his conversation in private His deliberate but unhesitating speech makes one think of Goethe's "without haste, without rest." Yet his formality is not of the slow and circumlocutory sort ; on the contrary, it is energeti cally precise and helps rather than mars the sound casting of each idea.

The Pope's voice is as distinctly in dividual as his manner of speaking. It is not deep nor very full, but, considering his great age, it is wonderfully clear and ringing, and it has a certain incisiveness of sound which gives it great carrying power. Plus IX. had as beautiful a voice, both in compass and richness of quality, as any bartione singer in the Sistine choir. No one who ever heard him intone the "Te Deum," in St. Peter's, in the old days, can forget the grand tones. He was gifted in many ways, with great physical beauty, with a rare charm of manner and with a most witty humor; and in character he was one of the most gentle and kind-hearted men of his day, as he was also one of the least intitative, so to ray, while endowed with dividual as his manner of speaking. I

the high moral courage of boundless patience and political humility. Leo XIII. need speak but haif a dezen words, with one glance of his flashing eye and one gesture of his noticeably long arm and transparently thin hand, and the moral distance between his predecessor and himself is at once ap-

parent. There is STRENGTH STILL IN EVERY MOVEMENT there is deliberate decision in every tone; there is lofty independence in every look. Behind these there may be kindliness, charity and all the milder virtues; but what is apparent is a sort of energetic, manly trench-ancy which forces admiration rather

when speaking at length on any occasion he is eloquent, but with the elcquence of the dictator and sometimes of the logician rather than that of the persuader. His enunciation is exceedingly distinct. In Latin and Italian oses his words with great care and skill, and makes use of fine distinctions in the Ciceronian manner, and he certainly commands a larger vocabulary than most men.

His bearing is erect at all times, and on days when he is well his step is quick as he moves about his private apartments. A man who speaks slowly but moves fast is generally one who thinks long and acts promptly-a hard hitter as we should familiarly say. As a statesmen Leo XIII. is admitted to be of the highest order; as a scholar he is indisputably one of the finest Latinists of our time; as a man he possesses the simplicity of character which almost always accompanies greatness, together with a healthy so briety of temper, habit and individual taste rarely found in those beings whom we call "motors" among men. It is commonly said that the Pope has not changed his manner of life since he was a simple Bishop. He is indeed a man who could not easily change his habits or his opinions. He is a great There has not been his equal intellectually for a long time, nor shall we presently see his match again.

There he stands at the head of the holy Roman Catholic and Apostolic Church, as wise a leader as any who in our day has wielded power, as skilled in his own manner as any who hold the pen, and better than all that, as straightly simple and honest a Chris tian man as ever fought a great battle for his faith's sake.

IN SPITE OF HIS GREAT AGE

the Holy Father enjoys excellent health and leads a life full of occupations from morning until night. He rises very early. Of late he frequently says Mass in a chapel in his private ipartments. After Mass he break-fasts upon coffee and goat's milk, and this milk is supplied from goats kept in the Vatican gardens, a reminis cence of Carpineto and of the mountaineer's early life. During the mornings the Pope receives Cardinals, Bishops, ambassadors, who are going away on leave, or who have just returned, princes and members of the Roman

nobility and distinguished foreigners. At 10 o'clock he takes a cup of broth At 2 o'clock in the afternoon, or a little earlier, he dines, and he is most abste mious though he has excellent diges When the weather is fine h generally walks or drives in the gar-dens. Papal gendarmes are lodged in the gardens, and it is their duty to patrol the precincts by day and by night. The fact that two dynamiters were caught in the garden in 1894 proves that a private police is neces

sary. From the cupola of St. Peter's whole extent of the Vatican grounds is visible, and when the Pope is walking the visitors over four hundred feet above stop to watch him. He has keen eyes and sees them also. "Let us show ourselves," he exclaims on such occasions. "At least they will not be able to say that the Pope is ill.'

His favorite poets are Virgil and Dante. He knows long passages of ach by heart and likes to quote them.

REGIOPOLIS COLLEGE - JAN. 3. 1899.

The Business and Shorthand Depart ment of Regiopolis College, Kingston, is in effect, a Business College under the management of Mr. A. Blanchard, Chartered Accountant of Ontario. As the instruction is given individually, students can complete a Business or Shorthand Course in from four to six months. The Scholarship costs \$30 The plan of monthly payments will suit you. Arrange now for a course, as the next term begins Jan. 3, Write for the Calendar, or cal at the College office for full particulars.

Toronto, Dec. 4 1898.

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Commandery No. 219, R. C. N. K. S. J., the following resolution was adopted:
Whereas it has pleased Almighty God, in His minite wisdom to call to her eternal reward be beloved wife of our esteemed brother, John PRourke, and
Whereas by her death our brother has lost a taithful and affectionate wife, and his children a devoted and loving mother, therefore be it. Resolved that, we, the members of Columbus Commandery, in meeting assembled, do hereby extend to Bro. O'Rourke our sincere and heartfelt sympathy in this his hour of affliction; and be it, further,

ARCHDIOCESE OF OTTAWA.

Special to the CATHOLIC RECORD.

The beautiful Feast of the Immaculate Conception was celebrated with great eclat in all the churches and religious institutions in the city. At the Basilica His Grace the Archibinop pointicated. In the afternoon the triduum was brought on a close by a most impressive sermon preached ty Rev. Father Noin, S. J., of Month of the Reduction of the Blessed Sactument was colemnly given. The Promoters of the League of the Sacred Heart Presented themselves at the sanctuary railing and solemnly renewed their consecration.

The Rev. Father Fallon, O. M. I., is continuing his course of sermons on the claims of the Anglican Church. On Thursday evening he aluded incidentally to the course of sermons in reply proposed to be preached by Rev. Mr. Gorman of Grace (Anglican) Church.

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On the Feast of the Immaculate Conception one hundred young girls were received into the Hind branch of the Caldren of Mary.

On Wednesday evening, last week the first meeting for the season of the Ottawa branch of the Venerale Margarite Bourgeois Catholic Reading Chee, in connection with La Congregation de Notre Dame, Gloucester street convent, took place. Mr. Frank J. McDougall, a rising young barrister of the city, was introduced by the reverend chaplain, and read his interesting paper on the Life and Work of John Boyle O'Reilly.

On Friday evening an unique entertainment consisting of tableaux, pantomine and soag was given by the little tot pupils of Gloucester street convent. The audience was confined to the parents of the little ones, and all were delighted.

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At their new home, Elmbank, the Sisters Adorers of the Precious Blood in the Blessed Sacrament celebrated the feast of the Immaculate Conception with great elat. In the morning, Mass was celebrated by Very Rev. Canon Bouillon, the chapian, during which several appropriate hymns were sung by the Sisterhood, At 1:30 in the afternoon, the same rev. gentleman gave Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. At the conclusion of the latter office the Sisters formed in procession and traversed the cloistered portion of the monastery from attic to cellar, chanting hymns and invocations the white. The effect to those in the chapel outside was very impressive. Now you would hear the voices loud and resounding, again low and far off, seemingly, as the processionists entered the various apartments.

There was a General Communion of the Irish Conferences of St. Vincent de Paul in St. Patrick's on Sunday morning. The annual neeting was held same day in the Catholic Lyceum. The usual pamphiet recording the society's work during the year has been issued.

Rev. Father Oullette of the Dominican Friary has gone to conduct a retreat for the Children of Mary at a Convent in Michigan.

On Sunday afternoon His Grace Archbishop Duhamel presided at the reception of a number of new members into the society of men lately established in Huil, in the province of Quebec.

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The wards and rooms in the old portion of he Water street, (Grey Nuns') hospital are seing renovated.
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Mr. R. W. Shannen lectured on "Wordsworth" before the purils of Rideau street concent on Tuesday. A musical programme was los gone through with.

A reception will be given to His Grace the Archbishop at the Rideau street convent on the 21st inst. the Feast of St. Thomas, Apostic, His Grace's patron saint.

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Sonvent on the 20th inst., the eve of St. Thomas. Apostle.
Very Rev. Mother Beatrice, Provincial of the Order of laCongregation de Notre Dame, whose jurisdiction extends to all the Houses of the Order West of Ottawa, has returned to the city after having visited those in Ontario.
Rev. Father Whelan has presented to the St. Patrick's Literary Association, as the successors of the old-time St. Patrick's society, a magnificent banner which had belonged to the latter. It was made for them by the nuns of La Congregation and cost \$1,150. On the obverse side is a full size figure of St. Patrick in stole. Patlink mitre and cope, and on the reverse the Irish harp wreathed in shamrocks—the whole composed of gold bullion and lace. The banner is eleven feet in length and seven feet in width. A warm vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the rev. pastor.

nort of the society, dwelling on the various distalls, and announced the outlook, financial and otherwise, to be very satisfactory. Upon invitation the Presidents of the various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences to be in a healthy condition and free from debt.

Mr. J. Hearn, barrister, and Vice-President of Conference of St. Patrick, delivered a very able lecture on the life and works of Frederic Dzanam, the founder of the society. The lecture was listened to with close attention, and was most instructive. At the close a vote of thanks was tendered the lecturer by Very Rev. Father Rysn.

Father Ryan.
J. P. McCarthy, Sec. of Central Council. Catholie Truth Society - St. Mary's

Branch.

The regular monthly open meeting of this branch was held in St. Andrew's hall on the first Monday.

The Rev. Father Carberry of Schomberg was to have delivered the usual lecture, but could not make connection on account of the severe snow storm of the preceding day. Mr, E. J Hearn, the President of the branch, occupied the chair, and during the course of the evening delivered a surring and cloquent address on the work and needs of the society in Toronto, and also read the report of the annual meeting of the Soctch society which was held in Dumfries.

meeting of the Scotch Society which was her n Dumfries. Rev. J. P. Dollard gave a resume of the work of the society in Ireland, which prove very interesting and instructive. Rev. L. I Minchan also delivered an interesting address. The musical programme was kindly contri-ured by the following arrists: Miss Owens and Mr. W. Walsh in a banjo duet, and vocal re-dictions by Miss O Connor and Messrs, J. Walsh and R. Fulton. A grantfying feature, the society's work is the distribution of the controller written by the late Archolishop promoter and the Scotch Things Which Calif

Poronto.

A rich intellectual treat is promised the members of the branch and the Catholic people of Toronto generally for the January meeting. Dr. Thos O'Hagan, the eminent Catholic titera'eur, has promised to deliver the lecture. St. Mary's Branch must certainly be congratuated in securing Dr. O'Hagan's services for his occasion.

LEO XIII.

given a sitting. The Archbishop permitted The Standard and Times to have a photogra-vure made from it, and the engraver's work has received his full approval, each copy of the work bearing in the facesimile of the Arch-bishop's handwriting a few words of commen-dation, with his authographic signature.

OBITUARY.

MRS. MARGARET MEEHAN, LOVDON. Year after year they are passing away to their eternal reward, until but a tew, bent, attering forms remain of that generation, that seroic generation, the pioneers of this Western Province, who planted the faith here, and left, with the example of their unswerving devotion to it, as a precious inheritance to their mildren.

it, with the example of their unswerving devotion to it, as a precious inheritance to their
children.

Strong, ardent, and generous was their
loyalty to their holy religion. No sucriflee was considered too great, that the interests
of religion claimed. They touched with the
reverent hand of faith they touched with the
reverent hand of faith they cross, every tribulation that beteit them, and at once transnaitted it into the pure purchase—gold for the
kingdom of God.

Of this type was Mrs. Margaret Meehan,
relict of the late Mr. C. Meehan of Brockton,
who, on the 20th was Mrs. Margaret Meehan,
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who, on the 20th was Mrs. Margaret Meehan,
relict of the late has never dies.

This venerable lady had reached the age of
eighty years. More than a haif century ago,
Mr. and Mrs. Meehan left their native Donegai
and came to Canada, settling at Brockton,
now Parkdale.

The difficulties and privations that beset the
path of all carry settlers, they had to encounter out they bore them cheerfully, receiving them as from the hand of God, and
making them a means of their sanctification.

Of their four children, three were joyrully
given on the service of God in the religious life.
Neehan of Toronto.

Seven years ago Mrs. Meehan came to
London, to spend her closing years near her
daughter, and in the retirement of the convent,
she prepared by almost constant prayer, for the
lines hour. With the lamp of faith shining
brightly before her, she entered fearlessly the
"Dark Valley," and passed onward to meet,
her God, whom all her life she had loved and
served.

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Her remains were taken to Toronto and in-Her remains were taken to Toronto and in-terred beside those of her husband, whose pappy death had preceded hers by many years. May their souls rest in peace! Amen.

May their souls rest in prace-bear dead: they have become Like guardian angels to us; And distant heaven like home Through them begins to woo us Love that was earthly, wings Its flight to holier places: The dead are sacred things That multiply our graces,

MR. J. P. JOHNSTON, MIDLAND.

The sad news of the death of Mr. John Paimer Johnston came to his family on Saturday evening last. Mr. Johnston, who has been in ill health for several years, went to Toronto some four weeks ago to visit his brothers Thos, and Frank, of that city. While at his brother Thomas' home a couple of weeks ago he took suddenly and seriously ill, and was taken to St. Michael's Hospital. Under the treatment ne received there he appeared to be doing nicely, but on Thursday afternoon last Mrs. Johnston received a telegram that her husband was dangerously ill, and on Friday morning she went to the city. Mr. Johnston heved until Saturday evening at about bo'clock, when he passed away. The remains wern hought to Midland on Monday. On Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock the funeral left his lare service was held, after which the internation look place in Penetang, cemetery. Mr. Johnston is survived by his widow and six children, two of whom are absent from home—the cidest, Alf, being in Texas, and Bert having a situation in Toronto. Mr. Johnston had reached the age of sixty-three years, sit months and seventered ads. He was a mem. MR. J. P. JOHNSTON, MIDLAND. situation in Toronto, Mr. Johnston reached the age of sixty-three years, months and seventeen days. He was a ni ber of St. Margaret's (Catholic) church.— Midland Free Press, Nov. 21. R. L.P.

EDWARD DOBAN, BARRY'S BAY.

On the 30th November, after a long and lingering illness, Edward Doban breathed his last. He was thirty-eight years old, and was the fourth son of the late Michael Doban, of Onslow. He leaves to mourn his untimely end, Thos, Austin and Patrick, of the United States; Michael of Barry's Bay, and John, now on the side in omestead; Mrs. C. O'Riely, of South Onsolve; and Mrs. P. Bonan, of Barry's Bay. He was a young man of noble qualities, loved by all when the state of the mains were laid to rest in the Catholic cemerery, North Onslow. A lovely cross was laid on his coffin—sent by Mrs. James Kirwin, of Quyon, Que. May his soul rest in peace! EDWARD DOBAN, BARRY'S BAY

side is a full size figure of St. Patrick in stole. pallium, mitre and cope, and on the reverse the Irish harp wreathed in shamrocks—the whole composed of gold bullion and lace. The banner is eleven feet in length and seven feet in wish. A warm vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the rev. pastor.

RCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO.

St. Vincent de Paul Society.**

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 12.—The general meeting of the society of St. Vincent de Paul was held Sunday afternoon, being the Sanday within the octave of the feast of the Immaculate Conception. The meeting was presided over by Mr. J. J. Murphy. President of the Central Council of Ontario. and seated on the platform were Very Rev. Frank Ryan, rector of the cathedral, and Rev. J. J. Hand, rector of the cathedral, and Rev. J. J. Hand, rector of the cathedral, and Rev. J. J. Hand, rector of the cathedral, and nanounced the outlook, financially and otherwise, to be very satisfactory. Upon invitation the Presidents of the various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and all reported their various conferences rose, and one and a MR. JAMES BRIODY, LONDON TOWNSHIP

Election of Officers.

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St. Helen's Branch, No, 11, Toronto.

Great interest was taken by the members of Branch No, 11 in their election of officers, only eight members being absent, and four of these could not 1 ossibly attend. The various offices were keenly contested, but in every case the victor was greeted with a cheerful welcome. The Branch is in a very flourishing condition, and the coming year promises to be a very successful one. The members in response to an invitation unanimously decided to assist the bazaar for St. Joseph's church by providing talent for a concert on the night of the 15th, when the members and their friends will be in attendance.

The President having appointed J. K. Gray, Judge, P. J. Cralty Inspector and A. McGinn clerk, the following officers were duly elected for 1879: Chaplain Rev. J. M. Cruise, Chancellor J. F. Strickland, President J. J. Fallen, Vice-President D. Shea, Recording Secretary J. Howell, Financial and Insurance Stewards P. Smith, J. Meehan, E. Strickland, J. O'Connor, Marshal G. Marloorough, Assistant Marshal C. Brady.

At the close of a very successful and enjoy-

V. Finan, Inside Guard's Judges 1. Brady.
At the close of a very successful and enjoy able meeting the elected officers invited the members and friends to an entertainment after their instalation at the first meeting in Judges 1. By Lane S.T.

—W. Lane S.T.

Resolution of Condolence.

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Peterborough, Ont., Dec. 8, 1898.
At the regular meeting of the above branch, heid on above date: the following resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, to call to his evernal reward, our esteemed and respected brother, Athanase Mercier, be it therefore

Resolved that, we the members of St. Peter's Branch No. 21, E. B. A., extend to the widow, orphans and relatives of our deceased brother, our most sincere sympathy, in this the hour of their affliction, and while praying for the eternal repose of his soul, beg also that Almighty God may grant the widow, orphans and relatives of our late brother, the grace to bear with Christian fortitude their great affliction. Be it further

MARKET REPORTS.

London, Dec. 15.—Grain, per cental — Red winter, \$1.12; white winter, \$1.12; spring, \$1.12; ostal, \$2 to \$8.1; ostal, \$2 to \$8.5; peas, \$9 to \$9.5; barley, \$2 to \$1.07; coro, 75 to \$9.5; buckwheat, \$1.09. Dairy Produce—Eggs, fresh, dozen, 20 to 25c; butter, best roil, 15 to 17; butter, creamery, retail, 18 to 19; cheese, pound, wholesale, 7½ to \$8.

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Farm Produce—Hay, per ton, \$6.00 to \$6.50; straw, per load, \$2.50 to \$3.00; straw, per load, \$2.50 to \$4.00; straw, per bushel, \$5.00; honey, per pound, \$1.00; per bushel, \$6.00; per load, \$2.50 to \$4.00; timothy seed, per bushel, \$1.25 to \$1.75.
Meat—Pork, per cwt., \$5.25 to \$5.35; beef, forequarters, \$4.50 to \$6.00; beef, hindquarters, \$5.00 to \$6.50; beef, \$3.00; to \$6.50; beef, \$5.00; to \$6.50; mutton, by carcass, \$5.00 to \$6.50; beef, \$5.00; to \$6.50; mutton, by carcass, \$5.00 to \$6.50; beef, \$5.00; to \$4.00; carcass, \$5.00 to \$6.50; beef, \$5.00; to \$6.50; mutton, by carcass, \$6.00 to \$7.00; lamb, by pound, \$1.00; carcass, \$6.00 to \$7.00; lamb, by pound, \$1.00; carcass, \$6.00 to \$6.00; fat beeves, \$3.50 to \$4.00.

Toronto, Dec, 15.—Wheat — Market easier; cars of red and whith wheat quoted at \$6.00; fat in the seed of the

to 24c; siragin change the to 15c; Western limed, 13 to 14c; cuils, 9c.

East Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Cattle—None on sale and light inquiry: the feeling was about steady. Caters—Recents in this prices about 25c lower; choice to extra \$6.50 to \$7.50 to 50.00 to \$7.50 to \$6.50 to \$7.50 to \$7

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