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Commercial.

Local Market.

[Reported by A. M. Hamilton & Son.]

London, Saturday, Jan. 29.

Wheat, white fall, per bu...84c to 86½c
Wheat, red fall, per bu.....84c to 86½c
Wheat, spring, per bu.....84c to 86½c
Oats, per bu .....27¾c to 28½c
Corn, per bu .....34c to 36c
Barley, per bu .....29c to 31c
Rye, per bzu.....33½c to 36½c
Buckwheat, per bu .....36c to 38½c
Beans, per bu.....30c to 60c

Grain receipts were quite good today. Of course, wheat and oats were the leaders in quantity. The demand for all kinds was active, and prices were well maintained. There was a little excitement over some loads of wheat, not because of any special value, for the stock was no better than ordinary; the usual prices were $1 40 to $1 42, the outside quotation being paid in a few instances only.

Barley was much higher, the price paid being 70c.

Eggs took a big drop; receipts were very heavy.

Butter was lower.

The meat supply was good, and prices of beef and lamb steady.

Dressed hogs had a wider range; $6 75 to $7 was the price for light.

A few young pigs and some chickens were the only live stock offered—prices unchanged.

Vegetables steady.

Hay sold very slowly; receipts were heavy; $5 to $7 was the range.

Quotations:

GRAIN.			
Wheat white, fall, per 100 lbs...	1 40	to	1 44
Wheat, red, fall, per 100 lbs.....	1 40	to	1 44
Wheat, spring, per 100 lbs.....	1 40	to	1 44
Wheat, new.....	1 35	to	1 40
Oats per 100 lbs.....	83	to	86
Peas, per 100 lbs.....	85	to	85
Corn, per 100 lbs	60	to	70
Barley, per 100 lbs.....	70	to	70
Rye, per 100 lbs.....	60	to	65
Beans, per bu.....	30	to	60
Buckwheat, per 100 lbs.....	75	to	80
PROVISIONS.			
Honey, comb.....	9	to	11
Honey, extracted.....	7	to	10
Cheese, per lb., wholesale.....	8	to	10
Eggs, single dozen.....	20	to	20
Eggs, fresh, basket, per doz.....	17	to	18
Eggs, per doz., basket, pkd.....	15	to	16
Eggs, fresh, store lots, per doz...	15	to	16
Butter, per lb., retail.....	17	to	18
Butter, per 1 lb. rolls, baskets...	15	to	16
Butter, per lb., large rolls or crocks.....	14	to	15
Butter, per lb., tubs or firkins..	14	to	15
Lard, per lb.....	7	to	10
Chickens, per pair.....	40	to	70
Ducks, per pair.....	60	to	70
Turkeys, per lb.....	8½	to	10
Geese, per lb.....	7	to	8
LIVE STOCK.			
Young pigs, per pair.....	3 00	to	5 50
Cows each.....	20 00	to	28 00
Beef, per pound.....	2½	to	3½
Hogs per 100 lbs.....	4 65	to	4 75
Sows, per 100 lbs.....	3 50	to	3 50
Chickens, per pair.....	45	to	65
Hens, per pair.....	30	to	35
Ducks, per pair.....	35	to	40
HAY AND SEED.			
Hay, per ton.....	5 00	to	7 00
Straw, per load.....	2 00	to	3 00
Timothy seed, per bushel.....	0 00	to	0 00
Clover Seed, red, per bu.....	3 00	to	3 10
Clover Seed, Alsyke, per bu....	3 00	to	4 00
VEGETABLES AND FRUIT.			
Apples, per bag.....	75	to	1 25
Apples, per bbl	2 50	to	2 75
Celery, per doz. bunches.....	25	to	30
Carrots, per bushel.....	15	to	20
Potatoes, per bag.....	75	to	85
Pumpkins, per dozen.....	40	to	75
Parsnips, bu.....	30	to	30
Turnips, per bag.....	25	to	25
Cabbage, per doz.....	25	to	40
Onions, per bushel.....	70	to	85
MEAT, HIDES, ETC.			
Beef, quarters, per lb.....	4	to	6
Mutton, quarters, per lb.....	6	to	7
Veal, quarters, per lb.....		to	6
Lamb, quarter.....	8	to	9
Dressed hogs, 100 lbs, light.....	6 75	to	7 00
Dressed hogs, 100 lbs, heavy....	5 50	to	6 00
Hides, No. 1 per lb.....	7½	to	7½
Hides, No. 2, per lb.....	6½	to	6½
Hides, No. 3, per lb.....	5½	to	5½
Calfskins, green.....	6	to	7
Calfskins, dry, each.....	4	to	6
Sheepskins, each.....	60	to	65
Lambskins, each.....	55	to	55
Pelts.....	55	to	55
Wool, per lb.....	20	to	23
Wool, unwashed, per lb.....	10	to	11
Tallow, rendered, per lb.....	2	to	0
Tallow, rough, per lb.....	1	to	1

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The Oil Market.

PETROLIA, Jan. 29.—Oil opened and closed at $1 40.

English Markets.

RULING PRICES FOR THE PAST FOUR DAYS.

The following table shows the quotations per cental at Liverpool for the three previous market days. In the case of wheat highest prices are given:

	Jan. 25	Jan. 26	Jan. 27	Jan. 28
WHEAT—	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
No. 1 nor. spring....	7 11	7 11	8 0	8 1
No. 1 Cal.....	7 11	7 11	7 11½	7 11½
March.....	7 7	7 7½	7 8½	7 9½
May.....	7 6¾	7 5¾	7 5	7 5½
July.....	7 1	7 1¼	7 2½	7 2½
CORN—				
Spot.....	3 5½	3 5½	3 5½	3 5½
Jan.....	3 5	3 4½	3 5¼	3 5
Feb.....	3 3½	3 1½	3 3½	3 5½
March.....	3 2½	3 2½	3 2½	3 3
May.....	3 2	3 2½	3 2½	3 2½
July.....	3 2	3 2	3 2½	3 2½
Flour.....	25 6	25 6	25 6	25 0
Peas.....	5 3	5 3	5 3	5 2
Pork.....	47 6	47 6	47 6	47 6
Lard.....	25 3	25 3	25 3	25 3
Tallow.....	19 0	19 0	19 0	19 0
Bacon, light.....	27 6	28 0	28 0	28 0
Cheese, both.....	43 0	43 0	42 6	42 6

Liverpool, Jan. 29, 12:30 p.m.

Wheat—Spot firm; No. 1 Cal., 7s 11d to 7s 11½d; No. 2 red western winter, 7s 11½d; No. 1 red northern spring, 8s 1d.

Corn—Spot steady; demand moderate; American mixed, new, 3s 5d; do old, 3s 5½d; Jan. and Feb., 3s 2½d.

Peas—Canadian, 5s 2d.

Beef—Extra India mess, 66s 3d; prime mess, 56s 3d.

Pork—Prime mess, fine western, 47s 6d.

Bacon—Long clear heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, 28s short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs, 28s; long clear light, 35 to 38 lbs, 29s.

Lard—Prime western, 25s 6d.

Butter—Finest United States 84s; good 60s.

Cheese—American finest white and colored, 42s.

Tallow—Fine, American, city, 19s.

Turpentine—Spirits, 24s 6d.

Rosin, common—4s 1½d.

Petroleum—Refined, 5½d.

Linseed oil—16s 3d.

American Markets.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 28.—January wheat was bid up to $1 10 today—a cent above the highest point reached during the December squeeze. May at the same time sold up to 98¾c. The bulge in May wheat was started on a sharp closing advance at Antwerp, and brokers for Leiter helped things along by bidding up January. Leiter people say that the May price is now very close to the market set for the sale of their line. Some reaction followed the advance. January closing at $1 08 and May at 97½.

The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—No. 2 Jan., $1 08; May, 97½c; July, 86½c. Corn—No. 2, Jan., 27½c; May, 29½c, July, 30½c to 30½c. Oats—No. 2 May, 24½c to 24¾c; July, 23c. Mess pork—Jan., $9 95; May, $10. Lard—Jan., $4 89; May, $4 90; July, $4 97½. Short ribs—Jan., $4 87½; May, $4 92½. Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, firm and 20c higher for some grades; No. 2 spring wheat, 93c to 95c; No. 3 spring wheat, hard, 91½c to 95½c; No. 2 red, 99c to $1; No. 2 corn 28½c; No. 2 yellow, 28½c. No. 2 oats, 24c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 25½c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 24½c to 25½c; No. 2 rye, 47½c to 48c; No. 2 barley, f. o. b., 29c to 39c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1 27; northwest, $1 31½; prime timothy seed, $2 80; mess pork, $9 90 to $9 95; lard, $4 82½ to $4 85; short rib sides, $4 75 to $4 95; dry, salted shoulders, 4½c to 5c; short clear sides, $5 to $5 20; sugar, unchanged; eggs, easy; fresh, 15½c.

Receipts—

Flour.....	2,000	Wheat.....	13,000
Corn.....	167,000	Oats.....	174,000
Rye.....	2,000	Barley.....	43,000

Shipments—

Flour.....	5,000	Wheat.....	6,000
Corn.....	95,000	Oats.....	188,000
Rye.....	.....	Barley.....	9,000

The Dairy Market.

CHICAGO, Jan. 28.—Butter steady; creamery, 13c to 18½c; dairies, 11c to 17c. Cheese quiet, at 8c to 8½c.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Butter steady; western creamery, 14½c to 20c; do, factory, 11c to 14c; Elgins, 20c; imitation creamery, 13c to 17c; state dairy, 14c to 18c; do, creamery, 14c to 19c. Cheese dull; large white, Sept., 8½c; small white, Sept., 9c to 9½c; large colored, Sept., 8½c; small colored, Sept., 9c to 9¼c; large, Oct., 8c to 8½c; small, Oct., 8¼c to 8½c; light skims, 6c to 6½c; part skims, 4c to 5½c; full skims, 2c to 2c.

STOCKS OF CHEESE.

There has been unnecessary and exaggerated talk indulged in lately as to the stocks of cheese held in this city, evidently from interested motives. A further investigation conducted on the lines of confidential information goes to prove as far as it is possible to do so that there are at present not over 140,000 boxes in all in this city, and further, that there are not over 40,000 to 50,000 boxes locally owned. The great bulk of the total stock is owned in Great Britain, with a very few thousands still held by factories, and stored here for their account.—Montreal Trade Bulletin.

Live Stock Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Beeves—Receipts, 2,280; active at generally former prices; native steers, $4 40 to $5 27½; stags and oxen, $3 to $5 60; bulls, $3 to $3 60; dry cows, $2 to $3 40; cables quote American steers at 10½c to 11c; refrigerator beef, 7¼c to 7¾c; no exports. Calves—Receipts, 48; quiet and steady; all sold; veals, $5 to $8 75; grassers, $3 25 to $3 75. Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 4,367; steady for sheep; slow and weak for lambs; sheep, $3 50 to $4 75; lambs, $5 50 to $6 30. Hogs—Receipts, 3,501; higher at $4 15 to $4 40.

CHICAGO, Jan. 28. — Cattle — Beef steers, extreme range, $3 75 to $5 50; greater part of cattle going for $4 35 to $5; exporters could not get enough fat cattle to meet their wants, their purchases being made largely at $4 75 to $5 10; canning cattle, $2 50 to $3; calves, $7 for the best. Hogs — Sales largely at $3 80 to $3 82½ for hogs, and at $3 55 to $3 75 for pigs, the extreme range of prices for hogs being $3 60 to $3 90. Sheep, $3 to $3 50 for inferior, up to $4 to $4 65 for medium to choice fed western, and yearlings were worth $4 50 to $5 25; lambs slow at $4 50 to $5 90, a few going at $5 25, and a few selling under $4; heavy sheep sold around $4 50. Receipts—Cattle, 6,000; hogs, 41,000; sheep, 17,000.

EAST BUFFALO, Jan. 28.—Cattle—Receipts, 1 car of sale stock; there was no particular change in the trade. Hogs—Receipts, 48 cars; fairly active demand and prices about steady; good to choice Yorkers, $4 05 to $4 10; prime selected light Yorkers, $4 07 to $4 12; mixed packers' grades, $4 05 to $4 07; medium weights and heavy hogs, $4 to $4 05; roughs, $3 30 to $3 60; stags, $3 to $3 15; pigs, $3 50 to $4 05. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 27 cars of fresh arrivals and 5 loads holding over from yesterday; the market ruled fairly steady for all grades at yesterday's average prices; native lambs, choice to extra, $5 85 to $5 95; fair to good, $5 50 to $5 80; culls to common, $4 75 to $5 40; yearlings, fair mixed to choice wethers, $4 50 to $5 25; native sheep, choice to selected wethers, $4 65 to $4 90; good to choice mixed sheep, $4 35 to $4 65; common to fair, $3 90 to $4 25; culls to common sheep, $3 25 to $3 85.

TORONTO, Jan. 28.—Receipts at the Toronto cattle market today were smaller, 42 cars, including 200 hogs, 200 sheep and lambs. Export cattle were dull but steady, at 3¼c to 3¾c for good steers, and 3½c to 3¾c for bulls. Butchers' cattle were steady for good, at 3½c to 3¾c, but there were many inferior, and these were slow at 2¾c to 3¼c. A good many poor cattle left unsold. Stockers and feeders were bought for Buffalo at 2¾c to 3¼c for light stockers. Feeders were quoted at 3½c. Sheep and lambs—Lambs were 5c to 15c dearer, at $4 75 to $4 90, and sales were mostly for export to States. Export sheep sold at 3c to 3¼c, bucks at 2½c, and butchers' sheep at $3 to $4 each. Calves—Choice wanted and firm; prices range from $2 25 to $8. Milch cows and springers—Early springers were in demand for dairymen; prices were $24 to $46 each. Hogs were ¼c lower; choice bacon hogs sold at 5¼c to 5½c; thick fat and light hogs at 4¾c; stores, 4¾c; sows, 3c to 3¼c; stags and rough hogs, 2c to 2½c.

A DINNER PILL.—Many persons suffer excruciating agony after partaking of a hearty dinner. The food partaken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a healthy nutriment, it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. They correct acidity, open the secretions, and convey the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the medicine to take if troubled with indigestion.

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The Council of Women.

Annual Meeting of the Local Organization.

A Summary of the Council's Good Work During the Year.

A Crusade Against Furs and Feathers—The Sweating System—Officers Elected—The President's and Secretary's Addresses.

The fourth annual meeting of the Local Council of Women was held in the "Y" rooms, Dundas street, yesterday afternoon and evening, and at each of the sessions the attendance of members was large. The president, Mrs. H. A. Boomer, presided.

Reports from the officers of the local council and from affiliated societies all indicated an increasing interest in the various branches of philanthropic work undertaken by the ladies, and the result of the year's efforts was particularly gratifying.

A general review of the work done by the local council during the past year was contained in the report first presented, that of the secretary, Miss McDonald. It stated that three public meetings had been held, and also eleven executive and committee meetings, besides several sub-committee meetings. One new society had affiliated with the council—the Women's Christian Association. This, it was felt, would strengthen the council very materially. Congratulatory reference was made to the election of a lady high school trustee and the hope expressed that next year would see two of them elected. The aid of the W. C. T. U. in this matter was appreciated. At the instance of the local council the license fee on the sale of cigarettes was raised last year, with a view to making their sale to youths and children difficult. Similar legislation was enacted in West London, and the township and county authorities interviewed for the same purpose. Through the council's efforts the city would shortly have a covered patrol wagon. Amendments to the shops act, since effected, were discussed with the Trades and Labor Council. Pauper immigration was also considered, but dropped when Mr. Gibson's bill was introduced in the legislature. The sum of $104 was raised for the India famine fund. A committee had been appointed to look into lotteries. The ladies who represented the women's council on the Jubilee committee had specially interested themselves in the children's wing of the proposed hospital. The school children had subscribed over $300, and the hospital bazar was very successful. From time to time various questions and resolutions were sent by the national council for deliberation and approval:

1. The establishment of the Victorian Order of Nurses, in which earnest sympathy and interest was expressed.

2. The distribution and supervision of women immigrants from central points.

3. The teaching of scientific temperance and manual training in the schools.

4. The prevention of the sale of liquor in grocery stores.

5. Investigation as to the provision for the aged and infirm poor and to the number of feeble-minded women in each locality.

6. As to the provision of work for the poor.

The proposal to form a central finance committee, composed of one lady from each council, was acted upon by the appointment of Miss Graydon. During the year Mrs. Boomer was chosen vice-president at large for Ontario. Petitions from the local council are pending that a law may be passed to prevent the destruction of birds, etc., for ornamental purposes only, and also for an amendment to the law regarding extending the age limit for the selling of tobacco and cigarettes in hotels to 21 years. There is a prospect of shortly having Sir Squire Bancroft in London for the purpose of giving readings, the proceeds of which are to be divided between local hospital purposes and the Victorian Order of Nurses.

Miss Graydon, as secretary and treasurer of the Jubilee Hospital Fair, heartily congratulated the members of the council on the satisfactory result of their undertaking. The receipts were as follows:

Private donations .....$	11 00
Advance sale of tickets	120 62
Door receipts	219 75
Fancy work table	265 00
Refreshments	195 00
Mothers' Union	58 86
Children's table	32 34
Candy table	65 50
Crepe paper	118 59
Reading room	59 80
Dolls' table	38 00
Flower table	136 39
Photograph gallery	129 00
Art and picture room	37 80
Fish pond	26 41
Postoffice	26 60
Cereal food exhibit	7 15
Sale of salted almonds	9 30
Interest on deposit	2 84
Total .....$	1,547 55

The disbursements were $68 78, leaving a balance of $1,478 77.

Mrs. Mary S. English, corresponding secretary, reported having written 50 letters and 100 postcards, and delivered seven addresses in the interest of the council during the year.

The reports of affiliated societies were received as follows: Maple Leaf League, represented by Mrs. Marshall; King's Daughters and Sons, Miss M. E. Brown; Protestant Orphans' Home, Mrs. Morphy; City Teachers' Association, Miss Geeson; Froebel Society, Miss Clara Brenton; Convalescent Home, Mrs. Bullen; Y. W. C. T. U., Miss Mary Kirkpatrick; W. C. A., Mrs. Robert Reid, sen.; Women's Art Club, Mrs. Leonard; Mothers' Union, Mrs. Richardson. Mrs. Gordon Wright, president of the W. C. T. U., was heartily welcomed.

EVENING SESSION.

The election of officers for the ensuing year took place in the evening and resulted as follows:

President—Mrs. Boomer.

Vice-Presidents—Mrs. Tilley, Mrs. Gahan, Mrs. Larken, Mrs. Hutchinson.

Recording Secretary—Miss McDonald.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. English.

Treasurer—Miss Mackenzie

Delegates to National Council—Miss Graydon, Mrs. Larken, Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. Perrin, Miss Priddis, Mrs. English, Mrs. Leonard and Mrs. R. M. Graham.

A letter from Lady Aberdeen was read, expressing thankfulness that no further sufferers from the late disaster had succumbed.

A petition regarding the wholesale slaughter of birds and animals for their plumage and fur was read from the Humane Society. The petition will be sent to the International Council, with a strong petition from the local council.

A deputation from the council will shortly wait upon the Children's Aid re affiliation.

The following committee for the Victorian Order of Nurses was named: Mesdames Boomer, Tilley, Yarker, English and Robinson.

In the address of the president, Mrs. Boomer, a review of the work already done and an outline of the many important lines of work ahead of the council, were given in a very interesting manner. Warm praise was bestowed on the council's first past president, Mrs. English. Reference was made to the federation of the national and international councils. Some of the objects to be striven for by the council are to bring about the abolition of the sweating system, to suppress unwholesome literature, and to suppress the traffic in birds' wings and feathers.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the president for her admirable address.

Mr. T. R. Parker addressed the council for the purpose of soliciting co-operation with the Children's Aid Society in an effort to have the act re the registration of maternity houses put in force in London.

During the evening Miss Sylvia Warren, accompanied by Miss Roblyn, sang "Mignon" (Guy de Herdilot) in a charming voice. Miss Johnston also rendered a beautiful solo that was much appreciated. Miss Johnston was accompanied by Miss Katherine Moore.

New Stock On the Market

That of the London Street Railway Company

Quoted for the First Time on the Toronto Stock Exchange—Good Demand for It—London Securities First Class.

The stock of the London Street Railway Company was listed for the first time on the Toronto stock exchange yesterday, and the brokers and bankers were pleased with the way the security took. There was quite an inquiry, and as a result the standing of London was discussed in financial circles more than any other city. The stock was in demand, and sold at the opening at 175½, and before the market closed had risen to 175½, the last sales being made at that figure. It is regarded as a particularly good investment.

The company's annual statement for 1897 made the following showing:

	1897.	1896.
Gross earnings .....$	101,365	$ 94,194
Operating expenses..	58,451	54,171
Net earnings	42,914	40,023
Passengers carried...	2,535,480	2,432,416

The total assets included: Road and equipment, $697,500; stores in hand, $4,000; suspense account, $3,400. And the liabilities included these items: Capital stock, $300,000; bond account, $350,000; accounts payable, $30,800; unredeemed tickets, $2,800; bank overdraft, $4,600; and profit and loss, $17,700.

Over 150,000 more passengers carried last year than the year preceding is unmistakable evidence of the prosperity of the road that must be especially gratifying to the managers.

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Maria Edge, postmistress of Edge Hill, says: "For nearly two years I suffered agonies from acute indigestion and dyspepsia. I could eat practically nothing without its producing the severest pain. The doctors could do so little for me I about gave up hope of recovery. I was induced as a last resort to give South American Nervine a trial. Two bottles wonderfully helped me. Three bottles completely cured me and for six months I have enjoyed perfect health.

Sold by W. S. B. Earkwell and all druggists.

The psaltery of Spain is supposed to have been introduced into that country by the Moors. It is still in common use among the peasants.

THERE is not a more dangerous class of disorders than those which affect the breathing organs. Nullify this danger with Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil—a pulmonic of acknowledged efficacy. It cures soreness and lameness when applied externally, as well as swelled neck and crick in the back; and, as an inward specific, possesses most substantial claim to public confidence.

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Cheap Sugar. See India Tea Company's ad., sixth page, Monday. ywt

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Special in Union Goods, ribbed ends, unshrinkable.....	50c
Heavy all-wool, well finished.....	75c
Extra heavy, well finished.....	$1 00
Very special heavy, hand-made goods, finely finished, were $1 75, now..	$1 25

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Bleached Cotton, 10 yards for.....	$1 00	24 White Bed Spreads, large size, good value at $1 25, these 24 at.....	$1 00
Bleached Sheeting, two yards wide for.....	20c	18 White Bed Spreads, a regular $2 line, these 18 at	$1 75
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The Wind-Up.

Middlesex County Council Finishes Its Business.

The Hospital Question Referred to a Committee.

The Court House in a Dilapidated Condition—Cost of the Session $257 80.

SATURDAY MORNING.

It was 12:40 when the last bylaw was sealed and signed by the warden and clerk, and the labors of the January session of the county council were brought to a close.

The session was a busy one. The hospital question came up, and was discussed at length. The chief objection raised was to giving the committee power to enter into any arrangement with the city committee regarding the extent to which the county would become shareholders. Motions and amendments were put. Mr. G. B. Campbell pointed out that to send the committee without power was of no earthly use. No agreement was to be binding until the council had voted on the report of the committee. If it were necessary to call a special meeting for the purpose there would be no objection.

After further consideration the motion was passed as follows: "That the following members constitute a committee to confer with a committee of the city council to try and effect an agreement between the city and county relative to furnishing new and improved hospital accommodation for the county and city, with power, viz.: The warden, and Messrs. McLeod, Bradley, Murray, Morgan, McLaughlin, Hodgins, Hardy and Gilmour, and in the event of the committee arriving at an agreement that the warden call the council together to ratify or reject the same."

The petition of W. S. Gould, clerk of Bruce county, asking the council to support amendments to the county council act was laid over until June.

Sheriff Cameron submitted a statement of the number of days' labor performed by the prisoners in the county jail from June 1 to Dec. 31, 1897. Number of days' outside work, 701; inside work and court house, 93; jail labor, 96; total number of days, 1,755. Filed for reference.

A list of county patients in the city hospital was submitted, showing the cost to have been $2,998 last year.

The second report of the board of road directors was adopted. It recommended that the committee re Coyne bridge be instructed to visit the site for the proposed new bridge over the Thames, between Ekfrid and Dunwich, and report. Regarding the Ling bridge, on the town line between Westminster and Southwold, they recommended that the bridge be built with concrete abutments and steel superstructure.

The second report of the finance committee was received. The high school accounts were referred to Messrs. Hodgins and Hardy. Regarding the communication from Mr. J. M. McEvoy, asking compensation for the expense Constable Wilson had been put to in connection with the shooting of William Burns at Strathroy, there was considerable discussion. The committee recommended no action, but on amendment, Mr. Wilson was granted $25. The report was then adopted.

The first report of the jail committee was adopted as read. It stated that the jail, on being visited, was found clean and neat. The number at present confined is 28—7 women and 21 men. The repairs to the closet had been made. The room in which the library is situated was unsafe, and recommended that a steel girder be placed under the floor for support, and that the matter be left in the hands of the commissioner, with power to act with the city engineer, and have the work done at once. The court room had been found in a very dilapidated condition. The stair banisters were in a loose, shaky and unsafe condition; the roof of the building was leaky, and the walls greatly damaged by defective eavestroughs. This was also placed in the hands of the commissioner, with power to act with the city engineer to have the necessary repairs made as soon as possible.

On the adoption of the first report of the educational committee, John Fox was reappointed trustee for Lucan high school.

The matter of grants to the different farmers' institutes of Middlesex county was laid over until the June session. Six hundred copies of the minutes were ordered printed and four copies mailed to the clerk of each municipality. The council adjourned until the first Monday in June. The cost of the present session was $257 80.

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