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LATEST MARKETS

STOCK MARKETS.

H. C. Becher, broker, Bank of Commerce building, received the following by private wire from Bartlett, Frazier & Carrington today:

GRAIN MARKETS.

New York, June 8.—There was a distinctly strong tone to the stock market during the forenoon session, and, judging from the course of active stock sentiment, is decidedly improved. There is no particularly good reason why it should not improve, and we believe, and have believed for some time, that with one or two minor elements of uncertainty removed, a substantial betterment in prices would result. Among the strong features today were St. Paul, Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Missouri Pacific, and Steel, preferred, were the most active, and the strength in St. Paul had an excellent effect. The traction group was firm. The total transactions in the first hour were about $6,000 shares, showing that trading is still limited. There is every indication that the market will continue strong throughout the afternoon. Sales to noon were 129,000 shares.

Chicago, June 8.—Weather conditions are perfect and cables of no influence. Weather throughout the grain belt should make less talk of damage to the wheat, although we think a little damage has been done. Corn conditions, as well as oats, seem almost perfect. A little cool in Northern Illinois and Iowa, but one day of sunshine would stop any talk of lateness of the season. Farmers continue to be fair sellers of corn, and we see no reason why the receipts of corn will not be good for some weeks yet. The export demand for corn is absolutely dead, and the domestic demand has been very poor this week. Corn is rapidly accumulating in the private elevators in Chicago, much of which will be transferred to the public elevators and delivered on July 1, unless a much better demand for corn develops. I see no reason for buying corn. Cash oats are still in small supply, and the demand both east and south continues good. Oats are scarce, and we believe will still sell at these prices or higher for the balance of the old crop. New crop continues favorable and promises the largest crop America ever harvested. When this is harvested oats will sell very low this fall. Provisions showed great strength yesterday, with the packers fair buyers. Provisions we think a purchase on any break.

Receipts—Wheat, 20 cars; corn, 237; oats, 102.

The weather map shows general light rains in the last 24 hours. It is colder, with rain in Dakota; partly cloudy, with rising temperatures, elsewhere.

Liverpool, June 7.—Wheat opened unchanged, corn unchanged. 1:30 p.m.—Wheat unchanged; corn, ⅛d to ¼d lower.

TORONTO.

	To rontto, June 8. Ask.	Off
Ontario	..	126
Toronto	..	225
Commerce	..	151½
Imperial	..	218
Dominion	228	226
Standard	230	225
Hamilton	208	206
Nova Scotia	270	..
Traders	..	136½
British America	100	..
Western Assurance	65	..
Imperial Life	..	149
Consumers Gas	206½	..
Ontario and Qu'Appelle Land	..	94
Canada Northwest Land, pref.	..	99¾
Can. Pacific Railway Stock	118¼	118
Soo, pref	120	118
Soo, com	62½	61½
Toronto Electric Light	..	166½
General Electric	148	144
Dominion Telegraph	130	120
London Electric	100	..
Bell Telephone	144	143
Richelieu and Ontario Nav. Co.	..	85
Niagara Navigation	..	118
St. L. and C. Navigation	85	..
Toronto Street Railway	103	100¼
Twin City Railway, new	94½	94
Winnipeg St. Railway	..	160
Sao Paulo Tramway	104¾	104½
Dominion Steel, com	10	9
Dominion Coal, com	60	57¾
Nova Scotia Steel, common	75½	72½
Crow's Nest Coal	350	..
Canada Salt	115	..
Mackay, common	24¼	23½
Mackay, pref	68	67
British Canadian L. and I.	..	80
Canada Landed and Nat. Inv.	107	105
Canada Permanent	122½	122
Canada Savings and Loan	..	119
Central Canada Loan	..	150
Dominion Savings and Invest.	..	70
Hamilton Provident	..	121
Huron and Erie L. and S. Co.	..	180
Landed Banking and Loan	..	121
Lon. and Can. L. and A.	95	..
Manitoba Loan	..	95
Toronto Mortgage	..	91
London Loan	120	..
Ontario Loan and Deb.	..	122½
Toronto Savings and Loan	..	130
Dom. Steel Bonds	62½	62

SALES: Imperial Bank, 3 at 218; Canadian General Electric, 25 at 145; Mackay, common, 100 at 23¾, 4 preferred at 67½; Twin City, 25 at 94; Canada Permanent, 50 at 122¼, 20 at 122; C. P. R., 50 at 117¾, 50 at 117⅞; Sao Paulo, 50 at 105, 50 at 104¾, 25 at 104⅞, 25 at 104¾, 50 at 105, 25 at 104⅞, 5 at 105, 25 at 104¾; Nova Scotia Steel, 25 at 72¾, 10 at 73, 25 at 72¾, 25 at 73; Dominion Steel, 200 at 9½; Dominion Steel bonds, 2,000 at 62¾, 3,000 at 62¼; Canada Landed, 20 at 105.

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MONTREAL.

	Montreal, June 8. Ask.	Off
Canadian Pacific	118⅝	118¾
Winnipeg Electric	200	165
Montreal Street Railway	212	207½
West India	75	45
Toronto Railway	161	160¼
Halifax Street Railway	97	92½
St. John Railway	120	..
Twin City Transit Railway	94¼	93⅞
Richelieu and Ontario	87	85¾
Bell Telephone	..	143
Dominion Iron and Steel, com	9½	9¼
Dominion Iron and Steel, pref	28	27¾
Montreal Heat, Light	75	73½
Nova Scotia Steel, common	73⅞	72
Montreal Cotton	110	105
Dominion Cotton	38	32
Nova Scotia, pref	115	110
Montreal Street Bonds	104½	103
Dominion Coal, common	58	57

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Dominion Coal, preferred	115	112¾
Montreal	250	248
Ogilvie Flour	200	..
Ogilvie Flour	120	118
Ogilvie Bonds	116	111
Mackay, com	24¼	23¾
Mackay, preferred	68	67¾
Northwest Land, pref	..	100
Commerce	..	154½
Northwest Land, common	..	150
Dominion Iron and Steel Bonds	62½	62¼
Toledo Railway	21	18¾
Nova Scotia Steel Bonds	109¼	108½

SALES: C. P. R., 650 at 118, 1 at 118½, 28 at 118, 50 at 118¼, 200 at 118¼, 200 at 118½; Power, 5 at 73½, 3 at 73¾; Iron, common, 150 at 9, 10 at 8¾, 75 at 9; Coal, common, 5 at 56¾, 100 at 57, 10 at 58; Mackay, common, 4 at 23; Mackay, preferred, 4 at 67; Scotia, common, 25 at 73; Scotia, preferred, 5 at 114; Iron bonds, 5,000 at 62½; Bank of British North America, 20 at 132; Bank of Commerce, 1 at 152½.

NEW YORK.

Reported by E. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

New York, June 8.

	Open	High.	Low.	Close
Amal. Copper	49¾	50	49¾	50
American Sugar Co.	128¾	126	125¼	125¼
American Locomotive	18¾	19	18¾	19
American Refining	53	53¼	52⅞	52⅞
Atchison, com	69¾	70⅛	69¾	70⅛
Atchison Pfd.	93	..	..	..
B. & O.	79	79¾	79	79¼
Brooklyn Tran	47¼	47¾	47¼	47¼
C. P. R.	117⅞	118¼	117⅞	118¼
Chesapeake & Ohio	30½	..	..	..
Chic. Great Western	14¼	14½	14⅛	14¼
Col. Fuel and Iron	29	..	..	..
Consolidated Gas	189¾	190¼	189	189¾
Delaware and Hudson	153¾	154¼	153¾	154¼
Erie	23¾	24¼	23¾	24¼
Erie Pfd	57¼	58½	57¼	58¼
Illinois Central	129¾	..	..	..
Kan. and Tex, com	15⅝	15¾	15⅝	15¾
Kan. and Tex, pref	35	35⅛	35	35⅛
Louisville and Nasville	107¾	108¼	107¾	108⅛
Manhattan	144¼	144⅞	144¼	144⅞
Metropolitan St. Ry.	110¼	111¼	110¼	111¼
M. P.	10	10⅛	10	9⅞
N. Y. Central	115¼	115½	115¼	115½
Norfolk and W.	54¼	..	..	..
Ont. and West	24¼	25	24¾	24¾
Pennsylvania	114¼	114¾	114¼	114⅝
People's Gas	95½	95⅝	95⅜	95½
Reading	46¾	46⅞	45¾	46⅛
Rock Island	20½	20⅞	20⅛	20⅝
Southern Railway	20¼	20½	20¼	20⅜
Southern Ry, Pfd.	83¾	..	..	..
Southern Pacific	45¾	46¼	45¾	46⅛
St. Paul	140⅝	141⅝	140⅝	141⅝
Texas	21	..	..	..
Tennessee Coal & Iron	34	..	..	..
Union Pacific	83⅞	84¾	83⅞	84½
U. S. Leather, pref	80⅛	80¾	80⅛	80¾
U. S. Rubber	16¼	16⅞	16¼	16½
U. S. Steel, com	9	9¼	9	9⅛
U. S. Steel, pref.	83¼	84⅝	83¼	84½
Wabash, pref	34	34⅛	34	34⅛
Western Union Tel.	86	86½	86	86⅛
Wisconsin Central	16¾	..	..	..
Wisconsin Central pref.	37¼	37¼	37¼	37½

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

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Chicago, June 8

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—July	87⅞	88½	86¾	86⅞
Sept.	81⅛	81⅞	81	81⅛
Dec.	81	81⅝	80⅞	81⅝
Corn—July	49¼	49¼	48⅝	48¾
Sept	48⅝	48⅝	47¾	47⅞
Dec	43⅞	44⅛	43⅝	43⅝
Oats—July	35⅞	40	35⅞	39⅞
Sept.	31⅛	31⅛	31	31⅛
Dec	31⅛	31⅝	31⅛	31⅛
Pork—July	11 42	12 22	11 97	12 00
Sept	12 32	12 45	12 16	12 20
Lard—July	6 65	6 70	6 57	6 57
Sept	6 82	6 85	6 75	6 77
Ribs—July	6 97	7 00	6 87	6 91
Sept.	7 15	7 20	7 07	7 07

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OIL MARKETS.

PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., June 7.—Oil opened and closed at $1 59.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., June 7.—Credit balances, $1 59; certificates, no bid; shipments, Pennsylvania, 49,361 barrels.

LONDON.

London, June 7.—Petroleum, American refined, 5⅞d; spirits, 8¾d.

ANTWERP.

Antwerp, June 7.—Petroleum, 19 francs 25 centimes.

BREMEN.

Bremen, June 7.—Petroleum, 6 marks 35 pfennings.

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PRODUCE MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, June 8.—Wheat—Steady, at 93c for No. 2 red and white, west and east; Manitoba, 94c for No. 2 hard, 93c for No. 1 northern, 90c for No. 2 northern, and 87½c for No. 3 northern, at Georgian Bay ports, and 6c more grinding in transit. Flour—Steady, at $3 70 to $3 75 for cars of 90 per cent patents, in buyers' bags, west; choice brands are 15c to 20c higher; Manitoba, $4 80 for cars of Hungarian patents, $4 50 for second patents and $4 40 for strong bakers, in car lots, bags included, on the track at Toronto. Millfeed—Steady, at $17 for cars of shorts and $15 50 bid for bran in bulk west; Manitoba, $20 for cars of shorts and $18 for bran, sacks included, Toronto freights. Barley—Nominal, at 42c for No. 2, 40c for No. 3 extra and 38c for No. 3, west. Buckwheat—Nominal, at 46c for No. 2, west. Rye—Steady, at 57c to 58c for No. 2, west. Corn—Steady, at 45c for Canada, west; American steady, at 59½c for No. 2 yellow, 58½c for No. 3 yellow, and 57½c for No. 3 mixed, in car lots on the track at Toronto. Oats—Steady; No. 1 white are quoted at 33c east, and No. 2 white at 32½c east; No. 2 white are quoted at 32c west. Rolled oats—Steady, at $4 50 for cars of bags and $4 75 for barrels, on the track at Toronto; 25c more for broken lots outside. Peas—Firm and steady, at 62c to 63c for No. 2, west, and milling peas are worth 3c more. Butter—Liberal supply; prices easy. Eggs—Firm, 15c for new-laid. Dressed hogs—Easier; heavy, $6 50; light, $7.

LOCAL MARKET.

London, Wednesday, June 8.

Hay was not so plentiful today; sales would have been slow if any considerable quantity was offered, as a great number of the large horse owners are filled up; for the loads that were offered $6 to $8 per ton was paid.

Several loads of oats went at $1 02 per cwt

WEEKLY REVIEW.

The markets held here during the past six days were about on a par with those of the previous week, as far as the supply of produce was concerned. Prices in several lines were lower, and sales were on the slow side, especially for butter, potatoes and grain.

Grain—There was a considerable quantity of oats offered; the demand is fair, at $1 02 to $1 04 per cwt. Not much wheat has been offered; for the few loads brought in $1 55 per cwt was the ruling price.

Hay and Straw—About 150 loads of hay were offered during the week; most of it was of inferior quality; prices have taken a slump; the best loads are now selling at $8 to $8 50 per ton; occasionally $9 per ton is paid; inferior loads sell at $6 to $7 per ton. Straw is dull, at $5 per ton.

Butter and Eggs—The situation is unchanged for butter; receipts of the different grades are heavy; sales are slow and prices easier, at 22c per lb for store lots and 23c to 24c for crocks and pound rolls from farmers' wagons. Eggs are a trifle firmer; the dealers are paying 12½c for large lots; by the basket lot 14c per dozen is most frequently paid.

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lots on the track are delivered to the grocers at $1 per bag; this curtails the demand from the farmers; on Saturday potatoes sold at $1 to $1 15 per bag.

Dressed Hogs—The supply and the demand are about up to the average, at $6 75 per cwt for nice lean hogs.

Apples are scarce; not many are wanted; prices are higher for good stock, at 75c to $1 10 per bag.

Live Hogs—On Monday there were about 200 head shipped from here, at $5 per cwt; a few fat sows were also purchased, at $3 25 per cwt; there were over 100 small pigs offered on Saturday, selling at $4 50 to $8 per pair, according to age and size.

Butchers' Meats—Sales are a trifle brisker, at the following prices: Beef, $6 50 to $7 50; veal, $5 50 to $6 50 per cwt; hambs, $4 50 to $5 each; mutton, $6 to $8 25 per cwt, the latter price for nice light carcases.

Wool and Hides—Washed wool brings 16½c to 17c per lb; unwashed, 9½c to 10½c lb. Nos. 1 and 3 grades of hides are ½c per lb higher.

Honey is dull, at 8c to 9c for strained and 10c per lb for comb.

BEAN MARKETS.

DETROIT.

Detroit, June 7.—Beans—Cash, $1 60; October and November $1 70.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, June 7.—Wheat—Spot easy; No. 1 California, 6s 10½d. Futures steady.

Corn—Spot steady; American mixed, new, 4s 6d; do, old, 4s 6½d. Futures quiet; July, 4s 4½d; September, 4s 3¼d.

Peas—Canadian steady, 5s 1½d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter dull, 8s 3d.

Hops (in London)—Pacific coast firm, £6 6s to £6 15s.

Beef—Easy; extra India mess, 57s 6d.

Pork—Prime mess western, dull, 62s 6d.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, quiet, 45s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs, strong, 42s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, firm, 37s 6d; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, firm, 37s; long clear middles, 35 to 40 lbs, firm, 36s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, firm, 36s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, strong, 40s; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, strong, 36s.

Lard—Steady; prime western, in tierces, 38s 3d; American refined, in pails, 34s 6d.

Butter—Good United States steady, 74s.

Cheese—Finest American white quiet, 38s; do, colored, steady, 39s.

Tallow—Prime city easy, 29s 6d.

Turpentine Spirits—Dull, 42s.

Linseed Oil—Firm, 17s 6d.

FLAXSEED.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, June 7.—Flaxseed—Northwest, $1 06½; southwest, $2; June, $1; July, $1; September, $1 05.

DAIRY MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Ill., June 7.—Butter—Steady; creameries, 13½c to 17½c; dairies, 11½c to 16c. Cheese—Easy, 7¾c to 9c.

INGERSOLL.

Ingersoll, Ont., June 7.—Offerings today, 587 boxes, remnant May make; 8c bid, but not accepted; fair attendance; splendid pasture and large make in this section.

NEW YORK.

New York, June 7.—Butter—Steady and unchanged; receipts, 22,458 pkgs. Cheese—Irregular; receipts, 17,161 boxes; new state, full cream, colored, small choice, 7⅞c; do, white, small choice, 7⅞c; do, colored, large choice, 8c; light skims, choice, 5½c to 6c.

HAY MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, June 7.—Baled Hay—The offerings are fair, but the demand is moderate; the market is easier; cars on the track here are quoted at $8 50 to $9 per ton.

Baled Straw—Easier; cars on the track here are quoted at $5 to $5 50 per ton.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, June 7.—Canadian cattle are quoted firmer at 11c to 12c per lb; refrigerator beef is 8½c to 9c per lb; sheep are steady, at 12c to 14c per lb.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, June 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 22,000; market steady to easier; best cattle strong, others weak to 10c lower; good to prime steers, $5 50 to $6 40; poor to medium, $4 75 to $5 50; stockers and feeders, $3 25 to $4 60; cows, $1 75 to $4 75; heifers, $2 50 to $5; canners, $1 75 to $2 75; bulls, $2 50 to $4 90; calves, $2 50 to $5 50.

Hogs—Receipts, 28,000; market 5c to 10c higher; mixed and butchers, $4 75 to $4 95; good to choice heavy, $4 90 to $5; rough heavy, $4 70 to $4 85; light, $4 65 to $4 85; bulk of sales at $4 75 to $4 90.

Sheep—Receipts, 18,000; market steady to strong; good to choice wethers, $5 25 to $5 50; fair to choice mixed, $3 75 to $5 25; native lambs, $4 50 to $6 55; spring lambs, $5 50 to $7 75.

PERSONAL NOTES

Mr. W. D. Love and Miss Isabel Love arrived in London today.

Mr. Wm. McLean, of Crinan, is spending a few days with friends in London.

W. F. Darch, of Darch & Sons, has left for the continent on a six weeks' trip.

Miss Emma Smith, assistant superintendent of Cooks County Hospital, Chicago, is spending her vacation at her home in Glendale.

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PRIZE STOCK FOR B. C.

Toronto, Ont., June 8. — Mr. A. P. Westervelt, secretary of the Live Stock Association, has today arranged for the shipment of three cars of live stock to L. W. Paisley, secretary of the Live Stock Association of British Columbia, and the stock has ben purchased here for various persons in that province, and includes ten head of horses, some prize-winners; forty head of cattle, ten sheep and ten pigs.

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Tariff Reduction Cuts Price of Oil in London

Both American and Canadian Products Affected by the Government's Action.

The reduction in the tariff on refined illuminating oils, gasoline and benzine has already sent the prices of these products down 2½ cents per gallon in this city—this being the reduction in the tariff decided upon by the Government.

Today Mr. Carrick, manager of the Queen City Oil Company, in this city, made this announcement, and it is expected that all retail dealers will be officially notified of the reduction by tomorrow. At present American oil sells for 23 cents a gallon here, and Canadian oil for 20 cents. Taking off the cut made in the duty, these oils should soon sell in London for 20 cents and 18 cents a gallon respectively.

Mr. A. S. Rogers, Toronto, general manager of the Queen City Oil Company, was asked last night what would be the effect of the changes in the tariff on petroleum. He said that one effect will be the reduction of the prices of refined oils, naphthas and similar products equal to the reduction in tariff. Owing to decrease in Canadian crude production imports of American refined oil have increased to about 75 per cent of the whole consumption of the country. The crude oil prices will, of course, be reduced, but the bonus to the producer will about offset the reduction, so that he should be well satisfied.

As to the refineries, the cut in tariff of manufactured products is a heavy one, and Mr. Rogers is not yet sure just how far free tariff on crude oil after allowing for cost of transportation from the American wells will enable our refineries to manufacture under the revised tariff the refined oil requirements which are at present imported from the United States. But, with present information about details of the changes announced, Mr. Rogers states the result will be the operation of the Canadian refineries at full capacity, thus transferring from the United States to Canada the manufacture of a large part of oil now imported. Employment will be given to a large number of men at Sarnia and Petrolea. Manufacturers using fuel and gas oil, consumers of benzine and gasoline as well as of coal oil, will be aided by the reduction in prices due to the reduction in the tariff.

MUSTN'T FISH FOR MORE THAN 8 BASS

New Fishing Regulations Confirmed by the Dominion Government.

The new fishery regulations recommended by Mr. S. T. Bastedo, Ontario commissioner of fisheries, have been confirmed by the Dominion Government. They will go into effect at once. The most important change is that reducing from 12 to 8 the number of bass permitted to be caught by any angler in one day. The present limit is 12. The size, 10 inches, remains the same. There was some talk of increasing it to 12 inches, but on further consideration, Mr. Bastedo came to the conclusion that such a regulation would have the opposite of the desired effect.

The regulation reads as follows: No one shall fish for, catch, or kill, in any of the waters of the Province in any one day by angling, or shall carry away a greater number than eight small or large mouthed black bass, four maskinonge, twelve pickerel, four lake trout.

Of speckled trout or brook trout no more may be caught than in the aggregate shall exceed in weight ten pounds, or no greater number than 30, though that number may weigh less than ten pounds.

The size limit for pickerel is fifteen inches; for maskinonge, thirty inches; measuring from the point of the hose to the center of the tail. The sale and export of speckled trout, black bass and maskinonge is prohibited for a period of five years, provided, however, that any person from a foreign country fishing in the waters of the Province who obtains an angler's license may upon leaving the Province, take with him the lawful catch of two days' fishing.

THE SCHOOLS' PICNIC.

The programme of sports for the schools' picnic on Thursday, June 16, was prepared by the board of education last night. The programme is the same as that of last year, with the exception of the tug-of-war, which has been cut out.

ILLEGAL FISHING IN THE THAMES

Much of It Going On—How the Wily Indian Does It—Four Offenders Caught.

A number of poachers have been operating successfully in the waters of the Thames this spring. In the north branch especially, where the law prohibits people from fishing for some time to come, there has been a great deal of it done.

The wily redskin with his spear and lantern has taken many of the finny beauties from the Thames. At night he lies along the shore beside his lantern, and watches for long-nosed pike or bass. Should the inspector come, what cares he? The official's approach through the trees cannot escape the ears of the wideawake Oneida, for it is in their district that the poaching goes on most extensively. With the first crackling of twigs the brave has slipped out into the deep water, having extinguished his light, and with his long-poled spear in one hand he swims to the opposite shore, where, if he is nervy enough, he may resume operations. The lantern is not with him this time, however. The crafty Oneida has a heavy wooden handle attached to it, and when he lets it go it floats down the stream. In the morning he comes along and finds it in some nook. The inspector wonders where the Indian has gone, but seldom catches him.

People from the city, however, are not so well up to the tricks of illegal fishing. Fisheries Overseer Corsaut discovered this not long ago. While in search of poachers in the north branch he came upon three London men — Charles Hexter and John and William Delmage — having a pleasant day's sport. As a result they came before Squire Smyth this afternoon, together with Frank Lane, who was discovered catching bass out of season in Westminster.

The corraling of this quartet is the result of much work on Mr. Corsaut's part. Somehow or other the poaching people receive word of the approach of the officers, who, while they know that much illegal fishing is going on, seldom succeed in landing the offenders.

ASPHALT REPAIRS ARE COMING HIGH

'Twill Take in the Neighborhood of $4,000 to Settle the Bill This Year.

City Engineer Graydon has notified Manager Carr, of the street railway company, that the city intends to make repairs to the asphalt pavement at once, and that the company will be expected to repair its portion of the pavement at the same time. It is understood, however, that the company is strongly opposed to spending any more money on the pavement in the shape of repairs and desires to pave their section with vitrified brick.

It is not known what the city will say to this proposal this year, though brick has always been tabooed in the past, but Mr. Graydon says that spending money on the laying of asphalt next to the rails is simply throwing cold cash into a sink hole.

That is will take a pretty penny to put the pavement in repair this year there is no doubt. In 1901, the first year the city was called upon to make the repairs, it spent about $200 on the pavement, in 1902 the repairs cost the city about $1,000, and in 1903 the sum paid out for this purpose was $1,200. These amounts are, of course, exclusive of what it costs the street railway company to keep its portion of the street in repair. Last year the company paid out $2,000 for asphalt repairs, making the entire repairs to the pavement total $3,200.

It is said around the city hall that the asphalt repairs will cost in the neighborhood of $4,000 this year.

GETTING DOWN TO HARD WORK

Rain Does Not Entirely Stop Operations at the Camp On Carling's Heights.

Despite the rain the soldiers in camp are getting down to work. Col. Peters, D. O. C., after his inspection of the brigades this morning, declared himself pleased with the turn-out.

The new infantry drill was explained to the various battalions, and some of the movements tried with considerable promise of success, considering the short time the drill has been issued.

Number 2 Company, Twenty-first (Essex) Regiment, will be attached to the Twenty-second Regiment for instruction during the camp.

The medical officer for duty today is Surg.-Major Ried, Twenty-second Regiment. No serious cases have had to be treated so far by the hospital corps. This afternoon a squad of about 20 men were brought before Surg.-Major Belton for physical examnaton.

Lieut. Ibibster has comand this year of the Point Edward company of the Twenty-seventh Regiment, in the place of Major O'Nel, who has recently resigned.

Lectures of reconnoissance are to be given by Major Caldwell, I. S. O.

A militia order issued at Ottawa today directs that the director-general of medical services shall perform annual inspections as follows: First divisional camp, London, June 16; station hospital, London, June 17; second divisional camp, Niagara, June 20.

Withdraw Their Names From Pavement Petition

Queen's Avenue May Not Have a New Roadway This Year —The Latest Move.

King street residents are vindicated. It has long been alleged that the people of any other street in the city could ere this have agreed on a pavement had they desired one, and needed one as badly as the people of King street. Now, however, Queen's avenue, quiet and select, in a class by itself, as it were, is pulling off a paving row of its own than which King street never pulled off a better one.

pavement on Queen's avenue, between Richmond and Maitland streets. The petition contained the names of 57 out of 75 property-owners entitled to sign the requisition. The signatures, it is said, represented $290,000 out of the $360,000 assessment on the avenue. And as the council accepted the petition and ordered it sent to the assessment commissioner for a report, the pavement looked a sure thing for Queen's avenue. But, it is further alleged, the Barber agent had yet to be reckoned with. It is said he took around a petition amongst the property-owners yesterday and succeeded in securing 10 or 11 signatures, and those people sent in their requests to City Clerk Edwards to have their names removed from the bitulithic petition on printed forms supplied by the Barber agent. Two of the citizens who have requested their sent in a withdrawal form has since countermanded the withdrawal and has asked that his name be allowed to remain on the petition. But as the law demands that a local improvement petition must bear the signatures of two-thirds of the property-owners representing at least one-half of the assessed value of the property on the street, it is understood that the Queen's avenue petition is now invalidated, and the people stand but a poor chance of receiving a pavement this summer.

It appears, however, that the majority of the people on Queen's avenue are in favor of the bitulithic pavement and have apparently, driven a hard bargain with the Warren Company, as it is said, they hold a guarantee that the pavement will be laid for 23 cents a lineal foot, and will carry a ten-year guarantee. The residents also ask that its pavement be spread over a period of fifteen years.

In the introduction to the petition two letters are mentioned—one from the city engineer and one from the Warren Company, containing the guarantees as to cost, it is said, and those letters have aroused the curiosity of Ald. Matthews, who told a reporter today that before anything is done with the petition, even should it be found to be sufficiently signed, these letters must be produced.

Quite a number of the Queen's avenue taxpayers are also opposed to any class of costly pavement on that street. One of the ratepayers said today that all he wanted to see on the street was a roadway similar to that on Dufferin avenue—that is, a straight macadam, with a cement curb and gutter.

DELIVERY OF THE RAILS IS ORDERED

Traction Work Progressing—Another Route to St. Thomas Being Considered.

The annual meeting of the Southwestern Traction Company was held in the offices in the Masonic Temple this week, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, F. G. Rumball, London; vice-president, Lieut.-Col. McEwen, Byron; managing director, A. Welch; directors, T. H. Luscombe, Dr. A. Mackay, Ingersoll; Capt. Robson, H. M. Rumball, London, Eng.; Joseph Howlett, Howlett postoffice, and William Dafoe, of Avon. The meeting was of more than ordinary interest, in view of the fact that it was the first annual meeting since operations on the road to St. Thomas and Port Stanley were commenced.

The grading of the line between this city and St. Thomas has so far advanced that the company this morning ordered the delivery of the rails from the mills at the Soo. The ties are now at Port Stanley. The grading has been done to a point within a half mile of the Elgin County line, and when the rails and ties arrive the track laying gang can go ahead with their work, without any danger of delay, except from unfavorable weather.

Negotiations with St. Thomas are still pending, and there are those who will not be at all surprised if permission is not given the traction company to build a line into the city. It is known that the entire route to be followed has not yet been decided upon, and that much will depend upon the action taken by St. Thomas council. There are three routes under consideration by the engineer of the company, the latest being east from the Lambeth road (at Talbotville) to the Wellington road, by which it would touch the limits of St. Thomas at a point some distance east of the other routes.

The location of the power house of the company has not been decided upon. Before this matter is settled, many things have to be considered, but this is certain—that the greater the grades on the road in the direction of St. Thomas and the consequent heavier demands on the power that way, the nearer the plant will be to that city.

It was said today that the engines for the power house were ready to be put together at the manufacturers for the purpose of being tested.

CONDENSED LOCAL NEWS

—Mr. Fred W. Smart, of this city, has been appointed electrician for the town of Hespeler.

—The bylaw, which calls upon the London Street Railway to construct the South street belt line, was handed to Manager Carr today.

—Mrs. Frank A. Copus will be at home at 797 Helimuth avenue Friday afternoon and evening and on first and third Fridays thereafter.

—Dr. T. J. W. Burgess, medical superintendent of the Protestant Hospital for the Insane, Verdun, and a former member of the asylum staff here, has been elected president of the American Medico-Psychological Association at the St. Louis convention.

WHEELMAN'S NARROW ESCAPE.

A bicyclist had a narrow escape on Dundas street in front of The Advertiser building. He was riding along slowly when he turned in front of a heavy delivery wagon. He was knocked off his wheel, but, luckily, fell to one side. The bicycle went under the wheels of the wagon, and was much dilapidated when taken out.

LECTURER AT McMASTER.

Rev. I. G. Matthews, M. A., who recently so ably filled the pulpit of the Adelaide Street Baptist Church, and declined a unanimous call to its pastorate, was on Tuesday appointed a lecturer for McMaster University for the session of 1905 and 1906. Rev. Mr. Matthews has been a pastor in British Columbia. He will spend some months in visiting Chicago, Glasgow, Oxford, and the Holy Land, and will return to this country next year.

LONDONER HONORED.

A message received last night stated that the ticket for the Soo directorate included Messrs. C. D. Warren, president of the Traders' Bank; T. J. Drummond, of Montreal, and Messrs. Hugh Blain and N. W. Rowell, K. C., the latter two names suggested by the Ontario Government. Mr. Rowell, who is a well-known ex-Londoner, did not intend to accept a directorate, but was urged to do so temporarily, at any rate, because of the intimate knowledge he possesses of the conditions of the various contracts and undertakings of the whole concern. Mr. Rowell only accepted on condition that he should be perfectly free to retire at an early date.

LOST THREE FINGERS.

Mr. Abraham Cole, woodturner, on York street, had his left hand so severely injured yesterday afternoon that he lost three fingers. Mr. Cole was operating one of his machines and in some manner got his hand caught in it and crushed. Dr. Belton attended him, and he is doing as well as can be expected. It will be some time before he will be able to use the hand again.

NEW ALARM BOXES.

Carolina Rice