G. T. R. GETS EXTRA ENGINEERS TO BRING IN SUPPLY OF COAL

Rushing Thousands of Tons To Western Ontario From Black Rock.

The Grand Trunk yesterday put into operation all its available motive power in addition to several locomotives rented from the D., L. and W. Railway to relieve the congestion at Black Rock, due to the hundreds of coal cars tied up at that point. Within the next 24 hours hundreds of carloads of coal will be distributed throughout Western Ontario. All points on the Grand Trunk that have been experiencing a coal shortage the past few weeks will be supplied as quickly as the cars can be hauled to their destinations. The coal is being taken from Black Rock by the train load, each train consisting of 30 cars or more, with a capacity of about [illegible] tons each, making 1,200 tons to each train, and with about 10 of these trains removed every day, it is hoped soon to relieve the existing congestion.

All movements for the next few days will be of hard coal only, this going to supply family consumption. The soft coal used for manufacturing purposes will be moved as quickly as facilities permit.

POSTMEN WILL REACH ALL WITH SERVICE CARDS

Postmaster Explains His Plans—Will Not Need Outside Help.

Though the national registration cards have not yet arrived from Ottawa at the local postoffice, Postmaster Peter Macdonald has plans well arranged for their distribution. To The Advertiser today he stated: "There should not be the slightest difficulty about effectively distributing these cards in London, and reaching every man between the ages of 18 and 65. We will be able to handle it all right from the postoffice without calling upon any outside assistance.

"In the residential districts the postmen will call at each house and leave enough cards for the men of the family or male boarders living there.

"In offices, stores, factories and so on, the plan will be to inquire of the manager or head of the firm how many are employed. If he cannot answer the first day the postman will make a second call to obtain the correct figures, when he will leave a sufficient number of cards. The men themselves will be responsible for returning the cards to us, consequently the responsibility of the postmen will cease when they distribute them."

TRANSFER APPROVED.—The transfer of Corp. W. C. Gilchrist from the 149th Battalion to the 63rd Depot Battery, effective from December 25, is approved in today's orders.

AT THE PATRICIA

One of the largest crowds of the season enjoyed the dancing at the Patricia on Christmas Day. Fine programs were given both afternoon and evening, and at night appropriate souvenirs were distributed. On Thursday evening there will be a special feature, including a number of the old-time dances.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. A. Ross of Toronto is spending the Christmas holidays with her brother, Sergt.-Major Prowse, at his home, 760 Adelaide street.

Miss Margaret Tutt is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Tutt, 90 Chesley avenue. Miss Tutt teaches near Brantford.

Mrs. Raymond D. Morand and daughter Doris, of Windsor, are visiting with Mrs. Morand's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Moore, here.

Robert M. Claypole, who has been visiting at his home, 666 Talbot street, during his mother's illness and death, has returned to Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Bancroft of Detroit are spending the holidays with Mrs. Bancroft's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Pitkin.

William Lackie of Chicago, accompanied by his son, is spending Christmas week with his mother, Mrs. John Lackie, Kensington avenue.

Miss Jeanette Killmaster of Port Rowan, a young pianiste who on several occasions has delighted London music lovers with her artistic work, will be a New Year's week-end visitor in the city, the guest of her brother, F. G. Killmaster.

George S. Shaw is spending the holidays at his home, Wortley road. Mr. Shaw is at present attending Toronto University.

Victor T. Mooney, B.A., of Victoria College, Toronto University, is spending the vacation at his home, Grosvenor street.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Osborne, 64 Dillabough avenue, spent Christmas with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Osborne, Flint, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Arthurs of Toronto, spent Christmas in town. They were guests in the home of Mrs. Arthur's father, R. F. Wright, Dundas street east.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wright of Toronto have been guests over the Christmas holiday of Mrs. Wright's mother, Mrs. Hueston, Dundas street.

Mrs. Claude Leslie Laing of Brantford, accompanied by her two children, has been spending several days with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Peter Macdonald, Central avenue. Mr. Laing, who is manager of the Bank of Hamilton branch in Brantford, joining them for the Christmas week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Kenner of Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kenner and daughter of Stratford were Christmas week-end visitors in town, the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Bell, 423 Dufferin avenue. J. K. Bell of Toronto University, who is spending his holidays at home, was also a member of the family house party.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Harper of Oshawa, and Mr. and Mrs. C. Munce of Woodstock, spent the holiday at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hardy.

Mrs. Jordan of Toronto is spending the Christmas season in the home of her son, A. D. Jordan, "The Grange," South London.

Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. Wilson, who has been spending the past few months with her parents in town, left Sunday night for New York.

GERMANY'S FAILURE TO REPLY DIRECTLY IS DISAPPOINTING

American Officials Acknowledge It Unofficially.

DEPENDS ON ALLIES

This Is View at Washington, Although Entente Reply Forecast.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Germany's reply to President Wilson's peace note has not been received here in official form early today and officials were reserving their comment until they had opportunity to study it.

Despite the disappointment because Germany has not acceded to the president's suggestion and laid down her terms. The general view prevailed that the reply was another step forward in the peace movement because it left room for subsequent negotiations.

The United States undoubtedly is expected by Germany to transmit the sense of her reply to the Entente belligerents and the immediate outcome depends on whether the Allies will modify their determination not to enter a conference before terms have been laid down. It was pointed out that the way had not been closed for Germany to lay down terms as the Allies demand. In a diplomatic negotiation of such magnitude and scope officials do not look for results to be immediately apparent but expect the way to be paved carefully and slowly. The next move, will not be determined until after the official text of the reply has been received and carefully considered. President Wilson will discuss it thoroughly with the cabinet probably Friday.

Waiting for Entente.

Home officials pointed out that the United States could no nothing further and could not decide on a course until the Entente Allies have also replied to the note. Their answer has been forecast by Entente diplomats here as a courteous recognition of the president's purposes and ideals, but probably a firm refusal to enter into conference without having terms advanced first.

Officials acknowledged their disappointment over Germany's failure to reply directly to the president's suggestion that terms be laid down, but were inclined to hold to the view that the door to negotiations must necessarily remain open until the Allies themselves closed it. There was a carefully studied attitude of refusing to make any statement that might be considered official, and an evident inclination to view the situation as hopefully as possible.

Promise of Terms.

The view persisted in Teutonic quarters that Germany's reply would be followed by a high confidential oral or written communication concerning the terms upon which the central powers are willing to make peace.

GIRL SENT HOME.—The Indian maiden who has been in jail on remand for the past two weeks on a charge of disorderly conduct was placed aboard a G. T. R. train today and sent home to her parents at Muncey.

LOCAL NEWS

DISCHARGE APPROVED.—The discharge of Pte. T. W. Roe from the 241st Battalion, because he is under age, is approved in today's orders.

MORE FOR BELGIANS.—The following donations are gratefully acknowledged for the Local Council of Women Belgion fund: Mrs. A. E. Welch, $5; Mrs. Charlton, $5; Mrs. Elizabeth Morris, $5, and M. M., $2.

DINNER TO MEMBERS. — There will be a meeting of No. 2 committee of the board of education this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock to pass the final accounts for the year. Subsequently Chairman Harry Hayman will entertain the members at a dinner down town.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.—Mr. and Mrs. William C. Coo of Toronto announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Olive Elizabeth, to Arthur H. Smyth, B.A.Sc., son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Smyth of Strathroy Ont. The marriage will take place early in January.

INJURED HIS KNEE.—D. L. Welch, accountant of the London and Port Stanley Railway, has been confined to his home for a few days on account of an accident. He suffered an injury to his knee when a piece of rotten flooring on which he was standing broke, allowing his knee to come in contact with the floor.

ANNOUNCES ENGAGEMENT. — Mrs. Grace MacDonald, 632 Queen's avenue, announces the engagement of her daughter, Marion Danielda, to Harry Kenneth Peterson of Detroit, formerly of the firm of Frost & Frost, architects, El Paso, Texas. The wedding to take place about the first of the year.

INSTRUCTION CLASSES. — City Clerk Baker is busy these days getting ready the ballot boxes for distribution. He will hold meetings for the clerks and deputy returning officers this week to give instructions in their work. Last year several mistakes were made in the count, and he will warn them against repeating them this year.

WELCOMED HOME—After spending four months visiting her friends and relatives in England, Mrs. Fred Lewis of 374 Rattle street, arrived home on Friday night, accompanied by her niece, Miss Grace Nicholls. They received a royal welcome from Mrs. Lewis' many friends in the city, who were pleased to welcome her home again.

CHEAP FARES THURSDAY.—The New Year's rates on all railroads in Canada become effective tomorrow, and the local officials of the G. T. R. and C. P. R. are making preparations to handle the anticipated heavy passenger traffic. If conditions warrant, trains which are run ordinarily in one section will be operated as two in order to provide better accommodation.

BID FRIEND FAREWELL. — Mrs. Somerville's boys' class of Centennial Church said "Good Luck," to their class-mate, Frank Ram on the eve of his leaving to serve in the navy. The class gathered at the home of Mr. Ram where a very enjoyable evening was spent and refreshments were served. Afterwards the presentation of a fountain pen was made to Frank.

CHILDREN WORKING HARD.—During the past term, with unabated zeal, the young people of the public schools of the city have devoted energy as well as money to Red Cross, soldiers comforts and prisoners' relief work. Even through the holidays, knitting-needles are plying busily, the children in this respect proving an example to their often less persevering elders.

WANTS TO FIND FATHER.—City Clerk Baker has received a letter from Mrs. T. M. Whaley, R. R. No. 2, Dorchester, asking for information relative to Jas. Busk, who formerly lived near Victoria Hospital, this city. His daughter is anxious to hear from him. There is a Jas. Busk in the city directory, and his address is given as 525 Bathurst street, but it is not known whether this is the man wanted.

ONLY ONE CAME.—That Chelsea Green ratepayers are showing red hot interest in the coming election was evidenced last evening when at the meeting called to discuss public questions one lone voter put in an appearance. Several candidates were on hand prepared to orate, but later changed their minds, and spent the time canvassing the Chelsea Green man for his vote. The meeting then adjourned.

MUST HAVE PASSPORTS.—Nursing sisters or members of other branches of the military service, when embarking for overseas on ordinary passenger vessels in civilian clothes, will require either a passport or a letter of identification in future. This applies to both the Imperial and the Canadian service. In cases where the nursing sisters, officers or men are in uniform, no passport or letter of identification is required.

ARRANGING SHOWER.—A meeting of the executive of the Municipal Chapter I.O.D.E. will be held on Friday for the purpose of completing arrangements for the soldiers' comforts shower to be opened in Cronyn Hall Tuesday, January 2, and to be continued all week. All manner of "comforts" for the men in the trenches will be thankfully received and cash donations, however small, will be appreciated, owing to the fact that money contributed will be applied to buying goods wholesale.

RECEIVES CABIN PHOTO.—Mrs. H. A. Boomer, president of the Local Council of Women, has received a photograph of the Canadian cabin at the British Sailors' Shelter, Ramsgate, established through money donated for the Lady Beatty sailor fund by citizens of London and Western Ontario. The sum of £50 is required to endow a cabin and, thanks to continuing gifts for this object, through the money forwarded by the Local Council of Women since last summer, two other cabins have also been established. Another draft of £50 is to be forwarded to Lady Beatty this week, the fourth in the past few months.

HELPED WITH TREE.—The following organizations assisted with the Christmas tree for the Children's Aid Society Shelter through the Flora Yorke-Miller Y.W.C.T.U.; Dundas Centre Ladies' Aid; the classes of Mrs. Keenleyside, Mrs. Frank White, Mrs. Thomas and class 27 of Dundas Centre Methodist Church; Mrs. Young's class in the First Methodist Church; the Askin Street Young Ladies' Bible Class and the McCormick Manufacturing Company. Several cash donations were also much appreciated by the Y.W.C.T.U. which took charge of the arrangements for the Christmas tree and entertainment.

SINGER VISITING PARENTS.—Miss Merlyn Pococke is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roselle Pococke, King stret, and will return to Chicago on January 2, to resume study with Mrs. Sybil Sammis-MacDermid, teacher of singing. Miss Pococke possesses a contralto voice of unusual beauty, which has developed wonderfully during the time she has been studying in Chicago. Last summer she was engaged in Chautauqua work and already has several excellent offers for concert work for next year. Roselle Pococke, the "discoverer" of several of London's most prominent singers in the past 25 years, was his daughter's first instructor.

S. F. LAWRASON, IN LETTER, TAKES BACK SILVERWOODS STORY

Admits Firm Not Exporting Butter and Eggs.

SOURCE OF THESE YARNS

Mr. Silverwood Says All Trace Back To Liquor Interests.

Declaring that further statements derogatory to his business would be followed by prosecution, and that the liquor interest, which he had fought in the campaign for a dry Ontario, were apparently at the bottom of certain stories calculated to injure his business, A. E. Silverwood of Silverwoods, Limited, broke a long silence today when he gave absolute denial to the stories that his company was chiefly responsible for high prices.

The climax came after S. F. Lawrason, at a public meeting in the East End hall, declared that Silverwood's men bought up the produce on the London market, working day and night, and shipped it to New York City. This, Mr. Lawrason believed to be a serious factor in the high cost of living situation.

This morning Mr. Silverwood asked Mr. Lawrason if the statement as reported in the pres was correct. He admitted that the report was correct, and Mr. Silverwood at once asked for a statement retracting the charge. This Mr. Lawrason gave in the form of a letter. Mr. Silverwood stated that his firm had not shipped one pound of butter or one dozen of eggs to New York or any American point during 1916.

Tracing the Source.

"Newspapermen have informed me that they traced the source of the story which circulated the other day to the effect that our place had been raided by Government inspectors and myself locked up to men connected with or formerly connected with the liquor business," said Mr. Silverwood. "This agrees with my information, as many similar reports designed to do our business an injury, has been proved to emanate from the same source.

"A man can fight against those who come out in the open, but what can you do against such dirty, underhanded tactics as are being used against us at the present time? The reports are spread persistently and maliciously, and in every case the conditions they purport to reveal have been false, absolutely false. Anyone who hears a story about the Silverwood Company these days may put it down as falsehood. Not one word of truth is in any of the reports that have reached me."

The Retraction.

The letter of Mr. Lawrason was received as follows:

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

In the morning paper, reports appeared of a meeting of electors held in the East End Hall Tuesday, December 26. Certain statements were made relating to Silverwoods Limited, which I desire to put right before the public.

My criticism was aimed at the general condition of the local market through which produce houses, hucksters and merchants are permitted to take an unfair advantage of the citizens.

My contention is that a certain existing bylaw should be made operative to prevent these parties from purchasing produce until after housewives have been supplied or until after a certain hour.

It was reported that I stated that Silverwoods Limited had been working night and day for two weeks shipping produce off London market to New York York City, thus, forcing Londoners to pay New York prices for butter and eggs.

I herewith beg to say that I was misinformed on this matter and I am fully prepared to accept Mr. Silverwood's statement that Silverwoods Limited has not shipped to New York or any point on the American side during 1916, either a pound of butter or a dozen eggs.

I would be extremely sorry that Silverwoods Limited or Mr. A. E. Silverwood should suffer any injustice from the publication of any erroneous or misleading statements in regard to their business.

S. F. LAWRASON

A. H. BRENER TO ERECT FACTORY IN WINDSOR

Will Have Big Building With All Latest Improvements.

A. H. Brener, this city, has purchased six lots in Windsor, on which he will erect a seven-story cigar manufacturing establishment.

He left today for Boston, where he will get the latest ideas on the construction of a manufacturing establishment.

The business of the firm is growing to such an extent that large premises are needed.

The firm used to employ about 200 hands in London.

SERGEANT, KILLED IN FRANCE, KNOWN HERE

James Nuttall Was Member of 33rd Battalion, Which Trained in City.

Sergt. James Nuttall, whose death in action was reported only recently, was well known to many Londoners, although his home was in Hespeler. He trained here with the 33rd Battalion, and went with that unit to England. There he rose to the rank of sergeant.

In action, in France, he was hit in the head by a piece of shrapnel and killed. Over a month elapsed before word of his death reached his mother at Hespeler.

His brother, Sergt. William Nuttall, is an instructor in England, and another brother, Pte. Edward, although he was only 16 years of age, went overseas with the 111th Battalion.

BACK FROM SALONIKI

Albert E. Swanwick Has Discharge, Following an Accident.

After nearly two years of service, Albert E. Swanwick, 355 Grey street, returned to the city last night. Early in the war, he left Canada aboard a horse transport bound for Alexandria. On arriving there, he enlisted with the Imperial Army Veterinary Corps and with it went to Saloniki.

A fall from his horse there resulted in an injured thigh, which necessitated his discharge. He returned to England and for a month was engaged in making munitions returning after that time to Canada.

He is a London boy, having been born and brought up here.

MASONIC INSTALLATION. — This evening Rt. Wor. Bro. C. H. Ziegler and V. Wor. Bro. O. J. Bridle will install the officers of the various Masonic bodies at the Masonic Temple. The masters for the year will be installed and the others obligated to their positions.

DEPARTMENT WILL TAKE TANCREADE'S HEALTH IN ACCOUNT

Advised by Jail Physician Insanity Is Probable.

REPRIEVE IS CONSIDERED

Meanwhile Condemned Man Grows Weaker, Mentally and Physically.

Although he has willingly partaken of food during the last few days, Mike Tancreade, the condemned murderer, is still in an extremely weakened condition.

Dr. James D. Wilson, jail physician, stated to The Advertiser today that he believed that Tancreade was bordering on imbecility, and had made representations to that effect to the department of justice at Ottawa, giving a number of reasons for his belief.

Today he received a reply to his letter to the effect that his representations would be taken into consideration by the department, which has the question of commutation of the death sentence now under advisement.

According to Dr. Wilson, Tancreade is growing weaker mentally every day, and his condition may any time terminate in insanity.

At the county jail, where a daily and nightly death watch is maintained, Tancreade has, it is said, lapsed into a sort of stupor from which he is aroused only with the greatest difficulty.

CONTROLLER GAMMAGE SPEAKS AT CAR SHOPS

Continuing his campaign among the employees of city factories, Controller W. W. Gammage, candidate for the mayoralty, addressed the men of the G. T. R. car shops today at noon. With Ald. Webster, he was tendered a cordial reception, and outlined his policy of co-operation and co-ordination of the various departments of civil government.

Several questions were asked Ald. Webster, and were answered.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

DEATH OF A CHILD.

The death occurred on Tuesday at Victoria Hospital of William Norman, infant son of Thomas and Ruby Howard, 59 Bruce street, aged 4 years. The funeral took place today at 10:30 o'cock from Victoria Hospital to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. The service was in charge of Rev. W. M. Walker of Wortley Road Baptist Church.

DEATH OF LITTLE GIRL.

Ethel A. Hodgins, daughter of George B. and Agnes Hodgins, 430 Hill street, died this morning in Victoria Hospital, aged 4 years. The funeral took place today at 2 o'clock from Victoria Hospital to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Rev. W. J. Ashton of the Wellington Street Methodist Church was in charge of the service.

This is the second recent death in the family, a 7-year-old sister, Louisa, having died about ten days ago.

DIED IN STRATFORD.

The death of Henry Geldart, a former well known Londoner and a resident of this city for many years, occurred at 61 East Gore street, Stratford, today.

He was born in Leeds, Yorkshire, England, and came to this city in 1852. He resided here since then with the exception of six years, when in partnership with Henry Holtan he operated a grist mill at Adelaide Village.

He was employed the larger portion of his residence in the city at Thomas Green's planing mill on Bathurst street.

He was ill six weeks, his death being due to a paralytic stroke following an attack of bronchitis.

He is survived by two sons, Robert and Charles, and Mrs. M. W. Ferguson, all of Stratford.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

10:30 P.M. LIST

INFANTRY.

Killed in Action—136234 Harry Milne, Scotland.

Died—9523 Edward Wheaton, England; 440368 C. R. Johnson, Banham, Man.; 734560 E. J. King, Yarmouth, N. S.; 107283 Francis Barbier, Channel Islands.

Died of Wounds—133035 J. A. Morgan, Ottawa.

Accidentally Killed—68294 Wm. Curtis, Glace Bay, C. B., N. S.

Cancel Report Casualty—186193 Alex. Milne, Scotland.

Previously Reported Missing, Now Died While Prisoner of War — 446790 Frederick Richards, Model Farm, Heffby Creek, Kamloops, B. C.

Seriously Ill—908228 A. Anderson, Moose Jaw, Sask.; 805276 Percy Hills, Hampton, Ont.; 925108 E. P. Flanders, Avonlea, Sask.

Previously Reported Missing, Now Not Missing—454538 J. A. Cattle, Toronto.

Previously Reported Missing; Now Wounded—410631 W. M. Sullivan, Rankin P. O., Ont.

Previously Reported Prisoner of War, Now Transferred to Switzerland for Internment—Capt. W. H. Hooper, Carleton Place, Ont.; Lieut. C. R. Scott, Perth, Ont.; Capt. V. A. Scudamore, Channel Islands.

Wounded—Lieut. R. W. Giles, Virden, Man.; 439508 Jos. Hodfield, England; 839076 G. W. Day, Owen Sound, Ont.

Mounted Rifles.

Previously Reported Prisoner of War; Now Transferred to Switzerland for Internment—Lieut. Eric Smith, England.

Previously Reported Missing; Now Believed Killed—107456 Lance-Corp. J. D. Neish, Scotland; 113430 E. A. McFarlane, England; 113621 John Warren, England.

Reported Wounded From Base In Error—186792 Ernest Broadhurst, Winnipeg.

Seriously Ill—794802 A. R. Price, Ludlow, N. B.

Wounded—107315 Hugh Hutcheson, England; Lieut. W. P. Bynum, Richmond, Va.; Lieut. K. L. Duggan, Montreal.

SERVICES.

Seriously Ill—827578 J. L. Harris, Toronto.

ENGINEERS.

Previously Reported Prisoner of War; Now Transferred to Switzerland for Internment—Lieut. R. G. Barnes, England.

MOUNTED SERVICES.

Wounded—Lieut. W. O. Boger, Winnipeg.

INFANTRY.

Wounded—204732 Jas. Hardie, Scotland.

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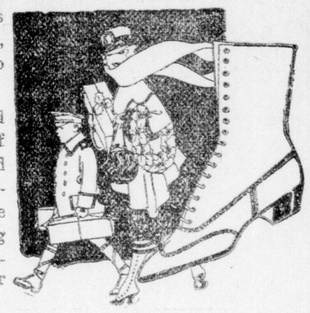
Was Any Friend Forgotten?

Or did you receive gifts from unexpected sources, which you wish to reciprocate?

If so, you'll still find goodly assortments of "gifty things" here—and some kinds are now reduced. At the same time we are ready with Stunning Styles in Ladies' and Gentlemen's Dress Footwear for New Year's.



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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

Thomson & McKinnon, brokers, Royal Bank Building, report fluctuations in New York stocks for The Advertiser as follows:

New York, Dec. 27.

	Open.	High.	Low.	1:30.
Trunk Lines and Grangers—				
Baltimore & Ohio.	83⅞	84⅜	83⅞	84⅜
Erie, com.	35½	35⅝	35	35⅛
Great Northern	117¾	..	..	..
New Haven	54½	54½	53⅞	53⅞
N. Y. Central	104¼	104½	104	104⅜
Rock Island	35	35½	35	35¼
Wabash, com.	15⅜	..	..	..
Pacifics and Southerns—				
Atchison, com.	104¼	104⅜	104⅛	104⅜
Canadian Pacific	167⅜	..	..	..
Missouri Pacific	17¼	..	..	..
Northern Pacific	110½	110½	110¼	110½
Southern Pacific	97⅞	98¼	97⅝	98¼
Southern Railway	32⅝	33¾	32⅝	33½
Union Pacific	147¾	148½	147¾	148
Coalers—				
Ches. & Ohio	66	66	65½	65¾
Lehigh Valley	80	..	..	..
Norfolk & West.	136	136¾	136	136⅝
Ontario & West.	29⅝	30	29⅝	30
Pennsylvania	56½	56⅝	56½	56⅝
Reading Railway	104⅝	105	103¾	104½
Tractions—				
Interboro, com.	17½	..	..	..
Industrials—				
Allis-Chalmers	28⅞	29½	28⅞	29⅜
Am. Beet Sugar	91½	91½	91⅜	91⅜
American Can	48	49	48	48¾
American Car	67	67¼	67	67¼
Am. Locomotive	78½	80¾	78½	79½
American Sugar	108⅞	109½	108⅞	109½
Am. Smelters	105¼	105⅝	104⅞	104⅞
Am. Tel. & Tel.	125¼	125⅜	125¼	125¼
American Wool	45½	45½	44⅞	44⅞
Baldwin Loco.	60	61⅜	59½	60
Central Leather	57	58⅜	57	57⅜
Corn Products	23⅞	24	23⅞	24¼
Col. Fuel & Iron	46¼	46¼	46	46
Distillers	30¾	31	30¾	31
G. Northern Ore	37	37¼	37	37
Inter. Nickel	43½	43½	43	43
Ice Securities	30⅜	32⅜	30⅜	32⅝
Maxwell Motor	53	53	46	46
Marine, com.	23	23¼	22⅞	24¼
Marine, pfd.	85⅛	87	84	85⅞
Studebaker	112½	112¾	107¾	108½
U. S. Rubber	63	64⅜	63	63½
Virginia Chemical	43½	43½	43¼	43¼
Westinghouse	56½	56⅝	56⅝	56½
Coppers—				
Anaconda Copper	93⅞	94⅜	93½	93⅝
Butte & Superior	48	48	47	47
Chino Copper	54⅞	55⅝	54½	54¾
Inspiration	55⅞	59½	59⅞	58½
Miami Copper	30	30⅜	29	29¼
Nevada Con.	24⅞	25	24¾	24½
Ray Consolidated	26⅝	27¼	26⅝	27¼
Utah Copper	104¼	105⅜	103½	103½
Oils—				
Am. Linseed Oil	20¼	..	..	..
Cal. Petroleum	25⅜	26	25	26
New Mexican	57⅛	98¼	94½	94½
Texas Oil	226	236½	222	222
Steels—				
Bethlehem Steel	510	..	..	..
Crucible Steel	63½	65½	63⅛	63¼
Lackawanna	86	87	84½	85⅞
Pressed Steel Car	77	78	77	78
Republic Steel	78⅜	79⅞	78¼	78¼
Railway Steel	51	51	50⅞	50½
Sloss-Sheffield	61½	61½	61¼	61¼
U. S. Steel	107⅞	109½	107⅞	108⅜
U. S. Steel, pfd.	119⅜	120	119¾	120
Bonds—				
Anglo-French 5's	93	93¼	92⅝	93

Sales to noon, 330,200 shares.

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—There was again very little trading in the local stock market this morning, but the tone was firmer. Steel of Canada was quickest to respond to the improved feeling, touching 67½, or 3 points up from the opening, and closing at 67¼; sales, 365. Cement, with sales of 600 shares, closed at 65, a point up from the opening. Steamships touched 38 and closed at 37¾. Dominion Steel closed at 67½, the highest of the session; sales, 520.

[Reported by Edward Cronyn & Co.]

	Ask.	Bid.		Ask.	Bid.
Am Cy.	30	..	Rogers	82	..
do pfd.	55	..	do pfd.	93	90
Barcel	12⅞	12¾	Russell	..	77
Brazilian	46⅛	46	do pfd.	110	106½
B C Fish	60	..	Spanish.	15½	14¾
Bell Tel.	147	..	do pfd.	..	83
Burt, c.	79	77	Stl Can.	67¾	67¼
do pfd.	92	..	dop fd.	99¾	99
C Bread.	18	16½	Tor Ry.	75	74
do pfd.	90	86½	Tucketts	..	22½
C Car	37	33	Tw City.	95	94½
do pfd.	..	73	Win Ry.	83	..
Cement	55¾	95	Banks—		
do pfd.	..	91	Com'rce	185	184¾
C S L.	37⅜	37	Dom.	..	209
do pfd.	92	90	Hamil'n	192	190
CG Elec.	114	112¾	Imperial	205	199
C Loco.	35	33	Ottawa.	202	..
do pfd.	..	88¾	Royal	213	212
C P R	168	167	Standard	..	214½
Con'ag.	470	465	Toronto	190	..
C Smelt.	34½	34	Union	..	135¾
Con Gas	..	162½	Loans, etc.—		
Cr Nest.	73	..	C Land.	160	..
Detroit	128½	123	C Perm.	169	168½
D Steel C	67¾	67¼	H Prov.	..	139
Dom Tel	90	..	H & E.	..	209
Duluth	..	40	L Bank.	..	144
Mackay.	83½	83	Ont Loan	..	175
do pfd.	65½	65	T Trusts	..	211
M Leaf.	106	104	T Mort.	..	140
do pfd.	98	96	Bonds—		
Monarch	45	35	C Bread.	95	..
do pfd.	85	81	C Loco.	95	..
NStl Car	29⅝	..	Mex Elec	30	..
do pfd.	85	..	M L & P	45	35
Nipis'g.	935	910	Penmans	..	84½
NSteel.	..	119¼	P of Ont	..	65
P Burt.	29	26½	Quebec.	50	67
do pfd.	..	77	Rio, 1st.	..	86
Petrol.	1080	1000	Spanish.	88	..
Quebec	32	32	Stl Can.	..	97
Riordan	120	118	War L'n.	98¼	98

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Chicago, Dec. 27.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Prev. Close.
Wheat—					
Dec.	159	165⅞	158⅝	165⅞	159
May	139	173⅜	167⅞	173⅜	168⅜
July	138¼	141⅜	137⅝	141⅛	138½
Corn—					
Dec.	91¼	92⅝	91	92	91⅛
May	91½	93½	91½	93¼	91⅜
July	91⅛	93⅛	90½	92⅝	91⅛
Oats—					
Dec.	49⅝	50¼	49⅝	50⅛	49⅝
May	53	54⅛	52¾	53⅞	53⅛
July	50½	51½	50¼	51	50

CHICAGO PROVISION MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Chicago, Dec. 27.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Pork—				
Jan.	$27 15	$27 25	$27 15	$27 25
Lard—				
Dec.	16 60	16 70	16 60	16 65
Jan.	16 00	16 02	15 82	15 82
Ribs—				
Jan.	14 00	.....	13 90	.....

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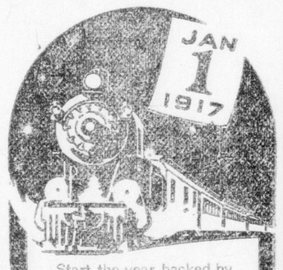

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WINNIPEG GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Winnipeg, Dec. 27.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Prev. Close.
Wheat—					
Dec.	173¾	176⅝	173	176	174⅝
May	176½	180	175⅝	179¾	178⅝
Oats—					
Dec.	54¼	55½	54½	55¼	54¾
May	57⅝	58⅞	57½	58½	58
Flax—					
Dec.	....	....	....	259¼	259¼
May	....	....	....	269½	268¾

MINNEAPOLIS GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Minneapolis, Dec. 27.—Wheat—Close—December, $1 73¼; May, $1 78¾.

KANSAS CITY GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Kansas City, Dec. 27.—Wheat—Close—December, $1 73¼; May, $1 70¼.

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