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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:

New York, June 7—Noon.—All the fireworks in the stock market seem to have been exploded, and it has dropped back to its normal state of stagnation. Ontario and Western showed some animation, but it was very little in contrast with the excitement yesterday. The opinion seems to be gaining ground that yesterday's sharp advance was more or less of a speculative affair, on the basis of a possible closing out of the voting trust in the near future. Steel, preferred, is fairly steady. Pennsylvania is stagnant. St. Paul is firm on small transactions, and Amalgamated Copper is relatively strong. Money shows no change. London is doing very little. The prospect for the afternoon is for a narrow, featureless market.

Chicago, June 7.—Wheat—Receipts today, 25 cars. Corn—Receipts, 667 cars; contract, 55. Oats—Receipts, 208 cars; contract, 4.

The weather is very favorable and conditions could not be better for wheat, corn and oats. We would not favor the long side of wheat for the present. Prices are high, and with favorable weather we will hear more of improvements in the wheat crop. Yesterday's report that India's crop is 60,000,000 bushels greater than last year is important. While the soft winter wheat crop is undoubtedly short, the movement of hard winter in July and August will be a severe test to the market at these prices, and we are inclined to think they must work to a lower level before the movement of new wheat commences. There is every indication that the corn movement will continue for the balance of this month. No export demand and domestic demand small. We think the market will probably work lower. The movement in oats is not heavy, while the demand is fair. We do not look for much demand in cash oats, while of July and September we think the market will sell lower. Receipts of hogs are light this morning and the market strong at the yards. For a long pull ye think that the purchase of September lard and ribs should make money.

The weather is generally clear, with rising temperatures, Northwest, Southwest and Ohio Valley; little rainfall except in extreme northwest portion of Canada and in lake region, south of Ohio Valley and east.

Liverpool, June 7.—Closing—Wheat, ½c lower; corn, ⅜c lower.

MONTREAL.

	Montreal, June 7. Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	117½	117⅛
Winnipeg Electric	200	165
Montreal Street Railway	..	207½
West India	76	45
Toronto Railway	102	100¼
Halifax Railway	96	91
St. John Street Railway	116¼	100
Twin City	94	93½
Richelieu & Ontario	87	85
Bell Telephone	147	..
Dominion Iron and Steel, com	10	9⅛
Dom. Iron and Steel, pref	28¼	27
Montreal H. L. and P	75	73½
Nova Scotia Steel, com	71¾	71
Detroit Railway	65	61
Montreal Cotton	..	103
Dominion Cotton	36	31½
New Street	209	..
Montreal Street Bonds	104½	103
Dominion Coal, com	57	55¾
Dominion Coal, pref	116	112⅛
Int. Coal	100	..
Nova Scotia, pref	117	110
Bank of Montreal	250	243
Molsons Bank	205	203
Merchants	160	154
Ogilvie Flour	200	179
Ogilvie Flour	120	117½
Ogilvie Bonds	116	110
Mackay, com	24	23½
Mackay, preferred	68½	67¾
Northwest Land, common	..	150
Northwest Land, pref	..	100
Dominion I. and S. Bonds	63¼	62
Nova Scotia Steel	109½	108½
Toledo Railway	20⅛	19

SALES: C. P. R., 25 at 117¼, 10 at 117⅝; Montreal Railway, 1 at 207; Toronto Railway, 40 at 100; Coal, common, 25 at 55, 5 at 55¾, 50 at 55, 25 at 55⅞; Iron, common, 5 at 9½; Halifax Railway, 1 at 94; Scotia, common, 50 at 71½; Bank of Montreal, 1 at 245½, 7 at 245; Merchants Bank, 16 at 155; Iron bonds, 7,000 at 62½, 14,000 at 62

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TORONTO.

	Toronto, June 7. Ask.	Off.
Ontario	..	126
Toronto	..	225
Merchants	..	155
Commerce	152	151¾
Imperial	..	217½
Dominion	228	226
Standard	230	226
Hamilton	208	..
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	..	99½
Can. Pacific Railway Stock	117½	117⅛
Soo, pref	120	118
Soo, com	62	61
Toronto Electric Light	..	135
General Electric	145	143½
London Electric	100	..
Bell Telephone	144	143
Richelieu and Ontario Nav. Co	..	85
St. L. and C. Navigation	..	100
Toronto Street Railway	102¼	100
Twin City Railway, new	94	93
Winnipeg St. Railway	..	160
Sao Paulo Tramway	165½	160
Dominion Steel, com	10	8⅞
Dominion Coal, com	55½	55⅜
Nova Scotia Steel, common	72½	71
Crow's Nest Coal	3'0	..
Canada Salt	115	..
Mackay, common	24½	23½
Mackay, pref	68	67
British Canadian L. and I	..	80
Canada Landed and Nat. Inv	167	165
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
Dominion Iron and Steel Bonds	62½	61½
N. S. Steel Bonds	..	108½

SALES: Canada Northwest Land, 10 at 99¾; Twin City, 25 at 93½; Mackay, common, 100 at 23½, 25 and 114 at 23¼, 25 at

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24, 25 at 23¾, 25 preferred at 67⅞; C. P. R., 50 at 117⅛; Sao Paulo, 36 and 1 at 166, 25 and 50 at 166¼, 100 and 25 at 166½, 25 and 100 at 166¾, 75 at 167, 25 at 166⅞, 40 at 166¾, 12 at 165; Imperial Bank, 3 at 217; Coal, 28 at 55, 25 and 50 at 55½, 50 at 55⅝; Nova Scotia Steel, 50 and 8 at 71½, 50 at 71¾, 17 preferred at 117½; Dominion Steel bonds, 1,000 at 62½, 8,000 at 62.

NEW YORK.

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

New York, June 7

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
Amal. Copper	49¼	49½	49	49¼
American Sugar Co	129	..	..	..
American Refining	52¼	52¼	52	52
American Cotton, com	69⅝	69⅝	69	69¾
B. & O.	78⅝	78⅝	78⅝	78⅝
Brooklyn Trans	46⅞	47⅛	46⅞	47
Chesapeake & Ohio	30	..	..	..
Chic. Great Western	13¼	13¼	13⅛	13⅛
Chicago & Alton	36¼	..	..	..
Consolidated Gas	203¼	203¼	203¼	203¼
Erie	23½	23⅝	23½	23⅝
Erie 1st Pfd	56⅞	..	..	..
Kan. and Tex, com	32⅝	..	..	..
Louisville and Nashville	107⅝	..	..	..
Manhattan	141⅞	141⅞	141⅛	141⅝
Metropolitan St. Ry	110	110	110	110
M. P.	89¼	89⅝	89	89⅜
Nat. and West	25¼	25¼	24⅞	24¾
Pennsylvania	113⅝	113¾	113½	113½
People's Gas	99½	..	..	..
Reading	45	45⅛	44¾	45
Republic I. and S	38	..	..	..
Rock Island	20	20⅛	19⅞	20
Southern Railway	19⅞	..	..	..
Southern Pacific	45	45¼	45	45⅜
St. Paul	139¼	141¾	139¼	140
Texas	20½	..	..	..
Tennessee Coal & Iron	33	33¼	33	33
Union Pacific	84¼	85⅜	84¾	85¼
U. S. Leather, pref	80¼	80⅞	80¼	80⅞
U. S. Steel, com	8⅞	..	..	..
U. S. Steel, pref.	53⅞	53¼	52¾	53¼
Wabash, pref	35½	..	..	..
Western Union Tel	86	..	..	..
Wisconsin Central pref.	37	..	..	..

LOCAL MARKETS.

Tuesday, June 7.

With the exception of hay and oats the supply of the products of the farm was very light. Sales on the whole were slow and prices easier.

Grain—About 20 loads of oats were offered; sales were fairly brisk at $1 02 to $1 04 per cental for the best oats; one load of wheat sold at $1 55 per cental.

Hay and Straw—There were 32 loads of hay offered today; sales were very slow, as at 11:30 o'clock there were 19 loads unsold. Prices were easier at $6 to $8 25 per ton. Straw was also dull of sale at $5 per ton.

Butter and Eggs—There was not a great deal of butter offered and there was not much wanted; sales were made at 12c to 14c per lb for crocks and pound rolls. Eggs are in good demand at 13½c to 14c per dozen wholesale, and 15c to 16c per dozen, retail.

Vegetables and Roots—There were a couple of small loads of potatoes offered; sales were made at $1 10 to $1 15 per bag. Onions sold at 90c per dozen; vegetables were plentiful and prices unchanged.

Poultry—Only a few pairs of chickens offered; for old hens 80c to $1 per pair; spring chickens went at 75c to 90c per pair.

Dressed Hogs—About 30 carcasses offered selling mostly at $6 75 per cwt.

Butchers' Meat—Sales were quite brisk for what meat was offered. Beef sold at $7 to $7 50 per cwt. Veal went at $6 to $6 50 per cwt. Lambs went at $4 50 to $5 each.

BEAN MARKETS.

DETROIT.

Detroit, June 6.—Beans—Cash and June, $1 69; October and November, $1 70.

HAY MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, June 6.—Baled hay is in moderate demand and the market is steady; cars on the track here are quoted at $9 per ton.

Baled straw is steady; cars on the track here are quoted at $5 50 per ton.

DAIRY MARKETS.

UTICA.

Utica, N. Y., June 6.—At the board of trade today the following sales of cheese were made; 49 lots of 4,250 boxes at 7⅛c to 7⅜c. Butter—Creamery, 10 pkgs sold at 18c.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Ill., June 6.—Butter—Steady; creameries, 13½c to 17½c; dairies, 12c to 16c. Cheese—Steady, 7¾c to 9c.

ELGIN.

Elgin, Ill., June 6.—Butter ruled firm and unchanged on the board of trade today at 17½c per lb; sales for the week were 819,000 lbs.

NEW YORK.

New York, June 6.—Butter—Easy; receipts, 11,281 pkgs; creamery extras, per lb, 18c to 18¼c; do, firsts, 17c to 17½c; do, seconds, 15c to 16½c; do, thirds, 13c to 14c; state dairy tubs, extras, 17c to 17½c; do, firsts, 16c to 16½c; do, seconds, 14c to 15c; do, thirds, 13c; western imitation creamery, firsts, 15c; do, seconds, 13½c to 14c; renovated, extras, 15c; do, firsts, 14c to 14½c; do, seconds, 13c to 13½c; do, thirds, 10c to 12c; western factory, firsts, 13½c to 14c; do, seconds, 12½c to 13c; do, thirds, 12c; packing stock, No. 1, 12½c; do, No. 2, 12c; do, No. 3, 10c to 11c. Cheese—Steady; receipts, 527 boxes; new state, full cream, colored, small choice, 9c; do, fair to good, 7¼c to 7½c; do, white, small choice, 8c; do, fair to good, 6¾c to 7½c; do, small, poor, 5½c to 6c; do, white, large choice, 7¾c; do, fair to good, 7c to 7½c; do, colored, large choice, 8⅛c; do, fair to good, 7¼c to 7½c; do, large, poor, 6c to 6½c; do, light skims, choice, 5½c; do, prime, 4½c to 5c; do, part skims, prime, 3¾c to 4c; do, good, 3¼c to 3½c; do, common to fair, 2c to 2½c; do, full skims, 1c to 1½c.

OIL MARKETS.

LONDON.

London, June 6.—Petroleum, American refined, 5 15-16d; spirits, 9¼d.

ANTWERP.

Antwerp, June 6.—Petroleum, 19 francs 50 centimes.

BREMEN.

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

PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., June 6.—Oil opened and closed at $1 62.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., June 6.—Credit balances, $1 62; certificates, no bid; shipments, 160,240 barrels.

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

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

Chicago, June 7.

	Open.	High.	Low	Close
Wheat—July	87¼	88⅝	87¼	88
Sept.	81⅛	82½	81⅛	81⅞
Dec.	81	81½	80⅞	81⅛
Corn—July	48⅝	49⅝	48⅝	49⅛
Sept.	47⅝	48⅝	47⅝	48¼
Oats—July	39⅝	40	39⅝	39¾
Sept.	31⅞	31¼	30⅞	31⅛
Dec.	31⅝	3 ⅝	3 ⅝	31⅛
Pork—July	11 80	12 15	11 80	12 15
Sept.	12 00	12 32	12 00	12 32
Lard—July	6 50	6 62	6 50	6 62
Sept.	6 70	6 80	6 67	6 80
Ribs—July	6 82	6 90	6 80	6 82
Sept.	7 00	7 15	7 00	7 15

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, June 6.—About 400 head of butchers' cattle, 35 milch cows, 150 calves and 200 sheep and lambs were offered for sale at the east end abattoir today. The butchers were out strong, and there was an active demand and advanced prices paid for good cattle. Prime beeves, which were offered in the early morning at 6¼c per lb, were afterwards sold at 5⅝c to 5½c per lb, and a few were sold at higher figures; good mediums sold at 4½c to 5c; ordinary mediums, 4c to 4⅝c, and the common stock at 3c to 3¾c per lb; there were some unusually large fine milch cows brought from Toronto, for which $55 to $65 were asked, but no sales were made early in the day, as the milkmen have about all the cows they need for the present; calves sold at $3 to $10 each, or 3c to 5c per lb; shipping sheep sold at 4c and the others at 3½c to 4c per lb; lambs sold at from $3 to $4 each; good lots of fat hogs sold at 5¼c to 5½c per lb.

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TORONTO JUNCTION.

Toronto Junction, June 6.—The market at the Union Stock Yards this morning was very brisk. Sixty-three cars arrived consisting of 1,265 cattle, 6 sheep, and 22 calves. Butchers' cattle were again scarce.

A. McIntosh bought 24 cars of exporters and butchers. George Dunn bought 1 car of mixed butchers, at $3 50 to $4 80. E. Snell bought 8 loads; exporters, $5 to $5 20; butchers, $4 to $4 65. Lunnis & Halligan, 6 loads of exporters, paying $5 20 to $5 50.

Other buyers were: F. Hunnisett, 101 cattle; Squire, 5; J. Collins, 9; Geo. Beal, 40; H. Dean, 81; McClelland, 61; F. Rowntree, 4.

TORONTO.

Toronto, June 7.—There were 84 loads in today, including 1,245 cattle, 1,200 hogs, 405 sheep and lambs and 149 calves. Quotations:

Export cattle, choice, cwt.	$5 25	@	$5 50
Export cattle, medium	4 80	@	5 20
Export bulls	4 00	@	4 40
Export cows	4 00	@	4 50
Butchers' cattle, choice	4 50	@	4 80
Butchers' cattle, medium	4 00	@	4 40
Butchers' cattle, common	3 50	@	4 00
Feeders, short-keep	4 50	@	5 00
Feeders, medium	4 00	@	4 40
Stockers	3 50	@	3 75
Milch cows, each	30 00	@	55 00
Export ewes, cwt	4 00	@	4 25
Bucks	3 00	@	3 50
Mixed sheep	3 00	@	3 50
Spring lambs, each	3 00	@	5 00
Calves, per head	2 00	@	10 00
Calves, cwt	4 00	@	5 00
Hogs, singers, off cars	5 12½		
Hogs, fats and lights, off cars	4 87½		

Trade good for all kinds of stock; everything sold out early.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, June 6.—Canadian cattle are steady at 11c to 12½c per lb; refrigerator beef, 8¾c to 9c per lb. Sheep steady, 12c to 14c per lb; yearlings, 15c.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, June 7.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000; market strong; good to prime steers, $5 60 to $6 40; poor to medium, $4 75 to $5 50; stockers and feeders, $3 25 to $4 65; cows, $1 75 to $5; heifers, $2 50 to $5 15; canners, $1 75 to $2 75; bulls, $2 25 to $4 35; calves, $2 50 to $5 50; Texas-fed steers, $4 25 to $5.

Hogs—Receipts, 16,000; market strong to 5c higher; mixed and butchers, $4 60 to $4 85; good to choice heavy, $4 75 to $4 87½; rough heavy, $4 60 to $4 75; light, $4 60 to $4 77½; bulk of sales at $4 65 to $4 75.

Sheep—Receipts, 12,000; market steady; good to choice wethers, $5 25 to $5 50; fair to choice mixed, $3 75 to $5 40; native lambs, $5 to $6 65.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, June 7.—Wheat—Steady, at 93c for No. 2 red and white, west; Manitoba, 94c for No. 1 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 bid 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, bags 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 is 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, 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—Steady, at 62c to 63c for No. 2, west. Butter—Receipts continue large; demand only fair; prices easy—Eggs—Steady, at 15c for new-laid.

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ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, June 7.—Wheat—Spot easy; No. 1 California, 6s 10½d. Futures steady; July, 6s 3¾d; September, 6s 4⅝d; December, nominal.

Corn—Spot steady; American mixed, new, 4s 6d; do, old, 4s 6½d. Futures quiet; July, 4s 4¼d; September, 4s 3¼d.

Peas—Canadian steady, 5s 4½d.

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

Hops (in London)—Pacific coast firm, 6s 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, 26 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, 35s.

Lard—Steady; prime western, in tierces, 33s; American refined, in pails, 33s 9d.

Butter—Good United States steady, 74s.

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

Tallow—Prime city easy, 20s 6d.

Turpentine Spirits—Dull, 42s.

Linseed Oil—Firm, 17s 6d.

The receipts of wheat during the past three days were 271,000 centals, including 49,000 American.

The receipts of American corn during the past three days were 1,300 centals.

Weather—Fine.

THE JUNE FLOWER SHOW

Horticultural Society Decides Dates for 22nd and 23rd Inst.

A meeting of the board of directors of the London Horticultural Society was held last evening, when it was decided to hold the first flower show of the season on June 22 and 23. The president of the society, Mr. Chas. J. Fox, occupied the chair, and the interest in the work of the society was shown by a good attendance of the board.

The place for the show was not settled, but it is understood that if the city hall can be secured, the exhibit will be held there. The committees which made the shows of last year such a success will act again this season. On account of the interest being taken by the Civic Improvement Society and the members of the Horticultural Society, and the increased interest taken in horticultural work by citizens generally, it is expected the shows of 1904 will far exceed those previously held.

Read advertisement on page 8 of Anti-Kalmin Ointment. Canadian patent for sale.

LONDON CONFERENCE DECLARES AGAINST GOVERNMENT CONTROL

Liquor-Selling Wrong for the State and Individual.

Will Do for Local Option in the Absence of Prohibition.

Ready to Indorse Any Party That Will Introduce a Straight-Out Prohibitory Measure.

The London Conference has declared itself unanimously against Government control of the liquor traffic, the temperance committee not falling in line with the views expressed on Thursday night by Rev. Dr. Chown, the general secretary of the temperance movement of the church in Canada.

The report, as presented by Mr. C. B. Keenleyside, chairman of the committee, to the conference, this morning, was as follows:

"1. While not indorsing the local option law as final or satisfactory, nevertheless it being the nearest weapon at hand, and believing the liquor traffic to be utterly and always bad, there can be no peace or truce between it and the Lord's hosts; therefore, it is earnestly recommended that the ministerial and lay delegates from the various towns, villages and townships, take the initiative in organizing the temperance forces of their respective municipalities for a vigorous local option campaign throughout the entire London Conference, whenever practical.

"2. As liquor selling is wrong for the individual, it is equally wrong for the state; and as Government control has proven a failure as a temperance measure, leading to increased consumption and increased crime, and as it becomes so buttressed by politics that there is no dislodging it; therefore, this Conference hereby declares itself wholly and always opposed to any measure of Government control, which would include sale for beverage purposes.

"3. Further, it is recommended that each minister of this conference carefully prepare himself and preach on the subject of Government control at as early a date as possible."

Several of the ministers expressed opinions, although there were continual calls for a vote.

Rev. C. T. Scott spoke strongly against Government control, and said the church should not be afraid to make a pronouncement on a political question, when it affected the moral conditions of the country.

Rev. T. Manning, of St. Marys, was for having a policy irrespective of party, and having the courage of their convictions.

Rev. Dr. Clark, of Clinton, showed how they had not been practical prohibitionists — there was not a temperance hotel in the city. If they wanted prohibition, they should use their own individual forces and apply themselves to social remedies. In the meantime he thought they should get all the legislation they could.

There were more cries of "Vote, Vote," but Rev. Dr. McCamus was heard. His opinion was that the report was not specific enough.

Each of the three clauses carried, apparently, and then an amendment was offered by Mr. W. F. Lawrence, of Sarnia, that it be added to the report that they noted with regreat that nothing had been done by th Government to forward the prohibition of the liquor traffic; and that they earnestly request all member and adherents of the church to see that all steps were taken by pledging every vote possible in their constituencies by either the Voters' League movement or by any other mode in which the most was to be gained, to prohibition; and that special attention be given to notify party canvassers and organizers that they would not vote for any party politician who would not give temperance first consideration and support.

This was referred to the temperance committee, who recommended its adoption to the conference.

Mr. Keenleyside moved, seconded by Secretary McTavish, that the following be added to the report:

"We hereby pledge ourselves to support any party both on the hustings and at the polls, which will introduce a prohibitory measure to the full limit of the B. N. A. act."

In introducing this motion the mover characterized Government control, as diabolical, and said that this should be an answer to those who said the prohibitionists had no backbone.

The added clause carried unanimously and the report was adopted.

Several other committees reported and the ministerial session then went into secret session to take up the report of the committee dealing with the previously mentioned charges against the character of Rev. Mr. Kenedy, of Cedar Springs, Chatham district.

RAILWAY RATES MAY BE TAKEN UP

Matter of Bringing Excursionists to London Now Before the City Council.

It is felt around the city hall that the letter of Mr. Dillon, of St. Marys, regarding excursion rates to London, is a pointer which the entire council, and every resident of London, might take up with profit to the city.

Mr. Dillon, in a few words, states that if the people of the district could secure fair excursion rates, they would be delighted to picnic in this city. The latter has brought home to the local authorities the fact that they have done nothing to bring people to this city. Every holiday the city is practically desered, and Londoners seek enjoyment in other places not one-quarter as beautiful or as inviting as London, with its beautiful avenues and lawns.

And as regards bringing people to London, such a thing scarcely ever enters the heads of the civic fathers. But now the St. Marys man has put a bee in the aldermanic bonnets, and it is likely that some enterprising alderman will shortly propose that the city of London open negotiations with the different railways, and particularly the G. T. R., looking to the lowering of the excursion rates to London on holidays. It is likely the board of trade will also be asked to co-operate with the city council, and also open negotiations with the railways.

STREET LIGHTING COSTS 70C A HEAD

Illumination of Thoroughfares of London Means a Pretty Penny Now.

Street lighting in London is growing to be a menacing problem. It costs the city about $26,000 a year for lights now, and this despite the strict economy exercised by No 3 committee in shutting off the lights on moonlight—or, perhaps, 'twould be better to say supposedly moonlight—nights.

But now No. 3 committee has recommended, and the council has accepted, the recommendation for the placing of ten new electric lights on street corners, principally in South London. This will mean an additional expenditure of about $780 per year, as it costs about $78 per lamp per annum now.

Thus the electric light bill grows gradually more serious in London, and has become an uncontrollable expenditure of no little magnitude. And the city will not be able to drive a better bargain with the company until 1908, when the present contract expires, nor will they be able to establish a municipal lighting plant, should they so desire, for at least four years.

To give an idea of how the lighting bill of London compares with other important civic expenditures, it is interesting to know that this year the city has but $16,000 to spend on the repairing, cleaning and graveling of streets, or $10,000 less than the sum paid out for lighting.

With the new lights authorized by the city council, the lighting bill will total annually about $28,000, or 70 cents a head per annum for each man, woman and child in London.

SOUND WHALING FOR A WAYWARD YOUTH AT THE POLICE STATION

Rubber Strap Used to Persuade Boy to Attend to School Duties.

Albert Joyes, 12 years of age, and a persistent truant, was given a severe whipping at the police station this morning.

Joyes, who is a son of Albert Joyes, a Piccadilly street laborer, has been a source of continual trouble not only to his parents, but to the truant officer, by reason of his playing "hookey," lectures at the police court and chastisements at home not having the slightest effect on him. Had he the power to do so under the law, the police magistrate would have sentenced the youth to be whipped, but this was beyond him. The court did not desire to make the parents suffer needlessly for the wrongdoing of the boy, and the father, when on Monday he appeared on a charge of neglecting to send the boy to school, was given the option of paying a fine or bringing the son to the police station and there giving him a whipping—such a one as might make him resolve to do better.

Mr. Joyes accepted the latter course, and this morning he appeared at the station with the boy. Truant Officer Weir was also on hand, and after securing a rubber strap, eighteen inches long, two inches wide and a quarter of an inch thick, he escorted Mr. Joyes and the boy to the cellar, beyond the gaze of the spectators. The whipping was left in the hands of the father. As if to get warmed up to the task, the elder Noyes brought the strap down four or five times on the boy's hands, and then, laying the youngster over his knee, he vigorously applied the lash between 40 and 50 times. Mr. Joyes was not sparing with his muscle, and before he got well started he had the son yelling at the top of his voice and struggling to get free.

It was a well-administered whipping—the first of the kind ever given for truancy in London police station.

Mr. Weir took particular satisfaction out of the case—even though it cost him 25 cents for the strap.

STREET RAILWAY QUITE SATISFIED

Passing of South Street Bylaw Prejudices Nothing, Says Manager Carr.

Manager Carr, of the Street Railway Company, was seen today regarding the action taken by the council last night in connection with the South street belt line.

Mr. Carr said that the city was perfectly right to pass such a bylaw without delay, as the company had one year from the date upon which the bylaw was passed to comply with its requirements. When asked if the negotiations looking to the construction of the belt this summer were ended, Mr. Carr replied:

"Not that I am aware of. The city and the company are now on the most amicable terms, and the passing of the bylaw will not affect our relations."

"Would you prefer to build the South street line this summer?" was asked.

Mr. Carr's answer to this query was that if the city and company could not come to terms as regards certain matters, which now are ripe for adjustment, the company might naturally be expected to take its time regarding the construction of the extensions, to which the city is entitled.

"Is the company willing to continue the negotiations?" was the next question.

"I have not as yet heard the negotiations were broken off," said Mr. Carr.

While the aldermen will not say exactly what they intend to do in the street railway matter now, it is understood the city will ask the company to construct and operate the South street belt by Nov. 1, in consideration for the city permitting the Beaconsfield avenue tracks to remain down. Then, if a census is taken, the city can compel the company to build the Hamilton road, and the Wortley road extension within a year. One thing appears to be certain, however, and this is that the company will take its time in building the extension unless an agreement is reached with the city, whereby the company will derive some benefit if it consents to build the lines this summer.

CLEARED OF VERY SERIOUS CHARGE

Conference Takes Action in the Case of Rev. J. B. Kennedy, Cedar Springs.

Rev. James B. Kennedy, of Cedar Springs (Chatham district), has been exculpated by the London Conference. A serious charge was laid against him recently, and last week the conference took up the matter on the report of a special committee. The charge was one made by a member of the congregation, involving the complainant's daughter, and the session was held by the ministerial section alone, behind closed doors. However, the information leaked out that the vote to refer the matter back to the committee was a very close one. A number of the members favored disposing of the matter at once by declaring Mr. Kennedy innocent; others held that if Mr. Kennedy was wrong, further investigation could do no harm, and as there seemed to be a necessity for a clearing up of some points, the matter went back.

Hence it was that the special committee took further evidence, and this morning another secret session was held. The report of the committee was that the more it investigated, the more convinced were the members that the charges were baseless. It recommended that the conference go farther than simply declaring the charges not proven, and say clearly that Mr. Kennedy was innocent of the serious charge against his character.

Rev. Dr. Gundy moved, and Rev. A. H. Going seconded, that the conference, being convinced of the absolute innocence of Rev. James Kennedy, exculpate him, and the resolution was carried by a unanimous vote.

CONDENSED LOCAL NEWS

—Joseph Dickson was brought to the county jail this morning to serve 20 days for begging.

—In the recent essay contest for prizes given by the Daughters of the Empire, Will Brock, a pupil in Miss Spittal's room, grade VII., Princess avenue school, was a winner. Bert Robinson, Isabel Craig and May Runians were awarded honorable mention.

BROKE ARM.

Mrs. Harry Griffin, of Askin street, South London, fell the other day and broke her arm in two places.

APPEAL DISMISSED.

In the case of Agar vs. Escott, judgment (C.) was given in the divisional court at Toronto on appeal by defendant from order of Britton, J. (3 O. W. R. 421), affirming order of a local judge at London refusing to strike out the name of one of the plaintiffs, and on appeal by defendant from order of Anglin, J., refusing a motion to strike out paragraph 4 of the amended statement of claim. The action is brought to recover damages for defamatory words alleged to have been published by defendant on four different occasions. Appeal from order of Britton, J., dismissed. Costs in the cause.

A FEW CRITICISMS.

Much complaint is being heard these days of the way in which the streets are being cleaned. On Waterloo street, it is said, the corporation laborers gathered the mud up in heaps, and then allowed it to remain until wagons scattered it all over the roadway again. Criticism is also heard of the way in which the streets are being watered, the pavements at times being almost submerged.

PASS WILL PASS IN.

Joseph Pass today received a week's pass to the county jail, where he will await the sentence of the court for stealing $9, which he admitted taking from E. Norton. Mrs. Hallida was charged in the police court by her neighbor, Mrs. Watson, with using abusive language, and got out of the difficulty by paying the costs of the court. Two drunks were discharged.

THE CHANTLER CASE.

In the case of Butcher Chantler, who is to be tried at the June sessions of the peace on charges of receiving stolen cattle, the motion made at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, was for an order compelling the clerk of the peace to allow the counsel for defense to examine records of the evidence given at trials of the persons who stole the cattle, and also to inspect the petit jury panel. The examination of the evidence was refused by the clerk of the peace and the privilege was subsequently declined by the Attorney-General.

WANTS HIS GRAVEL BACK.

The other day a Maitland street resident had several loads of gravel dumped in the gutter in front of his place. It was his intention to have a cement walk put down, but rain came and delayed the work. In the meantime an industrious ward foreman came along, loaded the gravel onto wagons, and took it away. Consequently the property owner is now on the warpath in full paint and feathers, and he wants his gravel back. City Engineer Graydon has advised the expropriation to be made good at once.

OPENING AT SPRINGBANK.

Last evening a very good crowd went to Springbank and enjoyed ther performance