FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

PLENTY OF TOMATOES AND PRICES DROP

Tomatoes dropped on the market this morning to 30 and 40 cents a basket. The supply was large, and a further drop is probable. Green corn sold at 8 to 10 cents a dozen. All other vegetables firm at the prices quoted. Cauliflower at 75 cents a dozen, and celery at 50 to 75 cents were firm at the same price as Saturday.

Peaches sold all the way from 40 to 85 cents a basket, and plums from 25 to 40 cents. Butter and eggs were as scarce as they have been for some weeks, and the price was higher than Saturday. Hay ruled at $15 a ton, and old oats at $1 to $1.12. New oats sold at 90 to 95 cents a hundreweight.

Butchers' meats, hides and wool were slow at the same prices as quoted in the table.

Grain, Per Cwt.			
Wheat, per cwt	$1 53	to	$1 53
Oats, per cwt	1 00	to	1 12
Grain, Per Bushel.			
Wheat, per bu	95	to	97
Vegetables.			
Lettuce, per doz	20	to	30
Potatoes, bu, retail	60	to	70
Parsnips, per bu	45	to	50
Beets, per bu	20	to	20
Cabbage, per doz	40	to	50
Carrots, per doz	20	to	20
Parsley, per doz	30	to	30
Rhubarb, per doz	20	to	25
Spinach, per bu	40	to	40
Cucumbers, per doz	10	to	15
Green corn, per doz	8	to	10
Tomatoes, basket	30	to	40
Fruits.			
Apples, per bbl	1 75	to	2 25
Apples, per bag	40	to	60
Apples, per bu	50	to	60
Hay and Straw.			
Old hay, per ton	13 00	to	15 00
New hay, per ton	13 00	to	15 00
Straw, per ton	6 50	to	8 00
Dairy Produce.			
Butter, rolls, per lb	24	to	25
Butter, fancy, retail lb.	25	to	26
Butter, store lots, lb	23	to	24
Butter, creamery, lb	28	to	30
Butter, crocks, lb	23	to	24
Eggs, crate, wholesale	22	to	23
Eggs, basket	24	to	25
Honey, strained, 10 lbs.	1 20	to	1 20
Honey, sections, doz	2 20	to	2 40
Live Stock.			
Milch cows, each	50 00	to	70 00
Fat sows, each	5 50	to	6 00
Small pigs, pair	7 50	to	10 00
Select hogs, per cwt	9 85	to	9 85
Poultry, Alive.			
Old fowl, per lb	13	to	14
Poultry, Dressed.			
Turkeys, per lb	19	to	22
Old fowl, per lb	15	to	16
Old fowl, per pair	1 50	to	1 50
Butchers' Meats.			
Lamb, per lb	15	to	16
Dressed hogs, choice	13 25	to	13 50
Veal, per cwt	11 00	to	13 00
Beef, young, cwt	10 00	to	10 50
Mutton, per cwt	9 00	to	10 50
Beef cows, cwt	8 00	to	9 00
Hides, Wool, etc.			
Cow hides, No. 1, lb	11	to	11
Cow hides, No. 2 lb	10	to	10
Cow hides, No. 3, lb	9	to	9
Wool, unwashed, lb	15	to	16
Wool, washed, lb	23	to	24

For Other Markets See Page 9

PRODUCE.

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

WINNIPEG, Aug. 26.—Close—Wheat—October, 89⅛c; December, 87c. Oats—October, 35¾c.

MINNEAPOLIS, AUG. 26 — Close — Wheat—September, 86½c.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 26.—Close—Wheat—Spot steady, No. 1 Manitoba, 7s 9d; No. 2 Manitoba, 7s 6d; No. 3 Manitoba, 7s 3½d; futures steady; October, 7s 2⅛d; March, 7s 2⅛d; December, 7s 1⅞d. Corn—Spot strong; United States mixed, new kiln, 6s 9d; American mixed, old 7s; futures firm; September, La Plata, 5s ½d; October, La Plata, 5s 2⅛d. Flour—Winter patents, 28s 6d. Hops, (in London)—Pacific Coast, £5 10s to £6 3s. Beef—Extra India mess, 122s 6d. Pork—Prime mess, western, 113s 9d. Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, 76s. Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, 64s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, 74s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, 69s; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, 73s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, 72s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, 66s; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, 59s. Lard—Prime western, in tierces, 57s 6d; American refined, in pails, 57s 6d. Cheese — Canadian, finest white, 64s; colored, 64s 6d. Tallow—Prime city, 31s 9d; Australian, in London, 36s 9½d. Rosin—Common, 10s 9d. Petroleum—Refined, 9⅜d. Linseed oil—27s 9d. Cottonseed oil—Hull, spot, 35s 6d.

COTTON.

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—Cotton prices up to 2:30 p.m.—October, 12.08c; March, 12.03c.

Montreal Stock Exchange.

MONTREAL, Aug. 26.—Morning Sales—Bell Telephone, 75 at 153½ to 155; Brazilian, 165 at 93; Canadian Pacific, 50 at 219¾; Detroit, 285 at 70 to 70¼; Power, 30 at 210½ to 210¾; Power Rights, 63 at 9½ to 9⅝; Quebec Railway, 100 at 11½; R. and O., 180 at 106 to 106⅛; Shawinigan, 9 at 132; MacDonald, 195 at 27 to 28¾; Scotia, 10 at 78; Spanish River, 275 at 20 to 20½; Steel Corporation, 266 at 48¾ to 49½; Ames Holden, 125 at 14⅞ to 15; Canada Car, 10 at 70; Canada Cement, 10 at 32 to 32¼; Dominion Bridge 25 at 118¾; Dominion Textile, 10 at 84; Laurentide, 37 at 157¼ to 158; Laurentide Rights, 151 at 17 to 17½; Lake of Woods, 20 at 130; Montreal Cottons, Limited, 1 at 58. Preferred—Ames Holden, preferred, 27 at 72; Canadian Cottons, preferred, 6 at 77; Cement, preferred, 35 at 98; Montreal Cottons, preferred, 31 at 103; Sherwin Williams, preferred, 5 at 97½; Spanish River preferred, 35 at 69 to 70. Bonds and stocks Debentures—Canada Cottons, $2,000 at 80; Canada Felt, $1,000 at 98; Canada Rubber, $1,000 at 90; Dominion Cotton, $2,500 at 101; Dominion Textile, $1,000 at 100. Banks—Hochelaga, 3 at 151; Merchants, 10 at 182; Molsons, 10 at 191; Nova Scotia, 12 at 255; Royal, 13 at 215; Union, 14 at 137⅝ to 138. Mines—Crown Reserve, 25 at 1.65.

CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE.

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.

Wheat—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Sept.	87¼	87⅝	87	87
Dec.	90½	90¾	90¼	90⅜
May	95⅜	95⅝	95⅛	95¼
Corn—				
Sept.	73⅜	74	73⅜	73½
Dec.	68⅝	69½	68⅝	68⅞
May	70⅛	70½	70	70
Oats—				
Sept.	41¾	41⅞	41⅛	41⅛
Dec.	44½	44⅝	43¾	43⅞
May	47½	47½	46¾	46¾
Pork—				
Sept.	20 95	20 95	20 95	20 95
Lard—				
Sept.	11 10	11 15	11 10	11 10
Ribs—				
Sept.	11 32	11 37	11 37	11 32

TORONTO, Aug. 26.

	Asked.	Bid.
Brazilian T., L. and P.	93	92¾
B. C. Packers	140	136
Bell Telephone	..	150
F. N. Burt, com.	82	79⅝
F. N. Burt, pfd.	..	96
Canada Bread	19⅞	19½
Canada Cement	..	32
Canada Interlake	64	..
Canada Interlake, pfd.	..	95
Canada General Electric	114	112
Canada Machinery	60	..
Canada Locomotive	..	40
Canada Locomotive, pfd.	..	89
Canadian Pacific	220	219½
City Dairy, com.	101	99½
City Dairy, pfd.	99	..
Consumers Gas	179	175
Detroit United	..	69½
Dom. Canners, pfd.	98	..
Dom. Steel Corporation	51	..
Dom. Telegraph	100	..
Duluth Superior	..	60
Electric Development, pfd.	82	..
Macdonald	27¾	27
Mackay, com	83½	82½
Mackay, pfd.	..	67
Maple Leaf, com.	45	41
Maple Leaf, pfd.	91⅞	91¾
Mexican L. and P.	64	..
Montreal Power	201¾	..
Monarch, com.	75	..
Monarch, pfd.	88	..
N. S. Steel	..	70
Ogilvie	..	113
Pacific Burt	34¾	..
Pacific Burt, pfd.	84¼	..
Penmans, com.	53	..
Penmans, pfd.	84	..
Porto Rico Railway	59½	59¼
R. and O. Navigation	107¾	106½
Rogers, com.	..	149
Rogers, pfd.	108	..
Russell Motor Car	40	..
Russell Motor Car, pfd.	70	..
Sawyer Massey	..	30
St. L. and C. Navigation	..	119
Shredded Wheat	75	74½
Spanish River	20⅞	20½
Spanish River, pfd.	69	67
Steel of Canada	22	..
Steel of Canada, pfd.	85¾	85
Tooke Bros.	40	..
Toronto Paper	..	135½
Tucketts, com.	42	..
Tucketts, pfd.	..	94
Twin City, com.	106⅝	106¼
Winnipeg Railway	210	..
Coniagas	7.25	7.10
Crown Reserve	1.65	..
Hollinger	15.50	..
La Rose	2.28	2.23
Nipissing Mines	9.08	8.75
Trethewey	..	.22
Bank of Commerce	202	..
Dominion Bank	..	220
Bank of Hamilton	..	197
Imperial Bank	211½	..
Merchants' Bank	188½	..
Bank of Montreal	..	221½
Bank of Nova Scotia	..	251½
Bank of Ottawa	..	199
Royal Bank	..	214½
Standard Bank	..	210
Bank of Toronto	..	203
Union Bank	138	..
Canada Landed	157	155
Canada Permanent	182½	180
Central Canada	..	185½
Colonial Investment	80	79
Dominion Savings	..	77
Great West Permanent	130½	..
Hamilton Provident	..	133
Huron and Erie	..	212
Imperial Loan	40	..
Landed Banking	..	134
London and Canadian	120	..
National Trust	..	215½
Ontario Loan	..	167
Ontario Loan, 20 p. c. paid	..	151½
Toronto General Trusts	185	..
Toronto Savings	..	200
Toronto Mortgage	..	148
Union Trust	180	..
Canada Bread bonds	89½	89
Canada Loco. bonds	97	..
Dominion Canners bonds	99	..
Dominion Steel bonds	..	89
Electric Dev. bonds	..	86
Mexican L. and P. bonds	..	83
Penmans bonds	94¼	..
Rio Janeiro, 1st mort.	96	94½
Steel Co. of Canada bonds	94½	..

Morning Sales—C. P. R., 100 at 219¾; Spanish River, 715 at 19¾ to 21; pfd., 75 at 70 to 74; Pacific Burt, pfd., 16 at 84; Porto Rico, 10 at 59; Maple Leaf, 2 at 42½; do., pfd., 20 at 91¾; Brazilian, 489 at 92⅞ to 93; MacDonald, 160 at 27 to 28⅝; F. N. Burt, 10 at 80; MacKay, 32 at 82⅞ to 83; do., pfd., 10 at 67; Steel of Canada, 25 at 21½; Toronto Paper, 30 at 80; Bank of Commerce, 32 at 202; Union, 10 at 137½; Standard, 5 at 211½; La Rose, 550 at 223 to 225; Crown Reserve, 100 at 165; Canada Bread, 25 at 19¾; do., bonds, $2,300 at 89¼ to 89½; Toronto General Trusts, 10 at 184.

COBALT STOCKS.

[Edward Cronyn & Co., members of the Toronto Stock Exchange, report the following quotations on the mining market today.]

TORONTO, Aug. 26.—Beaver, 26 to 27; Chambers-Ferland, 16½ to 17½; Coniagas, 7.10 to 7.20; Cobalt City, 45 to 47; Cobalt Lake, 50 to 55; La Rose, 2.20 to 2.25; Kerr Lake, 3.40 to 3.50; McKinley-Darragh, 1.73 to 1.78; Nipissing, 8.95 to 9.10; Peterson Lake, 20 to 21; Temiskaming, 23½ to 24½; Dome Extension, 6½ to 7; Dome, 12.75 to 13.25; Hollinger, 15.25 to 15.75; Jupiter, 26½ to 27; Preston E. Dome, 2 to 2½; Swastika, 3½ to 4½; Vipond, 7½ to 8.

LONDON, Aug. 26.—Stocks closed as follows—Consols for money, 73 15-16; Consols for account, 74; Amalgamated Copper 76⅛; Atchison, 99; Atchison, preferred, 98⅛; Canadian Pacific, 225½; Chesapeake and Ohio, 61; Chicago Great Western, 14; Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, 109½; De Beers, 21; Denver and Rio Grande, 20⅛; Erie, 29¾; Erie 1st, preferred, 48; Grand Trunk, 23⅝; Illinois Central, 111; Louisville and Nashville, 139; Missouri, Kansas and Texas, 23⅝; New York Central, 101½; Norfolk and Western, 109½; Ontario and Western, 31; Pennsylvania, 58; Rand Mines, 6½; Reading, 8⅞; Southern Railway, 25⅝; Southern Pacific, 93; Union Pacific, 158; United States steel, 65½; Wabash, 4½. Bar Silver steady, 27 7-16d per oz. Money, 2 to 2½ per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3½ to 3⅝ per cent; for three months' bills is 3 11-16 to 3¾ per cent.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—(Wall street, noon)—The uncertain aspect of the Mexican situation and the extensive liquidation of New Haven combined to unsettle the early market today. Pressure for both accounts was general, with special heaviness, aside from New Haven, in Steel, Union Pacific, Canadian Pacific, Smelting and Lehigh Valley, the latter being sold on the unfavorable July earnings. With the check to the decline which came with more encouraging news from Mexico, short coverings became urgent, and prices went up with celerity. When this demand was satisfied activity slackened and prices relapsed fractionally. Shortly before noon an upturn in the coalers strengthened the whole list. The market lacked the stimulus offered by yesterday's bidding up of various industrials, and the upward movement failed to attain striking proportions. Bonds were steady.

New Haven Broke Badly.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—Stock of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, which has experienced a decline within the last year that has made history in Wall street, broke badly again today. It fell over 4 points to 92½, once more establishing a low record price. Subsequently it rallied to 94½. The stock in former years sold as high as 279, and its pronounced weakness within recent months foreshadowed the reduction which was made in the dividend rate from 8 to 6 per cent annually. Weakness of the stock today was due to estimates of the earnings for the last fiscal year, based on such figures as have appeared. These figures indicated that the New Haven failed to earn the dividends of 7½ per cent paid in the last fiscal year, having operated at a deficit of over $4,000,000.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.

	Open.	High.	Low.	2 p.m
Amal. Copper	73¾	74	73¼	73¾
Am. Locomotive	35½	35⅝	35¼	35½
Am. Foundry	45½	45½	45	45
Am. Refining Co.	67⅛	67½	66½	67⅛
Atchison, com.	96	96	95⅞	96
Balt. & Ohio	96	..	..	..
Brook. Rap. Tran.	89⅛	89⅛	89	89
Canadian Pac. Ry.	219¾	219⅞	219¼	219¾
Chesa. & Ohio	59⅝	59⅝	59⅜	59¾
Erie	28¾	28¾	28⅝	28¾
Erie, pfd.	46⅜	..	..	..
G. Northern, pfd.	127	127½	127	127½
Illinois Central	107¼	..	..	..
Inter. Met., pfd.	62⅜	62⅝	62¼	62½
Lehigh Valley	154¾	155⅜	154⅛	155
Petroleum	57	57½	57	57½
Missouri Pacific	30⅞	31⅛	30⅝	31
N. Y. Central	98⅜	98⅜	97¼	97¼
Northern Pacific	111½	111¾	111½	111¾
Pennsylvania	112¾	112⅞	112¾	112⅞
People's Gas	114⅞	116	114⅞	116
Reading	161½	162	160⅞	162
Rock Island	17½	..	..	..
Rock Island, pfd.	27¼	..	..	..
Southern Railway	24⅞	..	..	..
Southern Pacific	90½	90½	90⅛	90¼
Sloss	106¾	106¾	106¼	106½
Twin City	105⅝	..	..	..
Union Pacific	153⅛	154⅛	152⅝	153¼
Utah	51⅛	57¼	57	57
Central Leather	23½	..	..	..
U. S. Steel	63⅜	63⅞	63	63½
U. S. Steel, pfd.	108	..	..	..
Westinghouse	71¾	..	..	..

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WILSON PREPARES

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John Lind, and his negotiations with the Huerta Government.

LIND LEAVES MEXICO.

[Canadian Press.]

Mexico City, Aug. 25. — President Wilson's personal representative, John Lind, left the Mexican capital today, proceeding to Vera Cruz. Mr. Lind called on Foreign Minister Gamboa to say good-bye, but there was nothing in their conversation regarding the resumption of negotiations or to indicate that Mexico would recede from her position.

"I have done my work here, and there is nothing left but to go home," he said. "No further significance should be attached to my departure."

Mr. Lind will sail from Vera Cruz at an early date, presumably on a battleship. It is expected that William Bayard Hale, who has been in Mexico City in an official capacity, will accompany Mr. Lind, or leave soon afterwards.

May Be President.

Rumors persist that General Trevino, who has been summoned to the capital, will become provisional president, but confirmation is lacking, and this report is offset by another that General Huerta has called in most of the retired officers and many of those on detached service to report for duty.

General Felix Diaz, who is on his way to Japan as special Mexican ambassador, is also said to have received a summons to return to the capital.

Crisis Is Near.

Washington, Aug. 26.—Unless President Wilson has received from Huerta today the acceptance of his mediation proposals he will announce in an address to Congress the failure of the Lind mission to the Mexican Republic.

Almost simultaneously with this announcement the President will promulgate a new policy towards Mexico. He will suggest the retirement of all Americans from Mexico and will throw up a more formidable barrier against the shipment of arms and ammunition into that country. All the resources of the Government will be used to assist those Americans who desire to retire from the southern republic. Having thus offered safety to Americans and having closed the door for future shipments of munitions of war, the President will follow a policy of non-interference, leaving the Mexicans to struggle between themselves and work out their own salvation.

A New Policy.

With the announcement of this new policy, however, will come a sharp demand upon the Huerta Government and all the revolutionary leaders in Mexico to safeguard American life and property. President Wilson will let Huerta and his enemies know in very positive terms that they will be held responsible for any acts committed against Americans or their properties.

As a means of enforcing the neutrality laws more stringently it is likely that new troops will be ordered to the border and vessels that are needed to convey Americans from Mexican territory will be sent by the United States navy.

President Wilson outlined this new program at a conference at the White House with twenty-one members of the foreign relations committee of the Houses of Congress.

NAVARRO CAPTURED.

[Canadian Press.]

Mexico City, Aug. 26.—General Candido Navarro, one of the most active of the rebel chiefs, who has been operating in the northern part of the state of San Luis Potosi, was captured yesterday. He recently suffered three successive defeats at the hands of the federals. Repairs on the national railway have been practically completed, and the Government expects to operate trains this week.

NO HARD FEELINGS.

[Canadian Press.]

Mexico City, Aug. 26.—As an indication of the cordial personal relations established by Mr. Lind with General Huerta, the president placed his private car at the disposal of Mr. Lind, who accepted the proffer and will occupy the car today on the trip to Vera Cruz.

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LOCAL NEWS

A Correction.—It was stated in The Advertiser last night in error that Mr. Harry Bastla was a former president of the Trades and Labor Council. Mr. Bastla is still president of that body.

Valuable Tools Stolen. — The police have been asked to locate a number of valuable tools stolen from a toolbox outside of a new building which is being erected adjacent to the British American Oil Company's plant in East London. The tools were taken sometime during Monday night.

Fire Horse Slipped.—While making the run to the fire at the brass works on Carling street today at noon, one of the three fire horses on the central ladder wagon slipped and fell at Clarence and King streets. It was not injured seriously, but was raised to its feet in a minute, and the run to the fire was made without any further mishap.

Fell Beneath Wheels.—An old man, whose name could not be learned, fell from Ridout car No. 54 at the corner of King and Richmond streets this morning about 10 o'clock, falling under one of Edward Adams & Co.'s wagons. He was attempting to board the car when he slipped and fell under the wheels of the wagon. He was not hurt to any extent, being able to continue his journey.

Sprained Both Ankles.—A small boy, about 7 years old, fell from a Normal car at the corner of Adelaide and Dundas streets, Monday at 10:30, and sprained both his ankles. He left the car while it was still moving, and fell awkwardly on the road. When a man picked him up he was crying bitterly and unable to stand. The conductor on the car tried to get his name, but could not make out what he was saying. The man who picked him up carried him to his home on William street, where a doctor was called and dressed both ankles.

Hurt in a Row. — With his head swathed in bandages, his left arm in a sling and one of his thumbs bandaged, an Italian called at the police court this morning to lay an information against a fellow-countryman charging him with assault. The man is said to have secured his injuries in a row which is alleged to have taken place in an Italian boarding-house Sunday night. It is said that his assailant struck him with a bottle, splitting his head open, and that he almost bit the end off the complainant's thumb.

To Sell Old Wagon. — At a meeting of the police commissioners held on Monday afternoon it was decided to take over at once the new automobile patrol, which arrived in the city several days ago, and to put it in service as soon as possible. The chief was also ordered to call for bids for the old ambulance, patrol wagon, two horses and harness. Mr. Elmer was appointed permanent driver and is now under instruction in the operation of the car. P. C. Venner, who for some time has been assistant driver, will be put on a beat, as he is now a senior man, and a new unior assistant will be appointed.

Personal Mention

Miss Helen O'Shae has returned home to Lucan after spending a week with Mrs. White, 654 Fullarton street.

Mrs. J. K. Harrison and two children, of Grimsby, are visiting her friend, Mrs. White, of 65 Fullarton street.

Mr. Ralph Chaffey and Mr. Thomas Diamond, of Pittsburg, are visitors in the city for a few days, the former renewing old acquaintances.

Mrs. Ed. Laird, Florence, Ont., and sister, Miss Clark, of Urbana, Ohio, have returned home after a pleasant visit in London.

Mr. Edmund Meredith, K. C., Mrs. Meredith and Miss Mary have returned after a pleasant summer in Muskoka.

Mr. Frank Sheehy has returned to Port Limon, Costa Rica, after spending the summer with his parents, 274 Hamilton road.

Mr. David Wolf has returned from a six weeks' trip to Montreal, Boston and New York. While away Mr. Wolf did considerable buying for H. Wolf & Sons, the house furnishers and clothiers, of 265 Dundas street. He reports having had a most enjoyable trip.

PORT STANLEY

Port Stanley, Aug. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. George Gunn, of London, visited recently with Mrs. J. Kerrigan, East Orchard Beach.

Miss D. Mitchell, of London, is the guest of Miss K. Smith, Shady Nook, Orchard Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Falls, of London, were recent guests of Mrs. J. K. Campbell.

Miss Daisy Mason, of London, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Belton, Orchard Beach, over the week-end.

Miss Bernice Sanderson, of Baltimore, is the guest of Mrs. Geo. S. Morley, Edgewater, Orchard Beach.

Mr. Ernest Morley, of New York, is the guest of Mrs. Price, Port Stanley.

Mrs. J. S. Croden and family, who have spent the summer on Orchard Beach, returned to their home in Toronto today.

Rev. Mr. McVitty and family, of Muncey, who have been spending the past month on Orchard Beach, have returned to their home.

The masquerade at Hill Crest club house on Wednesday evening promises to be a very brilliant affair.

Miss Elsie Green, of London, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Richardson, White House, East Orchard Beach.

Miss Jessie Pratt, of Reading, West Virginia, is the guest of Mrs. Mills, Hill Crest.

Mr. "Doodle" Hutchinson, of London, spent the week-end with Mr. Skelly on Willow Beach.

Loney House—C. H. Parry, Copper Cliff; Wm. Skinner, London; R. B. Wanless, W. Woodward, G. Laydon, W. McCoy, all of London; S. W. Reed, St. Thomas; Hedly V. Canton, London; B. W. Elmer, Windsor; Thomas Hoggarth, Goderich.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. MacGillivray, Miss Josephine and Master Barclay, of "Cannobie Place," Hill Crest, are registered at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto.

Took Cash From South London Store

Forcing the front door, thieves gained entrance to Lister's drug store, Wortley road, South London, on Sunday night. Their haul consisted of several dollars and some loose change taken from the cash drawer. The patrolman on one of the South London beats found the door open when he was "trying" property late on Sunday night. The proprietor was informed, and he reported the loss of the money to police headquarters.

NEED MORE HELP.

[Canadian Press.]

Winnipeg, Aug. 26.—Carefully compiled estimates of the total number of harvest hands now on the farms of the prairie provinces place the number at approximately 16,000. Saskatchewan is calling for a further 8,000, and there are at least 4,000 of these in sight on the next excursions from the eastern provinces, which are scheduled to reach this city tomorrow night or Thursday morning.

PUMPING TESTS SATISFACTORY

Show Horton St. Wells Have a Daily Capacity of 2,540,000 Gals.

TEST NOT A FORCED ONE

Preliminary pumping tests of the full number of Horton street artesian wells at once show a capacity of 2,540,000 gallons of water every 24 hours. This is nearly double the guarantee of the wells—1,500,000 per day. The full 24-hour test was made this week and was preparatory to the demonstration of the wells in action that will be staged by the water commission on Labor Day. The water commission is more than satisfied with the results.

Supply Inexhaustible.

One of the most significant features of the entire test was the fact that the well capacity is practically the same as it was when they were first started. This fact is an answer to the statements made at the time the well system was first broached here, to the effect that in a few years they would be run dry. The maintenance of the water levels of the wells proves an inexhaustible supply that will last London forever, according to the waterworks experts.

Were Not Forced.

The 2,550,000 gallons were pumped without "forcing" and acording to General Manager H. Jf Glaubitz of the water comission the capacity can at anytime be increased by adding additional air compressors for the purpose of lifting the water from the wells. The air pressure 22 pounds, used is practically only half a lift, the wells being 100 feet deep.

Considerable pumping data was secured and a comprehensive report will be submitted to the water commission at its next session.

Western Crop Is Nearly All Saved

Harvest Is About Two Weeks Earlier Than Last Year.

[Canadian Press.]

Winnipeg, Aug. 26.—Taking the average the crop over the country is two weeks earlier than it was last year or the year before. Such is the opinion expressed by Sir William Whyte, on his return to the city from an extended tour over the wheat belt. The crop is a good one, and at many points is already well cut, he says.

There is a certain variety in the advancement of the different districts. In the districts around Calgary, Lethbridge, Swift Current and all points south, the crop is about 30 per cent cut, while about a week or ten days will yet be required in the district around Regina and Moose Jaw. Speaking generally of the conditions of the country and the financial situation, he stated that there are indications that there will be a general loosening in he money situation all over the West.

"Speculation in real estate is practically at an end, however," he said.

Two Picnics for Street Railwaymen

Employees of the London Street Railway are holding their picnic in two sections. The first one will be held this afternoon, at which all the day men and half the staffs of the barns, shops and power house will journey to Springbank. On Friday the relief men and the other half of the staff will have a picnic, which will be identical with the one this afternoon. Similar prizes will be given and similar contests and races run off. A band will be in attendance all afternoon in the bandstand, and dancing will be the amusement at night. A long program of races and games has been prepared, and baseball contests between motormen and conductors, besides a tug-of-war between teams from the motormen and the conductors. It is expected that fully five hundred people will be at the park on both occasions. The inevitable baby show is also one of the features of each picnic.

Grain Insurance Favors Americans

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, Aug. 26.—A convention of delegates from all the boards of trade of the Province of Quebec is being held at Chicoutimi this week to take into consideration marine insurance rates on the St. Lawrence.

The rates of insurance on grain cargoes from Montreal to Liverpool last year ranged from 25 cents per $100 in summer to 45 cents per $100 in the latter part of November, while from New York and Boston the figure was 15 cents per $100 through the whole year.

That thee diffrence constitutes an effective discrimination in favor of United States ports is indicated by the fact that of 87,579,696 bushels of Canadian wheat which were forwarded from Fort William and Port Arthur last year, 45,326,450 bushels were shipped to Europe through the Dominion, and 42,252,450 bushels were shiped to Europe through the Dominion, and 42,252,246 bushels via the United States.

Of grain of all kinds, nearly 64 per cent exported from Canada last year went to the States. Besides lthis, Canadian flour to the extent of 1,364,250 barrels was forwarded through United States ports.

IMPORTANT CHANGES IN GRAND TRUNK TRAIN SERVICE FROM TORONTO.

Train leaving Toronto 10:15 a.m. daily except Sunday for **Penetang Wharf** will be discontinued from Allandale to Penetang after Saturday, Sept. 6, but will run through to Huntsville and North Bay via Muskoka Wharf, commencing Monday, Sept. 8.

Muskoka Express, leaving Toronto 12:01 p.m. daily except Sunday for Muskoka Wharf and Huntsville, will be discontinued after Saturday, Sept. 6th.

Buffalo-Muskoka Express, leaving Toronto 2:20 a.m. daily for Muskoka Wharf, Huntsville, Burk's Falls and North Bay, will be discontinued after Sunday, Sept. 7.

Buffalo Express, leaving Toronto 12:05 a.m. daily for Niagara Falls and Buffalo, will be discontinued after Monday, Sept. 8.

Train leaving Toronto 1:40 p.m. Saturdays only for Jackson's Point will be discontinued after Saturday, Aug. 30.

Train leaving Jackson's Point 7:30 a.m., Mondays only, for Toronto, will be run on Tuesday, Sept. 2, instead of Monday, Sept. 1, and will be discontinued after that date.

Through Pittsburg Sleeper on 4:32 p.m. train from Toronto will be discontinued after Saturday, Sept. 6.

Last Pullman Sleeping Car for Kingston Wharf will leave Toronto 10:45 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, and leave Kingston Wharf 12:20 a.m. for Toronto after Monday, Sept. 15.

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IN THE POLICE COURT

A charge of cruelty to one of his horses preferred by F. C. Perkins, a liveryman, against Frederick Lachuer, occupied nearly two hours in the police court this morning. After hearing the testimony of a number of witnesses, including the defendant's sister, the court decided to reserve judgment until next Saturday morning.

During the hearing of the case the magistrate had several tiffs with Mr. W. R. Meredith, the conducted the defence, over Mr. Meredith and Mr. E. W. M. Flock arguing across the table about evidence which should and should not be taken.

Edward Brown, Thomas Taylor, Charles Buck, Fred Hobson and John Quinn, all members of a regiment from Galt, which is to take part in the military manoeuvres which are being staged in the vicinity of Chatham this week, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon and proceeded to "load up." Three of them looked to be about 18 years of age, but according to P. C. Noonan, who arrested them, and several citizens who complained about their conduct at the corner of King and Talbot streets, they were all well-versed in the use of "cuss" words.

Soldiers Fined.

When told that their fines would be $3, with the option of ten days in jail, all with the exception of one, who had the necessary amount, looked askance at the magistrate. The one who could pay the fine was allowed to go. After getting out he hustled around, met some friends, and succeeded in securing enough money to pay the fines of his companions.

John Mullin had not appeared in court for three months until this morning, when he was up on a charge of being drunk. In answer to the court's query as to whether he was drunk, he replied that he was not so "awfully full." In consideration of that fact and of his absence for three months he was allowed to go.

Edinoff Case Enlarged.

A breach of the wife maintenance act preferred against Samuel Edinoff by his wife Esther, was enlarged for a week, as there is a possibility of a settlement being reached.

Sergeant Was Satisfied.

Several days ago John Sherry was summoned to police court to answer a charge of a breach of the motor vehicle act in that he did not have the rear lamp on his automobile in a proper position to shed its rays over the rear number. He pleaded not guilty at the time and was instructed to bring the car around to the police station and show it to Sergt. Birrell. He did so. The sergeant was satisfied, and so he was discharged when he appeared this morning.

Five men who committed petty breaches of bylaws were fined a dollar each.

A Timely Telegram.

R. H. Almond, of the State of Michigan, who was found on the C. P. R. tracks Sunday night and fined $5, with the option of ten days in jail, in police court Monday morning, was liberated today. A telegram from a friend of his in Toronto bearing enough money to pay his fine and purchase a ticket to his home town, was received by Chief Williams this morning.

In court yesterday morning the man told the magistrate that he was merely waiting at the C. P. R. for an answer to a telegram which he had sent to this friend in Toronto asking for money. His story was