ENTERTAINMENTS FEATURE

Jolity as School Closes for Christmas

Holidays.

Aberdeen School.

Alexandra School.

this morning to witness the games en

duced a program of thirty-four num-

Empress Avenue School.

Kirkwood, no public closing has been

neld in the Empress avenue school

each room instead having its own program. Monday morning a large num-

ber of the mothers were present for

Christmas entertainments have been

enjoyed by pupils and parents in each

Lorne Avenue School.

W. D. MATTHEWS.

.. Dundas and Rectory Sts.

THE DOMINION BANK

Farmers' Sale Notes Collected

Sale Notes than to try to do so yourself.

When you have a sale, have the Notes made payable at the Dominion Fank, and deposit them here for collection.

E. C. BOWKER, Manager.

"It has been my experience that the man who is careful

of his own money will be careful of his employer's-that

the possession of a savings account argues a foresighted-

ness worth enlisting-in short, that the saving man is

Every man should provide a fund for use in emergencies

by having a little nest-egg laid by for "the rainy day."

Start to build now. One dollar will open a deposit in our

savings department and we pay $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ compound interest. Come in this week and get your book.

The Ontario Loan & Debenture Co.

A. M. SMART, Manager

Cor. Dundas Street and Market Lane, London, Canada.

Such collections are made on most favorable terms.

is more convenient to have the Dominion Bank collect your

SIR EDMUND B. OSLER, M.P., W. D. MA
President.
C. A. BOGERT. General Manager.

EAST END BRANCH

the safe man."

October, 8.19c; January, 7.57c; May, 7.74c; July, 7.92c Spot—Closed quiet; middling uplant, 50c. Sales, 1,400 bales.

PARIS BOURSE.

Paris, Dec. 22.—Prices moved issegularly on the bourse today. Three per cent rentes, 70 francs 5 centimes for

Reading and Lehigh Valley Exceptions

\$300,000,000 MERGER

Lake Shore and New York Central Com

Cleveland, O., Dec. 22.-Consolidation

of the Lake Shore Railroad Company

with the New York Central Company

was effected here today at a meeting

of Lake Shore stockholders, when they ratified action taken by New York

RAILWAY AUCTIONED

Brought Seven Millions.

[Canadian Press.]

today on the steps of the New York

Island and Pacific Railway Company was

put up at foreclosure sale, and was bid

in for \$7,135,300, without competition, b

protective committee for the 4 per cent

Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Com

pany, against which the stock was col

TORONTO, Dec. 21.—At a meeting of the directors of the Globe Printing

Company held this afternoon, W. G.

unanimous vote to succeed his father

Notice To Creditors

Jaffray was elected president by

the late Senator Jaffray.

The old stock of the Chicago, Rock

County Courthouse

to Downward Tendency.

FEATURE OF OPENING

Cecil Rhodes said:

"A Dollar Saved is a Dollar Earned"

DOLLAR to your credit in the bank, is A yours. You don't have to work for it all over again—as you do for the dollars that have been spent.

How many dollars have you that you can call your own? Why not start an account in our Savings Department and save a part of the money you earn? A few dollars saved each week, amount to hundreds in the course of a

Longon Branch-H. F. Skey, Manager. London Market Square Branch-G. F. Pearson, Manager.

GREECE AND ROUMANIA MAY JOIN WITH ALLIES

Given Guarantees Against Attack By Neutral Bulgarians.

LONDON, Dec. 21 .- Following on the ategorical assurances of the Bulgarian

overnment of its intention to main- and Greece. Your wife's name ought to be .. on this card certiy, its intensity, and the fierce and say written by Grade VIII. girls.

> Give your wife a gift that will not only delight her on Christmas Day. but make Christmas last over many

labor-lightened months. Give her

cleaners. The difference is in the electrically revolved brush-an exclusive Hoover feature. You get an electric sweeper as well as suction cleaner in the Hoover. You'll find it picks up pressed-in thread and takes out deep-in dirt, in a manner no other machine can equal. Come

COME SEE THE HOOVER ON HOOVER DAY, DECEMBER 22, 23, 24.

DIAMOND DISC PHONOGRAPH

The Edison Is An Ideal Musical Instrument

For Edison music contains expression. Without expression, music is dead; it does not satisfy you; it does not

The Edison Diamond Disc

has a new fundamental advantage, found in no other make. It truly reproduces the tone colors or overtone of music, giving expression to music, and making it possible to interpret the world's choicest music-chamber music -artistically and in a manner acceptable to your musical

Edison Tone

has purity, volume, brilliancy, resonance, power and

Plays All Records

is the only phonograph that will play perfectly all makes of Disc records, from the unexcelled Edison with diamond needle to the ordinary steel needle kind.

Edison Phonographs

are all equipped with the Genuine Diamond Point (no needles to change) automatic stopping device, automatic record feed, and they play the new, long-wearing, longplaying, sweet-toned, practically unbreakable record.

The Beauty of Edison Tone

must be heard to be appreciated. It cannot be translated into mere words. COME IN FOR A DEMONSTRATION and you will immediately appreciate the difference between the Edison Diamond-Disc Phonograph and familiar types of talking machines. Edison tone is superb.

WM. McPHILLIPS

189 DUNDAS STREET, LONDON.

BARRIE'S NEW PLAY PUZZLES AUDIENCE

"Der Tag," With Kaiser Rep. resentation, Fails To Appeal In England.

Yesterday and today have been teeming with interest for the young been now young Englishman minus clean-cut young Englishman minus too willing to assist with the tasks of decking rooms with fest ture was the presentation to Rhoa Mrs. H. A. Boomer, president of the highest standing in the city of any Belgian Relief Funk \$50 received from Mrs. A Seabort, and \$5 from Mrs. A Seabort, and \$5 from Mrs. A Seabort, and \$5 from Mrs. H. A. Boomer, president of the highest standing in the city of any Belgian Relief Funk \$50 received from Mrs. A Seabort, and \$5 from Mrs. H. A. Boomer, president of the highest standing in the city of any Belgian Relief Funk \$50 received from Mrs. A Seabort, and \$5 from Mrs. A Seabort "Der Tag" failed to impress its first schools by noon proud parents had audience at the Coliseum yesterday afaudience at the Coliseum yesterday afternoon. The audience was puzzled good wishes exchanged until after the
ternoon are audience was puzzled good wishes exchanged until after the
throughout and world to understand New Year. In others, the excitement throughout and unable to understand New Year. In others, the excitement direction of Vincent Perry. or follow the author's conception. Press comment follows: tain strict neutrality in the war, the

Daily Express: "Neither in concepand Russia, have given guarantees to both Athens and Bucharest that Bulgaria will not attack Greece, in the latter country and the latter unworthy of its subject."
Daily Telegraph: "No more searching event of the latter country assisting

Servia, and will not attack Roumania indictment of the crime of Germany we need hear than this consummate should that state actively participate picture of the Kaiser's troubled soul. E. R. Dennis; solos by Miss Edith This is taken to foreshadow the approaching participation of Roumania What makes the play so finely impres- McBride and Chris. Pink, and choruses sive is its note of magnanimity and its by the various classes conducted by calm restraint." The Times: "Although the intention presented Calvin Fitzgerald with the

of "Der Tag" is not always apparent, prize offered by the Men's Federation and although its brevity has tended to for the Grade VIII boy writing the The Daily Chronicle: "The audience captured in this school, Jean McRae was not impressed by its burning sin."

CITIZENS WILL TRY TO RID CITY OF GUNMEN

New York Protective League Organizing For Big Effort.

[Canadian Press.] New York, Dec. 22 .- A movement to rid this city of gunmen is to be started at a mass meeting in Cooper Union tomorrow night. The Citizens' Protective League that arranged for the meeting pupils, and a hundred onlookers as has received assurances of support from well, presented a festive appearance numerous civic and business associa-tions, as well as from hundreds of pro-cipal Gibbs was chairman, and intro-

Businessmen of the East Side at a bers-less formidable than it sounds, meeting yesterday decided to form a owing to the fact that several of citizens' police, composed of several selections were very, very brief. hundred of the East Side businessmen This body will co-operate with the city administration to help suppress

COMMITTEE TO INQUIRE AS TO THE UNEMPLOYED

the kindergarten closing. Ontario Government Said to Have Selected Strong Body of Men.

TORONTO, Dec. 21 .- The Ontario rnment is considering the appoint of the rooms of Grand avenue school ment of the following gentlemen as a today. red situation in Ontario: Sir John Willison, Archbishop McNeil, Ven. Arch. H. J. Cody, Rev. Daniel Strachan, Mr. W. K. McNaught, C.M.G., J. avenue school, attended by A. M. Hunt, tention. Gibbons, Toronto Railway Employees' on; J. Frank Beer, Prof. Jackson, Prof. Delury, W. P. Gundy, Mr. W. L. Best, of Ottawa.

While the provincial secretary's department announces that the Govern-ment is "considering" the appointment every reason to believe that the apthat Sir John Willison will be chair-

SALT FOR THE BELGIANS

MONEY AND PROVISIONS FROM SARNIA.

That Sarnia, in the midst of its prosperity, takes kindly and vigorous hought for the suffering Belgians is evidenced by the recent gifts which have been sent from that city. Over \$3,000 in cash was recently raised, and several carloads of clothing and foodtuffs have been collected and sent to Halifax. A carlead of 25 tons of finest table salt, done up in 1,000 50-pound sacks, was donated by the Dominion Salt Company, as their contribution to the relief work. Salt has been freely quoted as being one of the items sorely needed in Brussels and Antwern, and this gift will doubtless be very timely. It is hoped to get all these materials by a steamer leaving Halifax on December 23, so that distribution to the suffering should take place early in

INVINCIBLE DAMAGED British Cruiser Hit By Shells in South

Atlantic Fight.

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, Dec. 21 .-German sailors to the number of about 100, who were saved during the fighting off the Falkland Islands, December 8, when the British squadron under Admiral Sir Frederick Sturdee defeated and sent to the bottom a German squadron, composed of the cruisers Scharnhorst, Gneisenau, Nurnberg and Leipzig, sailed from here today for Engs. German sailors to the number of about 100, who were saved during the fighting Scharnhorst, Gneisenau, Nurnberg and Leipzig, sailed from here today for Eng-

[Canadian Press.]
DETROIT, Dec. 21. — The report ent out of New York last night that the British Dreadnought Thunderer was sunk in the North Sea, Nov. 7, is in-correct, in the opinion of Harry J. Davis, of this city, who has a brother serving on the battleship. Davis said today he had received a letter from his brother, Frederick W. Davis, dated Nov. 15, stating that the Thunderer was about to go into drydock to have her bottom scraped.

The letter was postmarked in Lon-Butchers' Meats.

J. M. YOUNG, Broker 3 London Loan Building

STOCKS, BONDS, GRAIN AND PROVISIONS. Private Wires.

EDWARD CRONYN & CO. SEND FOR CIRCULARS SHOWING HURON AND ERIE SHARES

was not over until four this afternoon.

Princess Avenue School. An ambitious program, and one of Grasping the true meaning of Christ-mas, the pupils of the Princess Avenue unusual interest, was presented this School this year have been remembering others less fortunate than themselves. parents and friends of the pupils. Dr. Monday they came to school laden with groceries, vegetables, etc., which were Shaw, of the school board, presided. Addresses were given by Rev. T. H. Mitchell, Rev. Mr. Bice and Trustee all day today.

E. W. G. Quantz. Rev. T. H. Mitchell Rectory Street School. The lower grades of Rectory. Street School combined in rendering a most for the Grade VIII, boy writing the

Simcoe Street School. The boys and girls of the Shucoe Street School enjoyed a treat of oranges. Each room in the Alexandra school nuts and candy today, as well as their as enjoyed its own program of recita- closing concerts held in the various has enjoyed its own program of recita-

tions, readings, songs, dialogues, etc., the chief interest being centred in the St. George's School. kindergarten, where parents gathered by noon today at St. George's. Monday tered into with much enthusiasm by afternoon, the kindergarten little folks and the youngsters of the primary dethe tots and the distribution of gifts partment had a happy time over their programs and Christmas trees. The Chesley Avenue School. senior pupils presented their programs this morning, much stirring about from

Talbot Street School. to the Christmas entertainment in grade Strong and Inspector Edwards. Murray Heard was presented by Trustee Strong owing to the fact that several of the with the Gilbert art medal offered by Owing to the illness of Principal

Victoria School.

SPECIAL EDITION MEANS CARLOAD FOR BELGIANS PUBLIC SCHOOL CLOSING

Relief to That Extent Afforded by Specla! Number of The Advertiser.

The Young Folks Have Their Inning of Fun and Thanks to the special Belgian Relief Edition of The Advertiser, issued by the Local Council of Worlen, the council is emitied to send a carload of relief to the starving and suffering of Belgium whatever form it is most required. Mrs. Yarker, the sccretary, is at

PHYSICAL DRILL PRIZES

Awards Made in Public School Competition Announced Today.

The following awards in the physical drill competition of the public schools were announced by Inspector of Public Schools C. B. Edwards today: For the schools north of later distributed among needy people by the inspectors, Lieut.-Col. McCrimmon the school nurses. The closing enter-tainments were in progress in the dif-tainments were in progress in the diftainments were in progress in the dif-ferent rooms on Monday afternoon and ond, St. George's. For individual rooms the first prize went to Principal James Kirkwood's class in Empress Avenue, and for second, to Principal Ed. Wyatt's class at St. George's.

For the schools south of Dundas C. R. Somerville and J. T. Taylor, of the Y. M. C. A. made the following make for a certain incoherency, there is dignity and eloquence in some speeches, which show Barrie in his most effective light."

The Daily Chronicle: "The audience of the Grade VIII, boy writing the enjoyable program, thus afternoon, the sixth, seventh and eighth grades united sixth, seventh and eighth grades united efforts, and the result was a pleasant gathering. On Monday, the kindergartners were made happy by a Christmas tree.

C; R. Soluctula defect. "R. C. A. made the following efforts, and the result was a pleasant gathering. On Monday, the kindergartners were made happy by a Christmas tree. nue; second, Miss Mills' class, Alexandra; third, Mr. McKone's class, Simcoe Street.

In sending in his report, C. R. Somerville commented on the schools. The condition of all of them was good, he easily kept in order. Alexandra, where in addition to the janitor, a serub-tyoman is regularly applicant. woman is regularly employed, was reported to be the best-kept school in the

Speaking of physical drill, Mr. Somerville declared the work was excellent and should be extended to all schools.

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CENSORS ARE HANDLING

50,000 CABLES DALLY

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21—
Censorship on a scale absolutely without a precedent, is now in operation over the complicated system of cables connecting Europe with America. After some friction, the machinery created by the British machinery created by the British
Government is now handling an average of 50,000 cablegrams each day,
and even this figure does not repre-

Each room in the Victoria School enjoyed its Christmas closing in its own way. Grade 7, presided over by Mr. Ferguson, had a demonstration of a special nature, when Beatrice Brake was presented with a prize offered by the Mortley Road School.

A large number of parents and friends expressed their interest in the pupils of the Wortley Road School by attending the Christmas entertainments held in the different rooms. The kindergarten closing, as always attracted smells. the Christmas entertainments held in the different rooms. The kindergarten in the assembly room of the Lorne closing, as always, attracted special attended by A. M. Hunt, tention.

The kindergarten the censor invariably informs the American ambassador with an explanation of the reason.

Stagnant Again.

Following its comparative activity of the morning, the market became stagnant, with little change in prices. Steel planation of the reason.

Pacific, manifested a sagging tendency. held in the assembly room of the Lorne closing, as always, attracted special at- American ambassador with an ex-

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

THE LOCAL MARKET

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As was expected, poultry was the feature of the local market this morning, with turkeys and geese the principal offerings. A few turkeys were sold at 18 cents a pound, but 20 cents seemed to be the ruling price, while several farmers' wives asked as high as 25 cents a pound. Geese sold for 14 cents a pound. There was a good demand, in fact, it was just as brisk as the demand for turkeys, wholesalers are paying from 17 to 19 cents a pound for turkeys, a few buyers only offering 19 cents. There was not the supply of turkeys in today that was expected, and there should be an excellent demand for poolitry on Thursday.

Wheat futures closed to day. Wheat futures closed to ye lose; oats inchanged to yac lower, and flax ye light, \$6.80 to \$7.25; roughs, \$6.85 to \$7.25; roughs,

gardeners away.

Eggs were selling from 40 to 48 cents 8,818 bushels. a dozen. One farmer's wife asked 55 cents a dozen for her eggs, but had not

Grain, Fer Cwt.

Wheat, per cwt.....\$1 80 to \$1 83

Wheat, per cwt.....\$1 50 to 1 53 Wheat, per bu..... 1 05 Oats, per bu.... Vegetables. Potatoes load, bag...
Potatoes per bag...
Beets, per bu...
Onions, per peck...
Lettuce, per doz...

Cabbages, each
Radishes, per doz
Turnips, per bu
Carrots, per bu
Citrons, each Apples, per bag..... 50 Apples, per bbl..... 1 25 Pears, per bu..... 50

Leipzig, sailed from here today for England on board of the steamer Crown of
Galicia. They were brought into port
yesterday by the British cruiser Invincible, with Sir Frederick Sturdee on
board.

It was learned today that the Invincible showed signs of having been
struck by six shells. Nine men on
board of her were wounded, including
Commander Richard T. Townsend.

THUNDERER SAFE

Positive Denial of Story of Her Sinking
on November 7.

Butter, rolls, lb. ... 36 to
Eggs, basket, doz. ... 40 to
Eggs, per dozen. ... 30 to
Butter, reamery, lb. ... 30 to
Butter, creamery, lb. ... 30 to
Eggs, per dozen. ... 40 to
Eggs, per dozen. ... 40 to
Eggs, per basket. ... 40 to
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Eggs, store lots, doz. ... 32 to
Honey, strained, 10 lbs 1 40 to
Poultry, Allves, Wholesale.

Old fowl, lb. ... 6 to
Young chickens, lb. ... 7½ to
Ducks, per lb. ... 8 to
Turkeys, per lb. ... 8 to
Turkeys, per lb. ... 12 to
Poultry, Dressed, Wholesale.

Turkeys, per 1b..... 12 to Poultry, Dressed, Wholesale. Chickens, per Turkeys, per 1b.... 17 to Geese, per 1b. 11 to Ducks, per 1b. 11 to Poultry, Dressed, Retail. Spring chickens, pair. 1 00 Ducks, per pair..... 1 25 Chickens, per lb..... 12

Montreal, Dec. 22.-Wheat receipts,

WHEAT.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Selling today on the part of houses that usually act for exporters had a tendency to discourage bulls in wheat. Opinions were freely expressed that the recent advance in prices seemed too rapid, and that some fresh stimulus was needed to sustain the market. A substantial increase if the market. A substantial increase of the European visible supply counted also against the bulls. After opening ½c to 4c off to ½c up, quotations hardened a trifle and then suffered a setback all around to well below last night's level.

GRAIN.
Liverpool, Dec. 22.—Wheat—Spot was strong; No. 1 Manitoba, 10s 8d; No. 2, 10s 6d; No. 3, 10s 3½d; No. 2 hard winter, 10s ½d.
Corn—Spot nominal. Futures firm; lanuar, 6s 2d. February, 6s 24/d. January, 6s 2d; February, 6s 21/2d.

Liverpool, Dec. 22.—Flour—Winter

Dressed hogs, choice, 2 of to 10 50
Live Stock.
Hogs, per cwt. 8 55
Eas of constant of the stock of the stock

merger involves \$300,000,000. Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific \$6 75.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 10,000 head; slow; sheep steady; lambs, \$5 to \$8 25; yearlings, \$5 to \$7; wethers, \$5 50 to \$5 75; ewes, \$3 50 to \$5 25; sheep, mixed, \$5 25 to \$5 50. New York, Dec. 22.—Ownership of a railroad, represented by millions of dollars' worth of stock, was auctioned off

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE. J. M. Young. 3 London Loan building, reports fluctuations in New York stocks as follows:

Open. High. Low. 1:30. James N. Wallace, chairman of Trunk Lines and

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School was out until after the holidays hall, with seating capacity for all the pupils, and a hundred onlookers as nothing might be missed.

On Monday, special interest attached s, owing to the presence of Trustee Gilbert, of Maple street, in memory of his son, the late Edwin Gilbert, who was a pupil of the Talbot Street School.

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