FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Toronto Stocks.

Toronto, April 23.—The following table shows the highest rate bid for bank and other stocks to-day:—

Montreal	226	Br. Can. L. & In.	116
Ontario	113¾	B. & Loan Asso.	100
Molsons	..	Can. Landed	124½
Toronto	250½	Can. Permanent	181½
Merchants	164	do. 20 per cent	170
Commerce	142⅛	Can. S. & Loan	122
Imperial	187½	Central Can. L.	125
Dominion	28½	Consol'd Land Co	..
do. xd	..	Dom. S. & Loan	83
Standard	171⅛	Farmers' L. & S.	..
Hamilton	179	do. 20 per cent	..
British America	112¾	Freehold L. & S.	140
Wes. Assurance	151¾	do. 20 per cent	136½
Canada Life	..	Ham. Provident	..
Confed. Life	..	Huron & Erie	160
Consumers' Gas	191	do. 20 per cent	150
Dominion Tele.	109	Imperial L. & In.	118½
Montreal Tele.	..	Landed Banking	..
Ont.&Qu'Ap.L.Co	..	Land Security Co.	..
C. N. W. Land Co	..	London & Can.	126
do. common	11	London Loan	..
C. P. R. Bonds	..	London & Ont.	..
C. P. R. Stock	66⅛	Manitoba Loan	..
Victoria R. S. Co.	..	N. of S. M. Co.	..
Toronto E. L. Co.	..	Ont. Indus. Loan	..
Incan. Light Co	114	Ontario L. & D.	130
General Electric	..	Peoples' Loan	..
Com. Cable Co.	141	R. E., L. & D. Co	65
Bell Telephone	150⅛	Toronto L. & In.	..
Rich. & Ont.	..	Toronto L. & L.	..
Mont. Street Ry.	141	Toronto S. & L.	121
do. xd	..	Union L. & S.	120
Duluth, common	..	Wes. Canada	..
Duluth, preferred	..	do. 25 per cent	155½

Transactions.—Commerce, 20, 15 at 142¼; 20 at 142⅛. Imperial, 10 at 187¾. Dominion, 20, 20 at 281½; 20, 20, 20, 40 at 281; 20 at 280¾; 20, 20 at 280⅞. Standard, 20 at 171½. Hamilton, 45 at 169. Wes. Ass., 80 at 152. Com. Cable Co., 25 at 141; 25 at 141¼; 25, 25 at 141; 25 at 140½; 25, 50 at 140¾, 25, 50, 25 at 141. Can. Landed, 9 at 124½; 21 at 125½. Freehold L. & S., 4 at 141. Imperial L. & I., 7 at 118½. Lon. & Can. L & A., 62 8, at 126. Wes. Can. L. & S., 15 at 170.

Montreal.

Stock Exchange, Montreal, April 28.

Stocks	A. M. Ask'd	A. M. Bid
Can Pac. R. R.	67¼	66
Duluth Ry., common	8	6
Duluth Ry., preferred	18	14
Grand Trunk 1st	..	..
Commercial Cable Co.	140	139¾
Wabash, Com.	..	..
Montreal Telegraph	149	147
Rich & Ont. Nav. Co.	80	75
Montreal Street Ry	141¾	141
Montreal Street Ry., rights	137	136¾
Montreal Gas Co.	173	170
Bell Telephone	152½	150½
Royal Elec.	140	130
Bank of Montreal	230	225
Ontario Bank	..	..
Banque du Peuple	126	..
Molsons Bank	170	..
Bank of Toronto	..	..
Banque Jacques Cartier	..	..
Merchants' Bank	170	160
Mer. Bank of Halifax	152	147
Quebec Bank	..	..
Union Bank	104	..
Bank of Commerce	147	142¾
City Passenger R. R.	..	..
N W Land Co	..	..
Montreal Cotton Co.	130	122½
Canada Cotton Co	75	63
Dominion Cotton Co	119	111

Morning Sales—Can. Pac., 50 at 66½; 50 at 66. Com. Cable Co., 20 at 142; 125 at 140. Mont. St. Ry., 75 at 142; rights, 100 at 132½; 35 at 132. Mont. Gas Co., 50 at 174; 200 at 173¾; 25 at 173½; 50 at 173; 50 at 172¾; 15 at 172½; 25 at 171; 125 at 170. Royal Elec., 12 at 138. Bank of Mont., 1 at 227, 25 at 225.

London.

London, Eng., April 28, 12.30 p. m.

Consols, money	100 1-16	P. Central	5⅝
Consols, acct	100⅛	Reading	9⅞
Mexican	17¼	Can. Pacific	68⅛
Mexican Central	5¾	N. Y. Central	101⅛
St. Paul	62¾	Illinois Central	95
Erie	16¼	Bank Eng. Rate	2
Erie, 2nds	80	Open mkt. dis.	1⅝

Liverpool.

Liverpool, April 28, 12.30 p. m.

	S D	S D		S D	S D
Wheat, sp	0 0	@ 0 0	Peas	5 1	@ 0 0
R. Winter	4 11	@ 5 0½	Pork	73 9	@ 0 0
No. 1 Cal.	5 0½	@ 5 2	Lard	39 6	@ 0 0
Corn	3 10¾	@ 0 0	Tallow	25 6	@ 0 0
Barley	0 0	@ 0 0	Bacon	33 6	@35 0
Oats	0 0	@ 0 0	Cheese	59 0	@59 0

Wheat, steady; demand poor; holders offer moderately. Corn, steady; demand moderate. The following table shows the highest quotations on the undermentioned dates:—

April	23		24		25		26		27		28	
	S	D	S	D	S	D	S	D	S	D	S	D
Wheat, spring	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Red Winter	5	0½	5	0½	5	0½	5	0½	5	0½	5	0½
No. 1 Cal	5	2	5	2	5	2	5	2	5	2	5	2
Corn	310¾		310¾		3	11	3	11	310¾		310¾	
Barley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oats	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Peas	5	0	5	1	5	1	5	1	5	1	5	1
Pork	70	0	71		3	71	3	72	6	73	9	73
Lard	41	0	39		6	37	6	39	6	39	6	39
Tallow	25	6	25		6	25	6	25	6	25	6	25
Bacon, heavy	34	0	34		0	34	0	34	0	34	0	33
Bacon, light	35	6	35		6	35	6	35	6	35	6	35
Cheese, white	59	0	59		0	59	0	59	0	59	0	59
Cheese, col	59	0	59		0	59	0	59	0	59	0	59

Toronto.

Toronto, April 28.—FLOUR—Straight roller, $2.55 to $2.85; extra, $2.40 to $2.50. WHEAT—White, 58c to 60c; spring, 60c; red winter, 58c to 60c; goose, 57 to 58c; No. 1 Manitoba hard, 73c; No. 2, 71c. PEAS—No. 2, 55c to 56c. BARLEY—No. 1, 41c to 42c; feed, 39c to 40c. OATS—33c to 33½c.

Market, dull. Sales—goose wheat, outside, at 57c; Manitoba hard, No. 1 outside, at 73c; Do. No. 2 at 71c; Oats, on track, at 37.

Beerbohm.

London, April 23, 1 p.m.—Floating cargoes—Wheat, slow; maize, nil. Cargoes on passage—Wheat, and maize very quiet; French country markets—mostly turn cheaper. Liverpool—Spot wheat, buyers hold off hopingto obtain some concession; maize, slow. Mark Lane—spot good Danube maize, 18s, was 18s; Prompt, 17s 9d, was 18s; maize, 3s 10½d. ¼d cheaper; Peas 5s 10d, unchanged.

Bar Silver.

London, April 28.—Bar silver, weak, 29d per ounce.

New York.

New York, April 28—FLOUR—Weak. RYE—Dull; western, 48c to 57c. BARLEY—Quiet; No. 2, 70c; Milwaukee, 66c to 67c. Barley malt, dull; city made Canada, 95c to $1. PEAS—Canada, 70c. WHEAT—Receipts, 63,000 bushels; sales, 1,530,000 bushels futures; 10,000 bushels spot; spots firm: No. 2 red, store and elevator, 61c to 61¾c; ungraded red, 57c to 62c; No. 2 northern, 70c to 70¼c; options weak; No. 2 red, April, 61⅛c; May, 61⅞c; June, 62⅛c; July, 63⅝c; August, 64⅝c; Sept., 65⅝c; Dec., 68⅞c. CORN—Receipts, 62,000 bushels; exports, 50,000 bushels; sales, 200,000 bushels futures; 64,000 bushels spot; spots easier; No. 2, 43⅞c elevator; steamer mixed, 43¼c; options weak; April, 43⅛c; May, 43⅜c; July, 44⅝c. OATS—Receipts, 49,000 bushels; exports, blank; sales, 50,000 bushels futures; 11,000 bushels spot; spots unchanged; No. 2, 41c; No. 2 white, 42c; No. 2 Chicago, 42c; mixed western, 41c to 42c; white do., and white State, 41c to 45½c; options irregular; April, 41c; May, 36¾c; July, 36⅛c. LARD—Steady; $8.50. PORK—Steady; mess, $14 to $14.25; extra prime, $13.50. BUTTER—Easy; State dairy, new, 15c to 19c; creamery, new, 19c to 20½c; western dairy, new, 10c to 14c; creamery, new, 15c to 20½c; Elgins, 20½c. EGGS—Steady; State and Pennsylvania, 12c; western, fresh, 11½c. RICE—Steady; 3¾c to 5½c. MOLASSES—Steady, 30c to 38c. COFFEE—Options quiet; sales, 10,000 bags; May, $15 50 to $15.55; June, $15.55 to $15.60; July, $15.40; Aug., $15.10; Sept., $14.80 to $14 90; spot steady; $16.75. SUGAR—Easy; standard "A," 4 1-16c to 4¼c; confectioners' "A," 3 15-16c to 4⅛c; cut-loaf and crushed, 4 3-16c to 5c; powdered, 4 5-16c to 4½c; granulated, 4 1-16c to 4⅜c.

Buffalo.

Buffalo, N. Y., April 28.—Spring wheat—First arrivals of No. 1 hard by lake reported this morning, and offered freely at 70c, but only 2,000 bushels were taken, and a similar lot of No. 1 northern sold at 68½c, with demand for more, and none offered; old No. 1 northern, 73c asked; 25,000 bushels No. 1 hard, c.i.f., sold at 66½c to 66⅝c. Winter wheat dull; No. 2 red, 60c; No. 1 white, 61c. Corn quiet; sales in store were 11 cars No. 2 yellow, 42¾c; 7,000 bushels No. 3 yellow, 42½c; 6,000 bushels No. 2 corn, 40¾c to 41c; 3 cars do., 41½c; 5,000 bushels No. 3 corn, 40¾c, f.o.b.; 4,200 bushels do., 40½c in store; sales, on track, 4 cars No. 2 yellow, 41½c; 1 car No. 2 corn, 43c. Oats dull and steady; 5 cars No. 2 white, 40c; 1 car No. 3 white, 39c. Rye nominal; No. 2 quoted at 51c in store. Flour quiet and easy. Millfeed dull and weak. Canal freights—Wheat, 3½c; corn, 3½c asked to New York.

Milwaukee.

Milwaukee, April 29, 1.15 p. m., close—Wheat, 58¼c for cash; 56¾c for May.

N. Y. Stocks.

New York, April 28, 1 p. m.—Stock market firm.

Atcheson	14
American Express	..
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	79
Canadian Pacific	..
Canada Southern	58⅝
Chicago & North-Western	..
Delaware & Hudson	138⅞
Delaware & Lackawana	..
Louisville & Nashville	49¾
Lake Shore	129¼
Michigan Central	..
Northern Pacific	..
Northern Pacific, preferred	18¾
North-Western	107
New York Central	..
Rock Island	69
St. Paul	61⅝
St. Paul, preferred	..
St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba	..
Union Pacific	18⅞
Western Union	84¼

Chicago.

F. J. LEWIS received the following over his private wire from Kennett, Hopkins & Co. Chicago:—

	Opening	Hi'h'st	Low'st	Closing
Wheat, April				57¾
" May	58⅛	58⅛	57⅞	58
" July	60	60	59⅞	60
Corn, April				37¾
" May	38	38⅛	37¾	37¾
" July	39⅛	39⅛	38⅞	38⅞
Oats, April				32¾
" May	33⅛	33⅛	32¾	33
" July	29¼	29⅜	29⅛	29⅛
Pork, April				12.30
" May	12.47	12.47	12.25	12.30
" July	12.57	12.65	12.45	12.50
Lard, April				7.55
" May	7.50	7.60	7.50	7.55
" July	7.20	7.20	7.15	7.15

By telegraph to the Free Press.

Chicago, April 28.—Wheat dull, with a range of only ⅛c to ¼c in May and July. Corn showed decided weakness. May sold rather more liberally than the latter deliveries. Oats weak and prices lower. Estimated receipts for Monday:—Wheat, 112 cars; corn, 456 cars; oats, 370 cars; hogs, 24,000. Freights, nothing doing. The leading futures closed:—WHEAT—April, 57¾c; May, 58c; July, 60c; Sept, 61⅞c. CORN—April, 37⅝c; May, 37¾c; July, 38⅜c; Sept., 40c. OATS—April and May, 33c; July, 29⅝c; Sept., 25½c. PORK—May, $12.30; July, $12.50. LARD—May, $7.55; July, $7.15. RIBS—May, $6 50; July, $6 42½. Cash quotations were:—FLOUR—Dull and lower. Spring WHEAT, No 2 and No. 2 red, 57¾c. No. 2 CORN, 37½c to 37¾c. No. 2 OATS, 32⅞c to 33¼c. RYE, No. 2, 46½c. No. 2 BARLEY, 58c to 60c. MESS PORK, $12.32½ to $12.37½. LARD, $7 55 to $7.57½. SHORT RIBS, $6.55 to $6.60. DRY SALTED SHOULDERS, $6.00 to $6.25. SHORT CLEAR SIDES, $6.87½ to $7.12½. WHISKEY, $1.15. RECEIPTS—Flour, 13,000 barrels; wheat, 32,000 bushels; corn, 147,000 bushels; oats, 294,000 bushels; rye, 1,000 bushels; barley, 8,000 bushels. SHIPMENTS—Flour, 11,000 barrels; wheat, 79,000 bushels; corn, 136,000 bushels; oats, 215,000 bushels, rye, 1,000 bushels; barley, 3,000 bushels.

Cotton.

Liverpool, April 28.—COTTON—Quiet; American middlings, 4 1-16d.

New York, April 28, 1 p. m.—COTTON—Quiet; uplands, 7 7-16c; gulf, 7 11-16c; futures steady; sales, 92,000 bales; May, 7.17; June, 7.22; July, 7.27; August, 7.32; Sept, 7.35; Oct., 7.38.

Toledo.

Toledo April 29, 11 35 a. m.—Wheat, 57½c for cash and April; 57½c for May; 59¾c for July; 60½c for August. Corn, 48½c for cash. Oats, 34c bid for cash.

Detroit.

Detroit, April 29, 1.20 p.m., close—WHEAT—White, 57¾c for cash; red, 57½c bid for cash; 57½c asked for May; 59½c asked for July.

LONDON MARKETS.

Revised Daily.

Wheat, 57c to 60c per bushel.
Oats, 35½c to 36c per bushel.
Peas, 57c to 63c per bushel.
Barley, 43c to 48c per bush.
Rye 50½c to 56c per bushel.

Saturday, April 28, 1894.

The market was fairly well attended today, notwithstanding the rain.

Wheat had no change from 95 to $1 per cental.

Oats were easier, at $1.05 to $1.07 per cental.

Other cereals at our quotations.

There was a congestion of veal again, and wholesale prices ranged from 4½ to 6 cents a pound, and retail it could be bought all the way from 2 to 7 cents a pound by the quarter.

Yearling lamb was scarce, at 10 cents a pound by the carcass.

Spring lambs were unchanged, at $3.50 to $4 apiece.

Dressed hogs were in good demand, at $5.75 to $6 per cwt.

Poultry was unchanged, at our quotations.

Butter dropped to 16 and 17 cents a pound for roll by the basket.

Eggs were plentiful, at 10 to 11 cents a dozen.

In vegetables a large quantity of lettuce, rhubarb, onions, etc., were offered, at our quotations.

Potatoes were in good demand, at 60 to 75 cents a bag for culinary purposes, and small seed sold at 40 to 45 cents a bag.

The hay supply was short, owing to the rain, and our quotations ruled.

GRAIN PER CENTAL	
Red Winter	95@ 97
White	97@1 00
Spring	00@ 00
Corn	92@ 95
Rye	90@1 00
Barley	90@1 00
Oats	1 05@1 07
Peas	95@1 5
Beans, bush	90@1 00
Buckwheat, cental	1 00@1 00
PRODUCE.	
Eggs, fresh, dozen	12@ 12
" basket	10@ 11
" packed	00@ 00
" store lots	10@ 10
Butter, best roll	20@ 20
" by basket	16@ 17
" large roll	15@ 15
" crocks	15@ 15
" Creamery, retail	20@ 22
" Creamery, wholesale	19@ 20
" store packed firkin	17@ 18
Hungarian grass seed	00@ 00
Millet, bush	00@ 00
Hay, ton	7 50@8 50
Cheese lb, wholesale	11@ 11¼
Honey, lb	10@ 12
Maple Syrup, per gal	1 00@1 05
Straw, load	2 00@3 75
Clover seed, bush	6 00@6 25
Alsike, do	6 00@6 75
Timothy, bush	1 75@2 00

LATEST CATTLE MARKETS.

By Telegraph and Mail.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, April 27.—Cattle—Receipts, 8,500; slow, 10c to 15c lower; big run in the west prime to extra native steers, $4 40 to $4.55 medium, $4.10 to $4.25; others, $3.85 to $3.95; Texans, $3 to $3.55. Hogs—Receipts, 18,000; active, 5c higher; rough heavy, $4.50 to $4.75; packers and mixed, $5.50 to $5.25; prime heavy and butchers' weights, $5.25 to $5.35; assorted light, $5.25 to $5.30. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 8,000; sheep steady; lambs, 25c higher; top sheep, $4.50 to $4.65; top lambs, $4.75 to $5.00.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, N. Y., April 27.—Cattle—One car on sale; market strong.

Sheep and lambs—32 cars on sale; active; stronger; sales were as follows: Good to extra clipped lambs of light weight and fine quality, $4.50 to $4.70; good 78 to 80 lb. selling best; common to good fair, $3.50 to $4.25; wool lambs, good to extra, $5.25 to $5.60; common to fair, $4.25 to $5; clipped wethers, $4 to $4.25; fair to good mixed lots, $3.25 to $3.75; wool wethers, choice, $4.85 to $5.15; fair to good mixed lots, $4 to $4.75; common, $3.50 to $3.75. The market closed steady, with all the offerings sold, and the feeling generally firm for good kinds.

Hogs—14 cars; shade better on all kinds; 10c on good stock; choice heavy, $5.60; mediums, $5 50 to $5.65; Yorkers, $5.35 to $5.55.

TORONTO.

Toronto, April 28.—There were 30 loads received to-day, and the demand was good. A few loads of exporters' cattle sold at 4c to 4¼c per lb. Butchers' cattle firm, the best loads selling at $3.40 to $3.50 and picked lots at $3.75 per hundred. Medium sold at 3¼c, and inferior at 3c. Calves—In demand; selling at $2 to $8 each, and milch cows brought $30 to $50 each. Sheep and lambs—Firm; the former sell at $5.50 to $6 per head for export; yearling lambs at 4½c to 4½c per lb., and spring lambs at $3 to $4.50 each. Hogs remain firm: thick fat sell at $4.80, and choice light bacon, $4.90 per hundred lbs. Store hogs, $4.50 to $4.75; rough, $4 to $4.25, and stags, $2.50 to $3.

KANSAS CITY.

Kansas City, April 28.—Cattle—Receipts, 6,300; shipments, 2,600; market steady; Texas steers, $2.50 to $3.90; Texas cows, $1.75 to $3; shipping steers, $3.25 to $4.45; native cows, $1.90 to $3.75; stockers and feeders, $3.10 to $3 85; bulls, $2.10 to $3.05. Hogs—Receipts, 6,200; shipments, 2,000; market opened steady; closed weak; bulk, $5.05 to $5.10; heavies, packers and mixed, $5 to $5.15; lights, Yorkers and pigs, $4.80 to $5.10. Sheep—Receipts, 250; shipments, 1,500; market steady.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, April 28.—The Evening Journal reports:—Cattle—Receipts, 500; shipments, 1,000; as is usual, little or no business on Saturday; prime to extra native steers, $4.50 to $4.65; medium, $4 to $4.25; others, $3.75 to $3.95; Texans, $3.50 to $4. Hogs—Receipts, 12,000; shipments, 6,000; market active and 5c higher; everything sold; rough heavy, $4.25 to $4.75; packers and mixed, $5.20 to $5.30; prime, heavy and butcher weights, $5.35 to $5.40; assorted light, $5.30 to $5.35. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 2,000; slow on sheep; lambs 20c higher; unchanged; top sheep, $4.50 to $4.65; top lambs, $5 to $5.20.

TRADE, TRAFFIC AND FINANCE.

LATEST NOTES BY TELEGRAPH AND MAIL.

The Week on 'Change.

London, April 29.—The rate of discount last week was 1¼ for both three months and thirty days. The banks' stock of gold was £31,750,000, and there was no sign of a decrease. Silver fluctuated in response to a speculative demand, despite the fact that rumors of the re-opening of the Indian mints were discredited. The business on the Stock Exchange was inactive, although the purchase of investment securities continued. Prices of American railroad securities relapsed under the influence of the coal strike. They are not likely to rally permanently until the tariff question shall have been settled in the Senate.

THE FIRE RECORD.

Mason City, Iowa, April 28.—The town of Plainfield, in the north-western part of Bremer county, was burned yesterday. Loss $40,000; insurance $20,000.

Georgetown, Ont., April 28.—Early this morning fire broke out in the large dry goods establishment of William McLeod & Co. The firemen were promptly on the scene, and, aided by the excellent waterworks service, soon had the fire under control. The building was slightly damaged. The stock suffered from smoke. Loss covered by insurance.

Tahlequah, I. T., April 28.—A fire which started yesterday in the livery stable of John W. Wilson, situated in the heart of the city, quickly spread over the main street, and threatened the entire city. After a hard fight it was brought under control, after consuming fourteen business houses and one dwelling. Loss, $80,000.

New Castle, Md., April 28.—Fire at Cadiz yesterday burned out an entire block of seventeen buildings, three stores, two offices, three vacant store buildings and twelve dwellings; Loss, $50,000; partly insured.

Saranac Lake, N.Y., April 27.—Another Adirondack hotel, making the third within ten days, has gone up in smoke, with a big loss. This time it is the Mountain View House, at Bloomingdale, which was filled with city guests. The hotel is a total loss, and was owned by a man named Wardner. Eighteen cottages caught fire, but none were destroyed. Estimated loss, $30,000.

Tilbury Centre, Ont., April 28.—A fire broke out here last night in the large building known as the skating rink, completely consuming it. The building was owned by the Canada Permanent Loan & Savings Company, of Toronto, and was valued at about four thousand dollars. Insurance unknown. It was occupied by J. W. Richardson as a grain warehouse and storeroom. His loss will be about $600; no insurance. Joseph Larsch, billiard parlor, total loss. Mathew Morris, furniture dealer, whose loss will be about $500; insured for $300. F. N. Gouyar, butcher shop, loss small, stock and fixtures being nearly all saved. A frame dwelling close by owned by Mr. John Richardson, Valetta, and occupied by Mr. J. W. Morris, was also destroyed; Mr. Morris' loss, about $600; no insurance; building partly insured. It was with great difficulty the fire was confined to the buildings burned, others having caught fire several times.

THE PROVINCIAL CAMPAIGN.

A P. P. A. Candidate in Monck—O'Connor, of South Bruce, Declines to Run.

Dunnville, Ont., April 28. — Mr. S. A. Metler, of North Pelham, whose name has been freely mentioned as an Independent candidate for the Local Legislature for Monck, was, at a meeting held here to-day, offered the unanimous support of the P. P. A. Mr. Metler asked for a few days in which to consider the matter.

Walkerton, Ont., April 28—A convention of the Liberal party of South Bruce was held at Formosa to-day for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the ensuing election. There was a good representation from the eastern portion of the riding, but the west, which is said to be strongly organized for Mr. Vallens, the Patrons of Industry candidate, sent but few delegates, Mr. O'Connor, M. P. P., declined the nomination, and the convention adjourned until May 10th to select a candidate.

STRATHROY AND FOREST.

Two Fires at the Former Place and One at the Latter.

Strathroy, April 29.—(Special.)—Early Saturday morning A. McKeigan's house was totally destroyed by fire. The family had a narrow escape, having just time to escape by the window, saving nothing. Cause of fire, lamp explosion. House insured for $800; contents, $500.

This morning at 12 30 o'clock Fawcett's sash and planing mill was destroyed by fire. This is the fourth attempt to burn the factory. No insurance. Loss, $3,000. Cause, incendiary.

Forest, Ont., April 28.—Yesterday afternoon the barns, stables and sheds, with all their contents, in A. Hodson's farm, Lake Road, Bosanquet, were destroyed by fire. Loss, $1,200; insurance, $600 in the London Mutual. Supposed to have been started by children playing with matches.

The Supplementary Estimates.

Toronto, April 27.—The supplementary estimates were brought down yesterday. The sum of $200,000 is asked, which consists of $225 for civil government; $2,228 for administration of justice; $50 for education; $1,540 for public institution maintenance; $1,150 for agriculture; $6,900 for hospitals and charities; $4,063 for maintenance and repair; $27,200, public buildings; $12,000, public works; $14,592, colonization roads; $49,850, miscellaneous; $80,000, to defray expenses of legislation, etc, for month of January, 1895.

Robert Lubbuck, Cedar Rapids, writes:—"I have used Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil both for myself and family for Diphtheria, with the very best results. I regard it as the best remedy for this disease, and would use no other."

WRESTLING WITH THE SUPERNAT

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and announce the approach of the day-dawn. No one was ever more glad to see the morning than was Jacob after that night of struggle. It is appropriate for philanthropists and Christians to cry out with this angel of the text, "The day breaketh." The world's prospects are brightening. The Church of Christ is rising up in its strength to go forth, "fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners." Clap your hands, all ye people; the day breaketh. The bigotries of the earth are perishing. The time was when we were told that if we wanted to get to heaven we must be immersed or sprinkled; or we must believe in the perseverance of the saints, or in falling away from grace, or a liturgy, or no liturgy; or they must be Calvinists, or Arminians; in order to reach heaven. We have all come to confess now that these are non essentials in religion.

During my vacation, one summer, I was in a Presbyterian audience, and it was sacramental day, and with grateful heart I received the Holy Communion. On the next Sabbath I was in a Methodist Church, and sat at a love feast. On the following Sabbath I was in an Episcopalian Church, and knelt at the altar and received the consecrated bread. I do not know which service I enjoyed the most. "I believe in the communion of saints and in the life everlasting." "The day breaketh."

As I look upon this audience, I see many who have passed through waves of trouble that came up higher than their girdle. In God's name I proclaim cessation of hostilities. You shall not go always saddened and heart-broken. God will lift your burden. God will bring your dead to life. God will staunch the heart's bleeding. I know He will. Like as a father pities his children, so the Lord pities you. The pains of earth will end. The tomb will burst. The dead will rise. The morning star trembles on a brightening sky. The gates of the east begin to swing open. They day breaketh.

Luther and Melancthon were talking together gloomily about the prospects of the Church. They could see no hope of deliverance. After awhile, Luther got up and said to Melancthon, "Come, Philip, let us sing the forty-sixth Psalm of David, 'God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; though the waters thereof roar and be troubled; though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah.'"

Death to many, nay to all, is a struggle and a wrestle. We have many friends that it will be hard to leave. I care not how bright our future hope is, it is a bitter thing to look upon this fair world, and know that we shall never again see its blossoming spring, its falling fruits, its sparkling streams, and to say farewell to those with whom we played in childhood, or counselled in manhood. In that night, like Jacob, we may have to wrestle, but God will not leave us unblessed. It shall not be told in heaven that a dying soul cried unto God for help, but was not delivered. The lattice may be turned to keep out the sun, or a book set to dim the light of the midnight taper; or the room may be filled with the cries of orphanage and widowhood; or the Church of Christ may mourn over our going; but if Jesus calls, all is well. The strong wrestling by the brook will cease; the hour of death's night will pass along; one o'clock in the morning; two o'clock in the morning; four o'clock in the morning: the day breaketh.

So I would have it when I die. I am in no haste to be gone. I have no grudge against this world. The only fault I have to find with the world is that it treats me too well; but when the time comes to go, I trust to be ready, my worldly affairs all settled. If I have wronged others, I want, then, to be sure of their forgiveness. In that last wrestling, my arm enfeebled with sickness, and my head faint, I want Jesus beside me. If there be hands on this side of the flood stretched out to hold me back, I want the heavenly hands stretched out to draw me forward. Then, O Jesus, help me on and help me up. Unfearing, undoubting, may I step right out into the light, and be able to look back to my kindred and friends who would detain me here, exclaiming, Let me go—let me go! The day breaketh.

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