

## WESTERN ONTARIO NEWS GATHERED BY FREE PRESS

ERA OF ACTIVITY  
IN BUILDING TRADEStratford Contractors Predict  
Big Things During the  
Coming Season

Stratford, Feb. 27.—(Special).—A prominent gentleman who is in close touch with the building trades of Stratford, says that the coming season will witness much activity in building operations. Last year there were many of the cheaper class of houses built. The demand for this class has been well supplied for the present, and it is stated that dwellings of a more pretentious nature will be erected. In addition to these there will be many other modest dwellings erected in the southeastern part of the city for the accommodation of factory employees and altogether the prospect for the season is a very bright one as in addition to the residences which will be erected, the promise of a number of large buildings, public and industrial, indicates that Stratford will experience an era of prosperity as far as building trades is concerned.

Charles Toul, inspector for the Bell Telephone Company, Stratford district, has been appointed manager for Ingersoll. The vacancy caused by the promotion of Mr. Toul will be filled by Clarence Card, inspector at Ingersoll. F. W. Dewar, in charge of both the Woodstock and Ingersoll branches, will in the future devote his attention to Woodstock.

Thomas Hastings, inspector of Dominion buildings in Ontario, was in the city this morning. He had a conference with the officials of the post office building with a view to some needed improvements, and left for Goderich. Mr. Hastings is the dismissed license inspector of Toronto.

## GOOD FISHING IN THE SPEED

Ladies' Hockey Team Ready to Meet  
the Galt Club.

Hespeler, Feb. 27.—(Special).—Preparations for the coming extensive building operations here this spring.

A great number of names for the Hespeler Old Boys' re-union have come in, and the committees are hard at work.

The local fishermen are out in large numbers. The fishing on the Speed promises to be the best in years.

The ladies' hockey team are ready for the game with the Galt ladies, and Secretary Giff is making arrangements for the game to-night. Hespeler should win the Wilkins cup, as the girls here are expert skaters, and have been in the game in former seasons. Though not heavy, they are fast skaters, and can handle the stick fairly well. Hespeler people will back their girls to win from any of them.

Mr. John R. Ryan, for the past five years Hespeler and Preston correspondent for a Galt paper, leaves this week for the Northwest. The many friends of Mr. Ryan give him their best wishes for success in his new field.

## NEWS ITEMS OF PRESTON

Noah Brusso, Native of This Town,  
Now Heavy-weight Champion.

Preston, Feb. 27.—(Special).—The Rev. Dr. Dickson, of Galt, will lecture in Preston next Thursday evening.

Numerous newspapers have Noah Brusso's name assigned to as many different towns, but Preston has the best claim of all to the Canadian boxer. His family all live here, and this is the place where Noah lived when he played lacrosse with the Galt team. It was in this town and Hespeler where Noah learned the game, and there are several young fellows here who as boys administered trouncings to the heavy-weight champion of the world.

Mr. Percy Hirst, of Messrs. Hirst & Sons, proprietors of the Del Monte, Preston, has severed his connection with that firm and accepted a position in the King Edward Hotel, Toronto.

The bath rooms at the Del Monte have been completely remodelled.

R. B. Mosher, U. S. consul at Colborne, is spending a few weeks at the Del Monte.

## ANOTHER BIG STRIKE.

Preston, Feb. 27.—(Special).—The new test well which is being bored for the Preston waterworks is now down about 150 feet and this morning a splendid flow of water was struck, almost double the former flow of 50,000 gallons per hour. The water is seemingly much softer than the former strike, which was too hard to be used in waterworks. Another well of the size of the present one would easily meet the needs of the town.

## ESSEX OIL WELL.

Comber, Feb. 27.—Contractor Benson brought in a good oil well for Messrs. Alsille & Brothers yesterday. The well is located on lot 19, concession 9, Mersea township, and is producing 25 barrels a day. This is one of the best wells in the vicinity and is evidence that in the near future Essex county will be a good oil-producing field.

## LEAVES FOR KINGSTON.

Woodstock, Feb. 27.—(Special).—Captain James Hamilton, who was recently appointed quartermaster of the Royal Canadian Artillery at Kingston, left this evening for the latter city, where he begins his new duties on Thursday.

## WILL SUBMIT BY-LAW

Chatham's Vexatious Bridge Problem  
to People to Decide.

Chatham, Feb. 27.—(Special).—A meeting of importance, and one in which much interest was manifested, was held in the city council chambers last evening to consider the Aberdeen bridge matter. The meeting had been advertised, and a large representation was present.

After the matter had been fully discussed it simmered down to the amount that it would be advisable to submit in a by-law, Mayor Marshall pointing out that it would be useless to submit any other by-law than the one the city would be sure to accept at the polls. In this respect, he said, the city and the county differed as to the amount to be contributed, the city specifying \$10,000 as the amount that would be satisfactory and just, while the county asked for at least half of the total cost up to \$40,000, they to pay all over that themselves, and give the old structure to the city to be used as they saw fit.

The matter will now rest with the railway committee, who will shortly confer with the railway company and arrive at some conclusion as to the terms of a by-law to be voted on regarding the bridge.

There are some quite sure any by-law will pass; while others are as positive that a by-law for even \$10,000 will be turned down.

## EAST SIMCOE STALWARTS

Pass Resolutions of Confidence in  
Premier Whitney and R. L. Borden

Orillia, Feb. 27.—The annual convention of the East Simcoe Liberal-Conservative Association was held here to-day, and the following officers for the coming year were appointed: President, R. J. Sanderson, Orillia; Secretary, J. Hugh Hammond, Orillia; Treasurer, J. H. Hammond, Orillia.

A patronage committee, including the president, Mr. Sanderson, was appointed, on account of the resignation of the late candidate, Mr. McCosh.

A number of prominent Conservative members from different parts of the riding addressed the meeting, and the organization of riding was furthered. The member for the Commons, Mr. W. H. Bennett, M. P., addressed the meeting, and the following resolution was passed by a standing vote:

Resolved, that this meeting of the Liberal-Conservative Association of East Simcoe desires to express its entire approval of the course pursued by Hon. J. P. Whitney, Premier of Ontario, and his colleagues, since coming into office, and of their utmost confidence for the future. We also wish to convey to Mr. R. L. Borden, our honored leader in the House of Commons, our admiration of his leadership and of his services to the party and the country.

## SALARIES RAISED

Ingersoll Teachers Resign in Bunches  
and Force Board's Hand.

Ingersoll, Feb. 27.—The salaries of all the teachers in the Public schools, except that of Principal McDiarmid, were substantially increased by the board of education last night, so that now the lowest paid of any teacher is \$280.

An increase of \$20 will be made annually until the maximum is reached—in one room \$500, in another \$400, and in the rest \$360.

The board has been forced into taking this action, as teachers were resigning at every meeting, giving as reasons that they could not live on the salary they received.

Rev. J. C. Stevenson, pastor of Charles Street Methodist Church, has resigned, and will apply for superannuation at the next meeting of conference.

## LETTER HALTS THINGS

Negotiations With Anthracite Operators  
Have Been Suspended.

New York, Feb. 27.—Pending a settlement of the controversy between the soft coal operators and miners, in which President Roosevelt has taken a hand by his letter of yesterday, the negotiations with the anthracite operators have been suspended.

No meeting between the anthracite operators' sub-committee and the miners' sub-committee will take place tomorrow, as has been announced, and no other date of meeting has yet been arranged.

It is believed by the operators that President Mitchell will allow the anthracite question to await a settlement of the bituminous controversy, and that his demands may be affected by the settlement secured in the soft coal field.

President Mitchell when asked for his opinion regarding the possible effect of President Roosevelt's letter said:

"It would be mere speculation for me to say anything now. It remains for the miners' committee to make the final decision."

## \$17,000 PUBLIC SCHOOL

Petrolia Passes Important By-law—  
Roads Almost Impassable.

Petrolia, Feb. 27.—At a meeting of the council last night the by-law providing for the raising of \$17,000 for a new public school was finally passed. The board of trade committee meets the Wallaceburg Electric Railway Company at Sandwich tomorrow.

The farmers coming into town report the roads to be in an almost impassable condition. They have not been worse for ten years.

## A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES

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MADE AN ALDERMAN  
BY LAW NOT VOTERSMartin Defeated at Windsor  
Election Turns Out Win-  
ners and Takes Seat

Windsor, Feb. 27.—(Special).—Defeated in election, Joe Martin has won a seat in the council by litigation. He has served in the council for 'seven years, but it was thought he was buried beyond resurrection last New Year's when he finished next to the last out of a field of 18 candidates.

With dauntless spirit he set about to win a seat, as he had done the year before by unseating Ald. Bedford.

He first made a canvas of the defeated aldermen ahead of him and secured disclaimers to assist him if he was successful in litigation. He then gathered evidence regarding the qualifications of the aldermen, who were elected.

Against one alderman he brought charges of bribery, but dropped this serious charge because he endeavored to fight him on the ground of insufficient qualification. The case was dismissed here and Martin lost on appeal.

He succeeded, however, in disqualifying Ald. Lanspeary, who was represented in a suit against the city. This was not enough, however, to win the seat. He got after Ald. Moir and had him unseated by order of the local judge for insufficient qualification; but Moir won out on appeal.

Last night Martin took his seat at the council, although Mayor Wigle refused to recognize his passport or credentials.

Windsor voters have now decided that if they cannot force Martin to remain at home he should be made a life member of the council under special act of the Legislature.

## GODLESS SCHOOLS

Northwest Review Denounces Com-  
pulsory Education Measure.

Winnipeg, Feb. 27.—The Northwest Review has the following comment on the attempt by the Winnipeg school board to secure the passage of the bill providing for compulsory education:

"The Winnipeg Public school board is clamoring for compulsory education on the ostensible plea, that it will save the children of the shiftless poor from the disastrous effects of laziness and ignorant childhood, spent amid the debasing influences of the street. Taught by long experience in other countries, similar protestations of pure motives, followed as soon as the compulsory clause became law by astute measures tending to force Catholic children into godless schools, we have no great faith in the much-lauded benefit of compulsory education."

"At its best, even in a Catholic country, compulsory education would be an invasion of parental rights. In this Protestant province, suggested and inspired, as it undoubtedly is, by Masonic and Orange lodges, would be a direct menace to Catholic schools. Its ultimate purpose, however skilfully disguised, is to de-Catholicize all our children."

## CAUGHT AT NASHVILLE

Stan Boyd, Wanted in Chatham, Run  
Down at Last.

Chatham, Feb. 27.—(Special).—Stan Boyd, whose career in the way of crime was the centre of attraction for youthful emulators throughout the western peninsula until a short time ago, has been nabbed in Nashville, Tenn., and Provincial Detective Rogers and Police Officer Dezel left for the south to-day to bring him back here, where a long array of charges awaits him.

Boyd and one Tremblay made themselves very well known for their daring escapes from the hands of the law, but at last, after a somewhat spectacular escape from the county jail, Tremblay was caught hard and fast, and is now serving a sentence for horse stealing.

## TO ADVERTISE WOODSTOCK

Mayor Butler Wants Advantages  
Placed Before American Firms.

Woodstock, Feb. 27.—(Special).—Mayor Butler desire to advertise Woodstock and in an address to the council last night strong steps be taken to bring the advantages of this city more directly to the attention of the numerous American manufacturers now seeking sites for Canadian branches.

He advises the publication of a pamphlet, setting forth the commercial facilities of Woodstock and in all probability this scheme will be taken hold of in the near future.

## THREE TEACHERS RESIGN

Dr. A. McKay, of Ingersoll, Leaves for  
European Trip.

Ingersoll, Feb. 27.—The salary increase for school teachers will mean an additional annual expenditure of about \$200.

The resignations of three teachers, as well as that of Geo. E. Pierce, a caretaker, were accepted to-day.

Dr. A. McKay left this morning for London, England, where he will take up special survey work in the London hospitals. He will be away about two months.

"I don't see what for dey wants ter disfranchise us," said Brother Williams. "No mo' does I," said Brother Dickey. "Why, dey even gives de street railroad de franchise!"

## UNRESTRICTED SWITCHING

Galt Moves to Force Railways to Ac-  
commodate Factories.

Galt, Feb. 27.—(Special).—The board of trade has declared in favor of a liberal policy of switching to accommodate local manufacturers. The people will be asked to vote on a by-law granting said privileges to all, irrespective of what conflict rival railway interests might follow.

The opinion is expressed by some that neither railway should enjoy switching unless conditional to use of rails by other roads.

The necessity is felt for showing encouragement to manufacturers, particularly in view of several large new industries soon to locate here. The situation is also interesting by reason of the contemplated removal of the McGregory County Company's shop to Berlin in response of an offer of a bonus inducement of \$75,000 and the purchase of present works.

This proposition, however, is thought impossible under the statute prohibiting seduction of manufacturers. A conference of Mr. McGregor and representatives of the council and the board of trade this evening failed to relieve the situation.

## GAME LAWS DECISION

One State Has Power to Prohibit Sale  
of Birds.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 27.—The Court of Appeals to-day decided that the Legislature has the power to prohibit the possession or sale in this State of game from foreign countries during the State's close season for game of that species.

In rendering this decision the court reverses the appellate division of the Supreme Court, and declares constitutional the legislation that character.

The decision is rendered in the cases of John Hill, proprietor of the Clarendon hotel, and August Silz, a well-known dealer in game, both residents of Brooklyn. They sought release through writs of habeas corpus, the latter term deciding against them, the appellate division overruling that decision, and its decision in turn being reversed by the Court of Appeals.

The opinion construes the "Lacey Act" as granting the State full power to enact the legislation, saying "Every consideration that led Congress to think it wise to confer on New York State, as well as other States, power over the importation of partridges from New York, Pennsylvania or Connecticut, is equally applicable to the importation of such birds from Canada."

## HON. J. STAIRS DEAD

Halifax Member of Confederation Par-  
liament Passes Away.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 27.—Hon. Wm. J. Stairs passed away at his residence here this morning. The deceased leaves a widow and six children, including Jas. W. Edward, Herbert, Gavin and Mrs. Townsend.

William James Stairs was born on September 24, 1819. He was senior member of the firm of William Stairs, Son and Morrow. He became a member of the legislative council about the time of Confederation, but resigned the position after a few years. Hon. Mr. Stairs was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

## HEADACHES AND NEURALGIA FROM COLDS.

Headaches and Neuralgia From Colds. Laxative Bromo Quinine, the worldwide Cold and Grip remedy, removes the cause. Call for the full name and look for signature of E. W. Grove, 25c. W

## GEORGE STEWART'S AILMENT.

Quebec, Q., Feb. 27.—At a coroner's inquest held this morning on the body of the late George Stewart, a verdict of death from cerebral apoplexy, caused by acute indigestion, was returned.

Sandy Pikes—"Wouldn't like to be a rich lady's jockey? Why yesterday yer told me it was a snap." Grumpy George—"Yes, but to-day I read about de number of baths those pet dogs take every day."

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So much has been written by the standard medical authorities, of all the several schools of practice, in praise of the native, or American, medicinal plants which enter into the composition of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, that it is attempting to cover from the various works on *Materia Medica* one hardly knows where to commence, since they are so voluminous that only the briefest and most important reference can be presented in a short article like this.

Briefly then let us say that the "Golden Medical Discovery" was named from the sturdy little plant Golden Seal, the root of which enters largely into its composition. Besides this most valuable ingredient, it contains glyceric extracts of Stone root, Queen's root, Black Cherrybark, Bloodroot and Mandrake root.

Finley Ellingwood, M. D., an eminent practitioner of Chicago and Professor of *Materia Medica* in the Bennett Medical College of that city, in his recently published work on Therapeutics, says of Golden Seal root: "It is the most natural of stimulants to the normal functions of digestion. Its influence upon the mucous surfaces renders it most important in catarrhal gastritis (inflammation of stomach) and gastric (stomach) ulceration."

Many other authorities as well as Dr. Ellingwood extol the Hydrastis (Golden Seal), as a remedy for catarrhal diseases of the nasal passages, stomach, bronchia, gall ducts, intestines and bladder. Among these we may mention Prof. John King, M. D., author of the American Dispensatory; Prof. J. M. Scudder, M. D., in his "Specific Medication"; Dr. Hale of the Hahnemann Med. College of Chicago; Grover, M. D., of New York, in his "Organic Medicines"; Dr. Bartholow of Jefferson Med. College and scores of other leading medical writers and teachers.

All the foregoing eminent authorities extol the curative virtues of Golden Seal in cases of stomach, liver and intestinal weakness, torpor and ulceration of bowels. Dr. Ellingwood recommends it most highly, "In those cases of atonic dyspepsia when the entire apparatus, including the liver, is stagnant and inoperative." He also extols it most highly in the many weaknesses and derangements peculiar to women and says, "It is a most important remedy in many disorders of the womb." Golden Seal root (Hydrastis), is an important ingredient of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription for weak, nervous, "rundown" women.

But to return to the "Golden Medical Discovery" it may be said that its curative properties are not wholly dependent upon Golden Seal, valuable as it is, as other equally potent ingredients add greatly to its value and in fact are not less important than the Hydrastis, or Golden Seal.

In all bronchial, throat, lung and kidney ailments, Stone root, Black Cherrybark, Queen's root and Bloodroot, each plays as important a part in effecting the phenomenal cures of "Golden Medical Discovery" as does Golden Seal. All these ingredients have the endorsement of prominent practitioners of all schools of medicine for the cure of diseases of the bronchia, throat and lungs.

Of Queen's root, Prof. King says: "An alterative (blood purifier) unsurpassed by few if any other of the known alteratives. Most successful in skin and scrofulous affections; beneficial in bronchial affections; permanently cures bronchitis, relieves irritation; an important cough remedy; coughs of years' standing being cured; aids in blood-making and nutrition and may be taken with out harm for long periods."

Queen's root, Golden Seal root, Stone root, Black Cherrybark and Bloodroot, all articles extolled by leading practitioners of all the schools, as the very best of cough medicines, are made especially valuable when combined with chemically pure glycerine which greatly enhances the curative action of all these ingredients in all bronchial, throat and lung affections, severe coughs and kindred ailments.

Who can doubt the efficacy of such a compound, when scientifically made up, as in Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery? Who can doubt that it is a most effective remedy for the several diseases for which its ingredients are so highly recommended by the foremost writers on *Materia Medica*?

It is in the cure of the more chronic or lingering, persistent, and obstinate cases of bronchial, laryngeal and lung affections, attended by hoarseness and severe cough, which if neglected or badly treated would generally have run into consumption, that "Golden Medical Discovery" has won the highest praise from all who have observed its marvelous control over these and kindred affections. It is no cheap compound made-up of trashy ingredients for free distribution, that curious people may experiment upon themselves as with the many fake nostrums commonly sent out as "trial bottles."

It has a forty year record, embracing many thousands of cures behind it, is sold at a reasonable price and may be found in all drug and medicine stores in this and many foreign countries.

It will be seen from the above brief extracts how well "Golden Medical Discovery" is adapted for the cure of all blood diseases, as, scrofulous and skin affections, eruptions, blotches, pimples and kindred ailments; also that it is equally good in all Catarrhal affections no matter where seated, and for all cases of indigestion, or dyspepsia, torpid liver, or biliousness and as a tonic and invigorator in all manner of weaknesses, and in nervous debility and prostration the above extracts amply show.

Much further information as to the properties and uses of "Golden Medical Discovery" and Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription for weak women, will be found in a little booklet of extracts from standard medical books which will be mailed free to any address on request, by letter or postal card, sent to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

All the several ingredients of Dr. Pierce's medicines will be found, from the reading of this little booklet, to have the strongest possible professional endorsements and recommendations for the cure of all the diseases for which these medicines are recommended. No other medicines for like purposes have any such endorsement. They are non-alcoholic, non-secret, safe and reliable.

## WOODS' FAIR

No. 8 Stove Pots, reg. 65c, sale price 39c.

No. 9 Stove Pots, reg. 85c, sale price 49c.

Our Big Graniteware Sale is On

Watch for Bargains Every Day.

38 big cases Graniteware Seconds, and the best lot of seconds we ever received; in fact, they are as good as the most first quality goods, and at half the price. We open this morning. Come in to-day, and see what you can get for a little money.

Preserve Kettles, Dish Pans, Berlin Kettles, Covered Pails, Stove Pots, Tea Pots, Coffee Pots, Coffee Boilers, Tea Steepers, Cuspidors, Water Pails, Chamber Pails, Foot Baths, Chambers, Dippers, Basting Spoons, Imperial Measures, Pie Plates, Tea Kettles.

Collanders, Lipped Sauce Pans, Berlin Sauce Pans, Combination Sauce Pans, Milk Pans, Roast Pans, Pudding Pans, Soup Bowls, Dinner Pails, Soap Dishes, Hotel Jars, Wash Bowls, Water Pitchers, to Soup Ladles, Milk Cans, Drinking Cups, Stilly Cake Tins.

The above list of Graniteware is all included in our purchase, and will be sold at about half regular price.

Long-Handled Soup Ladies, reg. 15c, sale price 5c each.

Water Pails, reg. 65c, sale price 39c.

Woods' Fair

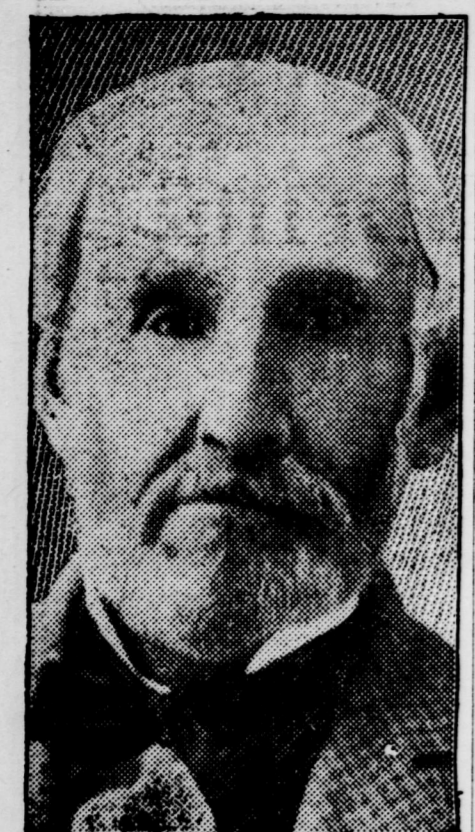
LAMONT, CORLISS & CO., 27 Common St., Montreal.

## IMPRISONED IN MINE.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 27.—A report has reached this city that an explosion in the mines at Piper, Alabama, has imprisoned several men and that a number outside the mines were injured. The mines are owned by the Little Cahaba Coal Company, and are in the Cahaba field.

## VICTIM WILL DIE.

Pictou, Feb. 27.—Frank Nelson, the 17-year-old lad arrested on Sunday on the charge of shooting Mrs. Brown, an elderly lady, on Saturday afternoon, appeared before Magistrate Curry this afternoon. The case was remanded until Monday next. Mrs. Brown is very low, and no hopes are entertained for her recovery.

MR. OZIAL ROUNDS.  
A Resident of Welland  
Finds Relief in Pe-ru-na

## SUFFERED 15 YEARS

Mr. Ozial Rounds, Welland, Ont., a retired lumberman and a resident of Welland for half a century, writes: "For fifteen years prior to 1900 I was a sufferer from hay asthma and chronic diarrhoea. I grew weak and emaciated, and was tortured with insomnia."

"I was treated by eminent physicians but, if anything, was worse than ever. In fact, I was in as miserable a condition as a man could be. However, I chanced to try Peru-na and noticed an improvement. Thus encouraged, I continued, and after taking several bottles of your precious Peru-na, I was entirely well and a wonder to myself and friends."

"If, at my advanced age, 53 years, I have obtained such good results from Peru-na, after so many years of needless suffering, there can be no doubt of its efficacy in the treatment of younger persons."

## WHEAT IN ABUNDANCE

Indications of a Bumper Crop in Kent  
County.

Chatham, Feb. 27.—The wheat crop in Kent will be a bumper this year. Reports from the various parts of the county are very encouraging and the farmers generally are jubilant over the prospects for a bountiful harvest. In Fletcher, Wheatley, West Zone, Evers Valley, Northwood, Dante and South Buxton the outlook is particularly bright and every indication points to the best yield in years.

Around Janette's Creek the crop is looking fine, but for reason that the next two months is usually pretty hard on crops, it is impossible to predict as to the outcome.

The same may be said of Harwich and Howard townships, although the average of wheat is very small, probably not more than one-twelfth of that sown some few years ago. Hence the interest in the wheat prospects in this vicinity is not of so great moment as formerly, yet the one opinion is voiced by every farmer spoken to that the show for a bumper crop to the acreage is of the best if there is not too much freezing and thawing later in the season, viz., March and April.

In the neighborhood of Clearville early wheat is good as yet. Late wheat is not so good. Around Kent Bridge the prospects are fair.

## CAN'T SIZE IT.

Sarnia, Feb. 27.—(Special).—Much interest is shown by Liberals in the following item from Ottawa: It has been settled that Mr. W. S. Knowles, who was recently elected to succeed Hon. Walter Scott in West Assiniboia, will move the address in reply to the speech from the throne the day after Parliament opens, on March 9. Mr. Chisholm, who was elected for Antigonish, N. S., upon the appointment of Mr. Colin McIsaac to the Transcontinental Railway Commission, will second the address.

This pretty effectively knocks Fred Pardee's reported honor on the head and Liberals do not see why he was overlooked for the far westerner and the far easterner.

## FIRE IN ALVINSTON.

Alvinston, Feb. 27.—The dwelling of Mrs. Archibald McKeller, of this place, was completely destroyed by fire this afternoon. Most of the contents downstairs were removed, but all of the upstairs furniture and clothing are a complete loss. The loss will be over \$2,000. Insurance \$1,200.

## CRAIG VS. STRATFORD.

Alisa Craig, Feb. 27.—The Alisa Craig intermediates have made arrangements with the Stratford club to play here to-morrow night. The Stratford management will put on a strong even and a fast game can be looked for.

## On the Shelf