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In Montreal, retail trade is gratifyingly Belive. The turn to cold seasonable weather, with a moderate amount of snow, has heiped business in drygoods, cottaing. Current of the grateful respective. Considerably, and dealers in Junious and the goods than last year, while the generally restored feeking of condidence in the future has induced amount of snow the grateful restored feeking of condidence in the purchase of higher-parced goods, in contactive for brisk business, but stocks seem to be moving out fairly, and renitrances wholes are reported to the spirit at hims because the an early at home, but a very fair number of letter orders are reported for special lines of drygoods, tancy goods, perfumes and drug summing, etc.

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London Markets Lifeless.

Montreal Live Stock.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—There were about 600 head of butchers' cattle, 10 caives and 50 sheep and lambs offered for sale at the East End Abattoir to-day. Trade was very slow, as the butchers had already bought about sall the cattle they require for christmas anarket, besides this, much the greater number of the cattle on the market to-day consisted of common dry cows, not over weighted with fat, while not a few were rather lean for profitable killing at anytime. Prime beeves were held at firm rates, but all other kinds were lower in price, and a considerable number of the common stock will not be sold to-day. The highest prace paid during the early part of the day was 4½c per ib., but some Christmas beeves were held at higher figures. Pretty good stock sold at from 3c to 3½c per lb., and the deaner animals at from 1½e, to 2c per lb. Calves sold at from 3½c per lb., and lambs at 4¼c to 4½c per lb. Fat hogs sold at from 3½c to 5c per lb.

War Eagle in Demand. War Eagle Consolidated Stock is again demand. Sales were made yesterday a 7c, and on Wednesday at 96c. Yesterda fternoon, it was held firmly at from 98c t

Albert Webber, second-hand stoves, et Hamilton, has assigned to Walter And

doud of 1 per cent. on the estate of G. M. Law & Co., general merchants, Victoria Harbor, making a toal of 38½c on the dolar to unsecured creditors, on liabilities of \$7000. Secured creditors have been paid in full.

Albany, N.Y., Dec. 23.—The State Rail-read Commission has decided to extend the time for the equipment by the railroads of the state of freight cars with automatic couplers to Dec. 31, 1899. This gives the railroads two additional years in which to

Bears Ouit Putting Out Short Lines and Some Anxious to Cover.

verpool Cables Closed at an Advance—
Local Live Stock Market Quiet—Large

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Thursday Evening, Dec. 23. Lard is 3d higher in Liverpool. Liverpool wheat futures 3d to 4d higher. Cash wheat in Chicago 14c higher, at

Puts on May wheat 93%c, calls 94%c to Puts on May corn 291/2c, calls 291/2c. At Toledo clover seed closed at \$3.17½ for Dec. and at \$3.22½ for March.

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Leading Wheat Ma	rkets.	
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BRAN-Business quiet, with cars quoted at \$7.50 west. Shorts \$10 to \$11 middle ireights.

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New York, Dec. 23.—The Evening Post's financial cable from London says: The stock markets here were lifeless to-day. Americans were good on New York buying, a feature being the demand for coalers, but the close was under the best. Grand Trunks were easier. The Paris Bourse was Truck were easier. The Paris Bourse was fulled and the Berlin market steady.

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Frutt and Vegetables-

Parsnips, per bag 0 40 0 50 Squash, each 0 10 0 20 LOCAL LIVE STOCK.

The run of live stock was light, only 8 car loads being delivered at the Western Cattle Market to-day, composed of 81 cattle, 169 sheep, and 700 hogs. Trade was duil, very little business being transacted. A few smalf-lots were bought up by local dealers at Tuesday's quotations: Shipping cattle, medium ...\$3 75 \$4 00 Buils, neary export, good Calves, each
Sheep, per cwt
Bucks, per cwt
Spring ambs, each
Hogs, 140 to 200 lbs.

light fats
heavy fats, per cwt.
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Receipts of hogs at Chicago to-day 48,000 or 6000 more than expected. Official Wednesday 47,823; left over 3000. Estimated for Friday 35,000. Market fairly active and weak to 5c lower. Heavy shippers \$3.25 to \$3.50. Open. High. Low. Close Chicago Sago.

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aspect of Continental politics. The clique were disposed to give the market more active support, especially in December wheat, and after some sales by small longs bid that month up about 2 cents from lowest quotations, and bought possibly 100,000 bushels, in doing so. New York reported some buying of futures for foreign account, but very little export business. Fifteen loads Manitoba were the total purchases reported. The failure of a Philadelphia bank rather had a depressing influence upon the market for a while. The closing was firm at le advance.

Provisions—Opened weak and lower. Hogs 5000 more than expected and heavy at western points. John Cudahy, International Packing Company and Cudahy Packing Company sold May ribs; other packers bought. Continental Packing Company as fairly good and cash demand good. The market closed stendy at small advance from the opening prices.

New York Gossip.

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way at present. McIntyre & Wardwell (John J. Dixon) received the following despatch to-day from Chicago:

Wheat—Market ruled quite firm to-day, owing to the better tone to the cable news. Liverpool reported that the strength of that market was due in a measure to the

And for July. Malze steady at 3a 2d for July. Long and the steady at 3a 2d for July. Long and the steady at 3a 2d for July. Long and the steady at 3a 2d for July. Long and July. Steady at 3a 2d for July. Long and July. Steady at 3a 2d for July. Long and July. Steady at 3a 2d for July. Long and July.

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Open. High, Low. Close.
Am. Sugar Trust ... 139 130% 1383% 133%
Am. Tobacco ... 86 861%
Am. Spirits ... 71/2 73 73/2 73/4
Atchison, pref. ... 301/4 35% 30 30%
Balt. and Ohio ... 14 15 14 14

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More Activity and Higher Prices on Wall-street in Afternoon.

 Bank Clearings at Toronto.

 The clearings at Toronto for the week, with comparisons, were as follows.

 Clearings, Balances.

 Dec. 17
 \$1,316,577
 \$161,950

 Dec. 18
 1,158,946
 110,674

 Dec. 20
 779,769
 151,301

 Dec. 21
 1,665,811
 270,795

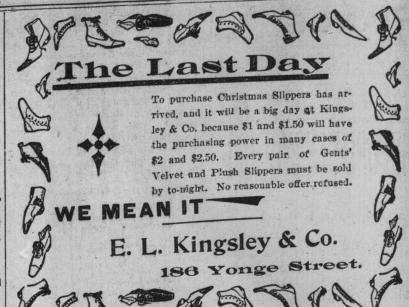
 Dec. 22
 1,324,210
 158,873

 Dec. 23
 1,322,085
 148,394

Totals : \$7,567,398 \$1,010,987 Last week : 8,321,549 928,254 Cor. week, 1896 6,893,281 749,853 Cor. week, 1895 7,352,664 815,454 The local money market is unchanged with call loans 'quoted at 4 per cent. in New York the rates were firmer at 3 to 4 per cent. and in London at 424 to 3 per cent. The Bank of England discount rate is unchanged at 3 per cent., and the open market rate 2 15-16 per cent.

Foreign Exchange. Aemilius Jarvis & Co., 23 King-street west, stock and exchange brokers, Toronto, report local rates to-day as follows: -Counter- -Bet. Banks-Buy. Sell. Buy. Sell

of its poor show of earnings yesterday. In the anthracite stocks, fractional profits were taken. But in the afternoon, the market suddenly started up, and a tone of strength was manifest throughout the list.



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ZEAL OF BISHOPS PRAISE

Catholics Exhorted to Claim All The . Rights Under the Constitution.

the Same Time the Pentist Says To the View of Reducing the Perils-In

here this morning. After recalling the ligious history of Canada, and eulogi its scholastic institutions, His Holiness presses regret at the decisions taken se years ago in Manitoba relative to Catholic schools, and points out the ri of Catholics, according to the federal ag ment. Continuing, the Pope condem school system based on religious neutr praises the zeal the bishops have displa on the question, regrets that the Cathe on the question, regrets that the Cather not equally united, owing to policy passions, and admits that the author have done something to diminish the conveniences of Manktoba school legislabut. His Holiness declares this to be in quate, and exhorts Catholics to persist claiming all their rights, though they not refuse any partial reparation ob bile, with the view to reduce the perithe education of youth.

In conclusion, the Pope, in the energy says that in the event of these being obtainable. Catholics should provide own schools, and adopt, under the guid of their bishops, a program of study, onciling it with their religion and all ary and scientific progress.

RUSSIA ACTS WARLIKE.

Preparing Quarters for Ten Thou Troops at Port Arthur. London, Dec. 25.-Russia, according special despatch from Shanghal, is pr ing temporary headquarters for troops at Port Arthur. She has obta troops at Port Artnur. She has obtained from the Grand Counce lekin to dismiss Sir Robert Hart, dir of Chinese Imperial Marrtime Customs other high customs officials, in add to the British Railway officials and German officers are instructors. Fir the latter, the despatch says, received lice to-day (Friday), that they woul paid off at the termination of their iracts.

Contrary to general report, the designation of the designati Contrary to general report, the

userts that there is good reason to heve Great Britain will actively oppose Russmaniation of Corea and Northern C Angle-Japanese Alliance. London, Dec. 25.—The Daily Man ashes a despatch this morning from 1 whach, it claims, evaded active censor line despatch says:
"England and Japan, without entering an actual alliance, have arrived complete understanding, which will bably result in a joint naval demonstrative entrance of the Gulf of Pe-Chillin diplomatic circles at Tokio, the bability of a conflict is regarded a remeity distant."

Woodford's Reply to Spain. Madrid, Dec. 24,—A Cabinet Counci-held to-day at which was read the re-United Staes Minister Woodford to the of the Spanish Government, in answ the first cummunication of the Am-Government through him.

Paris, Dec. 24.—During the progred day of the trial of deputies and ideputies accused of complicity in the anna Canal, Andrieux, a former prefipolice, declared that the real culprits being spared for political reasons. Spared for Political Reasons.

A FIGHT WITH DERVISHES

Native Levies of the Kassala G Made au Important Capture. Suakim, Dec. 24.—The native level.

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The Kassala garrison surprised a post at El Fasher, on the Atbara, or nesday, and drove out the dervish great loss, capturing the post, a lof camels, a quantity of stores and rattle. Two dervish Emirs were The dervish post at Asabri has als invested.

That Massacre of Portuguese Liston, Dec. 24.—Further advices from the Loanda, Portuguese Lower Cannounce that the Portuguese officer with a number of men, has been may the natives of the Humbe Plat Count Almoster, a grandson of the Mandanha. The Portuguese kill missing number 21 persons. The muwere Hereoes and Ovampos tribesm

Cairo, Dec. 24.—The Dervishes ha Shendy and Metemmeh and are m against the Angla-Egyptian forces Berber as their objective point.

No Angle-American-Jap Allian Washington, D.C., Dec. 24.—The toff the United States toward what to be an effort on the part of the of Europe to dismember China, principal topic of discussion at Cabinet meeting. While no formal was taken, the views expressed put to any possibility of an Anglo-At Japanese alliance, such as the for bles have suggested.

French Cruiser Under Order French Cruiser Under Order
London, Dec.24.—A special despat
Paris says the French cruiser Poth
been ordered to be prepared for so
Chinese waters.
The Pothuau is a first-class cr
over 5000 tons displacement, and
horse-power. She is classed as h
speed of 19 knots and carries tw
guns, 10 5-inch quick firing guns
small quick firing guns.

Italy is Not in It. Rome, Dec. 24.—The announcementained in a special despatch from published in London yesterday), effect that a Cabinet meeting has to send an Italian squadron to Ct pure invention. There has been inct meeting since Dec. 20.

Czechs Attacked a German S. London, Dec. 24.—The Vienna co-ent of The Daily Telegraph says