

MARKETS
WATFORD

GRAIN AND SEEDS
Wheat, fall, per bush... \$1 40 @ \$1 40
Oats, per bush... 55 55
Barley, per bush... 60 65
Beans, per bush... 1 50 2 50
Timothy... 3 50 3 75
Clover Seed... 9 50 12 00
Alsike... 10 00 10 00

PROVISIONS
Butter, per pound... 25 25
Lard... 18 18
Eggs, per doz... 19 19
Pork, per cwt... 9 00 10 50
Flour, per ton... 3 90 4 50
Bran, per ton... 30 00 30 00
Shots, per ton... 32 00 32 00

MISCELLANEOUS
Wood... 2 00 2 50
Tallow... 6 6
Hides... 8 10
Wool... 16 20
Hay, per ton... 10 00 12 00

VEGETABLES AND FRUIT
Potatoes, per bag... 35 50

POULTRY
Turkeys, per lb... 10 14
Chickens, per lb... 8 8
Hens... 6 8
Ducks... 7 9
Geese... 7 9

London
Wheat... \$ 1 40 to \$ 1 40
Oats, cwt... 1 90 to 1 94
Butter... 24 to 29
Eggs... 19 to 19
Pork... 11 50 to 12 00

Toronto
Toronto, May 25.—Receipts at the Union stockyards to-day were 381 cattle, 174 calves, 734 hogs and 97 sheep and lambs.

There was a light run of cattle to-day. Trade was good and active for choice heavyweight butcher cattle, with prices steady to a shade higher for extra choice fresh stuff and steady to firm on fair to medium quality. Butcher cows and bulls firm. Stocker trade quiet, with very little inquiry from Canadian buyers. A few commission orders from the other side were filled. Strong demand for choice milch cows. Good veal calves steady to firm.

Sheep and lambs were selling a little firmer to-day.

Hogs firm and about 10c higher for selects and long hauls, weighed off cars.

To-day's quotations:

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| Extra prime steers | 8 00 to 8 35 |
| Butcher steers, good | 7 50 to 7 75 |
| do., medium | 7 25 to 7 35 |
| do., common | 6 50 to 7 00 |
| Butcher cows, choice | 6 50 to 7 50 |
| do., good | 5 50 to 6 00 |
| Butcher bulls, choice | 6 75 to 7 50 |
| do., good | 6 20 to 6 30 |
| do., medium | 5 75 to 6 00 |
| Feeders 900 to 1,000 lbs. | 7 00 to 7 50 |
| do., bulls | 5 50 to 6 00 |
| Stockers | 7 00 to 7 50 |
| do., medium | 6 25 to 6 50 |
| do., light | 5 25 to 5 50 |
| Canners | 3 75 to 4 50 |
| Cutters | 4 50 to 5 50 |
| Milkers, choice, each | 60 00 to 90 00 |
| Springers, each | 50 00 to 75 00 |
| Calves, veal | 8 00 to 9 00 |
| do., medium | 7 00 to 8 00 |
| do., common | 6 00 to 6 50 |
| Yearling lambs | 7 00 to 9 00 |
| Spring lambs | 5 00 to 9 00 |
| Bucks | 5 75 to 6 00 |
| Ewes, light | 5 00 to 7 50 |
| Sheep, heavy and bucks | 3 50 to 4 50 |
| Hogs, weighed off cars | 9 75 to 9 85 |
| do., fed and watered | 9 40 to 9 50 |
| do., f. o. b. | 9 00 to 9 10 |

East Buffalo.
East Buffalo, N. Y., May 25.—Cattle—Receipts, 60; active. Veals—Receipts, 150; slow; \$4.50 to \$9.00. Hogs—Receipts, 2,000; active; heavy, \$7.90 to \$8.75; mixed, \$8 to \$8.10; sows and pigs, \$8.05 to \$8.10; roughs, \$6.50 to \$6.75; stags, \$5 to \$5.50. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 1,000; slow; lambs, \$6 to \$10.65; yearlings, \$5.50 to \$9.25; wethers, \$7.75 to \$8.25; ewes, \$8 to \$7; sheep, mixed, \$7.25 to \$7.50.

High School Notes
Extracts from the report of Inspector J. A. Houston on his recent visit to the Watford High School:—

VALUE OF EQUIPMENT
Reference library, 320; supplementary reading library, 127; scientific apparatus, 676; art models, 50; biological specimens, 35; equipment for physical education, 15; (The last three have been largely increased.) Maps, charts, globes, etc., 165. Total, \$1,386.

ORGANIZATION
1. Ratio of pupils to teachers 30:1.
2. Division of duties among teachers, satisfactory.
3. Provisions for teaching the courses. The time-table makes sufficient provision for all the subjects.

MISCELLANEOUS
1. Staff all legally qualified. Miss Wales holds a Barton certificate.
2. Discipline—Good.
3. Attendance. All regularly admitted. Boys, 49; girls, 73.
4. Text books all authorized.
5. Registers. Daily properly kept. General register entered and indexed to date.
6. English literature texts in lower school. Satisfactory description of work.
7. Supplementary reading. Choice from posted lists.
8. Sight translation in Latin and French. Provided for.

CHARACTER OF THE TEACHING
The branches graded were marked either I. or II.

CHARACTER OF PUPILS' WORK
1. Reading. Form I. 21 good, 16 fair, 5 poor. Reading, Form II. 12 good, 12 fair, 2 poor, 0 bad.
2. Writing. Form I. 15 good, 12 fair, 10 poor, 0 bad.
3. Spelling. Form I. 15 good, 7 fair, 11 poor.
4. Work in Art. Work in general of

fair quality. Some of it very good indeed. Sufficient in quantity and scope.
5. Note books and collections in Science.—Some very good collections. The course has been covered.

REPORT AS TO APPROVED HIGH SCHOOLS
The school is continued on the approved list, but biological specimens, art equipment and physical education apparatus, as required for approved Four Masters' High School, must be procured. (This has been done since the above report was made.)
I note two changes in the staff. Am pleased to note that the Board have appointed a male assistant in accordance with my recommendation of last year. This move should prove of advantage to the school.

J. A. HOUSTON,
Inspector of High Schools and Collegiate Institutes.

Lawn Tennis
(Sarnia Observer.)

The tennis season was successfully inaugurated Wednesday, when the Watford team was entertained on the courts of the home club. The Watford team was composed of four gentlemen and three ladies. In several events the visitors showed surprising form and with practice the team promises to make any of the group a team to watch. Sarnia as yet is not the team of last year and will have to put in faithful practice if they hope to remain champions of Western Ontario.

We must not overlook the grand playing of Mr. and Mrs. Connolly. These players were champions of their district in Japan. Mrs. Connolly defeated Irene Whittaker in three most interesting sets, while Mr. Connolly defeated our popular president, Mr. N. L. LeSueur, in three sets of tennis which was positively brilliant at times.

Sarnia played more than three ladies, as they have a wealth of material for a good team.

After the game the visitors were entertained to dinner at the Vendome. Here "Dick" was right at home, as everyone could see from his cheery smile.

The convener of the district received the good news Wednesday that Petrolia is entering a team in this district.

The following are the results of the events:—

MEN'S SINGLES
1. Connolly, Watford, defeated LeSueur, Sarnia: 6-1, 4-6, 6-4.
2. Soper, Sarnia, defeated Mitchell, Watford: 6-2, 6-2.
3. Knowles, Sarnia, defeated Smythe, Watford: 6-1, 6-2.
4. Spence, Sarnia, defeated McIveen: 6-0, 6-0.

LADIES' SINGLES
1. Mrs. Connolly, Watford, defeated Irene Whittaker, Sarnia: 6-4, 7-5, 6-4.
2. M. Stewart, Sarnia, defeated Mrs. McIveen: 6-1, 6-0.

3. E. Proctor, Sarnia, defeated Miss Swift, Watford: 6-1, 6-0.

MIXED DOUBLES
1. Mr. and Mrs. Connolly, Watford, defeated L. LeSueur, Sarnia: 6-3, 6-3.
2. Soper and E. Clark, Sarnia, defeated Mr. Smythe and Miss Swift: 6-1, 6-0.
3. Spence and S. Cowan, defeated Mr. and Mrs. McIveen, 6-0, 6-0.

MOTHERS OF LITTLE ONES
No mother of young children should be without a box of Baby's Own Tablets. The Tablets are mothers' best friend and are as good as a doctor in the house. Concerning them Mrs. F. Wurger, Ingersoll, Ont., writes: "I have used Baby's Own Tablets for the past eight years and would not be without them. I can highly recommend them to all mothers of young children." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

KERWOOD.
Miss Lillie Ball is visiting relatives at Exeter.
Mrs. McDonald is visiting friends in Detroit.
Mrs. Joiner visited her sister, Mrs. Brandreth.
Mrs. Law, of Petrolia, was the guest of Mrs. Isaac Blain.
Mrs. A. Rogers visited her son, Mr. Rogers, Brantford.
Miss Mospic spent the holiday with her parents in St. Marys.
Mrs. Will Mathews, Strathroy, visited her sister, Mrs. Newton.
Mr. Frank Lewis purchased a handsome driver from Mr. Will Woods.
Miss Winnie Kincaid, of Mt. Brydges, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. V. Kincaid.
Mrs. McLellan and children, of Strathroy, spent Monday with Mrs. Newell.
Mr. and Mrs. Longworth, of London, visited at the home of Miss May Carmoody.
Misses Vila and Mabel Humphries spent the 24th with Misses Eva and Berta Richardson.
Mrs. J. M. Brunt attended the organization of the Glenoak branch of the Women's Institute.
Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong, Toronto; Mrs. McLean, Sarnia; Mrs. Bennett, Watford, and Mrs. Denning, Napier, spent a few days with their father, Mr. John Hughes.
Mrs. John Hughes and Mrs. Gardiner, of Napier, motored to Kerwood and attended the meeting of the Women's Institute. They also invited the Kerwood branch to take charge of the July meeting at Napier.
On Monday evening the Kerwood citizens' band gave a free concert, playing many beautiful selections. While forming to march to the hall, Mr. Armstrong came forward and generously treated the boys to oranges and cigars, while the small boys kept up a lively display of fireworks.
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Watford Women's Institute

The Watford Women's Institute held their May meeting at the home of Mrs. C. Wilson, this being the last meeting for the year. After singing "The Maple Leaf," the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Roll call answered by the renewal of membership. The Institute has taken great interest in all forms of patriotic work: contributions in cash have been forwarded to Ottawa for the Patriotic Fund; also gave to the Belgian Relief; and had sent six large bales of clothing for Belgian sufferers. The members have spent considerable time sewing for the Red Cross, and especially the knitting of socks for the soldiers at the front. We also do thank the friends who knitted who were not members. Parcels containing pillows, pillow slips, handkerchiefs, night gowns, shirts, socks, etc., had been sent to the Red Cross, also a barrel of jam and jelly. The Institute have also taken an interest in the public school fair held in the fall, giving several prizes for each room. Officers for this year are as follows:—

President, Mrs. J. Bambridge; vice-pres., Mrs. J. Humphries; sec. treas., Mrs. J. D. Brown; district director, Mrs. J. Bambridge; representatives to district meeting, Mrs. J. D. Brown, Mrs. B. Ferguson, Mrs. J. Miller, Mrs. J. Humphries and the president. Next meeting at the home of Mrs. B. Ferguson. Meeting closed by singing God Save the King. —S.W.

War Summary

Rome, via Paris, May 23.—11.55 p. m.—Italy is at war with Austria-Hungary. With the issuance of the general mobilization order, the Italian Government issued a proclamation declaring war on Austria-Hungary, which officially will begin to-morrow. General mobilization began today. The Ministers of War and Marine have proclaimed a state of war in the Italian provinces bordering on Austria, in the islands and cities along the Adriatic coast, as well as all the fortresses, which will be declared in a state of defence.

Copenhagen, May 23.—The total number of war prisoners now in Germany and Austria-Hungary is 1,350,000, according to the Frankfurter Zeitung. The paper says that this total includes 1,000,000 Russians, 250,000 French, 25,000 British, 50,000 Belgians and 50,000 Serbs.

London, May 24.—8 p. m.—Italy has given her adhesion to the agreement already signed by the allied powers not to conclude a separate peace. The signature of a formal document to this effect is imminent.

Rome, May 24.—Via Paris—Official announcement was made today that Austrian aeroplanes have attacked the Government arsenal at Venice. The aeroplanes were driven off. Porto Corsini, Ancona, Barletta and Gesi also were attacked, as well as Potenza Fionna and the Tremitti Islands, on which shells were dropped. The bombardment of Ancona last two hours.

London, May 24.—"Austrian and Italian forces are facing each other at some places only half a mile apart," says the Geneva correspondent of the Daily Express. "The forces at the front are estimated at a million men on each side."

Northern France, May 26.—The British, smashing forward with grim persistence, have pierced the German lines east of Festubert on a front of more than three miles.

SALE REGISTER.

Stock sale at Kerwood on Saturday May 29th, choice Durham grade, 5 months' credit. Wallace and McFarland, proprietors. R. Brock, Auctioneer.

Glencoe horse show and races will be held Thursday next June 3rd.

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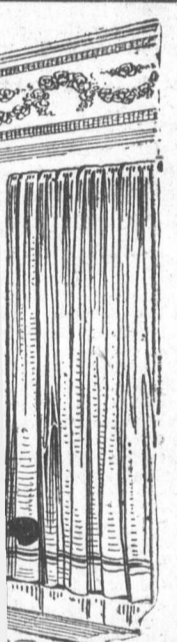
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