

# The Dominion Bank

INCORPORATED 1871. TOTAL ASSETS \$48,000,000

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## MARKET PRICES REMAINED FIRM

**LOCAL MARKET.**  
London, Dec. 14.

Today's market was a small one, but there was a good demand in every line and prices were firm. The farmers appear to be holding what poultry they have to sell until next week, as the supply today was exceedingly small.

Grain—Oats were in good demand and prices were steady at \$1.10 to \$1.17 per cwt., the latter price for a choice load of black oats. Most of the sales were made at \$1.12 per cwt. Wheat sold at 90c per bushel, and barley at \$1.15 per cwt. Hay and straw—About a dozen loads of hay were offered, which sold at \$10 and \$10.50 per ton, mostly at the latter price. Straw sold at \$7 per ton.

Butter and Eggs—Butter seemed to be firm at 22c to 24c for choice crocks and 21c to 23c for pound rolls in wholesale lots. Fresh laid eggs were at 12c to 13c per dozen wholesale, and 22c to 25c retail.

Vegetables and Fruits—There was a small quantity offered in this line and prices were steady. Potatoes were at 60c per bag. Turnips, 35c per bag. Parsnips, 30c to 35c per bushel. Onions, 60c per bushel. Lettuce, 30c per dozen. Celeriac, 25c to 30c per dozen.

Poultry—Turkeys sold at 12c to 16c per pound dressed. Ducks, 10c per pound, and fowls higher at 6c to 10c. Chickens in good demand at 8c per pound alive and 10c to 12c per pound dressed.

Apples—Trade was brisk and prices firm at \$2.50 per barrel for Greenings and Baldwins and \$3 for Spies, for the bag 7c to 11c.

Dressed Hogs—Trade brisk in this line and prices firm at \$8 per cwt for select and \$9 for fat doers, western style, and a bid of \$1.75, which was refused, the owner looking for something better, and which was not obtained.

Butchers' Meat—Beef sold at \$5.50 to \$7 per cwt. Veal, \$5.50 to \$9 per cwt.; some at 10c per pound.

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**SUGAR MARKETS.**  
NEW YORK.  
New York, Dec. 14.—All grades of refined sugar, with the exception of No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

**OIL MARKETS.**  
Oil City, Pa., Dec. 14.—Credit balances, \$1.73.

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**DAIRY MARKETS.**  
ELGIN.  
Elgin, Ill., Dec. 14.—Butter firm. 30c sales for the week, 25c to 26c.

**CHICAGO.**  
Chicago, Dec. 14.—Butter—Steady creameries, 25c to 26c; receipts, 4,233 packages; creamery, specialty, 22c; official price, 24c; extra, 30c to 32c; thirds to firsts, 25c to 26c; held, common to specialty, 25c to 26c; state dairy, common to special, 25c to 26c; process, common to special, 25c to 26c; western factory, firsts, 25c to 26c; western initiation creamery, firsts, 25c to 26c.

**LIVERPOOL, DAIRY REPORT WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 14.**  
Hodgson Bros' Letter.

Cheese has been a slow trade all the week, and values are a little easier. English cheese are apparently filling the demand, and for the present American and Canadian are more or less neglected. New Zealand cheese are selling at 58c to 59c. We quote today: Finest Canadian, white and colored, 58c to 60c per cwt.; fine Canadian, white and colored, 57c to 58c; English cheese, according to quality, 56c to 75c per 100 lbs.

Butter—Market is still unsettled and values are somewhat higher for both continental and colonial produce, with holders pressing sellers, but the tone is firm.

**MOTHER-LODE (50)**  
Is one of the very best Montreal River stocks, 75 acres. Shaft 145 feet, 2 levels, 16 by 14 feet, 250 feet of underground workings. Large body of ore blocked out. Ore body proves to be 145 feet deep. Assays up to 2,500 ounces to the ton. One large vein assays 4,000 full width of vein.

**BIG SIX (40)**  
Has 600 acres. Uncovered 68 veins to date. One vein 12 inches wide. Another 7 inches wide in very fine, assaying over 600 ounces. Full width of vein.

Offerings of both these stocks are limited, and we most strongly advocate their purchase, as it is expected they will increase in value fourfold in a few months, and that they will pay dividends very shortly.

Buying these now is like buying the gold when they were low. Don't let this chance slip.

**LONDON COAL EXCHANGE**  
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All Listed Stocks Bought and Sold

## LONDON MARKET WAS VERY DULL

Few Purchasers on the Square and Offerings Were Light

## TURKEY CROP WAS VERY SHORT

Prices Ranged From 12 1/2 Cents to 14 Cents a Pound—Some Comparative Figures.

The local market was exceptionally dull this morning, very few purchasers turning out, while the number of farmers was far below the average. Beef and other meats were dull, householders fearing to put in a large supply while the mild weather lasts. Very little poultry was offered wholesale, buyers picking up what was brought in.

Turkeys sold from 12 to 15c per pound, chickens, 10c per pound and 60c to \$1 per pair; ducks, 9c per pound, and geese the same.

Ducks also brought 10c, decapitated. Poultry prices average about the same as a year ago.

**The Turkey Crop.**  
One buyer claims that turkeys are very plentiful within a radius of thirty miles, whereas outside that district they are scarce, as farmers are shipping them in. They are said to be selling at 12c per pound dressed, at Lucan.

Apples continue very high, a few barrels of Spies being offered. The prices ranged from \$2 to \$2.50 per barrel, some being sold for \$1 per bushel or \$1.25 per bushel.

## BEAN MARKET.

Detroit, Dec. 14.—Beans—Spot, \$2.15; January, \$2.15; February, \$2.05; March, \$2.05; April, \$2.05; May, \$2.05; June, \$2.05; July, \$2.05; August, \$2.05; September, \$2.05; October, \$2.05.

Spot closed quiet; middling uplands, 8.10c; middling low, 8.30c; sales, 5,200 bushels.

## LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

**LIVERPOOL, QUOTE TODAY:** United States steers, 12c to 13c; Canadian, 10 1/2c to 11 1/2c; hammers, 10c to 11c; cows and heifers, 10c to 11c; bulls, 9c to 10c. Trade is firm, but slow.

**TORONTO.**  
Union Stock Yards, Toronto, Dec. 14.—Butchers had a good choice of cattle for their Christmas trade at this market today. The run was heavy, consisting of 105 cars of stock of all kinds, and including nearly 2,300 head of cattle. As usual in the week before the Christmas week, there was a good quantity of fine quality cattle, finished especially for the Christmas market. The fact that the export trade is comparatively quiet, with only a moderate demand for the local trade, and these are bought up as Christmas cattle.

Today's offerings included some loads of fine quality, with a fair sprinkling of extra choice or fancy cattle picked out in odd ones or pairs. An extra choice pair of yearlings by Mr. Crawford brought a bid of \$1.75, which was refused, the owner looking for something better, and which was not obtained.

Butcher's choice of cattle sold at \$2.50 and fair to good loads sold at \$1.50 to \$2. Beside these there was a good supply of the ordinary medium to fair butcher's cattle. Prices for these were about steady at last week's levels, and running from \$2.50 to \$1.25, while the common run of cattle, including cows and canners, found a rather slow market at \$1.50 to \$2.50, and medium butchers' cows at \$2 to \$2.50.

The run was 705 loads with 2,115 head of cattle, 630 sheep and lambs, 22 hogs and 11 calves.

**Butcher's cattle—Market steady.**  
Lamb steady.  
Export cattle steady.  
Hogs—Market steady; select hogs, \$5.75 to \$5.90, f. o. b.  
Extra choice Christmas cattle firm and in good demand.  
Milk cows and springers—Market steady to firm for good stock, but easier for poor quality.  
Feeding steers and good short-keep steady to firm at \$3.50 to \$3.90.  
Stockers—Market quiet, but prices steady for best stock.

## FINAL WORKOUT FOR HUGO KELLY

Chicago Middle-Weight Fit for Twenty-five-Round Bout With Papke Today.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 15.—Working at terrific speed before an immense audience, which taxed the capacity of the south side gymnasium, Hugo Kelly waded up his training vest for the 25-round title fight tonight with Billy Papke at Jeffries' Vernon arena. When the Chicago Italian bounced on the scales after ten rounds of cycling, Kelly's weight stood still at 158 pounds, or two pounds under the required notch at which the middle-weights will clash.

Kelly will indulge in a few hikes along the beach road today, just by way of keeping on edge, and expects to scale for the battle around 157 pounds, a figure at which he has always been able to show tremendous staying-power over long distances. In his boxing yesterday Kelly banged his partner about the gymnasium, hitting freely, with both hands, with sufficient force to stop an ordinary opponent. Big muffs were thrown at the Chicago hands alone saved his human punching bags from knockouts.

"The Thunderbolt" is in for another trimming from the manner in which coast fans have rushed to the front with Kelly coin. Wise men who have studied the Italian's style figure his cleverness and unquestioned ring generalship will more than offset the rushing tactics which have helped the ex-champion in all his previous conquests.

Kelly, in his quiet, unassuming manner, is the personification of confidence and banks on a victory via the knockout route. His right arm, which was fractured in his last battle with Papke, is as strong as ever, and will hold out if the light goes the limit.

Boxing fans who visited Papke's camp found the Kewanee slugger in good shape for the go. Road work in the forenoon, followed by a lively series of boxing stunts in the afternoon, kept Papke going at a lively rate, and when he closed his activities the evening showed him to be well under the 158-pound mark.

## LIBERALS HOLD NOMINATION

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perous condition. He would not again seek election.

Secretary-treasurer, Dr. Claude Brown, read his report, showing a small deficit for the year.

**The Nominations.**  
Nominations were then called for, and the following were named:  
For President—Mr. Arthur Sippel.  
Aid, Donald Ferguson, Geo. S. Gibbons, J. Harry Fowler, E. A. Dr. Claude Brown, Alex. Purdon, Jun. Angus Elliott, Ed. Park, A. M. Heaman, Aid. W. J. Stevenson.  
For Vice-President—Mr. Frank Millson, Mr. Harry Ranaiah, Art. Beal, J. L. Johnson, A. A. Briggs.  
Secretary—Treasurer—Jas. D. Tyler, Dr. Claude Brown, Art. Beal, Garner Arthur, Chester Butler.  
For the Executive—Ward L. J. A. Hays, Doyle, Alf. Tyler, Frank Smith, Dr. Cunningham, Dr. R. Jarvis, Chester Martin.  
Ward 2—R. Cooper, Andrew Robson, T. Ranaiah, C. A. Wilson, Frank Millar, Ed. Park, Art. Beal, Jas. D. Tyler, Frank Jones, W. Rushton, A. A. Briggs.  
Ward 3—A. T. Black, Alex. Purdon, Jun. Frank Adams, James Murray, Vic. Brock, Chester Clarke, W. R. McKay, Dr. Clarke, Ed. J. Carter, Chas. Watson, Ward 4—Percy Stone, Sim Delancy, A. M. Heaman, Gordon Ingram, H. Leonard, Geo. S. Gibbons, Ed. Nelles, P. Fitzgerald, W. Worrall, Chester Butler, Geo. Bailey, W. E. Buttrey.  
Ward 5—William Gray, H. I. Martyn, J. D. Wilkey, Jun. Fred Pace, Bruce Wandless, W. Allaster, J. Young, Lal Paladine, Garnet Arthur, H. Poock, Dr. Lindsay, Dr. Muga, Arthur Sippel.  
Ward 6—R. J. Southatt, Earl Innes, Chas. Ferguson, Angus Elliott, Thos. Gerry, Daniel McLeod, Frank Millson, Bert Trebilcock, Fred Parnell, Election in January.

## CHARGE OF THEFT WAS NOT SUSTAINED

Philip Harding Was Discharged by Squire Chittick.

Philip Harding, the young man who was accused by his brother-in-law of stealing a set of harness, robes, etc., belonging to the latter, was arraigned before Squire Chittick yesterday. On hearing the evidence it was decided that the charge was not sustained, and the prisoner was discharged.

Harding borrowed a rig from his brother-in-law of Oxford Park, and retained possession longer than the latter felt was justified, and when he did return them the robe and whip, it is alleged, were missing. The defendant promised to return the articles at once, and as no definite time had been set Squire Chittick held that the charge of theft was not sustained.

## MOB AFTER SCHLATTER.

McComb, Ill., Dec. 15.—Declaring at a meeting here last night that the late President McKinley was an anarchist, that he had turned more people loose to prey on society than any man in the world, and that the assassination of McKinley was all right except that it did not happen soon enough, the speaker, styled "divine healer," Schlatter, only escaped personal violence from a mob through intervention of the police. The officers escorted Schlatter to a hotel, and to the first train out of town, followed by citizens, threatening to do violence if he did not leave at once. Schlatter went to Quincy, Ill.

## COUNTERFEIT BILLS ARE IN CIRCULATION

Bank of Montreal Notes of the Denomination of \$5.

"Don't take any bad money." This slang admonition has its true meaning for Londoners these days. There's bad money in circulation, and you'll lose if you take it, unless you chloroform your conscience and "unload" it on someone else.

Five-dollar bills of the Bank of Montreal, bearing the date, Jan. 2, 1904, and lettered, "A," are going the rounds.

They are fairly well executed, with the exception of the vignettes of Sir George Drummond and Sir Edward Clouston.

They cannot deceive if they are closely scrutinized. Londoners are warned to be on the lookout for them.

## COURT BYRON STILL GROWING

South London Members of I. O. F. Met Last Night and Elected Their Officers.

At a largely attended meeting of Court Byron, 628, I. O. F. held last night in the Foresters' Hall, South London, the annual election of officers took place.

The greatest interest was manifested in the welfare of this growing court, which is the second largest in the district, and has a membership which is constantly growing. The election resulted as follows:

P. C. R.—Ed. Monteth.  
C. D. H. C. R.—Chas. Heaman.  
C. R.—E. H. Dunn.  
V. C. R.—D. R. Campbell.  
F. S.—John Justin.  
R. S.—Wm. Box.  
Treasurer—Thos. Gerry.  
Orator—Ed. Avrey.  
S. W.—Robt. Blake.  
S. E.—Frank Burton.  
S. B.—Allan Swaine.  
J. B.—Gordon Husband.  
Auditors—Wm. Box, Ed. Monteth.  
Trustees—John Justin, Whit. Lancaster.

## Personal Mention

Mrs. Adam Beck is staying with Lady Clouston in Montreal.

Mr. Stewart, of this city, is the guest of Mrs. Near in Sarina.

Superintendent J. R. Nelson, of C. P. R., is in Detroit today on official business.

Dr. J. A. Pollsbee was in the city last week visiting friends, and returned on Saturday to Buffalo.

Dr. Arthur Wood, formerly of this city, but now of Clinton, Iowa, is home spending a holiday with his friends.

D. Howard F. Whittaker, of Edmonton, is spending a month with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Whittaker, 65 Wharfedale road, South London.

The many friends of Rev. Heber MacLeod, former pastor of High Street Church, will be pleased to learn of his excellent success in Paris. The beautiful church, which stands about 600 people, is being packed to the doors Sunday evenings, to hear the eloquent young preacher.

Miss H. M. Anderson has left for Philadelphia, where she intends spending the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mrs. E. Holden.

Toronto Mail: Mrs. Percy Rutherford went up to London on Saturday to be present at the marriage of her cousin, Miss Florence MacNamara, to Mr. Robert Brownlee, Montreal.

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My patients want their friends to know their dentist. I want to make your acquaintance and give you some interesting information.

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## For Children in Shelter Home

At the monthly meeting of the Children's Aid Society, held in the city hall yesterday afternoon, the ladies' committee reported that arrangements had been completed for the entertainment of the children in the shelter home on Christmas Day. The children will be given a big time from 7 to 9 o'clock in the afternoon.

A number of young ladies have kindly offered to go over to the home and provide amusements and games for the little ones after the Christmas tree has been stripped of its gifts by Santa Claus. If they receive sufficient funds the ladies are also contemplating equipping the children's playroom, which at present contains little more than the bare walls. But the feast of good things must not be forgotten, and the society appeals to the generous public for donations of all kinds of provisions with which to satisfy the Christmas appetites of its sturdy little charges.

**Cases of Neglect.**  
At the meeting yesterday, the inspector submitted his monthly report, which dealt with the many cases of child neglect and waywardness which have recently come under his notice, and which are an evidence of the necessity of constant activity on the society's part. At present there are 21 children in the shelter home.

A number of reports of visits to wards of the society, who have been happily placed in foster-homes, was also read, and all proved to be of a very satisfactory and gratifying nature. The inspector keeps in friendly touch with all these children after they are placed out, and would like to send each of them some little remembrance during the joyous season, and would be glad to receive anything sent to his office in the city hall for that purpose.

## RALPH SMITH ON SUNDAY CARS

Letter Received From Him by Committee Opposed to Trolleys here.

The anti-Sunday car committee asks publication of the following: An opinion from each of the cities of Halifax, Hamilton and Nanaimo are of value in determining the influence of Sunday cars, and point in the same direction as former letters published against the operation of such cars. Ralph Smith's letter is of special interest to the workingmen, whose interests are endangered by any increase of Sunday labor.

"In general let me say that I most earnestly hope and pray that in Ontario we may have as little Sunday car life as possible, in city or country. It is due to the employer that they have the Sabbath Day for rest. It is not a work of necessity nor of mercy to run cars on Sunday. To run them tends to lower the tone of the morals of the people generally, and to demoralize church life, especially in the rural sections—at least, so I am led to think and believe. It must inevitably tend for evil on the moral tone of the men in the employ of the companies, many a twain cry out for protection against Sabbath toll.—I. TOVELL, pastor of Wesley Avenue Methodist Church, Hamilton."

The agitation in favor of Sunday cars is of the same spirit as that which would seek to extend the hours of labor, or lessen the wages of the producers, for the comfort and a little convenience and expense to the rest of the people. No man has a holiday if he is only off work when the great body of the public are working, and any argument can be produced in favor of the deprivation of a few of the workmen of their regular day of rest for the convenience and pleasure of the public. I do not know where the argument would end, as one can so easily see where, by the oppression of a few of the people, in many respects, the many could have exceptional comforts. Strong national character