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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 steady. The following are the prices of the principal commodities:
 Grain—Wheat sold at 10 1/2 to 11 1/2 per bushel, the latter price for a choice lot of black oats. Most of the sales were at 10 1/2 per bushel. Wheat sold at 9 1/2 per bushel, and barley at 11 1/2 per bushel. 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 75¢ per ton. Butter and Eggs—Butter seemed to be firm at 22¢ to 23¢ for choice crocks and 21¢ to 22¢ for pound rolls in wholesale lots. Fresh laid eggs were sold at 30¢ per dozen wholesale, and 32¢ to 33¢ retail. Vegetables and Fruits—There was a small quantity offered in this line and prices were steady. Potatoes were sold at 9¢ per bushel. Turnips, 3¢ per bushel. Parsnips, 2¢ to 3¢ per bushel. Onions, 9¢ per bushel. Lettuce, 10¢ per dozen. Celery, 2¢ to 3¢ per dozen.
 Poultry—Turkeys sold at 13¢ to 14¢ per pound dressed. Ducks, 10¢ per pound. Fowl, 10¢ per pound. Chickens in good demand at 8¢ per pound alive and 10¢ to 11¢ dressed.
 Apples—Trade was brisk and prices firm at \$2.50 per barrel for Greenings and Baldwins and \$3 for Spies, by the bag 75¢ to \$1.25.
 Dressed Hogs—Trade brisk in this line and prices firm at 8¢ per cwt for select and 7¢ for fat hogs.
 Butcher's Meat—Beef sold at 13¢ to 14¢ per cwt. Veal, 10¢ to 11¢ per cwt; mutton at 10¢ per cwt.

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SUGAR MARKETS.

NEW YORK.
 New York, Dec. 14.—Prices for sugar were quoted today as follows: Montreal, granulated, 10 1/2; refined, 10 1/2; in bags, 10 1/2; less, 10 1/2; Paris lump, per cwt., \$5.50; do., in 50-lb. boxes, per cwt., \$5.50; do., in 10-lb. boxes, per cwt., \$5.50; Acacia, granulated, 10 1/2; Beaver, 10 1/2.
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OIL MARKETS.

CHICAGO.
 Chicago, Dec. 14.—Butter—Steady; creameries, 22¢ to 23¢; dairies, 21¢ to 22¢. Cheese—Steady to firm, 14¢ to 15¢.
 NEW YORK.
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DAIRY MARKETS.

ELGIN.
 Elgin, Ill., Dec. 14.—Butter firm, 30¢; creameries, 22¢ to 23¢; dairies, 21¢ to 22¢. Cheese—Steady to firm, 14¢ to 15¢.
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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. 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.

Turkey sold from 12 1/2 to 15¢ per pound, chickens, 10¢ per pound and 6¢ to 8¢ per pair; ducks, 9¢ per pound, and geese the same.

Ducks also brought 40¢, 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 12¢ per pound dressed, at Luccan.

Apples continue very high, a few barrels of Spies being offered. The prices range from \$2 to \$3.50 per barrel, some being sold for \$1 per bushel or \$1.25 per bushel.

The Prices.

Saturday's prices in many lines remained unchanged. The following is a schedule of prices:

Beef, forequarter, cwt.	\$5.50 to \$6.00
Beef, hindquarter, cwt.	5.00 to 5.50
Veal, per cwt.	7.00 to 8.00
Mutton, per cwt.	6.00 to 7.00
Lamb, per cwt.	9.00 to 10.00
Live cows, each	30.00 to 35.00
Calves, each	40.00 to 45.00
Hides, per lb.	7.00 to 8.00
Sheepskins, each	75.00 to 80.00
Calveskins, each	11.00 to 12.00
Turkeys, per lb.	12 1/2 to 15
Chickens, per lb.	10 to 12
Ducks, per lb.	9 to 10
Geese, per lb.	9 to 10
Rabbits, per pair	25 to 30
Butter, creamery roll	23 to 25
Butter, creamery roll (wholesale)	23 to 25
Butter, creamery roll (retail)	23 to 25
Butter, roll	23 to 25
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Eggs, fresh laid, dozen	24 to 28
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Radishes, doz. bunches	40 to 50
Straw, per ton	10.00 to 10.50
Hay, per ton	10.00 to 10.50
Wheat, per bushel	9.00 to 10.00
Oats, per cwt.	1.10 to 1.20
Cabbage, per dozen	25 to 30
Celery, per dozen	25 to 30
Christmas trees, each	2.00 to 3.00
Parasols, per bushel	40 to 50
Carrots, per bag	30 to 40
Turnips, per bag	30 to 40
Onions, per bushel	75 to 1.00
Beets, per bushel	40 to 50
Sage, per dozen	20 to 25
Savory, per dozen	20 to 25
Chestnuts, per bushel	3.00 to 4.00
Citron, per dozen	1.00 to 1.20
Squash, per dozen	1.20 to 1.50

The following table, showing the comparative prices asked on the market, Dec. 15, 1908, and Tuesday, Dec. 17, 1907, will be of interest:

Oats, per cwt.	1903. 84c	1907. \$1.47
Hay, per ton	1903. \$8.00	1907. 17.00
Straw, per ton	1903. 2.00	1907. 2.75
Butter, roll, per pound	1903. 20	1907. 27
Butter, creamery, per lb.	1903. 19c	1907. 25
Eggs, fresh laid, doz.	1903. 30c	1907. 32
Eggs, store, dozen	1903. 22c	1907. 24
Apples, per barrel	1903. 1.25	1907. 2.00
Potatoes, per bag	1903. 15c	1907. 12 1/2
Turkey, per lb.	1903. 11c	1907. 10
Chickens, per pound	1903. 8c	1907. 8 1/2
Geese, per pound	1903. 8c	1907. 8 1/2
Ducks, per pound	1903. 10c	1907. 8 1/2
Live hogs, per cwt.	1903. 7.00	1907. 7.00
Beef, cwt., fore quarter	1903. 5.00	1907. 5.00
Beef, cwt., hind quarter	1903. 4.00	1907. 4.00
Mutton, per cwt.	1903. 6.00	1907. 6.00
Pork, fore quarter, cwt.	1903. 7.50	1907. 7.50
Pork, hind quarter, cwt.	1903. 7.00	1907. 7.00

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 had been 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 pleaded that he had no definite time been set Squire Chittick held that the charge of theft was not sustained.

MOB AFTER SCHLATTER.

Macomb, 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 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 him 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 on 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.

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 wound up his training yesterday for the 25-round battle tonight with Billy Papke at Jeffries Vernon arena. When the Chicago fighter stepped into the ring, he was met by a cyclonic milling the beam stood still at 150 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 roads 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 banded his partner about the gymnasium, hitting freely with both hands, with sufficient force to stop an ordinary opponent. Big fights have rushed to the front of Kelly's mind. Wise men who have studied the Italian style figure his cleverness and unquestioned ring generalship will more than offset the rushing tactics which have helped the 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. He is confident in his right arm, which was fractured in his last battle with Papke, as is strong as ever, and will hold out if the fight 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. He was in the ring with his trainer, Sweeney, who said he was well under the 158-pound mark.

LIBERALS HOLD NOMINATION

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perous condition. He would not again seek election.

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

The Nominations.

Nominations were then called for, and the following were named:

For President—Mr. Arthur Sippit, Ald. Donald Ferguson, Geo. S. Gibbons, J. Harry Fowler, E. A. Brigg, Claude Brown, Alex. Burdett, J. R. Brown, E. J. Park, A. M. Heaman, A. C. Stevenson.

For Vice-President—Mr. Frank Milson, Mr. Harry Ranshawn, Art. Beal, J. L. Johnson, A. A. Briggs, Dr. Claude Brown.

Secretary-Treasurer—Jas. D. Tyler, Dr. Claude Brown, Art. Beal, Garret Arthur, Chester Butler.

For the Executive—Ward 1—J. A. Hunt, J. Doyle, Alf. Tyler, Frank Smith, Dr. Cunningham, Dr. R. Jarvis, Chester Martin, Dr. J. R. Brown, Dr. 2—R. Cooper, Andrew Robinson, T. Ranshawn, C. A. Wilson, Frank Miller, Ed. Park, Art. Beal, Jas. D. Tyler, Frank Jones, W. Rushton, A. A. Briggs.

Ward 3—A. T. Black, Alex. Purdon, Frank Adams, James Murray, Vic Brock, Chester Clarke, W. R. McKay, Dr. Clarke, Ed. J. Cart, Chas. Watson.

Ward 4—Percy Stone, Sim Delaney, W. J. Stevenson.

A. M. Heaman, Gordon Ingram, H. Fitzgerald, W. Worrall, Chester Butler, Geo. Bailey, Harry E. Buttrey.

Ward 5—William Gray, H. L. Martyn, J. D. Wilkey, Jun., Fred Pace, Bruce Wainless, W. Allister, J. Young, Ed. Palfing, Garnet Arthur, H. Poock, Dr. Lindsay, Dr. Mugan, Arthur Sippit.

Ward 6—R. J. Southart, Earl Insley, Chas. Ferguson, Angus Elliott, Theo. Gerry, Daniel McLeod, Frank Milson, Bert Treblecock, Fred Parnell.

Election in January.

Two members of the executive are to be elected from each ward. Those not intending to stand for election must withdraw before Friday evening next. The election will be held early in January.

During the evening, addresses were delivered by Mr. F. G. Rumball, Geo. S. Gibbons, J. H. Fowler, Angus Elliott, U. A. Buchner, Art. Beal and others.

Hon. Adam Beck spoke in Chatham last evening on Niagara power.

While working at a saw John Drake, of Cairnmore, had a finger badly cut. He will be laid up for some time. Drake destroyed the grist mill at Lakeview, owned by Mr. J. Vining, yesterday morning. There is no clue as to the cause.

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

Court Physicians—North end of the city, Bro. W. Shoenbaum; south end, Bro. E. Davis.

Deputy Supreme Chief Ranger Merriwell, who is district organizer for Western Ontario, was present, and made an interesting speech dealing with the progress of the work of the I. O. F. Bros. Dean Davis, Bartlett and several other speakers also took part in a very enjoyable evening. After court closed the carpetball team had a good time at the popular game.

Personal Mention

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

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

Big Superintendent J. R. Nelson, of the C. P. R., was in Detroit today on official business.

Dr. J. A. Pollnabee 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 P. Whittaker, of Edmonton, is spending a month with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Whittaker, 66 Wharncliffe road, South London.

The many friends of Rev. Heber Street, former pastor at High Street Church, will be pleased to learn of his excellent success in England. The Rev. Street, who has been in England for some time, 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.

NO HINDU EXODUS FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA

Condition of the East Indians Said To Be Comfortable.

Vancouver, Dec. 15.—There will be no general exodus of the Hindus and Sikhs from British Columbia to British Honduras. This is the conviction already reached by Brigadier-General Swayne, governor of the British Central American colony, during his brief stay in Vancouver. It is doubtful whether even one of the about 15,000 Hindus will accept the terms offered by the colonial authorities. They are a unit in expressing a preference for British Columbia as against the semi-tropical climate of the southern colony. This was made quite clear to General Swayne during the investigations he has pursued since reaching here at midnight on Saturday. He visited a number of East Indian boarding houses yesterday, conversing with the natives in their own language, and he ascertained that they are quite satisfied with conditions here.

The consensus of information from their standpoint was that they had nothing to gain but much to lose by quitting this province. He was assured, too, that owing to the recent improvement in the labor market there are virtually no East Indians out of employment, and that the Indian class is non-existent. It was also represented to him that those who are not employed at present have sufficient money saved up to tide them over a long period.

ANNIVERSARY AT ALLENFORD.

On Sunday, Dec. 6, the Presbyterian Church, at Allenford, celebrated the anniversary of the induction of Rev. Alex. Wilson, his brother, Rev. Theo. Wilson, of Walkerton, took charge of the services for the day. His sermons were models of encouragement and inspiration to the large audiences that heard him. The Methodist Church had, on a friendly spirit, closed their church for the occasion. Rev. Alex. Wilson took his brother's pulpit work. That soul supper on the 7th was such as is seldom equalled, and never surpassed. A first-class programme was rendered in the auditorium of the church after supper. The proceeds for the Sunday services and the supper were about \$150.

Although the ancients knew the value of canals they failed to hit on the simple device of the lock, which was not discovered till the fourteenth century. To this day the dispute has never been settled as to which country, Italy or Holland, is entitled to the credit of the invention.

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to give partly decayed teeth attention that is severe and honest. Neglect is certain to make it necessary to extract them. They are often a good foundation for bridge-work, or better still they may be crowned.

The efforts I use on such work, causes popularity among those who have given me a trial.

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

DR. HUTCHISON

214 Dundas Street. Phone 1372.

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 3 to 7 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, were 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 Illinois, Hamilton and Napanee 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 Sunday cars will be a thing of the past. It is as possible in this city or country, it is due to the employees 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 tell for evil on the moral tone of the men in the employ of the companies, many of whom cry out for protection against Sabbath toil.—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 if any argument can be produced in favor of Sunday cars, it is much more in evidence today than when there were no cars running. I am of the opinion that the respect for the Lord's Day is decidedly decreased by the running of the cars—it is made a day of pleasure, instead of a day of worship. In general words the whole tendency is to secularize Sunday and make it a day of recreation and work.—A. M. BELL, of A. M. Bell & Co., hardware and fishing supplies, Halifax, N. S."

MR. MACKENZIE KING LEAVES FOR CHINA

Will Attend Opium Conferences as Representative of Dominion.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Mr. W. L. Mackenzie King, M. P., and Mr. F. W. Giddens, private secretary to the Minister of Labor, left yesterday afternoon for New York, whence they will sail on Wednesday on the Lusitania for London, en route for Shanghai, via the Suez Canal. Mr. King, who goes as an imperial commissioner, to the international congress on the suppression of the opium traffic, will probably join en route other representatives of the empire at the con-

CANADIAN ROADS MERGE INTERESTS

Northern Line Gets Control of Duluth, Virginia and Rainy Lake Railway.

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 15.—Official information that the Canadian Northern Railroad has acquired the controlling interest in the Duluth, Virginia and Rainy Lake Railway, was received in Duluth today, the information coming in a letter to the Herald, from Dr. Mann, vice-president of the Canadian Northern.

J. L. Washburn, attorney for the Rainy Lake interests, gave out a statement today in which he said that the (timber negotiations held in Duluth recently had resulted in a working agreement between the Hines, Weyerhaeuser, Cook and O'Brien interests.

He said: "All the talk about a trust is unwarranted and misleading, and many of the published statements are incorrect. The simple fact is that the Weyerhaeusers have about the same amount of timber north of township 61 as the Rainy Lake interests have, and the tracts are so intermingled that the lumbering operations can be carried on more economically and with less risk of fire if the tracts are all held in one ownership and operated together."

"The Duluth, Rainy Lake and Winnipeg Railway Company is not to be the ownership of the lumber company, but will be an independent line of railway and so operated."

"There is no consolidation of the Weyerhaeuser lumber interests, no combination of manufacturing interests and nothing whatever in the nature of a trust."

The book having the largest circulation in the telephone directory of the city of New York. An edition of 1,000,000 copies is printed twice every year to meet the demands of subscribers to 450,000 telephones which are in use in that city and its suburbs.

