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THE MARKETS OF TODAY

Yesterday's Reports on Page Five.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1905.

The extremely cold weather rendered marketing exceedingly unpleasant this morning. There was fewer farmers on the square than for some time past, and those of the farmers who did venture out had a hard time making their way through the snowdrifts, especially on the roads running north and south.

Grain—There was only one load of oats offer, which brought $1 10 per cwt. There has only been ten loads offered in the past four days.

Hay and Straw—There was 12 loads of hay offered; sales were brisk at $8 50 to $9 per ton. No straw was offered.

There was no butter, eggs, potatoes, apples or poultry offered, consequently, there could be no alteration in prices.

Dressed Hogs—There were about 60 carcasses offered; sales were brisk and nearly all of the offerings sold at $7 75 per cwt.

Live Hogs—The market is weaker, the figure is expected to be about $5 10 per cwt., for selects.

Butchers' Meat—There was not a great deal offered; sale were at prices quoted.

GRAIN, PER CENTAL.			
Wheat	$1 72	@	$1 74
Oats, new	1 05	@	1 10
Corn	88	@	1 10
Barley	90	@	92
Rye	90	@	1 00
Buckwheat	1 00	@	1 00
Peas	1 00	@	1 50
GRAIN, PER BUSHEL.			
Wheat	1 05	@	1 05
Oats, new	35 7-10	@	37½
Corn	51	@	56
Peas	80	@	90
Buckwheat	52	@	53
Barley	43½	@	44
Rye	54	@	55
POULTRY, ALIVE.			
Spring chickens, per pair	45	@	65
Old hens, per pair	65	@	75
Ducks, per pair	70	@	80
Turkeys, per lb	11	@	12
Chickens, per lb	8	@	8½
Hens, per lb	5	@	6
Ducks per lb	8	@	8

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STOCK MARKETS.

H C. Becher, stock broker, Bank of Commerce building, received the following by private wire from Bartlett, Frazier & Carrington today:

New York, Feb. 14.—Noon.—The volume of business in today's market was disappointingly small, transactions by London houses were light, and even the traders were disinclined to increase their commitments. It was known more definitely whether it was the President's intention to call an extra session on March 15. Speculation ranged to a large extent, more so in the industrials. American Locomotive, which was very heavily traded, showed trading by one house of 25,000 shares. T. C. and I. was well maintained, and there were numerous bull tips out to buy Car Foundry and Pressed Steel Car. The railroads were somewhat neglected. U. P. held dsteady around in spite of liquidation. The Steel stocks were very quiet, with none of the large transactions in them that were noticeable in the past few days. Sales to noon 377,000.

NEW YORK.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

New York, Feb. 14.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Amal. Copper	74¼	74⅝	73⅞	74
American Sugar	144⅜	144⅝	143¾	143¾
Amer. Cotton Oil	34½	..	..	..
Amer. Locomotive	38½	42½	38½	39⅞
American Refining	85⅞	85⅞	85½	85⅝
Atchison, com	88¼	88⅝	88¼	88⅝
Atchison, pfd	102¾	102¾	102½	102½
Baltimore & Ohio	105	105	104⅞	104⅞
Brooklyn Transit	62½	63	62¼	62⅝
C. P. R.	135⅝	136½	135⅝	136
Ches. & Ohio	51⅜	51⅝	51⅛	51⅛
Chicago G. Western	22⅜	22½	22⅜	22½
Col. Fuel & Iron	51¾	52⅞	51⅝	51⅝
Consolidated Gas	207	207¼	206¾	207¼
Delaware & Hudson	192¼	192¼	191½	191½
Erie	43½	43¾	43¼	43⅜
Erie, pfd	79⅞	80	79⅝	79⅝
Illinois Central	158¼	158¼	157½	157½
Kan. & Tex., com	32	..	..	..
Kan. & Tex., pfd	65⅞	..	..	..
Louisville & Nash	137⅝	138	137½	137½
Manhattan	174⅞	174⅞	174⅛	174¼
Metropolitan St. Ry	122⅝	123½	121½	122¼
Mexican Central	22	22⅞	22	22⅛
Missouri Pacific	107	..	..	..
N. Y. Central	147⅞	147⅞	147⅛	147¼
Norfolk & Western	83¾	84¼	83½	83½
Ontario & Western	49¼	49¼	48½	48½
Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	47¼	48¼	47¼	47¼
Pennsylvania	140¼	140½	140	140
People's Gas	108⅞	109⅝	108⅞	109¼
Reading	95⅞	96	93⅞	94
Republic I. & S.	18½	18½	18	18
Rock Island	34⅝	34⅞	34½	34½
Southern Railway	34¾	34⅞	34⅝	34⅝
Southern Pacific	66⅞	66⅞	66⅝	66⅝
St. Paul	175¾	176	175¾	176
Texas	35¾	36	34¾	36
Twin City	105¾	106	105	106
Tenn. Coal & Iron	82	82	80¾	80¾
Union Pacific	122¼	122⅞	121⅞	122
U. S. Leather	13½	13½	12¾	12⅞
U. S. Leather, pfd	104⅞	105	104½	104⅞
U. S. Rubber	39¼	41⅜	31⅜	31½
U. S. Steel	37⅞	31⅝	31⅜	31½
U. S. Steel, pfd	94¾	94¾	94⅝	94⅝
Wabash, com	23	..	..	..
Wabash, pfd	44¾	45¼	44¾	45¼
Wisconsin Central	22⅞	23½	22⅞	23½
Wis. Central, pfd	51½	52⅜	51½	52¼

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

Chicago, Feb. 14.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	$1 17	1 18	1 17	1 18
July	1 01⅛	1 02	1 01⅛	1 01¼
Corn—				
May	46¾	47¼	46¼	47¼
July	47	48	47	47⅞
Oats—				
May	30¾	31¼	30¾	31⅛
July	30¾	31⅛	30¾	31
Pork—				
May	12 90	12 92	12 82	12 90
July	12 97	13 00	12 97	13 00
Lard—				
May	6 97	6 97	6 95	6 97
July	7 00	....	....	....
Short Ribs—				
May	6 90	6 90	6 87	6 90
July	7 02	7 02	7 00	7 00

TORONTO.

	Toronto, Feb. 14. Ask.	Off.
Ontario Bank	134¼	134⅛
Bank of Toronto	236½	..
Bank of Commerce	158¾	158½
Imperial Bank	240	239
Dominion Bank	250	..
Imperial Bank	240	..
Bank of Hamilton	219	217
Bank of Ottawa	215	..
Traders' Bank	134½	..
Soo	106¾	..
Imperial Life	140	..
Consumers' Gas	211	210
Ont. & Qu'Appelle Land	..	100
Can. Northwest Land, pfd	..	99
C. P. R. stock	136¼	136⅛
C. P. R., new	132½	132
Soo, pfd	163	..
Toronto Electric Light	..	151
Canadian General Electric	176	175½
Dominion Telegraph	..	120
Bell Telephone	162	159½
Richelieu & Ontario Nav.	..	62
Niagara Navigation	114	..
Northern Navigation	62½	..
St. L. & C. Navigation	108	100
Toronto Railway	104¾	104¾
Twin City Railway	108	105½
Winnipeg Street Railway	140	139
Sao Paulo Tramway	116¾	115⅞
Dominion Steel, com	18½	..
Dominion Steel, pfd	66½	65
Nova Scotia Steel, com	69	67⅞
Crow's Nest Coal	350	..
Mackay, com	43	42½
Mackay, pfd	76½	75½
Salt	114	..
Detroit Railway	..	76
British-Canadian L. & I.	95	92
Canada Landed	..	110
Canada Permanent	123¾	123¼
Canadian Savings & Loan	..	120
Central Canada Loan	..	170
Dominion S. & L.	..	70
Hamilton Provident	..	119
Huron & Erie L. & S.	..	185
Landed Banking & Loan	..	119
London & Canada L. & A.	..	93½
Manitoba Loan	..	95
Toronto Mortgage	..	105
Ontario Loan & Debenture	..	122
Nova Scotia Steel, bonds	..	106

SALES: Bank of Montreal, 2 at 255; Consumers' Gas, 10 at 211, 5 at 210¾; Soo, common, 100 and 100 at 105½; Canadian General Electric, 25 at 175¾, 10 at 175; Bank of Commerce, 5 at 158½; Ontario Bank, 15 at 134½; C. P. R., 405 at 135½, 1 at 135, 125 at 135⅝, 175 and 100 at 135¾, 51 at 135½, 500 at 135⅞, 200 at 136, 125, 825 and 325 at 136¼, 125 and 105 at 136¼, 25 at 136⅜, 4 at 136½; Sao Paulo, 175 at 116½, 175 at 116¾, 50 at 116; Winnipeg Railway, 120 at 139; Dominion Steel, 100 at 18; Coal, 160 at 66¼, 125 at 66½; Mackay, preferred, 25 at 67; Nova Scotia Steel, 25 at 68½, 10 at 68¼, 30 and 20 at 68; Toronto Railway, 75 at 104½.

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MONTREAL.

	Montreal, Feb. 14. Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	136⅛	136
Canadian Pacific, new	133	132¼
Winnipeg Electric	150	..
Montreal Street Railway	213	212
Montreal Railway, new	212	211
Toronto Street Railway	105¼	104⅝
Halifax Street Railway	110	104
St. John Street Railway	113	..
Twin City Transit, xd	105⅝	105
Richelieu & Ontario	63½	63
Montreal Telegraph	..	151
Bell Telephone	161	..
Dominion Steel, com	18¼	18
Dominion Steel, pfd	64	63⅝
Montreal Power, xd	81	80¾
Nova Scotia Steel, com	68⅝	68¼
Detroit Railway	78⅝	78½
Montreal Cotton	100	95
Sao Paulo	117½	116
Montreal Railway, bonds	..	103
Montreal Steel, com	79	..
Montreal Steel, pfd	109½	..
Soo, com	105¾	105½
Dominion Coal, com	66⅞	65½
International Coal, com	..	75
Lake of the Woods, pfd	116	..
Laurentide Paper, pfd	102	101½
Bank of Montreal	256	254
Molsons Bank	224	222½
Bank of Toronto	..	234
Merchants' Bank	..	170
Ogilvie, com	..	200
Ogilvie, pfd	135	132½
Mackay, com	43	42⅝
Mackay, pfd	76	75
Lake of Woods bonds	109	..
Royal Bank	..	260
Quebec Bank	131	128
Union Bank	..	140
Hochelaga Bank	135	133
Dominion Steel, bonds	81¼	81⅛
Winnipeg bonds	105¼	104⅞
Montreal Power	..	101¼
Nova Scotia Steel, bonds	108	106
Toledo Railway	22⅝	22½

SALES: C. P. R., 550 at 135¼, 225 at 135½, 10 at 135¼, 50 at 135⅜, 5 at 135¼, 100 at 135½, 200 at 135⅝, 50 at 135¾, 100 at 135⅝, 75 at 135½, 100 at 135⅝, 200 at 136, 450 at 136⅛, 425 at 136, 225 at 136⅛, 150 at 136¼, 250 at 136⅜, 100 at 136⅜; C. P. R., new, 147 at 131½, 500 at 132; Montreal Power, 100 at 81, 25 at 80¾, 20 at 81, 75 at 81, 100 at 80⅞; Detroit Railway, 15 at 78¾, 50 at 78¾, 50 at 78⅞, 75 at 78¾, 125 at 78½, 75 at 78¾, 75 at 78⅝, 100 at 78⅝; R. and O., 5 at 63¼, 15 at 63¾; Iron, preferred, 35 at 63½, 10 at 63½; Soo, common, 300 at 106, 25 at 105¾; Iron, common, 400 at 18, 20 at 18¼, 40 at 18, 50 at 18; Duluth, 25 at 16¾; Toronto Railway, 8 at 105¼, 125 at 105; Nova Scotia, common, 175 at 68¾, 250 at 68¼, 25 at 68¼, 25 at 68¼; Coal, common, 175 at 66¾; Montreal Cotton, 10 at 98; Laurentide Paper, preferred, 30 at 101¾; Trinidad, 30 at 85; Winnipeg Electric, bonds, 7,000 at 105; Montreal Light, Heat and Power bonds, 10,000 at 101½; Bank of Nova Scotia, 5 at 264¼; Hochelaga Bank, 2 at 133; Bank of Montreal, 1 at 255; Twin City, 25 at 105¾, 50 at 105¼; Iron, bonds, 2,000 at 81; Mackay, preferred, 50 at 75½.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Feb. 14.—Wheat—Spot nominal. Futures quiet; March, 7s 1½d; May, 7s 1½d; July, 7s.

Corn—Spot firm; American mixed, new, 4s 1¾d; do, old, 4s 11½d. Futures quiet; March, 4s 1⅞d; May, 4s 2¾d.

Peas—Canadian steady, 5s 9d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter steady, 9s 9d.

Hops (in London)—Pacific coast steady, £7 to £8 8s.

Beef—Extra India mess firm, 68s 9d.

Pork—Easy; prime mess western, 61s 3d.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, weak, 29s 6d.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, dull, 35s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, steady, 35s 6d; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, steady, 36s; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, quiet, 35s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, quiet, 34s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, weak, 38s 6d; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, dull, 30s.

Lard—Quiet; prime western, in tierces, 35s; American refined, in pails, 34s 6d.

Butter—Nominal.

Cheese—Quiet; American finest white, 52s; do, colored, 51s.

Tallow—Prime city steady, 23s; Australian (in London) firm, 25s 9d.

Turpentine Spirits—Steady, 37s 9d.

Rosin—Common firm, 7s 4½d.

Petroleum—Refined quiet, 6d.

Linseed Oil—Firm, 16s.

HAY MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Feb. 13.—Baled Hay—Easy in tone and unchanged, at $8 per ton for No. 1 timothy, and $6 25 to $6 50 for No. 2 and mixed clover.

Baled Straw—There is plenty offering for all requirements, and the tendency of the market is toward easiness; car lots on track here are quoted unchanged at $6 to $6 25 per ton.

PRODUCE MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Feb. 14.—Wheat—Fairly steady and quiet; Ontario unchanged, at $1 05 to $1 06 for red and white; goose, 90c; Manitoba, firm tone; prices steady; No. 1 northern, $1 10; No. 2, $1 06; No. 3, $1 01, at Georgian Bay ports, and 6c more grinding in transit.

Flour—Ninety per cent patents, $4 30 to $4 45, in buyers' sacks, west; 15c to 20c higher for choice; Manitoba, $5 50 to $5 70 for first patents, $5 10 to $5 40 for second patents, and $5 to $5 30 for bakers.

Millfeed, $14 to $14 50 for bran in bulk, and $16 to $16 50 for shorts, west; Manitoba, $19 to $20 for shorts, and $18 for bran for export.

Barley—Firm, at 46c to 47c for No. 2, 44c to 45c for No. 3 extra, and 42c for No. 3 malting, outside, Toronto freights.

Rye—Steady, at 75c to 76c for No. 2, f. o. b., outside.

Corn—Canadian yellow, 43½c to 44c; mixed, 42½c to 43c, f. o. b., Chatham freights; American higher; No. 3 yellow, 53½c; mixed, 52c, on track at Toronto.

Oats—Firm tone; No. 2, 38c to 38½c, west, and 39c to 40c east.

Rolled Oats—Cars of bags at $4 15 and barrels at $4 40, on track here; 25c more for broken lots here and 40c more outside.

Peas—No. 2, 66c to 67c, west.

Buckwheat, 52c to 53c, west.

Butter continues scarce and firm in tone, creamery prints especially so; prices unchanged.

Eggs—New-laid are active and firm, at 26c; fresh are steady, at 18c; limed are offering freely and are easy in tone, at 16c.

Dressed Hogs—Farmers' lots are firmer, at $7 50 for heavy and $7 75 for choice light.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Feb. 14.—There were 36 loads in today, including 65 cattle, 205 sheep and lambs, 300 hogs and 24 calves. Quotations:

Export cattle, choice, cwt	$4 50	@	$4 85
Export cattle, medium	4 00	@	4 50
Export bulls	3 00	@	3 50
Export cows	3 00	@	3 50
Butchers' cattle, choice	4 25	@	4 50
Butchers, medium	3 75	@	4 00
Butchers, common	3 00	@	3 50
Feeders, short-keep	4 00	@	4 25
Feeders, medium	3 75	@	4 00
Feeders, bulls	2 50	@	3 50
Stockers	3 25	@	3 25
Milch cows, choice, each	45 00	@	55 00
Milch cows, medium	30 00	@	40 00
Springers	3 50	@	4 00
Export ewes, cwt	4 50	@	4 75
Export bucks	3 50	@	4 00
Sheep, mixed butchers	3 50	@	4 00
Lambs	5 50	@	6 50
Calves, each	2 00	@	12 00
Calves, cwt	3 50	@	6 00
Hogs, singers, off cars	5 40	@	5 40
Hogs, lights and fats	5 15	@	5 15

Trade good for export and butchers' cattle, on account of the light run; choice milch cows are selling fairly well, but medium or common are slow; there are several cars of stock to arrive; they are delayed on the road by the snowstorm.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, Feb. 13.—American cattle, 6d; Canadians, 5½d to 5¾d. Trade very slow.

Liverpool, Feb. 13.—American cattle, 5⅝d to 5¾d; Canadian, 5¼d.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 10,000; market steady; good to prime steers, $5 30 to $6 50; poor to medium, $4 to $5 75; stockers and feeders, $2 50 to $4 30; cows, $1 25 to $4 35; heifers, $2 10 to $5; canners, $1 35 to $2 65; bulls, $2 to $4; calves, $3 to $7 50.

Hogs—Receipts, 21,000; market steady; mixed and butchers, $4 80 to $5 65; good to choice heavy, $5 to $5 10; rough heavy, $4 75 to $4 90; light, $4 75 to $4 97½; bulk of sales at $4 85 to $5.

Sheep—Receipts, 13,000; market steady; good to choice wethers, $5 60 to $6; fair to choice mixed, $4 60 to $5 40; native lambs, $2 90 to $8.

SPRINGBANK THEATER

May Be Under the Management of a New Yorker This Summer.

It is understood that the Springbank theater will not be managed by the street railway company, but will instead be under the control of a New Yorker who will book for the theater from the American metropolis. The theater will be leased to him for a term of years, it is said.

STILL CUTTING ICE

Dealers Are Doing Their Best to Lay in a Large Supply for Summer.

The Ontario Gazette states: The Crystal Lake Ice Company, of this city, has been incorporated, with capital of $50,000. The directors are D. Collins, G. Arthurs, J. Steele, W. Cushing and E. Cushing. This is the ill-fated Pond Mills concern.

There is nothing new in the ice situation today. It is understood, however, that the icemen are hard at work cutting ice on the north branch, and are storing it in temporary storehouses.

BOTH HORSES HURT

Trolley Crashes Into M. C. R. Lorrie at Street Crossing.

A somewhat serious accident occurred at the corner of Dundas and Talbot streets about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when a West London and Lottersburg trolley crashed into a Michigan Central lorrie, partly loaded with goods. The driver, Wilfrid Snelgrove, of 552 William street, escaped uninjured, but both horses were badly hurt, and one of them may have to be destroyed. It appears that Snelgrove was attempting to cross Dundas street when he was struck by the car. As usual, a difference of opinion exists as to who was to blame for the accident, the driver blaming the motorman and the latter blaming the driver. It is said that there is a probability that a lawsuit will be necessary to settle this important point.

Pittsburg Orchestra Tonight.

There are a number of good seats left at $1 and 75 cents; these should be secured early by those intending to hear this magnificent concert. The 25-cent rush seats, which are for sale at 8 o'clock, will be appreciated by those who wish a cheaper seat; 50-cent seats are reserved until 8 only.

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All Civic Bodies Want More Money This Year

Extra Demands From Many Quarters Cause the Aldermen to Wonder.

The estimate of $9,500 presented by the public library board for the maintenance of the library for 1905 is exactly $1,500 more than the sum asked for last year, when the board was given $8,000 by the city council. According to the public libraries act the board is entitled to one-half a mill on the total assessment of the city, and as London's taxable assessment amounts to about $20,140,000, it is seen that the library board is entitled to something over $11,000, as one mill on the dollar will yield in taxes about $20,145. Thus, though the board asks for $1,800 more than a year ago, it is still about $600 under the sum it is entitled to by law.

But as the aldermen watch these estimates come in they wonder where it is all going to end. They know well that the people whose assessments were raised last year were told that there would be a reduced tax rate this year, and they know that the people expect this promise will be kept. They are also well aware that nothing better than a 22-mill rate can be struck, and that even at this the taxes will be high when compared with the amounts collected a year ago. Consequently they are wondering why none of the civic bodies appear imbued with a desire to keep down the expenditures.

The hospital trust, for example, asks $24,000 this year as against $20,000 last year, the public library board wants $9,500 this year against $8,000 a year ago, the public school board, it is said, will need at the least possible calculation $3,000 more than a year ago, when it was given $98,099 76. Then the fire department will need more money—and more money will be required for a half dozen other minor purposes.

In addition to all these, the council has to meet an overdraft from last year of somewhere between $8,000 and $10,000. Then there is the semi-centennial celebration to be looked after. The streets need more money spent on them, and all in all it is felt in civic circles that this year's council is face to face with the hardest proposition any municipal body has had to meet for years.

To meet all these expenditures the council can rely on only about $40,000 more taxes than a year ago. This is an outside estimate. It may be that the aldermen will not have more than $30,000 if a 22-mill rate is struck. And just now the people are clamoring for a new fire hall in the north end, a new registry office is urgently needed, and the council has practically authorized the expenditure of $3,000 or more on the market house.

Thus, this year's council has its work cut out for it. The aldermen say they cannot make two bites of a cherry, and that some of the other civic bodies must learn to economize. But the fact remains that the council must hand over to the school board the amount it asks, the law having decided some years ago that the aldermen have not the power to pare the school board's estimates. The same may be said of the public library estimates. The board is well within the amount allowed it by law, and it is not likely it will retract from its present position. But one thing now appears certain—unless the estimates as a whole are cut down, there will be no new registry office, no repairs to the market house and no new north end fire hall this year.

OBJECT TO THE ENGINEER'S TALK

West Londoners Do Not Like Some Things Said by Mr. Graydon.

A battle royal appears to be looming up between the people of West London on the one side and the city council and City Engineer Graydon on the other. The trouble is brewing over the land which the city seeks to purchase for breakwater purposes, and which the owners are alleged to be holding at an exorbitant price. Mr. F. A. Jones, who has taken an active part in the agitation for a breakwater, takes exception to Engineer Graydon's statement that when the West Londoners were after a breakwater they were ready o give the land along the water front away, but that now, when they think the breakwater is assured, they are seeking to hold the city up. Mr. Jones promises warm developments, and it is not altogether unlikely that the matter may be brought to the attention of the mayor and aldermen. The latter are, however, much of the same opinion as Mr. Graydon, and today Ald. Forristal, chairman of the board of works, expressed the fear that the action of certain West Londoners will prevent the construction of the breakwater this year, as, if the city is forced to expropriate the land through being unable to deal satisfactorily with the owners the whole summer will be lost, and the suburbs will be left without protection from floods for another year. Ald. Forristal expresses the hope that the whole affair may be arranged amicably, but one thing appears certain, and this is that the city will never pay the prices the West Londoners are now asking. In the meantime, the breakwater project hangs fire, and all concerned are, Micawber-like, waiting for something to turn up.

It is also stated that the assessment commissioner is taking note of the prices asked by the West London land owners, and these people need not be surprised if in the spring they find that their assessments have been raised in accordance with their own valuation of their properties. This is the idea of certain of the aldermen, and it is said that it will be put into force on the next assessment of the suburb.

PAVEMENTS MAY BE INITIATED

Several Permanent Roadways Contemplated This Year—A Dundas Street Kick.

Ald. Forristal today had a conference with Engineer Graydon relative to initiating pavements on certain streets. The thoroughfares mentioned were Dundas street, between Elizabeth street and the fair grounds; Dundas street between Wellington and Adelaide, and King street, between Wellington and Maitland. Ald. Forristal spoke of asphalt for the first, and it may be that the city will seek to initiate a pavement on that portion of Dundas street at once. As to Dundas street from Adelaide west, Engineer Graydon states that the people positively refuse to have anything to do with a pavement for the street, until such time as the city reconstructs the sewer there, which is now worn out. Some time ago the board of works offered to pay one-half the cost of this reconstruction, but the people claim the sewer was not properly built in the first place, and that they are now being assessed frontage tax for it, and that the city is bound legally and morally to rebuild it. The city takes an opposite view, however, and the consequence is that Dundas street is not likely to have a pavement this year. As far as King street is concerned, it is understood that the city cannot initiate a pavement on it for a year yet, as an initiation attemped by the city was knocked out last year, and, according to the law, two years must elapse before another initiation can be commenced. Of course, the people are at liberty to present a petition for a pavement to the council at any time.

The city engineer wishes the public to know that if they want good walks they (the public) must augment the work of the snowplows by shoveling the snow back from the sides of the track traversed by the plows. The snow is so deep that where the plows are run along the sidewalks the snow falls in over the sides, and the people must shovel this back.

SERIOUS OUTCOME OF A CAROUSAL

Sent to Jail Two Months for Robbing His Companion—Cruelty to Horses.

For robbing a companion with whom he had been on a "spree," John Westlake was this morning sent to the common jail for two months. The magistrate blamed Westlake most for spending the money after he had become sober. Westlake asserted that he had been drunk when he took the money, but the detectives who arrested him said that he was in a fairly sober condition. The magistrate took his previous good character into consideration and gave him a light sentence—two months at hard labor in the county jail.

Two colored men, John Hooper and Isaac Duncan, were accused of allowing their horses to stand unattended on Lyle street, last Tuesday. For four hours the animals were left in the cold until a humanely disposed citizen noticed them and sent for the police. The magistrate warned the offenders that such treatment could not go unpunished on a second occasion. For the present he allowed them to go. John Brophy was remanded for a week on a charge of drunkenness.

No Liabilities Whatever, Assets Nearly $60,000

Splendid Position of Western Fair Association, as Shown in Annual Report.

The 37th annual meeting of the Western Fair Association will be held in the city hall at 2:30 tomorrow afternoon, when the report of the directors for 1904 will be submitted and officers chosen for the present year.

The statement for the past year cannot be other than gratifying to the members, for it shows that the Western continues to maintain its hold on the people of Western Ontario. It is also another evidence of the careful management which has characterized the association for many years, with the result that today it occupies a position unequaled, possibly, by any other fair association in the Dominion, for without municipal or Government grants towards the cost of management, it succeeds in paying its way, has no liabilities whatever, while it has assets amounting to nearly $60,000. A balance of $6,864 remains to the association's credit.

The revenue of the association last year included a grant of $10,000 by the Ontario Government, towards the erection of a new dairy building. The latter was erected at a cost of $10,022 84, meaning that the structure cost the fair the small sum of $22 84. The expenditures under the various departments differed very little from the preceding year. The cost of the attractions was greater owing to the better class of performers secured.

The report, after referring to the excellence of the display in all departments, said:

"The increasing interest taken by Canadians in the breeding and improvement of live stock was strongly in evidence, not only was the quality superior, but the number of entries was large. It is also gratifying to notice the attention that American breeders are giving to the Canadian field. The fine display of Percheron, coach and carriage horses, made by J. Crouch & Son, of Lafayette, Ind., attracted much attention.

"Recognizing the good work done by the association in the past, and the growing importance of the dairy industry in Western Ontario, the Ontario Government granted the sum of $10,000 for the purpose of erecting and equipping a new dairy building. We are therefore pleased to be able to report the construction of a first-class brick and cement, slate-roofed building, upon the easterly portion of the fair grounds. It is up-to-date in every respect, containing an excellent auditorium for demonstrating purposes, a large refrigerator for butter, and ample space for cheese and dairy exhibits. The building was officially opened on Tuesday, Sept. 13, by the Premier, the Hon. George W. Ross, and the Hon. John Dryden, Minister of Agriculture, who expressed their approval and appreciation of what had been accomplished. We were also favored by the presence of the Hon. R. L. Borden, M. P., and Sir John Murray, the celebrated scientist, who were both much impressed with our exhibition.

"By the removal of the dairy department to the new building, the space for agricultural and horticultural exhibits was enlarged, resulting in an unusually fine display of orchard, garden and field products.

"Your directors are pleased to report that the lease of the Queen's Park fair grounds, which would have expired in 1907, has been extended by the city council for fifteen years, expiring in the year 1922.

"It will be seen by the financial statement that the capital account has been increased by the addition of cost of dairy building, $10,022 84, which added to the amount expended by the association on the exhibition grounds for construction and permanent improvements, $23,034 11, and also cost of real estate purchased by the association, $8,900, together with furniture and chattels, $4,663 20, and cash in bank, $6,864 73, make our present assets $58,484 88, with no outstanding liabilities of any kind.

"Had it not been for rain on the Wednesday morning of the fair week, we would be able to present an even more favorable result.

"The grounds were somewhat improved by the addition of flower beds, and more shrubs and trees, and we believe it is the intention of the park commissioner to continue the good work this year.

"The board wish to acknowledge the very great kindness shown them at all times by the managers and officials of the railways and express companies, and for the excellent facilities furnished by them. They also wish to extend their thanks to the press of the city and Province for the valuable assistance rendered and for their many kindly expressions of goodwill."

The financial statement was as follows:

Receipts—	
Balance from 1903	$ 4,494 00
Entry fees	1,656 80
Privileges and rent of booths, dining halls	3,941 70
Gates and grand stand receipts	19,245 15
Permits for use of track and rent of stalls	451 50
City of London Horticultural and Agricultural Society grant	283 00
East Middlesex Agricultural Society grant	340 64
Deposits re rental	175 00
Interest on bank deposits	158 57
Special prizes donated	649 00
London Street Railway Company	100 00
Ontario Government, for dairy building	10,000 00
Total	$41,475 36
Disbursements—	
Prize medals, judges' fees	$10,209 60
Printing, advertising and billposting	2,552 80
Police	294 25
Office expenses, postage, rent and salaries	2,287 50
Grounds and buildings and general expenses	3,132 19
Gates and tickets	437 76
Live stock and poultry	262 24
Agricultural, horticultural and dairy	185 41
Machinery and carriages	62 70
Main building	132 31
Horse ring	154 25
Attractions, fireworks, music	4,606 68
Deposits refunded	175 00
Furniture and chattels	96 10
Dairy building and equipment	10,022 84
Balance in bank	6,864 73
Total	$41,475 36

The association has no liabilities whatever. Its assets are placed at $58,484 88, as follows: Real estate payments made on the property conditionally held by the city of London, not including interest paid on mortgages, $8,900; construction of permanent improvements on land and buildings held or owned by city, $23,034 11; dairy building and equipment, $10,022 84; furniture and chattels, at costs, as per ledger account, $4,663 20; balance in bank—trustees' account $3,115 14, current account $3,749 59—$6,864 73.

CONDENSED LOCAL NEWS

—Mr. William Agnew, operator of the Pere Marquette, has been appointed operator on the G. T. R. at Allandale.

—Mr. John Paul, formerly agent of the M. C. R. in this city, left today for St. Catherines to take up his new position at that place.

—The street railway company had a number of teams at work again today removing snow which had been thrown to the sides of the streets by the big broom. In some places the snow is piled two and three feet deep, making it dangerous for vehicles.

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