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THE MARKETS.

LOCAL MARKET.

London, Wednesday, Dec. 31.

There was considerable business transacted on the market here today.

Forty-two loads of hay were offered at $7 50 to $9 per ton, the bulk of the offerings selling at $8 50; sales were very s

There were offered about 15 loads of o... which sold at 90c to 92c per cwt.

Three loads of wheat sold at $1 15 per cwt.

There was about a dozen small loads of dressed turkeys offered, which were lower in price, at 12c to 13c per pound.

WEEKLY REVIEW.

The markets during the past six days have been fairly well attended. The amount of business done was slightly below that of former years during the holiday season. This may be attributed to a certain extent to the scarcity of poultry, which forms one of the principal offerings at this season of the year. Sales were as a rule brisk, and prices firm.

Grain—The supply of oats has been fairly large; sales were made at 90c to 94c, the ruling figure being 91c. Wheat is selling at $1 15 and $1 16, corn at $1 10 per cwt, and beans at $1 25 to $1 50 per bushel.

Butter and Eggs—There is a fair inquiry in this line, and the supply is moderate, at 18c per pound for butter in crocks and 19c for pound rolls. Eggs are in good demand, at 21c to 22c per dozen by the basket; smaller lots sell at 23c to 25c per dozen.

Potatoes are in good demand and the supply is liberal, considering the season of the year; prices range from 95c to $1 per bag by the load.

Apples—The supply is in keeping with the demand; sales were made at $1 per barrel, and in some cases $1 25 was paid; by the bag they sell at 30c to 50c.

Poultry—There has been a good demand in this line, especially turkeys, which sold at 13c to 15c per pound; the market at present is a little weaker; sales were made here today at 12c to 13c per pound; geese at 8c per pound; ducks, 75c to $1 per pair; chickens, 60c to 80c per pair.

Dressed Hogs—There has been a fairly large number offered, and prices range from $7 50 to $8 per cwt.

Live Hogs—The price paid here on Tuesday was $5 60 per cwt for choice hogs. The same figure will be paid here on Monday next. Some of the buyers are inclined to think that prices may go higher.

Hay and Straw—There have been offered during the week 180 loads; sales are rather slow, at $8 to $9 50 per ton, the ruling price being $9. Straw is more plentiful, at $7 75 to $8 by the load and $5 50 per ton.

Butchers' Meats—There has not been nearly as much offered as before Christmas; prices are as quoted.

Hides will be lower next month, viz., 5c, 4c and 3c per pound for Nos. 1, 2 and 3 grades.

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BEAN MARKETS.

Detroit, Dec. 31.—No change in the price of beans; demand is moderate. Quotations: Cash and Jan., $2 26; Feb., $2 30; May, $2 45.

AMERICAN MARKETS

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Prospects of a bearish government report caused an easier feeling in the wheat pit today, and the close was ¼c to ⅜c lower for May; corn was ⅜c lower and oats were off ⅜c. May provisions closed from 5c to 7½c and 10c lower. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago received 386 cars of wheat, against 417 last week and 529 a year ago. Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 55 cars; corn, 260 cars; oats, 110 cars; hogs, 35,000 head.

The leading futures closed: Wheat—Dec., 73¾c; May, 76⅝c; July, 73⅞c. Corn—Dec., 44¼c; Jan., 44½c; May, 43¼c to 43⅜c; July, 42½c; Sept., 42¼c. Oats—Dec., 32½c; old, 31⅞c; May, 33⅞c; July, 31⅞c. Pork—Jan., $17 27½; May, $16 45 to $16 47½. Lard—Dec., $10 30; Jan., $9 92½; May, $9 55; July, $9 35. Ribs—Jan., $8 47½; May, $8 62½. Rye—May, 51c to 51½c. Timothy—Jan., $4 35. Clover seed—Dec., $10 85. Barley, 38c to 58c.

Cash quotations: Flour quiet but firm. No. 2 spring wheat, 74c; No. 3, 69½c to 74c; No. 2 red, 75⅝c to 74⅝c. No. 2 corn, 44c to 44¼c; No. 2 yellow, 48c to 49c. No. 2 oats, 32½c; No. 3 white, 32¼c to 34¼c. No. 2 rye, 48½c. Good feeding barley, 39c to 42c; fair to choice malting, 45c to 56c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 14; No. 1 northwestern, $1 22. Prime timothy seed, $3 75. Mess pork, $17 25; lard, $10 35 to $10 37½; short ribs sides, $8 37½ to $8 62½; dry salted shoulders, $8 25 to $8 50; short clear sides, $9 to $9 12½. Clover, contract grade, $11. Eggs quiet but firmer; loss off, cases returned, 25c.

Receipts—Flour, 22,500 bbls; wheat, 77,900 bu; corn, 390,200 bu; oats, 263,900 bu; rye, 11,700 bu; barley, 69,300 bu.

Shipments—Flour, 18,900 bbls; wheat, 11,100 bu; corn, 124,600 bu; oats, 169,400 bu; rye, 13,800 bu; barley, 6,100 bu.

DAIRY MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Butter—Quiet and steady; creameries, 18c to 28c; dairies, 17c to 25c. Cheese—Dull but steady, 13c to 13¼c.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 30.—Butter—Irregular; receipts, 5,869 pkgs; creamery extras, per lb, 28c to 28½c; do, firsts, 26c to 27½c; do, seconds, 23½c to 25c; do, lower grades, 21c to 22c; do, held extras, 25½c to 26c; do, firsts, 23½c to 25c; do, seconds, 21c to 23c; state dairy tubs, fancy, 26c; do, firsts, 24c to 25c; do, seconds, 22c to 23c; do, lower grades, 20c to 21c; state dairy tins, etc., 20c to 25½c; western imitation creamery, finest, 22c; do, fair to prime, 18½c to 20½c; do, lower grades, 17c to 18c; renovated, extras, 22c to 22½c; do, common to prime, 16½c to 21c; western factory, fresh fancy, small tubs, 21c; do, choice, 19c to 20c; do, seconds, 17c to 18c; do, lower grades, 16½c; do, held finest, 18c to 18½c; do, lower grades, 16½c to 17½c; packing stock, 16½c to 18c. Cheese—Firm; receipts, 3,727 boxes; state full cream, small fall-made colored or white, fancy, 14c; do, late-made colored, choice, 13½c; do, white, choice, 13¼c to 13½c; do, good to prime, 13c; do, common to fair, 11½c to 12½c; light skims, small choice, 12c; do, large choice, 11¼c to 11½c; part skims, prime, 10½c to 11c; do, fair to good, 9¼c to 10¼c; do, common, 6c to 7c. Eggs—Firm; receipts, 5,843 cases; state, Pennsylvania and nearby, fancy selected white, 32c to 33c; do, average prime, mixed, 28c; western, loss off, 28c; do, fancy, at mark, 26c; do, average prime, 24c to 25c; do, poor to fair, 20c to 23c; Kentucky, graded, 24c to 25c; Tennessee, graded, 23c to 23½c; southern, poor to fair, 19c to 22c; dirties, 15c to 19c; refrigerators, spring packed, 20c to 21c; do, summer packed, 18½c to 19½c; limed, choice, 20c; do, fair to good, 18½c to 19½c.

OIL MARKETS.

PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 30.—The oil market closed at $1 51.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., Dec. 30.—Credit balances, $1 51.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—There were about 350 head of butchers' cattle, 20 calves and 75 sheep and lambs offered for sale at the east end abattoir today. The butchers were present in considerable numbers, and the prices of all kinds of cattle held an upward tendency. Prime beeves sold at about 5c per lb; two of the best brought 5¼d per lb; pretty good animals sold at from 3¾c to 4½c per lb, and the common stock at from 2½c to 3½c per lb. Calves sold at from $3 to $8 each, or from 3½c to 5c per lb. A lot of eight good veal calves were sold for $50. Sheep sold at from 3c to 3¼c, and the lambs at from 4c to 4½c per lb. Fat hogs sold at from 5¾c to a little over 6c per lb, weighed off the cars.

TORONTO.

[G. N. W. Dispatch.]

Toronto, Dec. 30.—There was not a heavy run at the cattle market today, and business in the local trade is still quiet, butchers seemingly having in hand enough for all their requirements for the winding up of the season's business. A little steadiness was given to the market, however, by a good feeling in the export trade. There were not more than a couple of loads of choice export steers in the market, so that the best butchers' cattle were being bought up for export purposes. This was the feature of the morning market, and for a couple of hours there was quite a bit of business doing in this line. A very good load of fat steers, weighing 1,300 lbs, sold at $5 45, but these were the best in the market. A few loads of mixed butchers and exporters sold at from $3 60 to $5; picked lots, $5 to $5 15. Good loads of butchers sold at $3 50 to $4 25. There was nothing doing in feeders and stockers.

Sheep and lambs were pretty well sold out, and prospects were steady; sheep were a little firmer, at $3 25 to $3 40; lambs at $3 75 to $4 50.

Hogs were unchanged, at $6 for the best, and $5 75 for lights and fats.

The day's run was 11 loads, with 541 head of cattle, 784 sheep and lambs, 775 hogs and 41 calves.

William Levack bought about 250 head of cattle, principally lots of exporters and butchers' mixed; good butchers, $3 50 to $4 25; choice, $4 25 to $4 60. Crawford & Co. bought 3 loads of mixed butchers and exporters at $3 60 to $5 15, weighing from 1,100 to 1,340 lbs; sold a load of mixed cattle, 1,175 lbs, at $4. Thomas Halligan bought a load of heavy export steers; choice exporters, 1,300 lbs, at $5 45; a load of mixed export butchers' cows, about 1,200 lbs, at $4 25. H. Maybee & Son bought a load of mixed cattle, about 1,100 lbs, at $3 90. J. Wilson bought a load of butchers, 1,040 lbs, at $4 20. George Rowantree bought about 400 sheep and lambs, $3 25 to $3 40; calves at $5 25 per cwt; 90 common cattle at $2 25 to $3; 20 good butchers, $3 90 to $4 25. Wesley Dunn bought 300 lambs at $4 20, 120 sheep at $3 30, 10 calves at $2 to $10 each, and $4 50 to $5 50 by the pound.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, Dec. 30.—Cattle—Receipts, 500; slow and lower; veals steady; tops, $8 75 to $9 50; common to good, $5 50 to $8 50.

Hogs—Receipts, 5,100; pigs 10c to 15c higher, others 5c lower; heavy, $6 60 to $6 65; mixed, $6 50 to $6 60; Yorkers, $6 45 to $6 50; pigs, $6 60 to $6 75; roughs, $5 75 to $6; stags, $4 75 to $5 25.

Sheep—Receipts, 7,400; sheep firm; lambs 10c to 15c lower; top lambs, $5 90 to $6; culls to good, $3 75 to $5 85; yearlings, $4 25 to $4 70; sheep, top mixed, $3 65 to $3 85; culls to good, $1 75 to $3 50.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Cattle—Receipts, 7,000; steady; good to prime steers, $5 40 to $6 30; poor to medium, $2 75 to $5; stockers and feeders, $2 to $4 40; cows, $1 25 to $4 50; heifers, $2 to $4 75; canners, $1 25 to $2 40; bulls, $2 to $4 40; calves, $5 to $7; Texas-fed steers, $3 75 to $5.

Hogs—Receipts, 45,000; opened 15c to 20c lower; mixed and butchers, $6 20 to $6 50; good to choice heavy, $6 50 to $6 70; rough heavy, $6 20 to $6 50; light, $6 20 to $6 35; bulk of sales at $6 30 to $6 50.

Sheep—Receipts, 18,000; sheep strong, lambs strong; good to choice wethers, $4 to $4 75; fair to choice mixed, $3 45 to $4 25; native lambs, $4 to $6.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 30.—Beeves—Receipts, 655, mainly consigned direct; no sales reported; dressed beef steady; city dressed native sides, 7½c to 11c per lb; Texas beef, 6½c to 7½c. Exports today, 810 beeves, 1,657 sheep, 4,400 quarters of beef, the latter estimated. Calves—Receipts, 84; quiet and steady; veals sold at $5 to 9c per 100 lbs; city dressed veals, 11c to 14c per lb.

Sheep—Receipts, 2,635; generally active and steady; sheep sold at $3 to $4 50; lambs at $5 to $6 25; one deck at $6 30; culls at $3 50 to $4 75; dressed mutton, 5½c to 7½c per lb; dressed lambs, 7½c to 10½c.

Hogs—Receipts, 485; steady; a few state hogs sold at $6 75; a deck of westerns at $6 30.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, Dec. 29.—No market at Deptford today. Saturday's prices: American cattle, 6¾d; sheep, 6¾d.

Liverpool, Dec. 29.—American cattle, 6½d; Canadians, 5¾d; sheep, 6¼d.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Dec. 30.—At New York—Tauric, from Liverpool; Potsdam, from Rotterdam; Sicilia, from Odessa.

At Boston—Caledonian, from Liverpool; Sagamore, from Liverpool; Armenian, from Liverpool.

It Philadelphia—Belgenland, from Liverpool.

At Portland—Orcadian, from Glasgow; Californian, from Liverpool.

At Liverpool—Ivernia, from Boston.

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TRAGEDY NEAR CHATHAM

Man Accidentally Killed by a Companion—Bloodshed at Peoria.

Chatham, Ont., Dec. 31.—The second fatal shooting accident within two weeks in Chatham Township occurred Monday afternoon. Joseph Jenkins, employed on the farm of Samuel Shaw, of Turnervilie, was the victim. He was accidentlly shot by George Crowder, one of his companions in the hunting expedition. The unfortunate young man was fatally injured, and on being conveyed to his home was told by Dr. Wylie, of Dresden, who had been called, that he could live only a few hours. He completely exonerated Crowder before he passed away. No inquest was thought necessary.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 30.—A. P. Talbot, manager of a telephone office at Delaven, shot and seriously injured his wife and killed himself today, after a family quarrel.

The syndicate which has the contract for the direct steamship service between Canada and South Africa is arranging with the Department of Trade and Commerce for the sailing of the next steamer on Jan. 18.

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"The Emerald Isle," Sir Arthur Sullivan's Last Opera, Viewed by Delighted Audience.

Prof. Bunn, Shakespearean reciter, character impersonator, etc.....
.....Jefferson de Angelis
The Earl of Newtown, K.P., Lord Lieutenant of Ireland..Charles Dungan
Dr. Fidule, D.D., his private chaplain
.....F. Stuart Hyatt
Terence O'Brien, a young rebel.....
.....Edmund Stanley
Pat Murphy, a fiddler.....Gerald Gerome
Sergt. Pincher.....Frank Belcher
Pte. Perry.....Frederick K. Logan
The Countess of Newtown...Amelia Field
Lady Rosie Pippin, her daughter.....
.....Helena Frederick
Molly O'Grady, a peasant girl.....
.....Kate Condon
Susan, Lady Rosie's maid.....Edna Burd

Of the half-dozen comic operas or musical comedies which have visited London this season, all must yield the palm to "The Emerald Isle," which was presented to a delighted audience at the Grand Opera House last night. After the flood of meretriciousness and tawdriness which masquerades as comic opera in these degenerate days, it is a genuine treat to witness a production which approaches more nearly to the standard set by Gilbert and Sullivan in their first and perennial successes. In the present offering the inimitable Gilbertian word jingles, and the equally inimitable quiet Gilbertian humor is lacking, but the Sullivan music has lost none of its charm. It is music which will wear well, which will be more pleasing to the hearer with each subsequent rendition, and which deserves to rank with the melodies of "Pinafore," "Mikado," "The Pirates" and the other favorites which marked the golden age of English comic opera. It is with a pang of sadness one realizes that the hand which penned the score of "The Emerald Isle" is now stilled forever, and that the ear which was ever attuned to the sweetest harmony is now listening enraptured to that "Lost Chord" which it so vainly sought on earth.

Not all of the score is Sullivan's, for at his death the unfinished opera was taken in hand by Mr. Edward German, who has done his work of completion with a skillful hand. Sir Arthur Sulivan's marked predilection for concerted numbers for two, three, four and five voices was as plainly apparent in this, his last work, as in his earlier successes.

The book, which is by Capt. Basil Hood, is not marked by extraordinary merit, but it is at least free from the banalities which mar too many works of this class. The story centers around a peripatetic prestidigitator, hypnotist, actor and general fakir, whose basic principle of life is well expressed in his fervent declamation to the girl of his heart that, "There's nothing I wouldn't do you for." There is a pompous lieutenant-governor of Ireland, who seeks to Anglicize the peasantry; his august spouse, who stands on her dignity so constantly that she gets sore feet; their charming daughter, in love with a handsome rebel, and their private chaplain, Dr. Fiddle, D.D. Add to these ingredients the inevitable lady's maid, a blind fiddler, a Devonshire regiment, and a collection of rebellious colleens and lads whose conspirating takes a melodious form, and you have "The Emerald Isle."

Jeff De Angelis, the agile and amusing comedian whose last appearance in this city was in the support of Della Fox, is well suited in his present role of Prof. Bunn. His humor is spontaneous, his methods are legitimate, and he works hard to entertain his audience. One thing that marred his work last night was the constant byplay, intended for the edification of the other members of the cast, but easily perceptible to the spectators. Probably Mr. De Angelis does not indulge in this in the larger cities. There is no reason why he should do so here.

It is hard to determine between the vocal merits of the principals and the chorus. Every individual voice is a good one, while the chorus work is easily the best heard here this season. The tenor role is filled by Edmund Stanley, whose rich, full voice and handsome presence make him an ideal exponent of the part of Terence O'Brien. "Have You Met a Man," and "I'm Descended from Brian Boru" were Mr. Stanley's most effective solos, but his work in the concerted numbers was equally pleasing. The sight of the well-filled house must have been much more inspiring to Mr. Stanley than the array of empty benches to which he sang when he appeared here last spring with Eugene Cowles' excellent concert company. Miss Helena Frederick made a sweet heroine, and her fine soprano voice was heard to advantage in her different numbers. The vocal laurels, however, fell to Miss Kate Condon, who fills the part of Molly O'Grady the vivacious colleen who acts as understudy for the Fairy of Carig Cleena. Miss Condon possesses a rich, vibrant contralto voice, which showed careful cultivation. Miss Amelia Field, who plays the Countess of Newtown, was at once recognized by the audience as one of the principals in "Dolly Varden." She was given too little opportunity to display her resonant contralto voice. Gerald Gerome sings well as Pat Murphy, the blind fiddler, save in his first song, which seems a little out of his range. Frank Belcher scores a success with his "Song of the Devonshire Men," which is also made the medium for the introduction of a very pretty stage picture. Miss Edna Burd's piquant face and chic manner make here filling of the soubrette role a very pleasing performance. Miss Burd has the qualifications which should win her success in similar parts. F. Stuart Hyatt, as Dr. Fiddle, was a dead-ringer for "Sunny Jim" in his make-up. More use might be made of him as a mirthmaker.

The costumes were beyond cavil, but the scenery was not out of the ordinary. The company sang "God Save the King" at the close of the performance. The well-bred members of the audience remained standing until the curtain descended.

Marks Bros. at the London Opera House.

The Marks Bros.' Company drew another large audience to the London Opera House last night, the evening's production being "An Exile of Erin." The members of the company acquitted themselves creditably, those deserving special mention being Fred J. Miller, Ernie Marks, C. H. Sanders, Miss Katherine Standish and Miss Kitty Marks. For tonight "Larry Brogan's Promotion" will be given, while the holiday bills are "In Duty Bound" for the matinee and "An Irish-American Gentleman" for the night performance. On Saturday night the drawing will take place for a ton of real coal—hard coal.

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American Consul's Comment on Canadian Competition—G. T. R. Finances.

London, Dec. 31.—The American consul at Liverpool, in his report on Anglo-American trade, says: "It would be unwise to dismiss the matter of Canadian competition as a bugaboo. Canada has never been so much in evidence in this country as during the current year."

A dispatch to the Morning Leader from Copenhagen says that four emigration agents from Canada have arrived in Denmark, and that several secret agents are also working in the same field.

Telegraphing to the Morning Leader from Montreal a correspondent says that the present severe weather around Quebec and Levis has driven packs of hungry wolves to the outskirts of those cities, and that the famished brutes are devouring sheep and goats, and even trying to carry off little children.

The Holland-American liner Rotterdam has rescued the crew of the Canadian schooner Pioneer, which had been abandoned on the Atlantic.

GRAND TRUNK FINANCES.

Friends of the Grand Trunk here comfort the shareholders of the road, who were disappointed with the November earnings, by quoting figures showing that the net profits of the past five months have increased by $233,500. The gross receipts have increased by $1,055,500, but the working expenses have also increased by $322,000. The Financial News says: "It is doubtful whether holders of third preferred will get any dividend, for the directors are expected to maintain the financial strength of the company in view of the Grand Trunk Pacific undertaking, casting $150,000,000 to $175,000,000."

A correspondent of the London Globe, in an article entitled "Canada and Naval Defense," scores Canada for standing aloof from the general colonial sympathy with imperial aims and ideas.

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SCHALKBURGER ASKS FOR MERCY

Says the Afrikanders Will Be Loyal—A Job for General Ben Viljoen.

Cape Town, Dec. 31.—Gen. Schalkburger, former acting president of the Orange Free State, in an open letter published in Onsland, appeals to the Government to be merciful to those who suffered as a result of their devotion to the Boer cause and to remove the grievances which now make it impossible to live up to the motto "forgive and forget." In conclusion, General Schalkburger expresses hope that the people will show that the power of rule in South Africa lies in the Afrikander, "who will remain loyal while righteousness reigns and while his rightful portion is allotted him."

London, Dec. 30.—The British Government is trying to secure the services of General Ben Viljoen, who is now touring the United States, to command the Boer force which is going to Somaliland. It was General Viljoen who first suggested employing the Boers against the Somalis.

Monterey, Mexico, Dec. 31.—General Samuel Pearson, the former Boer commander, is in Monterey as the agent of thousands of his countrymen who purpose establishing colonies either in Southwestern Texas or Northern Mexico. He is now locating a route over which he will conduct a commission of Boers who are expected to arrive in New Orleans Jan. 15.

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Tenders for Supplies for the Year 1903

Sealed tenders for supplies, addressed to the Superintending Engineer Welland Canal, St. Catharines, will be received until 20 o'clock on Friday, the 9th of January, 1903, for the supply and delivery of various articles of Timber, Hardware, Castings, Fuel, Paints, Oils, etc., for use on the Welland Canal and its branches for the year 1903.

Specifications, forms of tender and other information may be obtained at the Superintending Engineer's office, St. Catharines, on and after Monday, the 22nd December, 1902.

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L. K. JONES, Secretary.

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Notice is hereby given that a Dividend at the rate of Four Per Cent Per Annum upon the paid-up Capital Stock of this Society, has been declared for the current half-year, and that the same will be payable at the offices of the Society, Masonic Temple, Richmond street, London, on and after the second day of January, 1903.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.

NATHANIEL MILLS, Manager.

Dec. 12, 1902. 66k-13,20,27,31

Agricultural Savings and Loan Company, Dividend No. 6.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A Dividend at the rate of SIX PER CENT per annum has been declared for the current half-year upon the Capital Stock, payable on and after 2nd January next. Transfer Books will be closed from 15th to the 31st inst. By order of the Board,

C. P. BUTLER, Manager.

London, December 1st, 1902. 56k-2,13,22,31

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