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TO-DAY'S MARKETS

New York Stocks.

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

Yesterday's

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AGITATION IN HONG KONG

Members of Secret Societies Endeavor to Inaugurate a Rising Against Foreigners.

Hong Kong, Dec. 13.—The city was placarded today with statements inciting the people and the members of the secret societies to unite and rise during the month of January and drive out all the foreigners. Crowds gathered around the placards, but no actual outbreak was reported.

Reports have been received from Canton to the effect that Yeung Sun Fo, the reformer, has been horribly tortured. Though he was strung up by the thumbs and the toes he would confess nothing.

Pekin, Dec. 12.—A few days ago the British troops were notified of the existence of a large amount of treasure twenty miles northwest. Col. Tullock and a hundred men left today to investigate. Col. Tullock requested, however, that 50 extra men be detailed. It is believed that a large amount of gold and valuables were buried at that point by persons connected with the Chinese court during the recent flight.

MISSING ANDRE'S BROTHER.

Copenhagen, Dec. 13.—The brother of Prof. Andre, the missing Arctic explorer, who attempted to reach the north pole in a balloon, resides at Gothenburg, from which place it is announced that, hoping for Andre's return from the polar regions, he has deferred opening the latter's testament for twelve months.

CABLE NOTES.

The Vienna correspondent of the London Daily Chronicle says a rumor is in circulation in the Austrian capital that former King Milan is about to become engaged to Miss Atzel, an American heiress.

Rev. Mr. Parker, rector of the City Temple, London, who will edit the Sun, an afternoon paper, from Dec. 17 to Dec. 22, has asked George Edwards, manager of the Gaiety Theatre, to deal with dramatics for that paper during the period of Mr. Parker's editorship.

According to a Berlin dispatch, received in New York, there has been such a slump in the prices of mortgage bonds that unless public confidence is restored the economic stability of Germany will be imperiled.

As the result of a mass meeting at Hamburg, the friends of the Boers at that place have sent the imperial chancellor, Count Von Buelow, a strongly-worded disavowal of the German Government's Transvaal policy.

City Hall Notes.

"I don't want to do away with the snow-plow," said City Engineer Graydon today. "People seem to have received that impression. What I want is to send the plow over first, and then have the people clean off the inch or inch and a half of snow that's left, and shovel away the ridge that's made on each side. If this were done, the snow would not run on to the walks when the snow melts. I don't want this done all over the city, either. A reasonable allowance should be made, but within certain limits I think a person should be able to walk on dry boards or cement."

Mr. Graydon has a model of a new plow that he believes will clear off the snow in a proper way. It is built like the frame of a wagon, but in front are a number of revolving knives that first loosen the snow and ice. Then follows the plow, which will clean through the snow, weighed by the heavy frame-work of the apparatus. The plow will be kept straight upon the walk. It promises to be decidedly effective. The plow will be no wider than ordinary, for the simple reason that it will be used on walks of different widths, and will have to pass between the boulevards and the trees.

It is improbable that the snow-cleaning problem will be settled by this year's council. It will be brought up tonight's meeting of the board of works, and in all likelihood will be shunted on to the incoming council. It is too ticklish a business for gentlemen who are seeking re-election to meddle with.

The new tar macadam pavement has no sooner been completed, presumably to the satisfaction of the engineering department and the members of the board of works, than a number of residents on Queen's avenue present complaints about its condition. They say that the western portion of the pavement is much softer than the east end, and that the wagon wheels are already cutting deep into it. They think that the mixture used differed in substance or preparation. On the other hand, Mr. Graydon says that there is absolutely nothing wrong with it. In this his opinion coincides with that of several of the largest ratepayers, who consider the pavement an excellent one in all respects.

In the event of the R. E. O. P. A. getting control of next year's council, one of its members said today that they would immediately endeavor to arrange the confederation of the two engineering departments of the municipality, that of the waterworks and city proper.

"Will you deny that you will run for mayor?" Ald. Douglass was asked yesterday.

"No, I won't," was the reply; "but I've not finally decided yet."

Ex-Mayor Taylor has absolutely declined to be a candidate for mayorality.

Wines For The Holidays.

The festive season now approaching calls for its accompanying wines, not only for the table, but for making the dainties. The best of them are here, as our stock of all kinds of liquors is selected.

If you want the best give us your order.

SHEA'S,

No. 8 Masonic Temple.

Rear Entrance from Market.

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Hair Brushes, Cloth Brushes, Hat Brushes, Military Brushes, Nail Brushes, Tooth Brushes, Mirrors (round and oval), Manicure Articles, Manicure Cases, Puff Boxes, Letter Openers, Erasers, Seals.

Our stock is new and complete, and awaits your inspection.

W. T. Strong & Co.

CHEMISTS,

184 Dundas Street.

Latest Weather Probabilities

Toronto, Dec. 13-10 a.m.—Weather probabilities for the next 24 hours in the lower lakes region: Strong winds and rains, northwesterly to northerly; light local snow falls and furies, turning decidedly colder.

Friday—Decidedly cold.

LATE LOCAL ITEMS

The opening of the advanced class at the Palace Dancing Academy last evening attracted a very large number of pupils, very near the limit of 100 registering the first night.

Rev. Frank B. Huffman, of Kent, Ohio, who has been holding services at the Elizabeth Street Christian Church for the last few days, left this morning for home, via Toledo.

Mrs. Taylor, of Thames street, accompanied by her son, Mr. Ed, and Master Albert, and her daughter, Miss Hattie, left today for England, where they intend spending the winter.

Mr. Edward Taylor, of 223 King street, held a reception in the A. O. F. Hall last night prior to his departure for England. A number of guests were present and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

CONCRETE BRIDGE-FLOORS.

A special committee from the county council will go to Elgin county tomorrow to inspect the recently introduced system there of concrete flooring for bridges, with a view to its adoption here should the members be favorably impressed with it.

THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

It is understood that Messrs. C. C. Hodgins, John Robertson and Duncan McLachlan will not offer themselves for re-election to the county council at the coming contest. It is believed that the balance of the members will stand for re-election.

SUSPENDED SENTENCE.

The 14-year-old German lad who has been in jail for the past two weeks on the charge of stealing a quantity of goods from Levine's store, on Dundas street, was brought before the police magistrate this morning and was let go on suspended sentence. The lad refused to tell where the stolen goods were.

COAL EMPLOYEES' UNION.

At the regular meeting of Coal Employees' Union, No. 7483, held in L. O. F. Hall, Albion block, last night, the following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing term: President, John Hamilton; vice-president, James Davis; recording secretary, Joseph Davies; financial secretary, James Young; treasurer, Harry Land; guide, O. Wootton; trustees, W. Gales, Lockhart and B. Clare.

SAUNDERS-MCLEAN.

A quiet wedding was solemnized at the residence of Mr. Wm. McLean, 554 York street, last night, when his daughter, Miss Annie, was united in marriage to Mr. E. Saunders, book-keeper for George Kelly & Co. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. J. Clark, of the First Presbyterian Church. Only immediate relatives and friends of the contracting parties were present. Many handsome presents were received, evidencing the high esteem in which they are held. Mr. and Mrs. Saunders will reside at 850 Elias street, and will be at home after Dec. 26th.

WHIST LEAGUE.

Last night's play was notable for two very large scores—Oriens plus 60 against the Orecons, and East Ends plus 65 against No. 6 Ward, the East Ends thus winning their first game. The Belvideres won from the Manhatans by the close score of 6 only.

Standing:

Oriens..... Won. Lost.

Belvideres..... 4 1

Manhatans..... 3 2

No. 6 Ward..... 2 3

Orecons..... 1 4

East Ends..... 1 4

SPECIAL SERVICES.

The Presbyterians of the city are arranging for special services to be held on the opening nights of the new century. A series of interchanges between the congregations of the First Presbyterian Church and those of St.

STRONG AND VIGOROUS.

Every Organ of the Body Toned up and Invigorated by

MILBURN'S HEART NERVE PILLS

Mr. F. W. Meyers, King St. E., Berlin, Ont., says: "I suffered for five years with palpitation, shortness of breath, sleeplessness and pain in the heart, but one box of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills completely removed all these distressing symptoms. I have not suffered since taking them, and now sleep well and feel strong and vigorous."

Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills cure all diseases arising from weak heart, worn out nerve tissues, or watery blood.

B.B.B. Makes Blood Pure.

If the blood is pure the whole body will be healthy.

If the blood is impure the whole system becomes corrupted with its impurities.

Burdock Blood Bitters transforms impure and watery blood into rich pure blood and builds up the health.

Disease germs cannot lurk in the system when B.B.B. is used.

Miss Effie McDonald, Liseomb Mills, Guy Co., N.S., writes: "I have found B.B.B. an excellent remedy for purifying the blood and curing skin diseases. I had tried many remedies, but none of them did me much good. B.B.B. has made me so well that I feel like a new woman and I am constantly recommending it to my friends."

James and St. Andrew's will take place. It is proposed to have the first two join in a meeting in the First Church, to be conducted by Rev. A. J. MacGillivray, on the evening of Jan. 2. On the following night the two congregations will meet in the new St. James' Church. The next night, Friday, Jan. 4, the two congregations will meet in their own churches, and on Monday, Jan. 7, Rev. W. J. Clark preaches in St. Andrew's and Rev. Dr. Johnston in the First Church. On Wednesday, Jan. 9, it is probable that all the Presbyterian congregations of the city will join in communion at St. Andrew's Knox Church and the other Presbyterian churches of the city, are also contemplating special services.

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.

The weekly sitting of the high court of justice was held this morning before Mr. Justice Ferguson. Three motions were heard, they being:

Re the estate of the late Philip T. Ross, of London township—Motion for construction of a will. Judgment was reserved. Tabbott Macbeth, Q.C., for motion for executors; T. G. Meredith, for Evelyn Dickson, surviving daughter; John Poulinssee, for Frank Black, executor for Jennie Bland; F. P. Betts, for official guardian.

Chapman vs. Williams—A motion for payment of money out of court. Order granted. J. S. Robertson, St. Thomas, for motion.

Re Walker, in Campbell vs. Hart—Application for payment of money into and out of court. Order granted. J. S. Robertson, St. Thomas, for motion.

PIANO RECITAL.

The piano recital at the Conservatory of Music yesterday by pupils of Miss Lotta Francis, A. L. C. M., assisted by Miss Clara Decker, pupil of Miss K. Moore, was much enjoyed by those present. The programme:

Polka..... Miss Winifred Asplund.

Gavotte..... Miss Alice Clarke, Zoeliner.

(a) Cradle Song..... Lohr.

(b) On the Meadow..... Lichner.

Intermezzo..... Miss Flossie Hoskin.

Miss Ethelyn Clarke, Mascagni.

Song of Seasons..... Hawley.

Miss Clara Decker, Grieg.

Nonwagging Bridal Procession..... Grieg.

Serenade..... Miss Lillian Grant.

Miss Martha Milne, Moszkowski.

Valse, in E flat..... Durand.

Miss John Feeney, Durand.

I Love and the World is Mine.....

Miss Clayton-Johns, Miss Decker.

La Rienne..... Bachmann.

Memento Gioioso..... Moszkowski.

Solo-Selected..... Miss Lillian Grant.

Miss Decker.

THE HOME-COMERS

Latest News of the Royal Canadian Regiment—All Well—274 Sailed From Queenstown Wednesday.

[Special to The Advertiser per C.P.R.]

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—The following cable was received today from Col. Otter:

"Queenstown, Dec. 13.—All well; fifteen officers, 237 duty men, 23 invalided of regiment, 3 artillery, 9 mounted, 1 Strathcona, 1 artificer. War office extends pay to Dec. 30. OTTER."

The above indicates that there are 274 non-commissioned officers and men returning under the colonel's command. The department has the names of 246 only, and a cablegram has therefore been sent to the high commissioner for the number and names of all who are returning on the Lake Champlain who did not proceed to England and the Col. Otter, on the Hawarden Castle. This has been done to facilitate entraining of troops immediately upon their arrival.