

GREATEST IN ITS HISTORY. A Record For Police Court Fines in Dundas.

Final Meeting of the Town Council of 1909.

Members and Representatives Entertained by Mayor.

Dundas, Dec. 16.—The statutory meeting of the Town Council was held last evening. The members present were: Mayor Lawson, Reeve Lawson, Deputy Reeve Spittal and Councilors Moss, Pennington and Mount.

The financial statement for the year to date showed receipts of \$75,968, the disbursements being \$338 less.

Discussing the matter of the town's assets, it came out that the old time lamp posts were overestimated at \$1,000, while the value of the park and market were much under stated.

Finally a resolution was passed that the incoming council be requested to have a readjustment of the values. The report was adopted and 100 copies ordered to be printed.

A number of accounts were passed. In reply to a question, the clerk informed the council that the Jones Bros. & Co. paid five annual payments of \$1,000 each on the loan of \$12,000 made to the predecessor of the said company.

Florence Aikman requested the removal of four trees from near her residence. Referred to the Board of Works.

The Y. M. C. A. asked to be put on the same footing as regards water requirements as manufacturers. The request was granted.

The Finance Committee reported that the council had no power under the by-law in that behalf to exempt from taxation the property of C. Karsh. The report also recommended that W. O. Senley, M. P., be asked to keep the town posted on all matters relating to the proposed new canal.

The council adopted the report of a special committee recommending that A. S. Cain be paid \$75 for damage to his horse and wagon owing to the bad condition of the road at the corner of Sydney and Park streets.

In closing, Mayor Lawson thanked the Councilors for their praiseworthy attention to business during the year, and in return the Council passed a flattering resolution thanking the Mayor for his uniform courtesy shown to the Council and for his continuous efforts in the town's interest.

In reply the Mayor thanked the Councilors for their expressions of appreciation. He referred to the building of the new high school and the public library during the year and to other improvements accomplished or proposed.

He would be surprised if the vacant cotton mills property and the axe factory were not, in the near future, occupied by desirable industries.

A resolution of confidence in the town officials followed, especial mention being made of Clerk Fry and Chief of Police Twiss, both of whom returned thanks. In his remarks Chief Twiss made reference to the fact that the receipts from fines this year had been greater than ever before, showing the vigilance of the officials.

Mayor Lawson entertained the Councilors and press representatives afterwards.

FAVORITE OF THE PRINCE.

Death of Inspector Church, of N. W. Mounted Police.

(Special Wire to the Times.) Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 16.—Inspector Church, the best horseman in the North-west mounted police, died to-day at Hudson Bay Junction. He was specially selected by the Prince of Wales as a member of the police contingent at Quebec. He was the trainer of the charger George, ridden by the prince during his tour across Canada. He received many gifts from the prince and Earl Grey. He received a massive silver inkstand at the Quebec tercentenary.

AUTHOR DEAD.

London, Dec. 16.—Frederick Greenwood, the author and journalist, died to-day. Mr. Greenwood founded the Pall Mall Gazette, of which he was the first editor. Later, with others, he established the St. James' Gazette, which he edited for several years.

The figures of this country's wheat crop indicate not only a larger home consumption as a result of increased population, but also a larger consumption per capita.

The Turf.

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—A new race track bill was introduced in the commons yesterday and given a first reading. It is entitled: "An act to regulate horse racing," and is promoted by Capt. Tom Wallace, of Centre York. The bill provides:

That no racing meet in Canada shall last more than 15 consecutive days; That forty days must elapse between any two meets provided by any one racing association.

That no one club shall provided more than 30 days racing altogether in one year.

In the opinion of Capt. Wallace, this is the most efficacious plan of disassociating the sport of racing from the business of speculation.

In addition to the importation of Red Fox by the Messrs. Dymont, of Barrie, another Canadian breeder is bringing over a splendid stallion St. Savin, by St. Simon, out of Albany, by Hampton, out of Morven, by Barcalaine. He has been either leased, says The London Sportsman, with the option of purchase, or sold by Mr. Arthur James who is at present in New York to Mr. Irving H. Wheatcroft, who has a big stud in British Columbia and another at Lexington, Ky. St. Savin is a good-looking horse, and he won the Liverpool Spring Cup and the Brighton Cup. Mr. James gave him a right good chance last season, and most of the mares covered by him are in foal, so that it is quite likely he will leave stock behind him which will make us regret his expatriation.

New York Sun.—Strong hopes are entertained in racing circles that there will be legalized betting races in the State of Virginia next year, but it is not expected that the legislation to be enacted will encourage long meetings, but will limit the various associations to not more than six days at about eight cities or perhaps twelve days at a city like Richmond, where there is already a first-class mile track, and racing is annually held there in connection with a fair.

An official of the Jockey Club said yesterday that hopes were entertained that the needed legislation would receive the help of Thomas F. Ryan, who is already established in Virginia, with two well known stallions, Monsieur de L'Orme and Ellissdale, and a score of brood mares. Upon his enormous property of 80,000 acres midway between Charlottesville and Lynchburg Mr. Ryan has built a mile track with a grand stand in the centre field from which the owner and his friends have a good view of such impromptu racing as is afforded by halfbreeds and thoroughbreds, of which he now has a very large number. In making the track many natural difficulties were overcome and large expenditures incurred which would be unknown and unnecessary at most places.

At a time less than a year ago M. Ryan asked to have prices put upon Hamburg Belle, Tradition, Cap and Bells and Maskette with a view to establishing a powerful breeding establishment from the ground up, but even if such mares were for sale nothing definite then came of it.

Who's Who in National League.

New York, Dec. 16.—"Who's who?" in the affairs of the National League for the coming season was the sole topic of discussion to-day when the magnates of that organization met to select a President of the National League.

Over-night conference did not seem to develop any progress in bringing about a solution of the tangle which the National League has been futilely trying to unravel for two days.

Barney Dreyfus, head of the Pittsburg, says that Stanley Robinson, of St. Louis, has informed him that he will not vote for John M. Ward, though not indicating that he will stand by Heydler.

New York is making the fight for John M. Ward and John E. Brush, owner of the local National League club, is managing the campaign to depose Heydler. Brush, it was said to-day, feels that if Ward is thrown down it will be a victory for Ban Johnson, President of the American League, and that in such an event the National League would become subservient to the interest of the American League.

"I won't vote for anybody else but Ward," said C. H. Ebbett, of the Brooklyn club, to-day. When the magnates went into session to-day Heydler was backed by Cincinnati, Boston and Pittsburg; Ward's adherents were New York, Chicago, Brooklyn and Philadelphia.

THE SWITCHMEN.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 16.—Governor Eberhardt, who is making a private investigation of the switchmen's strike to learn whether business is being seriously interfered with, said to-day: "Both sides are making claims and I believe the truth lies somewhere between them. I may have a statement to make public in a few days."

The Housekeeper

FIG PUDDING. Three-fourths pound of bread (stale preferred) chopped fine, one-half pound of best figs chopped fine, six ounces brown sugar, one cup milk, one-half nutmeg, six ounces of beef suet chopped fine (beef suet when cold will chop easier). Mix bread and suet, then figs, sugar and nutmeg, one egg well beaten, then add milk, two ounces of sweet almonds chopped fine and the grated rind of one lemon. Put in a pan or dish and steam four hours. Serve with the following hard sauce:

One cupful of granulated sugar, one-half cupful of butter, two tablespoonfuls of water. Stir to a cream with the yolk of one egg. Add the white of the egg beaten to a froth just before serving. Flavor with vanilla.

PRUNE PUDDING. One pound well-cooked prunes; remove pits, wash prunes thoroughly with fork. Beat whites of three eggs; add one-half cup of sugar, and mix with prunes. Make a boiled custard of one quart milk, yolks of three eggs well beaten, one-half cupful of sugar, one teaspoonful of cornstarch or flour; flavor with vanilla, chill, and serve in glass cups. Put prunes in dish first and pour custard around. Add nuts to custard if desired.

MOCK CHARLOTTE. Two tablespoonfuls corn starch, one-third cupful of sugar, grated rind and juice of one-half lemon, one cupful of boiling water; cook and let cool while you beat the whites of two eggs, then stir together. Serve ice-cold with this dressing: Yolks of two eggs, four tablespoonfuls of sugar, one-half pint milk; cook and add one teaspoonful of vanilla. Set on ice.

SUET PUDDING. One cupful finely chopped suet, one cupful molasses, one cupful of milk, three cupfuls flour, one teaspoonful salt, one teaspoonful cinnamon, one-half teaspoonful cloves, one-half teaspoonful nutmeg, one and one-half cupfuls of raisins, two tablespoonfuls flour, one teaspoonful of soda. Mix and sift dry ingredients, add molasses and milk to the suet; combine mixture, add raisins, which have previously been cut in small pieces and floured. Turn into buttered moulds, cover, and steam three hours. If steamed in one-half or one-pound baking powder cans two hours is sufficient. Arrange neatly for serving and use one of the following sauces:

Hard Sauce.—One-third cupful of butter, one cupful pulverized sugar, one teaspoonful vanilla. Cream the butter, add the sugar gradually, and flavor. The white of an egg may be added. Arrange neatly in a small dish and set away to chill or until ready to serve. For a yellow sauce use the yolk of an egg in place of the white of the egg.

Lemon or Liquid Sauce.—One-half cupful of sugar, two tablespoonfuls of flour, pinch of salt, one and one-half cupfuls boiling water, two tablespoonfuls butter, one tablespoonful lemon juice, grated rind of one-half a lemon, or one teaspoonful of vanilla. Mix dry materials and pour in boiling water, stirring constantly. Boil three to four minutes. Remove from the fire and add the butter and flavoring.

FIG PUDDING. Chop a half pound of beef suet and then rub until creamy with the hands, then add half a pound of figs, finely chopped, and again rub with the hands. Soak two and a half cupfuls of stale bread crumbs in a half cupful of milk three minutes, add three eggs well beaten, one cupful of sugar, a little salt, beat vigorously, and turn into a mold. Steam three hours, remove from the mold, and serve with sherry sauce.

LEMON FOAM PUDDING. Two teaspoonfuls of water, one teaspoonful of sugar, two large tablespoonfuls of cornstarch; dissolve in a little water. Boil this well, then add the juice of two lemons or oranges; have the whites of three eggs beaten stiff and add the boiled part slowly.

Sauce: Yolks of three eggs, two cups of milk, three tablespoonfuls of sugar, cook in double boiler until it thickens.

ENGLISH PLUM PUDDING. Six well beaten eggs, one nutmeg, one teaspoonful of mace, one pound of currants, one and one-half pounds of raisins carefully seeded, one-half cupful of sweet milk, one-fourth pound shredded citron, one and one-fourth pounds of dark brown sugar, one-half cupful of wine or melted jelly, one pound of finely chopped suet, and one teaspoonful of salt. Mix one pound of flour with raisins, currants, and suet, add other ingredients, and mix well. Boil ten hours in floured pudding cloth or well buttered mold. If kept well covered in a cool place it will keep indefinitely and only needs reheating. Serve with hard or liquid sauce. This recipe has been used in one family for more than sixty years.

BREAD PUDDING. Four slices of bread buttered and laid in bottom of pudding dish, use one quart of milk, scald a little less than

SANTA CLAUS

Had Presents For Children at Mrs. T. W. Barnes'.

It was a happy thought of Mrs. T. W. Barnes, Blake street, East Hamilton, to entertain a number of the city children from the north end at her home last evening. They left the city all by special car, under the care of Mrs. Wiltshire and Miss Shaw, Methodist deacons. The children entered into the evening's enjoyment with a zest that was hearty and healthful. Songs and recitations were followed by refreshments.

The special event was the long-looked-for visit of Santa Claus. Anticipating his coming, the ladies assisting Mrs. Barnes had the Christmas gifts clustered on the time-honored Christmas tree, and just at the right time, when every eye was thrilled with expectancy, old Santa's sleigh bells, heard in the distance, foretold his coming. Instantly the tiny reindeer drew in sight. Santa Claus quickly alighted and was soon in the midst of the merry group of girls and boys. As the presents were handed down from the tree the names of the children were called and Santa Claus had a pleasant word to say to each.

Toys of all kinds, little mittens, toques and bon-bons were distributed, and as a parting gift upon leaving the house apples and oranges quipped weighted down the treat-laden little tots, who returned their thanks by giving Santa Claus and the ladies three cheers. Those who assisted Mrs. Barnes in the evening's entertainment were Mrs. John Moodie, Mrs. Roy Moodie, Mrs. J. D. Clime, Mrs. (Dr.) Rennie, Mrs. W. Parke, Mrs. Thos. Barnes, Mrs. Geo. Parke, Mrs. Will Thos. Barnes, Mrs. H. S. Brennan, Mrs. (Dr.) Langill, Mrs. Cyrus Birge, J. M. Eastwood, Mrs. Harry Burkholder, Mrs. King, Mrs. James Allan, Misses Grant-ham, Clime, Lena Biggar, Mamie Moodie and Kennedy.

The programme included: Song by Harry Burkholder; instrumental, Miss Green; song, Mrs. T. W. Barnes; song, Mrs. J. M. Eastwood, with chorus by the children; piano solo, Miss Kennedy; recitation, Miss Annie Biggar; song, Miss Helen Treman; instrumental, Miss Marjorie Green; recitation, Master Donald Barnes; violin solo, Master Green; instrumental, Lloyd Elliott.

Mr. Harry Burkholder was Santa Claus and Miss Kennedy accompanist.

Hard On Finns

Stockholm, Dec. 16.—The Hel-singfors correspondent of the Af-tonblad says that the new Govern-ernor of Finland, Major-General Zein, after a conference with the administration at St. Petersburg has returned to Helsingfors, em-pow-ered to renew the fourteen ed-icts issued under Bobrikoff, whose dictatorship in Finland ended in his assassination in 1904.

While Governor Zein will be un-der the control of Grand Duke Nicholas Nicholaitch, the Af-tonblad says that the new ar-rangement is tantamount to a dic-tatorship.

FREE CONCERT.

The local Salvation Army Silver Band will give a free concert in the S. A. Citadel, Rebecca street, to-night. There will be band music, mandolin concert, piano, violin, as well as vocal singing, interspersed with humorous and pathetic readings and recitations. The public cordially invited.

JAPAN'S POLICY.

Tokio, Monday, Nov. 22.—A conference between Premier Marquis Katsura and ex-Premier Marquis Saionji, held recently, was ostensibly for the purpose of making assurance more assured that the death of Prince Ito would cause no change in the policy of Japan either at home or abroad.

The average price of common brick at the kiln decreased from \$9 in 1907 to \$7.75 in 1908, while for vitrified paving brick the cost in 1907 was \$11.02 as against \$10.90 last year.

The 12 principal crops of the United States alone show a value of over \$5,000,000,000 at last reports. At this time of year any one would rather be a moth than a June bug.

MARKETS AND FINANCE

Dairy Products.

Cooking Butter . . . . . 23 to 25  
Cheese . . . . . 17 to 20  
Dairy butter . . . . . 27 to 30  
Stearns' butter . . . . . 30 to 32  
Eggs, new laid . . . . . 38 to 45  
Eggs, cooking . . . . . 28 to 30

Poultry.

Chickens, pair . . . . . 95 to 1.40  
Spruce chicken . . . . . 0.50 to 1.25  
Turkeys . . . . . 20 to 25  
Ducks . . . . . 1.00 to 1.50  
Geese, lb. . . . . 10 to 12

Fruits.

Grapes, basket . . . . . 12 to 20  
Quinces, basket . . . . . 40 to 75  
Hickory nuts, bushel . . . . . 2.00 to 2.00  
Walrus, bushel . . . . . 3.00 to 3.25  
Apples, snow, basket . . . . . 3.00 to 3.25  
Northern Spies, per bushel . . . . . 5.00 to 5.00  
Greenings . . . . . 3.00 to 3.50

Vegetables, Etc.

Celery, dozen . . . . . 40 to 60  
Beets, dozen . . . . . 40 to 40  
Parsley, dozen . . . . . 40 to 40  
Potatoes, basket . . . . . 2.00 to 2.25  
Bacon, sides, lb. . . . . 14 to 15  
Potatoes, bag . . . . . 60 to 75  
New Cabbage, dozen . . . . . 25 to 30  
Summer squash, each . . . . . 40 to 40  
Beets, basket . . . . . 25 to 30  
Cauliflower, 21 doz., each . . . . . 10 to 12  
Broccoli, basket . . . . . 20 to 20  
Parsnips, basket . . . . . 10 to 10  
Onions, large, basket . . . . . 40 to 50  
Summer squash, each . . . . . 40 to 50  
Hubbards, each . . . . . 0.50 to 1.15  
Pumpkins, each . . . . . 0.50 to 1.10

Smoked Meats.

Fair supply, demand small, prices steady  
Wool, pound, washed . . . . . 18 to 15  
Wool, pound, unwashed . . . . . 12 to 12  
Bacon, sides, lb. . . . . 14 to 15  
Bacon, backs, lb. . . . . 17 to 19  
Hams, lb. . . . . 15 to 17  
Shoulders, lb. . . . . 14 to 15  
Lard . . . . . 15 to 18  
Pork sausage, lb. . . . . 0.09 to 0.10  
Frankfort . . . . . 0.09 to 0.10  
Pork, Eastlands, doz. . . . . 1.10 to 1.12  
Mushrooms, quart . . . . . 1.10 to 2.00

Meats.

Christmas Beef . . . . . \$5.00 to \$5.50  
Beef, No. 1, per cwt. . . . . 5.00 to 5.20  
Beef, No. 2, per cwt. . . . . 5.00 to 5.00  
Live hogs . . . . . 5.00 to 6.00  
Pigs, per cwt. . . . . 4.00 to 5.00  
Dressed hogs . . . . . 10.00 to 11.00  
Veal, per cwt. . . . . 9.00 to 11.00  
Spring lamb, per lb. . . . . 0.11 to 0.12

Fish.

Salmon Trout . . . . . 12 to 15  
White fish . . . . . 12 to 15  
Herring, lb. . . . . 10 to 15  
Halibut, lb. . . . . 10 to 15  
Cod, lb. . . . . 10 to 15  
Smelt, 3 lbs. . . . . 25 to 30  
Pikelets . . . . . 10 to 15  
Pickled herring, lb. . . . . 10 to 15  
Smelt, 3 lbs. . . . . 25 to 30  
Pikelets . . . . . 10 to 15  
Pickled herring, lb. . . . . 10 to 15

The Hide Market.

Calf skins, No. 1, lb. . . . . 0.18 to 0.18  
Calf skins, No. 2, lb. . . . . 0.15 to 0.15  
Calf skins, No. 3, lb. . . . . 0.14 to 0.14  
Calf skins, No. 4, lb. . . . . 1.00 to 1.25  
Horse hides, each . . . . . 2.50 to 3.00  
Horse hides, No. 1, per lb. . . . . 1.50 to 1.50  
Hides, No. 2, per lb. . . . . 0.14 to 0.14  
Hides, flat . . . . . 0.15 to 0.15  
Lamb skins . . . . . 1.00 to 1.00

Grain Market.

Barley . . . . . 0.55 to 0.60  
Wheat . . . . . 1.05 to 1.05  
Do, red, new . . . . . 0.97 to 1.08  
Do, goose . . . . . 1.03 to 1.03  
Oats, bush . . . . . 0.40 to 0.41  
Peas, bush . . . . . 0.88 to 0.90  
Barley, bush . . . . . 0.64 to 0.65  
Rye, bush . . . . . 0.70 to 0.72  
Hay, timothy, ton . . . . . 17.00 to 21.00  
Do, mixed, ton . . . . . 10.00 to 12.00  
Straw, per ton . . . . . 17.00 to 19.00

Hay and Wood.

Straw, per ton . . . . . \$9.00 to \$9.00  
Hay, per ton . . . . . 14.00 to 15.50

Toronto Markets

FARMERS' MARKET. The offerings of grain to-day showed an increase, with prices irregular. Wheat fell at \$1.07 to \$1.08. Barley, 500 bushels selling at 64c. Oats are weaker, there being sales of 800 bushels at 40 to 41c.

Hay quiet and firm, with sales of 16 old asst \$17 to \$21 a ton for timothy, and at \$12 for clover. Straw is nominal at \$17 a ton.

Dressed hogs are steady, with prices ruling at \$10.75 to \$11.  
Wheat, white, new . . . . . 1.07 to 1.08  
Do, red, new . . . . . 1.07 to 1.08  
Do, goose . . . . . 1.03 to 1.03  
Oats, bush . . . . . 0.40 to 0.41  
Peas, bush . . . . . 0.88 to 0.90  
Barley, bush . . . . . 0.64 to 0.65  
Rye, bush . . . . . 0.70 to 0.72  
Hay, timothy, ton . . . . . 17.00 to 21.00  
Do, mixed, ton . . . . . 10.00 to 12.00  
Straw, per ton . . . . . 17.00 to 19.00

SEEDS.

Alfalfa, fancy, bush . . . . . 6.50 to 6.75  
Do, No. 1 . . . . . 6.15 to 6.35  
Do, No. 2 . . . . . 5.80 to 5.85  
Do, No. 3 . . . . . 5.25 to 5.50  
Red clover, No. 1, bush . . . . . 7.50 to 8.25  
Timothy . . . . . 1.40 to 1.60  
Dressed hogs . . . . . 10.75 to 11.00  
Butter, dairy . . . . . 0.26 to 0.30  
Do, inferior . . . . . 0.22 to 0.24  
Eggs, new laid, dozen . . . . . 0.45 to 0.50  
Do, fresh . . . . . 0.35 to 0.40  
Chickens, lb. . . . . 0.13 to 0.16  
Ducks, lb. . . . . 0.13 to 0.15  
Turkeys, lb. . . . . 0.18 to 0.20  
Geese, lb. . . . . 0.11 to 0.13  
Fowl, lb. . . . . 0.10 to 0.12  
Apples, bbl. . . . . 2.00 to 2.50  
Potatoes, bag, by load . . . . . 0.55 to 0.60  
Celery, dozen . . . . . 0.30 to 0.35  
Onions, bag . . . . . 1.00 to 1.10  
Cauliflower, dozen . . . . . 0.75 to 1.25  
Cabbage, dozen . . . . . 0.50 to 0.60  
Beef, hindquarters . . . . . 8.00 to 9.00  
Do, forequarters . . . . . 5.00 to 6.50  
Do, choice, carcass . . . . . 7.50 to 8.00  
Do, medium, carcass . . . . . 6.50 to 7.00  
Mutton, per cwt. . . . . 9.50 to 10.50  
Veal, prime, per cwt. . . . . 7.00 to 8.00  
Lamb, per cwt. . . . . 9.00 to 10.00

SUGAR MARKET.

St. Lawrence sugars are quoted as follows: Granulated, \$4.85 per cwt., in barrels; No. 1 golden, \$4.45 per cwt., in barrels; Beaver, \$4.85 per cwt. in bags. These prices are for delivery here. Car lots 5c less. In 100-lb. bags prices are 5c less.

Winnipeg Wheat Market. Wheat.—December 99 5-8c, May \$1.02 3-4. Oats.—December 33 3-4c, May 36 3-4c.

BRITISH CATTLE MARKETS.

London.—London cables for cattle are steady at 12 to 14c per lb. for live cattle, dressed weight; Liverpool, 12 to 14c; refrigerator beef, lower, at 9 1/2 to 10 1/2c per lb.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK.

Montreal.—About 900 head of butchers' cattle, 65 milk cows and springers, 200 calves, 550 sheep and lambs, and 800 hogs were offered for sale at the East End Abattoir to-day. There were no prime cattle on the market, and comparatively few that were moderately good, while common and inferior beef was in excessive supply. A few of the best animals sold at from 4 to 4 1/2c per lb.; common stock at 2 1/4 to 3 1/2c; lean canners at about 2c per pound. There were more springers than milk cows on the market, and prices ranged from \$30 to \$80 each. Grass-fed calves sold at 3 to 4 1/2c per lb.; good veals at 5 to 6c per pound; younger calves at \$3 to \$4 each. Sheep sold at 4 to 4 1/2c; lambs at 6 to 6 1/2c per pound. Good lots of fat hogs sold at 8 1/2 to 8 3/4c per pound.

COBALT STOCKS.

The mining market contained a steady tone in Toronto yesterday and marked activity was displayed among the lesser Cobalts, some of which showed much strength. The question of royalties was believed to be practically settled, as it was stated that the Government would to-day announce its decision to establish a flat rate of ten per cent. Should this prove correct, a strong upward movement is assured in a number of securities. Beaver was much in evidence yesterday and was sold largely for future delivery. The car of ore shipped recently brought in about \$22,000, and it was expected by the management that another car would be shipped yesterday. The company has been finding very rich ore recently and the stock is tipped for a strong advance. It touched 24 1/8 yesterday. Little Nipissing was in good demand and went to 21 1/2. Peterson Lake held strong around 24. Ramors were current of a prospective settlement, but both parties denied that any agreement had been reached. It was stated that the Steindler-Jacobs people had offered to pay \$100,000, and cancel their stock, but the other side would not look at anything less than \$500,000. Mr. D. M. Steindler was at the King Edward Hotel in consultation with his legal advisers, but said that no conference had been held with the Peterson Lake people.

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

Reported by Morris & Wright, stock brokers, Landed Banking & Loan building.

Table with columns: Bank of Commerce, Dominion, Hamilton, Imperial, Merchants, Molson's, Montreal, Nova Scotia, Standard, Toronto, Traders, Bell Telephone, Can. Gen. Electric, C. P. R., Consumers' Gas, Detroit United, Dom. Coal, common, Dom. Steel, common, Dom. Steel pref, Duluth, Lake of Woods, Mackay common, Mackay pref, Mex. L. & P., Nova Scotia Steel, Ogish, Penman Common, Port Rico Ry., Rio de Janeiro, Rich. & Ont., Rogers, pref., Rogers, common, Sao Paulo, Toronto Electric Light, Twin City, Canada Land, Can. Permanent, Central Canada, Huron & Erie, Hamilton Provident, Landed Banking & Loan, London & Canadian Loan.

LONDON MARKET.

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LIVERPOOL MARKET.

Wheat, opening, 1/4 to 3/8 higher.

New York, Dec. 16.—Wall Street—the active opening dealings in stocks affected but small changes in prices and those were mixed. Consolidated Gas rose 1/4, Louisville & Nashville and Pittsburg Coal preferred 1 and Reading 3/4.

New York, Dec. 16.—The stock market opened irregular.

New York, Dec. 16.—Cotton futures opened steady; January \$14.48, February \$15.17, March \$15.35, May \$15.57, July \$15.80, August \$15.99, September \$14.00, October \$13.40.

London, Dec. 16.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve, decreased . . . £1,352,000; Circulation, decreased . . . 408,000; Bullion, decreased . . . 1,190,837; Other securities, increased . . . 872,000; Other deposits, increased . . . 1,228,000; Public deposits, increased . . . 729,000; Notes reserve, decreased . . . 304,000; Government securities unchanged.

Pittsburg, Dec. 16.—Oil opened \$1.43. Rev. David C. Hughes, father of the Governor of New York, is dead. Dr. Neil McKinnon died at Alpena, Mich., on Sunday evening last after a brief illness from Bright's disease. He was the son of Neil and Grace McKinnon, and nephew of Dr. A. McTaggart of Toronto, and was born in 1872.

Stop Look What's Here

The SATURDAY TIMES from now until Jan. 1st, 1911,