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TODAY'S MARKETS

Yesterday's Reports on Page 5.

STOCK MARKETS.

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

New York, March 14.—Noon.—After a very strong opening, at which N. Y. C. and T. O. U. preferred scored very sharp advances, the market became very irregular and considerable liquidation took place. The traders sold somewhat freely in the belief that the stock market had gone up too fast and that the decline was due. There was also some good selling of N. Y. C. and Union Pacific by houses who were heavy buyers at lower figures. London houses disposed of large blocks of stocks and this was taken as an indication that some nervousness was felt abroad at the financial international condition of Russia. The sharp advance in lead and smelters, the latter passing par for the first time in its history, rumors that the consolidation of the two companies which has been under contemplation for some time had reached definite shape. Sentiment seems to favor a further reaction in the market. Sales to noon, 705,800.

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MONTREAL.

Montreal, March 14.

	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	148¼	147¾
Montreal Street Railway	223	222¾
Toronto Street Railway	107⅞	107¼
Halifax Street Railway	109	105½
Twin City Transit	105¾	109
Richelieu & Ontario	69	68½
Montreal Telegraph	..	162
Bell Telephone	..	161
Dominion Steel, com	23¾	23½
Dominion Steel, pfd	74	72½
Montreal Power	89	88½
Nova Scotia Steel, com	62½	62
Detroit Railway	82¼	81⅞
Montreal Cotton	100	..
Soo, common	118½	..
Laurentide Paper	103	102½
Lake of the Woods	115	110
Toledo Railway	29	28¾
Dominion Coal, com	73¾	73¼
Ogilvie, pfd.	139	137
Sao Paulo	128	127
Mackay, com.	40¼	39¾
Mackay, pfd.	75½	75¼
Bank of Montreal	257	256
Molsons Bank	230	228
Bank of Toronto	..	238
Union Bank	145	142
Hochelaga Bank	135	134
Dominion Steel, bonds	85½	85
Heat and Power bonds	102½	101¼

SALES: C. P. R., 10 at 147 (private scrip, seller one week), 375 at 148; Montreal Railway, 50 at 223; Twin City, 50 at 109½, 100 at 109¼, 50 at 109; Mackay, common, 25 at 40½; Sao Paulo, 50 at 128½; Toronto Railway, 25 at 107½, 10 at 107¾, 25 at 107½, 25 at 107⅝, 100 at 107¼; Toledo Railway, 225 at 28¾, 475 at 29, 100 at 29, 75 at 29; Power, 100 at 88¾, 50 at 89; Mackay, preferred, 100 at 75¼, 25 at 75, 50 at 79¼, 75 at 75, 25 at 75¾; R. and O., 100 at 69½, 25 at 69; Detroit Railway, 250 at 82, 200 at 82½, 200 at 82¼, 225 at 82; Coal, common, 25 at 73, 25 at 74, 225 at 73½; Scotia, 25 at 62, 75 at 62¼, 125 at 62½, 125 at 62¼, 5 at 62; Iron, common, 100 at 23, 10 at 22½, 25 at 23, 100 at 22¾, 250 at 23, 200 at 23⅛, 50 at 23¼, 175 at 23½; Ogilvie, preferred, 15 at 139; Iron, preferred, 5 at 72½; Molsons Bank, 2 at 230; Switch, 41 at 90; Bank of Montreal, 2 at 256¾; Iron, bonds, 5,000 at 84¾, 45,000 at 85, 14,000 at 85.

N. S. WILLIAMS, Broker,

113 MASONIC TEMPLE.

Correspondent W. F. DEVER & CO. (established 1890). Stocks, Bonds, Grain, Provisions and Cotton bought and sold for cash or on margin. 'Phone 1,113.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 14.

	Ask.	Off.
Bank of Montreal	..	255
Ontario Bank	..	133¾
Bank of Toronto	..	239
Bank of Commerce	164	163
Imperial Bank	239	238½
Dominion Bank	253	250
Standard Bank	240	..
Bank of Hamilton	221½	..
Bank of Ottawa	225	219½
Traders' Bank	140	..
Bank of British America	..	90
Imperial Life	..	149
Consumers' Gas	212	211
Ont. & Qu'Appelle Land	..	100
Northwest Land, pfd	..	98
C. P. R. stock	148¼	147¾
C. P. R., new	148¼	147½
Toronto Electric Light	154	150
Canadian General Electric	178	176
Dominion Telegraph	..	121
Richelieu & Ontario Nav	69	..
Niagara Navigation	118½	117
Toronto Railway	107⅞	107¼
Twin City Railway	109½	109
Winnipeg Street Railway	146	146
Sao Paulo Tramway	128	127¾
Dominion Steel, com	24	23½
Dominion Coal, com	73½	73¼
Nova Scotia Steel, com	62¾	62⅛
Crow's Nest Coal	250	..
Mackay, com.	40	39½
Mackay, pfd.	75½	75
Salt	114	..
British-Canadian L. & L	95	92
Canada Landed	117	115
Canada Permanent	..	124
Canadian Savings & Loan	..	120
Central Canada Loan	..	170
Dominion S. & L.	..	70
Hamilton Provident	..	120
Huron & Erie L. & S.	..	135
Landed Banking & Loan	..	120
London & Canada L. & A.	99½	..
Manitoba Loan	..	95
Toronto Mortgage	..	105
London Loan	110	..
Ontario Loan & Debenture	..	122
Toronto Savings & Loan	..	130
Dominion Steel bonds	85½	84¾
Nova Scotia Steel, bonds	..	107

SALES: Bank of Commerce, 30 at 163;

C. N. SPENCER, Stock Broker

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Imperial Bank, 10 at 238, 10 at 238½; Dominion Bank, 50 at 250½; Traders' Bank, 1 at 139½; Consumers' Gas, 68 at 211¾; Mackay, preferred, 64 at 75; Mackay, common, 25 at 40⅛, 50 at 40; Bell Telephone, 35 at 161¾; R. and O., 25 at 69, 25 at 68¾; Twin City, 60 at 109; Sao Paulo, 150, 25, 185, 290 and 50 at 128, 100, 50 and 50 at 128⅛, 75 at 128⅜, 50 at 128½, 350 at 128¼, 25, 3 and 25 at 127⅞, 25 at 127¾, 65 and 2 at 127½, 25 at 127⅝; Dominion Steel, 50, 100 and 225 at 23, 10 and 100 at 23¼, 25 at 123½; Coal, 10 at 73⅝, 50 at 73¾, 125 and 350 at 74, 25 at 73⅞, 75 and 100 at 73¾, 25, 10 and 100 at 73½; Nova Scotia Steel, 25 at 62¼, 25 and 50 at 62, 10 at 61½, 25 at 62⅛, 6 at 61¾; C. P. R., 35 and 150 at 148, 60 and 23 at 147¾, 10 new at 147¾; London and Canada, 5 at 99½.

NEW YORK.

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

New York, March 14.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Amal. Copper	81	81¼	80¾	80¾
American Sugar	145	145¼	144¾	145¼
Amer. Locomotive	44¼	44¾	44⅛	44¼
American Foundry	36⅛	36¾	36½	36⅝
American Refining	98¾	102	98¾	101¾
Atchison, com	91¾	92	91⅛	91¼
Atchison, pfd	103⅜	103½	103⅜	103½
Baltimore & Ohio	110½	110½	110	110⅜
Brooklyn Transit	66⅞	67¼	66½	67
C. P. R.	147¾	148¼	147⅝	148¼
Ches. & Ohio	55⅞	56	55¼	56
Chicago G. Western	24¼	24⅜	24	24⅜
Chicago & Alton	42¾	..	..	..
Col. Fuel & Iron	54¼	54¾	53⅝	54¼
Delaware & Hudson	193¾	194¼	192	194
Erie	47¾	47⅞	47¼	47¾
Erie, pfd	82⅜	82⅝	82	82¼
Illinois Central	161½	162¼	161	161½
Kan. & Tex., com	33	..	..	..
Kan. & Tex., pfd	68¾	68¾	67¾	67¾
Louisville & Nash	144	144¼	142½	143¾
Manhattan	171¼	..	..	..
Metropolitan St. Ry	123¼	123¼	122⅝	122¾
Met. Securities	85½	85½	85	85
Mexican Central	25¼	25⅞	25¼	25¼
Missouri Pacific	110	110¼	109⅝	109⅞
N. Y. Central	164½	167¾	164½	166½
Norfolk & Western	87¼	87⅞	86¾	87¾
Ontario & Western	56¾	58⅞	56⅝	58⅝
Pennsylvania	147	147	145⅝	146¼
People's Gas	115½	118⅞	113	113¼
Reading	98½	98¾	97⅞	98½
Republic I. & S.	76½	76½	76¼	76¼
Rock Island	35⅞	35⅞	35⅛	35⅜
Southern Railway	36⅞	36⅞	36	36¼
Southern Ry., pfd	99½	99¾	99¼	99¼
Southern Pacific	70¼	70½	69¾	70¼
Southern Pac., pfd	118½	..	..	..
St. Paul	181⅞	183	181½	182¾
Soo Railway	117½	117½	117	117⅜
Texas	40⅛	40⅞	39¾	39⅞
Tenn. Coal & Iron	92½	92½	91½	91½
Union Pacific	135	135¾	134½	135⅝
U. S. Leather	12⅞	12⅞	12¼	12¼
U. S. Leather, pfd	106⅞	106⅞	106⅛	106⅛
U. S. Rubber	42	42	41¾	41¾
U. S. Steel	37	37	36⅝	36⅞
U. S. Steel, pfd	97⅛	97⅛	96⅞	96⅞
Wabash, com	23¼	..	..	..
Wabash, pfd	47	47⅛	47	47⅛
Wisconsin Central	24⅞	24⅞	24¾	24¾
Wis. Central, pfd	53⅞	54¼	53⅞	54¼

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

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

Chicago, March 14.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	...$1 12¾@1 14½	1 14½	1 12½	1 13⅛
July	93	93⅜	92⅜	93¼
September	87⅞	87	86¼	86⅞
Corn—				
May	49	49⅞	49	49¾
July	49	50	49	49⅞
Oats—				
May	31⅞	32¼	31¾	32⅛
July	31½	31¾	31⅜	31⅝
Pork—				
May	12 55	12 72	12 55	12 72
July	12 75	12 90	12 75	12 87
Lard—				
May	6 97	7 10	6 97	7 07
July	7 12	7 22	7 12	7 22
Short Ribs—				
May	6 80	6 90	6 80	6 87
July	7 00	7 02	6 97	7 02

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, March 11.—Live cattle are quoted at 10¾c to 12¼c per lb; refrigerator beef, 8c to 8⅜c per lb; sheep, 12c to 13c per lb.

HAY MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 11.—Baled Hay—Steady to easy, at $8 per ton for No. 1 timothy, and $7 for mixed and clover, on the track here.

Baled Straw—Car lots on track here are quoted unchanged, at $6 per ton.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 14.—There were 65 loads in today, including 989 cattle, 436 sheep and lambs, 700 hogs and 72 calves. Quotations:

Export cattle, choice, cwt	$4 50	@	$4 85
Export cattle, medium	4 25	@	4 40
Export bulls	3 50	@	4 00
Export cows	3 25	@	4 00
Butchers' cattle, choice	4 25	@	4 40
Butchers, medium	3 25	@	4 00
Butchers, common	2 75	@	3 40
Feeders, short-keep	3 75	@	4 00
Feeders, medium	3 60	@	3 85
Stockers	3 25	@	3 40
Stock bulls	2 00	@	3 00
Milch cows, choice, each	45 00	@	55 00
Milch cows, medium	30 00	@	40 00
Springers, each	30 00	@	40 00
Export ewes, cwt	4 50	@	5 12½
Export bucks	3 50	@	4 25
Sheep, mixed	3 50	@	4 50
Lambs, grain-fed	6 50	@	7 12½
Lambs, barnyard	5 50	@	6 50
Lambs, spring, each	4 00	@	8 00
Calves, each	2 00	@	10 00
Calves, cwt	3 50	@	6 00
Hogs, singers, off cars	6 00	@	6 00
Hogs, lights and fats	5 75	@	5 75

Export cattle seem to be selling fairly well; good butchers' cattle are steady and in demand, and medium and common are slow; milch cows are not selling so well.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, March 13.—No market at Deptford today; American cattle, 6¼d; Canadian, 5¾d.

Liverpool, March 13.—American cattle, 5¾d to 6d; Canadians, 5½d to 5¾d.

PRODUCE MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 14.—Wheat—Declines at Chicago and Winnipeg had a demoralizing effect here; sellers offer red and white at $1 02; spring, 97c to 98c; goose, 88c to 90c; Manitoba, some export trade, and prices are lower; No. 1 northern, $1 07; No. 2, $1 04; No. 3, 98c.

Flour—Dull; prices unchanged; 90 per cent patents, $4 40 to $4 50, in buyers' bags, east and 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—Unchanged, at $15 50 to $16 for bran in bulk, and $17 50 for shorts, west; Manitoba, $20 for shorts and $18 for bran for export.

Barley—Steady to 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—Nominal, at 73c to 74c for No. 2, f.o.b., outside.

Corn—Canadian firmer, at 46½c to 47c for yellow and 45½c to 46c for mixed, f.o.b., Chatham freights; American, No. 3 yellow, 55½c; mixed, 55c, on track at Toronto.

Oats—Offerings freer and prices easier; No. 2 are quoted unchanged, at 40c to 41c outside.

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

Peas—No. 2, 66c to 67c, west.

Buckwheat, 56c to 57c, west.

Butter—Receipts fair; demand good; prices unchanged.

Eggs—Steady, at 21c to 22c for new-laid, and 18c for limed.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, March 15.—Wheat — Spot nominal. Futures easy; March nominal; May, 6s 9¼d; July, 6s 9½d.

Corn—Spot steady; American mixed, new, 4s 3¾d; do old, 4s 11d. Futures quiet; March, 4s 3¾d; May, 4s 5¼d.

Peas—Canadian firm, 5s 10d.

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

Hops (in London)—Pacific coast quiet, £6 to £6 15s.

Beef—Firm; extra India mess, 71s 3d.

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

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, dull, 39s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, quiet, 36s 6d; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, steady, 37s 6d; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, firm, 37s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, steady, 36s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, steady, 35s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, easy, 36s; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, steady, 29s.

Lard—Steady; prime western, in tierces, 35s; American refined, in pails, 34s 9d.

Butter—Nominal.

Cheese—Firm: American finest white, 55s; do. colored, 53s.

Tallow—Prime city steady, 23c; Australian (in London) dull, 25s 3d.

Turpentine Spirits—Steady, 38s 9d.

Rosin—Common firm, 7s 6d.

Petroleum—Refined quiet, 6d.

Linseed Oil—Steady, 17s 6d.

Receipts of wheat during the past three days were 533,000 centals, including 73,000 American.

Receipts of American corn during the past three days, 259,200 centals.

Weather—Fair.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, N. Y., March 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 150 head; active and firm; prime steers, $5 35 to $5 75; shipping, $4 75 to $5 25; butchers, $4 40 to $5; heifers, $3 25 to $4 75; cows, $2 50 to $4 25; bulls, $2 75 to $4 25; stockers and feeders, $2 to $4 25. Veals—Receipts, 125 head; slow, $4 50 to $8 25.

Hogs—Receipts, 3,500 head; shade lower; heavy, $5 40; mixed, $5 37½ to $5 40; Yorkers, $5 30 to $5 40; pigs, $5 20 to $5 25; roughs, $4 50 to $4 80; stags, $3 to $3 50.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 5,000 head; slow; sheep steady, lambs 15c to 25c lower; native lambs, $6 50 to $8 40; western lambs, $8 to $8 25; yearlings, $7 to $7 25; wethers, $6 to $6 25; ewes, $5 75 to $6; sheep, mixed, $2 50 to $6.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, March 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000; market steady; good to prime steers, $5 25 to $6 25; poor to medium, $3 75 to $5; stockers and feeders, $2 60 to $4 65; cows, $2 75 to $4 60; heifers, $3 to $5; canners, $1 60 to $2 40; bulls, $2 50 to $4; calves, $3 to $7.

Hogs—Receipts, 18,000; market steady; mixed and butchers, $4 80 to $5 07½; good to choice heavy, $5 to $5 12½; rough heavy, $4 80 to $4 95; light, $4 80 to $5; bulk of sales at $4 90 to $5 05.

Sheep—Receipts, 18,000; steady; good to choice wethers, $6 60 to $6 10; fair to choice mixed, $4 75 to $5 40; native lambs, $5 to $7 60.

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THE STORY OF A WORTHLESS CHECK

Youth Acquitted of a Serious Charge—Bad-Mannered Man Sent to Jail.

A young man, who until a short time ago was employed in a bank in a northern town, came up in the police court this morning on a charge of having passed a worthless check upon a local stationery dealer. He pleaded not guilty to the charge, and Crown Attorney McKillop stated that he did not wish to have evidence taken upon the case, as he believed that the young man was not guilty of malicious wrongdoing. The magistrate agreed with the crown attorney, and said that the circumstances of the case were not such as would leave any stain upon his character. He had made out the check on the bank, having had an account there before, which he intended to renew. He also believed that if the check went through his friends at the bank would meet it temporarily for him. He had last gone to the dealer on whom the check was passed and offered to redeem it with ready money. The dealer did not consent to this, however. The magistrate concluded, that while the defendant was very indiscreet, his intentions were not criminal, and he honorably acquitted him of the charge.

Two men with a strong French accent were in the dock on charges of having been drunk. One of them was allowed to go, having never been in trouble here before, but the other one, who called himself James Nagle, had been very disorderly on the street, and had even insulted a lady who was passing. He was given the choice of a $5 fine or twenty days in jail. When the state of his finances became known it was found that he had no choice.

Simeon MacPherson was a man to attract some attention when he stood up on a charge of being a vagrant. In very intelligent language, he stated that he had come from St. Thomas way, and that he had spent all of his money to secure a room on the first night of his visit. As the hotel accommodation of the city was limited for such as he, he went to sleep at the Grand Trunk station, where he was arrested. The magistrate said that he would be glad to allow Mr. MacPherson to go if he had a place to go to, and on being given assurance that he had friends near St. Thomas, he was allowed to go.

Albert Summers, a burly man, whose hair grew so long in the lumber camps during the winter that he had a decided anarchistic appearance, was charged with being drunk and disorderly. He was unable to pay a fine of $10, and went to jail for 21 days.

JUDGMENT RESERVED

In the Assessment Case Against City Brought by P. E. Bucke.

A dispatch from Ottawa says: Philip E. Bucke, of Ottawa, formerly of London, Ont., is suing the corporation of London for a rebate of seven years' taxes on an income of $1,000, as superannuation allowance. Bucke belongs to the civil service. It was argued in his behalf before Judge MacTavish that the pension is a gratuity of delayed salary, and therefore should not be taxed as income. On the other hand it is argued that the decision of the court of revision and the county court judge in London against the plaintiff should not be interfered with. R. V. Sinclair appeared for the plaintiff and George F. Henderson and A. W. Green for the defendant. Judgment was reserved.

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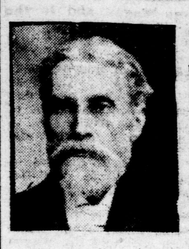
Pere Marquette Again Looking for Extension

Will Probably Lay a Proposition Before Port Stanley Board at Once.



Mayor Campbell on Monday afternoon had an informal interview with Supt. Pyatt and Trainmaster Cain, of the Pere Marquette regarding railway matters of the utmost importance. Supt. Pyatt told the mayor of certain important and much-needed improvements which the company intend to make to the road, but which to the Pere Marquette people appears should be made under an agreement to extend the lease of the L. and P. S. R. for a term of years. The lease held by the L. E. and D. R. R., through which the Pere Marquette operates the line, has but about nine or ten years to run, and naturally the P. M. does not feel like spending much money on so short a tenure.

After hearing all the officials had to say, his worship suggested that the matter be formally laid before the London and Port Stanley Railway board, and this the officials agreed to do shortly. When the proposition is received the mayor will call a special meeting of the board.

The officials also assured his worship that a first-class train service, both regular and excursion will be maintained over the Pere Marquette this summer, and everything that it is possible to do will be done to meet the wishes of the people of London.

ANOTHER ELECTION MUST TAKE PLACE

District No. 2 Will Have to Choose Successor to Councilor McLeod.

The county offices on Ridout street will close tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, out of respect for the memory of the late Simon McLeod, whose funeral is to be held in Parkhill at that hour. County Clerk Robson will be one of the pallbearers, who are to be chosen from among the immediate friends of the deceased. The clerk has notified all the councilors officially of the death of Mr. McLeod, and no doubt as many of them as possible will attend the funeral. They would attend in a body if it were possible to get them together in such a short time. The county officials are sending a beautiful floral wreath.

Another election will have to be held almost immediately in district No. 2 of Middlesex County, to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. McLeod's death. The law for the county is thus different from that relating to cities, a vacancy in whose council is filled by the defeated candidate obtaining the next highest number of votes. The law for the county states that if a vacancy occurs early in the year that it can be filled by an election before the June session, this action must be taken. If the vacancy occurs after or shortly before the June session, the vacancy remains unfilled until the next municipal election in January. In the present instance, Warden Piper and the county clerk have power to issue a warrant to the returning officer for No. 2 district for the holding of an election. This district includes East and West Williams and the town of Parkhill, its remaining representative is Mr. J. C. Macdonald.

PATRIOTIC BUT NOT JUDICIOUS

Magistrate Had to Fine Young Man Who Resented Insult to Canadians.

For resenting a slight that was placed upon Canada and Canadians by a "fresh" American auctioneer a young man had to pay a $2 fine in the police court this morning.

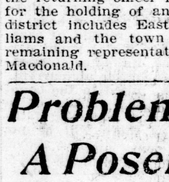
He went into a store on Richmond street the other night where several "wise" looking men were conducting a sale of clothing, silverware and other kinds of goods, which they claimed were from fine bankrupt stocks. As they tried to persuade the people who had gathered in the place to buy their goods the unwillingness of the latter to do so irritated them and finally one of the "barkers" made the assertion that Canada was a country of the thirteenth century and that the people were "dead ones."

The young man referred to took this remark to heart, and stuck up for his country by answering the auctioneer back in sharp terms. An argument arose and finally the young fellow had to be taken out by a policeman to prevent blows being struck. He would likely have been allowed to go, but he did not cool down and stood in front of the store and announced that he was open to all comers who tried to put Canada back into the dark ages. Finally his name was taken and he was summoned to appear in the police court this morning. He was a bright, nervy-looking sort of a chap—just the kind that one would expect to see resent an insult of any kind. He admitted that he had been disorderly and the magistrate was compelled to fine him $2.

"It's pretty hard to fine a man who sticks up for his country as you did, though," he commented.

Problems of Industries Is A Poser for Londoners Now

Manufacturers' Committee Has Hands Full Through Competition of Live Cities.



From all accounts it appears that Ald. Gerry, as chairman of the manufacturers' committee of the city council, has his work cut out for him if he intends to keep certain important industries in London, leaving out of the question the securing of new ones. Last year the committee did nothing. It was a committee in name only. Like all other branches of the city's service it was allowed to go to seed. And now this lethargy, this sleep of a year, is beginning to bear fruit. While London slept others were up and doing. Hamilton has been the most prominent of those who worked while London dozed. Consequently Hamilton is now securing industry after industry—one of them was taken away from London, viz., the Canada Tin Plate Decorating Company. Within a week Hamilton has secured the fine shaft manufacturing concern and a roller-bearing factory, the latter capitalized at $400,000. This good work did not come about in a day. It is merely the fruit of Hamilton's watchfulness last year.

And now London wrestles with the problem of losing the Dennis Wire and Iron Works. The special committee appointed by the general committee has as yet made no report, but it is expected that this will be done at once. What the committee will offer the Dennis people to remain in London is not known, but there is some talk of having local capitalists take stock in the company, the Dennis people to have the privilege of buying such stock at par on demand.

But this does not end the responsibilities of the manufacturers' committee. It is understood that outside places are after the new shoe factory of the Cook, Fitzgerald Company, of this city. This firm has had plans prepared for a factory which would cost in the neighborhood of $15,000, but it is understood that orders to let the contract have been canceled for the present. This factory was to begin work with 40 or 50 hands, and it was expected that at the close of the year not less than 100 hands would be employed on men's fine shoes. Mr. J. B. Cook, when seen by a reporter today, said that he could say nothing on the subject just now. He did say, however, that the firm will be manufacturing shoes as soon as possible, either in London or somewhere else. It is probable the manufacturers' committee will take this matter up at its next meeting.

What to do to induce industries to come to London is a poser for the committee, however. Without taking a vote of the people, the city can do scarcely anything. It is pointed out, however, that Stratford has guaranteed the bonds of certain factories, and that London may yet feel called upon to do the same or furnish free sites to worthy firms.

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A SECOND CHARGE AGAINST WESCOTT

Blackmailer Alleged to Have Extorted $25 From Mrs. Dart, London Junction.

John T. Wescott, the county constable who is in the county jail awaiting sentence for blackmail, practiced upon a farmer of London Township, comes before Squire J. B. Smythe this afternoon on a charge which, as anticipated, arose out of the other charge. It will be remembered that Wescott extracted $52 from the farmer by threatening to prosecute him for selling a diseased cow to a butcher. The latter is Thomas Dart, of Pottersburg, and it is said that he was also victimized by Wescott.

Mrs. Dart says that she gave Wescott two notes amounting to $25, when he threatened to bring action against Mr. Dart on the charge of buying diseased meat.

OUTFIT NEARLY WENT INTO RIVER

Exciting Runaway on Hill Street—Team and Driver Have Close Call.

A most spectacular runaway took place yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock, when a spirited team of horses belonging to a local livery, and attached to a sleigh-hack, narrowly escaped going over an embankment into the river at the foot of Richmond street.

Earlier in the day the team had been hitched to a hack on wheels, and the harness was taken in, as the horses do not require such a space as when they are attached to a sleigh. As a result, when in the afternoon they were sent out with a sleigh they were hitched too close. Nothing happened, however, until the driver, after taking his passengers to their home on Maitland street south, started for the barn. He went to turn onto Hill street, and as he did the runners struck a huge lump in the road, and the right horse was hit on the heels. The animal took fright and commenced to run. The moment it did so the sleigh commenced to strike the heels of both horses, and in a second the driver, a stout young fellow, found that the team was beyond control. He stuck to the seat and the team continued on their mad dash down Hill street, narrowly avoiding numerous collisions. They continued westerly until they came to the end of the street. Here a path runs from Clarence street to the foot of Richmond street, and it is used by pedestrians as a "short cut." Unable to turn the animals onto Clarence street, the driver pulled them on to the footpath, realizing that their speed must be checked here, and that by the time Richmond street was reached, they would have become quieted. The heavy hack swung from side to side as the team took the first few jumps on the path, and it was only by the merest chance that the team, hack and driver were not precipitated into the river, which flowed a distance of 30 feet below. The back runners once started to slip down the bank, but they were drawn back into level ground. The slight turn which they had taken, however, sent them crashing into a fence on the other side of the path. So great was the force of the collision that the driver was thrown twenty feet from his seat, and landed on another fence. He was uninjured, however. Nothing was damaged excepting the sleigh, the pole and whiffletrees of which were broken. The horses each received a few slight cuts on their hind legs.

BRICK IS VERY SCARCE ARTICLE

Little of It in the Local Yards—Building Operations Will Be Delayed.

There is a decided scarcity of brick in London at the present time, and because of this it is expected that building operations in the city will be slack until at least the 1st of May, and possibly until the middle of that month.

The local brickmakers have in their yards a limited quantity of brick made late in the fall, but this has long since been sold. Local contractors were the purchasers, but it so happens that some of them were too late to get any brick whatever, and they will simply have to wait for material until the yards commence operations. This will mean that a number of bricklayers and builders' laborers will have an enforced idleness at a season of the year when under usual conditions they would be steadily employed.

A leading brick manufacturer said today that the stock in the yards was very light and that more brick would not be available before the 1st of May. There appeared to be a scarcity of brick throughout the country, he added, for during the winter contractors in numerous towns and cities between Toronto and Windsor, had been telephoning to the London manufacturers asking for supplies and offering top prices. The manufacturers, however, had to refuse all applications, giving their London customers the preference. "We could have disposed of 400,000 brick outside," said the manufacturer referred to.

A member of the old Builders' Supply Company stated today that the company had been reorganized under the name of the Brick Manufacturing and Supply Company and that in a short time it would be manufacturing brick. The plant is rapidly nearing completion.

CONDENSED LOCAL NEWS

—Mr. John McLean has been booked by F. B. Clarke to sail for Scotland on the Allan Line steamer Mongolian.

—Miss Helen Tufts, secretary to Inspector Sanders, of the Charity Organization Society, is confined to her home with a severe cold.

—Miss Edna Bell left for St. Albans, Vermont, to be the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. Y. Martin. Before returning Miss Bell will visit New London and Boston.

—Chairman English, of the board of health, and Medical Health Officer Hutchinson leave for Ottawa at 6:35 this evening to attend the convention for the prevention of tuberculosis in Canada.

—Messrs. W. D. Stanley and A. L. Leitch, auditors for the county of Middlesex, yesterday completed the audit of the books and accounts of the council of 1904, and report that everything is in good shape. The auditors have been at work on this arduous task in the county treasurer's office since about Feb. 1.

Chairman Screaton and Mr. John Labatt, of the hospital trust, will represent the trust at the funeral of the late Mr. Simon McLeod at Parkhill tomorrow.

COSTLY NEW BRIDGE.

Tenders are being called by County Commissioner Talbot for the new bridge to be built across the Thames near Ingersoll. It is to be of steel and cement, of the most approved type, and will cost in the neighborhood of $4,500.

HOMES FOR CHILDREN.

During the past week Inspector Sanders has placed half a dozen children in good homes. There are now in the shelter in South London, 4 boys and 10 girls, a rather smaller number than usual. Recently there were 18 children in the shelter.

REV. H. C. SPELLER CALLED.

The members of Trinity Baptist Church, Guelph, have unanimously decided to invite Rev. H. C. Speller, now of Sarnia, to become their pastor. The salary offered is $1,100 a year. Mr. Speller is well-known in London, having been for several years pastor of Adelaide Street Church.

POLICE DO NOT KNOW HIM.

A dispatch from Woodstock says that James Finlay and Joseph Malone escaped from the police station there on Monday afternoon by springing the bars of their cell. They had been arrested for vagrancy. Finlay said he came from London, but the local police know nothing whatever of him.

TROUBLE IS ENDED