Stayed So Long Chauffeur Came Back Without Him.

DRIVER WANTED BRANDY

Tagney Declares He Will Get Receipt Next Time He Rides.

Next time Mike Tagney hires a taxi cab he is going to get a receipt for his money. He had some harsh words for taxi operators in general, and Ed. Kerr in particular, when he stepped into the witness box in police court. Tuesday morning to tell the magistrate the truth and nothing but the truth about a certain taxi ride he took on the evening of Sept. 20 lest. the evening of Sept. 20 last.

"I hired his taxi at the G. T. R., and he drove me over to Billy Bell's for a drink," said Tagney, when given an op-portunity to state his side of the case 'He bought the drink and then he drove me out home to Crumlin. He was to wait for me, because I had to ome back and see a man about a horse, but I guess he got sore and ran away from me, because he didn't get any brandy. I had no brandy to give

I might have said something to him about brandy in a joking way. I had a must have thought I had a barrel of

Figuring on the Brandy.

"T've been in London a long time and have never beaten any taxi driver, but they have beaten me. I paid this man \$2.50 to take me out, but nothing was said about coming back. I guess he was kind of figuring on the brandy. However, he beat it and I had to walk into town. When Kerr was giving his evidence

Mike insisted on interrupting, and the court finally became so annoyed that Tagney was threatened with a cold dark cell if he didn't keep quiet.
"He said he was going to give me

bottle of brandy when I got out there," said Kerr, who couldn't explain to the satisfaction of the court how came to give Tagney \$1 when the latter was supposed to owe him \$5.
"If you are Cickering with this man
for liquor, you won't get any satisfac-

on here," said Magistrate Bartlett.

Will Get a Receipt
"I drove him out to Crumlin" continued Kerr, "after we had a bottle of beer and he told me he was going to treat me right and give me a bottle of brandy. I waited outside the house from 9:30 o'clock till 11, but he never came STAGE CONCERT back, so I drove back to town.

But why did you give him \$1?" questioned the court. I don't understand myself why I did and that's the truth, so help me,'

"I don't know what to make of this New Organization of Egerton Tansaction," said the court.
"Tagney, you will have to pay this man \$2.50 for his trip back to the city.

You apparently owe him that "
"All right, but I'll get a receipt for the next drive I take," stated Tagney.

Chief Birrell spoke a few words in behalf of the prisoner, and stated that a warrant had been issued for his arrest after his failure to appear in court. Tagney was arrested Monday night.

### PRESBYTERY HOLD MONTHLY SESSION

#### Discuss Question of Visiting Out-of-Town Patients in Hospital.



### Make Shaving a Pleasure With Cuticura Talcum

eap 25c. Ointment 25 and 50c. Talcus hroughout the Dominion. Canad

## Eats for Christmas Dinner Same Price as Last Year OF BANKS WILL

thought brings of stalwart gobblers who season, being 35 cents a pound last year were always pompous as they strutted, kings of the farmyard, and who main-Hired Car To Go To Crumlin, tain their dignity right to the day more than last. when they are brought, legs in air, to A quick survey of grocery stores rethe Christmas table, and the smallest vealed the fact that those ingredients male member of the family scarce able which go to make up the delectable to move with eyes bulging after an astonishing gourmandic performance, pronounces R. I. P. over the remains.

Paterfamilias who would after the remains.

University Authorities Ex-

tend Appreciation to the

Chamber of Commerce.

At the directors' meeting of the

Chamber of Commerce Tuesday letters

were read from Dean Fox of the arts faculty of Western University and Col

Brown, executive secretary of the uni-

versity, thanking the members for the work done in connection with the uni-

A letter was received from the The dore Roosevelt International Highway

Association regarding the marking of

operation from the membership com

supervision of the teachers.

versity bylaw.

Paterfamilias who must struggle with the bugbear H. C. of L., will find on going to purchase the traditional bird identical in price with last year. Christmas fruits and nuts are alm

that they are the same as last year, 50 to 55 cents per pound.

Geese are cheaper this year. They also the same as last year. In the cafes turkey dinners will bring from 85 to 90 cents per plate, which is

#### EXPRESS THANKS \$5,000 Damage Caused FOR "U" SUPPORT by Bomb Explosion in New York City

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Damage the explosion early today of omb which had been thrown of aced in the hallway of a buildon Grand street. The scene of the explosion was only one block from police headquarters, and the concussion gave officers there a scare, as they believed for a few minutes that threats to bomb Wall street had been carried out

#### the highway that extends from Port-land, Me., to Portland, Ore. It was the the highway that extends from Port-land, Me., to Portland, Ore. It was the intention to mark this highway right GRABS TURKEY, across Canada, but the provincial gov-ernment objected, and will only allow it marked at Niagara Falls and Wind-ESCAPES FROM sor No decision has yet been reached by the directors regarding the Made-in-Canada train for the tour of France but it is hoped that some arrangement will soon be reached. A recommendation will be sent t

whereby immigrants coming to London from seaboard can be accommodated Bird. the same as in Toronto. Immigrants

arriving at Toronto are house free o charge, and consequently more settle around that district than anywhere FARMERS REPORT THEFTS

else. It is requested that London be given the same chance in this re-spect. Capt. Watt reported several Chased by County Constable Alex. Shaver through the down-town section new names of members, and stated that he was getting 100 per cent co-Shaver through the down-town section of the city Tuesday morning, a turkey thief made good his escape from the clutches of the law shortly after 11 o'clock by mingling with the crowds at the Grand Trunk depot. However, Mr. Shaver says he knows the man, and he will spend Christmas Day in the good old county jail.

Citizens who were on the line of travel from the market square to the Grand Trunk via King, Richmond and all shift than a malgamation and as in-

to be forthcoming.

Special features of the program were numerous dialogues and choruses rentered by the classes of the school under to talk for publication at the present to talk for publication at the publicatio time, stating that it will all come out

MRS. MARY MCATEER DIES.
The death took place in St. Joseph's cast of zero temperatures as far south to strengthen the swheter Mary McAteer of this city. Besides her husband, Mrs. McAteer is survived by one son, John, and one daughter, Nora.

MRS. ANN SHOPLAND DIES.
The death took place at the family residence, 439 Quebec street, Monday of Mrs. Ann Shopland 44 years old of Mrs. Ann Shopland 45 years old of Mrs. Ann Shopland 46 years old of Mrs. Ann Shopland 46 years old of Mrs. Ann Shopland 47 years old of Mrs. Ann Shopland 47 years old of Mrs. Ann Shopland 47 years old of Mrs. Ann Shopland 48 years old of Mrs. Ann Shopland 49 years old of Mrs.

sugar market was unchanged with no sales. Spot centrifugal, 3.67c and later deliveries 3.60c for uncontrolled, while the committee quoted old crop Cubas at 24c cost and freight, equal to 3.86c. Raw sugar futures were quiet. Prices were one point higher to one point net lower at noon.

There was no change recorded in real control of the control of th

# SURE MERGER **MEET SUCCESS**

Date.

OTTAWA, Dec. 19 .- That ratification

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of the Thornton, Davidson Brokerage 

tated that things were beginning to lettuce, per doz.

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do, dried, bu...... The October bank statement showed no impairment in the Merchants Bank reserve, though such impairment must at that time have been known. The financing of the wheat crop this year, both owing to lower prices and speedier movements, was easier for the banks movements, was easier for the banks than for many years past. It would therefore appear that the bank's position was due to heavy eastern speculation other than that involved in the Thornton Dayldson enterprise.

AT HOPE MISSION

Citizens who were on the line of travel from the market square to the Grand Trunk via King, Richmond and able than amalgamation and as involving less responsibility upon the government.

New Organization of Egerton

Street Baptist Church

Hold Christmas Festival.

The Hope Baptist Sunday School held their Christmas concert Monday in inght at the Hope Church, Westminster Township, a mission of Egerton Street Baptist Church, organized only three months ago, and having since that time made very rapid strides.

The talent, which was largely local, was supplemented by entertainers from the city church.

Special features of the program were bumpones disclosured and floruses ren.

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The bank, so far as can be seen could only mend the situation by increasing its capital, and for a bank to government.

The thief skidded dangerously as he took the corner of York and Richmond and became so excited that he threw his ranged overcoat over the fence with a perfectly good bird which he had obtained on the market. He vanished into the Grand Trunk station, and here the guardian of the law and fifty or more followers ran into a snag, for the poultry expert had apparently vanished into thin air.

It is said that the man disposed of \$44 worth of turkeys to a couple of buyers here last week, and that more were to be forthcoming.

Mr. Sheetal features of the program were bumpones disclosured in the market square to the do, dairy, lb. 40 to do, comb. 38 to do, comb. 40 to Dairy Products, Retail—Honey, 5-lb, pails. 80 to do, comb. 40 to do, comb. 40 to Dairy Products, Westell—Honey, 5-lb, pails. 80 to do, comb. 40 to do, comb. 40 to Dairy Products, Westell—Honey, 5-lb, pails. 80 to do, comb. 40 to do, comb.

MAY OPPOSE BANK MERGER.

the supervision of the teachers.

Mr. Murray's class of young men put on a dialogue which was much appreciated.

Mrs. White's class of young ladies gave a dialogue entitled "The Love of a Bonnet."

The primary class sang a chorus under the leadership of Mrs. North.

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GOLD AND SILVER

London, Dec. 20.—Closing: Bar silver, 25% deper ounce.

CUT STEEL JEWELRY.

Paris.—The latest fashion in jewelry here consists of cut steel buckles.

# FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

# GEESE FIND READY

Geese were in abundance, and sold

readily at 25@30c per lb.

Ducks were slower, prices being quoted at from 25@28c per lb.

It is not recorded that any of the prospective members of the incoming government were consulted, but to the new administration will fall the responsibility of ratifying the final merger.

Securities Not Hindrance.

It is held here that a mere impairment of reserve would not prevent a bank from carrying on, providing that the impairment did not exceed, say, 50 per cent. It has been held that the losses sustained by the Merchants Bank were due primarily to the failure of the Thornton, Dayidson Brokerage of the Thornton, Dayidson Brokerage over the mrice was noted; now quoted and the incoming per ton.

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Straw, per ton.... 10 00 to

Butter, creamery, lb. 40 to do, dairy, lb..... 42 to do, crocks, lb..... 40 to

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CANADIAN STOCKS

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## DISTRICT MARKETS

SALE ON MARKET

ST. MARYS.

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To Plan Until Later Date.

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#### LIVE STOCK

OTTAWA, Dec. 19.—That ratification of the proposed merger between the Bank of Montreal and the Merchants Bank is inevitable, is the opinion in official circles here. Had it not been, Sir Henry Drayton and the outgoing government would never have granted preliminary leaver for the carrying on of the necessary negotiations for the consummation of the absorption. It is possible that the finance minister was in fuller possession of the facts regarding the selling bank's condition than is the public. In any case, the question was thoroughly canvassed in council, and while averse to taking responsibility in the matter, it was decided that the only ocurse possible in the public interest was to grant preliminary sanction.

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Quotations: Choice, \$11613; medium, \$8 @10; common, \$3@6.

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Milch Cows-Caoice, each, \$80@160; springers, choice, \$90@110.
Sheep-Receipts, 459. Lambs are seling a shade better at \$10.50@11. Handy weight sheep sell up to \$5.75. One thou-sand lambs are left over from yester-Quotations: Ewes, \$1 50@5 75;

day. Quotations: Ewes, 3130/2378. lambs, \$10@11.

Hogs-Receipts, \$20. Hogs are steady at \$10 50@10 75, fed and waterel. Quotations: Selects. \$10 50@10 75; light. \$9 50@9 75; heavy, \$8 50@8 75; sows,

quality; mixed, \$7@7 25; yorkers, \$7 50@ 775; light yorkers and pigs, \$7 75@8; oughs. \$5 25. Sheep and Lambs-Receipts, 4,200 slow; lambs 25c lower at \$5@10.75 others unchanged.

#### FLOUR

TORONTO, Dec. 19 .- Manitoba flour-

### HAY

TORONTO, Dec. 19.—Baled hay—On raék Toronto, carlots; extra No. 2, per on, \$22; mixed, \$18. Straw—Carlots: per ton, \$12.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Hay, steady; No. 1, per ton, \$27@29; No. 2, \$25@27; shipping, \$21@23.

31/2%

### TORONTO STOCKS

stocks, Brazilian, C. P. R. and Steamship preferred holding within narrow limits.

In the unlisted section 50 shares of Lyall changed hands at 33%, as com-Lyall changed names ... pared with 41 yesterday. High. Low. Noon.

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### MONTREAL STOCKS

Montreal, Dec. 20.-The local stock exchange was strong during the first half hour this morning, and several fractional advances were recorded. Abitibi and Canada Steamships were both unchanged at 30% and 15 resp tively. Dominion Bridge advanced to 691/2c. Laurentide also registered point gain at 73. Breweries were un-changed. Bank of Montreal sold at 21: this morning. This issue recently sold

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East Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 850; dull. Calves—Receipts, 7,200; slow for good

On track Toronto, cash prices; first patents, \$7.40; second patents, \$6.90. Ontario flour—30 p.c. patent, deliv-ered, in bulk seaboard, \$5. MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 19.—Flour un-hanged. Shipments, 40,375 barrels.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Flour steady; spring patents, \$6.50@7; spring clears \$4.50@5.20; hard winter straights, \$5.50 @5.80; soft winter straights, \$6@6.50.

Toronto, eDc. 20 .- The local stock exchange was without any particular feature this morning, the most active

The bank section was quiet, with Imperial Bank losing 2½ points on sales of 34 shares. Transactions in bank stocks were light. Bonds quiet.

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Excs—Higher; receipts, 2,823 cases, firsts, 48c to 50c. ence contributed to the further strengt of foreign exchange.

### Chicago, Dec. 20.—Provisions reflect ed steadiness of the hog market. MONEY. New York, Dec. 20.—Sterling ex-change steady. Demand Great Britain

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NEW YORK STOCKS New York, Dec. 20-Wall Street, 1 .m.-Speculative issues featured

### OILS

constructive side of the stock mark at the opening of today's session, whi investment shares continued their i

### Liverpool, Dec. 20 .- Turpentine Spirit

Resin-Common, 16s 6d. Petroleum—Refined, 1s 4d. War Kerosene—No. 2, 1s 5d.