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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Stock, etc., Feb. 28-J. W. Jones.

Latest Financial News by Mail and Telegraph.

London Money Market. LONDON, Feb. 18—12:30 p.m.—Consols, 104 11-16 for money, 104‡ for account; Mexican 17½; Mexican Central, 59; St. Paul, 56½; Erie. seconds. 10½; Facific Central, 51½; kteading, 5½; Canadina Pacific, 50; New York Central, 101‡; Illinois Central, 88; Bank of England rate, 2 per cent; open market discount. 14

Montreal	Stock	Market.	
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Duluth Railway, pr	referred	10	7
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Grand Trunk Ry.,			-
Commercial Cable	Compan	y146	1453
Wabash			-
Wabash preferred.			-
Montreal Telegral	ph Co	160	1577
Rich, and Ont. Na	vigation,	ex-div 95	94
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Montreal Street Ra	ilway, ne	w 185	1841
Montreal Gas Com			192
Bell Telephone Co	mpany	156	155
Bell Telephone, ne			-
Royal Electric		146	140
Bank of Montreal		2201	2194
Toronto Street Rail	way	734	73
Ontario Bank x d			-
Banque du Peuple	x d	120	115
Motsons Bank		175	170
Bank of Torosto.	••••	245	239
Banque Cartier			-
Merchants Bank.		167	164
Merchants Banko	Hanfax.		157
Union Bank			101
Bank of Commerce		138	135
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6 at 2:0; Ontario Bank, 20 at 90; Merchan Bank, 26 at 174. Toronto Stock Market, TORONTO, Feb. 18. Montreal......221 Ontario 98
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 Standard
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 Western Assurance
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 Canada Life
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 Confederation Life
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 Consumers Gas
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 Toronto Street Railway
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 Dominion Telegraph
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 SALES-Com. Cable, 25 at 1452; Toronto S.reet. 25 at 73.

New York Stock Market. NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Stocks steady.

COMMERCIAL.

Local Market.

Reported by A. M. Hamilton & Son LONDON, Feb. 18. The receipts were light. Oats sold at 88c; barley, for feeding, at 82c; wheat, red fall, 97c per cental; hay in fair supply and demand at \$8 to \$9 per ton. Quotations:

\$8 to \$9 per ton. Quotations:			
GRAIN.			
Wheat, white, fall. 100 lbs\$	95	to	1 00
Wheat, red. fall, per 100 lbs	95	to	88
Wheat, spring, per 100 lbs	95	to	95
Oats, per 100 lbs	87	to	90
Peas, per 100 ibs	95	to	1 02
Corn. per 100 lbs	85	to	87
Bariey, per 100 lbs	75	to	85
Rye, per 100 lbs	90	to	90
Buck wheat, per 100 ibs	80	to	85
Beans, per bu	80	to	1 20
HAY AND SEEDS.			
	8 50	to	9 50
Straw. per load	00	to	3 00
Clover seed, red. per bu	75	to	5 90
Cloverseed, Alsike, per bu 4	00	to	5 50
Timothy seed, per bu	75	to	3 00
Hungarian seed, per bu	80	to	90
Millet seed, per bu	70	to	80
PROVISIONS			
Fggs fresh single doz	23	to	25
Eggs, fresh, basket, per doz	20	to	23
Togs, fresh, store lots, per doz_	14	te	15
Rogs, packed, per doz	12	to	12
Rutter, single rolls, per lb	20	to	20
Butter. per lb. 1 lb rolls, baskets	16	to	18
Butter, per ib. large rolls or			
eroc 25	14	to	18
Butter, per lb. tub or firkins	10	to	16
Lerd, per 1b	8	to	9
Ducks, per pair	40	to	70
Chickens, per pair	30	to	50
Turkeys, per lb, 6c to 7c; each	50	to	1 50
Honey, per lb	9	to	10
VEGETABLES AND FRU			75
Apples, per bag	30	to	1 00
Pears	75	to	1 50
Caulificwers, per dozen	50	to	60
Potatoes, per bag	50	to	25
Carrots. per bu	20	to	25
Turnips, per ba	30		40
Parsnipe, per bu		to	535 / S / C (198 <u>5 - 19</u> 55.
Pumpkins, per dos	50	to	1 00
Otrong per doz	50	to	75
Deate mer doz bunches	20	to	20
Padishes ner doz bunches	20	to	25
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YOU KEEP CHICKENS?

If they don't lay eggs, come to us, we sell a special food to make them lay. A. M. HAMILTON & SON, 373 Talbot Street.

> Toronto Market. TORONTO, Feb. 18,

Market dull.

FIOUR—No movement reported and prices nominally unchanged.

WHEAT—Cars of white and red were obtainable at 68c west, or at 59c on Northern; Manitoba sold at 79½c for No. 1 hard lying west, or at 82c for grinding in transit.

OATS—White offered at 30c west, and not to ken.

taken.

BARLEY—A lot of 5,000 bu of No. 1 lying west sold at 50c. and choice No. 2, that is 50 lbs weight, would probably have brought 47c.

PEAS—No movement reported, but buyers could have been found at 54c west and north, with offerings few, and these few held at least least least.

Petrolea Oil Market. PETROLEA, Feb. 18.—Oil opened and closed at

Montreal Produce Market

Montreal Produce Market

Montreal. Feb. 18.

FLOUR—Receipts, 2,200; the market quiet and unchanged: Patents. winter. \$3 40 to \$3 50; do. spring. \$2 30 to \$2 45; straight roller, \$0 00 to \$0; extra. \$0 00 to \$0 00; superfine. \$7 00 to \$0 00; strong bakers, \$3 50 to \$3 75; Ontario bags, \$1 30 to \$1 40.

GRAIN—Wheat No. 2 Manitoba hard. 73c to 75c; corn. 56c to 58c; peas. 67c to 68c; oats, 38c to 39c; barley. 53c to 55c; rye, 50c to 52c.

MEAL—Oatmeal, \$175 to \$1 85; cornmeal, \$1 30 to \$1 40.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork. \$14 00 to \$15 00; lard, 8c to 10c; bacon, 10c to 11c; hams, 9c to 10c; cheese. 9c to 10c; butter, townships, 15c to 17c; Western, 12c to 14c; eggs, 12c to 14c.

English Markets.

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LONDON, Feb. 18. (Beerbohm's Report by Cable.)

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Wheat off coast steady; passage, nominally unchanged; English country markets quiet, steady; corn off coast, quiet, passage firmer; sale 1; Bessarabia loading 20s 10½d.

Liverpool—Spot wheat steady; demand moderate; holders offer sparingly; futures dull; R. W., 4s 6d Feb.; 4s 6½d March; 4s 6½d April; 4s 7½d May; 4s 7½d June; corn, spot, firm; demand moderate; futures dull; American, 4s ½d Feb; 4s ½d March; 4s ½d April; 4s 1d May, June and July; flour, 15s; peas, 5s. July; flour, 15s; peas, 5s.

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Spring	5 34	5 4	5	31	5	4	5	34	5	4
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Buffalo Barley Market. Buffalo Barley Market.

Buffalo. N. Y.. Feb. 15.—Barley—Although the demand here is very light, holders are in a very comfortable position. 'The amount for sale is limited, and owners instead of wishing to meet buyers' views are inclined to tack on another cent, especially for desirable lots. From Canada reports are that barley is well cleaned up, but there are several lots here which do not move at figures quoted. Quoted; No. 1 western, 63c; No. 2 western, 61c; sample, 59c; No. i Canada, 65c; No. 2 extra, 63c; No. 3 extra, 60c to 61c; State, 65c to 63c; Chevalier, 63c to 64c.

Chicago Exchange. Reported by C. E. Turner, broker. Molsons Bank Buildings. 'Phone 1078. Feb. 18-1 p.m.

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		Open.	High.	Low.	Close.		
WHEAT.	_May	52	523	52	521		
********	July	63	534	523	534		
CORN-	May	441	416	431	445		
COILM-	July	437	441	431	444		
OATS-	May	281	29	281	29		
	July						
PORK-	May	10 07	10 30	10 07	10 30		
LARD-	Jan			::::	****		
	May	6 50	6 55	6 50	6 55		
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		TOLUDO, Feb. 18.					

WHEAT-Quiet; 53c cash and Feb.; 534c May: 54te July. CORN—12c nom. cash; 43te May. OATS—31}c cash.

DETROIT, Feb. 18.
WHEAT-No, 1 white, 55c bid cash; No. 2
red, 53c bid cash; 53c bid May; 54c July. MILWAUKEE, Feb. 18. WHEAT-523c cash; 533c asked May.

WHEAT—52½c cash; 53½c asked May.

NEW YORK. Feb, 16.

FLOUR—Receipts, 15,000 packages; exports, 3,000 bbls; sales, 3,300 packages; steady; Winter wheat—Low grades, \$1 90 to \$2 30; do, tair to fancy, \$2 35 to \$2 75; do patents, \$2 60 to \$3; Minnesota clear, \$2 25 to \$4 60; do, straights, \$3 to \$3 25; do, patents, \$3 25 to \$4; low extras, \$1 90 to \$2 30; city mills, \$3 20 to \$3 35; do, patents, \$4 to \$4 15; rye flour steady, \$2 55 to \$3; buckwheat flour, \$170 to \$1 80.

BUCKWHEAT—50c to 55c. CORNMEAL—Steady; yellow western, \$2 80 to \$2 90. RYE-Nominal; western, 50c to 57c. BARLEY-Quiet; western, 63c to 66c; No. 2

Milwaukee, 64c.
BARLEY MALT — Dull; Canada country-BARLEY MALT — Dull; Canada country-made, 80c to 90c; western, 65c to 75c; two-rowed State, 70c to 72½c; six-rowed do, 73c to 75c.

PEAS—Canada, nominal.

WHEAT—Receipts, 13,000 bu; exports, 32,000 bu; sales, 1,490,000 bu futures; 112,000 bu spot; spots stady. No. 2 red, store and elevator, 56c;

spots steady; No. 2 red. store and elevator, 36c; afloat, 57%c; f. o. b., 57%c to 58%c; ungraded red, 56c to 58c; No. 1 northern, 65%c to 66%c; options weak; No. 2 red, March, 56%c; May. 57%c; June, 57%c; July, 58%c; Aug., 58%c; Sept., 58%c; Dec., CORN-Receipts, 1,300 bu; exports, 20,000 bu;

CORN—Receipts, 1,300,bu; exports, 20,000 bu; sales, 170,000 bu futures; 5,000 bu spot; spots easier; No. 2,48½c elevator; 50c afloat; steamer mixed. 48c to 48½c; options weak; Feb., 48c; May, 48½c; July, 48¾c.

OATS—Receipts, 31,000 bu; exports, 162,000; sales, 20,000 bu future: 21,000 bu spot; spots dull; options weaker; Feb., 33½c; March, 33½c; May, 33c; spot No. 2, 33½c to 34c; No. 2 white, 37c to 37½c; No. 2 Chicago, 35c; mixed western. 34c to 35c; white do, 3%c to 4½c; white State, 5%c to 4½c.

34c to 35c; white do, 38c to 41½c; white State, 38c to 41½c.

FEED BRAN-85c to 90c.

MIDDLINGS-90c to \$1.

RYE FEED-85c to 87½c.

HAY-Quiet; 70c to 75c.

HOPS-steady; 3c to 11c.

BEEF-Quiet; family, \$9.75 to \$12; extra mess, \$7.50 to \$8.25.

CUT MEATS-Steady; pickled bellies, 5½c to 5½c; pickled shoulders, 4½c; pickled hams, 7½c to 8½c; middles, quiet; short clear, \$5.80.

LARD-Weak; \$6.821-2.

PORK-Steady; old mess, \$11.25 to \$12.

BUTTER - Quiet; State dairy, 10c to 18c; do creamery, 13c to 19c; western dairy, 10c to 15c; to 14c; rolls, \$c to 15c; Elgins, 24c; imitation creamery, 10c to 18c held; creamery, 11c to 19c.

CHEESE-Fancy firm; large, 9c to 11½c; do fancy colored, 11½c to 111-2c; do white, 10½c to 11c; do small, 91-2c to 12c; part skims, 3c to CHRASH—Fancy firm; large, 3c to 114c; do fancy colored, 114c to 111-2c; do white, 103c to 11c; do small, 91-2c to 12c; part skims, 3c to 84c; full skims, 14c to 14c.

EGGS—Steady; State and Pennsylvania, 26c; refrigerator, 18c to 21c; western fresh, 254c; limed, 16c to 19c.

TALLOW—Steady; city, 44c; country, 48c to 48c.

Age.

PETROLEUM—Nominal; refined, New York, \$6 05; do in bulk, \$3 50 to \$3 55.

POTATOES—Firm; New York, \$1 52 to \$2 50.

RICE—Firm; 41c to 6c.

MOLASSES—Firm; 28c to 28\frac{2}{3}c.

COFFEE—Options dull; sales, 500 bars, in cluding May, \$14 55; spot Rio steady, 16\frac{1}{3}c.

SUGAR—Steady; quiet: standard "A,"3\frac{3}{3}c to 3 15-16c; confectioners "A," 3\frac{2}{3}c to 3 15-16c; confectioners "A," 3\frac{2}{3}c to 4 9-16c; powdered, 4c to 4 3-16c; granulated, 3\frac{2}{3}c to 4 1-16c.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 15.

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WHEAT—Spring wheat—Limits are easy on round lots but firm for ear lots; demand light. Sales: 14 cars No. 1 hard at 64½ to 64½c; closing, No. 1 hard. 64½ to 64½c; No. 1 northern, new, 63½ to 65½c; do old. 64½c. Winter wheat—Dull and weak: No. 2 red, 55½c; No. 2 white, 55½c on track; No. 2 red, 55½c; No. 1 white, 55½c asked in store.

bu; corn, 12,000 bu]

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.

Wheat weak, the heavy buying of yesterday not having sustained prices today was the main reason why holders disposed of their property. Corn weak: each decline in wheat was succeeded by one in corn. The net loss for the day, however, not being quite so great. Oats—Values did not suffer quite as seriously, however, although there was nothing of encouragement in the market.

Estimated receipts for Monday: Wheat. 30 cars, corn 325 cars, oats 234 cars, nogs, 41,000 head. Estimated receipts of hogs next week, 175,000.

THE LEADING FUTURES CLOSED: WHEAT-No. 2 Feb., 498c; May, 528c; July,

CORN-No. 2 Feb., 423c; May, 413c; July,

CORN—No. 2 Feb., 42½c; May, 21½c; June, 28½c.

44c to 44c.

OATS—No. Feb., 27½c; May, 28½c; June, 28½c.

MESS PORK—May, \$10 15.

LARD—May, \$6 55.

SHORT RIHS—May, \$5 72½.

CASH QUOTATIONS:

Flour easy; No. 2 spring wheat, 52½c to 55½c; No. 2 red, 49½c to 56c; No. 2 corn, 42½c; No. 2 oats, 28c to 38c; No. 2 rye, 52½c; No. 2 No. 2 oats, 28c to 38c; No. 2 rye, 52½c; No. 2 harley, 54c; mess pork, \$10 to \$12 50; lard, \$6 50 to \$6 52 1.2c; short ribs sides, \$5 10 to \$5 15; dry salted shoulders, \$4 62½ to \$4 75; short clear sides, \$5 40 to \$5 45.

Receipts—

Shipments— 12.693 Wheat..... 3,000 59,000 Oats...... 119.000 4,319 Barlev..... 5,571 Corn Live Stock Markets.

EAST BUFFALO.

EAST BUFFALO. N. Y.. Feb. 16.—Cattle—Receipts, 63 cars through, 2 on sale; market steady to firm, with good cattle held for stronger prices. Run light and prospects good.

Hogs—Receipts, 18 cars through 15 cars on sale; market 5c to 10c higher for Yorkers and light grades, steady for others. Yorkers, \$4 20 to \$4 25; mixed packers, \$4 25 to \$4 30; good mediums, \$4 30; Chicago heavy, \$4 30 to \$4 35; roughs, \$3 50 to \$3 75; stags, \$3 to \$3 25.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 19 cars through, 48 on sale. Market full and easy for sheep, strong to 25c higher for good lambs. Choice prime lambs, \$5 75 to \$5 99; good, \$5 25 to \$5 66; common to fair, \$4 40 to \$5 15; mixed Chicago to extra sheep, \$3 90 to \$4 25, fair to good, \$3 25 to \$3 75; culls and common, \$2 to \$2 75; export grades slow and easy; prime wethers, \$4 to to

CHICAGO. Ill., Feb. 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 1, 000: market steady; common to extra steers, \$3 40 to \$5; stockers and feeders. \$2 40 to \$4; cows and bulls. \$1 50 to \$4; calves. \$2 50

o \$5 75. Hogs—Receipts, 22,000: market strong, and 50 Hogs—Receipts, 22,000: market strong, and 5c higher; heavy, \$3 95 to \$1 24; common to choice mixed, \$3 75 to \$4 20; choice assorted, \$4 to \$4 10; light, \$3 75 to \$4: pigs, \$2 5) to \$3 90. Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 1,500; market s'eady; inferior to choice, \$2 50 to \$4 25; lambs, \$3 25 to \$5 40.

NEW YORK
NEW YORK. Feb. 16.—Beeves—Receipts, 1,068
head: market weak: city dressed native sides
slow at 71c to 9c per lb for ordinary to choice.
Calves—Receipts, 67 head; market weak at
\$6 75 to \$7 75 for medium to choice veals;
dressed calves quiet and barely steady.
Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 3,270 head;
demand fair, and good stock firm; other grades
steady; poor to rood sheep sold at \$2 37 1-2c to
\$4 625 per cwt; inferior to extra prime lambs \$4 621 per cwt; inferior to extra prime lambs at \$4 to \$625; dressed mutton steady at 7c to 9c; dressed lambs selling at 8c to 10c; choice 9c; dressed lambs selling at 5c to 10c, elected carcasses at 10 1-2c.

Hogs—Receipts, 7,487 head; market weak and lower at \$1 40 to \$4 55 per cwt; country dressed weak at 5c to 7ac for good heavy to light hogs pigs included.

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Girl with galore Of the new woman's wiles. Is it simply propinquity. To real catholicity In the feminine mind? The fascination Of woman's beauty. In raiment dainty, Graced by enchantment Of radiant vivacity-

The joyful gaiety Of a pure, happy heart? Or is it only The siren's song, The coquette's wrong Use of God's gifts to your sex? No! Perish the thought! 'Tis not any of these.

It's your womanly way. Subtle, sweet, lovely, Outwitting a fay In the worldly-wise witchery Of a daughter of Eve. F. HOWARD ANNES.

LOCAL BREVITIES. -Society is preparing for Lent with a

rush of social events. -Inspector Bell wishes to acknowledge the receipt of \$1 from "a friend," for the relief of the poor. -The pulpit of Rev. Dr. Hannon, of St.

Thomas, was filled on Sunday by Rev. Edwin Holmes, of this city. -High Constable Schram is recovering very slowly from his critical illness. The appointment of a substitute high constable

-Lieut. Ben. Shaw-Wood, of this city. has just passed a most creditable examination in the rank of colonel at the Quebec

Artilly School. -Inspector Bell is issuing the statute labor and dog tax notices for 1895. Only six or seven of last year's statute labor assessments are unpaid.

-When sending communications to the treasurer of the East Middlesex Reform Association address them to Wentworth F. McGuffin, Box 10, Thorndale. -Mr. Ed. and Mrs. Cleghorn, of 410 Dufferin avenue, leave tonight on a trip to

health. -Mr. John Phillips, of 26 Gunn street, asked in store.

-RYE—Dull: No. 2. 54c asked.

-RYE—Dull: assy and unchanged.

MI' LFEED—Quiet and steady: unchanged.

Mi' LFEE -Mr. John Phillips, of 26 Gunn street,

which was greatly improved for some time. He was 27 years of age.

-Rev. Mr. Lanceley preached last even-ing in the Hill Street Mission Church. After the services the rite of baptism was administered to nine persons. The church was crowded to the doors.

-Mr. John McMillan, M.P., South Huron, and Mr. W. H. Taylor, M.P.P., North Middlesex, were in the city Saturday. They attended a number of Farmers' Institute meetings in Middlesex last week. -Amherstburg Leader: Mrs. J. R. Gillean and her sons, Steve and Charlie, have been visiting in London for a week past. They are expected home Saturday evening, and it is very probable that Mr. John Gillean will accompany them for few days' visit here.

-About 35 young couples waited on Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Geldhart at their home, 116 Colborne street, on Friday night. It was a genuine surprise party, and thoroughly enjoyable. During the evening Mr. Geldhart was the recipient of a very handsome present.

-Driver Pannel, of the Pall Mall line, was stopped by the police and Humane Society officer at the corner of Dundas and Richmond streets this morning. He was driving a horse with a large sore on its toot, but as the wound was not raw the car was allowed to proceed.

The public will be pleased to learn that Mr. J. H. Aiken has been secured by the Dundas Street Center Church in connection with the St. James' Presbyterian Church to give an illustrated entertainment on South Africa in the Opera House on Tuesday, Feb. 26. The entertainer is able and talented, the subject is of engrossing interest, the illustrations rare and beautiful, while the object should commend itself to every citizen. With commendable pluck the Dundas Center people are going ahead to rebuild a church that will be a credit to

-At the regular meeting of the Ministerial Association this morning a paper on the relation of the press and pulpit was read by Mr. John Cameron. An animated and interesting discussion followed. A vote of thanks was unanimously adopted, with the request that the paper be published, which will be done at a convenient opportunity. Rev. W. J. Clark, president, occupied the chair.

-Hugh McGurdy, an old-timer, was in the Police Court again this morning on the same old charge-drunkenness. McGurdy pleaded hard for his liberty, claiming that he had a job to start at. He had told the same story before, and the police magistrate did not rely much upon it. "The next time you come up you will be charged with vagrancy," said the court to McGurdy. "Two dollars or seven day." McGurdy had no money and he went down.

-The members of the Dundas Street Center Methodist Sunday school found very comfortable quarters on the first flat of the Collegiate Institute yesterday. Notwithstanding the great distance a large number had to walk, there were 532 scholars in attendance, besides the 60 officers and teachers. Principal Merchant and Trustees Blackwell and Koenleyside were also present, and were assiduous in their endeavors to make the scholars comfort

Ald. Powell's Seat. At Osgoode Hall Saturday D. Armour, for the relator, obtained an order for leave to serve notice calling upon the respondent Ald. Powell) to show why he should not e unseated from the office of alderman of the city of London. The ground alleged is that the respondent was at the time of his election a school trustee.

Seized the Meat. In his inspection of meat on the market on Saturday, Medical Health Officer Hutchinson came across a couple of beeves' lungs, heads, livers, etc., in a wagon belonging to a country butcher. One of the lungs was found to be covered with numerous black spots, the size of a pea. Dr. Hutchinson ordered the sale of the meat stopped, and took a quantity of it for examination. It was found to contain tubercular deposits and unfit for use. The butcher will bring the balance of the stock to market on Tuesday, when its destruction will be ordered.

Will Visit Other Cities. The Queen's Avenue Church joint boards in addition to other business have decided to send a deputation to different Canadian and American cities on a tour of inspection among the different churches. The deputation consists of Mayor Little, ex-Mayor Spencer and Thomas McCormick. If Mr. Little is unable to go Mr. Geo. C. Gibbons, Q.C., will take his place. Among the places to be visited are Detroit, Cleveland, Buffalo, Syracuse and Montreal. The question of insurance has been satisfactorily adjusted. A meeting of the pew-holders was held this afternoon in Salvation Citadel to discuss plans for the erection of a new church at once.

AS WONDERFUL AS EVER

Is the Grand Old Man-His Psalter Will

Be Published Shortly. London, Feb. 18 .- Mr. Gladstone's recent illness has not prevented his completing his edition of the Psalter, with his own concordance and notes. This will be published, says one of his friends, in about a fortnight, both in England and America. Index-making to a version of the Psalter seems an odd occupation for a retired Prime Minister with impaired eyesight, but to Mr. Gladstone nothing comes amiss. That he is no longer an invalid he himself has assured the mayor of Mentone, on the Riviera, before whom he stood bareheaded, the mayor also being bareheaded, the older man refusing to be outdone in courtesy. Last week, also, saw his definite appearance as preface writer to a pictorial Bible. The preface will be found remarkable for more reasons than one, and requires to be considered at leisure. Inadequate as it is from the critical point of view, and ill-informed with respect to the immense work of modern research into the true history and origin of the scriptural text, Mr. Gladstone's dissertation shows not a sign of failing energy or of dimmed intellectual power. The wonderful old man is as wonderful as ever.

An Hospital on Fire. MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. Feb. 18 .- The Ashbury hospital is on fire. The Strike's Collapse.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Feb. 18 .- There was a tremendous rush of street car strikers applying to be taken back to work today. Their names were taken and they will be given jobs when vacancies occur. A Record-Breaker.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 17.—Rev. John Semmens, chairman of the Lake Winnipeg District Methodist Church, has returned from a trip in the far north. Mr. Sem-mens had a wearisome journey over ice and snow, aggravated by intense cold. In the Southern States, where a sojourn will be taken for the benefit of Mr. Cleghorn's foot.

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SUICIDED THROUGH TROUBLE.

Hamilton Man Hangs Himself-His Wife's Former Husband Turns Up. Hamilton, Feb. 18 .- Henry Geiger, a German about 60 years of age, who has kept a saloon at the corner of Queen and King street for several years, committed suicide this morning by hanging himself in

the barn in the rear of his house. Geiger left a note saying that business and domestic troubles had been the cause of the act. About two years ago Geiger was married to a supposed widow, but shortly ofter the marriage the first husband of the woman turned up and threatened to cause trouble. He did not claim her, however, but Geiger and the woman lived unhappily until two months ago, when they parted. Deceased was in good circumstances as far as known. He leaves four grown up sons, all of whom hold good positions.

SUICIDE-TAR AND FEATHERS.

Lethbridge Man Shoots Himself-His Wife's Paramour Tarred and Ridden on a Rail. WINNIPEG, Man., Feb. 18.—Charles Gil

three children, and a respected citizen, pressed an intention of doing him an in-Friday night suicided by sending a builet into his brain.

It was well known to the people of Lethbridge that domestic troubles, brought ion that a witch will not come to the about by unfaithfulness of Gillies' wife, was the cause. Consequently there was much indignation, and early Saturday morning a party of Lethbridge citizens banded together and proceeded to the house of Jim Donaldson, whose name was unpleasantly connected with the domestic troubles leading to the suicide of Gillies.

He was taken from bed and immersed in tar and rolled in feathers, after which he formed a striking unit of an enthusiastic procession, which marched up town to the hotel, where he was put on view as a warning to evil-doers. When last seen Mr. Donaldson was making fast time over the

A Woman Bigamist.

BROCKVILLE, Ont., Feb. 18.-The muchmarried woman, Mrs. Dempster or Dowsley, will spend the next two j months in Kingston penitentiary. Mrs. Dempster pleaded guilty to a charge of bigamy some time ago and the case has oreated wide-spread attention.

Against Bull-Fighting. Paris. Feb. 18 .- The highest tribunal of the Court of Cassation has confirmed the decision of the lower courts against bullfighting in France. "Cruelty to the animals" is the basis of the decision.

Distress in London. LONDON, Feb. 18 .- The continued cold weather in London is daily adding to the number of unemployed and starving people. Meetings are being organized for the purpose of relieving the prevailing distress which it is proposed to cope with upon a large scale. The Archbishop of Canterbury has issued an appeal for immediate and combined aid, and proposals will be submitted to a meeting for the formation of committees to make house to house visits. Everybody is subscribing money for the relief fund, and the churches and chapels are becoming the

centers of the distribution of soup, etc. Corbett is very sick in Chicago, and the company he is with has cancelled all en-

gagements. Steamship Arrivals. From Feb. 18. At From LaurentianLiverpoo

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LONEY -At the family residence, 495 St. James street, on Feb. 17, Frances, widow of the late Thomas Loney. Funeral on Wednesday, 20th, at 2:30; services at the house at 2 o'clock.



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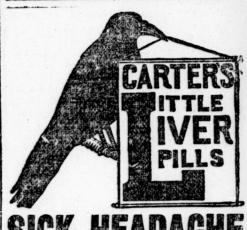
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"Up to the Scratch."

Is this expression derived from the old idea that a witch was deprived of her power by a person drawing her blood by cratching her? In the trial of Richard Hathaway, as a cheat and impostor, at Surrey assizes, March 24, 1703, it was al leged against him that he did, in the presence and hearing of divers persons falsely, devilishly and knowingly, and a a false impostor, pretend and affirm that he was bewitched by Sarah Morduck, and that by reason thereof he could not eat but had fasted ten weeks successively, and pretended also that he was affected with divers diseases, and that by drawing blood from the said Sarah by scratching he should be freed from his said pretended bewitching, and that the defendant did thereupon scratch the said Sarah and draw blood from her, and thereupon falsely affirm that by drawing the said blood he was freed from the said diseases, whereas, in truth and fact, he never was bewitched, nor had fasted, as aforesaid, and knew himself not to be bewitched by the said

Sarah. Forby, "Vocabulary of East Anglia," volume 2, 1830, says:

"Where a witch is known to harbor resentment against any one, or to have exjury, it is held to be a sure preservative if the party threatened can draw blood from the sorceress, and many a poor old woman has been sacrificed from the received opinscratch."-Notes and Queries.



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