Commercial.

FRUIT PROSPECTS.

Montreal, Sept. 10.—So far this week 1,872 barrels of apples have been shipped from the port of Montreal to Liverpool and Glasgow, and by the close of the week this amount will be considerably increased. This is a very heavy decrease as compared with last year. Regarding the prospects in Canada, Simons, Shuttleworth & Co.'s latest circular—Mr. A. R. Fowler, Montreal representative—says: In the great fruit belts of Canada reports indicate a very largely increased quantity over what is generally being published, though the crop will fall behind the average of ordinary years. The quality will not compare with last year. Fruit will be packed closer and made dangerously poor in quality. This will tend to limit the output very materially.

Local Market

Reported by A. M. Hamilton & Son.

London, Friday, Sept. 10.

Wheat, white, fall, per bu	87c to 88c
Wheat, red, fall, per bu	87c to 88c
Wheat, spring, per bu	87c to 88c
Oats, per bu	23c to 27c
Peas, per bu	39c to 45c
Corn, per bu	32½c to 34c
Barley, per bu	29c to 31c
Rye, per bu	39½c to 40c
Beans, per bu	35c to 45c

Wheat was firm, and a shade higher today, selling at $1 45 to $1 47 per 100 pounds.

Oats were scarce; new sold at 68c to 70c and old at 75c to 78c; one load sold at 73c.

Peas brought 65c to 75c, but mostly sold at 70c.

No other kind of grain came in.

Old dry corn sold at 70c to 72c yesterday.

Provisions remain unchanged.

Fruits were freely offered; the demand for all lines was good, with the exception of apples, which were slow—the entire receipts today were imported.

Hay sales ranged at $5 50 to $7 50.

Nothing new in any other line. Quotations:

GRAIN.			
Wheat, white, fall, per 100 lbs	1 45	to	1 47
Wheat, red, fall, per 100 lbs	1 45	to	1 47
Wheat, spring, per 100 lbs	1 45	to	1 47
Wheat, new	1 45	to	1 47
Oats per 100 lbs	68	to	78
Peas, per 100 lbs	65	to	75
Corn, per 100 lbs	63	to	63
Barley, per 100 lbs	60	to	63
Rye, per 100 lbs	70	to	70
Beans, per bu	35	to	45
Buckwheat, per 100 lbs	00	to	00
PROVISIONS.			
Honey, comb	10	to	12½
Honey, extracted	7	to	10
Cheese, per lb	8½	to	8
Eggs, single dozen	12	to	13
Eggs, fresh, basket, per doz	11	to	11
Eggs, fresh, store lots, per doz	10	to	11
Butter, per lb, retail	18	to	20
Butter, per 1 lb. rolls, baskets	17	to	17
Butter, per lb., large rolls or crocks	14	to	16½
Butter, per lb., tubs or firkins	10	to	12
Lard, per lb	5	to	7
Chickens, per pair	35	to	60
Ducks, per pair	60	to	80
Turkeys, each	75	to	90
MEAT, HIDES, ETC.			
Beef, quarters, per lb	3½	to	6½
Mutton, quarters, per lb	5	to	6
Veal, quarters per lb	5	to	6
Lamb, quarter	8	to	9
Dressed hogs, 100 lbs	6 50	to	7 25
Hides, No. 1 per lb	7	to	7
Hides, No. 2, per lb	6	to	7
Hides, No. 3, per lb	5	to	5
Calfskins, green	6½	to	6½
Calfskins, dry, each	4	to	5
Sheepskins, each	60	to	90
Lambskins, each	55	to	55
Pelts	55	to	55
Wool, per lb	19	to	19
Wool, unwashed, per lb	10	to	11
Tallow, rendered, per lb	2½	to	3
Tallow, rough, per lb	1½	to	2
HAY AND SEED.			
Hay, per ton	6 00	to	7 00
Straw, per load	2 00	to	2 50
Timothy seed, per bushel	1 55	to	1 60
VEGETABLES AND FRUIT.			
Pears, basket	15	to	30
Peaches, per basket	25	to	50
Plums, per basket	20	to	40
Apples, per bag	1 20	to	1 50
Grapes, basket	15	to	40
Melons, water, per dozen	1 75	to	2 25
Melons, musk, per dozen	40	to	75
Celery, per doz. bunches	25	to	30
Cauliflowers, per doz	75	to	1 00
Peas, per quart	5	to	8
Beets, per doz. bunches	20	to	30
Beans, quart	4	to	5
Carrots, per doz. bunches	20	to	30
Potatoes, per bag	50	to	55
Tomatoes, per basket	50	to	60
Turnips, per pound	4	to	8
Cucumbers, dozen	5	to	10
Cucumbers, per hundred	15	to	25
Cabbage, per doz	30	to	40
Corn, dozen	6	to	8
Lettuce, per doz	10	to	15
Onions, per doz. bunches	20	to	20
Onions, per bushel	65	to	00
Radishes, per doz. bunches	12½	to	1 15
LIVE STOCK.			
Young pigs, per pair	4 00	to	6 00
Cows each	20 00	to	33 00
Fat beef, per pound	4	to	4
Hogs per 100 lbs	5 25	to	5 50
Sows, per 100 lbs	3 50	to	3 50
Chickens, per pair	25	to	40
Hens, per pair	40	to	45
Ducks, per pair	60	to	80

SEED WHEAT.

Dawson's Golden Chaff and Early Genessee Giant, $1 per bushel. Pure stock.

Now is the time to sow your lawn.

A. M. HAMILTON & SON,

373 Talbot St., Opposite Market. Phone 662.

The Oil Market.

PETROLEA.

Petrolea, Sept. 10.—Oil opened and closed at $1½.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., Sept 10.—Oil opened 95c.

NEW YORK.

New York, Sept. 8. — Petroleum — Pennsylvania crude, no market; nominally at 85c.

OIL WORKING STOPPED.

Work at the oil well at Fredericksburg, 20 miles from Kingston, has been suspended, owing to the report of a visiting scientist.

English Markets.

Liverpool, Sept. 10.—12:30 p.m.

Wheat — Spot steady; demand fair; holders offer freely; No. 1 Cal. 8s 6½d to 8s 7d; No. 1 red northern spring, 8s 1d to 8s 2d; No. 2 red western, winter, 8s 1d to 8s 2d.

Corn—Spot steady; demand moderate; American mixed, new, spot, 3s 5½d; old, 5s 6d.

Peas—Canadian, 4s 11½d.

Beef—Extra India mess, 62s 6d.

Pork—Prime mess, western, fine, 50s.

Bacon—Long clear heavy, 40 to 45 lbs., 30s 6d; short clear heavy, 35 to 39 lbs, 29s 6d; long clear light, 35 to 38 lbs, 31s 6d.

Lard—Prime western, 25s.

Butter—Finest United States, 90s; good, 60s.

Cheese—American finest white and colored, 45s.

Tallow—Fine, American, city, 18s.

Turpentine—Spirits, 21s 6d.

Rosin, common—4s 4½d.

Petroleum—Refined, 5½d.

Linseed oil—17s 3d.

Receipts of wheat during the past three days 361,000 centals, including 323,000 centals American. Receipts of American corn during the past three days were 73,100 centals.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 10—Closing.

Wheat—Spot No. 2 red western winter, firm, 8s 1d; No. 1 red northern spring, firm, 8s 3½d; spot, American mixed new, steady, 8s 3½d.

Corn—Spot American mixed new, steady 3s 5½d, do. old, steady, 3s 5½d; Sept., steady 3s 4½d; Oct., quiet, 3s 5½d; Nov., quiet, 3s 6½d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter, steady, 10s 3d.

Beef—Firm, extra India mess, 63s 9d; prime mess, firm, 62s 6d.

Pork — Prime mess, fine western, firm, 50s; do, medium western firm, 46s 3d.

Hams—Short cut, 11 to 16 lbs., dull, 38s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 25 to 30 lbs, firm, 33s 6d; short ribs 20 to 24 lbs, steady, 32s 6d; long clear middles, light, 35 to 38 lbs, steady, 31s 6d; long clear middles, heavy 40 to 45 lbs, steady, 30s 6d; short clear middles, heavy, 45 to 60 lbs, steady, 29s 6d; clear bellies, 12 to 14 lbs, steady, 37s.

Shoulders—Square 12 to 14 lbs, firm, 29s 6d.

Rosin—Common, steady, 4s 4½d.

Lard—Spot dull, 29s.

Cheese—American finest white and colored, steady, 45s.

Tallow—Prime city, firm 18s.

Cottonseed oil — Liverpool refined, steady; 16s 6d.

Turpentine spirits—Firm: 21s 6d.

Hops—At London (Pacific coast), steady, 55s to 65s.

American Produce Markets.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Sept. 9.

The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—No. 2 Sept., 98½c; Dec., 97½c; May, 97½c.

Corn—No. 2 Sept., 31½c; Dec., 33½c to 33¾c; May, 36½c to 36¾c.

Oats—No. 2 Sept., 20c; Dec., 21½c to 21¾c; May, 24c.

Mess pork—Oct., $8 62½; Dec., $8 70.

Lard—Oct., $4 75; Dec., $4 82½.

Short ribs—Sept., $5 47½; Oct., $5 50.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, very firm; No. 2 spring wheat, 98c to 98½c; No. 3 spring wheat, 91½c to 94½c; No. 2 red, $1 to $1 00½; No. 2 corn, 31½c; No. 2 yellow, 31½c; No. 2 oats, 23c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 23c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 21c to 22½c; No. 2 rye, 51½c; No. 2 barley, nominal; No. 1 flaxseed, $1 03½ to $1 06; prime timothy seed, $2 65 to $2 70; mess pork, $8 65 to $8 70; lard, $4 75; short ribs sides, $5 40 to $5 70; dry salted shoulders, 5c to 5½c; short clear sides, 5½c to 6c; sugar, unchanged; eggs, steady, fresh, 12½c.

Receipts—			
Flour	7,000	Wheat	228,000
Corn	316,000	Oats	320,000
Rye	19,000	Barley	40,000
Shipments—			
Flour	19,000	Wheat	172,000
Corn	846,000	Oats	209,000
Rye	6,000	Barley	8,000

STOCKS OF GRAIN.

New York, Sept. 9.—Special cable and telegraphic dispatches to Bradstreet's covering the principal points of accumulation, indicate the following changes in available supplies last Saturday, as compared with the previous Saturday: Wheat, United States and Canada, east of Rockies, decrease 285,000 bushels; afloat for and in Europe, increase, 2,400,000 bushels; world's supply, net increase, 2,111,000 bushels. Corn, United States and Canada, east of Rockies, increase 503,000 bushels. The only important decrease in available stocks of wheat last week, not included in the official visible supply statement, was that at Fort William, Ont., 278,000 bushels. Corresponding increases include 202,000 bushels in Chicago elevators; 183,000 bushels at various Manitoba storage points; 84,000 bushels at Galveston; 80,000 bushels in northwestern interior elevators; 67,000 bushels at New Orleans, and 64,000 bushels at Newport News.

The Hide Market

Toronto, Sept. 9.—Hides—The offerings are moderate, not sufficient to meet the requirements of the market, which is now bare of stocks. Prices here are very strong, but no higher for green hides; they are quoted at 8½c for No. 1, 7½c for No. 2, and 6½c for No. 3. Cured are firmer, at 9c.

Lambskins—Dealers here say that, owing to competition, the price is too high; the demand is only fair. The market is steady at 70c.

Calfskins—There are very few coming in, as the season is about over. Prices are firm, at 11c for No. 1 and 9c for No. 2.

Tallow—Is firm, but no higher. There is a little in the market. The advance in the United States markets has stiffened prices here. Local dealers are offering 3c and asking 3½c.

Dairy Markets.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Sept. 9.—Butter was firm; creameries, 12c to 17c; dairies, 9c to 16c. Cheese easier at 8¼c to 9c.

CHESTERVILLE.

Chesterville, Ont., Sept. 9.—At the meeting of the cheese board held here tonight 1,422 boxes were boarded, of which 747 were white; balance colored; 9 7-16c was offered for white and 9½c for colored, but none sold.

LINDSAY.

Lindsay, Ont., Sept. 9.—Victoria county cheese board met tonight; 1,792 boxes boarded. Mr. Whitten bought the whole at 9⅝c.

KINGSTON.

Kingston, Ont., Sept. 9.—At the cheese board today 2,400 boxes were offered; sales, 220 boxes at 9⅝c.

BROCKVILLE.

Brockville, Sept. 9. — At the cheese board today 41 factories offered 1,066 white and 3,102 colored; total, 4,168; 9½c offered for colored; 9⅝c for white; no sales.

Live Stock Markets.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 9.—Cattle—Receipts, 47 cars; all consigned through, except three cars of Canadians; feeling strong for good grades; others only steady; veals firm; $5 to $7 25.

Hogs—Receipts, 23 cars on sale, including 8 held over; market 5c higher for good corn-fed grades; others dull and neglected; sales, good to prime corn-fed Yorkers, $4 45 to $4 50; mixed, $4 45; heavy and medlums, $4 40 to $4 45; pigs, common to choice, $4 20 to $4 45; skip and grassy, $3 20 to $4; roughs, $3 25 to $3 75; stags, $2 75 to $3 25; heavy grassy, $4 15 to $4 25.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 18 cars on sale, including 4½ cars of Canadian lambs; market steady and firm; sheep strong; sales, culls to best lambs, $3 50 to $3 70; culls to best sheep, $2 25 to $4 30; Canada lambs, $5 25 to $5 55.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Sept. 9.—There were about 700 head of butchers' cattle, 100 calves and 1,600 sheep and lambs offered for sale at the east end abattoir today; the butchers were out strong, and there was a good demand for the best cattle, and also for stockers, but common and inferior beasts continued dull of sale and pretty low in price; there were no prime steers on the market today; a few good heifers were sold at about 3c to 3⅞c; common dry cows and young stockers sold at from 2c to 3c per lb, and the leaner beasts at about 1¾c; stockers sold at from 2½c to 3¼c.

Calves are in good demand at pretty high prices for anything good; common to good veals sold at from $3 to $7 each; a large calf, about 3 months old, was sold for $11.

Sheep and Lambs—Shippers are paying 3c per lb for good large sheep; the prices of lambs have dropped about 25c per head since Monday; good lambs sold in late at from $2 75 to $3 each, or about 3½c a lb; a few choice ones brought more; common lambs sold at about 3¼c per lb.

Hogs—Fat hogs are plentiful and sell from 5c to 5¾c per lb, according to size and condition.

NEW YORK.

New York, Sept. 9.—Beeves—Receipts, 760 head; no sales today; dressed beef steady, at 7c to 8¾c per lb for native sides.

Cables from London and Liverpool quote American steers at 11c to 12c, dressed weight; refrigerator beef at 9c to 9¾c per lb. Exports today, 78 beeves.

Calves—Receipts, 184 head; 211 head on sale; quiet and steady all round; veals, $5 to $8; grassers and buttermilks, $3 75 to $4 25; city dressed veals steady, at 10c to 12c per lb.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 4,141 head; 21½ cars on sale; sheep active and firm; lambs slow and barely steady; sheep, $3 to $4 37½; lambs, $5 to $6 25; dressed mutton, 6½c to 8½c; dressed lambs, 7½c to 10c.

Hogs—Receipts, 3,713 head; higher, at $4 50 to $4 75

Tax Exemptions.

Opening of the Convention in Toronto.

Question as to Whether Church Properties Should Be Taxed or Not.

Mayor Shaw Gives the Delegates a Cordial Welcome.

Toronto, Sept. 10.—The representatives of the various municipalities now meeting in the city hall to consider the question of the abolition of some or all tax exemptions, began business yesterday morning. The tax exemption convention is almost entirely composed of the mayors, reeves and aldermen from all over the province.

Those present registered with City Clerk Blevins as follows: Brantford, Mayor Elliott, Ald. Duncan; Belleville, Mayor Johnston and Ald. Loyle; Beaverton, Councilor Proctor; Chatham, F. Marks; Clifford, Sidney Smith; East Toronto, John S. McCulloch; Guelph, Mayor James Hewer, Ald. McLean, Howard and Walker; Galt, Mayor Radford and Reeve McGiverin; Hamilton, Ald. Findlay, McAndrew and Hannaford; Kingston, Mayor Skinner and Ald. McKelvy; London, Ald. Parnell; Lindsay, Mayor Smith, Councilor Southern; North Bay, W. J. Small; North Toronto, Mayor Davis and Reeve Lawson; Owen Sound, Mayor Thompson; Port Hope, J. W. Quinlan; Peterboro, Wm. Yelland and Henry Best; Port Stanley, Reeve Alex. Taylor; Streetsville, Reeve Robinson and L. Scrunton; St. Catharines, M. Y. Keating and Donald Robertson; Smith's Falls, Mayor Barnes; St. Thomas, Mayor T. W. Wright; Toronto, Mayor Shaw, Ald. Scott, Leslie and Carlyle; Toronto Junction, Councilor Laughton; Vespra, Reeve Richardson; Walkerville, Mayor Reid and Councilor Kerr; Wallaceburg, Charles Chubb and W. T. Woolison; York township, Reeve Hill, W. L. Clarke and F. C. Miller.

In the council chamber Mayor Shaw acted as temporary chairman, and welcomed the delegates in a timely address, in the course of which he said: "We have in Toronto three or four kinds of taxation—taxation according to value of foot frontage, taxation for improvements in front of citizens' property, and something in the way of a poll tax for water takers. Upon what sound principle of economics the property which receives the benefit of of police protection, fire protection, the cleaning of streets and lanes, and such other services as are absolutely necessary for the health, comfort and convenience of the citizens is exempted, it is impossible to conceive. It will be your special duty to deal with this question earnestly, so as to make such an impression upon the convention that the representatives of municipalities will be unanimous in declaring it to be unfair and unreasonable; and having done that, a united front will be formed for respectfully approaching the Provincial Legislature and urging with all the strength of numbers and force of reason to have the exemption clauses erased from the statute book.

"There are other questions of municipal taxation which will also occupy the attention of this large, representative gathering. There is one of special interest to myself and to a large number of the property-owners of this city—I mean the question of foot frontage taxation for local improvement works and services. It seems to be, in my humble judgment, a most iniquitous tax, and one which ought to be speedily abolished."

The convention then proceeded to elect a chairman. Mayor Shaw declined the honor, and the choice between Mayor Elliott, of Brantford, Mayor Skinner, of Kingston, and Ald. Scott, resulted in the election by a sufficient majority of the Toronto representative. Ald. Leslie was elected secretary.

EXEMPTION OF STREET RAILWAY PROPERTY.

Councilor McCulloch, of East Toronto, spoke upon the exemption of street railway property from taxation. He told how his municipality had successfully imposed a tax on the Scarboro Railway Company in 1895-96, but had been prevented by the courts from doing so this year. He referred to the rail episode, and laughed at his own supposed danger. He would tax all street railway property.

THE VITAL RESOLUTION.

Ald. Carlyle then submitted the vital resolution, seconded by Mr. Small, of North Bay, as follows:

"That, whereas we believe that in this province the burden of taxation is not equitably distributed, and that this inequality arises principally from the fact that under the Assessment Act a large amount of real estate, personalty and income is wholly or partially exempt from taxation; and whereas, we are of the opinion that it is only fair and just that all who partake directly or indirectly of the benefits of municipal government should pay a fair proportion of the expenses thereof; be it resolved, that in the opinion of this convention the Legislature of the Province of Ontario should be memorialized to revise and amend the said act, embodying as far as practicable the principles set forth in the following clauses:

"That this convention is in favor of the principle of assessing each individual according to his or her actual worth on real and personal property, without discrimination, and that companies, whether incorporated or not, in this respect shall be treated as individuals.

"That this convention is in favor of the principle of abolishing all tax exemptions."

AFTER CIVIL SERVANTS.

Another resolution was aimed at the civil servant immunity nuisance. It was moved by Ald. McAndrew and seconded by Ald. Hannaford:

"That a petition be presented to the Dominion Parliament asking that all salaries of officials employed under the Dominion government be made subject to be taxed by all municipalities in the same manner as the salaries of other persons in such municipalities, and that such salaries be also made liable to the same extent as the salaries of other persons."

Other resolutions were also submitted, but the first order of business in the afternoon was the consideration of Ald. Carlyle's resolution.

Ald. Carlyle explained that he desired to put all side issues aside and have every source of wealth taxed by the government. The right principle was to go to the government, and have everything taxed according to its value. Regarding the exemption of churches, he thought it was all sentiment. He was not opposed to churches, but believed that the privilege and protection they enjoyed should be paid for. Cemeteries were money-making ventures, and should also be taxed. Government and municipal buildings were useful to have in our midst, but should be taxed. Replying to a question by Mr. Marks, of Chatham, Ald. Carlyle emphatically declared that he would certainly tax the salaries of government officials.

Ald. McAndrew, of Hamilton, would not go back to the old system of taxing furniture in houses. He also affirms a principle such as Ald. Carlyle. He was radical enough to believe that the man who worked 312 days per year should not be taxed, even though the salary received was up in the thousands. The man who did not work should be taxed, for he produced nothing. But he desired to protest against the taxation of such personal property as furniture.

CHURCH PROPERTY.

Mayor Skinner, of Kingston, held that the churches should not be more stringently taxed than they are now. He thought it would be much better for the convention to tell parliament exactly what they wanted. He had no objection to any part of the resolution, excepting that regarding church property. It was such a radical measure as only extreme radicals could accept.

Ald. Keating, of St. Catharines, agreed with the previous speaker as to the exemption of churches.

Mr. Marks came from Chatham, where 10 per cent of the property was exempt. In the last 10 years the taxes had increased 110 per cent, while the population had only increased 20 per cent. This was due to the modern improvements the city required. To meet this condition the basis of assessment should be enlarged.

Mayor Johnson, of Belleville, would come to the conclusion if the resolution passed that the convention were not practical men. As to taxing government and municipal buildings, the idea would never be adopted.

Mayor Smyth, of Lindsay, as a member of the committee, explained that the resolution had only been drawn up to get at the opinion of the convention.

DON'T ABOLISH ALL EXEMPTIONS

Ald. McKelvy, of Kingston, maintained that the principle of the resolution was to tax every man if he only earned $100 per year. It was against the principle of the income tax, which was only intended to reach large incomes. He did not think it would look well to ask the government to sweep away all exemptions.

WOULD ASSESS CHURCHES.

Mayor Radford, of Galt, agreed with the mayor of Belleville that Toronto and Ottawa should not receive taxes from the whole province, nor should county towns tax municipal buildings, and thus use the money paid by the county. But he was perfectly willing to see churches assessed. He went to church regularly, but was willing to take his share of the taxes.

AN AMENDMENT.

Mayor Johnson, of Belleville, moved in amendment, seconded by Mayor Radford, of Galt, that the list of exemptions now before the convention be considered clause by clause and a vote be taken upon each one.

EXEMPTION OF MANUFACTURERS.

Ald. Parnell, of London, brought up the subject of the exemption of manufacturers. If no exemption to them were allowed, the manufacturers would settle where it would be most to their advantage, and would not be setting one municipality against another. Continuing, the speaker spoke strongly against the exemption of well-paid civil servants from taxation as well as from civil suit.

The chairman having ruled out the previous amendment as out of order, Mayor Smith moved that "this convention disapproves of the general principle of exemption from taxation."

Ald. Leslie was not in accord with the sweeping nature of the resolution. But there were certain exemptions to which he could not object. It would be a fair question to discuss whether or not the poor man should not be exempted $300 or $400 from taxation. Wealthy men with property worth $100,000 were often assessed for about $40,000. This exemption of the rich was unfair. He appealed for the adoption of the ruled out amendment.

The chairman repeated his ruling, but it was revealed against by Mayor Johnson of Belleville. The chairman was almost unanimously sustained.

CARLYLE'S RESOLUTION LOST.

Ald. McKelvy then moved in amendment to the amendment that, although in the opinion of this convention the practice of exemption from taxation, as now carried on in municipalities, is unjust and unfair, yet at the same time they cannot support the sweeping resolution of Ald. Carlyle.

The amendment to the amendment carried by a substantial majority.

The consideration of the second resolution was deferred.

The third resolution calling upon the government to abolish exemptions to manufacturers called forth considerable argument.

Ald. Parnell failed to see the difference between bonusing and exemption. It wasn't the exemptions which caught the eyes of manufacturers, but they saw that a town suited them and tried to find if the council was soft enough to exempt them from taxes.

The resolution was carried almost unanimously.

The convention arose at 5 o'clock and adjourned to Webb's, where they were the guests of the city at luncheon. Mayor Shaw acted as chairman. After the toast to the Queen the party left for the exhibition grounds.

The question as to whether the gathering shall be an annual affair will be decided this morning.

THIS IS HOT WEATHER

But the Surly Blasts Are Coming—The Best Way to Prepare for Them.

This is hot weather to think about frieze overcoats, but the man who never carries an umbrella unless it is raining often makes a grievous error. Only a short time will pass before one must think about fall and winter clothing, and it is well to be prepared. The great advantages which Oak Hall offers the public in the way of qualities and prices are possible because this firm is in a position to supply their customers direct from the looms of foreign and domestic factories, thus cutting off completely the middlemen's profits, and also securing the latest and best class of goods.

It is a progressive firm, with whom success has been continual. Each successive year has marked a great increase in its business, until now it is the most extensive ready-made clothing establishment in the Dominion, having branches from Halifax, N. S., to Vancouver, B. C. The preparations made at London for the fall and winter trade are much greater than ever before.

Prompt, Pleasant, Perfect.

Norway Pine Syrup is a prompt, pleasant and perfect cure for coughs, colds, asthma, bronchitis, hoarseness, sore throat, pain in the chest, croup, whooping cough, quinsy, influenza, and all throat and lung troubles. 25 cents and 50 cents at all drug stores.

We have no hesitation in saying that Dr. J. D. Kelogg's Dysentery Cordial is without doubt the best medicine ever introduced for dysentery, diarrhea, cholera, and all summer complaints, sea sickness, etc. It promptly gives relief and never fails to effect a positive cure. Mothers should never be without a bottle when their children are teething.

172 and 174 Dundas Street.

KID GLOVES.

New and smart styles of real French Kid Gloves passed into stock. Latest shades with up-to-date trimmings can always be found at our Kid Glove Counter.

Our Wonderful Dollar Glove.

is a perfect gem in fit and fashion, handsomely trimmed and embroidered, cut from selected skins of real French Kid. Every pair guaranteed.

SPECIALS.

Godiva, Black and Colored	$ 75
Andree, Black and Colored	1 00
Tyarrna, Black and Fancies	1 25

Bayley's

Our Neighbors.

Avon School Closed on Account of Diphtheria—Visitors at Delaware.

The Avon Sons of Temperance visited Verschoyle on Monday evening, and report spending a pleasant time.

Diphtheria has broken out in Avon in the families of Mr. Harmon Dafoes and Mr. Andrew Flemming, and as a result the school has been closed. Dr. Doan, of Harrietsville, is in attendance.

Miss Weld, sister to Mr. Edgar Weld, returned to England after visiting Delaware for the last month.

Among Delaware visitors, Captain Brigham and wife, of Chicago, and Miss Cassidy and Miss McMillan, of London, are at Mrs. Todd's. Dr. Grey and wife have returned to Rochester, N. Y.

GRANTON.

C. C. Grant, Business Agent.

Granton, Sept. 8.—The annual Epworth League convention of the Exeter district of the Methodist Church was held in the Granton Methodist Church on Tuesday, the 7th inst. A large number of delegates from the different points in the district were present, and a varied and most interesting programme was fully carried out, with one or two exceptions. Mr. W. H. Parsons, of Exeter, president of the league, occupied the chair at all three sessions. Rev. Dr. Willoughby, who was to preside at the afternoon and evening sessions being unavoidably absent. A consecration service was held at the close of the evening session. Kirkton was selected as the place for holding the next convention, the date to be fixed later on.

Mr. James Foster has leased Mr. John Foreman's farm for a term of years. Mr. Foreman, on account of ill-health, will retire from active work.

Mr. Elias Langford and Mrs. Wm. Lambourn, both of whom have been under medical treatment in the London General Hospital, are, we are glad to learn, convalescent, and will shortly be able to return to their homes.

A. E. White, of The Advertiser staff, called today when on a business tour through this locality.

KOMOKA.

Komoka, Sept. 9.—Mrs. W. Tilden, a former resident of this place, who was taken seriously ill at her home in Ailsa Craig a few days ago, is on a fair way to recovery.

The brethren of the I. O. F. of this place, have been invited by the Delaware brethren to attend their anniversary service, which is to be held in that place on Sunday, Sept. 19, in the Presbyterian Church.

MUNCEY.

Muncey Station, Sept. 9.—Mr. W. J. Laing has already bought upwards of 2,000 bushels of wheat this fall, and is still buying. This speaks well for the village, which a short time ago was a mere stopping place.

A large number of the Indians from the reserve have been spending a few days at Walpole Island, and also at Kettle Point, a large camp meeting going on at these two places.

The farmers around here are nearly all done threshing. The yield of wheat has been excellent, some having as high as 32 bushels per acre.

Mr. James Dobson, a Moravian brave, was in Muncey a few days ago.

A few of the Muncey men are again working at McArthur Bros.' brickyard, Middlemiss.

Muncey Tecumseh Agricultural Society's exhibition, Oct. 18 to 20, at the central school house fair grounds, No. 4 side line, 2½ miles from Middlemiss village.

The employes of the M. C. R. bridge department are repairing the bridge over the Thames.

ARKONA.

A Toronto report says: The death occurred yesterday at his home, 6 Carlton street, of Dr. J. J. C. Hume. The deceased's death was due to an attack of bronchial pneumonia. He had been ailing for about three months. Dr. Hume was but 22 years of age, and graduated with honors from the Toronto School of Medicine at this year's examinations. He had resided in this city about six years, coming here from Arkona, where he was well and favorably known. The funeral took place yesterday. Rev. Dr. McTavish conducted the services, and six of the deceased's fellow-graduates acted as pall-bearers.

—Mr. A. Thompson, driver of the Evelyn stage, will start his conveyance an hour earlier on Wednesday and Thursday, next week, to accommodate his many patrons who wish to visit the Western Fair, and will not leave London until a late hour.

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HIS LITTLE BIBLE

Helped Him to Secure a Fortune of $117,000.

New York, Sept. 10.—Frederick W. Whitehead, porter in a tea store here, has fallen heir, according to rumor, to a fortune in England amounting to $117,000 left by a maiden aunt.

Whitehead, who is 35 years old, came to this country from England twelve years ago. He proved his identity to the law firm which was seeking for him by means of a little Bible which he had carried with him for years and on the fly-leaf of which his mother's name was inscribed.

93 IN THE SHADE.

A Farmer at Stayner Dies from the Effects of the Heat.

Stayner, Sept. 10.—Mr. Samuel Piper, a most respected farmer residing on con. 9 of Sunnidale, while working in the harvest field yesterday afternoon, was overcome by the intense heat, and died before medical aid could be procured.

The deceased, who was about 60 years of age, was born at Whitechurch, Markham township, where he resided for a number of years previous to taking up his residence in Sunnidale. He leaves a widow, five sons and four daughters to mourn his sudden decease. The heat has been most intense here, and yesterday the thermometer registered 93 degrees in the shade.

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The New York friends of Johann Most say that the anarchistic leader has gone to Buffalo to take charge of the editorial department of the Arbeiter Zeitung.

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