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THE MARKETS.

STOCK MARKETS.

TORONTO MARKET.

	Toronto, March 7. Ask	Off.
Montreal		251
Ontario		137½
Toronto	258½	256½
Merchants		
Commerce	167	166
Imperial	240	238
Dominion	249	
Standard		254
Hamilton	236	
Nova Scotia		275
Ottawa		220
Traders		142
British America		95½
Royal Bank		
Western Assurance	93½	95½
Imperial Life		149
National Trust		140
Toronto General Trusts		
Consumer's Gas		210
Ontario and Qu'Appelle Land		80
Canada Northwest Land Pref.	111	99
Canada Northwest Land Com.		
Can. Pacific Railway Stock	126½	126¼
Can. Pac. Railway Stock, new		
Canada Life		
Toronto Electric Light		154
General Electric	207	
General Electric, pref.		
London Electric		
Commercial Cable	167	
Dominion Telegraph		118
Bell Telephone		
Richelieu and Ontario Nav. Co.		101
Niagara Navigation	132	130
Northern Navigation	145	
St. Clair L. and C. Navigation	146	
Toronto Railway		111¾
Twin City Railway	116¾	116¼
Winnipeg St. Railway		175
Sao Paulo Tramway		94
Luxfer Prism., pref.		
Carter Crume		102½
Dunlop Tire, pref.	106	104
W. A. Rogers, pref.	104	103
Packers A	102	99
Packers B	100	98½
Dominion Steel, com	56	55
Dominion Steel, pref		
Dominion Coal, Common		121½
Nova Scotia Steel, com	112	110½
Lake Superior, com.		4½
War Eagle		5
Virtue		
North Star	12	
Colored Cotton		
Domnion Coal		
Crows Nest Coal	350	300
Canada Salt		121
Payne Mining		
Cariboo (McKinney)		72
British Canadian L. and I.	78	167
Canada Landed and Nat. Inv.		121
Canada Permanent	123	119
Canada Savings and Loan		150
Central Canada Loan		70
Dominion Savings and Invest.		121
Hamilton Provident		180
Huron and Erie L. and S.		75
Imperial Loan and Invest.		121
Landed Banking and Loan		
Lon. and Can. L. and A.		70
Manitoba Loan		94
Toronto Mortgage		114½
London Loan	120	121
Ontario Loan and Deb		129½
Toronto Savings and Loan		
Real Estate Loan add Deb		
Cable Coup. Bonds		
Cable Reg. Bonds		86
Dominion Steel Bonds		
Nova Scotia Steel Bonds		

SALES: Ontario, 10 at 138; Commerce, 16 and 50 at 167, 12 at 166; Canadian General Electric, 6 and 15 at 109; Toronto Railway, 67 at 114½, 50 at 114⅝; Twin City, 100 at 117, 25 at 116⅞, 25 at 116⅝, 125 at 116½; C. P. R., 300 at 129⅛, 55 at 129¼, 1,065 and 825 at 129½, 625 at 129⅜, 100 at 129⅝, 775 at 129¾, 50 at 129½, 175 at 129⅝, 25 at 129⅜, 50 at 129¼, 75 and 50 at 129½, 325 at 129⅛, 25 at 129⅜, 200 at 128⅞, 225 and 350 at 128¾, 275 at 128½, 700 at 128½; British-American, 20 at 95½; Steel, 150 at 56½, 150 at 56⅛, 25 at 56; Coal, 25 at 125¾, 100 at 125⅞, 25 at 125; Superior, 225 at 4¾, 75 at 4½; Payne, 1,500 at 20; Canada Permanent, 5 at 123.

MONTREAL MARKET.

	Montreal, March 7. Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	128	127⅞
Canadian Pacific new		
Duluth, common		
Duluth preferred		
Winnipeg Electric	160	160
Montreal Street Railway	275	272
West India	60	50
Toronto Street Railway	114¾	114⅜
Halifax Street Railway	105	100
St. John Street Railway	130	115
Twin City Transit Railway	116	115½
Twin City Railway, new		
Richelieu and Ontario	102½	101½
Commercial Cable	166	
Montreal Telegraph	162	160
Bell Telephone	170	
Dominion Iron and Steel, com.	55	54½
Dominion Iron and Steel, pref.	96	94
Montreal Heat, Light & Power	90¾	90
Nova Scotia Steel, common	111	110
Detroit Railway	86	85½
Laurentide Pulp		
Montreal Cotton		128
Dominion Cotton		49
Canada Colored Cotton		
Merchants Cotton		
War Eagle		
Payne	21	
Montreal Street Bonds		105
Republic		5
Virtue		
North Star		
National Salt, common		
Dominion Coal, common	126	124
Dominion Coal, pref		
Int. Coal		
B. C. P. A.		
Int. Coal, pref.		
Bank of Montreal		255
Ontario		132
British N America		
Molsons Bank		
Bank of Toronto		
Merchants Bank	171	
Ogilvie Milling Co., pref.	132½	130½
Ogilvie Bonds	120	116
Marconi		
Windsor Hotel		
Bank National		
Lake Woods Mfg. Co.		
Royal Bank		
Bank of Nova Scotia		
Eastern Townships		
Quebec Bank		
Bank of Toronto		
Union Bank	140	135
Bank of Commerce		
Hochelaga		
Northwest Land		
Northwest Land, pref.		
Imperial Bank		
Dominion Iron and Steel Bonds	86¼	85½
Laurentide		
Cable Coupon		
Halifax Railway		
Cable Registered		
N. S. Steel Bonds		
Toledo Bonds	34¼	32½

SALES: C. P. R., 175 at 129¼, 200 at 129⅜, 600 at 129½, 50 at 129⅜, 100 at 129½, 25 at 129¼, 20 at 130, 125 at 129½, 200 at 129⅜, 125 at 129¼, 625 at 129, 100 at 128¾, 50 at 128½, 100 at 128¾, 50 at 128⅝, 25 at 128¼, 100 at 127¾; Iron, common, 125 at 56¼, 200 at 56⅜, 75 at 56½, 25 at 56⅜, 50 at 56¾, 50 at 56⅝, 300 at 56½, 25 at 56¼, 125 at 56½, 75 at 56¼, 50 at 56, 25 at 55¾, 25 at 55½, 300 at 55; Twin City, 25 at 117, 150 at 117¼, 25 at 117¼, 100 at 117, 200 at 116; Detroit Railway, 50 at 85¾, 25 at 86, 100 at 85¾; Dominion Cotton, 25 at 50; Power, 50 at 88, 75 at 90, 25 at 90½, 25 at 91, 100 at 91½, 325 at 90; Toronto Railway, 50 at 114½, 25 at 114¼, 25 at 114; Bank of Commerce, 3 at 166; Montreal Telegraph, 2 at 164; Bank of Toronto, 4 at 255½; Coal, common, 100 at 126; R. and O., 45 at 101½, 50 at 101½; Bank of Montreal, new, 10 at 250½; Quebec Bank, 7 at 120; Molsons Bank, 12 at 214; Bank of Montreal, 1 at 256, 2 at 256.

NEW YORK.

New York, March 7.

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

	Open.	High.	Low.	2 p.m.
Anaconda	115	115	113½	113½
Amal. Copper	73	73	71	71
American Sugar Co.	127⅞	128⅛	125¾	125¾
American Locomotive	28⅛	28⅛	28	28
American Foundry	39⅛	39⅛	39	39
American Refining Co.	48¾	49⅝	48	48
Atcheson Com.	82½	82¾	80⅞	81
Atcheson Pfd.				
B. & O.	93⅞	93¾	92¼	92¼
Brooklyn Tran.	66⅝	66⅝	65½	65½
C. P. R.	129	129½	127	127½
Chesapeake & Ohio	46¾	46¾	46	46
Chic. Great Western	23⅞	24¼	23⅞	23⅞
Col. Fuel and Iron				
Delaware and Hudson	171¾	171¾	170¼	170¼
Erie	35¾	35¾	34⅝	34¾
Erie Pfd.	67⅝	68⅜	66¼	66¼
Illinois Central	139			
Kan. and Tex., com.				
Kan. and Tex. Pfd.	57¾	57¾	57¼	57¼
Louisville and Nashville	118¾			
Manhattan	143¼	143⅝	140¼	141
Metropolitan St. Ry.	136⅝	136⅝	135	135¼
Mexican Central	26⅝	27¼	26⅜	27¼
M. P.	109⅝	110	107⅞	107⅞
National Lead Trust				
N. Y. Central	143½	143½	141	141
Norfolk and W.	71⅞	71⅞	71¼	71¼
Ont. and West	30½	31	30¼	30¼
Pennsylvania	145½	145¾	144	144
People's Gas	101¾	101¾	101	101
Reading	59½	59¼	57¼	57¾
Republic I. and S.	20¼	20¾	20	20
Rock Island	44¾	44¾	42⅜	42⅜
Southern Ry.	32¾	32⅞	32	32
Southern Ry. Pfd.	94¼			
Southern Pacific	59½	59¾	58¼	58¼
St. Paul	171	171½	168	168¼
Texas	38½	33½	38	38
T. C. I.	62½	63¼	62	62
Union Pacific	92	92¼	89⅞	90
Union Pacific, Pfd.	93	93¼	89⅞	90
U. S. Leather	12¼	12⅝	12¼	12⅝
U. S. Leather, Pfd.	91¾	91¾	91⅝	91⅝
U. S. Steel, com.	37¼	37¼	36⅝	36¾
U. S. Steel, Pfd.	86⅞	86⅞	86⅝	86⅝
Wabash Com.	28¼			
Wabash, Pfd.	49¾	50	48¼	48¼
W. Union Tel.	88½	88⅝	88½	88½
Wisconsin Central	25⅞	25⅞	25⅝	25¼

LOCAL MARKET.

London, Saturday, March 7.

Had the weather been at all favorable, there is no doubt but that there would have been a large attendance at the market here today. Under the circumstances, it was a surprise that so many farmers attended. The square was in a sloppy condition, and was very unpleasant for those who had to do business on the market. Sales were brisk and prices were slightly firmer, especially in the small lines of produce.

Grain—There were about 10 loads of oats offered, which brought 91c to 92c per cental. One load of wheat sold at $1 19 per cental.

Hay—Only 6 loads offered, and sales were slow at $8 to $9 per ton.

Butter and Eggs—There was considerable butter offered, and owing to the light supply of the two previous markets there was a good demand, at slightly higher prices; sales were made at 20c to 22c for pound rolls and 19c to 20c for crocks. Eggs were in fairly good supply and the demand was good, at 16c to 18c per dozen for fresh-laid eggs.

Vegetables and Roots—Several large loads of potatoes sold at $1 20 per bag, and $1 25 to $1 30 was asked for a single bag; turnips were in good demand at 30c per bag; parsnips, 30c to 40c; onions, 60c to 70c per bag; green cucumbers sold at 60c per dozen; new lettuce at 40c per dozen; a few bushels of spinach sold at $1 per bushel.

Apples were plentiful and sales slow, at prices quoted.

Poultry—There was a good demand in this line at the following prices: Turkeys, dressed, 14c to 16c per pound, mostly at 15c; chickens, do, at 75c to $1 per pair; live chickens, 50c to 75c.

Dressed Hogs—There were about 20 carcases on sale and the demand was brisk; the market opened at $7 75 per 100 pounds, but later sales were made at $8.

Live Hogs—The price for Monday is settled at $5 75 per 100 pounds for selects. Quite a few small pigs sold at $6 to $8 50 per pair, according to size.

Butchers' Meats—The local wholesale butchers were in not a very pleasant mood, as there have been about 40 carcases sold here which were shipped in from Toronto; consequently sales were very slow and prices seemed to be easier.

Wheat, good	$1 18	@	$1 19
Oats	91	@	92
Barley	95	@	1 00
Peas	1 40	@	1 50
Corn	1 00	@	1 10
Rye	95	@	1 00
Buckwheat	90	@	1 10
GRAIN, PER BUSHEL.			
Wheat	70	@	70⅝
Oats	30	@	32
Barley	31	@	43
Peas	85	@	90
Corn	58	@	72
Rye	53	@	55
Buckwheat	50	@	52
DAIRY PRODUCE.			
Butter, per roll, baskets	20	@	21
Butter, crock, per lb	19	@	20
Eggs, doz., basket lots	15	@	17
Eggs, doz., new-laid	16	@	18
Honey, strained, per lb	9	@	10
Honey, in comb, per lb	13	@	13
Cheese, wholesale	13	@	13½
FRUITS.			
Apples, per bbls	1 00	@	1 25
Apples, per bag	25	@	50
Apples, dried, per lb	5	@	5¼
Apples, per bu	25	@	25
VEGETABLES.			
Potatoes, bag, wholesale	1 20	@	1 20
Potatoes, single bag	1 25	@	1 30
Turnips, per bag	25	@	35
Onions, per bag	60	@	65
Beets, per bu	30	@	40
Carrots, per bag	20	@	40
Cabbages, per doz	25	@	60
Celery, per doz	25	@	50
Pumpkins, each	5	@	10
Squashes, per doz	60	@	80
Sage and savory, doz	20	@	20
Peppers, per doz	15	@	15
Cauliflowers, per doz	60	@	90
POULTRY, DRESSED.			
Chickens, pair pair	65	@	1 00
Ducks, per pair	75	@	1 00
Geese, each	65	@	90
Ducks, per pair	60	@	75
Geese, each	50	@	70
Turkeys, per lb	12½	@	15
MEATS.			
Dressed hogs, per cwt	7 75	@	8 00
Pork, hindquarters, per lb	9	@	10
Pork, forequarters, lb	8½	@	8½
Beef, carcase, choice	6 00	@	6 50
Beef, carcase, common	5 00	@	6 00
Beef, hindquarters	6 00	@	7 25
Beef, forequarters	4 50	@	5 75
Lambs, by carcase	10 00	@	10 50
Lamb, by quarter	10 00	@	11 00
Veal, per cwt	6 50	@	8 00
Mutton, per cwt	5 00	@	7 00
HAY AND STRAW.			
Hay, per ton	6 00	@	9 50
Straw, per ton	5 00	@	5 50
Straw, per load	3 00	@	3 50
Baled hay, wholesale	8 50	@	9 50
LIVE STOCK.			
Hogs, per cwt	5 75	@	5 75
Pigs, per pair	5 00	@	6 50
Sows, per cwt	4 00	@	4 50
Fat cattle	4 00	@	4 25
Cows, each	25 00	@	37 00
HIDES AND SKINS.			
Wool, washed	13	@	13½
Wool, unwashed	6	@	7
Hides, No. 1, per lb	6½	@	6½
Hides, No. 2, per lb	5½	@	5½
Hides, No. 3, per lb	4½	@	4½
Tallow, rendered	6	@	6½
Tallow rough	3½	@	3½
Sheepskins, each	60	@	60
Calfskins, No. 2	6½	@	7

PRODUCE MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 7.—Wheat—Steady; No. 2 red and white, 70c, middle freights, holders asking ½c to ic more; Manitoba wheat, 84c for No. 1 hard, via Owen Sound, and at 87½c for No. 1 hard, 85½c for No. 1 northern and 84½c for No. 2 northern, all rail, North Bay. Flour—Steady, at $2 65 to $2 67½ for cars of 90 per cent patents in buyers' bags, middle freights, and choice brands are 15c to 20c higher. Millfeed—Steady, at $17 50 for cars of shorts and $16 25 for bran in bulk, middle freights. Barley—Easier, at 45½c for No. 2 extra and 42c for No. 3, middle freights. Rye—Steady; No. 2, 56c, middle freights. Corn—Steady, at 45c for Canada mixed and 45½c for yellow west. Oats—Dull, at 30c for No. 2 white, high freights west, and 32c middle freights. Peas—Steady, at 69c for No. 2, high freights west, and 70c middle freights. Butter and eggs—Unchanged.

DAIRY MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, March 6.—Butter—Firm; receipts, 6,921 pkgs; creamery, held extras, 22c to 23c; do, firsts, 20c to 21c; other grades unchanged. Cheese—Firm; unchanged; receipts, 1,599 boxes. Eggs—firm; receipts, 9,512 cases; state, Pennsylvania and nearby, fancy selected white, 21c; do, firsts, 19c; western, firsts, 18½c; fair to good, 17c to 18c; Kentucky, firsts, 18½c; Tennessee and southern, firsts, 18c; Kentucky and southern, fair to good, 16c to 17½c; dirties, 14c to 15c; refrigerators, 10c to 15c.

OIL MARKETS.

PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 6.—Oil opened and closed at $1 50.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., March 6.—Credit balances, $1 50.

LONDON.

London, March 6.—Petroleum, American refined, 5¾d; spirits, 7¼d.

ANTWERP.

Antwerp, March 6.—Petroleum, 25 francs.

BREMEN.

Bremen, March 6.—Petroleum, 6 marks 35 pfennings.

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Petrolea Topic: Oil—Petrolea, $1 95; Oil Springs (less pipeage), $2 02; Pittsburg, $1 50.

SUGAR MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, March 6.—Sugar—Raw was strong; fair refining, 3 5-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3¾c to 3 13-16c; molasses sugar, 3c to 3 1-16c; refined firm. Molasses—Quiet.

LONDON.

London, March 6.—Raw sugar—Muscovado, 98; centrifugal, 9s 9d; beet sugar, March, 8s 4½d.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, March 6.—Butter—Market was steady; creameries, 18c to 27½c; dairies, 14c to 24c. Cheese—Steady, 12½c to 12¾c and 13c to 13½c.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, March 6.—Flour—Receipts, 17,443 bbls; sales, 30,000 pkgs; flour was quiet but a little steadier. Buckwheat flour—Dull. Rye flour—Steady. Wheat—Receipts, 58,900 bu; sales, 1,600,000 bu; wheat opened steady, eased off under bearish crop talk, but rallied again with corn; May, 80 5-16c to 80⅝c; July, 77c to 77 3-16c. Rye—Dull; state, 57c to 62c, c.i.f., New York; No. 2 western, 62½c, f.o.b., afloat. Corn—Receipts, 56,000 bu; sales, 40,000; corn, after selling off for a time, recovered and turned strong on fair clearances and support by Chicago provision men; May, 52⅝c to 52⅞c; July, 50½c to 50⅝c. Oats—Receipts, 42,000 bu; oats steadied up towards noon with corn; track, white state, 44c to 48c; track, white western, 44c to 48c.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, March 6.—Wheat—The situation in wheat today was a little improved over yesterday from a bull standpoint, although at no time did the market show decided strength. All the cables were fractionally lower, and reflected rather depressing conditions in foreign markets. Around 75⅞c early in the session there was further liquidation of May, which broke the price under 75½c. The wheat was wanted around this figure, however, and recoveries were quickly brought about, some of the leading commission houses doing a big business on the buying side. For the moment the liquidation appears to be about over, but we are not strong believers in higher prices until some important bull factors enter into the general situation. This is most likely to be crop-scare talk or something of that kind. We believe there is more money in selling wheat on the bulges than in buying it. Estimated cars for tomorrow, 25.

Corn—The corn situation was considerably improved, the May up from 46⅝c to 47⅜c, and the July from 44⅜c to 44½c to 35⅛c. This was mainly on buying by brokers believed to represent two of the largest bulls, the May delivery doing considerably and was not always easy to buy. Cars for tomorrow, 290.

Oots felt some of the effect of the strong market, and sold up about ¾c, the May retaining all the advance. There was some little liquidation. The cash market is strong on the higher grades, but easier on poor. Cars for tomorrow, 310.

TOLEDO.

Toledo, O., March 6.—Wheat—Fairly active; cash, 75½c; May, 78c; July, 74¾c. Corn—Higher; March, May and July, 45c. Oats—Dull; March, 36⅜c; May, 35⅞c; July, 32½c. Rye—No. 2, 54c. Clover seed—Easier; March, $7 15; April, $7. Prime timothy, $1 85. Prime alsike, $8.

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

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

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Chicago, March 7.				
Wheat—May	76	76⅝	74⅝	74¾
July	72¼	72⅝	71⅛	71¼
Corn—May	47⅝	47⅞	47	47⅛
July	45⅛	45¼	44⅝	44⅝
Oats—May	35	35⅛	34⅛	34⅝
July	32⅛	32⅛	31½	31⅝
Pork—May	18 42	18 50	18 35	18 35
July	17 90	17 92	17 85	17 87
Lard—May	10 17	10 17	10 12	10 15
July	10 07	10 10	10 05	10 10
S. Ribs—May	9 97	9 97	9 92	9 92
July	9 80	9 80	9 72	9 77

ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, March 7.—Wheat—Spot quiet; No. 2 red western winter, 6s 1½d; No. 1 northern spring, 6s 8½d; No. 1 California, 6s 10½d. Future steady; March, 6s 3⅜d; May, 6s 1¾d; July, 6s 1¼d.

Corn—Spot, American mixed, new, steady, 4s 0½d; do, old, no stock. Futures inactive; March, 4s 6⅞d; May, 4s 3⅞d.

Peas—Canadian steady, 6s 5½d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter quiet, 8s 3d.

Hops (at London)—Pacific coast firm, £7 to £7 10s.

Beef—Easy; extra India mess, 89s.

Pork—Steady; prime mess western, 81s.

Hams—Firm; short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, 53s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, strong, 52s 6d; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, strong, 54s 6d; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, strong, 52s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, strong, 53s; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, strong, 52s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, strong, 54s; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, strong, 44s.

Lard—Strong; prime western, in tierces, 50s 6d; American refined, in pails, 50s 6d.

Butter—Good United States steady, 80s; finest United States nominal.

Cheese—Steady; American finest white, 63s; American finest colored, 62s 6d.

Tallow—Prime city steady, 27s 3d; Australian (in London) dull, 32s 6d.

Turpentine spirits—Firm, 43s 9d.

Rosin—Common firm, 5s 4½d.

Petroleum—Refined firm, 6½d.

Linseed oil—Steady, 26s 6d.

Cottonseed oil (Hull refined)—Spot firm, 21s 9d.

BEAN MARKET.

Detroit, March 7.—Beans were in demand yesterday and the close was at an advance of 2c. The demand was greater for May than for cash. Quotations: Cash, $2 10; May, $2 20 bid.

HAY MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 7.—Baled Hay—The market is quoted steady at $9 to $9.50 per ton for car lots on the track here.

Baled Straw—Receipts are still very plentiful, and quotations are about steady, at $5 per ton for car lots on the track here.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, March 7.—Cattle—Receipts, 200; market nominal.

Hogs—Receipts, 11,000; market 5c higher; mixed and butchers, $7 to $7 40; good to choice heavy, $7 40 to $7 50; rough heavy, $7 10 to $7 35; light, $6 70 to $7 10; bulk of sales at $7 10 to $7 30.

Sheep—Receipts, 1,000; steady; good to choice wethers, $5 to $5 65; fair to choice mixed, $4 to $4 75; native lambs, $4 50 to $7.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 6.—There was a fair amount of business doing at the cattle market today, but not of a very satisfactory character to the sellers—nor, perhaps, to the buyers—for neither could get what they wanted. There were altogether too many rough heavy cattle offering. These are not wanted, neither for the local butcher trade nor are they good enough for the export trade. For the butcher trade light cattle of good quality are wanted, and for these there was a fair market and good prices. There was also a little demand for choice heavy exporters, but practically none offering. There were heavy cattle in the market, but as it happens that there is no shipping space available at the present time, dealers are unwilling to load themselves with stock, with no certainty as to how long they might have to keep it on hand. For these reasons the general run of prices today was from 15c to 25c off, though for the limited quantity of the right kind of cattle prices were steady at former quotations. The top price for exporters paid today would be about $4 50; for choice picked butchers' light cattle, from $4 25 to $4 40 was paid; but for the general run of heavy butchers' cattle offering prices were from $3 to $3 50, and for roughest common butchers down to $2 75.

Lambs were a little easier today, with sheep and calves firm.

Hogs were unchanged, at $6 10 for the best.

The run was 58 loads, with 929 head of cattle, 485 sheep and lambs, 735 hogs and 32 calves.

Crawford & Co. bought a couple of loads of feeders, 1,040 to 1,100 lbs, at $3 70 to $4 10. S. Levack bought 15 butchers' cattle, 950 lbs, at $3 25 to $4; 2 bulls, 3,500 lbs, the two, at $3 70. C. McCurdy bought a load of mixed light butchers, 850 to 1,000 lbs, at $3 40 to $3 85. C. Zeigman bought 25 butchers' cattle, 1,000 lbs, at $3 60; 5 light stockers, 600 lbs, at $3 40. William McClelland bought a load of mixed butchers at $3 60. Corbett & Henderson bought 15 butchers, 960 lbs, at $3 70. Wesley Dunn bought 59 sheep at $4 15, 232 lambs at $5, and 9 calves at $8 50 each. Lunness & Halligan bought about 2 loads of light export cattle, 1,200 to 1,275 lbs, at $4 25. W. Britton bought 60 sheep at $4 15, 120 lambs at $4 50, 8 calves at $8 50 each, and 2 spring lambs at $7 75 each.

NEW YORK.

New York, March 6.—Beeves—Receipts, 3,438; all steady to a shade lower; steers, $4 60 to $5 50; tops, $5 60; oxen, $4 10 to $5 25; bulls, $3 55 to $4 40; cows, $2 50. Cables steady. Exports tomorrow, 880 cattle, 201 sheep and 3,700 quarters of beef. Valves—Receipts, 79; veals, $5 to $8 50; tops, $9; easier; barnyard and fed calves, $2 50 to $3 50.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 2,669; steady to firm; sheep, $4 to $5 90; export sheep, $6; good to choice lambs, $7 15 to $7 35.

Hogs—Receipts, 1,649; firm; common western hogs, $6 50; no sales.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, March 6.—Today Canadian cattle are quoted steady at 10½c to 12c per lb, dressed weight; American cattle, 12c to 13c per lb; sheep are 14c to 15c per lb; refrigerator beef, 9½c to 10c per lb.

LONDON HAS OVER TWELVE HUNDRED RAILROAD MEN

Prosperous Times Have Brought About a Large Increase in the Forces.

The four railroads now entering London have on their pay rolls at the present time the names of over 1,200 bona fide residents of the city.

The figures given below were furnished The Advertiser this week by the officials of the several lines, and they go to show the immense value which the railroads in many respects must be to the city. Without this little army of men, drawing as they do many thousands of dollars monthly in wages, it can safely be said London would not occupy its present position of importance.

A few years since the pay rolls were by no means as large as now. With the development of trade in Canada and the prosperity of the people across the line, the railroad forces have everywhere grown, but nowhere, possibly, has the increase been greater, proportionately, than in London, situated as it is on the Grand Trunk and C. P. R. main lines. As an instance, it is only a short time since the Grand Trunk's force of engineers and firemen, whose headquarters were here, did not number many more than 100 men. Now there are close upon 150, the increase being due to the growth of business, and bringing rapid promotion to many of the younger men in the motive power department. The same experience has been the lot of the C. P. R. for two years past, until now the firemen and engineers have almost doubled in number.

The Grand Trunk heads the list, with over 900 men. In the shops alone in East London 400 men are almost constantly employed. At the roundhouse there are 240, which includes engineers, firemen, wipers, fitters, etc., and at the depot, the officials, with the numerous clerks, operators, dispatchers, baggage hands and policemen, number 50. The yard gangs—crossing watchmen, switchmen and others engaged in the making up of trains—are about 50 strong. It is estimated that the train hands stationed here would reach 85, of whom 25 are conductors and 60 brakemen, while the force at the freight sheds, from the local agent down, would number 85 clerks, billers and truckers. There are close upon 20 teamsters, but these are paid by the Shedden Company. Were it not for the transfer of many to Sarnia Tunnel, when it was decided to run the freight crews through from that point, instead of having them change here, the number connected with the motive power department in London would be much larger.

The London forces of the C. P. R. comprise 200 men. Conductors and brakemen alone number 70, engineers and firemen 40, freight house staff 50, track hands 10, yard hands 8, and station staff 10. At the shops there are car repairers, blacksmiths and helpers to the number of 16.

All told, the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway has 50 men in every department, but this number will be increased in the summer, when the excursion traffic is on and additional trains are also placed on the line between here and Walkerville.

The M. C. R. has a force of 25 men in the freight shed, besides 11 clerks and teamsters, making a total of 36. All of the train hands have their headquarters in St. Thomas.

The amount paid in wages by the four roads could not be given, but it must be far up in the thousands, as in some branches of the service the employes sometimes earn as high as $125 a month.

Carson, photo.

THE LATE JOHN WATTERWORTH,

One of the best known pioneers of Middlesex county, who died on Sunday, March 1, 1903.

REDUCED M. H. O.'S SALARY

Board of Health Brings Dr. Hutchinson's Salary to $1,000.

Will Appoint a Veterinary Surgeon to Inspect Dairies.

The board of health held a brief meeting this morning, when it was decided after a vote had been taken to reduce the medical health officer's salary from $1,500 to $1,000. The other transactions were of a routine order.

This course was adopted because the board decided to relieve Dr. Hutchinson from the duty of inspecting herds of cows, dairies, slaughterhouses, etc. Instead of having him do this they deemed it necessary to appoint a veterinary surgeon as an inspector of herds, etc., at a salary of not more than $300 a year, and in view of this appointment to reduce the medical health officer's salary one-third.

The new inspector would be required to make an inspection and give a report at least four times a year. The motion to reduce Dr. Hutchinson's salary was made by Mr. Willis and seconded by by Dr. Campbell and Messrs. McBride the mayor. It was vigorously opposed by Dr. Campbell, and Messrs. McBride and Taylor, who argued that the change was unnecessary, and that the salary reduction was an unjust one.

Finally, after the question had been threshed out, a vote was taken, and the following was the result:

Yeas—Carrothers, Beck, Skinner and Willis.

Nays—Taylor, Campbell, and McBride.

Dr. Hutchinson was instructed to prepare a list of drugs used by the board during a year and report to the chairman.

The city solicitor's opinion will be obtained regarding the matter of the removing of dogs killed by the street railway cars. Whether or not the city has power to compel the street railway company to take away the carcasses, will be found out.

Twenty-Five Per Cent Off.

Thomas Gillean, the well-known jeweler and optician, 402 Richmond street, is for the present selling his goods at one-quarter off. This is a rare opportunity that is not likely to be available much longer.

The vessels already acquired are the

TALES OF LONDON TOWN

—Dr. Edward C. Abbott, of Toronto, is home for a few days, visiting with his parents at 421 Dundas street.

—Mrs. T. A. Megaffin and children, of Virden, Manitoba, are the guests of Mrs. Shoebottom, 488 York street.

—Mr. Sidney Glass, tenor solist, of Toronto, will assist in the musical service at Dundas Center Methodist Church tomorrow.

—Rev. Walter Russell, B. A., will speak at a mass meeting of men to be held in the Auditorium on Sunday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock.

—At the communion service tomorrow in the new St. James Presbyterian Church, the pastor will be assisted by Rev. Walter Russell.

—Miss Lillian Abbott and Miss Josephine Spencer, of Havergal Ladies' College, Toronto, are home to spend the Sabbath with their parents.

A COURSE CONCERT.

The Whitney Male Quartet gave another concert last night in the course at the Auditorium. The audience was large and appreciative.

WANT FEDERAL CHARTER.

The Ottawa Gazette says: A federal charter will be applied for incorporating the Empire Accident and Surety Company, of London, Ont. The London Loan Company, which now operates under provincial charter, will apply for a federal charter, so that it may do business anywhere in Canada, and enlarge the scope of its investments.

ABERDEENS ACCEPT CHALLENGE

Sporting Editor of The Advertiser:

We, the Aberdeen hockey team, accept the challenge of the Horton team to play two games, the team scoring the greatest number of goals in the series to be declared the winner. As we are the challenged teams we should have the privilege of selecting the rink in which to play. We will play the above team in the Jubilee Rink on Wednesday, March 11, and a return game in any rink they desire on the following Friday or Monday evening. (Signed) W. Wilson, manager.

LONDON OLD BOY HOME.

Mr. A. H. Logan, who