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BIG POULTRY DAY MARKET FEATURE

Demand Much Greater Than the Supply—Butter Was Plentiful.

Poultry was distinctly the feature of this morning's market, and will in all probability remain so till after the holiday. Most of the people around the market seemed to be wending their way homeward with a goose or chicken or turkey. There was no doubt of the demand this morning, it was considerably in advance of the supply, and would have been so had the supply been very much larger than it was.

This morning's market was not a large one as markets at this season go, but the selling was brisk and the farmers on the market seemed satisfied with the results, which speaks volumes.

Butter Plentiful.

There was a very fair supply of dairy produce offered this morning, butter being rather more plentiful than usual, and selling very rapidly. Rolls at 25c to 26c and crocks at 24c to 25c. Eggs remain a very scarce article, and the supply offered cannot in any way meet the demand. The prices for single dozens run from 30c to 32c, while other sales are reported as high as 35c.

Meat Prices Firm.

Meat prices remain very firm, beef showing a very slight advance, selling as high as $7.50, and mutton at $6 to $8. Dressed hogs were considerably firmer the majority selling this morning for $15.50, and only a very few selling for the lower price of $10.25.

The price for live hogs had not been set, but they will be at least at the old figure of $7.50, with a probable advance over that.

The Grains.

There was an unusually good supply of oats offered this morning, the prices running from $1.20 to $1.25. A few small and extra choice loads went as high as $1.27, but the majority went at $1.22.

Wheat was somewhat more plentiful today also, and sold briskly at $1.05. There was no change in vegetable prices, and there was not a very large supply offered. There was a large supply of potatoes, but these did not find a very ready sale, the price running from 50c to 60c. Celery and cabbages were about the only other commodity offered in large quantities.

Other quotations are as follows:

Poultry Prices.

Poultry prices still show a decided tendency to advance. There was a fair supply offered on this morning's market, but people were evidently laying in a supply before the prices increase, trusting to a continuance of the cool weather. As a result the supply soon disappeared.

Already there has been a very decided increase, even with Christmas two weeks away. Chickens are at the record price of 12c to 14c, and ducks at 14c to 15c. Turkeys have been selling mostly at 16c during the past week; this morning the prevailing market price was 17c, while some sales were recorded as high as 18c; that price for a 12 or 15-lb bird makes it look like a very fair-sized investment, and the end is not yet. With the large numbers being shipped away, there is a very serious drain on the market, and the next week will likely see still further increases.

Grain.

Wheat, per bu	$1 02	to	$1 05
Oats, per cwt	1 20	to	1 27
Corn, per cwt	1 35	to	1 40
Buckwheat, per cwt	1 25	to	1 30
Barley, per cwt	1 15	to	1 25
Peas, per cwt	1 15	to	1 25
Beans, per bu	1 25	to	1 60
Rye, per cwt	1 05	to	1 10

Hay and Straw.

Hay, per ton	14 00	to	15 50
Straw, per ton	7 00	to	8 00

Dairy Produce.

Butter, creamery, lb	26½	to	27½
Butter, rolls, lb	25	to	26
Butter, crock, lb	24	to	25
Eggs, crate, dozen	28	to	30
Eggs, fresh-laid, dozen	28	to	35
Honey, strained, lb	10	to	12
Honey, in comb	12	to	15

Poultry, Dressed.

Turkeys, per lb	15	to	17
Ducks, spring, per lb	14	to	15
Old ducks, per lb	8	to	9
Old fowl, per lb	8	to	9
Chickens, per lb	13	to	14
Geese, each	1 00	to	1 25

Poultry, Alive.

Old fowl, per lb	7	to	8
Turkeys, per lb	12	to	14
Spring ducks, per lb	9	to	10
Ducks, per lb	9	to	9
Young fowl, per lb	9	to	11

Butchers' Meats.

Beef, by the carcase	5 50	to	7 50
Mutton, per cwt	7 00	to	8 00
Veal, per cwt	7 00	to	9 00
Spring lamb, per lb	10	to	11
Dressed hogs, per cwt	10 25	to	10 50

Live Stock.

Small pigs, per pair	6 00	to	6 00
Select hogs, per cwt	7 50	to	7 50
Fat sows, per cwt	5 00	to	6 00
Stags, per cwt	2 00	to	3 00
Export cattle, cwt	5 00	to	5 50
Milch cows, each	30 00	to	55 00

Hides and Wool.

Lambskins, each	75	to	85
Wool, washed, per lb	20	to	22
Wool, unwashed, per lb	12	to	14
Hides, No. 1, lb	11	to	12
Hides, No. 2, lb	10	to	10
Hides, No. 3, lb	9	to	9
Calfskins, per lb	15	to	15
Sheepskins, each	75	to	1 40
Tallow, rough, lb	3	to	3
Tallow, rendered, lb	5½	to	5½

Vegetables.

Potatoes, per bag	50	to	60
Turnips, per bu	30	to	35
Celery, per dozen	40	to	50
Sage, per dozen	20	to	20
Lettuce, per dozen	20	to	20
Savory, per dozen	20	to	20
Cauliflowers, each	15	to	20
Cabbage, dozen (to size)	30	to	40
Red cabbage, dozen	40	to	40
Onions, per bu	1 25	to	1 25
Beets, per bu	40	to	45
Parsnips, per peck	20	to	20
Beans, per bu	1 20	to	1 50
Spinach, per bu	50	to	60
Mangels, bu, by the load	20	to	20
Carrots, bu, by the load	35	to	35
Pumpkins, each	5	to	5

Fruits.

Apples, per bag	40	to	90
Apples, per bu	30	to	50
Apples, per barrel	1 00	to	2 00
Quinces	35	to	40
Citrons, per dozen	50	to	1 00

LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Cattle—Receipts estimated at 600; market steady, beeves, $4 to $8 75; Texas steers, $3 80 to $4 80; western steers, $4 25 to $7; stockers and feeders, $3 10 to $5 25; cows and heifers, $2 10 to $5 65; calves, $7 to $9 50. Hogs—Receipts estimated at 11,000; market 5c higher; light, $8 65 to $8 50; mixed, $8 15 to $8 65; heavy, $8 45 to $8 70; rough, $8 25 to $8 40; good to choice heavy, $8 40 to $8 70; pigs, $4 95 to $7 90; bulk of sales at $8 40 to $8 60. Sheep—Receipts estimated at 3,000; market steady; natives, $3 55 to $5 90; westerns, $3 75 to $5 80; yearlings, $6 25 to $7 65; lambs, native, $5 75 to $8; western, $5 75 to $8 50.

EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 11.—Cattle—Receipts, 250 head; steady; prices unchanged. Veals—Receipts, 150 head; active and 25c lower, $6 to $10 25. Hogs—Receipts, 8,000 head; slow and mostly 10c lower; heavy, $8 70 to $8 75; mixed, $8 65 to $8 70; Yorkers, $8 30 to $8 65; pigs, $5 to $8 40; roughs, $7 75 to $8; stags, $6 75 to $7 25; dairies, $8 50 to $8 60. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 3,000 head; sheep active, lambs slow, wethers steady, others 25c lower, lambs 10c to 15c lower; lambs, $5 25 to $8 50, a few at $8 55; yearlings, $6 50 to $7; wethers, $5 25 to $5 75; ewes, $5 to $5 25; sheep, mixed, $2 to $5 25; Canada lambs, $8 to $8 25.

PRODUCE.

CHICAGO EXCHANGE			Chicago, Dec. 11	
Wheat, Dec	110	110¾	109⅝	109⅝
May	109	109⅝	108⅝	109
July	99	99⅛	98½	98⅞
Corn, Dec	60¼	60¼	60⅛	60⅛
May	64⅛	64⅝	64	64¼
July	64¼	64½	63¾	64½
Oats, Dec	43¼	44	43¼	43⅝
May	44⅛	44¼	44¼	44⅞
July	42	42⅜	42	42⅜
Pork, Jan	21 62	21 82	21 62	21 80
May	21 30	21 50	21 20	21 40
Lard, Jan	12 67	12 92	12 67	12 85
Oct	11 87	11 97	11 87	11 90
Ribs, Jan	11 87	11 95	11 85	11 87
May	11 15	11 22	11 15	11 20

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 10.—Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red western winter, 8s 1¾d; futures quiet; December, 8s 1⅜d; March, 7s 7¾d. Corn—Spot quiet; new American mixed (via Galveston), 5s 10d; futures firm; January, mixed, 5s 4½d; January, La Plata, 5s 5¾d. Hams—Short cut steady, 68s. Bacon—Cumberland cut quiet, 69s; short ribs weak, 66s; long clear middles, light, dull, 64s 6d. Tallow—Prime city firm, 32s 9d. Linseed oil—Steady, 31s.

TORONTO, Dec. 11.—The grain market opened more active than usual today, and prices were a little firmer than usual. Western grains are all strong. Quotations: Ontario wheat—No. 2 mixed winter, $1 03 to $1 04; No. 2 white, $1 04 to $1 05 outside. Manitoba wheat—Spot, No. 1 northern, $1 05½; No. 2 northern, $1 03¾, on track at lake ports, for early January delivery; No. 1 northern, $1 10½; No. 2 northern, $1 08½, all-rail. Corn—American old No. 2 yellow, 71c to 71½c; new No. 3 yellow, 65½c to 66½c, Toronto freights; kiln-dried No. 3 yellow, 67c to 68c. Oats—Canadian western, No. 2, 39c; No. 3, 38¼c, on track at lake ports, December shipment, all-rail; No. 2 western, 41½c; No. 3 western, 40¾c; No. 2 white, 35c to 36c outside; No. 3 white, 34c outside, 37c to 38c on track at Toronto. Barley—No. 2, 59c to 60c; No. 3 extra, 57c to 58c; No. 3, 52c to 53c; feed barley, 49c to 51c outside; Manitoba No. 3, 53c; No. 4, 51c, on track at lake ports. Peas—New No. 2, 86c to 88c. Rye—No. 2, 70c outside. Buckwheat—No. 2, 52c to 53c outside. Manitoba flour—Quotations at Toronto: First patents, $5 60; second patents, $5 10; strong bakers, $4 90; 90 per cent patents, Glasgow freights, 28s. Ontario flour—Winter wheat patents, for export, $4 15 to $4 20, in buyers' sacks outside.

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STOCKS.

Reported by C. N. Spencer, Stockbroker, Market Lane, for The Advertiser.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11—Close.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amal. Copper	86⅞	87¾	86¾	87
American Sugar	123⅞	123⅞	123½	123½
Amer. Beet Sugar	47½	..	..	..
Amer. Locomotive	62¼	..	..	..
American Foundry	72	..	..	..
American Refining	100	100½	100	100
Anthison, com	122⅛	122⅞	122	122¼
Baltimore & Ohio	117⅜	117½	117¼	117½
Brooklyn Transit	80¼	80⅞	79⅞	80¼
Canadian Pacific	180½	180⅞	180¼	180⅝
Chesapeake & Ohio	87⅜	87⅞	87	87¼
Chicago & G. W.	20½	20⅝	20½	20½
Consolidated Gas	151½	151¾	151½	151⅝
Col. Fuel & Iron	51	51½	51	51¼
Chicago & N. W.	176¼	177¼	176⅛	177¼
Erie, com	31⅛	31⅜	31⅛	31¼
Erie, 1st	50½	51	50½	50¾
G. Northern, pfd	152⅞	152⅞	152⅞	152⅞
Inter-Metropolitan	24⅝	24⅞	24½	24½
Inter-Met., pfd	61⅞	62⅜	61⅝	61¾
Kansas & Texas	49¾	49⅞	49¾	49½
Louisville & Nash	153	153	152½	152½
Mexican Central	24¼	24½	24⅛	24⅜
Missouri Pacific	71	..	..	..
New York Central	124¼	124⅜	124¼	124⅜
Northern Pacific	144¼	144¼	143⅞	144⅛
Norfolk & Western	100½	100½	100⅛	100¼
National Lead	87¼	..	..	..
Ontario & Western	49	49½	49	49
Pacific Mail	43	43	42¼	42¼
Pennsylvania	134¼	134⅝	134	134⅜
Pressed Steel Car	52⅞	..	..	..
Reading	170½	171½	170⅝	171
Republic Steel	46⅝	46⅝	46¼	46½
Rock Island	41⅜	42⅜	41⅜	41⅞
Rock Island, pfd	90	90½	90	90½
Southern Railway	31⅝	..	..	..
Southern Ry., pfd	71	..	..	..
Southern Pacific	131⅜	131¾	130⅞	131¼
St. Paul	157	157⅛	156⅞	157
Texas Pacific	35½	..	..	..
Union Pacific	202¾	202¾	202	202¼
Central Leather	47⅛	47⅛	47	47⅛
U. S. Rubber	52½	..	..	..
U. S. Steel	90¾	91	90½	91
U. S. Steel, pfd	125⅛	125½	125⅛	125½
Wabash, pfd	57¾	57¾	57½	57½
Western Union Tel.	78¼	78½	78¼	78½

NEW YORK, Wall Street, Dec. 11, 10 a.m.—Week closes with firm prices. Specialties were the feature. There seems to be little doubt now but what the President will make but few recommendations to Congress and those that are on lines of improvement and enlightenment on existing laws, which will be of benefit to corporations and concerns that are now in the dark as to their rights. The market has all the appearance of some such assurances. The bank statement was favorable. The chances of tight money for the balance of the season are remote, and we think prices will be higher next week.

MONTREAL, Dec. 11	Asked	Bid
Bell Telephone	149	146
Packers A	..	75½
Packers B	..	77½
Canadian Converters	45	43
Canadian Pacific	181	180⅞
Detroit Electric	66	65¾
Dominion Coal, com	92	91⅞
Dominion Steel, com	..	70⅛
Dominion Steel, pfd	136¾	136½
Halifax Electric	..	120½
Illinois Traction, pref	94	92
Lake of the Woods, com	130	122½
McKay Com	91½	91
Mackay, pref	76¼	..
Minn. & st. Paul	149	149¼
Mt. L., H. & Power	128⅞	128½
Montreal Street Railway	215	214⅝
Montreal Steel Works	..	96
Montreal Telegraph	..	147
Nor. Ohio T. & L.	36½	36
N. S. Steel & Coal	83¼	82¼
Ogilvie Milling	139½	139
R. & O. Navigation	89⅞	89½
Toledo Electric	10	9
Toronto Railway	125⅞	125¼
Twin City	112¾	111
Duluth Superior	68¼	67½
Penman, com	58	57½
Quebec, com	66½	66
Bank British North America	150	..
Bank of Commerce	196	194
Eastern Township Bank	165	..
Hochelaga Bank	145	143
Merchants Bank	170	167½
Molsons Bank	212¼	..
Bank Montreal	252	251½
Bank of Ottawa	210	..
Bank Quebec	123	122¼
Bank of Toronto	219	214
Union Bank	..	136
Ottawa New	208¾	208
Rubber bonds	98	97
Converters	92	..
Canadian Colored Cotton	60	59
Dominion Textile, pref	104	103¼
Montreal Cotton	..	128
Quebec, pref	..	120
Rubber, com	93⅞	93
Canada Colored Cotton bonds	100	99
Dominion Iron and Steel bonds	96	95¾
Rubber, pref	118	115
Reserve	474	466
Laurentide Paper bonds	111	..
Textile, com	72	71⅛
Shawinigan	100½	100
Ogilvie Milling bonds	..	112½
Rio de Janero	..	93½
Sao Paulo Trawway	..	99
Textile bonds A	97	95½
Textile bonds C	96	95
Winnipeg Electric bonds	104¼	..
Porto Rico bonds	83¼	..

Closing Sales: C. P. R., 175, 25 and 200 at 180¾, 25, 25 and 25 at 180½, 125 at 181; Montreal Railway, 20 at 214; Power, 20 at 129, 25 at 128¾, 50 at 128½, 25 at 128⅝; Telephone, 25 at 146½; Twin City, 15 at 111¾; C. P. R. rights, 14 and 160 at 10, 5, 2 and 2 at 10¼, 200, 100 and 150 at 10⅛; Illinois, 2 at 94¾, 1 at 94; Quebec Railway, 12 at 67½, 25 at 67, 100 at 66½; Toronto Railway, 27, 50 and 25 at 125¾, 5 at 126, 50 at 125⅞; R. and O., 240 at 89½; Soo, common, 100 at 139¾, 50 at 139½, 250 at 140, 200 at 139¾, 25 and 75 at 139⅝, 75 and 25 at 139½, 200 at 140, 100 at 140¼, 50 and 200 at 139¾; Iron, common, 75 at 71, 200 at 71¼, 100 at 71⅜; 585 and 10 at 71¼, 100 at 71½, 25 and 600 at 71, 345 and 25 at 71⅛, 100 at 71, 200 and 50 at 70¾, 100 at 70⅞, 50 and 50 at 70⅝, 50 and 100 at 70½; Iron, preferred, 150 and 75 at 136½; Textile, common, 10 at 72; Ogilvie, 25 and 50 at 139½, 25 at 139¼; Montreal Cotton, 5 at 128; Scotia, 25 at 81¾, 125 at 82, 50 at 82½; Coal, common, 175 at 92, 30 at 91¾, 50 at 92; Iron, common, 75 at 70, 100 at 70¼, 25 and 25 at 70⅛, 100 at 70; Royal Bank, 29 at 225½; Ottawa Bank, new, 5 at 208; Porto Rico, 9,000 at 83¼.

TORONTO, Dec. 11.	Asked.	Bid.
Packers A	85	75
Packers B	80	75
Bell Telephone	..	146
Canadian General Electric	114	..
Candaian Salt	..	112
Canadian Pacific Ry	180¼	..
City Dairy, Com	..	32
City Dairy, pref	100	99¾
Consumers Gas	..	205
Crow's Nest	..	75
Detroit United	65	..
Dominion Coal, com	91¼	90½
Dominion Steel, com	..	70¼
Dominion Steel, pref	137¼	..
Dominion Telegraph	110	108¾
Intercolonial Coal, com	..	82½
Illinois, pref	..	94¼
Lake of the Woods, com	..	129½
Laurentide Paper com	..	121
Laurentide Paper pfd	128	120
Mackay, com	92	91½
McKay, pfd	..	73½
Mexican L. & P.	..	68
Montreal Power	..	126¾
Niagara Navigation	137	..
Northern Navigation	120	..
N. S. Steel, com	82½	82
Ogilvie Milling, com	..	140
Penman	59	57
Porto Rico Railway	39	36
Rio de Janeiro	91½	90½
R. & O. Navigation	..	88⅞
Rogers, com	..	134
Rogers, pref	110	105
Sao Paulo	150¼	150
Shredded Wheat	41	40¼
Shredded Wheat, pref	..	99
St. L. & C. Navigation	127	..
Toronto Electric	120	119
Toronto Railway	126	125¾
Tri City, pref	93	..
Twin City	..	112
Winnipeg Railway	185	..
Asbestos pref	..	92½
Burt com	55	54½
Burt pref	92½	92
La Rose	..	470
Nipissing	..	10,50
Tretheway	147½	146
Bank Commerce	..	194
Dominion Bank	242	240
Bank of Hamilton	205	203
Imperial Bank	225½	..
Merchants Bank	..	163
Molsons Bank	..	200½
Bank of Nova Scotia	279	..
Bank Ottawa	210	..
Royal Bank	..	224
Standard Bank	228	..
Bank Toronto	..	215
Traders Bank	..	147½
Union Bank	..	136⅝
Agricultural Loan	..	122¾
Canada Landed	..	162
Canada Permanent	..	182
Central Canada	160	..
Colonial Investment	68	..
Dominion Savings	..	71½
Hamilton Provident	..	131
Huron & Erie	..	196¼
Huron & Erie 20 per cent	..	186
Landed Banking	..	130
London & Canada	..	110
National Trust	..	180
Ontario Loan	..	142½
Ontario Loan 20 per cent	..	127⅞
Real Estate	..	104
Toronto Mortgage	..	130
Electric Development	..	83
Mexican Light and Power bonds	..	82½
Rio de Janiero bonds	..	94
Sao Paulo	..	99½
Duluth-Superior	68	67⅞
Lake Superior	..	27
C.P.R. Rights	10	9⅞

Morning sales: Dominion steel, 50, 25, 25 at 71⅛, 50 at 70¾; Mackay, xd., 10, 10, 5 at 92; Rio, 1 at 91; Twin City, 6, 10 at 112 20 at 113; Sao Paulo 25, 50 at 150, 10 at 150⅜; Crow's Nest, 1 at 70; Toronto Rails, 50 at 125¾; C. P. R. Rights, 2, 3, 2, 1, 1 at 10½, 50, 25, 25, 100, 50, 50, 5, 200, 50, 15, 5, 20, 100 at 10, 1 at 9⅞, 10, 15 at 10⅛, 3 at 10¼; Duluth Superior, 100 at 68; La Rose, 35, 50, 50 at 4.75, 400 at 4.70, 25 at 4.73; Electric Development bonds, 1,000 at 83; Nipissing, 20 at 10.80; Canada Permanent, 80, 14 at 162½; City Dairy, preferred, 10 at 99⅞; Consolidated Gas, 2 at 205; Asbestos, preferred, 5 at 90; N. S. Steel, 25, 25, 25 at 82¼, 50 at 82⅜; Imperial, 4, 6 at 221½; Trethewey, 100 at 146; Porto Rico bonds, 1,000 at 83 and interest.

By private wire to H. C. Becher, London, from Harris, Winthrop & Co.

NEW YORK, Wall Street, 10 a.m. Dec. 11.—American Ice found guilty and fined $5,000.

Price realized on N. Y. City bonds disappointly low.

Bradstreet's says colder weather and approach of holidays have stimulated trade.

Dunns' Review says high prices continue most unfavorable for business.

Philadelphia pig iron authorities expect dullness to last till March.

Central Leather now earning at rate of 6 per cent on common stock.

Northwestern labor situation unchanged.

Pittsburg reports new records of production in some lines of iron and steel.

COBALT STOCKS.

Special to The Advertiser from Edward Cronyn & Co., Toronto.

TORONTO, Dec. 11.—Quotations on the Standard Mining Exchange today were: Beaver, 33; Chambers-Ferland, 40; Crown Reserve, 4.75; Cobalt Lake, 14½; Coniagas, 5.50; Foster, 33; Green-Meehan, 12; Kerr Lake, 8.25; La Rose, 4.75; Little Nipissing, 18; Nipissing, 10.75; Otisse, 21; Rochester, 17; Nova Scotia, 47; Silver Leaf, 13½; Temiskaming, 71; Trethewey, 1.46.

CHARGE UP ANNUAL BILLS TO CAPITAL

Is Reiterated That Municipalities Are To Be Helped to Fight Competition.

There is no doubt that legislation will be passed at the next session of the Legislature, allowing the different municipalities in the power zone to forego the payment of interest on the transmission line cost until the power scheme demonstrates that it can pay its way, and has disposed of any and all competition.

It is said that the Legislature will not interfere with the city debentures, amounting to $235,000. As was pointed out yesterday in The Advertiser, these are controlled by the city, and are paid in annual installments, and it would be necessary to pass more legislation to allow the city to avoid paying the sinking fund at once.

However, the proposed legislation will apply to the $671,000 debentures for the transmission line and the Government will forgo the sinking fund and interest on this sum until such a time as the scheme is paying its way. The annual payments will be charged up to capital account.

RAILWAYS FEEL LOSS OF FREIGHTER BESSEMER

Grand Trunk Depends for Its Coal on That Line of Boats.

The non-arrival of the coal ferry Bessemer is affecting the Grand Trunk all through this district, as the road depends to a certain extent for its coal supplies on the trips the boat made.

"She often brought us over 70 or 75 cars of coal in 24 hours," a Grand Trunk official told The Advertiser today. "Unless a coal ferry arrives at once we will have to commence bringing coal around by Detroit in cars. We have plenty of coal on hand for a few days, but cannot allow the supply to become short at all."

Many of the local officials knew Captain McLeod very well, and they all speak of him in the highest terms. All the railroad men expressed the hope that the big ferry had only been disabled or blown out of her course, and not been sunk.

EAST LONDON

A PARALYTIC STROKE WHILE AT WORK

Mr. Wm. Lammerton, a Painter, in a Serious Condition.

William Lammerton, a painter, who has been employed at the car shops for a number of years, was stricken with paralysis this morning while at work painting the inside of a car. Some of the men who were working with him saw him fall, and at once went to his assistance. Mr. Lammerton was carried into the shops and Dr. Seaborne called. He was conveyed to his home in the ambulance, and is at the present time in a very serious condition. Mr. Lammerton is about 55 years old.

CARD OF THANKS.

The teachers and pupils of Chesley avenue school desire to thank Trustee W. W. Gammage for a large number of bulbs which he has donated to beautify the grounds.

COURT ECLIPSE WON.

Court Orient was defeated by Court Eclipse in the C. O. F. carpetball league at Sherwood Hall Thursday evening, the score being 53 to 30. Eclipse is now leading, having won five games and lost one, and Orient is tied for second place with Robin Hood with three lost and won. London City and Victory have played only five games as yet. Middlesex has won two of six games played. The teams are playing for a trophy presented by the courts of the city, which was won by Victory last year. When won three consecutive years by any team it becomes their permanent property.

LADIES' AID MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the King Street Presbyterian Church was held yesterday afternoon in the lecture room at the church, officers for the ensuing year were elected and reports received. Over $300 was raised by the society during the year and the membership increased materially. It was decided to hold a bazaar at the church at the end of next year. The officers elected were: Honorary president, Mrs. Begg; president, Mrs. D. Scott; first vice-president, Mrs. Dyer; second vice-president, Mrs. (Rev.) Rollins; third vice-president, Mrs. Harlowe; recording secretary, Miss Duncan; financial secretary, Mrs. Anderson; treasurer, Mrs. McFarlane; pianist, Mrs. Armstrong.

ABERDEEN MOTHERS' CLUB.

A very successful meeting of the Aberdeen Mothers' Club was held on Thursday evening. After the business of the evening, an enjoyable programme was carried out. A very pleasing feature of the evening was the two solos given by Mrs. F. Crossby, accompanied by Mrs. H. Lewis. Miss Wrighton also favored with a solo, which everyone enjoyed. Miss Hendrie gave a very instructive paper on "Hints on Keeping Christmas." Many new and suggestive thoughts were given on Christmas. A reading given by Miss Forsythe, entitled "The Christmas Story," closed the programme, after which a social hour was spent, during which time light refreshments were served. Everyone left for home satisfied that she had spent a pleasant time at the Mothers' Club.

MARK THIS, WILL YOU?

A number of East London meat merchants have decided not to deliver goods to customers after 6 o'clock on Saturday evenings after this month.

The merchants contend that any person can have an order in during the day as easily as at night, and that residents of that section will become accustomed to the change as readily as they did to the Wednesday afternoon closing during the summer.

LONDON AND DISTRICT

—The third sermon in the advent series at St. Luke's Church, Broughdale, will be preached tomorrow evening by Rev. Professor Jeakins, of Huron College.

Mr. Buzzell Ill.

Mr. F. C. Buzzell, American customs officer, is ill in Victoria Hospital at the present time.

Broke a Pump.

Grand Trunk engine 1334, better known as "Longboat," pulling express No. 26, from Windsor, broke a pump shortly after leaving Jeanettes' Creek on Thursday evening and the crew had to handbrake the train all the way to London.

Automobile Delivery.

One of the handsomest automobile delivery vans in Canada has just been placed in service by the departmental store of Smallman & Ingram. In the near future several other vehicles of a similar nature will be put in service by the same firm.

Dr. Rowland D. Grant.

Dr. Rowland D. Grant, of Boston, the celebrated lecturer, is to appear at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium tonight. His subject will be "Snakes in Paradise." This is the fourth number of this season's concert course, which is proving very popular.

Case Adjourned.

William Clark, the young man at present in jail charged with indecent assault, appeared before Squires Chittick and Hodgins this afternoon, but on the request of Mr. Edmund Meredith, K.C., the counsel for the accused, the case was again adjourned for a week.

It's Captain Smith.

Captain Walter Smith is again chairman of the benching committee of the London Canine Association for the dog show to be held Dec. 29. Captain Smith has been in charge of this committee for some time, and his experience in this work goes far towards making the show a success "We will have many more dogs than usual," said Captain Smith "We have had many inquiries already"

A Presentation.

The choir of the Church of St. John the Evangelist last night waited on Mrs. J. E. Johnson, Piccadily street, and presented her with a handsomely framed water-color, by Mr. Ross C. Clarke. Mr. F. L. Willgoose, the choirmaster, made the presentation.

Successful Meetings.

The special services which have been conducted in the Askin Street Methodist Church during the past two weeks, under the direction of ex-Policeman John Brown, of New York, were brought to a close last night. The meetings have been unusually well attended throughout and have been very successful.

Robinson—Cooper.

A quiet wedding took place in Oil Springs on Wednesday, Dec. 8, when Miss Olive May, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Cooper, of Edy's Mills, became the bride of Mr. Thomas Robinson, of London. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. J. Currie, B. A., Methodist minister, Oil Springs. After a short trip the happy young couple will reside in London.

The Latin Finals.

The last Latin competition of the first year at the Collegiate Institute came off Friday afternoon. The competitors were Lower VIII., champion form of the girls, captained by Martha Weir, and Lower IV., champion form of the boys, captained by Wallace Shosenburg. The boys won by 128 to 105. The captains distinguished themselves as usual, Miss Weir getting 95 per cent and Mr. Shosenberg 85 per cent. Mr. Mooney awarded the prizes, several boxes of bonbons, to the winners, who immediately shared them with the losers.

Death of Mr. Burgess.

The death occurred in St. Joseph's Hospital yesterday of Edward D. Burgess, of 214 Ann street. Mr. Burgess was 54 years old, and had been ill for about three months. Besides his wife he is survived by seven daughters and three sons—Misses Nellie, Lois, Etta, Annie and Mattie, at home, Mrs. Benson, of Brantford, Mrs. Hugh Wright, of Galt, and Edward, Fred and John, at home. Mr. Burgess was a member of Court Orient of the Canadian Order of Foresters. The funeral will be held on Sunday afternoon to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Interlocutory Judgment.

Interlocutory judgment has been signed in favor of James Kyle, lessee of the Majestic Theatre candy store, at 27 Adelaide street west, Toronto, for non-appearance in his action for $15,000 damages against Ambrose J. Small, proprietor of the Majestic Music Hall, for ceasing to allow him, as he had been allowed under the contract of lease until a short time before commencement of this action, to send carriers into the balcony and the upper gallery of the theatre to sell candies and gum. The amount of the damages is to be assessed by the judge at the trial.

Young—Kinnisten.

St. Paul's Church, Parkhill, was the scene of a pretty wedding, when Miss Grace Edith, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Kinnisten, was married to Mr. J. Walter Young, of Haileybury, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Young, of Renfrew. Rev. A. W. Graham officiated. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of Carrickmacross and Brussels lace over duchesse satin, with Brussels lace veil and empire shower of Killarney roses and lilies of the valley. Miss Della Baird was bridesmaid. The groomsman was Dr. R. MacFarlane, Berlin, and the ushers, Mr. T. Grieve, Parkhill, and Mr. Tom Magludery, New Liskeard.

Personal Mention

Miss Maude Flood, of this city, is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. James Keys, at Thamesford.

Miss Carmichael, of this city, is the guest of Miss Patterson, Clover Valley Farm, Oxford.

Toronto, News: Miss Edna Leonard is coming down from London to spend the week-end with Miss Hazel Fitzgerald at 33 Willcocks street.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 11.—The Allan Line steamship Hesperian, from Liverpool, arrived at 6 o'clock this morning,