HAS BUTTER EATING DECREASED GREATLY? DEALERS DISAGREE

Makers Say Sales Are Keeping Up Well.

GROCERS FIND DECREASE

Some Say Their Turnover Has Been Cut in Three This Winter.

Are citizens of London exercising thrift through the reduction of the quantity of butter used on their tables?

While information to this effect has reached The Advertiser from individuals who have been trying the experiment of doing without butter for one meal in the day, and others who have reduced to such substitutes as syrup and honey, a wide difference of opinion exists among dealers in regard to the matter.

A representative of one large butter-making plant in the city today declared: "People aren't buying one bit less butter. This is our experience, at least."

Another creamery manager admitted a slight falling off in sales for some weeks past, attributing this to the fact that a large amount of dairy butter is being brought into the city.

A third creamery, which formerly exported butter, has had such a large local demand that its entire stock has gone to Western Ontario trade.

Drop in Creamery.

A long-established firm of downtown grocers has been selling as much butter as formerly, but less creamery butter in the past few weeks, attributing this to the fact that dairy butter is "moving freely," and the difference in price is a strong argument in favor of the latter in face of the high cost of all commodities.

"There are always some people," said the head of the firm, "who insist upon creamery butter, and others who will have nothing but dairy butter."

A leading Dundas street grocer who caters to what might be termed an "exclusive" trade, at least a trade which doesn't require to worry over every penny, had noticed a slight falling off in butter sales. He believed this could be largely accounted for by the increase of the amount of dairy butter coming into the market.

Heavy Falling Off.

Another view of the question was given by a west-end grocer with a mixed trade. "There has been a decided falling off in our sales of butter," he said. "We now sell perhaps a little more than a third of the quantity we formerly did. We used to sell three or four boxes of creamery butter a week. We now sell one and a half. These boxes contain 45, 50 or 60 pounds, so you can see what a falling off there is in consumption.

"We don't find that this economy in butter is confined to any one class of customers. Of course, for some people of very small incomes, it is practically prohibitive at present prices; but we find even our customers of plenty of means are doing less. Comparing notes with other grocers from different sections of the city, I have found that their experience is similar to my own. Their customers are, in many cases, buying substitutes. Syrup is one, though the advance in price in that has been 35 per cent."

A grocer located in the heart of a well-to-do district in South London answered promptly when asked regarding butter sales: "Where we formerly sold eleven boxes of butter a week, we are now only selling three." His conclusion was that people were simply going without lubricator for their dry bread.

HEAVY SNOWFALL DELAYS TRAINS SEVERAL HOURS

Trains With Two Engines Preceded by Plows Encounter Difficulties.

Heavy snowfalls in the northern and eastern sections of the province caused late train arrivals again today on the G. T. R. The trains from Owen Sound and Wingham arrived two hours late, each train drawn by two locomotives.

The Owen Sound train brought in one-half of the 153rd Battalion, quartered at St. Thomas, the men having been to their homes on the regular four-day monthly leave.

The snowplows preceded both trains, and at some points along the line encountered the greatest difficulty in forcing a passage.

The ice blockade at the Detroit River has held up trains from that district for hours. Should the trouble continue the company will consider the advisability of starting these trains from Windsor instead of Detroit.

The train from New York arrived three and a half hours late.

SAYS REAL ARAB HAS NO LOVE FOR THE TURK

Dr. Evans Tells About Life and Customs of the Desert Man.

"Love, Courtshipp and Marriage in Bible Lands," was the subject of an interesting lecture by Dr. J. G. Evans, formerly of Arabia, in the Dundas Centre Methodist Church Monday night. The lecture was given by Dr. Evans in the costume of an Arab sheik, or chief.

He stated that all arrangements for marriage in Arabia were made by the parents or the nearest male relative of the woman who was to be married. This was similar to the custom prevalent among the Israelites.

Polygamy prevailed today among the Arabs, and the men were not responsible for it. As soon as the first wife sees that she is only a domestic slave she wants another wife to shoulder the drudgery, and then wife No. 2 soon wants wife No. 3 for the same reason. Thus a harem is developed. The husband is the lord and master, the wife obeys him and works for him.

Divorce was obtained for flimsy reasons. If divorced, the wife had to return to her family or nearest male relative.

The real Arabs of today were probably and opposed to Turkish participation against Britain. They had taken the sacred city of Mecca and Medina, Mohammed's burial place, and had set up a government independent of Turkey. The Arabs of the Upper Desert had also refused to side in with the Turks.

The Turk was of the same faith as the Arab, but the latter had no use for the Turk, and would not support him.

Dr. Evans will speak tonight on "The Land of the Cross in the Hands of the Turks," in the Colborne Street Methodist Church, when he will exhibit about 200 views taken by himself.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Harry Smythe Charged With Unlawfully Entering Employer's Rooms.

Harry Smythe, a youth whose home is in Kingston, and who worked for some time for Norman Stuart of Carnegie, appeared before Squire Chittick today charged with unlawfully entering rooms in the hous of his employer during the latter's absence.

He was committed for trial, and his case will be disposed of before one of the county judges at an early date.

The evidence of his former employer was to the effect that the youth had forced the doors leading into certain rooms of the house that he was forbidden to enter.

His brother, who resides in Kingston will be communicated with during the next few days.

PERSONAL MENTION

Brigadier Rawling, officer in command of the London Division of the Salvation Army, has returned from St. Marys, where he held an inspection, and also conducted special services on Saturday and Sunday.

LOCAL NEWS

The fire department was called to the C. P. R. depot last evening. The alarm, however, was a false one.

APPOINTMENT CONFIRMED.—The provisional appointment of Lieut. R. W. Garrett, 7th Field Company, Canadian Engineers, has been confirmed.

AWARDED MEDAL. — Color-Sergt. Alfred Abel of the 32nd (Bruce) Regiment has been awarded the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal.

DR. WEEKES ILL. — Dr. W. J. Weekes, who was taken ill on Thursday last, is still confined to his home, but is progressing favorably.

OFF THE STRENGTH.—Lieut. G. P. MacNaughton, deputy assistant provost marshal at Galt, has been struck off the strength, owing to his appointment to the Royal Naval Air Service.

EXECUTIVE TO MEET.—The executive of the Red Cross will meet at Hyman Hall at 10:30 tomorrow morning. A full attendance is requested.

AUDITORS BUSY—County Auditors C. W. Hawkshaw and A. P. McDougall are at work on the 1916 county audit, which will be completed within a few days.

SAVES LIGHT; PAYS FINE.—Frank Clegg was fined $2 and costs by the police magistrates today because of his failure to have his auto lamp lighted while the car was left standing on a public street after dark.

NEEDS $2,700.—County Clerk Stuart has made a requisition for $2,700 to cover the Middlesex patriotic checks for this the month. Five new dependants were added to the county list on Saturday.

ON MILITARY BOARD.—Capt. H. L. Douglas and Capt. J. J. Walters, both of the A. M. C., have been detailed for duty with the medical board of Military District No. 1.

RECEIVED $20.—The National Council, Y. M. C. A., through the local treasurer, John S. Moore, acknowledges the receipt of $10 each from Miss A. C. Kelso and Miss M. C. MacPherson on account of the overseas work undertaken by the Y. M. C. A.

TWO WRITS ISSUED.—Two writs have been issued in the supreme court this week. The Consolidated Trust Corporation is the plaintiff in an action against Henry Depper, and A. B. Greer is the plaintiff named in a writ issued against Thomas Patterson.

MORE DISCHARGED.—Ptes. O. H. Rummerfield and A. Molnar of the 122nd Overseas Battalion, and Ptes. A. Humphreys, W. H. Zink, A. E. Thomson, F. E. Mathews and F. Burdan of the 149th Battalion, have received their discharges as medically unfit.

"CANADA'S RAILWAY PROBLEM" —The London Liberal Club has arranged for an address by T. Stuart Lyon of Toronto, to be given Tuesday evening, February 13th, at Hyman Hall. Mr. Lyon's subject will be "Canada's Railway Problem."

TWO TRANSFERS.—Among recent transfers are mentioned Sergt. J. Perkin from "F" Unit, Military Hospitals Commission Command to No. 1 Special Service Company, and Sergt.-Major W. J. Barrett from No. 1 Special Service Company to the 257th Overseas Battalion.

NURSES APPOINTED. — The appointment of Misses Ada Lillian Buckle, Nina Kathleen Copeman, Daisy May Copeman, Helen Abel, Annie Mae Ferguson, Eva Louise Boyden and Lillian May Armstrong, as supernumerary nursing sisters in the Army Medical Corps, has been approved.

SURPRISE VISIT.—Mr. and Mrs. Yates were surprised when members of the Knollwood Park Presbyterian Church numbering about 50, drove in on Wednesday evening, January 31. The evening was spent in music and games. E. Webster and Mr. Simpson rendered solos, and a selection was given by Mr. and Mrs. Yates.

LECTURE ARRANGED.—At a meeting of the executive of the Women's Missionary Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Monday, arrangements were made for a lecture to be given by Rev. D. C. MacGregor on behalf of the auxiliary in St. Andrew's Hall a week from Thursday night.

HAVING EXCITING TIME.—Writing to friends on the staff, Lieut. Bert Perry, former sporting editor of The Advertiser, now training in the Royal Flying Corps, says that he is putting in some rarely exciting training stunts in preparation for going to the firing line or the naval service. He adds that he gets "the old sheet" regularly and that it is a God-send.

PATRIOTIC DONATIONS.—Mrs. H. A. Boomer acknowledges with sincere thanks the following donations to the Local Council of Women's Belgian Relief Fund: From the dollar chain of the Farmers' Advocate, a further contribution of $25; Miss H. B. Gibson, $2; Mrs. Reason, sen., $5; and for the Sailors' Shelter, Miss Stanley, Victoria Hospital, $5.

LECTURE THIS EVENING.—"The Bible and the War" is the subject on which Rev. Dr. Law of Toronto will speak this evening at the annual meeting of the Western Ontario Bible Society branch in the First Methodist Church. Charles E. Wheeler, F.C.G.O., is giving an organ recital for half an hour previous to the opening of the meeting, from 7:30 to 8 o'clock.

QUARTERLY MEETING.—The regular quarterly meeting of the official boards of Centennial Methodist Church was held on Monday evening. A resolution was passed expressing their appreciation of their pastor, Rev. Mr. Ferguson replied in his usual happy manner, referring to the cordial relations between himself and the church people. On Sunday fourteen joined the church, some by letter, and some by profession of faith.

SAYRE SENTENCED.—Sidney Sayre was sentenced Monday by Judge Macbeth to a term of not less than three and not exceeding eighteen months in the Burwash Industrial School at Sudbury, Ont. He was sent to this institution because the Guelph Prison Farm authorities refused to admit him on account of his appetite for drugs. He pleaded fearfully to have his sentence lessened. Judge Macbeth informed him he would be released any time after three months when he regained control.

SOLDIERS ENTERTAINED.—About fifty returned soldiers, convalescing in the city, were entertained by the Young People's Association of the Cronyn Memorial Church in the Sunday school last night. A varied program of music and moving pictures made the evening a pleasant one. Rev. R. W. Norwood, rector of the church, addressed the men, and a reply was made by Sergt. Struad and Sergt. Josephs. Miss Torrie contributed several numbers to the program, as well as Ed. Webster and Michael McKeogh.

TEN PRISONERS IN JAIL, ONLY TWO CAN WORK

Most of Them Spending Winter in Their Own Peculiar "Florida."

Although there are ten prisoners at the county jail only two of this number are capable of doing any hard work.

Three of the number are aged men who were committed to jail upon vagrancy charges each upon his own request in order to have a home for the winter.

One told the magistrates in police court some weeks ago that his winter home for the past fifteen years had been in some jail and he asked to be sent down for three months. His request was granted.

Another aged man, who always was given a three months' term, stated that he had but one thing to blame for his condition, drink.

The third aged individual is a sufferer from locomotor ataxia.

The other five prisoners unable to work have a peculiar range of ailments.

One has a "musical heart" two have rheumatism, a fourth has a bronchial affection and the fifth is a victim of dope.

The two "huskies" that are able to work have plenty to do, and are certainly earning their board.

EARLY ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY GATHERINGS IMPORTANT EVENTS

Past Years and Their Records Now Recalled.

GAMES WERE FEATURED

Present Members Anticipate Similar Successes For the Society During 1917.

The re-organization last night of the St. Andrew's Society recalls to many Londoners the early days of this institution.

The first society of which there appears to be any record had among its members John Wilson, W. S. Moncrief, George McMillan, William [illegible], M.P., William [illegible], of the former police magistrate, Robert Reid, Col. Moffatt, James Dunbar, William Dunbar, Archibald McPhail, Donald McPhail, Donald Currie, Alexander Campbell, Alexander Purdom, John Ferguson, Alexander Tytler, Andrew Chisholm.

There is an account given of a banquet in the Tecumseh House in the "50's" at which, Colonel, afterwards, Judge Wilson presided and speeches were made by W. G. Moncrief, William Love and others.

This society continued with varying prosperity, but reached a low ebb in the early "60's". There was a revival toward the end of the "60's", the most prominent members at that time being Robert Reid, Col. Walker, Col. Moffat, Donald Currie, the McPhails, and other native Scotsmen.

New Organization Formed.

Toward the end of the "70's" a new organization was formed, known as the St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society. A new set of rules was adopted, drafted by John Dewar, then city editor of the London Free Press.

This association had, as its guiding spirit, John Fairgreaves, for many years a coal merchant here and until recently smoke inspector for the city of Detroit. He was probably the greatest enthusiast for Scottish games that London ever had.

Caledonian games were held several times in succession and noted athletes such as Duncan C. Ross were brought here. Once or twice the attendance reached 20,000. The games were held in the old fair grounds, east of Richmond street, north of Central avenue, west of Waterloo street and south of the C. P. R. tracks. The hollow there was usually filled with water and was known as Lake Horn.

Active members of the committee in charge of the games were Robert Reid, John Ferguson, William Howie, Francis Love, John McIntosh, John W. Jones, T. H. Purdom and Thomas A. Brown.

Games Were a Feature.

At this time Professor Moon established classes for teaching Scottish dancing, and quite a number of boys and girls connected with the society became expert dancers. Scottish concerts were quite common, where singing and dancing, particularly dancing, were popular. It was at these that the Riddell family and Donald C. Matheson, well-known Scottish dancers and piper of Sarnia, attended with singers of the past, such as the late Dr. Sippi and the late John Marshall and John Dromgole. The concerts and games covered a period of several years, and formed a feature of everything Scotch that took place in this district at that time.

The St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society dropped out of existence, and the present St. Andrew's Society was formed and flourished for a time under the energetic president, John Pringle. Mr. Pringle gathered around him every one of Scottish national instincts. The picnics and banquets during that time proved the best ever held by the St. Andrew's Society.

Some of the best speakers in Canada were brought to London, including Sir G. W. Ross, Rev. Dr. Clark, Rev. Dr. Johnson. These three all appeared in one night. It would be difficult to get three better speakers on one platform at one time. There were many other eloquent speakers brought from time to time since then. In fact St. Andrew's Society and its banquets has always featured good speaking.

There are few who ever heard Dr. Sippi sing "The Harp That Once Through Tara's Hall," or John Marshall "Scotland Yet" and the "Lord of Cockpen," will ever forget the pleasure experienced. These were the days, too, of the famous Kennedy family, and David Kennedy visited London more than once.

In time those associated with Mr. Pringle in the management of the society dropped out, one by one, either dying or removing from the city. John Fairgreaves removed to Detroit, and death took Robert Reid, Francis Love, J. W. McIntosh, Thomas A. Brown, John W. Jones, and many others.

It looked as if with the death of J. W. Jones, the native Scotsmen had dropped out altogether. A. Tytler, John Ferguson Sen., William Howie were the only few left.

One of the most faithful through all the various organizations died recently, Walter Fairbairn. One of his last public appearances was when Ed. Reid visited at a banquet in Hyman Hall. Mr. Fairbairn had visited Scotland the year before, and he gave those who attended the banquet the benefit of his experiences. Though an old man, his efforts were much appreciated and praised.

There appears to be a strong desire again to revive the society, and there appear to be more native Scotsmen in London than was supposed.

There is an abundance of good singers still in London, and there are still some fine dancers. A revival of the memory of Scotland may be anticipated. In the past each effort has brought good and no ill and the magnificent part being played by Scotland is proving to the world that Scotland stands where she always did, in the forefront of the battle for human rights and freedom. Scotland is still true to its motto, "Memo me impune lacessit." No one wounds me with impunity.

It is suggested that it looks now as if the United States of America, in replying to Germany, has adopted Scotland's motto.

JAPANESE NEWSPAPERS PLEASED WITH RUPTURE

Severance of U. S.-Berlin Relations Made Profound Impression at Tokio.

Tokio, Feb. 6.—The severance of relations between the United States and Germany has made a profound impression here. The foreign office has expressed satisfaction at the action of President Wilson, declaring that it was the only logical step.

The Yokohama stock and silk exchanges have suspended their sessions after heavy declines. Brokers fear an interruption of silk exports to the United States.

The American embassy and consulates have discontinued their representation of Germany in Japan.

The newspapers welcome the rupture, declaring that if war comes the United States will be of immense moral and material aid to the Entente Allies and hasten the collapse of Germany.

PTE. WM. SANT KILLED IN ACTION JANUARY 29

The first report for some time of a Londoner killed in action was received in an official telegram from Ottawa today by A. H. Sant, 34 Wellington road. The message states that Pte. William Sant of an infantry unit was killed in action on January 29.

WEDDING BELLS

HILL—STOCKING.

A quiet wedding was solemnized at the Askin Street Methodist parsonage Monday, when Miss Annie Laura Stocking of Newbury was united in marriage to George Murray Hill of Bothwell. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. H. S. McDougall. The young people were attended by the bride's cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ritchie of Byron avenue.

WINS COMMISSION AFTER TWO YEARS IN TRENCHES

Lieut. Peter Moore Has Escaped Without Wound—In All Big Engagements.

Winning his commission in the trenches after having enlisted as a private, Lieut. Peter Moore, son of Dr. C. S. Moore, is now again in France after taking his course and securing his certificate.

Lieut. Moore went to the war in 1914 with a Vancouver regiment, and gradually won his stripes up to a sergeantcy. Then he was given the promotion and sent to England to qualify. He has never been wounded, although in the trenches two years. He has been buried by shell explosions, and fought in all the great engagements of the Canadians.

His brother, Lieut. Charles Moore, was not so fortunate. He was shot through the lungs while in France, and sent home invalided. He returned some time ago, and recently is believed to have left for France to rejoin his regiment. Both of the Moore boys graduated from Suffield as machine gun type that has kept the line strong and developed a wonderful resourcefulness.

SENIOR OFFICERS OF 135TH COMING BACK

Lieut.-Col. Robson and Major Somerville Have Sailed For Canada.

A special cable received last night announces that Lieut.-Col. Bart Robson and Major A. E. Somerville have sailed from the Old Country for Canada. They were commanding officer and major respectively of the 135th Battalion of Middlesex. Col. Robson had great success in the recruiting of his battalion and was assured that it would go to the front as a unit with its officers. However, in England it met the fate of many other units. Both Col. Robson and Major Somerville spent some time at the front before being returned.

The party with which they sailed consists of some 500 officers. Major Hamilton Gault, founder of the Princess Patricias, is one of the number. He has twice been wounded and now wears an artificial leg. Lieut.-Cols. W. E. Knowles, R. W. Smart and Majors K. G. Lech, J. G. Stanbury, W. J. Moffatt and J. H. Armstrong are others returning.

MUST GIVE BOSCHES BLOW BETWEEN EYES

London, Feb. 6.—Arthur Neville Chamberlain, director-general of the British National Service, outlining the scheme for national service today, said:

"Let nobody suppose that because Count Bernstorff has been given his passports, there is nothing else to do. Germany intends to starve us. The answer must be a blow straight between the eyes, which will beat the enemy down and bring him to his senses."

NO TUNGSTEN LAMPS ON HAND OR TO BE OBTAINED

Utilities Manager Says Old-Style Globes Will Have To Be Used.

There is no supply of Tungsten lamps in the city, and none can be obtained. General Manager E. V. Buchanan of the utilities commission stated today that the commission's supply was exhausted, and there were no more lamps to be had.

"I do not know what we will do," he said. "I suppose the old style lamps will have to be used. The Tungsten comes from Holland, and the new war conditions make it certain that little of the supply will come across. We have some offers of delivery of the lamps in four months' time, but I doubt very much if we can get that now. We will simply have to make the best of a bad situation."

OWEN SOUND CONSTABLE COMES FOR PRISONER

W. J. Baker Wanted There for Assault on Resident—Jumped His Bail.

A member of the Owen Sound police force arrived in the city this morning and returned this afternoon, taking with him William J. Baker, wanted there on a charge of assault preferred by the Owen Sound police. It is alleged that he made a vicious attack on Azra Lymburner, and gave him a severe beating, because, Baker said, Lymburner had thrown Baker's father out of a shop, years ago, when the latter was drunk. He appeared in police court at Owen Sound, and the case was adjourned, Baker being released on $1,000 bail to appear Monday morning. He failed to appear and Chief Foster wired surrounding towns.

Baker was arrested at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon at the Grand Trunk station on the arrival of the G. T. R. train.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

GIVE MILITARY HONORS.

J. D. Howden, a returned soldier, who died in Stratford on Friday, was buried at Woodland Cemetery here today with full military honors.

The band of the 149th Battalion accompanied the gun carriage on which the coffin was borne to the cemetery. A firing party was supplied by the 149th Battalion, and a bugler from that unit sounded the last post. Capt. McGillivray, chaplain of the battalion, conducted the sermon.

Owing to the fact that officials of the Returned Soldiers' Association here did not learn of the death until late last night it was impossible to arrange for the returned men to attend in a body.

FUNERAL OF MRS. SKINNER.

The funeral of Mrs. Emma S. Skinner, whose death occurred on Saturday last, was held from the residence of her son, William Skinner, of 326 York street, at 2.30 o'clock this afternoon to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

The services were conducted by Rev. A. J. Thomas of Dundas Centre Methodist Church.

The pallbearers were Andrew Dale, Melville Dale, W. E. Saunders, Sergt. Harold Skinner, Ernest Ruse and W. E. Sanborn.

DEATH OF MRS. REIDY.

The death of Mrs. James Reidy, 108 Cavendish street, on Monday, removed one of the oldest residents of London. Mrs. Reidy came here from Scotland in 1855 and has resided here ever since. Her husband, John Reidy, predeceased her by several years. Six children survive her. They are Michael, Joseph and Charles, all of this city, Mrs. J. H. Cole, Chicago, and Mary and Catherine Reidy at home.

The funeral will be held on Thursday at 8:30 o'clock to St. Peter's Cathedral, where requiem high mass will be sung. Interment will take place in St. Peter's Cemetery.

SOLDIERS RETURNING.—A party of 27 invalided and wounded soldiers, five of the party being local men, will arrive in the city tomorrow via C. P. R. at 11:15 a.m. They came over on the steamship Metagama.

"CAP" STEPHENS ILL. — Capt. Harry J. Stephens, who went overseas as medical officer of the 70th Battalion is seriously ill with pleuro-pneumonia at Hastings, England, according to a cable which reached his wife in the city today. Before enlisting he was attached to the faculty of the Western University, being in charge of the football team. On his arrival in England, with the 70th he was transferred to the Tubercular Convalescent Hospital at Hastings, and has been stationed there for some time.

SHARP BREAK AT WAR RUMOR ON NEW YORK 'CHANGE

New York, Feb. 6.—Rumors widely circulated in the financial district at noon today that Germany had declared war upon the United States caused a sharp break in the stock market.

Prices, already somewhat irregular, gave way 1 to 3 points, with a special weakness in shippings, munitions and equipments. United States Steel dropped two points from its best price of the previous hour, and other industrials lost as much and in some instances more.

The rumor probably accounted for the concurrent decline in exchange to Germany and Austria, marks or bills on Berlin being quoted at 66⅝, very close to the minimum, while remittances to Vienna fell to 10.52, the greatest discount yet reported. The market soon recovered part of its loss, but continued extremely nervous.

NEW YORK COTTON EXCHANGE.
[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]
New York, Feb. 6.

	Open.	High.	Low.	2 p.m.
March	15.80	15.89	15.40	15.52
May	15.90	15.99	15.40	15.46
July	15.95	16.02	15.50	15.50
October	15.50	15.60	15.27	15.37
December	15.68	15.69	15.68	15.69

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.
Thomson & McKinnon, brokers, Royal Bank Building, report fluctuations in New York stocks for The Advertiser as follows:
New York, Feb. 6.

	Open.	High.	Low.	1:30.
Trunk Lines and Grangers—				
Baltimore & Ohio	76	76	74¾	74¾
Erie, com	27⅜	27⅜	26½	26¾
Great Western	11¾	..	..	..
Illinois Central	101½	101¾	101½	101¾
New Haven	39	39¼	38⅝	39
N. Y. Central	95¼	95½	94⅞	94⅞
Rock Island	27½	..	..	..
St. Paul	82¼	82⅜	80¼	80¼
Wabash, com	13	13	12¾	12¾
Pacifics and Southerns—				
Atchison, com	102¾	103	102½	103
Canadian Pacific	155¾	155⅝	153⅛	151¼
Col. Southern	21½	..	..	..
Northern Pacific	104¼	104¼	103½	104
Southern Pacific	93	93	92½	92½
Southern Railway	29⅞	29⅞	28¾	28⅞
Union Pacific	135⅞	135⅞	134	134⅝
Coalers—				
Ches. & Ohio	59⅞	59½	59¼	59¼
Lehigh Valley	74¾	74¾	74⅛	74⅛
Norfolk & West	129	129½	128½	128½
Ontario & West	23⅞	23⅞	23½	23½
Pennsylvania	54¾	54¾	54½	54½
Reading Railway	93	93⅛	90¾	90⅞
Traction—				
Brook'yn Transit	66½	66½	65½	66½
Interboro, com	13⅞	13⅞	13	13
Industrials—				
Am. Beet Sugar	97¼	99⅜	97¼	98
American Can	43⅞	43	42	44½
American Car	64	64	63	63¼
Am. Locomotive	71¼	71¼	69⅝	70
American Sugar	107¼	107½	107¼	107½
Am. Smelters	99¼	99⅜	98⅜	99¼
Am. Tel. & Tel	125⅞	125⅞	125¼	125¼
American Wool	44½	47¼	44½	46
Baldwin Loco	50½	51	50½	50⅞
Central Leather	34½	34	33¼	33
Corn Products	26¼	26¾	26¼	26⅝
Consolidated Gas	125½	125½	125⅜	125⅜
Distillers	25	26	25	26
General Electric	165	165½	165	165
General Motors	105	107½	105	107½
Goodrich Rubber	54	54¼	54¼	54¼
G. Northern Ore	32¾	32¾	32	32
Inter. Nickel	42	42	41¼	41¼
Ice Securities	26	26	25½	25½
Maxwell Motor	52	52	51¾	52
Marine, com	22¼	22½	21¼	21¼
Marine, pfd	69	69	64⅞	64⅞
Studebaker	103¾	103½	99¼	99¼
U. S. Rubber	55¼	55¼	55	55
Virginia Chemical	39¼	..	..	..
Westinghouse	51¼	51¾	50½	50½
Coppers—				
Anaconda Copper	77	77⅜	75¼	75¼
Butte & Superior	28⅝	28¾	28	28
Chile Copper	54	54¼	53¼	53¼
Inspiration	56	56¼	55¼	55¼
Miami Copper	37¼	37¼	36¼	36¼
Nevada Con	23¾	24¼	23⅞	23⅞
Ray Consolidated	26	26	25	25⅛
Utah Copper	110½	111	107⅞	109¼
Oils—				
Am. Linseed Oil	17¼	..	..	..
Cal. Petroleum	23¼	23¼	22	23
New Mexican	89¼	91¼	88½	88½
Texas Oil	211	211	210	210
Steels—				
Bethlehem Steel	405	..	..	..
Crucible Steel	61	62⅜	60¼	60
Lackawanna	78¼	79	77¼	77¼
Pressed Steel Car	77¼	77¼	77	77
Republic Steel	77¾	77¾	75¼	75½
Railway Steel	47½	47¾	47	47
Sloss-Sheffield	53½	53¼	51¼	51¼
U. S. Steel	108	108¾	108½	108¼
U. S. Steel, pfd	118¼	118¼	118	118
Bonds—				
Anglo-French 5's	91⅞	91⅞	91¾	91¾

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.
Montreal, Feb. 6.—Sales: Brazilian, 135 at 43¼ to 44; Steamships, 35 at 31½; do., pfd., 85 at 93¼ to 93; Civic Investment, 479 at 81; Detroit, 619 at 122 to 120; Quebec Railway, 1,735 at 27 to 26; Shawinigan, 14 at 132 to 127; Toronto Railway, 170 at 79 to 80¼; Twin City, 50 at 93¼; Ames-Holden, 25 at 18; Canadian Car, 65 at 30; do., pfd., 245 at 74½; Canada Cement, 220 at 60½; do., pfd., 10 at 92; Canadian Cottons, 20 at 51½ to 51¾; General Electric, 25 at 109; Smelting, 509 at 31; Dominion Steel, 985 at 61B to 60¾; Dominion Bridge, 30 at 140 to 142; Laurentide, 200 at 182¾ to 184; Montreal Cottons, 24 at 50¼ to 50¼; Canadian Paper, 50 at 119¾; Scotia, 10 at 105; Sherwin-Williams, 3 at 59; Spanish River, 225 at 16; do., pfd., 44 at 52 to 55; Steel of Canada, 2,105 at 66 to 59¾; Ogilvie, pfd., 32 at 111 to 110; War Loan, $4,200 at 86¼ to 86¼. Bonds: Asbestos Corporation, $600 at 70½ to 72; Bell Telephone, $500 at 99; Cedar Rapids $200 at 90; Steel of Canada, $2,000 at 97; Wayagamack, $1,000 at 87½.

STANDARD STOCK AND MINING EXCHANGE.
[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]
Toronto, Feb. 6—Noon.

	Bid.	Ask.
Apex	10⅝	11
Dome Extension	29	29¼
Dome Lake	30	30½
Foley-O'Brien	70	..
Hollinger	650	660
Imperial	4	4⅛
Jupiter	31½	33
McIntyre	182	183
New Ray	116	120
Porcupine Crown	..	70
Porcupine Vipond	49	51
Preston East Dome	5½	6
Teck-Hughes	..	77
West Dome	31½	31¾
Bailey	..	7
Beaver	43½	44
Chambers-Ferland	13½	14¾
Crown Reserve	..	38½
Foster	2¼	..
Gifford	4	4⅞
Gould	¼	⅜
Great Northern	11	13
Hargraves	17½	17¾
Hudson Bay	..	58
Kerr Lake	450	475
Nipissing	775	..
Peterson Lake	10	11¼
Right of Way	5	..
Rochester	..	4
Seneca-Superior	¾	..
Shamrock Consolidated	19	20
Temiskaming	56½	57½
Trethewey	15	19
Wettlaufer	7½	8
Boston Creek	114	115
Tisdale	3¾	4
Tommy Burns	30	40
Vacuum Gas	..	47

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Morning Sales: Apex, 500 at 11¼, 100 at 11½, 1500 at 11; Davidson, 500 at 75, 500 at 76; Dome Extension, 5000 at 28¾, 200 at 28¾, 8500 at 29, 500 at 29¼; Dome Lake, 1000 at 31½, 700 at 31, 200 at 30, 130 at 29½, 2000 at 30½; Dome Mines, 100 at 20½; Hollinger, 50 at 655; Jupiter, 600 at 31½; McIntyre, 300 at 182; New Ray, 500 at 117; Porcupine Crown, 100 at 68; Preston, 3500 at 5¾, 500 at 5⅞; Schumacher, 200 at 29¼; Thompson-Krist, 500 at 26, 1000 at 25¼; Tisdale, 1000 at 3¾; Vipond, 1300 at 47, 1000 at 48¼, 2287 at 49, 3000 at 49½, 2500 at 51, 1000 at 51½, 5100 at 50, 50 at 49¾; West Dome, 100 at 31, 4700 at 31½, 2200 at 31¾; Beaver, 1500 at 44; Boston Creek, 1350 at 115; Chambers, 1500 at 14; Crown Reserve, 100 at 40, 100 at 39, 1000 at 38; Gifford, 500 at 4½; Hargraves, 1800 at 17½, 1000 at 17¾; McKinley, 500 at 50; Nipissing, 15 at 810; Peterson, 500 at ¼, 500 at 11, 500 at 10¾; Right of Way, 500 at 5; Temiskaming, 400 at 57; Vacuum Gas, 500 at 42.

MINNEAPOLIS GRAIN MARKET.
[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]
Minneapolis, Feb. 6.—Wheat—Close—May, $1 70⅞; July, $1 73.

KANSAS CITY GRAIN MARKET.
[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]
Kansas City, Feb. 6.—Wheat—Close—May, $1 71; July, $1 43⅝.

IMPORTANT GAINS FOR THE BRITISH ON TIGRIS FRONT

London, Feb. 6.—The British offensive on the Tigris front has made further important gains, according to an official announcement given out here today. The statement follows:

"As a result of our successful assault on February 3, the enemy has evacuated the whole south bank of the Tigris east of the Hai-Tigris junction, which ground we now occupy. West of the Hai, the enemy has evacuated his trenches to a line running due west from the liquorice factory which is situated northeast of the Tigris-Hai junction.

"Further advance points to the enemy having suffered very severely in the recent fighting, 500 dead having been already counted as result of our assault on the 3rd. Our cavalry returning from the raid operated against Shumran, shelling enemy camps and trenches with good effect."

Eleven Perish In Rail Wreck In Newfoundland

Curling, Nfld., Feb. 6.—Eleven persons lost their lives in a wreck on the Reid-Newfoundland Railroad near Glenwood, an interior settlement, yesterday, according to passengers who arrived here today. Three cars of a passenger train were derailed, one of which caught fire. Only 19 of the 30 passengers in the burned car are known to have escaped, they said. Four of the dead have been identified.

Reports last night stated that only four persons were killed.

MILITIA REGIMENTS TO RECRUIT TO STRENGTH

Rumor Says If This Is Not Done Militia Act Will Be Enforced.

While it is expected that the plans for using the militia regiments in this district as depot battalions for training and draft-giving purposes, will be approved, no definite information has been received by local military officials regarding the matter.

According to rumors, the militia regiments will be required to recruit up to full strength for purposes of training and home defence, and, if sufficient men are not forthcoming for the success of the plan, that the men will be called up under the provisions of the militia act.

Although no trouble is anticipated, in case the United States should declare war against Germany, the mere presence of a reasonably large force of trained and equipped men in Canada, would act as a preventive measure, and would likely deter any enterprising Hun from planning or attempting mischief.

LONDON AS CENTRE FOR ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES

London is becoming a great centre for electrical supplies, several big concerns establishing headquarters here.

All have established wholesale centres here and are making great efforts to secure the trade of Western Ontario. It was thought that the big companies were out to beat the hydro shops, but this is denied.

"The great electrical development in the electric field in Western Ontario has caused these companies to establish headquarters here," said General-Manager E. V. Buchanan of the utilities commission. "London is admirably