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THE BABY FARMERS ON TRIAL

William Lace and His Wife Arraigned At the Sessions On a Charge of Manslaughter.

The long delayed and oft adjourned charge of manslaughter against William E. Lace and his wife, Mary Lace, was reached at the Sessions yesterday, with Judge McDougall presiding. It will be remembered that the two prisoners kept a baby farm in Gladstone-avenue in September last. Rev. J. E. Starr, agent for the Children's Aid Society, learned that several children were being housed there in extreme filth and wretchedness. He reported the matter to Inspector Armstrong of No. 6 police division, who searched the premises and found seven young children, the youngest one being a three-weeks-old babe, clothed in filthy rags, their bodies in an emaciated condition, and the whole house and premises reeking in filth and alive with vermin. The children were taken charge of by the Aid Society and removed to the Shelter, but the infant never recovered from the semi-comatose condition in which it was when first found by the police, dying three days after its admission to the Shelter.

At the coroner's inquest, which was held by Dr. A. J. Johnson, a verdict of manslaughter was returned against Lace and his wife, and they were arrested in Buffalo. They waived extradition proceedings and consented to return for trial.

Inspector Armstrong, Detective Verney and Rev. J. E. Starr gave evidence yesterday of the condition in which the house and children were found. The case will be continued this morning, and is likely to occupy the court's attention during the whole day.

Doubtful of Stevenson's Death.

Edinburgh, Dec. 20.—Dr. Balfour, uncle of Robert Louis Stevenson, has written a letter to The Scotsmen, in which he says that the relatives of the novelist believe that Robert Louis Stevenson is not dead, but that his wife is. Mrs. Stevenson, Dr. Balfour writes, had been treated for aneurism of the brian while in Scotland. Moreover she said to relatives in Edinburgh last spring: "Do not believe any report about Louis unless I write you." No message has been received from Mrs. Stevenson, although there has been ample time since Mr. Stevenson was reported to have died.

Violent Earthquake in Hungary.

Buda Pesth, Dec. 20.—The town of Oravicza, about 50 miles southeast of Temesvar, was visited by a violent shock of earthquake at an early hour last evening, which wrecked a large number of houses. Roofs fell, walls tumbled down and in many cases the buildings lining whole streets were reduced to masses of debris. The inhabitants fled to the open country. At midnight another shock was felt, but it was less violent than the first one. A number of persons were injured, but as yet no fatalities are reported.

The Good Work Goes On.

Toronto Humane Society yesterday resolved to present the police department with a bicycle for the use of Police Constable Willis. This officer reported that during the month he had summoned 7 persons for cruelty to horses and one for encouraging dog-fighting. Twenty complaints of cruelty were investigated. A bequest of $100 was received from the executors of the late Dr. Joseph Workman. It was decided to loan lantern slides, illustrative of kindness, to missions and schools and also to inquire into alleged cruelty by over-working horses in lumber camps.

Christmas Holidays in England.

London, Dec. 20.—Two-thirds of the wholesale and retail establishments in the metropolis, in all branches of industry, as the results of the efforts of a committee headed by Sir John Lubbock, M.P., have agreed to suspend work from noon on Saturday, the 22nd, to the morning of Friday, Dec. 28, all employes receiving weekly salaries to be paid in full. This will be the longest Christmas holiday ever known in England. Throughout the country business will be generally suspended from Saturday until Thursday morning

The "Grace" is Forfeit.

Judge McDougall of the Admiralty Court has delivered his decision in the case of the Grace, a vessel owned at Dunkirk, N.Y., and seized for illegally fishing on the Canadian side of Lake Erie. Her owners denied the charge, but the judge has decided that the evidence of her having put down her nets in Canadian waters irrefutable and declares the vessel and all her nets forfeit to Her Majesty.

H. Loomis Nelson in "the Editor's Chair"

New York, Dec. 20.—The editor's chair of Harper's Weekly which, since the death of George William Curtis, has been vacant, will, in the future, be occupied by Henry Loomis Nelson. Mr. Nelson is a well-known political writer, and for nearly 20 years has been identified with contemporaneous political literature.

Wife Murder and Suicide.

New York, Dec. 20.—Charles Peterson, a Norwegian sailor, murdered his wife Ruth this morning and then killed himself. The tragedy occurred in their squalid home in the top floor of No. 106 Trinity-place. They leave five children. The man was a brute, who seemed to be jealous of every act of his wife.

A Dinner Pill — Many persons suffer excruciating agony after partaking of a hearty dinner. The food partaken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a healthy nutriment it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such trouble. They correct acidity, open the secretions and convert the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the medicine to take if troubled with indigestion or dyspepsia.

Burglars Caught in the Act.

Richard Rowe and Thomas Spearman were sentenced by Magistrate Denison yesterday to the Central Prison for 4 months for burglary. The pair were caught yesterday morning by P. C. Johnston, who has been doing some clever work on special duty for some time back, while in the act of burglarizing the premises of Edward Pearce, 63 Queen-street west.

DOINGS ON THE EXCHANGES.

STOCKS QUIET, BUT ARE GENERALLY FIRMER.

An Increase in Bank Clearings at Toronto —Wall-Street Market Stronger Yesterday Afternoon — Wheat and Provisions Closed Lower at Chicago—Oil Higher—Latest Financial and Commercial News.

Thursday Evening, Dec. 20.

British Assurance sold up to 118 1-2.

The New York Stock Exchange will be open on Monday.

Consols are steady, closing at 103 1-8 for money and 103 3-16 for account.

Canadian Pacific steady, closing in London to-day at 60 7-8. St. Paul closed at 59 1-4, Erie at 10 1-8, Reading at 7 1-8 and N. Y. C. at 102.

The gold reserve of the United States Treasury is down to $90,910,434.

The weakness of American Government bonds is due to apprehension that another bond issue will be necessary.

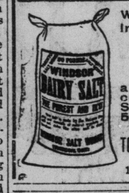
A sale of 250,000 bushels of No. 1 Manitoba hard was made in Port Arthur yesterday at 70c afloat, May delivery.

It is estimated that $2,000,000 in gold will be shipped from New York on Saturday.

The clearings of Winnipeg banks this week amount to $1,184,329.

The business failures in Canada the past week, according to R. G. Dun & Co., number 35, as against 40 the previous week and 37 the corresponding week of last year. There were 16 in Ontario and 14 in Quebec.

The earnings of Grand Trunk Railway for the week ended Dec. 15 show an increase of $2604.



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Bank Clearings at Toronto.

The clearings this week show some improvement, and are greater than for the corresponding week of last year. Following are figures, with comparisons:

	Clearings.	Balances
Dec. 14	$1,249,686	$178,558
Dec. 15	836,902	98,485
Dec. 17	862,447	155,515
Dec. 18	1,213,807	102,058
Dec. 19	1,074,594	151,037
Dec. 20	998,699	116,905
Totals	$6,336,085	$ 801,658
Last week	$6,091,529	$ 885,859
Cor. week, 1893	5,394,329	712,078
" 1892	7,284,192	1,042,841

Money Markets.

The local money market is dull at 4 to 4 1-2 per cent. on call. At Montreal the rate is 4, at New York 1 1-2 and at London 1-2 per cent. The Bank of England discount rate is 2 and the open market rate 13-16 per cent.

Foreign Exchange.

Rates of exchange, as reported by Æmilius Jarvis & Co., stock brokers, are as follows:

	Between Banks. Buyers.	Between Banks. Sellers.	Counter. Buyers.	Counter. Sellers.
New York funds	¼ to ¼	1-16 to 3-64 dis		
Sterling, 60 days	9⅝ to 10	9 9-16 to 9⅝		
do demand	10⅛ to 10¼	9¾ to 9⅞		

RATES IN NEW YORK.

	Posted.	Actual.
Sterling, 60 days	4.89½	4.87½
do. demand	4.89½	4.88½

STOCKS AND BONDS.

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Toronto Stock Market.

Toronto, Dec. 20. — Montreal, 222 and 218; Ontario, 102 asked; Molsons, 170 asked; Toronto, 251 and 245; Merchants', 164 1-2 and 162; Commerce, 139 and 138 1-2; Imperial, 183 and 182; Dominion, 278 and 275 1-2; Standard, 166 and 164 1-2; Hamilton, 157 and 154.

British America, 120 and 118 1-4; Western Assurance, 156 1-4 and 156; Confederation Life, 292 asked; Consumers' Gas, 192 7-8 and 192; Dominion Telegraph, 113 and 112; Canada Northwest Land Co., pref., 70 asked; C. P. R., 59 3-4 and 59; Toronto Electric Light Co., 180 asked; Incandescent Light Co., 110 and 108; General Electric, 90 asked; Commercial Cable Co., xd, 141 3-4 and 141; Bell Telephone Co., 154 3-4 and 153 3-4; do., new, 154 and 152 3-4; Montreal Street Railway Co., 166 and 165; do., new, 164 and 163.

British Canadian L. and Invest., xd, 110 bid; B. and Loan Association, xd, 100 asked; Canada Landed and Nat. Invest. Co., xd, 123 and 120; Canada Permanent, xd, 165 bid; Central Canada Loan, xd, 123 and 122 1-2; Dominion Sav. and Invest. S., xd, 76 and 73; Farmers' L. and Savings, 112 asked; do., 20 per cent., 103 asked; Freehold L. and Savings, 134 1-2 asked; do., 20 per cent., 125 asked; Hamilton Provident, xd, 126 asked; Huron and Erie L. and Savings, xd, 164 and 161 1-2; Imperial L. and Invest., xd, 115 and 110; L. Banking and Loan, xd, 112 1-2 bid; Lon. and Can. L. and A., 120 bid; Manitoba L., xd, 100 asked; Ontario Loan and Deb., xd, 127 bid; People's Loan, 56 asked; Toronto Savings and Loan, xd, 120 and 116; Union Loan and Savings, xd, 125 asked; Western Canada L. and S., xd, 160 bid.

Morning transactions: Commerce, 4 at 138 3-4; Imperial, 15 at 182 1-2; British Am. Assurance, 50, 30, 30 at 118 1-2; Western, 50 at 156, 50, 50, 100 at 156 1-2, 9 at 156 3-8, 25, 75 at 156 1-2; Dom. Telegraph, 3 at 112 3-4; Incandescent, 5 at 108 3-4; Telephone, new, 10 at 153 1-4, 8 at 153; Montreal Street Railway, 40 at 165 3-4.

Afternoon transactions: Western Assurance, 50, 30 at 155 1-4, 5 at 156 1-2; Freehold Loan, 3 at 133.

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Montreal Stock Market.

Montreal, Dec. 20. — Close — Montreal, 223 and 218; Ontario, 100 asked; Toronto, 260 and 244 3-4; Merchants', 165 and 163 1-2; People's, 120 and 115; Commerce, 141 and 138 1-2; Montreal Telegraph, 155 and 154 1-2; Richelieu, 85 and 83; Street Railway, 166 and 165 1-2; Cable, 143 1-2 and 142 3-4; Telephone, 155 and 153 1-2; Duluth, 4 and 3 1-4; do., pref., 12 and 9; C.P.R., 60 and 59 1-2; Northwest Land Co., 60 asked; Gas, 192 1-2 and 192 1-4.

Morning sales: Cable, 50 at 143 1-4; Telegraph, 4 at 155, 100 at 155; Street Railway, 50 at 165 1-4, 140 at 165 1-2, 25 at 165 1-4, 50 at 165 1-8, 125 at 165 1-2, 100 at 166; do., new, 50 at 163 1-4, 155 at 163, 50 at 163 1-2; Gas, 50 at 192 1-4, 50 at 192.

Afternoon sales: Cable, 25 at 143 1-8, 150 at 143; Telegraph, 5 at 155; Street Railway, 200 at 165 1-2; do., new, 25 at 163, 100 at 162 3-4, 25 at 162 7-8, 200 at 163, 25 at 163 1-4; Gas, 75 at 191 3-4, 85 at 192.

Tips From Wall-Street.

The market closed strong.

Benedict says that Chicago Gas has earned its dividend.

London was the principal buyer of St. Paul this morning.

The dividend on N. Y. C. will be declared next week.

Reading advanced on talk of making Wanamaker president of company.

Lake Shore to-day declared regular dividend of 3 per cent., the same as for corresponding six months of last year. Michigan Central declared regular dividend of 2 per cent., whereas a year ago it was 2, with a bonus of 1 1-2 per cent. Canada Southern declared regular dividend of 1 1-4, as against 1 1-4 with a bonus of 1-2 per cent. a year ago.

Lake Shore surplus is $38,576, as against $228,653 in 1893 and $268,837 in 1892.

The most active stocks to-day were: Sugar 80,500 shares, C. Gas 11,700, B. and Q. 3600, Reading 13,000, St. Paul 10,100, N. W. 2400, W., L. 3900, Manhattan 500.

Henry A. King & Co.'s special wire from Ladenburg, Thalman & Co., New York: The market, after a dull and somewhat drooping forenoon, rallied in the later hours, in the ability of the bears to force out long stock and the belief that gold shipments on Saturday would be small in amount. As regards the latter factor the street is in all probability mistaken. Exchange continues firm, and though there is no German steamer on Saturday the shipments are likely, in the opinion of the best judges, to amount to between $2,000,000 and $3,000,000. Covering of scattered shorts, however, rallied prices from the depression which took place in the morning. Sugar was attacked early in the morning, but after considerable fluctuating sold up to the highest point of the day. Support in Lake Shore gave the impression that the Vanderbilts were taking care of their own securities.

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New York Stocks.

The fluctuations on the New York Stock Exchange to-day were as follows:

STOCKS.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Am. Sugar Ref. Co.	89¼	90⅞	88⅝	90
American Tobacco	95½	95½	95½	95¼
Ches. & Ohio	17¼	17⅝	17⅛	17⅝
Cotton Oil	25	25	24¾	24¾
Atchison	4⅝	4⅝	4⅝	4⅝
Chi., Burlington & Q.	71¼	72	71⅛	71¾
Chicago Gas Trust	71¾	73⅝	71⅛	71¼
Canada Southern	50¼	50½	50¼	50½
C.C.C. & I.	39	39¼	39	39⅛
Del. & Hudson	126¾	126¾	126¾	126¾
Del., Lac. & W.	...	...	...	160ft
Erie	9⅞	10⅛	9¾	10⅛
Lake Shore	136⅛	138	136⅛	137¾
Louisville & Nashville	53¼	53⅝	53¼	53⅝
Manhattan	104½	105½	104½	105
Missouri Pacific	27¾	27¾	27⅜	27⅝
U.S. Cordage Co.	7⅝	7¾	6⅝	7¼
New England	32	32⅝	32	32⅝
N.Y. Central & Hud.	99¼	99½	99¼	99¼
Northern Pacific Pref.	...	...	....	17½b
Northwestern	97¼	98	97⅛	98
General Electric Co.	35⅝	35½	35¼	35¼
Rock Island & Pac.	61⅞	62¼	61⅞	62¼
Omaha	33	33	33	33
Richmond Terminal	...	...	....	...
Pacific Mail	22	22	21¾	21¾
Phila. & Reading	13¾	14⅞	13½	14⅛
St. Paul	57⅞	58½	57⅝	58⅝
Union Pacific	11⅞	11⅞	11⅞	11⅞
Western Union	*87½	*87½	*86½	*87
Distillers	8⅝	9¼	8⅝	9⅛
Jersey Central	98⅝	98¾	92⅞	97⅞
National Lead	38	38⅛	38	38
Wabash Pref.	...	...	...	...

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Commercial Miscellany.

Oil higher, closing at 95 1-4c.

Cash wheat at Chicago 53 3-4c.

Puts on May wheat 58 3-8c, calls 58 1-2c.

Puts on May corn 49c, calls 49c.

At Toledo clover seed closed at $5.57 for cash and $5.62 for Feb.

Cattle receipts at Chicago to-day 11,000; market slow and weak; sheep 13,000; market slow to 10c lower.

Car receipts of grain at Chicago to-day: Wheat 71, corn 168, oats 119. Estimated for Friday: Wheat 75, corn 300, oats 135.

Estimated receipts of hogs at Chicago today 30,000; official Wednesday 37,542; left over 12,000; market fairly active and firm to 5c higher; heavy shippers, $4 to $4.70. Estimated for Friday 24,000.

About 200,000 bushels of May wheat was bought in New York to-day on Liverpool account.

Exports at New York to-day: Flour, 16,000 packages, and wheat, 248,000 bush. Primary receipts of wheat in the West to-day 337,000 bush., and shipments 24,000 bush.

Russian exports of wheat the past week were 2,696,000 bushels, and maize 296,000 bushels.

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Breadstuffs.

Flour—The market is dull, with cars of straight rollers quoted at $2.55 to $2.65, according to quality.

Bran—Trade inactive, with car lots west quoted at $11.25 to $11.50, and at $12.50, Toronto freights. Shorts $13 to $14.50.

Wheat—Trade quiet, with sales of red winter west at 57c, and white quoted at same price. Spring wanted at 53 1-2c on the Midland. Sales of several cars of No. 1 Manitoba hard at 75c west.

Barley—Market quiet; No. 1 sold east at 45c. No. 2 offered at 40 1-2c, with 39 1-2c bid, and feed quoted at 35c to 37c.

Oats—Market firm, with sales of No. 2 mixed at 27c west, and white at 28c west. White oats bring 30c on Midland.

Peas — Sales at 54c west and at 54 1-2c on Midland.

Corn—Cars offered at 46 1-2c outside, with 45c bid.

Rye—Cars offered at 42 1-2c east.

Buckwheat—The market is dull at about 35c outside.

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THE FARMERS' MARKETS.

Business at the St. Lawrence Market today was fair, and prices generally unchanged.

Grain.

Wheat is firm, with sales of 400 bushels at 65c for white, 64c for red, 61 1-2c for red, and 58 1-2c for goose. Barley firm, 1200 bushels selling at 43c to 46c. Oats higher, 800 bushels selling at 32 1-2c to 33 1-2c. One load of peas sold at 57 1-2c.

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Hay and Straw.

Hay steady, with sales at $7 to $9 a ton. Car lots of baled $8.50 to $9. Straw unchanged at $7.50 to $8.

Dairy Produce.

Commission prices: Choice tub, 16 1-2c to 17c; bakers', 13c to 14c; pound rolls, 18c to 20c, and creamery 20c to 23c. Eggs, 12c to 13c for limed, 15c to 16c for fresh, and 20c to 21c for new laid. Cheese steady at 10 1-2c to 10 3-4c.

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Poultry and Provisions.

Jobbing prices: Chickens, fresh, 25c to 40c per pair; ducks, 50c to 60c; geese, 5 1-2c to 6 1-2c, and turkeys 7 1-2c to 8 1-2c.

Dressed hogs, $5 to $5.25, latter for small lots. Hams, smoked, 9 3-4c to 10 1-4c; bacon, long clear, 7c to 7 1-2c; breakfast bacon, 10c to 10 1-2c; rolls, 8c to 8 1-2c; shoulder mess, $12.50 to $13 per barrel; mess pork, $14.75 to $15.25; do., short cut, $15.25 to $15.75; lard, in pails, 8 3-4c, tubs 8 1-4c to 8 1-2c, tierces 8c.

Beef, forequarters, 4c to 5 1-2c; hind, 6c to 8 1-2c; mutton, 4c to 6c; veal, 6c to 8c; lamb, carcass, 5c to 7c.

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Apples and Vegetables.

Apples, per barrel, $1.50 to $2.50; do., dried, 5c to 5 1-4c; evaporated, 7c to 7 1-2c. Potatoes, bag, in car lots, 45c to 46c; in small lots, 55c to 60c. Beans, bushel, $1.25 to $1.40. Cabbage, doz., 25c to 30c. Cauliflower, dozen, 40c to 75c. Celery, doz., 35c to 40c. Onions, bag, 75c.

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Chicago Markets.

John J. Dixon & Co. report the following fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade to-day:

	Open'g	H'h'st	L'st	Close
Wheat—Dec.	54	54⅛	53¾	53¾
" —May	58⅝	58¾	58⅝	58⅛
" —July	59¼	59¼	59⅛	59⅛
Corn—May	49⅛	49⅛	49	49
" —July	49	49⅛	48⅞	48⅞
Oats—May	32¼	32¼	32	32⅛
" —July	....	....	....	....
Pork—Jan.	11 80	11 80	11 77	11 77
" —May	12 12	12 15	12 10	12 10
Lard—Jan.	6 85	6 85	6 8	6 82
" —May	7 07	7 10	7 0	7 07
Ribs—Jan.	5 90	5 92	5 85	5 87
" —May	6 10	6 15	6 1	6 10

Henry A. King & Co.'s special wire from F. G. Logan & Co., Chicago: The business in wheat is so limited it is difficult to get a new idea to express. We don't seem to have any but fractional declines, unless when there is liquidation. Foreign markets don't add much to their stocks. Until they do prices there are not likely to go much lower. The advance of 1d in Liverpool to-day had no influence here. Corn ruled fairly firm all day. Local traders bought on the weak spots, with the selling being mainly outside orders. Receipts are fair, with shipments small. Weather favorable for country movement. Provisions opened firm, with very light offerings. Local packers and scalpers were the buyers. Selling was mostly on outside orders. Volume of trade light. Generally the feeling is rather bullish.

Schwartz, Dupee & Co., Chicago, wired Dixon: Wheat to-day through most of the session ruled firm, weakening at the close to the lowest price touched. There were more buyers than sellers at the inside quotation, and business at that price was limited. A noticeable feature of the market was its failure to respond to the foreign news, which came firm and higher. New York seemed to be chief outside buyer, but our local traders seemed shy of the demand from that quarter. New York reported considerable enquiry for wheat by importers, but prices were a shade above working figures. Many of our largest local traders are entirely out of the market on account of a feeling of uncertainty as to the future course of prices. They incline to the long side, but seem deterred from taking hold on account of the big visible supply. Corn opened a shade higher than yesterday. Receipts showed an increase, with an estimate of 300 cars for to-morrow. Predictions of rain for to-morrow had a steadying influence on the market. The cash demand was very dull. Provisions fairly steady, ruling higher early, buying by the crowd in sympathy with the strength in wheat, and losing the advance later, when rather free selling by several packers had filled up the demand. It is thought that the remarkable fine feeding weather has had much to do with restricting marketing of hogs, and this has a bearish effect.

British Markets.

Liverpool, Dec. 20. — Wheat, spring, nominal; red, 4s 3 1-2d to 4s 10d; No. 1 Cal., 5s 2 1-2d to 5s 3 1-2d; corn, 4s 10 3-4d; peas, 4s 11d; pork, 60s; lard, 35s; tallow, 24s 6d; heavy bacon, 33s; light bacon, 32s 6d; cheese, new, 50s 6d.

London, Dec. 20.—Beerbohm says: Floating cargoes of wheat firmer, held higher; maize nil. Cargoes on passage—Wheat and maize rather firmer.

Liverpool — Spot wheat upward tendency; maize, few bids in market; red winter, 4s 8 1-2d, 1-2d dearer.

French country markets quiet.

Weather in England colder.

4.30 p.m. — Liverpool — Wheat futures firm; red winter, 4s 9 1-2d for Jan. and 4s 11 1-4d for May; maize steady at 4s 4d for March, and 4s 4 1-2d for May. Paris — Wheat and flour firmer; wheat, 18f 80c, was 18f 50f, for Jan.; flour, 43f, was 42f 40c, for Jan.

Cotton Markets.

At New York the market was dull. Jan. closed at 5.50, Feb. at 5.53, April at 5.64, May at 5.68 and June at 5.74.

Business Embarrassments.

R. G. Dun & Co. report: R. W. Runciman, grocer, Goderich, meeting of creditors on 24th inst.; Graham & Co., drygoods, Trenton, assigned to C. L. Peniston; Peter Knarr, Waterloo, assigned to M. Springer; A. P. Bold, grain, Montreal, financially embarrassed.

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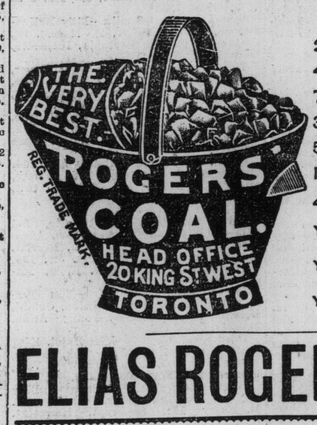

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