A SENSATIONAL PANT STORY

BY P. JAMIESON.

CHAP. XI.

A banana skin can throw the best wrestlers.

It's the little things that count—the last inch of a good cigar—standing room in the street car—the pennies saved as well as the dollars gained. The same is true of pants.

The needle counts equally with the color—the linings count equally with the panting.

Care in little things makes harmony—and harmony is style.

Our Scotch Tweed "Beauty" pants are perfect in detail.

The tailor charges 4.00—made to your order here To-day for

2.75

1.25 saved is not a fortune gained. But multiplied savings make under wealth.

(Continued in Saturday's issue.)

Philip Jamieson

(The Rounded Corner),

YONGE AND QUEEN STREETS

AT THE CIVIL ASSIZES.

Libel Case of Mayor Macdonald v. The Mail Adjourned Till April 9.

By mutual arrangement, the libel suit fight by Mayor Macdonald against The Printing Company was adjourned till 9 in the Civil Assize Court yesterday noon. The defendants were not ready on, and asked for time to amend pleadings.

The next case, Miss C. H. Hunter v. F. M. Purdy to recover $200 given him for the purchase of Ontario Bank. The argument by counsel will begin this morning.

A jury in the action of Robert English against Philo Lamb awarded the plaintiff $50 damages.

The cases set down for trial to-day are: Coleman v. McIntosh, Bolfour v. Toronto Railway Company, Rose v. Milne and Murray v. Orr.

COMPLIMENT TO REV. J. T. MORRIS

Richmond Church Invites Him to Remain Another Year.

At a meeting of the Quarterly Board of the McCaul-street Methodist Church, held on Wednesday evening, the following resolution, which speaks for itself, was unanimously adopted:

That the members of the Official Board of the New Richmond Methodist Church desire to place on record our sincere and hearty appreciation of the valuable services rendered to our church by our esteemed chairman, Rev. J. T. Morris, since he became stationed here.

We also desire to express to him our great admiration and great satisfaction in the manner in which he has conducted the interests of the church since his appointment to us. His forceful and eloquent pulpit administrations have been a blessing to many of us and acceptable to all, and we feel certain the spirituality of membership of the church is much enriched thru his faithful presentation of the old story to us from week to week. We therefore extend to our beloved pastor, J. T. Morris, a very cordial invitation to remain with us next conference year, and we, as a Board, individually and ourselves to loyally stand by him in all in our power to help him make our church more successful "than has been."

Ownership of Railroads.

A joint debate between the North Toronto Liberal Club and the Cartwright Club on the subject, "Resolved that the state should own its own railroads," will be held at the Cartwright Club rooms, 1204 Queen-street, this (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock. Debaters are: Messrs. A. F. Ward, W. J. Brown, W. H. Dickenson and Peter MacIntyre, for the North Toronto Club, and Messrs. W. O. McTaggart, Fisher, A. W. Hounsom and J. M. Godfrey, for the Cartwright Club. A large attendance of members and their friends is expected.

Funds to Soldiers in South Africa.

W. S. J. Sharp, western manager of Dempster & Co., advises all parties intending sending parcels to the soldiers in South Africa by the steamship Milwaukee to get them away not later than Saturday next, the 10th inst. Parcels delayed until that date will be sent forward by the steamship Monterey, the sailing date of which will be announced later.

Magistrate's Fees.

The Sessions of the Peace, held in this city last, it was the opinion of the Magistrates that they should be allowed certain fees for hearing and determining cases of theft tried summarily, and for the commitment of lunatics. Judge McDougall, E. Jackson, J.P., Newmarket, Peter Hunter, J.P., Toronto, and J. A. Ramsden, Toronto, were appointed a committee to place the views of the magistrates before the Government, and these gentlemen will wait on the Attorney-General at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Canadians Going South.

The concluding arrangements for a trip south for pleasure to Virginia, the Carolinas, Florida and the south, write to Mr. Brown, general agent, Southern Railway, Washington, D.C., who will gladly give free of charge time tables, battlefield folders, guides, quote excursion rates, secure Pullman space, etc. Three fast, specially appointed limited trains daily, Washington, D.C., through to Savannah, connecting there with Plant System, and Jacksonville with Florida, East Railway. 246

Arthur Balfour Seriously Ill.

London, Feb. 8.—It is announced that Arthur Balfour, Conservative, brother of A. J. Balfour, and Chief Secretary for Ireland, is critically ill. He has been suffering from a clot of blood in the heart for a day had a serious relapse.

WHEAT CABLES ADVANCED

And Chicago Followed Suit Early in the Day.

Talk of Damage to French Wheat Crop—Reaction Took Place Later and Most of the Rise Was Lost—Local Grain, Produce and Live Stock—Notes.

World Office,
Thursday Evening, Feb. 8.

In Liverpool to-day, spot and future deliveries of wheat inclined higher, advancing ⅝d to ½d per cental. Maize in that market was steady to firm. Antwerp prices rose ¼d for No. 2 R.W. Paris wheat rose 35 centimes, and Paris flour 50 to 55 centimes. Talk of damage to European crops continues.

Chicago wheat futures followed cables, and advanced nearly a cent a bushel, but lost most of the gain before the close.

The Cincinnati Price-Current says: There was snow or rain in most of winter wheat area the past week. Condition generally was fairly good, excepting portion in Ohio and Indiana and scattering elsewhere. Interior movement of corn was little more active, but that of wheat was light. Hog packing in the west for the week 480,000, as against 470,000 the corresponding week of last year.

Leading Wheat Markets.

Following are the closing prices at important wheat centres to-day:

	Cash.	Feb.	May.	July.
Chicago	..$....	$0 66¼	$0 68½	$0 69½
New York	....	....	0 74⅞	0 74¾
Milwaukee	0 68	....	....	....
St. Louis	0 70½	....	0 70⅞	0 68⅝
Toledo	0 72	....	0 74	0 72⅝
Detroit, red	0 72¾	....	0 73¾	0 73
Detroit, white	0 73¾	....	....	....
Duluth, No. 1 Northern	0 66½	....	0 69½	....
Duluth, No. 1 hard	0 68½	....	....	....
Minneapolis, No. 1 Northern	0 65⅝	....	0 65⅝	0 67½
Minneapolis, No. 1 hard	0 67½	....	....	....

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Flour—Ontario patents, in bags, $3.45 to $3.65; straight rollers, $3.25 to $3.45; Hungarian patents, $3.80; Manitoba bakers', $3.55, all on track, at Toronto.

Wheat—Ontario, red and white, 65c north an west; goose, 70c north and west; No. 1 Manitoba hard, 78c, Toronto, and No. 1 Northern at 76c.

Oats—White oats quoted at 26c west.

Barley—Quoted at 39c for No. 2 west; feed barley, 35c to 36c.

Rye—Quoted at 49c north and west, and 50c east.

Bran—City mills sell bran at $15, and shorts at $16, in car lots, f.o.b., Toronto.

Buckwheat—Firm; 48c north and 50c east.

Corn—Canadian, 39c on track in Toronto; American, 40c on track here.

Oatmeal—Quoted at $3.25 by the bag and $3.85 by the barrel, on track at Toronto, in car lots.

Peas—At 50c to 60c, north and west, for immediate shipment.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

On account of the rain, receipts of farm produce were very light, there being only two loads of grain, and about 150 dressed hogs.

One load of white wheat sold at 71c per bushel, and one of barley sold at 45c.

Dressed Hogs—Prices unchanged, but firm at $5.75 to $6.00 per cwt. Wm. Harris, Jr., bought 125 at the above quotations.

Grain—		
Wheat, white bush.	$0 71 to	$....
" red, bush.	0 70½	0 71
" fife, bush.	0 68½	....
" goose, bush.	0 71	....
Barley, bush.	0 42	0 45
Oats, bush.	0 29	0 30
Rye, bush.	0 53	....
Peas, bush.	0 60	....
Buckwheat, bush.	0 50	....
Beans, bush.	1 15	1 20
Seeds—		
Red clover, bush.	$5 00	to $5 75
White clover, bush.	7 00	8 00
Timothy seed, bush.	1 00	1 35
Hay and Straw—		
Hay, per ton	$10 50	to $12 00
Hay, mixed, per ton	9 00	10 00
Straw, sheaf, per ton	7 00	8 00
Straw, loose, per ton	4 00	5 00
Dairy Produce—		
Butter, lb. rolls	$0 20	to $0 25
Eggs, new-laid	0 22	0 25
Poultry—		
Chickens, per pair	$0 60	to $0 90
Turkeys, per lb.	0 12	0 14
Ducks, per pair	0 80	1 00
Geese, per lb.	0 08	0 09
Fruit and Vegetables—		
Apples, per bbl.	$1 50	to $3 00
Potatoes, per bag	0 45	0 50
Cabbage, per doz.	0 30	0 50
Onions, per bag	0 90	1 00
Beets, per bush.	0 30	0 40
Celery, per doz.	0 30	0 50
Turnips, per bag	0 25	0 30
Carrots, per bag	0 40	0 50
Fresh Meat—		
Beef, forequarters, cwt.	$4 00	to $5 50
Beef, hindquarters, cwt.	7 00	8 00
Lamb, per lb.	0 08	0 09
Mutton, carcase, per lb.	0 05	0 06
Veal, carcase, per lb.	0 07½	0 08½
Hogs, dressed, light	5 75	6 00

FARM PRODUCE WHOLESALE.

Hay, baled, car lots, per ton	$9 00	to $9 50
Straw, baled, car lots, per ton	4 00	4 50
Potatoes, car lots, per bag	0 37½	0 40
Butter, choice tubs	0 19	0 20
Butter, medium tubs	0 15	0 16
Butter, dairy, lb. rolls	0 20	0 21
Butter, creamery, lb. rolls	0 23	0 25
Butter, large rolls, per lb.	0 19	0 20
Butter, creamery, boxes	0 23	0 24
Eggs, held	0 17	0 18
Eggs, new-laid	0 22	0 23
Honey, per lb.	0 09	0 10
Turkeys, per lb.	0 10	0 11
Geese, per lb.	0 07	0 07½
Ducks, per pair	0 40	0 60
Chickens, per pair	0 25	0 50

Hides and Wool.

Price list revised daily by James Hallam & Sons, No. 111 East Front-street, Toronto:

Hides, No. 1 green	$0 09	to $0 10
Hides, No. 1 green steers	0 10	0 10½
Hides, No. 2 green steers	0 09	0 09½
Hides, No. 2 green	0 08	0 09
Hides, No. 3 green	0 07	0 08
Hides, cured	0 09	0 09½
Calfskins, No. 1	0 09	0 10
Calfskins, No. 2	0 07	0 09
Sheepskins, fresh	0 95	1 10
Tallow, rendered	0 04	0 05
Wool, fleece	0 17	0 20
Wool, unwashed, fleece	0 10	0 11
Wool, pulled, super	0 16	0 17
Wool, pulled, extra	0 19	0 20
Tallow, rough	0 01½	0 03¼

LOCAL LIVE STOCK.

The run of live stock at the Cattle Market to-day was not extra heavy, 43 car loads, composed of 584 cattle, 1500 hogs, 356 sheep and lambs, 14 calves. Quality of fat cattle generally fair.

Trade was fairly good, with prices unchanged from Tuesday's quotations.

Prices in all other classes of live stock were unchanged.

There was a good demand for lambs, but prices were, if anything, a little easier, in sympathy with the Buffalo market.

Good lambs and veal calves are wanted.

Export Cattle—Choice lots of export cattle sold at $4.85 to $5.25 per cwt., while lights sold at $4.25 to $4.70.

Bulls—Heavy export bulls sold at $4 to $4.25 per cwt., while light export bulls sold at $3.40 to $3.65 per cwt.

Loads of good butchers' and exporters mixed sold at $4 to $4.25.

Butchers' Cattle—Choice picked lots of butchers' cattle, equal in quality to the best exporters, weighing 1000 to 1100 lbs. each, sold at $4.25 to $4.50 per cwt.

Loads of good butchers' cattle sold at $3.75 to $3.85, and medium butchers', mixed cows, heifers and steers, $3.40 to $3.60 per cwt.

Common butchers' cattle sold at $2.90 to $3.15, while inferior sold at $2.60 to $2.80.

Heavy Feeders—Few feeders of any kind are coming forward, but choice well-bred steers, weighing from 1050 to 1200 lbs., are worth from $3.90 to $4.20 per cwt.

Light Feeders—Steers weighing from 800 to 950 lbs. each are scarce, with prices firm at $3.60 to $3.87½ per cwt.

Feeding Bulls—Bulls for the byres sold at $2.75 to $3.50 per cwt.

Buffalo Stockers—Yearling steers, 500 to 600 lbs. in weight, are firm at $3 to $3.50, while heifers and black and white steers of the same weight sold at $2.25 to $2.75 per cwt.

Milch Cows—About 10 cows and springers, which were generally of poor quality, sold at $25 to $40.

Sheep—Deliveries fair, selling at $3.00 to $3.60 per cwt. for ewes and $2.50 to $2.75 for bucks.

Lambs—Deliveries were fair, at $5 to $5.60 per cwt. Picked ewes and wethers brought from $5.50 to $5.75.

Calves—Prices steady, at $4 to $12 each for offerings of about 20.

Hogs—Deliveries fair, 1500, with prices firmer. Best select bacon hogs, not less than 160 nor more than 200 lbs. each, unfed and unwatered (off cars), sold at $4.87½, thick fats and lights $4.37½ per cwt.

The bulk of unculled car lots sold at $4.65 per cwt.

William Levack bought 50 cattle, butchers' and exporters, at $3.65 to $3.90 for medium to good butchers', and $4.25 to $4.30 for picked lots; exporters at $4.50 to $5.00, and export bulls at $3.50 to $4.25 per cwt.

W. H. Dean bought 30 exporters at $4.00 to $4.70 for steers, and $3.75 to $4.00 per cwt. for cows.

Dunn Bros. bought 15 export bulls, 1600 lbs. each, at $4 to $4.25 per cwt.

Crawford & Hunnisett did a fair trade, selling several lots as follows: Feeding bulls, at $2.75 to $3.35; export bulls at $4.15; light feeders, 875 lbs. each, at $3.65; mixed butchers', 1100 lbs. each, at $3.50 to $3.60, and bought some lambs at $5.50 per cwt.

Wesley Dunn bought a large number of sheep and lambs, paying on an average $5.50 per cwt. for sheep and $5.50 per cwt. for lambs.

W. B. Levack bought 150 lambs at $5.50 per cwt., and 125 sheep at $3.50 per cwt.

Butcher sheep sold at $2.50 to $3.50 each.

Zeagman & Maybee bought 50 stockers and feeders at $3.00 to $4.00 per cwt. for cattle, 450 to 1000 lbs., respectively.

Wm. Crealock bought 22 butchers' cattle, mixed, 1100 lbs. each, at $3.25 per cwt.

M. Vincent bought one load of butcher cattle, 1150 lbs. each, at $3.40, and 25 cattle at $3 to $3.25 per cwt.

Fred O'Boyle sold 28 hogs at $4.70 per cwt.; one lot of lambs at $5.60 per cwt., and sheep at $3.60; 6 cattle, 1100 lbs. each, at $4.25 per cwt., and one export bull, 1720 lbs., at $4.15 per cwt.

Jno. Vance sold one load of 23 butchers' cattle, 1040 lbs. each, at $3.50 per cwt.

T. Halligan bought one load of butchers' cattle, 1000 lbs each, at $3.85; one load of 22 cattle, 1050 lbs. each, at $36.50 per head; one load of mixed shippers and butchers', 1100 lbs. each, at $43 per head.

A. Derby sold 9 butcher heifers, 900 lbs. each, at $3.85; 2 springers at $37 each; 25 hogs at $4.85 per cwt., and 4 common butcher cows at $3 to $3.50 per cwt.

Export cattle, choice	$4 85	to $5 25
" cattle, light	4 25	4 70
" bulls, choice	4 00	4 25
" bulls, light	3 40	3 65
Loads of good butchers' and exporters, mixed	4 00	4 25
Butchers' cattle, picked lots	4 25	4 50
" good	3 75	3 85
" medium mixed	3 40	3 60
" common	2 90	3 15
" inferior	2 60	2 80
Feeders, heavy	4 00	4 50
Feeders, light	3 40	3 87½
Stockers	2 25	3 50
Milch cows	25 00	40 00
Calves	4 00	12 00
Sheep, ewes, per cwt.	3 00	3 50
Sheep, bucks, per cwt.	2 50	2 75
Lambs, picked ewes and wethers	5 50	5 75
Lambs, per cwt.	5 00	5 50
Hogs, choice, over 160 and up to 200 lbs.	4 87½	....
Hogs, thick fats	4 37½	....
" light, under 160 lbs.	4 37½	....
" corn-fed	4 55	....
" sows	3 00	....
" stags	2 00	....

Chicago Markets.

McIntyre & Wardwell report the following fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade to-day:

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—May	68¼	69⅛	68¼	68½
" —July	69	69⅞	69	69⅝
Corn—May	33⅝	33⅞	32½	32¾
Oats—May	25⅝	25¾	25⅝	25¾
Pork—May	11 15	11 30	11 15	11 22
Lard—May	6 15	6 20	6 15	6 17
Ribs—May	6 02	6 12	6 02	6 10

British Markets.

Liverpool, Feb. 8.—(12.30.)—Wheat, No. 1 Northern, spring, 6s 0½d; No. 1 Cal., 6s 9d to 6s 4½d; red winter, 5s 10¼d, corn, old, 3s 8½d; new, 3s 7¾d; peas, 5s 7½d; pork, prime western mess, 56s 3d; lard, prime western, 31s; American refined, 32s; tallow, Australian, 28s 6d; American, 27s; cheese, colored, 50s; white, 57s; wheat firm; corn firm.

Liverpool—Open—Wheat, spot firm; futures steady: March 5s 10¾d, May 5s 10¼d, July 5s 10¼d. Maize, spot firm; mixed American, 3s 6¾d new; futures quiet. March 3s 7¾d, May 3s 7½d, July 3s 7½d. Flour, Minn., 17s 6d.

London—Open—Wheat off coast, nothing doing; on passage, dull and nominally unchanged for red; American wheat, parcels, 3d higher; parcels No. 1 hard, Dul., steam, May 29s 3d; No. 1 hard, Man., 28s 10½d; English country markets firm; maize off coast, nothing doing; on passage, more offering at 3d higher; cargoes mixed American, sail grade, steam, Feb. 17s 9d; steam, Feb. 17s 3d.

Liverpool—Close—Spot wheat firm; No. 2 red winter, stocks exhausted; No. 1 North., spring, 6s 1d; No. 1 Cal., 6s 4d; futures quiet; March 5s 10¾d, May 5s 10¼d, July 5s 10½d. Spot maize firm, mixed American, 3s 7¾d new, 3s 8½d old; futures steady; March and Feb. 3s 7¾d; May 3s 7½d; July 3s 7½d. Flour, 17s 6d.

London—Close—Wheat off coast, nothing doing; on passage, quieter and hardly any demand; cargoes about No. 1 Cal., iron, prompt, 29s 9d, sellers; maize off coast, nothing doing; on passage, firm, but not active; cargoes mixed American, sail grade, steam, Atlantic ports, Feb. 17s 9d parcel. Maize, spot American mixed 18s. Flour, spot Minn., 23s. Wheat cargo Rosario or Santa Fe, steam, Jan., Feb. 27s 1½d; cargo Entre Rios, Jan., Feb. 27s 7½d; cargoes mixed American, sail, steam, Feb. 17s 9d; steam, Feb., March, 17s 4½d old.

Antwerp—Wheat, spot quotations, No. 2 red winter, 16¾f.

Paris—Close—Wheat, tone steady; Feb. 20f 25c, May to Aug. 21f 40c. Flour tone firm; Feb. 26f 40c, May to Aug. 27f 80c.

Chicago Gossip.

McIntyre & Wardwell say:

Wheat—The foreign news has been the feature in to-day's market, causing an advance of ¾c over yesterday's close, with an active speculative trade. Liverpool cables were up ½d and Paris advance was equal to 1¼c. Several private cables reported crop outlook in France very unfavorable; some said crop badly damaged and brought buying orders. Liverpool orders to buy were here, also cable acceptances. Export sales to-day were, however, not so large as yesterday, the advance preventing much business. The cold weather in the southwest had the effect of stimulating considerable buying. There were free realizing sales at the advance by local longs and thru commission houses, causing a half cent break.

Corn—This market opened strong and advanced ¼c, with a good trade. Crops news from Argentina was again a factor, but the light country offering from the west was the important bullish feature. Foreign houses bought corn moderately. The local longs and receiving house supplies the demand. Cash and shipping demand continues good.

Oats—Market has ruled strong with a light trade. May is relatively the strongest. Cash and shipping demand good. Country offerings moderate.

Provisions opened strong, active and higher on good buying of May ribs by a local operator. Smaller receipts of hogs are expected owing to blizzard thruout Western States. Shipments of product are small. Market closed steady at the advance. Estimated hogs to-morrow 29,000.

Richardson & Co., Chicago, send the following despatch to Thompson & Heron, 16 West King-street:

Wheat—The opening cables were a decided surprise to-day, showing an advance of only ¼d in the face of our strength yesterday. The closing cables, however, were ⅜d higher, while Paris showed an advance of 40 centimes over yesterday. In addition the weather was decidedly colder all over the west. This brought in a good many buying orders, and buying by houses with foreign connections was particularly noticeable during the first hour of business. There was considerable selling done by commission houses, evidently long wheat, at 69c and above. The market showed a good deal of life during the whole session. The lack of speculation is still felt in the market, but it looks as if there was more business coming in from the outside right along. One of the principal causes of the heavy feeling which we have had of late has been the absence of any outside buying. May wheat closes at 68½c.

CATTLE MARKETS.

New York Cables Quote Live Cattle Firm.

New York, Feb. 8.—Beeves, receipts, 239; all for export except one car. No trading; feeling steady. Cables quote live cattle firm, refrigerator beef higher at 10¾c per pound. Exports, none; none to-morrow. Calves, receipts, 273; slow and lower; all sold. Veals, $5 to $8.50; little calves, $4; barnyard stock, $3.75. Sheep and lambs, receipts, 4503; 21½ cars on sale; good sheep steady; common grades, lower; lambs, 10c lower; 8 cars unsold. Sheep, $3.50 to $5.75; lambs, $6.75 to $7.00; culls, $5.25. Hogs, receipts, 2800; one deck on sale; market weak. Hogs, $5.25 to $5.45; pigs, $5.30 to $5.40.

Montreal Cattle Market.

Montreal, Feb. 8.—The receipts at the East End Abattoir this morning were 500 head of cattle, 25 calves, 50 sheep and 50 lambs. The demand was good and prices well maintained. Cattle, choice sold at from 4½c to 5c per lb.; good sold at from 4c to 4½c per lb.; lower grade from 2½c to 3½c per lb.; calves were sold from $2 to $10; sheep brought from 3c to 3½c per lb.; lambs were sold from 4½c to 5c per lb.; hogs brought from 4¼c to 4¾c per lb.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Feb. 8.—Cattle, good to choice, $5.20 to $6.10; poor to medium, $4 to $4.90; mixed stockers, $3.30 to $3.90; selected feeders, $4.20 to $4.90; good to choice cows, $3.25 to $4.40; heifers, $3.25 to $4.75; canners, $2.35 to $2.80; bulls, $2.60 to $4.60; calves, $4.50 to $8; fed Texas beeves, $4 to $5.10. Hogs, mixed and butchers, $4.65 to $4.85; good to choice, heavy, $4.80 to $5; rough, heavy, $4.65 to $4.75; light, $4.60 to $4.87½; bulk of sales, $4.80 to $4.90. Sheep, native weathers, $4.50 to $5.50; lambs, $5 to $6.30; western wethers, $4.40 to $5.40; western lambs, $6 to $6.90. Receipts: Cattle, 8500 head; hogs, 35,000; sheep, 10,000.

East Buffalo Market.

East Buffalo, Feb. 8.—Cattle—The feeling on the choice butcher kind was steady. Calves in fair supply, light demand, lower. Choice to extra, $8 to $8.50; good to choice, $7.50 to $8.

Sheep and lambs—The offerings of lambs to-day were moderate, only about two double decks of Canadas. The basis was $7.20 to $7.25 on choice to extra, sales principally at inside figures; choice to extra were quotable, $7.10 to $7.25; good to choice, $6.75; to $7; common to fair, $6 to $6.75; yearlings sheep, $6 to $6.50; mixed, $5 to $5.25; wethers, $5.50 to $5.75. The feeling on the close was a little stronger, with reports of severe weather.

Hogs—Offerings moderate, 20 loads, and with a good general demand the market ruled about the same as yesterday. Heavy, $5.15; mixed, $5.12½ to $5.15; yorkers, $5.05 to $5.10; pigs, $5 to $5.05; roughs, $4.25 to $4.75; stags, $3.25 to $4. The close was steady.

AT THE SEMI-READY WARDROBE

Clothing of the Latest Design and Good Material Can Be Purchased at Low Prices.

Since the advent of the Semi-Ready Wardrobe in the Manning Arcade, King-street west, the ultra-fashionable man has found exactly what he wants. Heretofore if one wished to be properly dressed he had to go to a merchant tailor, pay a steep price and then, ten to one, be disappointed with the clothes after they arrived home. By patronizing the Semi-Ready Wardrobe this is all overcome. First and foremost is the considered is the price. In this connection the semi-ready clothes, while being tailored and trimmed just as good, if not better than the "made-to-order" garments, are about 50 per cent. cheaper. Then again, a customer can see exactly what his clothes are going to look like. There is no guess work about it. The suit is made up to the trying-on-stage, and all that has to be done is, perhaps, to move the buttons to make the sleeves of the coat and the trousers the proper length. In a word, the semi-ready system has come to stay. All who have ever worn the clothes are loud in their praise, and no wonder, because they are as near perfect as it is possible for skilled and experienced tailors to make them.

Another thing that commends the establishment to gentlemen is the liberal and straightforward manner in which they are treating a customer, if he is not perfectly satisfied, will be cheerfully refunded his purchase money. No one is allowed to leave the store in a dissatisfied frame of mind. Their interests are the firm's interests, and this has always been the motto in the past and will be in the future.

As to the stock carried suffice it to say it is complete in every detail, and no house in Toronto carries such a large and well selected stock of fashionable up-to-date garments of every imaginable style and size.

Just now the Semi-Ready Wardrobe is offering special inducements. The broken lines of overcoats and suits have all been collected into one lot, the brand has been taken off them, and they are being sold at a wonderfully low figure. For instance, $20,000,000 new 4½ fifty-year gold bonds, $7,000,000 of which is to retire 7 per cent. bonds due in 1902, and $3,000,000 to refund $3,000,000 of 7 per cent. Into 4½'s. The business of the issue of $10,000,000 it is proposed to use for betterments and the absorption of the new local Knickerbocker Telephone Company, which is a questionable experiment and one likely to result in a war of rates. B.R.T. broke on liquidation, and a bear drive on the bill introduced in the Legislature last evening, the passage of which may permit the Flynn-Johnson people to obtain new franchises in Brooklyn and build more roads. We understand American Steel Hoop statement will be out soon, and show about 21 per cent. earned, and that P. S. dividend due will be 2½ per cent. on common. We look for a traders' market pending news from South Africa. On any further break stocks ought to be a purchase.

L. G. Quinlin & Co., New York, send the following despatch to Thompson & Heron, 16 West King-street:

The fact that inside interests withdrew support from Metropolitan Street Railway had depressing effect on Third Avenue. With this exception there was better buying at close all around room. Sugar strong on what was considered good buying, and street was disposed to consider closing of refineries not to be in force long. Con. Gas strong, on reports of its acquiring practical control of Standard Gas and likelihood of its forcing good terms to settle gas war. Inside interests gave better support to steel stocks in last hour, altho there seemed to be a disposition to allow market to take its natural reaction after rise of last week. Total sales of stocks, 897,316 shares.

Union Pacific Railway to-day declared semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent. on preferred and 1½ per cent. on common stock. Dividend payable April 2.

Bank of England Statement.

The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve decreased £104,000, circulation increased £119,000, bullion increased £14,214, other securities decreased £493,000, other deposits increased £1,129,000, notes reserve decreased £212,000, Government securities increased £4,000.

The proportion of the Bank of England's reserve to liability is 46.59 per cent. Last week it was 46.22 per cent. The rate of discount unchanged at 4 per cent.

Money Market.

The local money market is unchanged. Money on call, 6 per cent.

The Bank of England discount rate is 4 per cent. Open market discount rate is 3⅝ per cent.

Money on call in New York at 2 per cent.

Foreign Exchange.

Buchanan & Jones, 27 Jordan-street, Toronto, brokers, to-day report closing exchange rates as follows:

	Between Banks. Buyers.	Sellers.	Counter.
N. Y. Funds	1-16 pre to 3-32 pre	par to 1-16 pre	1-8 to 1-4
Mont'l Funds	par	par to 1-8 pre	1-8 to 1-4
Demand Stg	9 11-16 to 9 13-16	9 9-16 to 9 11-16	10 to 10 1-8
60 Days Sight	9 to 9 1-16	8 15-16 to 9 1-16	9 1-4 to 9 3-8
Cable Trans'fs	9 13-16 to 9 15-16	9 13-16 to 9 15-16	10 1-8 to 10 1-4

—Rates in New York.—

	Posted.	Actual.
Demand, sterling	4.88½	4.87½ to 4.87¾
Sixty days, sight	4.85	4.84½ to 4.84½

Toronto Stocks.

	1 p.m. Ask.	1 p.m. Bid.	3.30 p.m. Ask.	3.30 p.m. Bid.
Montreal	...	258	...	260
Ontario	...	127	...	127
Toronto	...	238	245	...
Merchants'	163	155	163	...
Commerce	147	144¾	147	144¾
Imperial	212	208½	211	209
Dominion	269	266½	269	266¾
Standard	...	195½	...	195
Nova Scotia	227	...	227	...
Traders'	...	111	...	111
British America	124	122¾	124	122¾
West Assurance	162	159⅛	161	159⅛
Imperial Life	...	147	...	147
National Trust	...	129	129	...
Tor Gen Trusts	...	146	...	146
do. part paid	143	141	143	141
Consumers' Gas	222	...	224	...
Montreal Gas	195	192	195	192½
Ont. & Qu'Appelle	63	...	65	...
C N W L Pref.	55	53½	53½	53
C P R Stock	97⅛	97	97¼	97⅛
Toronto Electric	137	135½	135¾	135
do. new	...	134	...	...
General Electric	185	179	184½	184
do. pref.	...	...	...	104
London Electric	115½	...	...	115¾
Com Cable Co.	170	169	170	168¾
do. reg. bonds	103¼	102	103½	102¼
do. coup. bonds	103¼	102	103½	102
Dominion Telegraph	...	131	...	130
Bell Telephone	...	178	...	178
Hich & Ont Nav	115	114	114½	113¾
Ham Steamboat	...	87	...	100
Toronto Ry	104⅛	103⅞	104¼	103¾
London St. Ry	...	170	...	170
Halifax Elec Tram	100	...	100	...
Ottawa St. Ry	200	...	200	...
Twin City Ry	64¾	64½	64⅞	64
Luxfer Prism, pr.	...	110½	...	110½
Cycle & Motor	94	90	95	90
Carter Crume	106	102	106	102
Dunlop Tire Pref.	110	102	108	101¾
War Eagle	166	165	164	163⅝
Republic	93	91	94½	90
Payne Mining	105	102	110	93
Cariboo (McK.)	...	82⅝	...	82
Golden Star	24	19	24	20½
Virtue	56	50	55	52⅛
Crow's Nest Coal	140	125	135	128
Brit Can L & L	100	...	...	...
Can. L & N I	90	82	...	...
Canada Per.	128	125	...	...
do. do. 20 p.c.	...	122	...	...
Dom. S & I Soc.	78	75½	...	...
Freehold L. & S.	90	70	...	...
do. do. 20 p.c.	80	...	...	...
Hom. Provident	112½	109½	...	...
Manitoba Loan	48	43	...	...
Tor Sav & Loan	...	128	...	...

West. Can., 25 p.c. 100 ... ...

Sales at 11.30 a.m.: C.P.R., 25, 25 at 97⅛, 50, 50, 75 at 97; Gen. Electric, 50 at 175; Crow's Nest Coal, 10, 22 at 135; War Eagle, 500, 500, 500 at 164, 500, 500, 500, 100 at 165, 500, 500, 500 at 164½, 500 at 164¼; Cycle Star, 250 at 110; Republic, 500 at 90, 500 at 89; Canada Landed Loan, 12 at 85; Luxfer-Prism, 2 at 111½.

Sales at 1 p.m.: C.P.R., 20, 50, 25 at 97; Gen. Electric, 20 at 178; Gen. Electric, pref., 2 at 105¼; Richelieu, 10 at 114; Toronto Ry., 25 at 104; Twin City, 25 at 64¾; War Eagle, 250, 500, 500, 500 at 166, 500, 250 at 165½, 500, 500 at 165; Republic, 500 at 93, 500, 500 at 92; Crow's Nest Coal, 50, 50 at 130; Western Canada Loan, 25 p.c.—4 at 95.

Sales, 3.30 p.m.: Bank of Hamilton, 2 at 187; Northwest Land Pref., 10 at 53½; C.P.R., 50 at 97, 25, 50, 25, 25, 50 at 97⅛; Toronto Electric Light, 10, 20 at 135½, 10 at 135¼, 25 at 135; General Electric, 10 at 183, 10, 10 at 184, 10 at 184½; Carter-Crume, 25 at 102; War Eagle, 1000, 500 at 163, 50 at 163¼, 500, 1000 at 164, 500 at 163, 250 at 162, 500 at 163½, 500 at 164, 500, 500 at 163¼, 1000 at 163¾, 500, 500 at 163⅞; Republic, 500 at 92; Cable, reg. bonds, $1500 at 103.

Montreal Stocks.

Montreal, Que., Feb. 8.—Close.—C.P.R., 97¼ and 97⅛; Toronto, 6 and 5; Duluth pref., 15 and 13; Cable, 170 and 167; Richelieu, 114½ and 114; Montreal Ry., 297½ and 297; St. John Ry., 150 and 125; Toronto Ry., 104¼ and 104; Halifax Ry., 100 and 96; Twin City, 64½ and 64¼; Montreal Gas, 194½ and 193; Royal, 196¾ and 196; Montreal Tel., 175 and 171¾; Bell Telephone, ex-ns, 197 offered; Montreal Cotton, 150 and 147½; Canada Cotton, 75 and 70; Dominion Cotton, 105 and 104½; War Eagle, xd., 169 and 158; Montreal-London, xd., 30 and 28; Payne, 108 and