

THE DOMINION

Savings and Investment Society.

Dividend No. 65.
Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of Four Per Cent per annum upon the paid-up capital stock of this society has been declared for the current half-year, and that the same will be payable at the offices of the society, Masonic Temple, Richmond Street, London, on and after the 23rd day of January, 1905.

The transfer books will be closed from the 15th to the 21st December, 1904, both days inclusive.

NATHANIEL MILLS,
Manager.
London, Dec. 14, 1904. 806-1111

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LATEST MARKETS

LOCAL MARKET.

For what was supposed to be the Christmas market, the attendance was below expectations, and not nearly as large as the ordinary Saturday turnout. This may be accounted for in several ways. Friday was a bad day to prepare for the market, and the farmers intended to bring in, and the fact that a large number of buyers have been through the country purchasing all kinds of poultry, which in past seasons were purchased on this market, consequently the amount of business transacted was not as large as in former years. Under the circumstances it was surprising the market was as well attended. Sales were brisk and prices firm.

Grain—Oats sold well, and were the only kind of grain offered; prices ruled at 95¢ to 96¢ per bushel. Hay and Straw—Several loads of hay were offered at \$5.50 per ton; there will be a good demand for hay this week. Straw is in demand, at \$6 per ton. Butter and Eggs—Butter was in demand and prices moderately brisk; prices for 1 lb. for crocks and 1 lb. for pound rolls. Eggs sold well at 25¢ per dozen whole sale.

Dressed Hogs—About 20 carcasses were offered; sales were made at \$5.25 to \$5.50 per cwt, mostly at \$5.50 and \$5.75. Live Hogs—Prices for Tuesday's shipment will be about \$4.50, and probably \$4.60 per cwt.

Apples—There were not many barrels offered today; sales were quickly made at prices quoted.

Vegetables—Potatoes sold well; there was a smaller supply than usual, and prices were quoted for all kinds of vegetables. Poultry—The supply was not up to expectations; turkeys sold well, at 15¢ per lb. whole sale; chickens, 12¢ to 13¢ per lb.; geese, 10¢ to 11¢ per lb. dressed, and 10¢ to 11¢ per lb. alive; ducks, 9¢ to 10¢ per lb. dressed, and 9¢ to 10¢ per lb. alive.

Butchers' Meats—The supply was large and sales moderately brisk; prices for 1 lb. beef were 5¢ to 5.5¢ per cwt; lamb, 10¢ per lb.

GRAIN, PER CENT.

Wheat	1.00	1.00
Oats	.95	.95
Corn	.85	.85
Barley	.80	.80
Rye	.75	.75
Buckwheat	.70	.70
Peas	.65	.65

GRAIN, PER BUSHEL.

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Oats	.95	.95
Corn	.85	.85
Barley	.80	.80
Rye	.75	.75
Buckwheat	.70	.70
Peas	.65	.65

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Butter, store, lb.	16	17
Butter, crock, lb.	15	16
Butter, rolls, lb.	14	15
Butter, creamery, lb.	21	22
Eggs, doz., whole sale	20	21
Eggs, doz., retail	25	26
Honey, strained, lb.	10	11
Honey, comb, lb.	12	13

POULTRY, DRESSED.

Old hens, per pair	50	50
Spring chickens, pair	100	100
Turkeys, per lb.	12	13
Geese, each	80	80
Hens, per lb.	10	11
Chickens, per lb.	10	11
Ducks, per lb.	9	10
Geese, per lb.	8	9

POULTRY, ALIVE.

Spring chickens, per pair	45	45
Old hens, per pair	55	55
Ducks, per lb.	11	12
Turkeys, per lb.	11	12
Chickens, per lb.	8	9

THE LONDON AND WESTERN TRUSTS CO.

LIMITED

NOTICE

Is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of FIVE PER CENT per annum for the current half year has been declared upon the paid-up capital stock of this company, and the same will be payable to the shareholders at its office on and after Tuesday, the 2nd day of January, 1905.

The transfer books will be closed from the 20th to the 31st inst., inclusive.

JOHN S. MOORE,
Manager.
London, Dec. 5, 1904.

THE WESTERN OIL and COAL COMPANY, LTD.

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BUTCHERS' MEATS.

Hens, per lb.	5	6
Ducks, per lb.	4	5
Dressed hogs, cwt.	60	65
Beef, per cwt.	40	45
Mutton, per lb.	6	7
Lamb, per lb.	9	10
Pork, lb., hindquarters	8	9
Pork, lb., forequarters	7	8

LIVE STOCK.

Hogs, select, cwt.	40	40
Pigs, per pair	30	30
Sheep, per cwt.	20	20
Stags, per cwt.	15	15
Grass cattle, cwt.	30	30
Export cattle, cwt.	40	40

HAY AND STRAW.

Hay, per ton	15	15
Straw, per ton	10	10
Straw, per load	3	3

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes, per bag	25	25
Turnips, per bag	20	20
Onions, per bu.	10	10
Beets, per bu.	20	20
Carrots, per bu.	10	10
Cabbages, per doz.	25	25
Chicory, per doz.	15	15
Chicory, per doz.	15	15
Sage, per doz.	15	15
Savory, per doz.	15	15

WANTED—TURKEYS ALIVE OR DRESSED.

By crate, box or carload; also good chickens. Highest f.o.b. price paid for dressed and pickled ducks. Write or phone FLAVELLES, LIMITED, 561 BATHURST ST., LONDON, ONT. ywt

STOCK MARKETS.

No reports of the New York, Chicago, Montreal or Toronto Stock Exchanges will be issued today.

PRODUCE MARKET.

TORONTO.
Toronto, Dec. 24.—Wheat—Ontario is quiet, at 96¢ to 98¢ bid for red and white; spring, 96¢ to 98¢; winter, 96¢ to 98¢; Manitoba, 96¢ to 98¢; No. 1, 96¢ to 98¢; No. 2, 94¢ to 96¢; No. 3, 92¢ to 94¢; No. 4, 90¢ to 92¢; No. 5, 88¢ to 90¢; No. 6, 86¢ to 88¢; No. 7, 84¢ to 86¢; No. 8, 82¢ to 84¢; No. 9, 80¢ to 82¢; No. 10, 78¢ to 80¢; No. 11, 76¢ to 78¢; No. 12, 74¢ to 76¢; No. 13, 72¢ to 74¢; No. 14, 70¢ to 72¢; No. 15, 68¢ to 70¢; No. 16, 66¢ to 68¢; No. 17, 64¢ to 66¢; No. 18, 62¢ to 64¢; No. 19, 60¢ to 62¢; No. 20, 58¢ to 60¢; No. 21, 56¢ to 58¢; No. 22, 54¢ to 56¢; No. 23, 52¢ to 54¢; No. 24, 50¢ to 52¢; No. 25, 48¢ to 50¢; No. 26, 46¢ to 48¢; No. 27, 44¢ to 46¢; No. 28, 42¢ to 44¢; No. 29, 40¢ to 42¢; No. 30, 38¢ to 40¢; No. 31, 36¢ to 38¢; No. 32, 34¢ to 36¢; No. 33, 32¢ to 34¢; No. 34, 30¢ to 32¢; No. 35, 28¢ to 30¢; No. 36, 26¢ to 28¢; No. 37, 24¢ to 26¢; No. 38, 22¢ to 24¢; No. 39, 20¢ to 22¢; No. 40, 18¢ to 20¢; No. 41, 16¢ to 18¢; No. 42, 14¢ to 16¢; No. 43, 12¢ to 14¢; No. 44, 10¢ to 12¢; No. 45, 8¢ to 10¢; No. 46, 6¢ to 8¢; No. 47, 4¢ to 6¢; No. 48, 2¢ to 4¢; No. 49, 0¢ to 2¢; No. 50, 0¢ to 2¢.

TEA DRINKERS IN ENGLISH CITIES HAVE DIFFERENT BLENDS OWING TO THE CITY WATER.

London, Dec. 23.—The principal tea blenders in London are, figuratively speaking, hastening to the rescue of Birmingham tea drinkers. The latter cannot concoct a satisfactory "brew" with the new Welsh water supply. A change in the Birmingham blend of tea is therefore necessary. One great firm of tea importers rose to the occasion with promptitude. They telegraphed to Birmingham for samples of the old and new water, which they duly analyzed. Then until a late hour an experienced blender was engaged in discovering a tea to "fit" the new water. An expert, who "tasted" on an average 600 cups of tea a day, explained this week that almost every important city in the United Kingdom has its own special blend which would be scarcely drinkable in any other town.

"For instance," he added, "the blend of tea sent to Liverpool, which is excellent in that city, would be unpleasantly hard and pungent if brewed in London. On the other hand, London tea, if brewed in Liverpool, would be too soft and weak."

"Then again, Glasgow tea would be dull and thick in London, Manchester cannot drink the same blend as Liverpool, although the two cities are so near each other."

Pastidious tea drinkers sometimes take their favorite blends to the country. But they frequently find that the tea which is perfect at home is for consumption in any other town.

The blender showed a stock of jars containing samples of water from various provincial towns, and a list of tea has to be made to suit each town.

Sir Thomas Lipton is credited with having originated the system of every town having its own tea.

OPERA DELIGHTS KAISER

Emperor of Russia rates the Composer of "Der Roland von Berlin."

Berlin, Dec. 23.—The stage of the Royal Opera House was piled with wreaths of laurel as Ruggiero Leoncavallo was recalled for the last time tonight after the production of "Der Roland von Berlin." Emperor William stood up in his box, applauding, and the brilliant international audience cried: "Bravo!"

The critics, who were there from Rome, Vienna, London, St. Petersburg and all parts of Germany, think Leoncavallo has equalled his best work.

Although Leoncavallo got all the applause, the Emperor sitting impassive, Leoncavallo said his majesty ought to have been at least one quarter as the Emperor's suggestions had been accepted in the construction of every scene.

Emperor William sat with his sister-in-law, Princess Leopold, and Crown Prince Frederick William. In another box were Prince Leopold, Prince Eitel Friedrich, Prince Heinrich, Prince Rupprecht and Gotha. All the great personages of the court, generals, and cabinet ministers, were there and a few diplomats, the Italian ambassador among them. Of the 1,446 seats in the house, 1,446 had been reserved by the Emperor.

The opera was richly staged at the concert stage around the Emperor's private expense.

"I do not think many Germans know," said the Emperor at a dinner at Count von Bulow's a few evenings ago, in talking over the new production, "that I spent last year out of my private income \$100,000 on operas and theaters."

The Emperor is commonly supposed to have spent \$25,000 on this production.

The music, in the opinion of several foreign critics, is a skillful blending of the martial and the lyrical. The opera is full of songs that will be sung on the concert stage around the world within two or three months, especially the "Song of Longing," sung by Faustine Destina, and the love duet sung by Faustine Destina and Herr Hoffman, who has the principal hero's role.

The last act, where Emperor William's ancestor, the Margrave Frederick, breaks in the city gates of Berlin and overthrows the statue of Roland, the emblem of municipal independence, the stage fills up with steel-clad horsemen, making a picture that, oddly enough, was not the Emperor's idea, but Leoncavallo's, who insisted upon a grand tragic finale.

At the close of the performance Emperor William received Signor Leoncavallo and his wife in the royal box and conferred upon the composer the Crown order, second class.

Many Citizens in Field for Municipal Honors

Big Grist of Candidates for Aldermen and School Trustees—Majority Contest.

Monday is nomination day, and of course, interest in the approaching municipal election is at its height. With two majority candidates before the people, a very large number of candidates for aldermanic and school board honors, and a fight for the water commission, the contest is expected to be a very close one.

Each day ex-Ald. Campbell's chances of election grow brighter, because in all the years he has served the public, not in a single instance has he given opponents an opportunity to criticize him adversely. As the election looks in to the doctor's record he finds nothing but faithful service, in every branch of civic government, upon which he has served the public.

On the other hand, Ald. Judd's chances are brightening, because of his long connection with the Electric Company, a company which annually draws about \$30,000 out of the city, as well as his connection with his entire legal career, which has been a very successful one.

There is some talk of Mr. John McLean, who was appointed a high school trustee two years ago, dropping out, and making many friends during his few years residence here, will be regretted.

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