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Toronto Produce Market.

Toronto, Feb. 16.-Wheat-Easier, at 69c for red and white west; Manitoba wheat is steady, at 781/2c for No. 1 hard at Midland. Flour-The market is dull; cars of straight roller in barrels are quoted at \$2.95 to \$3 west. Millfeed— Firm, at \$14 to \$16 for shorts, and \$11 50 to \$14 for bran west. Barley-Steady, at 45c to 46c for No. 1 west. Buckwheat -Steady, at 50c west. Rye-One cent dearer, at 56c west. Corn-Steady, at 36c for Canada yellow, and 35c to 351/2c for mixed west: 46c for No. 2 old American yellow, and 43c for new American here. Oats-Steady, at 28c for white west. Peas-Steady, at 65½c to 66c. Eggs-Lower, at 18c to 19c for newlaid; 13c to 14c for held fresh, and 14c to 15c for limed. Butter-Steady, at 13c to 15c for large rolls, and 10c to 13c for dairy tubs; creamery steady, at 20c to 21c for prints, and 19c to 20c for packed. Dressed hogs-The offerings are fair; the demand is good, but packers are quoting lower prices at \$5.05 for cars of northern, and \$4.90 for western mixed freights.

English Markets.

Wheat—Spot, firm; No. 2 red western, winter, 6s; No. 1 red northern spring, firm, 5s 11½d; No. 1 Cal., 7s 10d to 6s 11d; No. 1 cash. 8s 2½d.
Corn—Spot quiet: American mixed, new, 3s 8d; do, old, 3s 8½d; futures, steady; March, steady, 3s 5½d; May, steady, 3s 5½d.
Flour—St. Louis fancy winter, dull, 7s 6d.
Peas—Canadian. 5s 10d.
Pork—Dull; Prime mess, fine western, 50s; do, medium, western, 47s 6d.

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Beef-Dull; Prime mess, 60s; extra India
mess, dull, 5s; do, medium, western, dull, 50s. Hains—Short out, 14 to 16 lbs., easy, 35s.

Bacon—Cumberland out, steady, 2s to 39 lbs.,
27s 6d; short ribs. 29 to 24 lbs., dull, 27s 6d; iong
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elear middles, light, 35 to 38 lbs. dull, 27s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs. dull, 27s; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs. firm, 28s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs. firm, 31s 6d. Shoulders—Square, 12 to 14 lbs. drm, 25s. Lard—Prime western, steady, 29s. Butter—Finest American, 86s; good, 66s. Rosin—Common, steady, 4s 11½d. Cheese—American finest white, 49s; do, colored 49s.

Tallow-Prime city, strong, 22s 6d. Cottonseed oil—Liverpool refined, firm, 15s 6d. Turpentine spirits—Steady, 32s 6d. Hops—At London (Pacific coast) firm, 24 15s

Linseed oil—18s 6d. Petroleum—Refined, 65%d. American Markets.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.-Noon.-Flour -Receipts, 4,710 barrels; sales, 2,100 packages; state and western neglected and lower to sell; winter straights, \$3 30 to \$3 65; Minnesota patents, \$3 95 to \$4 20. Rye flour dull; good to fair, \$3 25 to \$3 35; choice to fancy, \$3 40 to \$3 55. Wheat-Receipts, 3.200 packages: sales, 575,000: options opened easy and sold off under disappointing cables, only to recover later on a demand from shorts; March, 81%c to 82%c; April, 78e; May, 76 9-16c to 771/2e; July, 751/4e to 75%c. Rye quiet; state, 61c; No. 2 and Lyons abstracted \$3 from his western, 65%c, f.o.b., affoat. Corn—pocket. There were other parties con-Receipts, 43.875 bushels; sales, 35,000; nected with the case, but Adamson options quiet and easy; May, 41 3-16c to Oats-Receipts, 6,000 bushels; options ruled dull; track, white state, to 41c. Butter-Receipts, 10,438; eteady; state dairy, 13s to 23c; state creamery, 17c to 25c; western do, 17c to 25c: Elgins, 25c. Cheese-Receipts, 88; steady. Eggs—Receipts, 3.430; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 29%c; western.

281/c. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining, 3 13-16c; refined steady. Coffee dull and nominal; No. 7, 61/c. Hops steady. Lead quiet; bullion price, \$4 20; exchange Live Stock Markets

225; estimated receipts tomorrow, 33,-000; strong on shipping and weak on packing account; mixed and butchers, \$3 55 to \$3 85; good heavy, \$3 75 to \$3 87½; rough, heavy, \$3 55 to \$3 65; light, \$3 45 to \$3 77½. Cattle—Receipts, 12,000; slow; beeves, \$4 to \$5 90; cows and heifers, \$2 to \$4 85; Texas steers, \$3 40 to \$4 70; stockers, and feeders \$3 40 to \$4 70; stockers and feeders, \$3 30 to \$4 60.

Chicago Exchange

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WheatMay	7234	733/8	721/2	731/4
July	711/4	72	71	72
Corn-May	3634	36 7/8		
July	371/8	3734	36%	
Oats-May	281/	283/3	27 1/8	281
July	261/4	2614	251/8	265
Pork-May 10	00	10 02	9 92	9 90
Lard-May 5		5 65	5 57	5 60
Ribs-May 5		5 02	4 92	4 97

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++++++++++++++++++++++ LATEST "PROBS"

Toronto, Feb. 16.-10 a.m.-Prob-+ + abilities for the lower lakes region + + for the next twenty-four hours: + + Fair and mild today. + Friday-Mild, with showers in + + some localities.

-George A Kiely, eldest son of the late George W. Kiely, formerly of London, died yesterday in Toronto.

-The board of works will meet tonight. Mr. Robert Ironsides' applica-tion for reinstatement in the position of street commissioner is to come

-Mr. John Baker, of this city, left this morning on the C. P. R. for Phoenix, Ariz. Mr. T. E. Pearce, also of this city, left for Purcell, Indian

-Mrs. George A. Street, city, is at Stratford, attending the funeral of her mother. Mrs. Burkholder, who died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. R. B. Walker. She was in her 89th year. -The death occurred this morning of Mrs. Isabella Catton, at her late and a daughter survive. The remains be taken to Hamilton for in-

terrment. -Mrs. Janet Milne, mother of Mr. James Milne, the well-known broker and money lender, city, died at an early hour this morning. Deceased had been ailing for some time with general debility and was 90 years of age. The funeral will take place on Saturday from her son's residence,

Dundas street. -The funeral of Mrs. Daniel O'Hearn was held this morning to St. Peter's Cathedral, where Rev. Father Tiernan celebrated solemn requiem mass. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Martin O'Meara, Ald Stephen O' Meara, Philip escorted to the Tecumseh, where he Cook Michael Curry, J. B. Murphy, will be the guest of the brethren. and D. Nolan. The funeral was large-

-The remains of Mrs. Margaret Turnoull, whose death occurred Sunday at the residence of her only daughter, Mrs. James Herron, 328 Simcoe street, were laid at rest on Tuesday. Mrs. Turnbull was a native of Glasgow, and had been 38 years in Canada. Her husband, David Turnbull, died in London 31 years ago. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. James Herron, and one son, Gordon Turnbull, of Bryon, O.

-The building committee of St. James Presbyterian Church, comprising Dr. Thomson, T. A. Rowat, Neil McNeil, Ald. Douglass, Mr. Weir, Wm. Webster, James Gray, Rev. J. A. Mc-Gillivray, G. McLean, and Mr. Wallace, met last night. Mr. Neil McNeil was elected chairman, James Gray, secretary, and Wm. Webster, treasurer. Arrangements were made by which an effort will be made to sell the north mission property as soon as it is transferred by the people of St. An-

drew's Church. -Secretary Sanders, of the Charities' Organization, is now quite recovered from his recent illness, which, by the way, was practically his first, and is busy again attending to the wants of the needy poor. He set four men sawing wood this morning. Not a day passes but someone is benefited by this branch of the society's work. Books of orders may be obtained at the office. In response to the request for cast-off clothing, a quantity of children's clothing has been received, but the society also wishes to distribute

clothing among some needy adults. -Moses Lyons, Oxford street, and Thomas Bradshaw, of London township, were committed for trial yesterday by Squires Lacey and Cairncross on the charge of assaulting Magnus Adamson, a Swede, and robbing him of \$3, at Mrs. Bradshaw's Hotel, at Siloam, on the 20th, the Sunday the overcoats were stolen from the Methodist Church in that village. Adamson said that he, Thomas Brad-shaw, Frank Cahill and Lyons were drinking together, and while in the hotel Bradshaw knocked him down cannot give their names.

WARD THREE ELECTION. Up to the hour of going to press the only withdrawal among the eleven nominees for the position of alderman in ward 3 was Mr. Wm. Jef-

W. C. T. U. NOTES.

"Frances Willard memorial Day" was the announcement for the semimonthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. which convened on Tuesday afternoon. The meeting proved to be of more than CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—Hogs—Estimat- usual interest. Mrs. Wright occupied was jammed in the ic so receipts today, 40,000; left over. 7.- the chair. Two very interesting pa- of Deadman's Island-

pers, "Secret of Miss Willard's Success," by Mrs. (Dr.) Weekes, and "Lessons from Character and Life Work," by Mrs. Saunders, were much appreci-ated. A reception will be tendered the new members at the next meeting on Feb. 28. Meeting closed by Mrs. (Rev.) T. S. Johnson.

THE L. E. AND D. R. R. Detroit Free Press: The Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway has begun preparations for the building of a slip dock at Rondeau, on Lake Erie. This place is the terminus of the Erie and Skip Burnett and His Men Cover Them Huron Railway, which road was pur-chased a few months ago by the Lake Erie people. A survey of the harbor

is now being made by the company's engineer, and it is estimated that the work will cost about \$20,000. The company will attempt to make a direct freight line between Ohio and Michigan by having a number of transfer boats ply between Rondeau and Ohio ports, and have the cars transferred to Detroit over the L. E. and D. R. Ry. DELAWARE WEDDING.

January and February are ideal months for weddings, and share their popularity only with June and its wealth of roses. However, while the to finish. summer month offers its flowers in decorations imaginable may be arranged from hothouse plants. These will decorate any drawing-room, or church chancel most gracefully, and while possibly our brides of today are too scientific to place any value upon signs, there is no harm in the knowledge that a wedding of flowers, wild or domestic, is said to insure for the bride and groom a long and happy life, with children and grandchildren to rise up and call them blessed. This prognostic, supposed or granted, under the most happy and pleasing auspices, with a bright, smiling sky, nature attired in its fleecy garment of white, that impressive ceremony, wedlock, was solemnized on Wednesday, Feb. 15, by the Rev. W. Cousins, of Lambeth,, the principals being James G. Milne, late foreman of the experimental farm, Indian Head, Assa., and Miss Inia Adams, the popular school mistress of Exeter, and now the young couple are being showered with the best wishes of their myriad friends. The scene of the festive occasion was the home of the bride's father, Mr. T. Adams, con. 3, Delaware, which was most elaborately decorated for the occasion, Promptly at 2 o'clock the bridal party entered the drawing-room, where, being met by the groom and his best man, Mr. John Milne, the short, yet impressive ceremony was soon over, when guests to the number of 80 repaired to the dining-room, where a splendid dinner was served. The tables were decorated with lovely flowers, presenting a dream of beauty, in conjunction with the appetizing victuals. Dinner over, the hours were pleasantly whiled away by those present. At 4 o'clock the bride and groom left for the G. T. R. station, and boarded the east-bound express, to spend their honeymoon in eastern cities. handsome presents testified to the popularity of the young couple. The bride is one of Delaware's most charming daughters, while the groom is much respected by a host of friends.

MASONIC RECEPTION

Enthusiastic Welcome To Be Accorded Grand Master Malone on His Official

The reception to Grand Master Malone at the Grand Opera House tomorrow (Friday) evening promises to be an enthusiastic demonstration of the loyalty of London Masons to the received the encomiums of all players provincial head of the craft. No efforts have been spared on the part of the different committees to make the reception the most pleasant on record. W. Bro. McWhinney, chairman of the reception committee, together with the members, will meet Grand Master Malone on his arrival here. He will be Later on he will proceed to the Blue Room, where the G. M. will be Masonically welcomed by V. W. Bro. C. A. Kingston, chairman of the general committee. During the absence of their husbands and friends in the Blue Room, the ladies will be ushered to seats in the balcony, from which they will witness the grand honors to be accorded the G. M. The proceedings over in the Blue Room, the brethren will march to the platform, covering the entire dress circle, and take up their places according to their rank, the whole forming a horse-shoe. Then will follow the grand honors, the address of welcome and the grand master's reply. R.W. Bro. P.W.D. Brodrick, chairman of the entertainment committee, has arranged a splendid programme, after which an assembly will be held. W. Bro. E. T. Essery, chairman of the banqueting hall committee, has provided for an abundance of refresh-ments. The Brunswick Club have kindly thrown open their rooms for the use of the ladies, and the different Ma-House and banquet hall will be tastefully decorated and a thoroughly enjoyable time is assured. Only Masons will be permitted to attend, and tickets may be had from any of the com-

BOTH CRUSHED

Two Brakesmen Killed While Cour. ling Cars on the G. T. R.

Montreal, Feb. 16 .- A serious accident, by which two men lost their lives, occurred on the Grand Trunk Ralway at Island Pond Tuesday night. Two men named R. Dickson, yard foreman at Island Pond, and A. Breton, a brakeman, who lived at Point St. Charles. were engaged in coupling a car to the No. 5 train, which left about 11 o'clock, and arrived at Montreal early Wednesday morning. The train is made up at Island Pond after the arrival of connections from Sherbrooke, Arthabaska and other points on the Intercolonial Railway, as well as from Portland. Breton was the brakeman who traveled on the train, and was assisting the yard foreman to make up the train.

when the engineer, in response, it is said, to someone's request, jerked back the train upon the car that the two men were coupling, with the result that both were crushed to death. Their bodies, fearfully mangled and mutilated, were removed as soon as the accident was discovered, and the fact

was reported to the authorities.

THE GASPESIA. Halifax, N. S., The steamer Gaspesia, when last seen, Wednesday evening, was jammed in the ice five miles north

W. O. TANKARD

Forest City Defeated Paris in the Final Struggle.

selves With Glory.

CURLING.

CITY TAKES THE TANKARD.

There was general rejoicing at the Simcoe street rink shortly after ten o'clock today, and for the next twelve months London Forest City will be the custodians of the handsome silver trophy. Paris and Forest City played off for the cup, and the contest was enthusiastic and exciting from start to finish.

Skip Burnett and his rink have covered themselves with glory, and the abundance, and many blossoms may be club and all London curiers are proud had for the picking, the most beautiful of them. When the last stone was played the winners and the losers were

cheered heartily. The score: Forest City. J. W. McIntosh, J. M. McWhinney, W. T. Strong, R. Reid, jun.,

G. Tait, J. Carnie. skip 15 skip.....24 Rink No. 2-T. Dunn, C. Tune, C. E. Sterling, A. N. Parney,

Dr. McDonaid, R. Thompson, J. Brockbank. J. Burnett, skip 20 skip.....19 Total 35 Total.....43

S. Armitage.

W. Fraser,

Majority for Forest City, 8 shots. Mr. Thomas Gillean, the energetic umpire, presented the trophy in a neat speech. He commented upon the fact that it was a London player who first presented the tropny for compe-tition, but this was the first time that London had ever had the pleasure of winning it. He was glad that so much enthusiasm and pleasantness had been the order on all sides, and he thanked the visitors for their attendance and the players generally for

the kindly assistance they had given. Mr. Robert Reid received the trophy on behalf of the club, and tendered its thanks in well-chosen words. He moved a vote of thanks to Umpire Thomas Gillean, and this was passed

unanimously, amid cheers and singing "He's a Jolly Good Fellow." The following shows how the cup has been held during the past nine years: Won by. Date. Marys March 17, 1891

Marys Feb. 18, 1892 Marys Feb. 21, 1893 Marys Feb. 21, 1894 Bright March 3, 1897 St. Marys March 4, 1898 London Forest City Feb. 17, 1899 long be remembered by curiers of this

city. They were beaten out in the semi-finals by one shot only, after playing 23 ends. Last night they issued a challenge to the curlers to play a team composed of the pick of the players present. The challenge was accepted, and played off. The Southampton rink comprised M. McAulay, J. E. Mc-Aulay, B. McAulay and D. McAulay, skip-16. The Western Ontario rink comprised J. Stevenson and J. W. Jones. of London; John McGibbon, Sarnia, and George A. Murdock, Hamliton Victorias, skip—15. The McAulays beat the selected rink by one shot, and then

and spectators.

"BOB" DUNBAR'S DAY. Winnipeg, Feb. 16 .- "Bob" Dunbar, in the Winnipeg bonspiel, defeated two crack Granite rinks yesterday, and took the handsome Walkerville trophy. Score: Dunbar, 14; Hartson, 10; McIntyre, 6; Dunbar, 17. R. H. Dunbar also won the first prize for points, with 45, captured the fine gold watch presented by A. C. McDonald, patron of the branch. The second prize goes to A. McConaghy, of Nepawa, who has 41. C. R. Wilson, of Assiniboine, wins third prize, and Dan Kitchen, of Souris, fourth. E. G. Conklin, Granites, and James McKenzie, Thistles, tied for fifth prize, each having 39. McKenzie won in the draw.

HOCKEY. The Y. M. C. A. boys trimmed the Jubilee team at the Jubilee Rink last night, by a score of five goals to three. The game was a rattling good one, and not nearly as much rough play was indulged in as has characterized the other matches. The Jubilees were hantraveling all Tuesday night, returning from Goderich, and they had to substitute one of the junior team for Fraser, who was unable to play. The Y. M. C. A. boys put up some great combina-

tion play. Mr. T. Dowell refereed. On Saturday night the Collegiate and Jubilee teams, who are now tied, will play off for first place and the city will have a large crowd of supporters

LONDON AND SEAFORTH. The Hurons of Seaforth will cross sticks with London tomorrow night at property Princess rink at 8:30 p.m. The Seaforth team are a strong and fast lot of skaters. The much-talked-of Listowel team just succeeded in defeating them by one goal, so a fast and exciting game may be looked for.

WHEEL. WEARY WHIRL

San Francisco, Feb. 16.-The score of the six-day bicycle race at 4 a.m., the end of the 53rd hour, was: Gimm 963. Miller 947, Fredericks 900, Aaronson 889, Nawn 888, Hale 886, Barnaby 874, Pierce 870, Albert 856, Pilkington 817, Lawson 813, Julius 755, Ashinger 729. NOTES OF SPORT.

The Princess rink has been boarded up the sides to the height of the benches. This will prevent the puck from being lost in the crowd.

Charles Crowe, the London pitcher, writing from Niles, Ohio, to a friend here, says he is in fine condition, weighs 179 pounds, and expects to quit work about the middle of next month.

ONTARIO DENTAL SOCIETY. Toronto, Feb. 16 .- The eleventh an-

nual convention of the Ontario Dental Society opened yesterday morning at the Dental College, 93 College street. There was a large gathering of prominent dentists from all parts of the province, and much interest was manifested in the proceedings. The following are the new officers of the society: President, Dr. J. M. Bromecombe, Bow-manyille: vice-president, Dr. W. Cecil Trotter, Toronto; secretary, Dr. J. E.

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of clinics, Dr. H. R. Abbott, London; executive representatives, Dr. R. E. Sparks, Kingston; Dr. D. C. Smith, Stouffville; Dr. W. Earl Willmott, Toronto; Dr. F. Kilmer, St. Catharines; Dr. W. A. Sudworth, Ingersoll; Dr. W. A. Brownlee, Mount Forest; Dr. W. R. Hamilton, Stratford; auditors, Dr. R. Meek, Orangeville, and Dr. R. E. Louks,

Sent by Britain to the Sultan of Oman.

His Arabic Highness Was Too Friendly

Bombay, Feb. 16.-The Persian Gulf

mail steamer, which has just arrived at Bombay, brings news that a British ultimatum was presented to the sultan of Oman on Saturday, owing to his having leased to France a coaling station on the coast of Oman, which is

a semi-independent state in Sou A ern Arabia. Oman is considered to be THE McAULAYS ALL THE WAY, under British protection, the sultan re-The McAulays, of Southampton, will ceiving a subsidy from Great Britain. CABLE NOTES.

The German Bundesrath today passed the meat inspection bill. All the surviving captains of Spanish warships destroyed in the naval battles of Santiago de Cuba and in 505 Richmond Street. Opp. R. C. Cathedral. Manila Bay by the American fleets,

will be court-martialed. Emperor William has written her Royal Highness Queen Victoria that he will arrive at Cowes, Isle of Wight, on July 29, on board the Hohenzollern. The kaiser will remain at Cowes dur-

ing the racing week. Senor Montero Rios, president of the Spanish peace commission, has resigned the presidency of the senate, owing popular outcry against his defense of the commission.

Henry Jones, aged 68, one of the best known authorities on whist and other card games, is dead. He was known as Cavendish, and was editor of the card department of The Feid, London, England.

LARGE INTERESTS OPPOSED

Ontario Cities United in an Effort to Increase Companies' Assessments-Some of the Arguments Presented at Toronto Yesterday.

Mayor Wilson, speaking this morning of the municipal deputation which appeared before the Ontario Government vesterday, said all the cities in the province, together with the town of dicapped considerably on account of Barrie, were represented, and the petition for the amendment of the assessment law so that municipalities could obtain a fair taxation from street railways, electric light, gas, telephone and telegraph companies, was strongly presented.

Mr. Mackelcan, of Hamilton, was the sonic bodies will throw open their league championship. This will be the first speaker before the government, apartments to everybody. The Opera hottest game of the series. Both teams and held that the property of these companies should be assessed on their full value as they stand at cost, less a reasonable allowance for wear and tear and renewals, the same as any other

> City Solicitor Meredith, of this city, stated that what the deputation asked was not a change in the present law so much as in the interpretation which has been placed upon certain clauses, and which was never contemplated by the legislature when making the law, and which was ridiculous in its nature. The practical meaning of the decision was that the rails, wires and poles of a railway company in each ward were to be cut off at the ward boundary and separated from all the rest of the plant.

> Dr. Ryan, of Kingston, said that in that city they received no mileage from the railway company, which had its charter for 40 years. For the first twenty years the city is compelled to keep the road in repair, to pay half the cost of removing the snow thrown on the streets by the company, and be liable for accidents.

Mayor Johnstone, of Belleville, said that that city gets \$250 a year from the Bell Telephone Company for the franchise, but they only get an assessment of \$1,000, whereas before the decision of the court of appeal they had \$5,000. The Bell Telephone Company, in its annual report, claimed that the plant and patents are worth \$4,500,000; last year they paid a profit of 91/2 per cent on \$3,168,000, and the stock now stands at 174. That would form a basis of calculation as to the value of their

property in each municipality.

The attorney-general recognized with pleasure the keen and lively interest which the municipalities are taking in the assessment law, but pointed out Wilkinson, Toronto; treasurer, Dr. C. that the question had to be looked at E. Klotz, St. Catharines; superintendent from the taxpayers' view, as well as

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from the standpoint of the taxing power: and he was not prepared on behalf of his colleagues to say onything definite. The matter will probabliv come up again in about two

The London deputation returned home last night. Ald. O'Meara is reported to have been with the deputation, but says he can prove an alibi.

A BIG BLAZE IN RUTHVEN

Fire of Unknown Origin Does Damage to the Extent of \$15,000.

Windsor, Ont., Feb. 16 .- A fire of unknown origin did damage to the extent of between \$10,000 and \$15,000 in the town of Ruthven yesterday afternoon, The flames were first discovered in Charles' carriage shop, which was speedily destroyed, together with the brick residence of the proprietor adjoining. The fire then spread to Michael Wigle's brick residence, the frame house occupied by Wm. John Griffiths' house. Owing to poor facilities for fighting the flames the most that could be done was to save the contents of the buildings, which was done in most cases. The destruction ceased after half a dozen buildings had been destroyed. Most of the losses are believed to be covered by insurance.

John A. McMurtie, the millionaire railroad contractor, is dead at his home in Denver, Colorado, of blood poisoning, induced by an abscess.

At the annual meeting of the Guelph Fat Stock Club it was decided to hold a show in December next.

McMURPHY—In this city, at No. 5 Leslie street, on Thursday, Feb. 16, 1899, William

James McMurphy, infant son of Archibald McMurphy, aged 3 years and 7 months. Funeral on Saturday at 10 a.m. to Komoka Cemetery. Friends will kindly accept this intimation.

and the Assessment