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NEW YORK STOCKS. New York, Feb. 4.
Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker,

Dominion Steel, pref... Deminion Steel Bonds,...

Masonic Temple, for T			r.	
Yesterday's	Onen	High	Low. 2	n.m.
Anaconda 35	34 1/4	3414	33¾	3334
Amal. Copper 751/	7514	75%	783/	73%
Atcheson 7634	76%	7654	76%	761/4
Atcheson Pfd 97%	9734	9714	9736	9736
B. & O103	103	1031/4	103	103
Brooklyn Tran 65%	66	6614	6516	65%
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C. C. C				
C. F. I 87				
Erie 391/2	39	393/8	38%	387
K. & T. Pfd 631/4	53	5314	53	531/4
L. & N 103%	10334	1041/2	1035%	104
Manhattan 135	135 14	136%	135%	1351/4
Metropolitan St.1701/	170%	17214	170%	171%
Mo. P101%	102	10234	102	1021/4
N. Y. Central 1621/8	16136	16214	16135	161%
Norfolk and W 56	56%			
N. Pacific. Pfd				::
Ont, and Western 33%	333/4	34	331/8	333/4
Pacific Mail	46	.:	.::	. ::::
Pennsylvania 1493	1493/4	1493/4	1491/8	14914
People's Gas 9958	9934	100	9914	99%
R. I161 1/2	1621/2	163	1611/2	162%
Reading 82%	82	821/4	82	82%
St. Paul 163%	164	16438	16356	1631/
Southern Rv. Pfd 91%	915%		94	94 62¾
Southern Pacific 62%	63	631/4	623/	381/
Texas 38%	381/8		381/4	
T. C. I 631/4	631/2		63	6334
U. Pacific10174	1021/8	1021/4	10156	1015
W. U 91% TRUSTS-	91	91%	91	911/4
Leather	803/4			
Sugar	127%			1271/8
U.S. Steel Com . 1374	1074			431/4
U S. Steel Pfd. 93%	931/	93%	931/8	933%
Rubber 14%	14%			

TORONTO HAY MARKET.

Toronto, Feb. 3.—Baled hay—There is a good demand and offerings are liberal; prices are steady; cars on the track here are quoted at \$9.50 to \$10 for choice nere are quoted at \$3.50 to \$10 for choice timothy, and \$8.50 to \$9 for medium. Baled straw—The market is steady, with a fair demand and liberal offerings; cars on the track here are quoted at \$5 to \$5.50. TORONTO PRODUCE MARKET. TORONTO PRODUCE MARKET.

Toronto, Feb. 4.—Wheat—Quiet; res
and white, 74c, middle freights; some
holders are asking 1c more; No. 2 goose,
68c, middle freights; spring wheat, 72c
for No. 2 east; Manitoba, No. 1 hard, 87c;
No. 1 northern at 84c and No. 2 northern
at 81c, grinding in transit, via Sarnia.
Flour—Steady to firm: 90 per cent patents. No. 1 northern at \$4c and No. 2 northern at \$1c, grinding in transit, via Sarnia. Flour—Steady to firm; 90 per cent patents, \$2 90 in buyers' bags, middle freights; choice brands are held 15c to 20c higher; Manitoba, \$4 30 for cars of Hungarian patents, and \$4 for strong bakers, sacks included, Toronto. Millfeed—Steady, at \$20 for shorts and \$18 for bran in bulk, middle freights. Barley—Steady; No. 3 today, 56c on a low freight to New York; No. 1 is quoted at 56c, No. 2 at 53c and No. 3 extra at 50c, middle freights. Buckwheat—Steady, at 54c, middle freights. Rye—Unchanged, at 56c east and 55½c middle freights. Corn—Steady, at 55½c middle freights. Corn—Steady, at 55½c for Canada mixed. Oats—Quiet, at 40c to 41c for No. 2 white middle freights. Peas—Steady, at 80c to 51c north and west, and 81c to 82c middle freights. Butter—Offerings of poor dairy butter are liberal; demand slow; choice dairies scarce; creamery in good demand; creamery prints, 21c to 22c; solids, 20c to 21c; dairy pound rolls, choice, 16c to 17c; large rolls, choice, 16c to 16½c; tubs, 14c; medium and low 10c to 12½c. Eggs—New-laid are offering more liberally; limed scarce; new-laid in case lots are quoted at 25c to 26c; fresh-gathered. 20c to 23c; No. 1 limed are quoted at 20c to 21c. Live hogs—Receipts today only 28, owing to snow blockade; prices unchanged; choice bacon, 6c; heavy and light fet, 5¾c. Dressed hogs—Cars here, 37 60 bid. 37 70 asked; farmers' lots here, 32 5

LIVE STOCK MARKETS. OLD COUNTRY PRICES. London, Feb. 3.—Only American sheep were offered today, at 5%d to 6d. Saturday's prices: American cattle, 6%d to 7d;

sheep, 5%d. Liverpool, Feb. 3.—Today Canadian cattle sold at 6%d to 6%d; sheep at 5%d. ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL. The following table shows the quotations per cental yesterday for American products at Liverpool, as well as for the three previous market days. In each case highest prices are given:

WHEAT-	Jan. 30.		Jan. 31.		Feb.		Feb.	
Red Winter. No. 1 Nor. Spring Walla. No. 1 Cal. Dec. March. May.	6660066	21/4 4 21/4 0 15/4 23/4	6660066	2 3% 9 0 1% 1%	6 6 6 6 6	2 3 2 0 11/4 11/4	6666066	2 3 2 4 0 116 176
CORN- New Old Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb March May Flour Peas Pork, prime mess Lard Tallow Bacon, light Chasses white	5 5 5 19 6 72 46	2% 2% 1% 9%	19	944	5 5 0 0 0 5 5 5 5 19 6 72 46	5 5 1/4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	19	9

Cheese colored. 49 6 49 6 49 6 LIVERPOOL, Feb. 4—Closing.
Wheat—Spot, No. 2 red western winter
steady, 6s 2½d; No. 1 northern spring
steady, 6s 2d; No. 1 California firm, 6s 6d;
futures quiet; March, 6s 1½d; May,
6s 2½d

29%

futures quiet; March, 6s 1½d; May, 6s 2½d.

Corn—Spot quiet; American mixed, new, 5s 4½d; American mixed, old, 5s 5½d; futures steady; Feb. 5s 3½d; March, 5s 3%d; May, 5s 8%d.

Peas—Canadian, 6s 8d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter firm, 8s.

Hops (at London)—Pacific coast firm, 43 5s to f4.

Beef—Firm; extra India mess, 79s. f3 5s to f4.

Beef—Firm; extra India mess, 79s.

Pork—Firm; prime mess western, 72s.

Lard—American refined, in palls, steady, 48s; prime western, in tierces, steady, 47s.

Hams—Short cut 14 to 16 lbs, steady, 48s fd

Hams—Short cut 14 to 16 lbs, steady,
48s 6d.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs,
steady, 40s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs,
steady, 44s 6d; leng clear middles, light, 28
to 34 lbs, 44s 6d; leng clear middles,
heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, 44s; short clear
backs, 16 to 20 lbs, quiet, 44s 6d; clear
bellies, 14 to 13 lbs, dull, 37s.

Butter—Steady; finest United States,
90s; good United States, 68s.
Cheese—Firm: American finest white,
48s 6d; American finest colored, 49s 6d.
Tallow—Prime city firm, 30s; Australian (in London) strong, 31s 9d.
Cottonseed oli—Hull refined, spot
steady, 23s.

Turpentine spirits—Steady, 30s.
Rosin—Common steady, 4s.
Petreleum—Refined steady, 74d.
Linseed oil—Firm, 31s.
Receipts of wheat during the past three
days, 177,000 centals, including 176,000
American.

Receipts of American corn during the past three days, 4,500 centals.

Weather—Dull.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Flour—Receipts, 27,052 bbls; flour had a small forenoon trade, ruling steady and unchanged. Rye flour—Barely steady; fair to good, \$3 20 to \$3 40; choice to fancy, \$3 50 to \$3 75. Wheat—Receipts, 112,100 bu; sales, 630,000 bu; wheat opened steady and advanced a little on contniued strength in corn and cold weather west, but later yielded a trifle to realizing; May, 83%c to 84%c; July, 83%c to 84%c. Rye—Quiet; state, 64c to 65c, c.i.f., New York, car lots; No. 2 western, 68%c, f.o.b., afloat. Corn—Receipts, 19,000 bu; sales, 65,000 bu; corn at first was firm and higher on cable news and increased demands for cash property, but, like wheat, later decable news and increased demands for cash property, but, like wheat, later declined under realizing; May, 68%c to 69c; July, 68%c to 69%c. Oats—Receipts, 121,009 bu; oats were fairly active and about steady. Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining, 3 3-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 11-16c; molasses sugar, 2 15-16c; refined steady. Coffee—Steady; No. 7 Rio, 5%c. Lead—Steady. Wool—Steady. Hops—Firm; state common to choice, 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 6c to 8c; 1900 crop, 8c to 13c; Pacific coast 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 16c; 1899 crop, 8c to 1901 crop, 11%c to 1901 crop, 1901 crop, 1901 crop, 1901 crop, 1901 crop, 1901 crop, 1901 cr

Pacific coast. 1901 crop, 111/2c to 16e; 1899 crop, 6c to 8c. crop, 6c to 8c.

BUFFALO, Feb. 4.—Spring wheat—No. 1 northern, 82%c; No. 2 northern, 80%c. Winter wheat—No. 2 red, 9lc, on track. Corn—No. 2 yellow, 65½c; No. 3 yellow, 65c; No. 4 yellow, 64%c; No. 2 corn, 64%c; No. 3 corn, 64c, on track. Oats—No. 2 white, 49½c; No. 3 white, 49½c; No. 2 mixed, 46½c, on track.

DETROIT, Feb. 4.—Wheat—No. 1 white, cash, 90%; No. 2 red, cash and Feb., 87%c; May, 87@c; July, 82%c.

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	Open.			
Wheat-May	78%	7874	- 78	7
July	78%	78%	78%	7
Corn-May	64	64%	633%	6
July	64	6436	6314	6
Oats-May	44 1/4	44 7/8	4436	4
July	38%	39	3834	3
Pork-May 1	5 96	16 00	15 90	15 9
Lard-May	9 47	9 50	9 47	9 4
Ribs-May	B 47	8 50	8 45	8 4

FORMER OTTAWA PASTOR DEAD Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 4.-News has reached here of the death of Marc Ami who was for eighteen years a resident of this city, and pastor as well as organizer of the French Presbyterian congregation of this city. He died in Danbury, Conn.

HANDS AND FEET SWOLLEN

The Serious Condition of a Welland Woman Whom Dr. Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets Cured.

Mrs. Joseph Young, Division street, Welland, Ont., says: "I have suffered from backache and kidney trouble for four or five years. At times I could hardly shut my eyes they were so swollen, and my feet the same. Going upstairs hurt my back so I thought would die, and my breath grew awful short. I tried almost everything with no relief. Black specks floated all around, and my eyes were very bad. The pain ran from the small of my back to the base of my brain. I could not sleep lying on my back. I went and got a bottle of DR. PITCHER'S BACKACHE KIDNEY TABLETS, and they have been a great boon to me. They are just splendid. I can see to thread a needle, and the pain in the head is about gone. All the old feeling of cracking and creaking in the base of the head is gone and the back comfortable. The old spells that came on any time, night or day, are gone, and I feel like living again. I can work now with comfort, and go upstairs fast with no trouble. I am only too glad to recommend them to everyone. I used to be afraid to turn over at night, and could not sleep; now I am not afraid at all, and can

sleep well."
DR. PITCHER'S BACKACHE KID-NEY TABLETS are the newest and most effective remedy for backache, ame or weak back, Bright's disease, diabetes, dropsy, puffiness under the eyes, swelling of the feet and ankles,

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WEATHER BULLETIN

London, Feb. 4-8 a.m. TEMPERATURE. 8 a.m. Min. Clear Cloudy Fair Clear Clear Cloudy Father Point .. FORECASTS.

Today—Westerly winds; mostly fair and celder; snow flurries.
Wednesday—Strong westerly winds; fair and cold; temperature at zero or below at night. WEATHER NOTES.

The storm has nearly disappeared to the northward of the Gulf of St. Lawrence.
Decidedly cold weather prevails from Quebec westward to the Rocky Mountains, with no present indication of a change.

LATE LOCAL ITEMS

-The C. P. R. trains were all on time yesterday. -Mrs. J. H. Brownlee, pupil of Miss Roblyn, has been appointed soprano soloist of First Congregational Church, this city.

-The many friends of Dr. J. A. Nelles will be pleased to hear that he has recovered from his late serious illness, and is now able to attend to his du-

-There will be a demonstration tomorrow (Wednesday) afternoon at the School of Domestic Science, 356 King street, on "How to bone and skin a fish." The admission fee is placed at the nominal sum of 25 cents.

DEATH OF MISS TURNBULL. Miss Catherine Turnbull, sister of Mr. Wm. Turnbull, of this city, died on Saturday evening at Hamilton. The interment takes place in this city to-

POLICE COURT. . At police court this morning only one

case was entered on the docket. George Robinson, charged his brother William with assault. The case was settled between the parties. DIGGING OUT ROADS.

The side lines in London township, which run north and south, are reported to be badly drifted. Gangs of men are digging out the Proof Line road to the north and south of Arva.

FUNERAL OF MISS CORA SWAYZE The funeral of Miss Cora Swayze, the young lady killed on Saturday, took place this afternoon from the residence of Mr. Duguid, 240 South street. Six friends of Miss Swayze acted as pallbearers.

HACKNEY BREEDERS' SOCIETY. At the annual meeting of the Hackney Breeders' Society, at Toronto, yesterday, the following officers were elected: President, Thomas Graham, Claremont; first vice-president, John Macdonald. Toronto: second vice-president, E. C. Attrill, Goderich: directors, Robert Miller, Stouffville; H. N. Crossley, Rosseau; Robert Beith, M.P., Bowmanville; E. C. H. Tisdale, Beaverton; Wm. Graham, Claremont; Dr. A. Smith, Toronto; Robert Bond, Toronto; George Pepper, Toronto; Robert Miller, Stouffville; D. B. Simpson, Bowmanville. Provincial vice-presidents-Robert Davies, Toronto; Jas A. Cochrane, Hillhurst, Quebec; A. M. Rawlinson, Calgary; M. McMillan, Brandon; J. R. Frink, St. John, N. B. Delegates to exhibition boards—Industrial, Henry Wade and George Pepper. Western Fair-Adam Beck and E. C. Attrill. Ottawa-Robert Beith. Montreal; Robert Ness, Howick, Quebec-Woodbridge—John Macdonald, John Henderson and Robert Bond. Horse Breeders' Association—Robert Beith and John Macdonald. Auditor, C. F. Complin, London; secretary-treasurer, Henry Wade. Judges for spring show and exhibitions—Alex. Mair. Indian Neck, Staten Island; Wm. West. Burlington. Vt.; Hon. Henry Fairfax, Aldie, Va.; Alex. Galbraith, Janesville.

CANADIAN TRACKS CLEAR! Montreal, Feb. 4.-The Grand Trunk and C. P. R. are running their trains in much better shape today, and both ines have evidenced their ability

cope with a big snowstorm. The New York trains seem to be affected the worst, as they are all several hours late.

NO RESTRICTION ON SKY-SCRAPERS. Chicago, Feb. 4.—The city council decided last night to remove all restricings. This action reverses that taken two weeks ago by the same body, and paves the way for the immediate expenditure of \$20,000,000 for new buildngs in the center of the south side business district, plans for which have already been prepared.

The fact that most diseases arise from an impure or low condition of the blood is fully proven by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

There are some astrologers in China but not many, as astrology is a very perilous profession. When one of these so-called prophets predicts an event which does not occur he loses his head. which does not occur he loses his head.

TESTED BY TIME.—In his justlycelebrated pills Dr. Parmelee has given
to the world one of the most unique
medicines offered to the public in late
years. Prepared to meet the want for a
pill which could be taken without nausea, and that would purge without pain,
it has met all requirements in that direction, and it is in general use not only
because of these two qualities, but because it is known to possess alterative
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CAN INTERFERE.

Britain's Answer to Dutch Premier Interesting Data About Business Kuyper.

It Boers in the Field Desire Peace They Can Open Negotiations in South Africa.

London, Feb. 4.-The British Government replied to Dr. Kuyper, the Dutch premier, that if the Boers in the field desire to negotiate for peace, negotiations can be entered into,

BUT ONLY IN SOUTH AFRICA. The British Government adhered to its intention not to accept the intervention of any foreign power.

The text of the reply of the British foreign secretary, Lord Lansdowne, to the communication of Dr. Kuyper, the premier of the Netherlands, is as fol-

"The Foreign Office, Jan. 29. "Sir,-You were good enough to lay before me, Jan. 25, a communication from the Netherlands' Government, in which it was proposed that, with the object of bringing the war to an end, his majesty's government might grant a safe conduct to the Boer delegates now in Holland, for the purpose of enabling them to confer with the Boer leaders in South Africa. "It is suggested that, after a con-

ference, the delegates might return to Europe, with power to conclude a treaty of peace with this country, and the Netherlands Government intimate that, in this event, they might, at a later stage, he instrumental in placing the Boer plenipotentiaries in relation with plenipotentiaries who might be appointed by his majesty's government.

"The Netherlands Government intimate that if this project commends itself to his majesty's government, they will inquire of the delegates whether they are prepared to make the suggested visit to South Africa. It may, therefore, be inferred that the communication I received was made on the responsibility of the Netherlands Government alone, and without authority from the Boer delegates or

NO INTERVENTION. "His majesty's government have given it their best consideration, and while entirely appreciative of the mo-tives of humanity which led the Netherlands Government to make this proposal, they feel they must adhere to the position adopted and publicly announced by them some months after the commencement of hostilities by the Boers, that it is not their inten-

foreign power in the South African "Should the Boer delegates themgovernment obviously are not in a position to express an opinion on any such application until they have received it and are aware of the precise nature and grounds whereon the request is made."

tion to accept the intervention of any

LATE SPORTING.

HOCKEY.

CITY HOCKEY LEAGUE SCHED ULE. Tomorrow night the opening matches of the City Hockey League will be

played at Jubilee rink. There will be fifteen games during the season, double-headers two nights a week. games will take place as far as possible on Wednesday and Friday nights Mayor Beck, the honorary president of the league, has been invited to face off the puck at the opening game tomorrow night between the St. John's A. C. and the Argonauts. The schedule has been arranged as follows:

First Week.—First night—St. John's vs. Argonauts; Memorials vs. Hortons. Second night-Orients vs. Aberdeens; Hortons vs. Argonauts. Second Week-First night-Aberdeens vs. St. Johns: Memorials vs. Orients. Second night—St. John's vs. Hortons; Aberdeens vs. Memorials.

Third Week .- First night-St. John's vs. Memorials; Argonauts vs. Orients. Second night—Hortons vs. Orients; Argonauts vs. Aberdeens. Fourth Week .- First night-Orients vs. St. John's; Aberdeens vs. Hortons.

Second night-Argonauts vs. Memor-ANOTHER WIN FOR DELAWARE. The Delawares scored another victory from the London boys on Saturday night last in a well-played game with the Hobbs Hardware Company's team. The score stood 4 to 2 in favor of Delaware. This adds one more to the list of victories for the Delawares, who have not been beaten this season yet, though they played with some of London's fastest junior teams. The Delawares have

arranged to play at Stratford and Alvinston this week. BASKET BALL. MIDGETS DEFEATED SARNIA.

Yesterday afternoon, in compliance with a challenge which appeared in the with a challenge which appeared in the local paper recently, the London Midgets, one of the city's fastest basketball teams, journey to Sarnia and played a friendly game with the Sarnia team, defeating them by a score of 31 to 16. The game was played in the Boys' Brigade Hall and was very fast from start to Hall, and was very fast from start finish, both teams making some excellent plays, but the London boys had the better combination, which, with excellent shooting, won the game. The lineup was as follows: London Midgets. Sarnia.

McConechy...Forward......C: Coulter Williams.....E. Watson P. Williams.....E. Watson L. Skinner.....Center....G. Blackyer (Capt.)
. Francis.....Defense....J. Johnston
. Friend....... W. Watson
(Capt.) A. Francis.....D. R. Friend..... Watson

Umpires, Charles Adams, Sarnia; W. R. Marshall, London. Referee, George R. Tambling, London. R. Tambling, London.

The London boys desire to express to the members of the Sarnia team, and the ladies who so kindly assisted in entertaining them, their sincerest gratitude, and only hope that at some early date they may be able to reciprocate their hospitality. hospitality.

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THE CAUSES OF FAILURES

Difficulties.

About 70 Per Cent of Canadian Failures in 1901 Due to Faults of Those Failing.

The following summary of failures in the Dominion of Canada and Newfoundland, classified as to causes, has been handed in by Mr. L. J. Walker, of Bradstreet's agency in this city. For the past two years the failures were as follows:

| No. | Failures due to | 1901. | Incompetence | 2,023 | Inexperience | 828 | Lack of capital | 3,223 | Unwise credits | 376 | Failures of others | 259 | Extravagance | 101 | Neglect | 322 | Competition | 466 | Specific conditions | 1,755 | Speculation | 141
 Speculation
 141

 Fraud
 1,154
 Totals10,648

1900. 1,773 762 3,168 291 219 85 341 595 1,423 131 1,124

9,912 Commenting on similar data relative to failures in the United States, Manager Close, of Bradstreet's agency at Chattanooga, Tenn., said to the Chattanooga Times:

"The saying that a man is the architect of his own fortune, and that, generally speaking, the individual trad-er possesses within himself the elements of success of failure in the business world, has been very effectually demonstrated in discussions of this subject, wherein the leading causes of business embarrassment have been analyzed. For the benefit of those who have not followed this matter closely, however, it might be stated that experience over a period of years has shown that the causes of commercial embarrassment may be quite generally classed under the following eleven heads, close study of which is invited in order that the reader may become familiar with their application to the matter in hand:

"A.—Due to faults of those failing:
"(1) Incompetence (without other in-

competence).

"(3) Lack of capital. "(4) Unwise granting of credits. "(5) Speculation (outside regular business). "(6) Neglect of business (due to

doubtful habits).
"(7) Personal extravagance. "(8) Fraudulent disposition of property.
"B.—Not due to the faults of those failing.
"(9) Specific conditions (disaster

"(10) Failure of others (of apparent ly solvent debtors). "(11) Special or undue competition.

"Eight of these eleven causes it will be observed may properly be classed as proseeding from, or attributable to, the trader himself, while the remaining three may just as clearly be said to be beyond his control. Of the failures reported in the United States during selves desire to lay a request for a the past year, 71.4 per cent were resafe conduct before his majesty's gov- ported due to one or more of the firsternment, there is no reason why they mentioned eight causes—in other should not do so. But his majesty's words, more than seven-tenths were due to faults of those failing, while 28.6 per cent were due to faults of others. This, it is to be noted, is rather a different showing from that made in 1900, when fully 77.4 per cent was due to faults of the traders themselves and 22.6 per cent was due to faults of others. The closest approach to this showing made of recent years is found to be that of 1898, when 70 per cent was due to faults of weaknesses of the traders themselves and 30.3 per cent to others."

SALE OF LIQUOR

For Medicine. Sacramental, Scientific and Similar Purposes.

Toronto, Feb. 4.-The government this morning gave a private audience to Rev. J. A. MacDonald, N. W. Rowell, Rev. Dr. Chown. Prof. Farmer and Prof. Hume, who discussed some of the phases for the sale of liquor for medicine, sacramental, scientific, and similar purposes by the government instead of private individuals in the event of the adoption of a prohib-

INSTANTLY KILLED!

G. T. A. Conductor Thomas Patrick Meets will wag a joyful tail when you ap-Death at Port Credit.

roronto, Ont., Feb. 1.-Thomas Patrick, a conductor on the G. T. R., who resided at 188 Palmerston avenue, was instantly killed this morning at Port Credit.

Patrick had taken out a freight train west-bound, and at Port Credit the train was stopped at the water tank. He talked to the engineer on his engine, and was in the act of stepping down, when the Chicago express came along and struck and killed him in-

ENTERIC FEVER

Carries Off Another Canadian Serving in South Africa.

Ottawa. Feb. 4.-The casualty departnent at Cape Town cables to Lord Minto, as follows:

"Cape Town, Feb. 3 .- Death from enteric fever, at Heidelberg, Transvaal, Feb. 1, South African Constabulary, De Harter Hadley Adams; please inform Mr. J. P. Adams, Ungah, Ont."

OTTAWA HARD UP. Ottawa, Feb. 4.—City Engineer Farley and Fire Chief Benoit, of Hull, were last night asked by the city council to resign. The city is in a financial fix, and by the discharge of the two officials will save about \$1,500 a year. STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

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#### UMBRELLAS: THEIR WAYS

Twas a Malignant Mortal Who First Devised Them.

Conspicuous Among Their Evil Qualities is a Lack of Natural Affection.

"I think I've left my umbrella upstairs," I said to the elevator man.

'Take me up till I get it." He took me up accordingly, but of course I didn't get it. I never do get my umbrella when I go after it. I may hang it securely on its nail or place it safely in its corner one minute, but it surfeited with sorrow it is allowed to is always somewhere else when I go to get it. If I know it's going to rain during the day and feel happy because | Star. my umbrella is waiting for me down at the office, I always get left, because it is always at home. If I take it home at night knowing it's going to be raining in the morning, that umbrella vanishes like a thief in the night and greets me malevolently when I arrive dripping at the office. I don't know how it travels, whether it hangs on to a strap in the street cars or projects itself parachute-wise through the air. I do know, however, that it's never where I want it when I want it, and that I own an umbrella save when I have it safely clutched in my strong

right hand. The worst of this wandering habit of my umbrella's is that it seduces my rubbers. They have always chummed with my umbrella, and consequently have become demoralized. They, too, are never where I want them when I want them. What a striking example of the results of keeping evil com-

I never would have owned an umbrella, anyway, had not an associa-tion of land pirates who disliked me for my excessive morality given me one once as a present. It was a nice, in-nocent-looking umbrella, too, with my initials engraved on its handle plate, but you can't judge an umbrella by its looks.

I often wonder who the malignant mortal was who invented the umbrella. Whence drew he the inspiration to create this noisome thing that curses humanity, holds half mankind in terror, and breeds suspicion among the members of the race? I pause for a reply. Conspicuous among its evil qualities I discover in the umbrella a lack of a joyful affection. Your dog proach; your cat will arch its back and purr delightedly when you arrive; but your umbrella does nothing but slink into a corner, drop surlily on the clean floor, and plot either your downfall or the undoing of some great and

good man of your acquaintance. They accomplish their foul purpose by deserting you the very first time any of your friends come to call on you. They invariably select your dearest friend to decamp with. Sometimes they march out boldly under his arm, sometimes they hoist themselves brazenly over his head, but generally they their crooked handle in your friend's overcoat pocket and sneak out with him on the side farthest away from you. Sometimes you can catch them in the act, but generally you do not discover your loss until a rainy spell comes and you have to buy an-

Umbrellas do not always elope thus with your friends, however. Some of them are so utterly deprayed, so lacking in natural affection, that they will go away with the first rent collector, book agent or plumber who happens along, and I had one umbrella so utterly lost to all sense of decency that it chummed up with a deacon in our church one night when he came around to see me about a trifle of back pew rent, and, being only human, I have never since been able to regard that particular deacon with the amount of brotherly love that is un-

doubtedly his due.
Nowadays umbrellas make very little pretence of being useful. There was a time, of course, when they did affect some pretensions to usefulness, but that day is pretty well past. You can't humbug all the people all the time, and so the umbrella has in later years come to be regarded somewhat in the fight of an ornament and a luxury, like pocket flasks or a coachman,

for instance.
Of course, I do not mean to say that umbrellas are litterly useless. I have known an um rella when tightly wrapped to make a very fair substitute for a walking-stick; opened, an umbrella has sometimes stopped a runaway horse; held in the hands of an infuriated female, has sometimes Prinzessin Victoria Luise... New York.... West Indies Chastised a recalcitrant husband or kept a mob at bay. But, after all,

these are purely negative virtues. Why buy a substitute for a walking-stick when you can get the real article so much cheaper? Why stop runaway horses with umbrellas when we have a police force with no other task before them? And why should lovely woman make herself an object of terror to the innocent and the guilty alike with an umbrella when she already has a whole arsenal at her command, including hatpins, flat-irons, mop handles and rolling pins, with which she can do much surer and equally deadly work? Again I pause

for a reply.
Summed up, then, I claim that the twentieth century umbrella is a curse to any country, a stirrer-up of strife, a caster of unjust suspicion upon worthy men, and a needlessly painful weapon of punishment in the hands of gentle, tender-hearted woman. It is a deception and a demoralizer, a fraud, a delusion and a snare, and the wonder to me is that in a world already over-burdened with care and pursue its career of devastation unchecked .- "Ravenspur" in Toronto

DIVIDEND \$20 PER SHARE. New York, Feb. 4.- The directors of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey declared a dividend of \$20 per share today. This is the same as for the corresponding quarter last year, and the year before.

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