THE MARKETS.

London, Monday, Dec. 15.

The usual offerings were on the market for this day of the week, and consisted of hay, oats and live hogs.

About a dozen loads of oats sold at 89c to 92c per cwt, mostly at 90c.

Three loads of wheat sold at $1 15 per cwt.

Seventeen loads of hay were on the stand, which sold at $8 to $9 per ton; sales were slow, and most of the hay was of an inferior quality.

About 150 live hogs were purchased here today at $5 60 for choice and $5 25 to $5 40 for lights and fats.

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Puritan Flour,
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AMERICAN MARKETS

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Bullish foreign news caused firmness in wheat today. May closed ¼c higher, May corn was ¼c to ⅛c lower, and oats off ¼c; June provisions closed unchanged to 2½c higher. Duluth, Minneapolis and Chicago received 795 cars of wheat, against 885 cars last week and 504 cars a year ago. Estimated receipts for Monday: Wheat, 55 cars; corn, 340 cars; oats, 180 cars; hogs, 44,000 head.

The leading futures closed: Wheat—Dec., 75¼c; May, 77⅝c to 77½c; July, 74⅛c to 74¼c. Corn—Dec., 56½c; Jan., 48⅛c; May, 43¾c to 43⅞c; July, 42½c. Oats—Dec., 31¾c to 31⅞c; old, 31c; May, 33¼c. Pork—Jan., $16 60; May, $15 52½. Lard—Dec., $10 22½; Jan., $9 70; May, $9 15. Ribs—Jan., $8 25; May, $8 30. Rye—Dec., 49½c; May, 52c. Timothy—Jan., $4 25. Clover—Dec., $10 75. Barley, 36c to 58c.

Cash quotations: Flour was quiet and steady; winter patents, $3 40 to $3 50; straights, $3 10 to $3 30; spring patents, $3 40 to $3 70; straights, $2 90 to $3 20; bakers, $2 25 to $2 75. No. 2 spring wheat, 75½c to 76c; No. 3 do, 69c to 73c; No. 2 red, 75c to 75½c. No. 2 corn, 56¼c; No. 2 yellow, 56¼c. No. 2 oats, 31⅞c; No. 3 white, 32c to 35c. No. 2 rye, 49½. Good feeding barley, 39c to 40c; fair to choice malting, 45c to 56c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 15; No. 1 northwestern, $1 24. Prime timothy seed, $3 65. Mess pork, $17; lard, $10 25 to $10 30; short ribs sides, $8 50 to $8 75; dry salted shoulders, $8 25 to $8 50; short clear sides, $8 75 to $9. Clover, contract grade, $10 75. Eggs steady; loss off, cases returned, 24c.

Receipts—Flour, 21,500 bbls; wheat, 69,900 bu; corn, 169,200 bu; oats, 148,300 bu; rye, 15,500 bu; barley, 72,400 bu.

Shipments—Flour, 14,200 bbls; wheat, 22,400 bu; corn, 102,200 bu; oats, 142,800 bu; rye, 7,400 bu; barley, 11,100 bu.

TOLEDO.

Toledo, O., Dec. 13.—Wheat—Dull; cash, 78c; Dec., 78c; May, 81½c. Corn—Dull; Dec., 48¼c; May, 44½c. Oats—Dull; Dec., 33½c; May, 34½c. Rye—No. 2, 52½c. Clover seed—Dull; Dec., $6 65; Jan., $6 67½; March, $6 67½. Prime timothy, $1 75. Prime alsike, $1 25.

DAIRY MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Butter—Market was steady; creameries, 18c to 28½c; dairies, 17c to 25c. Cheese—Steady, 11¼c to 12½c.

BEAN MARKET.

Detroit, Dec. 14.—Beans are a trifle firmer. Quotations: Cash, $2 23; Jan., $2 27; May, 2 cars at $2 36.

SUGAR MARKETS.

LONDON.

London, Dec. 13.—Raw sugar—Muscovado, 8s 6d; centrifugal, 9s 3d; beet sugar, Dec., 8s 3¾d.

OIL MARKETS.

PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 13.—The oil market closed at $1 51.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., Dec. 13.—Credit balances, $1 51; certificates, no sales.

LONDON.

London, Dec. 13.—Petroleum, American refined, 6½d; spirits, 6 11-16d.

ANTWERP.

Antwerp, Dec. 13.—Petroleum, 20 francs 75 centimes.

BREMEN.

Bremen, Dec. 13.—Petroleum, 6 marks 35 pfennings.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, Dec. 13.—Cattle—Receipts, 200; slow, at steady prices; veals steady; tops, $8 50 to $9; common to good, $5 50 to $8 25.

Hogs—Receipts, 7,700; pigs steady, others 10c to 15c lower; heavy, $6 25 to $6 35; mixed, $6 10 to $6 25; Yorkers, $6 to $6 10; pigs, $6; roughs, $5 50 to $5 75; stags, $4 50 to $5.

Sheep—Receipts, 8,500; steady; top lambs, $5 75 to $5 85; culls to good, $4 25 to $5 65; yearlings, $4 25 to $4 75; ewes, $4 25 to $4 50; sheep, top mixed, $3 75 to $4; culls to good, $1 75 to $3 65.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 13.—Beeves—Receipts, 233; no sales reported; dressed beef was steady; city dressed native sides, 7½c to 11½c per lb. Exports today, 540 beeves and 1,200 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 8; 63 head on sale; a car of western calves sold at $3 12½ per 100 lbs; a few grassers unsold; city dressed veals, general sales at 10½c to 12½c per lb.

Sheep—Receipts, 2,458; good sheep and good lambs steady, market weak otherwise; about 3 cars of stock unsold; sheep sold at $2 50 to $4 25 per 100 lbs; lambs at $4 62½ to $5 75; culls at $3 75; dressed mutton, 6c to 7½c; dressed lambs, 7½c to 10c.

Hogs—Receipts, partly estimated, 2,200; about a deck on sale; about steady; state and Pennsylvania hogs sold at $6 25 per 100 lbs.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Cattle—Receipts, 300; nominal; good to prime steers, $5 60 to $6 60; poor to medium, $3 50 to $5 50; stockers and feeders, $2 to $4 50; cows, $1 25 to $4 50; heifers, $2 to $5; canners, $1 25 to $2 35; bulls, $2 to $4 50; calves, $3 to $7; Texas-fed steers, $3 50 to $4 75.

Hogs—Receipts today, 16,000; strong, 10c higher; mixed and butchers, $5 70 to $6 15; good to choice heavy, $6 15 to $6 40; rough heavy, $5 80 to $6 10; light, $5 50 to $5 90; bulk of sales at $5 90 to $6 15.

Sheep—Receipts, 1,500; sheep dull, lambs dull; good to choice wethers, $3 50 to $4 25; fair to choice mixed, $2 50 to $4 50; native lambs, $3 75 to $5 50.

Half a dozen Peruvian mummies were recently auctioned off in London at less than $10 apiece.

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Ladies' Fine Linen Embroidered Handkerchiefs, extra good value at 25c. Our price only 12½c

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A good assortment of Ladies' Purses at.....25c

Selling the nicest and most amusing Toys in London at lowest prices. See them.

BAYLEY'S

ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Dec. 15.—Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red western winter, 5s 11d; No. 1 Northern spring, 6s 7½d. Futures steady; Dec., 6s 1¾d; March, 6s 2d; May, 6s 1½d.

Corn—Spot quiet; American mixed, new, 5s 2d; American mixed, old, 5s 4d. Futures steady; Jan., 4s 6⅞d; March, 4s 3⅝d.

Peas—Canadian steady, 6s 7½d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter quiet, 8s 3d.

Hops (at London)—Pacific coast firm, £6 15s to £7.

Beef—Firm; extra India mess, 115s.

Pork—Firm; prime mess western, 92s 6d.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, quiet, 53s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, quiet, 48s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, quiet, 50s; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, quiet, 50s 6d; long clear middles, heavy 35 to 40 lbs, quiet, 50s; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, dull, 50s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, quiet, 60s; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, quiet, 45s.

Lard—Prime western, in tierces, quiet, 57s 6d; American refined, in pails, quiet, 58s 6d.

Butter—Nominal.

Cheese—Strong; American finest white and colored, 59s.

Tallow—Prime city firm, 28s 9d; Australian (in London) firm, 34s 3d.

Turpentine spirits—Firm, 39s 9d.

Rosin—Common firm, 4s 7½d.

Petroleum—Refined steady, 6¾d.

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Linseed oil—Firm, 25s 9d.

The imports of wheat into Liverpool last week were 44,100 quarters from Atlantic ports, none from Pacific, and 43,000 from other ports.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—Wheat—There has been no decline in the prices of wheat in this market the past week; the low prices offered have not resulted in much selling, and it begins to look as if the farmers had confidence in higher markets; No. 2 red and white are quoted at 69½c to 70c and 69c east and west; goose is quiet, at 65c to 66c for No. 2 east; spring is steady, at 68c for No. 2 east; Manitoba has advanced 2c to 2½c the past week; No. 1 hard is now quoted here at 88c and No. 1 northern at 86c, grinding in transit, and 2c less all rail at North Bay. Flour—Steady, at $2 70 bid for ordinary 90 per cent patents for export, in buyers' bags, east or middle freights; choice brands are held 15c to 20c higher. Millfeed—Steady, at $16 for cars of shorts and $14 for bran in bulk, east or middle freights. Barley—The better grades continue scarce; a round lot of No. 3 extra sold a few days ago at 46c at northern points; No. 3 is quoted at 42c to 43c east and middle freights. Buckwheat—uiet; No. 2 is quoted at 50c high freights west; north and west at 52c, easy, and at 51c middle freights. Buckwheat—Quiet; No. 2 is quoted east and 49½c middle freights. Corn—Steady; Canada new yellow is quoted at 46c and old yellow at 58c west; American new No. 3 yellow is quoted at 55c and old No. 3 yellow at 65c west for cars on the track at Toronto. Oats—Steady, at 31c for No. 2 white east and 30c middle freights. Peas—Steady, at 75c for No. 2 choice, for milling, east, and 74½c middle freights. Eggs—The supplies of fairly good fresh-gathered are moderately good, but with colder weather smaller receipts are expected; there is a good demand and the market is steady, at 19c to 20c; No. 1 splits are quoted at 14c to 15c; seconds at 12c to 14c, and limed at 18c. Butter—The receipts of dairies are liberal, but the proportion of fine choice lots is light; there is a good demand for choice large and pound rolls, and the market is steady; creameries are in good demand and steady; creamery prints, 23c to 24c; solids, new, 22c to 23c; olds, 20c to 21c; dairy tubs and pails, choice, 16c to 18c; medium, 14c to 15c; common, 13c to 14c; pound rolls, 17c to 19c; large rolls, 15c to 17c. Dressed hogs—The offerings are fair, but prices are held pretty firm, owing to the cold weather, making it possible to keep the hogs; local packers do not seem to be over-anxious for hogs at the moment, and the market is only steady; cars on the track here are quoted at $7 25 to $7 30 and $7 40 asked; farmers' lots on the street market here are quoted at $7 50 to $7 80.

HAY MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—Baled Hay—The offerings are larger; there is a fair demand only, and the market is easier; cars of No. 1 timothy on the track here are quoted at $9 to $9 25.

Baled Straw—The market is quiet; cars on the track here are quoted at $5 to $5 50.

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PHYSICIAN'S MISTAKE

Nearly Cost a Kingston Lady Her Life—Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Her.

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 15—(Special).—A physician's mistake nearly cost Mrs. E. Lake, 112 Clarence street, her life. She took an overdose of strychnine with the result that paralysis of the left side, brain, arm and limb ensued and she was in a most deplorable condition, in which, despite the efforts of many physicians, she remained for three years. Then she was induced to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. Of the result she says:

"I started on three Pills three times a day. I soon began to experience a change for the better, which continued until I regained the use of my hand, arm and limb. My headache also ceased, and my appetite returned. From this I soon picked up flesh and strength till I am as well as ever. I thank God and Dodd's Kidney Pills for my health."

Judge Masson, senior judge of the County of Huron, has been superannuated owing to ill-health. Junior Judge Doyle has been promoted to the vacancy, and Philip Holt, K.C., of Goderich, has been appointed junior judge. Judge Masson was appointed to the bench in 1896, but has been incapacitated from duty for some time past, owing to the state of his health. He will receive the usual retiring allowance.

The Date

Dec. 17.

Something Good!

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Lord Cranborn on the Sinking of Venezuelan Ships.

VENEZUELA OFFICIALS INACTIVE

Report That Castro Has Expressed a Desire for a Peaceful Settlement—Wants American Help.

London, Dec. 15.—The Under Foreign Secretary, Lord Cranborne, denied in the House of Commons today that the British commander was responsible for the sinking of the Venezuelan ships.

An expression of a desire for a peaceful settlement of the difficulties has been received in London from the Venezuelan Government.

Caracas, Dec. 15.—Inaction reigns in Government circles. The officials do not know what to do, and are depending entirely on the United States to assist them.

WANT CASTRO TO QUIT.

A movement is on foot here, headed by prominent doctors and lawyers, to request President Castro to resign and to ask Vice-President Ramond Ayala to assume the presidency, and form a cabinet without party tendencies. It is also proposed to summon Congress to appoint a temporary president and arrange the questions in dispute in a manner satisfactory to all concerned.

Gen. Hernandez ("Elmocho"), who has just been released from prison at Maracaibo, is expected at Caracas tomorrow. His partisans are very active and further trouble is apprehended. The Venezuelan Government announces Great Britain has reopened the navigation of the Orinoco River. Two warships will patrol the mouths of the river and the river itself. This measure applies only to foreign ships. Vessels flying the Venezuelan flag are excluded.

The patriotic parade here yesterday passed on without any extraordinary incidents. President Castro, during the day, visited the tomb of Bolivar.

TO DESTROY MARACAIBO FORTS.

Caracas, Dec. 15.—The Government reports that the German cruiser Panther is going to Maracaibo to destroy the forts there.

Minister Bowen, at the request of the Dutch minister, Dr. Van Leyden, who is sick at Curacoa, has taken charge of Dutch interests here.

The leading merchants of La Guaira arrived here last night, abandoning the port owing to fear that it will be shelled today.

The German cruiser Vineta is going to visit Margarita (an island in the Caribbean Sea 30 miles north of Cumana, belonging to Venezuela).

At 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon four loud explosions alarmed the city of Porto Cabello. It was found that British marines had blown up the subterranean prison cells of Castle Libertador with dynamite. They also burned all the wooden buildings surrounding the castle and carried away everything that could be transported.

AFTER THE BOMBARDMENT.

After the bombardment of the forts at Porto Cabello and the landing of marines on the island where the castle is situated, the forces of the powers acted just as if they were at home, causing great indignation among the Venezuelans. When everything had been destroyed the marines re-embarked.

The Venezuelan Government warship Miranda has escaped the vigilance of the German cruisers Falke and Panther, which were searching for her, and arrived at Maracaibo yesterday.

ONLY OLD VESSELS.

Berlin, Dec. 15.—In official quarters here it is said the Venezuelan vessels sunk off La Guaira were old and worthless revenue cutters and unfit to go to sea, and that the other ships captured have been sent to a certain West Indian port, to be refitted for use during the blockade. The destruction of the Venezuelan craft, it is added, was necessary in order to prevent them from falling into the hands of the Venezuelans, as the German vessels had to leave La Guaira.

ARBITRATION PROPOSED.

Venezuela's proposition through Minister Bowen to submit the questions in dispute to arbitration has now been received here. The foreign office says this will not delay measures previously decided upon by Germany and Great Britain. The officials here do not indicate what will be the final decision on the arbitration proposition, but apparently it was made too late to affect the general situation.

A Capital Cure for Sore Throat

is to use as a gargle a few drops of Polson's Nerviline in sweetened water, and before retiring rub the throat and chest vigorously with Nerviline. By morning the soreness and inflammation will have disappeared entirely. Nerviline drives away the pain and cures sore throat and hoarseness quickly, simply because that's what it's made for. Buy a 25c bottle from your druggist today.

Dr. Hamilton's Pills Stimulate the Liver.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Dec. 13 and 14.—At New York—St. Paul, from Southampton; Lucania, from Liverpool; Minnetonka, from London; Patricia, from Hamburg; La Touraine, from Havre; Ethiopia, from Glasgow; Noordland, from Rotterdam; Patria, from Marseilles.

At Liverpool—Belgenland, from Philadelphia; Campania, from New York; Tauric, from New York.

At Genoa—Sicilia, from New York.

At Greenock — Carthagenian, from Genoa.

At Naples—Calabria, from New York.

At Havre—La Champagne, from New York.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 14.—The steamer Cambria King, from Antwerp, Nov. 29, for Boston, put in here this evening with his steering gear broken and short of coal. The steamer met with terrific head gales on the voyage, and had only a day's coal on board when she arrived here.

Probably a Canard.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—The Commissioner of Colonization said on Saturday that the Crown Lands Department knew nothing of the English syndicate which desired to secure 2,000,000 acres of land in New Ontario. The Government could only sell 160 acres of land to each individual, unless some arrangement were entered into similar to what the Utt-Egan syndicate, of Chicago, proposed. It might be that the English syndicate wished to secure land from the Dominion Government in the Northwest, and that a mistake had thus originated.

IT HAS MANY OFFICES.—Before the German soldier starts on a long march he rubs his feet with tallow, for his first care is to keep his feet in good condition. If he knew that Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil would be of much better service, he would throw away his tallow and pack a few bottles of the Oil in his knapsack. There is nothing like it.

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Mr. Mott writes us from 62 Broad St., Utica, N.Y., under date of Dec. 31st, 1901. He says:—Some time ago I received a letter from your firm, saying that some years ago you received a testimonial from me, stating that I had over 500 boils. Yes, sir, I had, and I must say that I have never had the reappearance of one since I took the course of your BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS. I thank God that I have had good health ever since, for I was a great sufferer.

I wish B.B.B. a world of success, which it surely deserves.

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HOTEL BLAZE IN QUEBEC

"Victoria" Burned—Two Domestics Are Missing.

The Loss Estimated at $90,000—Incendiary Fire in Kingsville.

Quebec, Dec. 14.—The Victoria Hotel, one of the most important hotels of Quebec, was completely reduced to ashes this afternoon. The fire, caused by the furnace, started about 3:30 o'clock, and the whole building, from the cellar to the roof, was in flames in a few minutes. Many guests and employes had narrow escapes. Two servant girls, Lizzie Bourdages and Clara Jackson, and one of the stokers, named Cote, have not been found since the fire. Some travelers have lost very valuable goods. Mr. Resther, the proprietor of the hotel, estimates his loss at $90,000. He is insured for $43,000.

Many thrilling escapes were made by some of the guests, all of whom barely escaped with their lives.

There was another fire at 11 o'clock this morning at Levis. Two wooden buildings on Commercial street, belonging to the Barras estate, and occupied by the families of Augustin Bourget and George Sanchagrin, have been completely destroyed. Losses, $5,000; partially insured.

AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Dec. 14.—H. E. Jacobs & Co.'s Stonewall Jackson cigar factory on McGill street, was wholly destroyed by fire today. The building, which was a large five-story brick, contained a valuable stock of cigars and tobacco, and it was completely gutted. Nearly 1,000,000 cigars were burned. The loss is placed by the firm at between $60,000 and $70,000; covered by insurance. The building, which is a total loss, was valued at $10,000.

A TIMELY DISCOVERY.

Kingsville, Ont., Dec. 13.—An unknown man attempted to burn the L. E. and D. R. R. station house here last night. He saturated a sack with kerosene, and it was burning briskly when the assistant station master discovered the blaze.

OTHER FIRES.

Fresno, Cal., Dec. 13.—The St. George vinery, at Maitamore, five miles from here, has been destroyed by fire. The loss is $150,000.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 13.—The five-story brick building occupied by the Reed Manufacturing Company, on Jones street, near Cass, and the warehouse of Grinnell Bros., music dealers, next door, were burned last night. The loss is estimated at $150,000.

Elora, Ont., Dec. 13.—The house owned and occupied by Thomas Winfield was destroyed by fire this morning. A part of the furniture was gotten out in a damaged condition. It is understood that there was no insurance.

LIQUIDATION IN ORDER

Violent Break of Prices in Wall Street at the Opening.

New York, Dec. 15.—Wall street: Prices broke violently at the opening under a heavy flood of liquidation. All through the list the prices of practically all of the principal stocks lost from 1 to 2 points. The selling was large in the United States steel stocks, Southern Pacific, Atcheson and Rock Island.

Prominent Temperance Worker Dead.

Philadelphia, Dec. 15. — Benjamin F. Dennisson, treasurer of the American Baptist Publication Society, died at his residence in this city today. Mr. Dennisson was 67 years of age, and since early manhood had been associated with religious and temperance movements. He was at one time grand worthy patriarch of America and past grand worthy patriarch of the United States of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance.

Will Extend Their Wheel Pit.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 14.—It is announced that the Canadian Niagara Power Company will extend their present wheel pit, under construction, to more than double its present intended capacity. The wheel pit, with the new extension, will accommodate six additional turbines of 10,000 horse-power each, making a total of eleven turbines and 110,000 horse-power when finished. The first section, which will produce 50,000 horse-power, will be in operation before the second portion of 60,000 horse-power can be finished.

Piles To prove to you that Dr. Chase's Ointment is a certain and absolute cure for each and every form of itching, bleeding and protruding piles, the manufacturers have guaranteed it. See testimonials in the daily press and ask your neighbors what they think of it. You can use it and get your money back if not cured. 60c a box, at all dealers or EDMANSON, BATES & CO., Toronto.

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Many useless articles are given at Christmas. Good money is spent on things that either break or are never used. Gifts such as the following will be more appreciated than tawdry Trinkets or Toys—because they can be used and are needed.

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Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 15.—One life preserver and some wreckage from the Bannockburn was picked up on Saturday near Grand Marias life saving station. They are looking for bodies and other wreckage.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Grave fears are felt for the steamer John Hall and schooner Noyes, of Ogdensburg, and the schooner Amy Andrews, of Buffalo. They left Charlotte on Thursday, and the barge Resolute, which was towing the Andrews, arrived at Port Dalhousie yesterday, reporting that the schooner had broken away in the great storm near Kingston. None of the others have been heard of.

Rockland, Me., Dec. 15.—The shipwrecked crew of the tug Astral, of the Standard Oil Company, with oil barge No. 76, were brought here on Saturday by the revenue cutter Woodbury. The Astral was wrecked off Mount Desert Rock. One of the crew was lost.

STRUCK BY A GALE.

St. Johns, Nfld., Dec. 15.—The schooner Molly, carrying a crew of seven men, was struck by a gale on Friday morning. The vessel was heeled over until the stove in her cabin upset. This resulted in setting fire to the woodwork, and the schooner was soon a mass of flames. The crew ran the Molly for Outer Gooseberry Island, an uninhabited island twelve miles off Bonavista Bay. Here the schooner was beached and the crew landed on the rocks. The members of the Molly's crew weer badly frostbitten.

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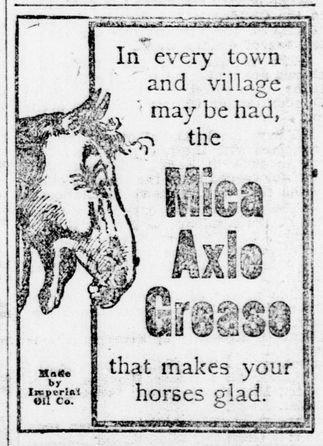

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Tenders will not be considered unless made on the form supplied, and signed with the actual signatures of tenderers.

An accepted check on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, for twelve hundred dollars ($1,200 00), must accompany each tender. The check will be forfeited if the party decline the contract, or fail to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.

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