# LARGE SUPPLY OF HAY AND OATS

### LOCAL MARKET.

London, Friday, May 8.

There was a good demand for the 30 loads of hay that were on the stand. Prices were higher for the first few loads offered, which sold at $13 25 and $13 50 per ton. Later on nearly all of the loads sold at $12 and $12 50 per ton.

Straw sold at $7 and $7 50 per ton. The supply of oats was large in comparison with what has been offered of late. Sales were brisk at slightly lower prices. The first few loads sold at $1 63 and $1 65 per cwt. Later in the day they sold at $1 50 to $1 53 per cwt.

### PRODUCE MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, May 8.—Business is dull today, owing to the holiday in Winnipeg. Local deliveries of winter wheat are not sufficient for the demand. Corn is higher, as a result of the firmer western markets. Prices are:

Wheat—Manitoba No. 1 northern, $1 19½; No. 2, $1 15½; No. 3, $1 10½; feed wheat, 86c; No. 2 feed, 60c, at Georgian Bay ports; Ontario No. 2 white, 94c to 95c outside; No. 2 red, 94c to 94½c outside; No. 2 mixed, 93c; goose, 90c.

Corn—No. 3 yellow, 75c to 76c, Toronto freights; No. 3 mixed, 1c less.

Flour—Manitoba patents, special brand, $6; seconds, $5 40; strong bakers, $5 30; winter wheat patents, $3 45.

Barley—No. 2, 55c; holders ask 60c.

Peas—No. 2, 91½c to 92c outside.

Rye—No. 2, scarce and wanted, at 88c.

Buckwheat—No. 2, 60½c to 65c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 49c to 49½c outside; No. 2 mixed, 47c.

Bran—$24 50 to $25 here.

Shorts—$25, at the mills.

### HAY MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, May 7.—Baled Straw—Dull, $8 to $9 per ton.

Baled Hay—Very dull; timothy is quoted at $15 to $15 50 per ton in car lots on track here.

### HIDES, TALLOW, WOOL.

TORONTO.

Toronto, May 7.—Hides—Ruling prices here are: Inspected steers and cows, No. 1, 6½c; No. 2, 5½c; No. 3, 4½c; do, country hides, present take-off, 5c; city calfskins, 10c; country calfskins, 9c; dekins, 65c; sheepskins, 70c to 80c; horsehides, No. 1, $2 50.

Horsehair—23c.

### PRODUCE MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, May 7.—A good deal of grain delliveries have been made at country points this week, and all of the winter wheat offering has been picked up readily. While there is little or no demand for barley, and although there is a large amount of it in dealers' hands, it is hard to buy at present quotations. Dealers prefer to carry it over into next season. As far as can be judged at present the average acreage sown in Ontario is practically the same as it has been. Prices are:

Wheat—Manitoba No. 1 northern, $1 19½; No. 2, $1 15½; No. 3, $1 10½; feed wheat, 66c; No. 2 feed, 60c, at Georgian Bay ports; Ontario No. 2 white, 94c to 95c outsied; No. 2 red, 94c ot 95c outside; No. 2 mixed, 93c; goose, 90c.

Corn—No. 3 yellow, 74½c to 75c, Toronto freights; No. 3 mixed, 1c less.

Flour—Manitoba patents, special brand, $6; seconds, $5 40 strong bakers, $5 30; winter wheat patents, $3 45.

Barley—No. 2, 55c; holders ask 60c.

Peas—No. 2, 90c outside.

Rye—No. 2 scarce and wanted, at 88c.

Buckwheat—No. 2, 64½c to 65c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 47½c outside, 49c on track at Toronto; No. 2 mixed, 46c.

Bran—$24 50 to $25 here.

Shorts—$25, at the mils.

### SUGAR MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, May 7.—Sugar—Raw easy; fair refining, 3.86c; centrifugal, 96° test, 4.36c; molasses sugar, 3.61c; refined sugar steady. Molasses—Steady.

LONDON.

London, May 7.—Raw sugar—Muscovado, 11s 7½d; centrifugal, 12s 9d; beet sugar, May, 11s 8¼d.

TORONTO.

Toronto, May 7.—Sugar—Firm; Montreal granulated, per cwt, in barrels, $5; yellow, $4 60; in bags, 5c less; Acadia, in barrels or bags, $4 90.

### BEAN MARKET.

DETROIT.

Detroit, May 7.—Beans—Spot, $2 48; May, $2 48; June, $2 53; all bid.

### OIL MARKETS.

OIL CITY.

London, May 7.—Petroleum, American refined, 6 9-16d; spirits, 7¼d.

ANTWERP.

Antwerp, Belgium, May 7.—Petroleum, 22 francs.

### DAIRY MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, May 7.—Butter—Steady; creameries, 19c to 25c; dairies, 18c to 24c.

Cheese—Steady, 11c to 12c.

NEW YORK.

New York, May 7.—Butter—Steady and unchanged; receipts, 5,276 packages.

Cheese—Quiet and unchanged; receipts, 1,293 boxes.

### COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, May 7.—Cotton—Futures closed firm. Closing bids: May, 9.02c; June, 9.06c; July, 9.10c; August, 9.03c; September, 8.91c; October, 8.93c; November, 8.94c; December, 8.97c; January, 8.98c; February, 9.01c; March, 9.05c.

Spot closed steady, 10 points higher; 10.80c; sales, 2,135 bales.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, May 7.—Cotton—Spot, good business done; prices 9 points lower; American middling, fair, 6.15; good middling, 5.79; middling, 5.51; low middling, 5.17; good ordinary, 4.69; ordinary, 4.29.

The sales of the day were 20,000 bales, of which 2,500 were for speculation and export, and included 18,000 American.

Receipts, 1,000 bales, no American.

Futures opened easy and closed steady. American middling, G. O. C., May, 5.10½; May and June, 5.10½; June and July, 5.08½; July and August, 5.06½; August and September, 4.98; September and October, 4.86; October and November, 4.79½; November and December, 4.76; December and January, 4.74½; January and February, 4.75½; February and March, 4.74; March and April, 4.74½.

### LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, May 8.—Cattle—Steady; prime steers, $6 75 to $7. Veals—Receipts, 2,500 head; active and 25c higher, $5 to $7 75.

Hogs—Receipts, 6,800 head; fairly active and steady to 5c lower; heavy and mixed, $6 to $6 05; Yorkers, $5 90 to $6 05; roughs, $4 80 to $5 10; dairies, $5 75 to $6.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 13,000 head; shep active and steady; lambs slow and 5c higher; lambs, $5 to $7 15; yearlings, $6 25 to $6 60.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, May 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,000; steady; beeves, $4 75 to $7 25; Texans, $4 00 to $5 50; westerns, $4 65 to $6; stockers and feeders, $3 70 to $5 75; cows and heifers, $2 50 ot $6 60; calves, $4 75 to $6 25.

Hogs—Receipts, 26,000; steady; light, $5 30 to $5 65; mixed, $5 30 to $5 70; heavy, $5 25 to $5 70; roughs, $5 25 to $5 45; good to choice heavy, $5 45 to $5 70; pigs, $4 40 to 5 20; bulk of sales at $5 55 to $5 65.

Sheep—Receipts, 8,000; steady; natives, $4 to $6 10; westerns, $4 to $6 10; yearlings, $6 15 to $6 75; lambs, $5 50 to $7 85; westerns, $5 50 to $7 70.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, May 7.—Canadian cattle are steady at 13c to 14c per lb, dressed weight; refrigerator beef is quoted at 10⅝c to 10⅞c per lb.

### ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, May 8.—Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red western winter, 7s 4d; No. 1 California, 7s 6½d. Futures steady; May, 7s 6⅝d; July, 7s 8⅝d; September, 7s 3½d.

Corn—Spot firm; new American, kiln-dried, 5s 10¼d; old American mixed, 5s 11d. Futures quiet; May, 5s 10d.

Peas—Canadian steady, 7s 7½d.

Flour—Winter patents quiet, 29s 3d.

Cottonseed Oil (Hull refined)—Spot firm, 24s 1½d.

Hops (at London)—Pacific coast steady, £1 12s to £2 8s.

Beef—Extra India mess strong, 102s 9d.

Pork—Prime mess western strong, 75s.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, quiet, 42s 6d.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, quiet, 41s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, quiet, 40s; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, quiet, 41s 6d; do, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, quiet, 40s; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, quiet, 39s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, dull, 40s; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, dull, 28s.

Lard—Prime western, in tierces, steady, 42s 6d; American refined, in pails, firm, 44s.

Butter—Good United States dull, 80s to 85s.

Cheese—American finest wheat, steady, 60s; do, colored, steady, 61s 6d; Canadian finest white, steady, 61s 6d; do, colored, steady, 62s 6d.

### STOCK MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, May 7—Close.

Afternoon Sales: Rio, 25 at 3¾, 25 at 34, 5 and 10 at 34¼, 100 and 25 at 35⅜, 50, 2 and 2 at 35½, 10 and 25 at 36, 25 at 36½, 25, 25, 25, 25 and 25 at 35½, 25 at 35, 5 at 35¾; do, bonds, 1,500 at 79⅝, 2,000 at 79⅝; Winnipeg, 50 at 150; Mackay, common, 25 at 62¾, 5 at 63; do, preferred, 40 at 65, 25 at 65½; Nipissing, 20, 10, 30 and 15 at 6⅞, 10 at 7; C. P. R., 50 at 156, 50 at 155⅝; Twin City, common, xd., 25 at 86¼; Dominion Bank, 10 at 226; Imperial Bank, 10 and 2 at 212; Standard Bank, 8 at 218; Consumers' Gas, 3 and 2 at 194½.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, May 7—Close.

Afternoon Sales: C. P. R., 25 at 156¼, 25 at 156, 25 at 155½; Mackay, 150 at 63; do, preferred, 20 at 65½; Illinois, 8 at 87½; R. & O., 25 at 30; Iron, common, 25 at 17⅝; Hochelaga Bank, 5 at 136; Bank of Commerce, 1 at 160; Detroit Railway, 10 at 37; Twin City, 100 at 87; Toronto Railway, 2 at 98½, 1 at 98¾; Rio, 50 at 33⅝, 100 at 34, 25 at 34¼, 75 at 34½, 100 at 35, 300 at 35¼; Toledo Railway, 35 at 14½; C. P. R., new, 4 at 150½; Power, 25 at 96.

# QUARTERLY BOARD EMPRESS AVE. CHURCH

**Between Fifty and Sixty Persons Added to Church During Year.**

The quarterly board of the Empress Avenue Methodist Church held its annual May meeting on Wednesday evening. There was a large attendance of the members.

The pastor, Rev. I. B. Wallwin, B. A., reported that between fifty and sixty persons, by letter or on profession of faith, had united with the church during the church year; there was also a considerable number of removals, though a good increase in membership results.

Mr. Heber Gibson, the treasurer, presented the financial report, which was of a most gratifying character, being the best in the history of the church. The increased salary to the pastor, together with every other liability of the board was met in full. Mr. Gibson was reappointed treasurer and the finance committee which had done their work in a business way, and so well were continued, with the addition of Mr. Walter Greenway to their number.

Mr. William Gibson was re-elected recording steward, and Mr. S. Willis was chosen the representative to the London district meeting. Mr. Robert Greene and Mr. William Gibson were appointed as representatives of the Empress Avenue Church to the executive of the Methodist council of the city.

# TUBERCULOSIS TENT IS NOW OCCUPIED

**Young Man Who Is in the Last Stages Placed In It.**

In the east end of the city, on a bright, airy spot, stands the tuberculosis tent at present occupied by a young man, who is fast passing beyond reach of humand aid and sympathy.

Already the tent has done a good work in making the last days of the sufferer more bearable, so great was the relief at first experienced by a constant current of fresh aid that the patient said gratefully, "I am so glad I am in the tent, I may recover even yet."

This young man is but 18 years of of age and a brother, aged 20, passed away in March last from the same disease.

# ENGINEER WANTS TO PAINT TOWN WHITE

**Says It Would Greatly Improve the Appearance of London.**

City Engineer Graydon has a new idea.

He thinks the down-town buildings of the city should be painted white.

This scheme has been tried in several cities in the United States and is said to be very helpful.

It would be a splendid thing for London during Old Boys' week.

"I think the buildings in London—the down-town buildings, I mean—should be painted white," said Mr. Graydon. "It will add greatly to the appearance of the city, and make a decided improvement to the present variegated coloring of the streets. It will be a good thing to have the town looking good for the Old Boys. It has been tried in several cities and is accounted a splendid thing."

# LEADER MACKAY ON HAMILTON SPEECH

**In Nomination Address Rouses Tremendous Enthusiasm By Criticism of Whitney.**

Owen Sound, May 7.—If those Conservatives who have been nursing a little spark of hope that the Liberal leader will be defeated in North Grey had been present at the Liberal rally here today they would have had that spark completely extinguished. In spite of the heavy downpour of rain, and climatic conditions prevailing, which would furnish a reasonable excuse for absence, the attendance of delegates was splendid. With an unanimous voice, and amid a storm of enthusiasm, Hon. A. G. MacKay was again chosen as the candidate. He again devoted considerable attention to what he described as Premier Whitney's appeal for mercy at Hamilton. He explained that his call to the leadership would necessitate his being absent from the riding more than he had been in past contests. "I ask you, in spite of that, to give me the same support you have in the past. Will you do it?" he asked, and with a roar came back: "We will."

**Rounds of Applause.**

His discussion of the C. N. R. guarantee was warmly appreciated, while the explanation of the Opposition's position with regard to the Larose deal and the educational muddle evoked round after round of applause. Throughout Mr. MacKay and his audience were in entire sympathy, and he is assured that his campaign is in the hands of hundreds of willing and capable leaders. A stirring address was also given by Mr. C. W. Hartman, Liberal candidate in East Grey.

W. H. Wright, the president, occupied the chair, the election of officers preceding the nomination. All of the officers and chairmen of the various polling sub-divisions were re-elected. There was little change of any consequence made in the executive. Amon gthose present were J. P. Raven, John G. Hay, Jas. E. Keenan, Mayor Kennedy, F. W. Harrison, Keith Webster, Hugh Clelland, of Meaford, James Sutherland of Sydenham, R. Smith, of St. Vincent, Reeve N. McDonald, of Sydenham, William Beeton, of Derby, Henry Vanduzen, of Sarawak, and many other prominent Reformers. George W. Ferguson, barrister, was elected secretary.

Hon. A. G. MacKay was nominated by Mayor Mathew Kennedy, of Owen

# NEWS NOTES FROM ST. THOMAS

Mr. J. McKay Urie, the popular principal of the Wellington street school, has resigned his position as principal, having been appointed representative of the Canada Life Assurance Company for St. Thomas and district. Mr. Urie's resignation will not take effect until June 30. It is rumored that he will take an interest in the business of Henry Roe, a former agent of the Canada Life Company.

Mayor Geddes told an Advertiser representative that he expects the free mail delivery to be inaugurated on June 1. Some delay has been caused by the failure of the manufacturer of new street signs to forward these essentials as promptly as was at first expected.

Mr. Thomas Donnelly the genial proprietor of the Grand Central Hotel has arrived from his stay in the South during the winter, and looks well, and is being greeted by his many friends.

The new Conservative Club rooms in the Griffin Block were opened by the organization meeting held Wednesday evening. At this meeting arrangements were made for the registration of voters. Mr. Finlay G. McDiarmid, the candidate, was present and gave an address.

Caleb Joshua Grover Cleveland McFadden, the popular colored boy who made St. Thomas his home for several years, but who returned to his home in South Carolina last summer, has entered Ann Arbor University, Michigan. Caleb is preparing himself for mission work in the Southern States.

The local papers are cutting down expenses by publishing six-page issues at frequent intervals.

Wm. Richardson, of the Davies Company, yesterday received word that his nephew, Percival Doke, of Jersey, England, while searching for seabird's eggs, fell off a cliff about 300 feet high, near Grosnex Castle, St. Owen, into the sea and disappeared. The body was later recovered.

S. G. Wright has resigned his position as agent of the Canada Life Assurance Company, in order to accept the district managership of Elgin and Middlesex Counties for the Northern Life Assurance Company.

The annual meeting of Grace Church Sunday School Board was held last night with a good attendance. After routine business was transacted the following were elected: Superintendent, J. H. Sharpe; associate superintendents, John Wintermute, John E. Hatch and E. Duncan; superintendent of home department, Miss S. Nash; secretary, Walter Oke; assistant secretaries, W. Jackson and Geo. Gregory; librarian, W. Fraser and R. Lowry; organists, Miss M. Robinson and Miss E. Horton; instructor of drill-work, Mrs. C. W. Adams.

The staff of thirty-six teachers were re-eleced.

The amended plans for the Ross street subway were received Wednesday afternoon from Chief Engineer Webb of the M. C. R., and were looked over by City Engineer Bell, who found them in accordance with the agreement entered into between the city and company's officials at last Friday's conference. Accompanying the plans was a letter from Mr. Webb informing the city authorities that as soon as the plans were certified to by the city engineer he would instruct the company's solicitor to join with the city in making application for an order for the construction of the subway. Mayor Geddes has issued similar orders to City Solicitor Doherty.

# HAPPENINGS OF A DAY IN BUSY EAST LONDON

# EAST ENDER COMPLAINS OF WATER ON STREETS

**Condition of Eva Street Is Not What It Should Be.**

At the meeting of the board of works last night, Mr. R. Francis, of Mary street, complained that his property on Mary street was flooded, and he wanted the committee to do something to relieve him.

City Engineer Graydon pointed out that this matter was in the hands of Mr. Farncombe under the ditches and watercourses act, and his decision had not yet been handed in. When this was done, it would be known what could be done.

Mr. Graydon was instructed to obtain the provisions of the award as soon as possible.

Mr. Francis also complained that the southeast gate of the fair grounds had been closed, causing great inconvenience to the residents of that neighborhood, who take a short-cut across Queen's Park.

It was pointed out that the Fair grounds are the property of the Western Fair Association, and it had a right to close the gates.

The gates were closed because of the fact that horses are constantly being driven around the racetrack at a fast rate, endangering the lives of children who crossed the track.

Petitions for cement walks on North Napier street from Blackfriars to the breakwater; North Piccadilly street, from lot 5 to lot 18, and North Dufferin, from English east as far as the street is opened, were found to be sufficiently signed, and will take the usual course.

The request of Smallman & Ingram to erect a steel veranda at the rear of the store on the market was granted.

The claim of Mr. D. L. Taylor for damages was laid over.

The matter of a sidewalk for Queen's Place was discussed, but the petition was filed, as the city had no power to lay sidewalks on private property.

On the recommendation of City Engineer Graydon, sidewalks will be initiated on North Nelson street from Dreaney avenue to Mamelon street, and West Adelaide street, from Oxford street to a point to be decided upon by Mr. Graydon.

Those present were Ald. Stewart, who acted as chairman in the absence of Ald. Gerry, who is ill; Ald. Saunders, Ald. Rose, City Engineer Graydon and Secretary Bell.

# CITY WILLING TO PAY HALF COST

**Of Improving Queen's Place in the East End.**

The Queen's Place improvement matter still hangs fire.

It was brought up at last night's meeting of the board of works, but was laid over indefinitely.

The board had been requested to improve the street, which is private property, but did not see its way clear to do so, as the owner of the property was aware, the board alleges, that the street was in bad condition before he invested his money in it.

It is understood that the city will meet the owners of the property halfway with the expenses of grading and laying sidewalks on the street, but that this is not satisfactory, as the people expect the city to pay it all.

# PHONES ARE NEEDED IN CITY SCHOOLS

**No Means Now of Summoning Aid in Case of Trouble.**

Yesterday's accident at St. George's school has renewed the agitation for a fire alarm system for the city schools.

This morning an Advertiser reporter visited several East End schools and found all to be in first-class shape.

As far as could be learned there are no ceilings put up as they were in St. George's in East End schools.

All the principals of the schools are of the opinion that there should be some means of summoning aid in an emergency.

Several of the older schools are very difficult to empty, because of the narrow hallways.

Chesley avenue school is easily the most up-to-date. Each room has a separate hallway leading into a main hall many feet wide.

There are three exits.

Principal Gibbs rang the alarm bell at Chesley avenue school, and in less than 40 seconds the school was cleared of about 400 children, including many kindergartners.

It is one of the speediest turnouts in the city.

Principal Gibbs is warmly in favor of an alarm system for schools. He prefers a 'phone, as it could be used for other business.

A push button could be kept in each room connected with the room, in which the 'phone would be placed.

Ald. Rose is in favor of a 'phone system. He thinks it is badly needed.

The council is powerless, however, as the board of education has absolute power in all school matters.

Ald. Parsons is of the opinion that the city is too small, and that the system is not needed, and is also too costly.

# SCHOOL LEAGUE BALL

**Good Games Looked for, Weather Permitting.**

This evening's School League baseball games, weather permitting, promise to be fast and furious.

At Queen's Park diamond Chesley avenue will play Princess avenue. The Chesleys have won two games, and lost none this season. They are fast players.

Rectory street and Lorne avenue will clash on the Rectory street school grounds.

# BARTLETT—WILKIE

**Pretty Wedding in the East End on Tuesday.**

A very pretty wedding was solemnnized Tuesday afternoon at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Wilkie, 916 Lorne avenue, when their daughter, Miss Rose, became the wife of Mr. Frederick Bartlett, of 486 Elizabeth street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Lowe, of St. Matthew's Church.

The bride was assisted by her sister, Miss Gertie, while the groom was supported by his brother, Mr. John Bartlett.

The happy couple left on the 8 o'clock train for a western honeymoon.

When they return they will reside on Mary street.

# REV. MR. CLARK RAISED NEAT FUND

**Which Will Be Applied to Debt on All Saints'.**

Rev. Mr. Clarke, rector of All Saints' Church, is expected to arrive in the city any time this week after his tour of England.

While in England Mr. Clarke has succeeded in raising over $2,500, which he will devote to the new church debt.

Mr. Clarke left the city on his tour on Oct. 16 last, and since that time has devoted himself to decreasing the church debt.

The money was all donated by wealthy gentlemen.

# EAST END FESTIVAL OF NATIONS

**Will Be Held in King Street Presbyterian Church.**

The young people of King Street Presbyterian Church will hold a rather novel entertainment next Tuesday evening at the church lecture-room. It will be a "Festival of Nations," the church being divided into sections and decorated for English, Irish, Scotch and Canadian nationalities.

The entertainment will be of a national character, as will also the refreshments.

# SETTLEMENT IN SIGHT RE MARY ST. TROUBLE

**City and the People May Now Come Together.**

Mary street is again causing trouble.

About a year ago residents of the street asked for a cement sidewalk on the south side.

The walk was formally up against the frontage line, but the citizens asked that the new walk be placed twelve feet out.

This would bring the walk directly over Carling's Creek, which is very deep at this point.

It would be necessary to tile the creek, and fill it in before the sidewalk could be laid.

The city consequently refused, as the expense would far exceed the cost of a walk in the former place at the frontage line.

The residents would not accept a walk there unless the creek was bridged.

Again the city refused. The matter was allowed to drop, and nothing was heard, until recently the agitation started anew.

The city and the residents are said to be more agreeable this time, and it is expected that the cost will be shared.

# LORNE AVE. SCHOOL MOTHERS' CLUB MEET

**Splendid Programme Carried Out Last Night.**

On Thursday evening the monthly meeting of the Mothers' Club was held in the kindergarten of Lorne avenue, 125 being present.

Twenty-six girls from the higher grades demonstrated the games, which Miss Hoffer, of Chicago, taught the Froebel Society. Miss Boon, in her able manner, read in the Scotch dialect "Wee Macgregor," and responded to a hearty encore with "Bairnies Cuddle Doon." By special request Teddie Williamson sang "Don't You Want a Paper, Dearie." Miss Boake presided at the piano. After the programme refreshments were served and the meeting closed by singing, "God Save the King."

# NEW HEATING PLANT IS BADLY NEEDED

**For Chesley Avenue School in the East End.**

The heating system in Chesley avenue school has been very unsatisfactory during the past winter.

There are ten rooms in the school besides the long hallways.

There are five furnaces in the heating plant, but they were not able to heat the school properly.

It is claimed that the cost of the coal burned last winter would pay for a first-class steam heating plant.

A trustee informed The Advertiser that over 120 tons of coal had been burned at Chesley avenue during the winter at a cost of about $825.

A steam heat plant, large enough to heat the whole school would only burn about 40 tons, thereby saving about $550 yearly.

This annual saving together with whatever the five furnaces would sell at would soon pay for a first-class steam or hot water plant.

During the last winter the school has been very poorly heated, the halls being shut off entirely in order to husband the heat for the rooms.

The furnaces are large and good heaters, but it is literally impossible to heat the school wtih a hot air system.

The school is in first-class shape, the only drawback being the heating plant.

# CHELSEA GREEN MAN HAD HAND CRUSHED

**Serious Accident to Mr. William Davis.**

Mr. William Davis, of Chelsea Green, while working at the McClary works yesterday had his right hand so seriously crushed in a machine which he was operating that the thumb had to be amputated. The fingers and remainder of the hand were also very badly crushed, but it is expected that no further operation will be necessary. Mr. Davis will be confined to his house for some time.

### EAST END NOTES.

A motion for a new sidewalk was put through at last night's meeting of the board of works for the north side of Nelson street, between Dreaney avenue and Mamalon street.

Mr. Small had begun work on three houses on Chesley avenue.

Two houses are also being erected on Dame street.

A large gang of Italian laborers left yesterday morning over the G. T. R. for St. Marys, where they will work on railway construction.

# Women's Society Discusses Far East And the Need for Mission Work

**Interesting Addresses Given in Empress Avenue Methodist Church.**

The annual meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the London District which was held in Empress Avenue Methodist Church yesterday afternoon and evening was one of the most successful gatherings the society has ever held.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather, nearly 400 delegates from all parts of the district were in attendance and many interesting and helpful ideas in regard to mission work were exchanged.

Mrs. (Rev.) D. E. Martin, of Hyatt Avenue Methodist Church, organizer of the society, presided.

**Reports Read.**

Mrs. Beal was appointed secretary-treasurer, after which one minute reports from the various auxiliaries were given. These reports were without exception of the most encouraging nature. The work in the various districts is being carried on with great zeal and much good is being accomplished.

A round table conference, in charge of Mrs. Gordon Wright, was productive of much good and many plans were suggested for the extension of the missionary work.

A recommendation was brought in that the recording secretary and not the corresponding secretary of the auxiliary, be made responsible for the sending of the annual reports. This carried unanimously.

**A Protest.**

A strong protest in the shape of a memorial will be sent to the British authorities protesting against the use of the Koran as a text book in the Gordon Memorial Hospital at Khartum. It will be recommended that the Bible be used as a text book in future.

**Miss Preston's Address.**

Mrs. J. H. McMechan introduced Miss Preston, who for the past fifteen years has been engaged in mission work in Kofu, Japan. Miss Preston gave a most interesting account of her work and conditions in Japan.

In concluding the afternoon session the members of Wellington Street Methodist Church extended a warm invitation to the W. M. S. to hold its next convention in that church. The invitation was accepted.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the W. M. S. of Empress Avenue Church provided a splendid supper for the delegates. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the auxiliary for their kindness.

**Evening Session.**

There was a very large attendance at the evening session which was commenced by an address by Rev. I. B. Wallwin, who spoke of the splendid work the W. M. S. is doing.

Mrs. D. E. Martin was re-elected district organizer, and in giving her report of the year's work, showed that the growth of the society had been most satisfactory. Mrs. Martin spoke of the great need for the extension of mission work in India.

The total amount raised during the year was $2,692, while fifteen bales, valued at over $500 were sent out. The total membership of the society is at present 2,700.

**Missions In Japan.**

Miss Preston, who is home on furlough from Japan, spoke of the vital importance of Christianizing that country at once. Japan is today superior in all her systems to the other nations of the East, and to many of the the Western nations. Her influence in the Far East is dominant, and if Christians would not have her a blind leader of the blind, we must seize the opportunities presented now. Religious idolatry is still largely practiced in secret and the people are still extremely superstitious. The Christianizing of Japan to a great extent depends upon the Christianizing of her women.

Japan has no home life like there is in America, but the women will wield an enormous influence over Japan's future, if the country can be Christianized.

**Japanese Life.**

Miss Preston related many striking instances of Japanese life, which showed the conditions under which work is carried on.

During the evening solos were rendered by Mrs. Ed. Wyatt and Miss Kathleen Lanceley, and were greatly appreciated.

# Increased Assessment Rates Explained By Supreme Chief

**Head of I. O. F. Shows Increase in Assessment or Decrease in Policies.**

Windsor, May 7. — At a largely-attended meeting held in Harmony Hall Wednesday night, Supreme Chief Ranger Elliott G. Stevenson, of the Independent Order of Foresters, made an important announcement to the members of the order. It was nothing less than that the time had arrived when the I. O. F. must raise its rates of insurance to certain members of the society.

It had been found, Mr. Stevenson declared, that older members are being carried at unsafe figures, and to place the insurance branch on a sound and substantial basis, three options, or plans, are now offered to the older members to retain their insurance. They may contribute the difference between the old and new rates, with four per cent interest compounded, and continue under the new rates, they may have a new rating which will make up the difference, or they may have a certificate for a reduced amount that can be met under the old rates of assessment.

It was shown that to even up an old member who had entered the I. O. F. at twenty years of age, and has been a member for ten years, he must pay $26 43; for fifteen years' membership he will have to pay $44 12; and for twenty years a member, $65 40. An old member who entered at 40 years owes on ten years' membership $117 56; fifteen years, $196 07; twenty years, $291 59.

If the member desired to carry less insurance, and pay the old rates, a 20-year member would get a ne wpolicy for $775, instead of $1,000; if he entered at 30 years, he would be given a new policy for $632; and if at 40 years, a policy for $535.

Mr. Stevenson frankly informed the members that the assessment rates in force previous to 1899 were entirely too small to carry through their insurance, and that the difference between their rates and the rates charged those who entered since 1898 must be either scaled up or their insurance policies scaled down to an amount which can be paid from the old rates. In support of his contention, he cited the instances of the Royal Arcanum and A. O. U. W., where similar action was found to be necessary in order to carry on the insurance branch successfully.

No decision was arrived at by the members of the order as to what course they would pursue, but it is believed that a large proportion will agree to accept the new plan and either accept reduced policies or an increase in assessments.

William Sellls, a schoolmaster in the early days of Michigan, now at 80, feels that he can spell down any high school class in the state.

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