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HAY AND OATS MARKET FEATURE

LOCAL MARKET.

London, Thursday, Dec. 10.

The feature of the market today was the big supply of hay and oats, and it will be pleasing information to horse owners that prices were lower. In the small lines prices held firm, and the demand was good.

Grain—Fully 40 loads were offered today; sales ranged from $1 10 to $1 18 per cwt., most of the loads selling at $1 15. Wheat, steady at 90c per bushel. Barley, higher in price, at $1 18 per cwt.

Hay and Straw—Nearly forty loads of hay were on the stand. Sales were slow and prices lower at $9 50 to $10 per ton for inferior, and second quality, while the best loads were disposed of at $10 50 to $11 per ton. Straw sold at $7 per ton.

Butter and Eggs—Butter scarce, especially the choice article. Sales brisk and prices firm at 23c for crocks, and 24c for pound rolls in basket lots. Fresh-laid eggs are scarce, and prices firm. The grocers offered 30c a dozen wholesale, for a single dozen 32c and 35c. Just depends how bad they were wanted by the buyers.

Vegetables and Roots—Potatoes sold at 60c and 65c per bag. Very few offered. Cabbages, 30c to 40c per dozen. Celery, 30c to 40c per dozen. Lettuce, 20 to 30 per dozen. Parsnips, 40c per bushel, and occasionally 50c. Carrots, 30c per bushel.

Apples—Sales were fairly brisk and prices fair for the fairly large supply; from $1 50 to $2 60 per barrel or 75c to $1 25 per bag.

Turkeys sold at 13c per pound dressed, or 11c alive. Old fowl, 5c to 6c per pound alive, or 7c to 8c dressed. Chickens, 8c per pound alive, or 10c to 11c dressed.

Dressed hogs sold higher at $7 75 to $8 25 per cwt.; mostly at $8.

Butchers' Meat—Beef was fair at $5 50 to $7 per cwt. Veal was firm at $8 50 and $9 per cwt. Lamb, 9c per pound.

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PRODUCE MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 9.—As deliveries are expected to be heavy during the next few days grain prices are distinctly easier. Millers are still buying freely, however. Local dealers' quotations are:

Ontario wheat, No. 2, white or red, outside, 94c to 95c; No. 2, mixed, 93c to 94c; No. 2, goose wheat, 91c to 92c outside. Manitoba wheat—Spot, No. 1 Northern, $1.08½; No. 2 northern, $1.06; No. 3 northern, $1.04, on track lake ports.

Oats—Ontario No. 2, white, 38½c to 39c, outside; No. 2, mixed, 37c to 38c, outside; Manitoba No. 2, western Canada, 43c to 43½c on track lake ports; extra No. 1 feed, 41½c; No. 2 feed, 41c on track lake ports.

Barley—No. 2, 56c to 57c; No. 3, extra, 54½c to 55c; No. 3, 53c to 54c.

Corn—Old, 71½c to 72c; Toronto freights for No. 2 or 3 yellow; new No. 3 yellow, 69c, Toronto freights.

Rye—Dull, No. 2, 73c to 74c outside.

Buckwheat—No. 2, 57c to 57½c outside.

Peas—No. 2, 86c to 86½c outside.

Flour—Manitoba, first patents, $5.80; seconds, $5.30; strong bakers, $5.10; Ontario winter wheat patents, $3.75 to $3.80; buyers sacks outside.

Mill feed—Bran, $21.50 per ton in bags outside; shorts, $22 to $23 in bags outside.

DAIRY MARKETS

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 9.—On the produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 22c to 30c; dairies, 21½c to 25c. Cheese firm, 14c to 15c.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 9.—Butter steady; receipts, 3,472 packages; creamery, specials, 31½c to 32c; official prices, 32c; western factory, firsts, 21c to 21½c. Cheese firm and unchanged; receipts, 3,814 boxes.

SUGAR MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 9.—Prices for sugar were quoted today as follows: Montreal granulated, barrel, $4.60; yellow, barrel, $4 20; in bags, 5c less; Paris lumps, per cwt., $5.55; do., in 50-pound boxes, per cwt., $5.65; do., in 25-pound boxes, per cwt., $5.85; Acadia granulated, $4.50; Beaver, $4.30.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 9.—Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining, $3.36; centrifugal, 96 test, $3.86; molasses sugar, $3.11; refined quiet. Molasses steady.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 9.—There is a fair business being transacted locally, and prices are steady. Sugars are quoted in Toronto, in barrels, as follows: Montreal granulated $4 60, and yellows, $4 20. In bags 5c less. Acadia, in bags or barrels, $4 50; Ontario beet, in bags or barrels, $4 50.

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As we predicted, the company has declared a 6 per cent dividend payable January 1, 24 per cent per annum.

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LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 10.—Trade very slow for medium quality and prices weak. Prices firm and trade good for choice quality of stock 160 cars in today, including 2,540 cattle, 2,700 sheep and lambs, 700 hogs and 111 calves. Export cattle, choice, $5 to $5.25; export cattle, medium, $4.50 to $4.75; export bulls, $3.50 to $3.75; export bulls, light, $3 to $3.25; cows, $3.50 to $4; butchers' cattle, choice, $4.75 to $5; butchers' cattle, medium, $3.75 to $4; butchers' cattle, common, $3 to $3.25; butchers' cows, $2.50 to $3.25; butchers' bulls, $2.50 to $3; stockers, choice, $3.25 to $3.50; stockers, medium, $2.75 to $3; stockers, common, $2.25 to $2.50; stockers, bulls, $2 to $2.50; heavy feeders, $3.65 to $3.75; short keeps, $3.75 to $4; milch cows, choice, each, $40 to $50; milch cows, common, each, $25 to $35; Springers, each, $40 to $50; export ewes, $3.25 to $3.40, steady; bucks, $2 to $2.50, steady; lambs, $4.50 to $5.40, steady; calves, $3 to $6.50, steady. Hogs—selects,6c; fats and underweights a quarter less fed and watered off cars.

TORONTO.

City Cattle Market, Toronto, Dec. 9.—Christmas beef cattle are now in the market. The vanguard of the annual invasion of fat cattle for the holiday trade arrived today and the main body will all be in next week. Today's offerings included some fine beef cattle, which sold firm at $5.25 to $5.35, and $5.50 was reported for two extra fine loads of cattle. Trade was good for anything choice and the demand was active. Common butcher cattle are not much wanted, and for these the market was slow. The result, of course, is a wide margin between prices quoted for the common cattle and those for the choice, well-fed Christmas and export cattle. Half a dozen loads of Christmas and export mixed went to one buyer, averaging $5.15. Common stuff was selling down to $2.60 and canners $1.40 to $1.50.

The run was 65 loads, with 1,000 head of cattle, 1,030 sheep and lambs, 200 hogs and 40 calves.

Butcher cattle—Market firmer.

Lambs firmer.

Sheep firmer.

Export cattle steady.

Hogs—Market steady; select hogs, $5.75 to $5.90, f. o. b.

Extra choice butcher cattle scarce and firm.

Milch cows and springers — Market steady to firm for good stock, but easier for poor quality.

Feeding steers and good short-keep steady to firm at $3.60 to $3.80.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, Dec. 10.—Cattle, receipts 125 head; steady; prime steers, $6 25 to $6 50.

Veals, receipts 150 head; active and 25c higher; $7 to $10 25.

Hogs, receipts 2,800 head; active and 10c to 20c higher; heavy $6 to $6 05; mixed, $5 90 to $6 05; yorkers, $5 40 to $5 90; pigs, $4 to $5 25; roughs, $5 25 to $5 40; stags, $4 to $4 75; dairies, $5 50 to $5 85.

Sheep and lambs, receipts 4,800 head; slow; sheep, 25c higher; lambs steady; sheep mixed, $2 50 to $4 50; Canada lambs, $6 85 to $7 50.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—Beeves—Receipts, 8,000 head; steady; beeves, $3 50 to $7 75; Texans, $3 40 to $4 30; westerns, $3 30 to $5 65; stockers and feeders, $2 60 to $4 80; cows and heifers, $1 50 to $4 90; calves, $6 to $8 25.

Hogs—Receipts, 30,000 head 5c higher; light, $5 to $5 60; mixed, $5 25 to $5 90; heavy, $5 35 to $5 95; rough, $5 35 to $5 55; good to choice heavy, $5 55 to $5 95; pigs, $3 50 to $4 80; bulk of sales, $5 45 to $5 80.

Sheep—Receipts, 20,000 head; market strong; native, $2 50 to $4 75; westerns, $2 50 to $4 70.

LONDON.

London, Dec. 9.—Canadian cattle are firmer at 12c to 13c per lb.; refrigerator beef is steady at 9½c to 10c per lb.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 9.—Exports today, 3,000 quarters of refrigerator beef.

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PRODUCE MARKETS.

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COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 10.—Cotton futures opened barely steady. December 9.07; January 8.75; March 8.79; May 8.85; August 8.68; October 8.58.

Two More Seats With Premier Scott

Winnipeg, Dec. 10.—Returns from the bye-elections in Saltcoats and Humboldt, in Saskatchewan, show that the Scott Government has scored two victories, the ministers being returned with large majorities. In Saltcoats the vote, with one poll to hear from, stands: Calder, 1,108; Green, 228. Mr. Green will lose his deposit. Returns from Humboldt also indicate that Mr. Sinclair has lost his deposit.

North Coast Limited Down the Bank

Bismark, N. D., Dec. 10.—Twenty-five passengers were seriously injured, one of whom, a man, bled to death, according to reports, when the Northern Pacific North Coast Limited jumped the track, and ran down a ten-foot embankment last night within half a mile of the town of McKenzie. twenty miles east of this place. Spreading rails are said to have caused the accident. A special train, with physicians and a wrecking outfit, has gone to the scene of the wreck.

KAISER ROCKED BY SOUL STORMS

Recent Humiliation Brings on a Serious Fit of Despondency.

Berlin, Dec. 10.—Popular mystification regarding the life of comparative seclusion led by the Kaiser since his historic interview with Chancellor Von Buelow on Nov. 17, has not been diminished by a statement published in the Dresden Nachrichten. This journal takes the responsibility for asserting that persons in very close touch with the Emperor received the impression that the Emperor is suffering from an attack of mental depression. The Nachrichten adds that the Emperor is said to pass several hours a day in bed, although he is in good physical health. His majesty's mood, the journal further says, is said to find expression in unusually conspicuous manifestations of piety. Until yesterday, when his majesty was recommended to receive the ministers in audience, it is said the empress, the crown prince and the crown princess were practically the only persons he had seen or conversed with since Nov. 21. He shut himself off completely from the activities which usually occupy him at this season of the year. One report says the Emperor made a deliberate attempt at the celebration in the town hall on Nov. 21 to regain his popularity, but was so overwhelmed with disappointment at his failure that he has since been a prey to despondency. Semi-official denials of the Nachrichten's information were published this afternoon.

FATALLY WOUNDED WHILE HUNTING

Charge From Companion's Gun Causes Death of Ancaster Farmer.

Hamilton, Dec. 10.—The first hunting tragedy this year in this neighborhood occurred on Monday night when Alfred House, a well-known Ancaster farmer, received the full charge of a shotgun in his right thigh, and suffered such injuries that he died at his home last night. Mr. House, accompanied by a man named Vaughan, who resides near Welland, and Arthur White, who was employed by House, went out rabbit hunting on Monday evening. A rabbit started up and Mr. Vaughan lifted his gun to fire at it. It was discharged as he raised it and the full charge entered Mr. House's thigh, tearing the flesh terribly, as the gun was fired at close range. The injured man was removed to his home, and Dr. Farmer was called in to attend to him. It was at first thought that he would recover, as the shot did not injure him in vital spots, but the shock was too great for his advanced years to withstand and he sank rapidly and died Tuesday night—more as the result of the shock and pain, it is said, than because of the serious nature of the injury.

Mr. House lived about three miles west of Ancaster village. He was a well-to-do farmer, and was about 64 years of age. He is survived by a family of three daughters and two sons.

Mr. Vaughan was visiting at Mr. House's home at the time of the sad affair and he is naturally greatly affected at the sad termination of their little hunting trip. Dr. Farmer investigated the circumstances as coroner, and decided that as it was purely accidental, an inquest will not be necessary, and he will so inform Crown Attorney Washington.

Advertiser Correspondence

The Tussock Moth.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

I want to again remind the citizens, those who have not yet examined their trees for the tussock moth eggs, that "a stitch in time saves nine." A few minutes' attention now will save hours of time and dollars in expense some time in the near future, if these egg masses are not carefully gathered now.

I am afraid that very many of the citizens are oblivious and indifferent to their own interests. This is something that will affect the whole city. If fought now the expense is nil. If not, then, in two or three years' time it may mean a cost to the city of one-quarter to one-half mill on the dollar. I hope the citizens won't delay this longer. Gather and destroy the moth eggs at once.

J. S. PEARCE,
Parks Superintendent.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Dec. 10.—At New York—Oceanic, from Southampton; San Giorgio, from Palermo; Findland, from Antwerp.

At Portland—Ionian, from Glasgow.

At St. John's, Nfld.—Mongolian, from Glasgow.

At Glasgow—Corinthian, from Montreal.

At Liverpool—Campania, from New York; Pannonia, from New York; Haverford, from Philadelphia.

At Plymouth—Adriatic, from New York.

At London—Philadelphia, from New York.

MR. TURNBULL NEW TRUSTEE

Will Represent the County of Middlesex in Victoria Hospital Trust.

Mr. T. G. Turnbull, one of the best-known and one of the most popular men in the county, was last night appointed county representative on the hospital trust by the county council.

There was no opposition, whatever, to his appointment, all the members

MR. T. G. TURNBULL.

practically agreeing that owing to his wide experience and close contact with county affairs he was the best man for the place.

Mr. Turnbull has been a member of the Lobo Township council for many years, and has been in the county council, both under the old and new systems.

LONDON FANCIERS ARE WELL UP

Make a Splendid Showing at the Winter Fair Poultry Exhibit.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Guelph, Dec. 10. — The attendance yesterday was the largest in the history of the Winter Fair. Every train brought in large crowds. Some of the trains were so crowded that it was almost impossible to collect fares. In the city sleeping accommodation is at a premium. But one and all seem to enjoy the situation, and make the best of it.

Downey Welcomes.

In the council chamber the civic luncheon was served, and after luncheon the chairman introduced Joseph P. Downey, M. P. P., who in a few well-chosen words welcomed the visitors to the Winter Fair. Hon. J. S. Duff made a few remarks regarding the proposed removal of the fair from Guelph. He said that it never would be moved from the Royal City. Mr. Robert Miller, of York County, gave an address on well-bred cattle.

In the afternoon there were quite a number of club meetings. The members of the White Plymouth Rock Club, the Canadian Leghorn Club, and the Orpington Club of Canada held meetings in the city hall. At 3:30 all those interested in the killing of cattle had a splendid opportunity of witnessing the slaughtering of animals scientifically.

With the Poultry.

The judging in all departments was finished this afternoon.

In the poultry department something over 100 more entries were made than last year, making the total about 4,500 all told. There are 750 bantams and 400 pigeons.

White Wyandottes head the list with 200 entries, and the best quality ever seen here. J. H. Martin, Port Dover, won the lion's share. N. A. McLeod, London, does well, also. So does J. A. Carroll, London; Mrs. Dawson, Niagara; Charles Massie, Port Hope, and Joseph Russell, Toronto.

White Rocks, with a class of 120, were a fine lot, some grand specimens falling by the wayside. John L. Brown, of Seaforth, won first on a fine cock, and took the lion's share. Another fine bird was first cockerel owned by W. E. Hogarth, Hensall, who won several other prizes. Further down the line, J. A. Carroll, London, and G. A. Robertson, St. Catharines, had a fine string. F. A. Andrews, London, did well.

The Barred Rocks, 150 strong, made a grand showing. John Pringle, of London; I. K. Millard, Dundas, and Chas. Hocken, London, were the principal winners.

In Buff Rocks, John Bawden, of Ridgetown, took everything in sight.

Black Orpingtons, with a class of 80 birds, was a quality exhibit. H. A. Hoffman, of Ridgetown, winning cup and medal. Kemp & Waterman, of London, made a good showing, standing well up, and getting a special on best four pullets, best three cocks and other specials, besides a number of prizes in open class. C. Scoyne, of London, did well also, winning in open class and first male and second female in selling class. E. Fraleigh, of St. Marys, made a good showing, getting second on a grand hen, and a number of other prizes.

Buff Orpingtons were a strong class with 160 birds of excellent quality. H. A. Hoffman and John Bawden, Ridgetown, carried off many prizes. A. W. E. Hellyer, of Ottawa, wins the cup.

Black Minorcas, T. Faulds, London, swept the deck in single combs, winning three firsts, a second, third; and four in rose combs, all first, three seconds and three thirds and all specials.

Nearly all of the London exhibitors did well.

The Dairy Tests.

The first results of the judging were given out today. They were those of the dairy test, and they marked a distinct advance over former years. The owners of the winning animals were:

Shorthorn cow, 48 months and over—James Brown, Norval, both prizes.

Shorthorn cow, 36 months and under 48—Jas. Brown, Norval.

Shorthorn heifer, under 36 months—Jas. Brown, Norval, 1st and 2nd; John Kelly, Shakespeare, 3rd.

Ayrshire cow, 48 months and over—1st, N. Dyment, Clappison; 2nd and 3rd, H. and J. McKee, Norwich; 4th, N. Dyment, Clappison.

Ayrshire cow, 36 months and under 48—1st, H. and J. McKee, Norwich.

Ayrshire heifer, under 36 months—1st and 2nd, H. and J. McKee, Norwich; 3rd, N. Dyment, Clappison.

Holstein cow, 48 months and over—1st, M. L. Haley, Springford; 2nd, G. W. Clemons, St. George; 3rd and 4th, George Rice, Tillsonburg.

Holstein cow, 36 months and under 48—1st and 2nd, Jas. Rettle, Norwich.

Holstein heifer, under 36 months—1st and 5th, Jas. Rettle, Norwich; 2nd; M. L. Haley, Springford; 3rd and 4th, Geo. Rice, Tillsonburg.

Jersey cow, 48 months and over — 1st B. H. Bull & Sons, Brampton.

Grade cow, 36 months and under 48—1st, M. L. Haley, Springford.

Poultry Association.

Four organizations of poultrymen held their annual meetings today. The Canadian Barred Plymouth Rock Club elected Mr. J. McCormick, of London, their president; W. R. Graham, Guelph, vice-president, and F. Westerby, secretary.

The Canadian Game and Bantam Association selected Mr. Charles Crowe, of Guelph, as their chief executive officer; H. James, St. Thomas, vice-president, and H. A. Trebilcock and P. Fincham, treasurer and secretary.

The new officers for the Ornamental Bantam Association are: R. Oke, London, president; W. Teale, Guelph, first vice-president; H. B. Donovan, Toronto, second vice-president; J. C. Doig, London, secretary, and H. W. Parlton, Ingersoll, treasurer.

At the annual meeting of the White Plymouth Rock Club, the following officers were elected: G. A. Robinson, St. Catharines, president; J. L. Brown, Seaforth, first vice-president; J. Fortier, Quebec, second vice-president, and C. J. Whitney, Galt, secretary-treasurer.

BOYS' SUIT SALE

During Friday and Saturday we are going to have a Special Sale in Boys' Two-Piece Suits. This sale will be for the benefit of buying a good useful Christmas Gift for your boy.

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When you can get for your money the greatest known value ever heard. You can choose any Boys' Suit in our store for **$1.98.** These suits are made up of good strong all-wool tweeds and serges—prices ranging from $3.00 to $5.00. **You can pick any of them for**

$1.98

Boys, get a hustle on, tell you mother (or write to Santa Claus) about the special sale we are having. Come early, don't delay, or when you call the size may not be here.

Ties, Mufflers, Shirts, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Sweaters, Cardigan Jackets, Fancy Braces, Underwear, Caps and many other things a man or boy will appreciate for a Christmas Gift. Remember, by buying from us you get everything at half the regular prices.

BANKRUPT STOCK SALE

100 DUNDAS STREET, OPPOSITE CITY HOTEL

NEWS FROM MAPLETON

Successful Anniversary Services—A Most Enjoyable Concert.

Mapleton, Dec. 9.—The anniversary services in connection with Christ Church were held on Sunday, Dec. 6. Rev. A. P. McDonald, of Aylmer, preached at the morning service, and a duet was sung by Miss Mamie Brown and Mr. W. W. Barons. The pastor, Rev. W. N. Arnold, preached in the evening, when Miss Shirley McCallum, of Gladstone, sang a solo. On the following Monday a tea meeting was held, at which the Elgin Concert Company, of St. Thomas, furnished the programme, and Rev. W. N. Arnold was chairman. The programme opened with an organ solo by Mr. John Allan, "A Night With Burns," 123456 ETAOIN ,S Nicht Wi' Burns," which was much appreciated. The Elgin quartette, Mesdames Kindley and Allan and Messrs. Snelgrove and McIlroy, furnished two numbers, which were heartily encored. Mr. McIlroy sang "Loch Lomond" and "Scots Wha' Wallace Bled." Mrs. Forbes Allan sang "Caller Herrin" very effectively. By way of contrast, Mr. Bartholomew recited "Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight," and gave as an encore the story of "The Man With a Single Hair." He also gave two humorous selections. A duet, "The Keel Row," by Mesdames Hindley and Allan, was one of the best numbers on the programme. Mr. Snelgrove's song, "Heroes and Gentlemen," evoked hearty applause, and he gave as an encore, "The Standards on the Braes o' Mar." The two duets, "The Crookit Bawbee" and "When Ye Gang Awa, Jamie," the former by Mrs. Allan and Mr. Snelgrove, and the latter by Mrs. Hindley and Mr. McIlroy, were the two favorite numbers of the programme. Mrs. Hindley sang "Within a Mile of Edinboro Toon," and "Banks and Braes o' Bonnie Doon." Mr. Allan was the accompanist. The proceeds amounted to $90.

Miss Nellie Belmore, of Springfield, has been the guest of Miss Pearl Appleford.

Miss Clara Middleton, of St. Thomas, has been visiting Miss Lizzie Middleton.

Mr. George Thompson, of the medical school, London, spent Sunday with his parents here.

The Ladies' Institute held their monthly meeting on the 3rd inst. at the residence of Mrs. Thomas Martindale. The subject, "Christmas Cookery," was fully discussed by all.

Miss Georgina Dexter, of Springfield, has been the guest of Miss Myrtle B. Charlton.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wismer and son Joe, of St. Thomas, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Wismer.

Miss Mary Graybiel, a returned missionary from India, gave an interesting address on "Missionary Life in India" at Christ Church on Tuesday afternoon last.

Miss Eva Coulter, of St. Thomas, has lately been the guest of Mrs. Hubert Brown.

ST. MARYS CITIZENS SAY 26 MILLS ENOUGH

Object to More Taxation for School —Municipal Pot Boils.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

St. Marys, Dec. 10. — Mr. Sidney E. Hunnibell, a well-known local music teacher, and newly-appointed organist of Knox Church, gave some charming selections on the instrument at the concert, and fowl supper given in that church on Tuesday evening.

Miss Ivy Coupland has returned home from a visit to Sarnia.

The oil drilling derrick has been erected on the Ruthig farm, up the river, on the edge of Flat Creek, and the drill will be in operation before the end of this week.

Mr. Vining Gleason, of Lakeside, East Nissouri, who lost a large sum of money about ten days ago while visiting St. Marys friends, received the glad tidings that his wad of money was discovered a few days ago at the residence of Mr. Richard Wight, West ward.

Miss Margaret Moore, corner of King and Jones streets, is visiting her niece, Mrs. R. Cummings, Hamilton.

Mrs. H. L. Rice, Church street south was a visitor this week to friends in Toronto.

The municipal pot is already boiling. Ex-Councillor George Brown is a candidate for the mayoralty against the present incumbent, Mayor John Willard, and he looks like a winner.

Considerable opposition is getting up against the new central school building proposition. Taxpayers think 26 mills on the dollar is a sufficient burden without incurring further unnecessary indebtedness.

Merchants are gaily decorating their shop windows with Christmas display goods.

The skating rink under the newly-organized company, was opened on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. L. S. Palmer, of Dungannon, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Joseph Beavers, Water street south.

Messrs. Wm. Mossop and James Brooks shipped on Wednesday to the great west two carloads of registered stallions and fillies.

Knox Church Sunday school children were given a very pleasant sleigh-ride outing on Wednesday afternoon. Refreshments were served at the finish

METHODISTS TO WIPE OUT CHURCH DEBT

Board of Wellington Street Took the Matter Up at Recent Meeting.

A special meeting of the board of Wellington Street Methodist Church was held to consider the question of liquidating the church debt, which at the present time amounts to about $3,700.

It was unanimously decided to try and wipe out the debt this year. Quite a large portion of the amount required has already been promised, and the members decided to make a canvass to raise the rest, all feeling certain that the money can be raised by the time of the next board meeting, a week from Tuesday.

Personal Mention

Mr. Nelson Copp and Mr. Isaac Jones are going to England for the winter. They sail on Friday.

Mrs. S. Arscott, of Teeswater (formerly of this city), is spending a few days in London with friends.

Mrs. J. R. Ridley (nee Chilvers), of Detroit, is visiting her cousin, Miss Mabel Bernard, of Wellington street.

Mrs. E. Abbs, of 348 Waterloo street, city, has returned from a pleasant visit with her daughter, Mrs. Herbert Towell, of Guelph, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Scott and daughter Myrtle, of McAuley, Man., are the guests of Mrs. Scott's father, Mr. Duncan Anderson, of Arva.

Mr. Peter Birtwistle and Mr. Dan Blackwell, of this city, left yesterday morning for Fort Myers, Florida, where they will spend the winter for the benefit of their health.

Toronto Star: Mrs. Frank Hobbs (nee Marshall, of London) held her first reception since her marriage on Tuesday afternoon at Sussex Court. She was wearing her wedding gown of white satin and Brussels lace. Mrs. Charles Macdonald and Miss Guthrie, of Guelph, poured tea and coffee at a table decorated with white roses and chrysanthemums.

BURNED TO DEATH.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 10.—Mrs. James T. Hurley lost her life in a fire in her home. It is thought she was attacked by a fit of epilepsy, to which she was subject, and that this caused her to drop a lighted lamp, setting fire to the bedclothes. Only her aged father was in the house with her. A neighbor, who tried to save her, found her sitting on the floor, moaning, and the flames about her. The flames prevented him going near, and by the time the firemen arrived the woman was dead.