

CORN PRICES ON UP-GRADE AGAIN

Cold Weather Trout West Expected to Continue Several Days.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Corn prices hardening today owing more to the fact that the cold weather through the west was expected to continue for several days, and that railroad operations would be interfered with. The market closed firm, 4c to 5c net higher, with January 1918 at 1.25 and May 1.24 1/2 to 1.25. Oats gained 1/4c to 1/2c in provisions, the outcome ranged from the decline to a rise of 1/4c.

WHOLESALE FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

New Potatoes.—The first new potatoes for the season arrived on the market yesterday. While at first a shipment from Bermuda, which are of choice quality, and sold at 45¢ per bushel.

HIDES AND WOOL

Prices delivered, Toronto John Hallam: City Hides—Calf butchers hides, great fat, 20c; calf skins, green flat, 23c.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Cattle—Receipts, 12,000. Stock: heavy, \$7.40 to \$11.40; west, 10c to 11c; not quoted, season over till Dec. 27.

BOARD OF TRADE

Manitoba Wheat (In Store For William, including 2% tax). No. 1 northern, \$2.20 1/2; No. 2 northern, \$2.20 1/2; No. 3 northern, \$2.17 1/2.

MAJORITYS IN MONTREAL

Several Are Reduced and Considerable Additions Made to Two Others. Montreal, Dec. 26.—The returning officers' official count of the votes cast in the general election on the island of Montreal, so far as announced, reduces several minorities and adds to the majority of Hon. J. Doherty, minister of justice, and A. Leduc, who defeated Hon. Albert Savigny, minister of inland revenue, the latter being given nearly 1000 increase.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET

Wheat—No. 1, 1.00; No. 2, 95¢; No. 3, 90¢; No. 4, 85¢; No. 5, 80¢; No. 6, 75¢; No. 7, 70¢; No. 8, 65¢; No. 9, 60¢; No. 10, 55¢; No. 11, 50¢; No. 12, 45¢; No. 13, 40¢; No. 14, 35¢; No. 15, 30¢; No. 16, 25¢; No. 17, 20¢; No. 18, 15¢; No. 19, 10¢; No. 20, 5¢.

Record of Yesterday's Markets

TORONTO STOCKS. Bond—Am. Cyanamid com. 40 1/2; Am. preferred. 40 1/2; Am. Cyanamid com. 40 1/2; Am. preferred. 40 1/2.

NEW YORK STOCKS. J. P. Bickell & Co., Standard Bank Building, Toronto, report fluctuations in New York stock market as follows: Op. High, Low, Cl. Sales.

Trunk Lines and Grains. Erie 14 1/2; Erie 14 1/2; Erie 14 1/2; Erie 14 1/2.

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COUNCIL ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Thirty-Five Nominated in Guelph, But Only Eleven Filed Papers. Guelph, Ont., Dec. 26.—Of the thirty-five men who were nominated on Monday for aldermen for the year 1918, it was expected that enough would qualify to make a lively contest for the polls on New Year's Day, but when the time elapsed at noon for filing their qualification papers with City Clerk Moore there were only eleven left, so just sufficient to form a council, and they were accordingly declared elected by acclamation.

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ABOUT TO MARRY.

Special to The Toronto World. St. Thomas, Dec. 26.—Miss Lottie Couchman, of St. Thomas, who was struck by the "Wolverine" a fast Michigan Central express train, at the McCallie street crossing Christmas night, died an hour later at Amosa Wood Hospital from the effects of her injuries. She was on her way to have Christmas dinner with a relative and was returning to her home by a long freight train. When the freight passed Miss Couchman stepped forward to the goal of victory, peace at home.

FIVE SUSPECTS HELD FOR ALLEGED MURDER.

Finding of Police of Regina Musician Starts Police on Search. Regina, Dec. 26.—Five men detained by the police as material witnesses in the case of the murder of Harry G. Moore, a musician in the orchestra of the Regina Theatre, early this morning. The men detained by the police are Albert Shaw, musical director of the Henneberry, Harry Gorman, electrician at the theatre; Frank Moore, property man; Frederick Fraser, fly-man. Gregor McLaughlin who also figures in the case, is held on a charge of drunkenness. His story was expected to throw light on the case but he was not in a condition to give evidence this morning. He is known to have fought with a stranger who was carrying a black eye as a result of a fall, is reported missing.

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