LOCAL MARKET.

London, Wednesday, Ag. 12.

The only commodity that was offered at the market this forenoon was a load of dressed hogs, which sold at $9.25 per cwt.

WEEKLY REVIEW.

The majority of the citizens were entertaining visitors who came to attend the Old Boys celebration last week, and as there was not much produce offered by the farmers, the amount of business transacted was considerably below the average.

Grains—The supply of old oats has been small, which was no doubt the cause of the advance in prices this week. Sales are made at present at $1 50 per cwt. New oats sell at $1 20 per cwt. Wheat is steady at 80c per bushel.

Hay and Straw—The demand for hay is good and prices are higher at $9.50 to $10 50 per ton. Straw is in fair demand at $6 and $6 50 per ton.

Butter and Eggs—Butter is inclined to be easier, but as yet there is not much change in the prices. For choice crocks, 22c is the ruling price, and 24c for pound rolls. Eggs are a trifle slow at 18c for crates and 18½c for basket lots.

Potatoes are in good demand and prices are firm at 90c per bushel. The crop of early potatoes is small and prices are likely to be firm for some time.

Fruits—Apples are a slow sale and prices are lower than a week ago. Sales are made at 30c to 50c per bushel. Peaches are sold at 20c to 50c per basket. Pears, 50c per basket.

Poultry—Trade fairly brisk in this line. Old fowl sell at 8c per pound alive, or 9c to 10c dressed. Spring ducks, 9c per pound alive, or 10c to 11c dressed. Chickens, 12c per pound alive or 14c dressed.

Dressed Hogs—Prices are $7 50 per cwt higher, at $9 25 per cwt.

Live Hogs—It is experted that $6 75 will be paid here on next Monday for selects. Small pigs are firm in price at $4 50 to $6 50 per pair.

Butchers' Meat—Beef is slow and low in price at $5 50 to $7 per cwt. Veal in good demand at $8 to $9 per cwt. Lamb is easier at 12½c to 14c per pound by the carcass.

Hides—The market is firm at 8c, 7c and 6c per pound for No. 1, 2 and 3 grades of cow hides. Salf skins, 10c per pound. Pelts, 25c to 35c each.

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DAIRY MARKET.

CAMPBELLFORD.

Campbellford, Ont., Aug. 11.—Eight hundred and twenty-five boarded; 265 sold at 12 1-16 and 205 sold at 12c; balance refused at 11 11-16c.

STIRLING.

Stirling, Aug. 11.—At the regular weekly meeting of the Stirling cheese board today 730 boxes were offered; all sold at 12 1-16c.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Aug. 11.—On the produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 19c to 22c; dairies, 17c to 20c. Cheese steady, 12½c to 13c.

NEW YORK.

New York, Aug. 11.—Butter firm; receipts, 23,353; creamery, specials, 23½c; extras, 23c; thirds to first, 18c to 22c; state dairy, common to finest, 18c to 21½c; process, common to specials, 13c to 21½c; Cheese steady and unchanged; receipts, 9,236.

LIVERPOOL DAIRY MARKET.

Cheese—Demand has been moderate, but market rules firm—offerings being limited and cable quotations having a strong tone. Retail dealers, however, are operating with extreme caution.

We quote today: Finest States and Canadian white and colored, 57s 6d to 59s per cwt; lower qualities States and Canadian white and colored, 53s to 56s per cwt. Skims and half meats, nominally 5s to 35s per cwt. English cheese, as in quality, 50s to 58s per 120 lbs.

Butter—Continental arrivals have not been cleared, and Danish and Swedish are reduced in value. Irish produce about unchanged, and in good request. Siberian butters in free supply, and arrivals this week are not cleared. States confectionery qualities are in moderate demand.

Copenhagen quotation comes "unchanged" for next week.

We report today's values as follows: Choicest Canadian creamery, in 56-lb. boxes, 113s to 116s per cwt; choicest Finnish, Danish and Swedish, in Kiel casks, 114s to 120s per cwt; choicest Russian and Siberian, in Kiel casks, 106s to 110s per cwt; secondary grades Russian and Siberian, in Kiel casks, 100s to 104s per cwt; choicest Australian, nominal; choicest Irish creamery, 113s to 115s per cwt; choicest States creamery, nominally, 100s to 105s per cwt; States process, ladles and imitations, nominally, 94s to 102s per cwt.

OIL MARKET.

PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Aug. 11.—Oil opened and closed at $1 78.

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OIL CITY.

Oil City, Aug. 11.—Credit balances, $1 78.

NEW YORK.

New York, Aug. 11. — Rosin quiet. Turpentine firm, 40c.

LONDON.

London, Aug. 11. — Calcutta linseed, August and September, 45s 3d; linseed oil, 23s 1½d; sperm oil, £34 10s; petroleum, American refined, 6 7-16d; spirits, 7¼d; turpentine spirits, 28s 3d; rosin, American strained, 7s 3d; fine, 14s 9d.

ANTWERP.

Antwerp, Aug. 11. — Petroleum, 22 francs.

COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK.

New York, Aug. 11.—Cotton—Futures opened barely steady; Aug. 9.98 @ 9.96; October, 9.29; December, 9.10; January, 9.05; March, 9.10. Closed barely steady. Closing bids: August, 9.83; September, 9.30; October, 9.24; November, 8.98; December, 8.99; January, 8.96; February, 8.98; March, 9.02.

Spot closed quiet, 10 points lower, middling uplands, 10:55; middling gulf, 10.80; no sales.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Aug. 11.—Closing; Cotton—Spot dull; prices fourteen points lower; American middling, fair, 6.60; good middling, 6.24, middling, 6.00; low middling, 5.62; good ordinary, 5.04; ordinary, 4.64. The sales of the day were 3,000 bales, of which 200 were for speculation and export, and included 2,300 American. Receipts, 2,000 bales, including 1,800 American. American middling, G. O. C., August, 5.67; August and September, 5.25½; September and October, 5.09; October and November, 5.03; November and December, 4.97½; December and January, 4.96; January and February, 4.93½; February and March, 4.95; March and April, 4.96; April and May, 4.96½; May and June, 4.97.

SUGAR MARKETS.

New York.

New York, Aug. 11. — Sugar — Raw steady; fair refining, 3.62½; centrifugal, 96 test, 4.50; molasses sugar, 3.22½ @ 3.37½. Molasses quiet.

LONDON.

London, Aug. 11.—Raw sugar, centrifugal, 11s 4½d; Muscovado, 10s 3d; beet sugar, August, 10s ¾d.

PRODUCE MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Aug. 12.—Wheat is a little easier today, but quotations of all grains are unchanged from yesterday. Corn is firm, but purchases are very isolated at the extremely high prices which it is demanding. Supplies are very small and some dealers believe that it will go much higher before the new crop is on the market. Local dealers' quotations:

Ontario wheat, old or new, No. 2, 39c to 41c, outside old nominal at 44c to 46c outside; Manitoba, No. 2 scarce, 48c to 48½c; lake ports, No. 3, 46c to 46½c; rejects, 45c to 45½c. Barley quiet, old No. 2, 58c to 60c outside; No. 3, 56c to 57c outside; new, 53c to 56c. Rye—New, 65c to 70c bid outside; old, no stocks. Corn—nominal at 86 to 86½. Toronto freights for No. 2 yellow and 84 to 84½ for kiln dried. Bran—Scarce and quiet, quoted at $16 to $18 per ton in bulk outside, in bags, $2 more. Shorts—Strong, but quiet at $20 to $21 per ton in bulk outside; in bags, $2 more. Flour—Manitoba first patents, $6; seconds $5 40; strong bakers, $5 30; Ontario winter wheat patents, $3 30 to $3 35.

white or red, 84½c to 85c; No. 2, white and red, 84½c to 85c; No. 2 mixed, 84c to 84½c. Manitoba wheat quotations at Georgian Bay ports, No. 1 northern, $1 13; No. 2 northern, $1 10½; No. 3 northern, $1 09½. Oats—Ontario new,

BEAN MARKET.

DETROIT.

Beans—Spot, $2 55 nominal; October, $2 10 nominal; November, $2 nominal.

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LEATHER MARKET.

Toronto, Aug. 11.—Dealers are unanimous in the statement that the leather trade is picking up and higher prices are looked for very shortly.

Local quotations are:

No. 1 Spanish sole (for jobbing), 27c to 29c; No. 2, 26c to 28c; No. 1 Spanish sole (for manufacturing), 25½c to 27c; No. 2, 24½c to 26c; No. 3, 22½c to 24c; No. 1 oak sole, 27c to 29c; No. 2, 26c to 28c; No. 1 oak sole bends, 43c to 45c; No. 1 slaughter sole, heavy, 32c to 34c; medium, 32c to 33c; light, 30c to 31c.

Harness leather—No. 1 U. O. 34c to 35c; rejected, 32c to 33c; No. 2, 31c to 32c.

Hemlock country harness—No. 1, 28c to 30c; No. 2, 25c to 28c; Upper, heavy, 40c to 47c; light and medium, 43c to 50c; grained, 15c to 17c; kip skins, French, 75c to $1; veal kips, Canadian, 55c to 70c; hemlock calf, 60c to 75c; imitation French, 75c to 80c; French calf, $1 19 to $1 45; splits, light and medium, 23c to 25c; heavy, 23c to 25c; junior, 20c to 25c, enamel cow, per foot, 20c to 25c; pebble grain, 13c to 15c; buff, 14½ to 17½c; colored buff, 17c to 19c; russets, extra heavy, per doz., $14; shoe russets, per lb., 50c to 55c; russets, No. 2, all grades, lb., 35c to 40c; glove russets, per doz., $9 to $12.

HIDES, TALLOW, WOOL.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

Toronto, Aug. 11.—Prices in Chicago are a little easier, but it is not expected that it will influence prices here. Trade is quiet at present, as killings of cattle are light.

Toronto butchers are receiving for stock as follows:

No. 1 green inspected steer hides, 60 pounds and up, in separate consignments, 10c per lb., No. 2 grade, 9c per lb.

No. 1 green inspected cow hides, 9½c per lb.; No. 2 grade, 8½c.

Calfskins, green, first and seconds, 12c per lb.

Lambskins, present kill, 45c; shearlings, 45c.

Toronto dealers are paying for cured country hides laid down here, according to condition, 9c to 9½c. The prices for stock being paid by Toronto dealers at country points are: Hides, cured, flat, according to condition and take off, 8¾c to 9½c; calfskins, cured, 12c to 13c; lambskins, present take-off, 40c; horse hides, No. 1, $2 50.

Tallow—Solid, in barrels, No. 1 stock 6c to 6¼c per lb.; cake, No. 1 stock, 6c to 6½c per lb.

Horsehair—Farmer or peddler stock, 27c to 30c.

WOOL MARKETS.

Wool.

Toronto, Aug. 11.—The supply is as yet limited, as farmers are not anxious to sell their stocks of fleece at the present low prices. The demand, however, is not sufficient to warrant an advance just now.

Prices being paid to farmers at country points are as follows: Wool, washed fleece, 13c to 14c; washed rejections, 10c; unwashed fleece, 7c to 8c. Toronto houses are paying small dealers in the country for washed fleece wool, 15c to 16½c; rejects, 12c, and unwashed fleece, 8½c to 10c.

NEW YORK.

New York, Aug. 12.—Cotton futures opened firm; August, $9.85 to $9.91; October, $9 39; December, $9 11; January, $9 12; March, $9 12.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, Aug. 11.—Today Canadian cattle are firmer at 13c to 14c per lb; refrigerator beef is weak at 10c to 10½c per lb.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Aug. 12.—Cattle — Receipts, 18,000; steady to 10c lower; beeves, $3 65 to $7 75; Texans, $3 50 to $5 70; westerners, $5 50 to $6 00; stockers and feeders, $2 40 to $4 50; cows and heifers, $1 60 to $5 70; calves, $5 50 to $7 00. Hogs—Receipts, 24,000; steady, light, $6 20 to $6 70; mixed, $6 20 to $6 82½; heavy $6 20 to $6 85; roughs, $6 20 to $6 40; good to choice heavy, $6 40 to $6 85; pigs, $5 30 to $5 50; bulk of sales, $6 50 to $6 75. Sheep—Receipts, about 16,000; steady, native, $2 25 to $4 15; western, $2 40 to $4 15; yearlings, $4 00 to $4 70. Lambs, $3 25 to $4 25; western, $5 85 to $6 00.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, Aug. 12.—Cattle—Slow and steady; prime steers, $6 25 to $6 75. Veals, receipts, 200 head; active and 10c higher, $5 00 to $7 85. Hogs, receipts, 6,000 head; slow and steady; pigs 25c lower, heavy and mixed, $6 90 to $7 00; pigs, $4 00 to $5 75; dairies, $6 25 to 6 75. Sheep and lambs, receipts, 1,400 head; slow, yearlings, 25c lower; yearlings, 4 75 to 5 00.

ENGLISH MARKET.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Aug. 12.—Closing—Wheat spot steady, No. 2 red western winter, 7s 7d; No. 1 California, 7s 11d; futures steady; September, 7s 5¼d; December, 7s 5⅝d.

Corn—Spot steady; American mixed, 7s 3½d; futures steady; September, 5s 8¾d.

Flour—Winter patents dull, 28s 6d.

Cottonseed Oil (Hull refined)—Spot quiet, 23s 7½d.

Hops (at London)—Pacific coast steady, £1 10s to £2 5s.

Beef—Extra India mess firm, 108s 8d.

Pork—Prime mess western strong, 77s 6d.

Hams—Short cut, strong, 53s.

Bacon—Long, clear middles, light strong, 48s; do heavy strong, 46s 6d; shoulders, square steady, 37s.

Lard—Steady prime western and American refined, 41s 6d.

Cheese—Canadian finest colored, new, firm, 60s; do, white, new, firm, 58s 6d.

Tallow—Prime city steady, 28s 9d; Australian (in London) firm, 32s 4½d.

Turpentine—Spirits steady ETAOI

Turpentine Spirits — Steady, 28s

Linseed Oil—Steady, 25s.

Petroleum—Quiet, 6¾d.

Rosin—Common steady, 7s 9d.

STOCK MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Aug. 11.—Afternoon sales: 75 at 140½, 90 at 140¾, 50 at 147, 25 at 141½, 79 at 141½, 2 at 141¾, 50 at 142, 50 at 142, 10 at 142, 25 at 141¾, 25 at 141¾, 10 at 141¼, 25 at 141½, 15 at 141¾, 25 at 141¾, 25 at 142, 10 at 142, 25 at 142, 50 at 142½, 50 at 142⅝, 25 at 142¾, 50 at 142¾, 25 at 142, 25 at 142⅛, 25 at 143⅛, 25 at 143½, 50 at 143½, 25 at 143¼, Rio, 20 at 55½, 25 at 56⅞, 25 at 57, 50 at 57, 25 at 56¾, 5 at 56¾, 5 at 56½, 10 at 57, 9 at 56¾, 10 at 56½, 4 at 56½, 25 at 56⅛, 25 at 56, 5 at 56, 25 at 56. Winnipeg, 10 at 165, 25 at 163⅝, 25 at 163, 25 at 163, 25 at 163, 5 at 163 7 at 163, 25 at 163, 5 at 163, 25 at 162¾. Bonds, first mortgage, $5,000 at 85½, 20,000 at 85¼. Imperial, 10 at 223, 3 at 223, 1 at 223, 4 at 223. Standard, 16 at 220. Con. Gas, 3 at 192. Commerce, 8 at 160, 30 at 160¼, 4 at 160¾, 20 at 160¼, 6 at 160¼. Twin City, xd, 50 at 91, 5 at 91, 25 at 90½. Lake of Woods, 50 at 89⅝. Bell Tel., 1 at 135¾, 1 at 135½. Nipissing, 10 at 7⅞. Mex. Tramway, 10 at 112, 25 at 112. Tor. Rail, 25 at 106, 25 at 106¼, 25 at 106¾, 50 at 106¾, 3 at 106¼. Can. Perm., 120 at 134. Can. Land. 6 at 25, McKay, 5 at 69½, 1 at 69¼. Pref., 5 at 69¼, 5 at 69½. Illinois, pfd., 25 at 88½. Col. Loan, 17 at 65½. Mex. L. & P., 3 at 70. Laurentide, pref., 11 at 112⅞. Crow's Nest, 1-3 at 130.

Afternoon Sales: Mackay, 50, 25, 50, 50 at 69¼; 20 at 69½; 2 at 69. Bell Telephone, 9 at 156. Toronto Rails, 25, 25, 25 at 107; 25, 25, 3 at 107¼. Mex. L. & P., 50 at 69½. Detroit, 25 at 40. Sao Paulo, 10 at 143½, 25 at 143⅞; 25 at 143¾; 14 at 143¼; 25, 75 at 144. Soo, 50 at 119½; 50 at 119¼. Winnipeg, 25 at 162⅝; 1, 10 at 163; 50 at 162¾. Elec. Dev. bonds, $2,000 at 83¼; $10,000 at 83⅞; $1,000, $3,000, $1,000, $4,000 at 84. Rio, 50, 50, 10, 10 at 56½; 15, 25, 10 at 56¾; 5 at 57. Can. Perm., 100 at 135. Dominion, 2 at 232. Commerce, 20, 10, 20, 8 at 160½; 20 at 160¾. Twin City, xd., 25, 25 at 90⅛.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Aug. 11.—Pacific, 225 at 173; 225 at 173⅜; 50, 75 at 172½; 10 at 175; 125 at 172½. Ohio Trac, 60 at 160. Havana, preferred, 25 at 80¼; 50 at 80. Street, 50 at 181; 50 at 180. Twin, 25 at 90½; 50 at 90¼. Shawinigan, 550 at 70. Toronto Ry., 75 at 106; 25, 5 at 106; 3 at 106¼. Merchant's Bank, 14 at 154½. Illinois, 150 at 88½; 50 at 88½. Power, 2 at 94¾; 110 at 95¼; 50 at 95; 11 at 95¼; 15 at 95. Mexican preferred, 25 at 106; Mexican, 25 at 69¾. Rio, 25 at 56; 175 at 57; 50 at 56¼; Soo, common, 25 at 118¾; 25 at 119½; 50 at 119¾. Detroit, 50 at 39½; 5 at 4 0. Rio bonds, $16,000 at 85½. Woods, common, 45 at 89¾; 50 at 89. Mackay, preferred, 25 at 69½; 25 at 69⅝. Havana, common, 100 at 31. Telephone, 39 at 136; 2 at 136. Scotia, common, 25 at 48. Laurentide preferred, 11 at 112. Textile bonds, $3,000 at 85. Bank of Montreal, 10 at 234. Iron bonds, $4,000 at 77.

CROP PROSPECTS ARE BRIGHTEST

At Least One Hundred and Ten Millions of Bushels This Year.

Ottawa, Aug. 11.—An estimate of the yield of Canadian crops has been issued by the Dominion census bureau. It gives the probable yield from the conditions of the fields on the last day of July. The estimates are compiled from reports received from agents of the census bureau stationed all over the Dominion and thoroughly covering the whole field. Though the report indicates that there was a decline in the prospective yield from an 84 per cent crop at the end of June to a 76 per cent crop at the end of July, the prospects are for a satisfactory yield. The returns will be a long way ahead of last year. In the three western provinces, where the yield last year was ninety-two million bushels of wheat, the yield this year will be over a hundred and ten million bushels of first-grade wheat. The report is as follows: The heat and drought of July have lowered the condition of field crops all over Canada, but less in Ontario and Alberta than elsewhere, because the ripening season in Measured on the basis of 100 for a standard condition, being a full crop of good quality, wheat fell during the month from 84 to 76, oats from 90 to 81, barley from 83 to 80, rye from 92 to 78, peas from 82 to 79, mixed grains from 84 to 81, and hay and clover from 87 to 82. Beans alone have not deteriorated; their condition at the end of the month was 75 per cent or one more than at the end of June. Other crops show conditions for the end of july of 78 for potatoes, 74 for turnips, 73 for sugar beets, 75 for other roots, 77 for husking corn, and 83 for fodder corn.

It was too early at the end of July to give estimates of production for the lower provinces and British Columbia, but from reports of correspondents in Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the yields of wheat, oats, barley and hay and clover are computed to be as shown in the following table:

Provinces.	Wheat. bushels.	Oats. bushels.
Quebec	11,575,000	37,008,000
Ontario	18,164,000	111,888,000
Manitoba	56,164,000	54,202,000
Saskatchewan .	47,060,000	38,130,000
Alberta	7,280,000	28,026,000
Total	130,263,000	269,254,000

Provinces.	Barley, bushels.	Hay, Clover. tons.
Quebec	2,289,000	3,616,000
Ontario	20,804,000	3,972,000
Manitoba	21,184,000	158,000
Saskatchewan .	2,640,000	24,000
Alberta	4,773,000	10,000
Total	51,690,000	8,780,000

In the western parts of Ontario harvesting and haying operations were largely completed at the end of July, and in Alberta they were under way. In Saskatchewan and Manitoba cutting was not expected to begin earlier than the second week of August. The comparative condition of live stock for the Dominion at the end of the months of June and July is shown in the next table:

	June. P. C.	July. P. C.
Animals	30	86
Horses	94	86
Milch cows	94	85
Other horned cattle	87	83
Sheep	83	78
Swine	85	80

The condition has been uniformly lowered in every province as a result of the dry weather, but animals of every class are reported to be in a healthy state.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR IN ANNUAL SESSION

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an ambassador bearing the good wishes and knightly courtesies of 175,000 Knights Templar of the United States. The kindness was appreciated and bore testimony to the kindly relationships that at present exist between the Knights of Canada and their brethren of the United States.

The Convocation.

The convocation was important because of this fact, but it was more important because it marked the first quarter century post of the order's existence as a supreme governing body in Canada.

Canada's Growth.

The grand master then gave a brief resume of Canadian history, pointing out that the growth and progress of the order was largely the reflection of the development and expansion of the country. Since confederation the country had developed wonderfully, until now Canada had a population of seven millions and the total trade of the country had increased to over $600,000,000.

He referred to the tercentenary celebration held at Quebec, and made an eloquent reference to Canada's storied past.

History of the Order.

Although the orders of the temple were conferred under warrant of Craft Lodge, No. 211, at Halifax, N. S., as early as 1782, and under Craft Lodge, No. 6, Kingston, Ont., as early as 1800, it was not until 1853 that a revival of the order was introduced into Canada by the late past supreme grand master, William J. B. McLeod Moore, and in 1854 the first central organization was formed, the provincial grand conclave, composed of three preceptories, with a very limited membership. This arrangement was continued until May 1, 1868, when a grand priory was formed, comprising eight preceptories.

Again, on August 10, 1876, the national great priory was organized, with nineteen preceptories on the roll, with a membership of about four hundred, and was continued until 1884.

"This period under review may be considered an epoch of experiment and evolution, but now the leaders of the Templar order in Canada believing that it was an anachronism for a country with responsible government to longer remain in a state of Knights Templar dependency, resolved upon the formation of a supreme governing body and, as a result, upon request being made to the great priory of England and Wales, they graciously consented to relinquish their jurisdiction over the Canadian Sir Knights, and on July 8, 1884, the first annual assembly of the sovereign great priory of Canada was held, with twenty-six preceptories on its muster roll and a membership of 885.

"In 1883, there were twenty-six preceptories, with a membership of 761. In 1888 there were thirty-one preceptories, with a membership of 990, an increase in membership of 229.

During the next five years the membership increased 126, so that in 1893 there were still thirty-one preceptories, with a membership of 1,116.

In 1898, there were thirty-seven preceptories, with a membership of 1,832, an increase of 716 during the five years.

In 1903 there were forty preceptories, with a membership of 2,547, an increase of 715.

The growth of the order during the next five years was phenomenal, the membership increasing in that time more than during the previous twenty years.

In 1908, there were forty preceptories, with a membership of 4,890, an increase of 2,343.

During this year the increase was 643, the largest increase in any one year since its inception.

The receipts increased from $4,735 in 1883 to $20,250 in 1908. During the year three preceptories had been instituted at Dawson City, Yukon; Leamington, Ont., and at Frederickton, N. B.

During the year he had visited the districts of Quebec and all the districts in Ontario, with the exception of the Ottawa-Kingston and Algoma districts. He had also made several visits abroad, particularly to the Damascus commandery of Detroit, Hugh de Payens commandery, Buffalo, New York.

During the year an unusual number of prominent Templars had died, to which fact the supreme grand master made a feeling reference.

In conclusion he spoke of the assistance he had received from the fraters in his work and declared that the success achieved during the year was due to the splendid work of the fraters.

Dr. Henry V. Rugg, grand master of the Knights Templar of the United States, was then introduced, and in a grief speech congratulated the Knights of Canada on their splendid success during the past quarter century, and hoped for a continuance of that prosperity. He referred to the pleasant relationship that existed between Canada and the United States, and declared that there was no reason why these relations should not exist forever.

The business of the session was then taken up.

AFTER LONG SERVICE.

Port Huron, Mich., Aug. 12.—After 33 years as chief clerk of the Grand Trunk Railway, Burret E. Sharp, of this city, has received notice that his services no longer will be required. No reason was given for his dismissal. His friends here believe he has been the victim of a political plot.

ATTACKED AND ROBBED.

Port Huron, Mich., Aug. 12.—Employes of the Grand Trunk Railway Company found a man lying unconscious in the freight yard at Tappan Junction last night. The man said he was Harry J. Majors, that he was in charge of a train load of sheep which he was taking from Canada to a point in Wisconsin, and that while on his way in the train containing his stock, he was attacked by two men. His clothes were torn and $150 missing.

Dominion Liner Goes on the Rocks S. S. Southwark Aground in Gulf

Ran Ashore in Dense Fog With Six Hundred Passengers Aboard.

Montreal, Aug. 11.—The news arrived at noon today that the Dominion liner Southwark, bound, from Montreal to Liverpool, with 600 passengers and a general cargo, had gone aground at Bras Point, on the outer edge of Forteau Bay, some distance west to the entrance of the Straits of Belle Isle, and not far from the Point Armor signal station. The accident occurred last night during a heavy fog. No details are yet available. Mr. James Thom, manager of the Dominion Line here, in confirming the brief dispatch stated that the wrecking tug Lord Strathcona had been sent out from Quebec and should be at Bras Point by tomorrow night. The spot is a protected one, and the passengers should be in no danger.

A Mail Vessel.

The Southwark is one of the class of passenger vessels known as "intermediate boats," that is, she carries one class of cabin passengers and steerage passengers only. She is, however, a speedy vessel and is used by the Dominion Line as a mail-carrier. She has no Marconi installation, and so is unable to make any report except by flag signal. The Southwark sailed from Montreal on Saturday last, and at Rimouski she took aboard the week-end British mails.

A dense fog has prevailed throughout the outer part of the gulf during the past few days, and it is probably this which threw the vessel out of her course. The point of the grounding is about six hundred and sixty miles from Quebec, and the Southwark had evidently been proceeding somewhat slowly. With the exception of the collier Portsmouth, this is the first vessel to go aground in the St. Lawrence route this season.

The Cabin Passengers.

The following cabin passengers were on board when the Southwark left Montreal: Dr. W. F. Bentler, Mrs. Bentler, Miss E. D. Burney, Miss Esther Braley, Miss Lillian Carter, Mr. W. R. Crowft, Miss Mary E. Chryst, Mr. H. W. Cannell, Miss Lucille Cantwell, Mr. Sydney N. Deane, Miss Desbrisay, Miss Lillian Davey, Mrs. Davis, Miss Gladys Doherty, Mrs. A. G. Dale, Mr. James S. Duncan, Mr. Donald R. Forrest, Mr. Robert Fleckert, Dr. B. H. Horton-Barr, Miss Hodgart, Dr. H. Hess, Mrs. Hess, Mr. E. H. Harris, Mrs. Harris, Miss E. Harris, Mr. Theodore W. Koch, Mrs. Koch, Miss Eliner Lucas, Mrs. Lynch, Miss Lynch, Professor E. W. McBride, Miss Mary C. McMorrow, Mr. Chas. Manning, Mrs. Manning, Miss Manning, Miss Ida E. Molson, Miss Niven, Dr. C. O'Rielly, Mr. James Powell, Mr. Gustave Perrault, Mrs. Perrault, Mr. Robert Pringle, Mrs. Pringle, Master Pringle, Miss Elizabeth M. Ryan, Mr. G. H. Smith, Mr. W. B. Stringer, Mr. W. Wood, Mrs. Wood, Mr. Geo. H. Wilkes, Mrs. Watson and infant.

Much Needed Holiday for the Premier

Ottawa, Aug. 13.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier will go to his old home at Arthabaskaville, Que., on Friday next for a week's holidays, the first real respite from the multifarious cares of state that the premier has allowed himself for a year, and even this holiday will be partially devoted to business as Sir Wilfrid will have to give several hours per day to his correspondence. For over a year the first minister has been steadily working on an average of ten hours per day, and the manner in which he has so well stood the strain is a marvel to those who know something of the multitudinous duties and worries that devolve upon him as leader of the Government.

ARE BUSY CLEARING UP

Dominion Cabinet Disposing of Routine Before Separating.

Ottawa, Aug. 11. — There was a long sitting of the Government this afternoon, which resulted in clearing up the immense amount of routine matters which accumulated on the table of the privy council during the busy weeks at the close of last session, when the ministers had to give all their time to the sittings of the House. There may be another brief sitting of the Government tomorrow, and the ministers will then leave the capital to visit the various provinces.

Sir Thomas Taylor, formerly chief justice of Manitoba, has been appointed to act as judge of the exchequer court of Canada, pro hoc vice, to take the sittings of that court in the west this fall. This arrangement is necessitated by the fact that Judge Cassels is engaged in the marine inquiry and will not be able to complete his work for some time. Sir Thomas Taylor will preside over the sittings of the exchequer court in Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary, Vancouver and Victoria during September and October.

Postmaster Miller, Vancouver, has applied for and will be granted superannuation, and his place will be filled by the appointment of R. G. McPherson, the sitting member of Parliament for that city.

Personal Mention.

Mrs. C. Cattermole, of John street, is spending a few days with her aunt at Ilderton.

Mrs. W. Roberts, of Toronto, is visiting her son, Mr. Norman A. Roberts, of Richmond street.

Mr. George Boyd Munnock, of Winnipeg, is visiting at the parental home, 105 Waterloo street, city.

Miss Fraser Murray, of Toronto, has returned home after a pleasant week with relatives in the city.

Miss Luella Tanney has returned home after spending a few weeks with her friend, Miss Edna Jobbitt, Peterboro.

Mrs. C. E. Diver, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Miss McCutcheon, of Toronto, are visiting Miss Annie Mason, of Hill street.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cook, of the King Edward Hotel, left last evening for Toronto, Buffalo and other eastern points.

Miss Catherine Johnson, of Owen Sound, has left for her home after a pleasant visit with Mrs. A. Simmie, of 512 English street.

Mrs. Katie Harris and Miss Etta Johnston are holidaying for a few weeks at the home of Mrs. Harris' father, near Medina.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Priestly, of 152 Horton street, left yesterday morning for St. Thomas, where they will attend grand lodge.

Mrs. D. Scott and daughter, of West Toronto, have left for Stratford, where they will visit friends before returning to their home.

Miss Laura Barton, of Winnipeg, formerly of this city, is visiting her cousin, Miss Ethel Luney, Tecumseh avenue, South London.

Mr. J. A. Little, of Pottersburg, leaves Thursday night for Montreal, from whence he will sail for Scotland. He will be absent about six weeks.

—The funeral of Mr. Floyd E. Marsh, who died recently at Kennedy, Saskatchewan, takes places today from the family residence, Coldstream.

Mr. Harold Tanney, who has been spending Old Boys' week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tanney, 376 Maitland street, returned to Peterboro yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Price have returned to Toronto after spending "Old Boys'" week with Mrs. Price's mother, Mrs. S. McDonald, 474 York street, city.

Mrs. John Walters, wife of contractor John Walters, of 208 Piccadilly street, has returned home from New York, where she has been for the past seven weeks on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Sam Riley.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Bonser, of 797 Colborne street, have for the past few weeks been entertaining Mrs. W. S. Bonser and daughter Edna, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Mrs. J. S. Bickell, of Cleveland.

Miss Lela Jarvis, of Grimsby, and Mrs. Mack, of Detroit, two London Old Girls, returned to their homes today after spending a most enjoyable holiday with their cousin, Miss "Bud" Newans, Wharncliffe road.

Among the Londoners who are staying at the Huron Hotel, Huron Beach (near Sarnia), are: Mrs. E. W. Scatcherd, Miss E. Scatcherd, Miss Buckingham, Mrs. Willis Cox and two children, Rev. Canon Davis and wife.

WIFE, HOME AND CASH FOR FIRST APPLICANT

Pittsburg Girl, Deserted by Fiance, Ready to Marry Anyone.

Pittsburg, Aug. 11.—Who will marry Mary Rowans, aged 24, fairly good-looking and willing to quit her job in the Heinz pickle factory to take up that of mistress of a home?

The home is all ready, there is $450 in bank to Mary's credit, and the successful applicant for the job of husband can have all three—Mary, the furnished home and the bank account.

Mary Rowans lives at 6 Pulaski alley and was to have been married last Friday. Her husband, that was to have been, was a young mill worker. He had been out of work for months and sought to delay the wedding because he had no money to buy a new suit.

Mary, however, came up with the cash and also with $5 with which to pay for the bridal carriage. Then the young man disappeared.

Today Mary announced she was willing to marry anybody who wants her, that is, provided the applicant is passably good-looking and is not already a benedict. She says she will turn over the furnished home, which cost her $750 to furnish, and her bank account.

Miss Rowans is the orphan daughter of a former Lawrenceville mill worker and has been a worker herself ever since she was 10 years old. She enjoys the friendship and esteem of her neighbors, and it is not thought she will go long without a husband. She said tonight:

"Harry treated me most shamefully, and I never want to see him again. Still, I have the house furnished and I may as well go on and be married. The house is too large for me to live in by myself."

Concerning her choice of a husband, should more than one apply, Miss Rowans said: "I want a man"—she emphasized this word—"not a monkey like Harry. He professed to love me and when the time came he ran away. The next time I see him I am going to pull his hair and make him sorry he ever met me."

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Reported at New York—G. Kurfurst, from Bremen; Kaiser Wilhelm II., from Bremen; Mesaba, from London.

At Belle Isle—Ottawa, from Liverpool.

At Liverpool—Lake Erie, from Montreal; Lusitania, from New York.

At Plymouth—Pennsylvania, from New York.

At London—Minneapolis, from New York.

At Libau—Eatonia, from New York.

At Marseilles—Venezia, from New York.

At Genoa—Ancona, from New York.

Cattleguards on the B. and H. Railway near Ancaster were torn up by four men to start a bonfire on the track.

A FUNNY EPISODE AT THE LAKESIDE

Bevy of Summer Girls Enjoying a Wheelbarrow Ride—Citizen Shot in the Neck.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Port Stanley, Aug. 11.—Miss Morgan, of St. Thomas, has returned home after spending the past three weeks with the Misses Bowman at The Bungalow, Invererie Heights.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McPherson and family, of Parkdale, Toronto, who have been the guests of Mrs. Stephen Haight, Indiana Cottage, Hill Crest, returned home today.

The Misses Kate and Jennie MacColl, of St. Thomas, are Hill Crest visitors.

Miss Minnie MacMurray, of Detroit, and Miss Pearl McCormick, of London, are stopping with Miss Nile Fitzsimons at Lookout Cottage, Crown Point.

Miss Hazel Haight, of Indiana Cottage, Hill Crest, left today for Alymer, where she will visit old friends for a few days.

A Random Shot.

A small lad was arrested last night charged with carrying firearms. He shot a prominent citizen in the neck with an air rifle, and so the warrant for his arrest was issued. This morning before John Price, J. P., the youngster, with great big tears in his eyes, pleaded guilty and was allowed to go on suspended sentence.

Summerholm, New Orchard Beach, which has been deserted for the past week, owing to the Old Boys' reunion, is again crowded with fair guests.

The Methodist Church ran a moonlight excursion on the steamer Gordon Brown last evening, which was very largely attended.

A Funny Stunt.

Much fun was caused on one of the beaches last evening, when a bunch of jolly London summer girls were treated to a delightful wheelbarrow ride by a summer gallant. All along the course throngs of spectators craned their necks to get a glimpse of the funny episode.

Mr. L. Scandrett, of London, is spending a few days with his parents on