FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

HAY PRICES VERY FIRM SUPPLY RATHER SHORT

Sold at From $14.50 to $15 a Ton—Oats Were Plentiful at $1.20 to $1.30.

There was only a very small market this morning, even hay, which has been the staple for some time, being very little in evidence, in spite of a consistently strong demand. The price remained very firm, $15 being paid for all the first-class stuff offered, while only a few loads went for less than $14 50.

Oats were fairly plentiful, though the demand was steady and they were readily disposed of. The price varied from $1 20 to $1 30, the latter price being in the predominance.

There was some wheat offered at $1 08 that was very readily sold.

It is expected that there will be a very good market tomorrow to make up for the time when the markets have been poor, owing to the inclement weather and the heavy condition of the roads.

Other prices remain as follows:

Grain.			
Wheat, per bu	$1 08	to	$1 08
Oats, per cwt	1 20	to	1 30
Corn, per cwt	1 22	to	1 40
Buckwheat, per cwt	1 25	to	1 30
Barley, per cwt	1 10	to	1 18
Peas, per cwt	1 15	to	1 15
Beans, per bu	1 65	to	2 00
Rye, per cwt	1 05	to	1 10
Hay and Straw.			
Hay, per ton	14 50	to	15 00
Straw, per ton	7 00	to	8 00
Dairy Produce.			
Butter, creamery, lb	26	to	28
Butter, rolls, per lb	25	to	26
Butter, crocks, lb	24	to	24
Eggs, crate, dozen	30	to	32
Eggs, fresh-laid, dozen	32	to	35
Honey, strained, lb	10	to	12
Honey, in comb	12	to	15
Poultry, Dressed.			
Turkeys, per lb	18	to	20
Ducks, spring, per lb	14	to	15
Old ducks, per lb	10	to	11
Old fowl, per lb	12	to	12
Chickens, per lb	14	to	16
Geese, per lb	12	to	14
Poultry, Alive.			
Old fowl, per lb	8	to	9
Turkeys, per lb	15	to	15
Ducks, per lb	10	to	12
Young fowl, per lb	10	to	11
Butchers' Meats.			
Beef, by the carcase	6 00	to	9 00
Mutton, per cwt	7 00	to	10 00
Veal, per cwt	10 00	to	11 00
Spring lamb, per lb	13	to	14
Dressed hogs, per cwt	11 25	to	11 50
Live Stock.			
Small pigs, per pair	6 50	to	10 00
Select hogs, per cwt	8 00	to	8 00
Fat cows, per cwt	5 00	to	6 00
Stags, per cwt	2 00	to	2 00
Export cattle, cwt	5 00	to	5 50
Milch cows, each	30 00	to	40 00
Hides and Wool.			
Lambskins, each	75	to	1 10
Wool, washed, per lb	20	to	22
Wool, unwashed, per lb	10	to	10
Hides, No. 1, lb	9	to	9
Hides, No. 2, lb	8	to	8
Hides, No. 3, lb	7	to	7
Vegetables.			
Potatoes, per bag	50	to	55
Turnips, per bu	25	to	35
Celery, per dozen	30	to	40
Lettuce, per dozen	40	to	40
Sage, per dozen	20	to	20
Savory, per dozen	20	to	20
Cabbage, dozen (to size)	30	to	40
Red cabbage, dozen	40	to	40
Onions, per bu	1 10	to	1 25
Beets, per bu	40	to	45
Parsnips, per bu	50	to	50
Beans, per bu	1 20	to	1 50
Mangels, bu, by the load	20	to	20
Carrots, bu, by the load	30	to	40
Fruits.			
Apples, per bbl	1 50	to	2 00
Apples, per qu	30	to	50
Apples, per bag	50	to	1 00

PRODUCE.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 10.—Wheat—Spot dull; No. 2 red western winter, no stock; futures firm; March, 8s 1¾d; May, 7s 11¾d; July, 7s 10½d. Corn—Spot steady; new American mixed, 5s 6½d; do old, 5s 8½d; Winter wheat patents dull, 32s 6d. Hams—Short cut dull, 63s 6d. Rosin—Commin firm, 10s 4½d; Linseed oil—Dull, 24s 4d.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 10.—Following were the quotations on the grain exchange today:

Wheat—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
February	..	..	..	$1 03¼
May	1 05¾	1 06⅛	1 05¾	1 06⅞
July	..	..	..	1,07⅝

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 10.—Wheat closed: May, $1 11⅞; July, $1 11½ to $1 15; cash, No. 1 hard, $1 13⅛ to $1 14⅛; No. 1 northern, $1 12⅜ to $1 13⅜; No. 2 northern, $1 10⅝ to $1 11⅝. Bran, in 100-lb sacks, $22 50 to $23. Flour—First patents, $5 50 to $5 70; second patents, $5 30 to $5 50; first clears, $4 45 to $4 55; second clears, $3 25 to $3 50.

BEANS.

DETROIT, Feb. 10.—Beans—Spot, $2.15; March, $2.20 per bushel.

CLOVERSEED.

DETROIT, Feb. 10.—Clover seed—Spot, 40 bags at $8.30; March, ($8 30; by sample, 24 bags at $7.75, 19 at $7.50, and 8 at $7 per bushel. Prime alsike, $7.50; by sample, 5 bags at $6.75 per bushel. Timothy seed—Spot, 75 bags at $1.85 per bushel.

LIVE STOCK.

EAST BUFFALO, Feb. 11.—Cattle—Receipts, 150 head; fairly active and steady; prime steers, $6 65 to $7 25. Veals—Receipts, 700 head; active and 75c higher, $6 to $11 50. Hogs—Receipts, 3200 head; fairly active and 5c to 10c higher; heavy, $9 10 to $9 15; mixed, $9 15 to $9 20; Yorkers, $9 15 to $9 25; pigs, $9 20 to $9 30; roughs, $8 to $8 50; dairies, $8 to $9 25. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 13,600 head; active; lambs 5c, wethers 15c higher; lambs, $6 25 to $8 70; wethers, $6 75 to $7.

TORONTO, Feb. 10.—With a light run at the city cattle market, trade was brisk and the market strong. The advances made earlier in the week were easily maintained, choicest picked butcher cattle selling firm at $5 60 to $5 75, and light exporters at $6. Good export cattle were in demand, but very few offered. Medium heavy steers, about 1125 lbs, were bought as light shippers around $6. Anything heavier than that would sell higher if of the right quality. Many orders were left unfilled. The demand for butcher cattle continues very active, and anything like fair to good quality sells freely at $5 to $5 50, and extra choice picked at $5 60 to $5 75. Bulls are firm at $4 25 up to $5 25. Cows are also in good demand at $4 to $4 60. Sheep and lambs are firmer at $6 50 to $7 25 for lambs and $4 50 to $5 for sheep. Hogs—The lighter runs of hogs this week have induced a firmer tone to the market, and prices were advanced 10c to 15c from the recent decline. Select hogs, f. o. b., are quoted at $8 to $8 10, and fed and watered at $8 25 to $8 30. The run was 82 cars, with 1252 head of cattle, 464 sheep and lambs, 1000 hogs and 136 calves.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Cattle—Receipts estimated at 4000; market steady; beeves, $4 40 to $7 80; Texas steers, $4 to $5 10; western steers, $4 20 to $6; stockers and feeders, $3 15 to $5 50; cows and heifers, $2 25 to $5 85; calves, $7 to $9 40. Hogs—Receipts estimated at 22,000; market 10c higher; light, $8 45 to $8 80; mixed, $8 45 to $8 90; heavy, $8 50 to $8 55; roughs, $8 50 to $8 65; good to choice heavy, $8 65 to $8 95; pigs, $7 50 to $8 60; bulk of sales at $8 75 to $8 85. Sheep—Receipts estimated at 6000; market steady; natives, $4 50 to $6 75; westerns, $4 50 to $6 85; yearlings, $7 25 to $8 40; lambs, native, $6 75 to $9; westerns, $6 75 to $9.

COTTON.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—Cotton—Futures closed barely steady. Closing bids: February, 14.86c; March, 14.88c; April, 14.87c; May, 14.99c; June, 14.82c; July, 14.80c; August, 14.29c; September, 13.38c; October, 12.90c; November, 12.78c; December, 12.73c. Spot closed quiet, 5 points higher; middling uplands, 15.25c; middling gulf, 15.50c; sales, 3,260 bales.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Cotton—Futures opened steady; February, 14.85c bid; March, 14.91c; May, 15.02c; July, 14.87c; August, 14.33c bid; September, 13.43c offered; October, 12.92c; November, 12.77c; December, 12.75c to 12.76c.

SUGAR.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—Cane closed firm but steady; Java, 13s 7½d. Beet is steady at the advance; February, 13s; March, 13s; May, 13s ¾d.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—Sugar—Raw quiet; refined sugar quiet. Molasses—Steady.

SUGAR.

TORONTO, Feb. 10.—Sugar—Montreal granulated, in barrels, cwt, $4 95; do, in bags, $4 90; yellow, in barrels, $4 55; do, in bags, $4 50; Acadia, bags or barrels, $4 85; No. 2 granulated, in bags, $4 65.

POTATOES.

TORONTO, Feb. 10.—Potatoes—Supplies of Ontario potatoes are very heavy, and prices are still low. Dealers report a good trade, however, at the present low prices. From 45c to 48c and 50c per bag is the range of quotations on track at Toronto, and out of store prices range from 55c to 60c per bag.

HAY.

TORONTO, Feb. 10.—Baled hay—No. 1 timothy, $13 50 to $14; inferior, $11 to $12, in car lots on track at Toronto. Baled straw—Selling mostly at $7 50 per ton.

PRODUCE.

CHICAGO EXCHANGE			Chicago, Feb. 11	
Wheat May	111⅝	111⅝	111	111
July	102⅝	102⅝	101⅞	101⅞
Corn May	66⅞	66⅞	66⅝	66⅞
July	66⅝	67	66⅝	66⅞
Oats May	47	47	46⅞	46⅞
July	44	44	43⅝	43⅝
Pork May	22 75	22 85	22 75	22 80
July	22 72	22 75	22 57	22 67
Lard, May	12 35	12 42	12 35	12 40
July	12 35	12 35	12 32	12 35
Ribs, May	12 00	12 07	12 00	12 07
July	12 00	12 05	12 00	12 05

TORONTO, Feb. 11.—Business in Ontario grain is practically at a standstill, and buyers and sellers are far apart in their quotations. For odd cars of Ontario grain holders are asking up to $1 09, while the highest bids are not more than $1 08. Manitoba wheat and oats are held by dealers very firm. Quotations by local dealers are as follows: Ontario wheat—No. 2 mixed winter, $1 06 to $1 07; No. 2 white, $1 07 to $1 08 outside. Manitoba wheat—Spot, No. 1 northern, $1 12; No. 2 northern, $1 10, on track at lake ports, for delivery in February; No. 1 northern, $1 17½; No. 2 northern, $1 15½, all-rail. Corn—American No. 2 yellow, 74c; new No. 3 yellow, 70½c to 71c; kiln-dried No. 2 yellow, 73c; Canadian corn, 66c to 67c. Toronto freights. Oats—Canadian western, No. 2, 43c; No. 3, 42c, on track at lake ports; No. 2 western, 46c; No. 3 western, 45c, February shipment, all-rail; No. 2 white, 39c outside; No. 3 white, 37c outside, 41c to 42c on track at Toronto. Barley—No. 2, 56c to 57c; No. 3 extra, 55c; No. 3, 49c to 50c; feed barley, 48c outside; Manitoba No. 3, 57c; No. 4, 53c, on track at lake ports. Peas—New No. 2, 84c to 85c. Rye—No. 2, 67c to 68c outside. Buckwheat—No. 2, 52c to 53c outside. Manitoba flour—Quotations at Toronto are: First patents, $5 70; second patents, $5 20; strong bakers, $5; 90 per cent patents, Glasgow freights, 29s. Ontario flour—Winter wheat patents, for export, $4 20 to $4 25, in buyers' sacks outside. Millfeed—Manitoba bran, $22 50 to $23 per ton; shorts, $23 50 to $24, on track at Toronto; Ontario bran, $23; shorts, $24, on track at Toronto.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 11.—Wheat—Spot dull; No. 2 red western winter, no stock; futures steady; March, 8s 1⅞d; May, 7s 11⅞d; July, 7s 11d. Corn—Spot steady; new American mixed, 5s 6½d; old American mixed, 5s 8½d; futures dull; March, 5s 6¾d. Beef—Extra India mess firm, 97s 6d. Linseed Oil—Dull, 34s 6d.

TORONTO, Feb. 11.	Ask.	Bid.
B. C. Packers A	77	..
B. C. Packers B	76	..
Bell Telephone	..	145
Can. Gen. Electric	117¼	..
Canadian Salt	..	112
C. P. R.	..	179
City Dairy, com.	..	30
City Dairy pfd.	..	97
Consumers' Gas	..	205¾
Crow's Nest	..	76
Detroit United	66¼	..
Dom. Coal com	..	85½
Dom. Steel com.	69	68¾
Dom. Telegraph	..	108½
Electric Dev. pfd.	..	50
Laurentide Paper com.	..	132
Laurentide Paper pfd.	..	130
Mackay com	89	88¾
Mackay pfd.	..	75½
Mexican L. & P.	..	72
M. St. P. & S. S. M.	..	136
Niagara Nav.	135½	..
Northern Nav.	108	..
N. S. Steel com.	..	70
Ogilvie com.	139	137
Penman com.	61½	61
Penman pfd.	..	87
Porto Rico Ry.	..	34
Rio Janiero Tram.	95	94
R. & O. Nav.	..	94¼
Rogers com	180	178
Rogers pfd.	112	..
Sao Paulo Tram	148¾	148
Shredded Wheat com.	43½	42
Shredded Wheat pfd.	100¾	..
St. L. & C. Nav.	119	..
Toronto Railway	..	123½
Tri City pfd.	..	93
Twin City	113	112¾
Winnipeg Ry	180	..
Crown Reserve	380	..
Ottawa Bank	..	209
Royal Bank	..	230
Standard Bank	..	231
Traders' Bank	145	144½
Union Bank	..	140
Agricultural Loan	..	120
Canada Landed	..	160
Can. Permanent	..	165
Central Canada	180	..
Colonial Invest.	68	..
Dom. Savings	..	71½
Hamilton Provident	130	128
Huron & Erie	..	193
Huron & Erie, 20 per cent.	..	182
Landed Banking	..	130
London & Canadian	112	..
National Trust	198	194
Ontario Loan	..	142
Ontario Loan, 20 per cent.	..	127½
Real Estate	..	100
Toronto Gen. Trusts	170	166
Toronto Mortgage	..	120
Electric Development	83	82¾
Mexican L. & P.	88	..
Rio Janiero bonds	95⅛	95
Sao Paulo bonds	101	100
Porto Rico bonds	..	83½

Morning Sales: Sao Paulo, 50 at 147⅝, 50 at 148; Mackay, preferred, 25 and 5 at 76½; Dominion Steel, 100 and 50 at 69, 25 and 25 at 69⅛; Black Lake, 25 and 25 at 20½; Rio, 50 at 94½; do, bonds, 1000 and 14,000 at 95; Trethewey, 200 at 1.38; Soo, 25 at 137½; F. N. Burt, 10 at 70¼; do, preferred, 10 and 50 at 96½, 117, 7, 52 and 50 at 97; N. S. Steel, 25 at 78½, 50 at 78¾, 50, 15, 25 and 25 at 79; La Rose, 50 at 4.20; Penmans, 50 at 61⅛, 25 and 25 at 61¼, 25 at 61½; Mexico Northwestern Railway, 50 and 50 at 51; Duluth-Superior, 25 and 7 at 68; Mexican L. and P., 100 and 100 at 72¼; Bank of Nova Scotia, 10, 5 and 5 at 283½; Dominion Bank, 8 at 245, 25 and 65 at 244⅞; Dominion Coal, 25 and 75 at 85½, 10 and 10 at 85¾; Electrical Development, bnods, 1000 at 83; Winnipeg, 10 at 178¼; Canada Salt, 50 at 110; General Electric, 16 and 5 at 116.

Ex-dividend: Canadian Bank of Commerce, 2¼ per cent; Bank of Montreal, 2½ per cent.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11—Noon. Reported by C. N. Spencer, Stockbroker, Market Lane, for The Advertiser.

	Open.	High.	Low.	2 p.m.
Amal. Copper	74¼	76½	73⅞	76½
Anaconda Copper	49	50¾	49	50¾
American Sugar	121	121	120	120
Amer. Locomotive	49	..	..	..
American Foundry	59½	60¼	59½	60¼
American Refining	80⅛	83	80⅛	83
Atchison, com.	114¼	114⅝	113⅞	114¼
Baltimore & Ohio	110⅞	111¼	110⅞	111¼
Brooklyn Transit	71	72	70¾	72
Canadian Pacific	180	..	..	..
Chesapeake & Ohio	81¾	82⅞	81½	82⅝
Chicago & G. W.	30	..	..	..
Consolidated Gas	143	144	143	143⅝
Col. Fuel & Iron	36⅛	36⅞	36⅛	36⅞
Chicago & N. W.	154¾	154¾	154½	154½
Distillers	30½	30¾	30½	30⅝
Erie, com.	44¼	44¾	44¼	44¾
G. Northern, pfd.	136¼	136⅜	136¼	136⅜
Illinois Central	141½	..	..	..
Inter-Metropolitan	20⅛	..	..	..
Inter-Met., pfd.	50	..	..	..
Kansas & Texas	41½	41¾	41½	41⅝
Louisville & Nash	147¼	148¾	147¼	148¾
Missouri Pacific	69	69½	69	69¼
New York Central	118¼	119¼	118¼	119¼
Northern Pacific	136	136½	135⅞	136¼
Norfolk & Western	102	102½	101½	101¾
National Lead	79	80½	79	80½
Ontario & Western	44¾	..	..	..
Pacific Mail	50	..	..	..
Pennsylvania	131⅞	132	131⅞	132¼
People's Gas	108⅞	109¼	108⅞	109¼
Pressed Steel Car	39¼	..	..	..
Reading	160¾	162⅝	160¼	162½
Republic Steel	36½	37¼	36½	37¼
Rock Island	46¼	47½	46¼	47⅜
Rock Island, pfd.	83½	85	83½	85
Southern Railway	27½	27½	27⅜	27½
Southern Ry., pfd.	64	..	..	..
Southern Pacific	123⅞	124⅞	123⅞	124⅞
St. Paul	143½	144⅜	143⅛	144⅛
Texas Pacific	29	..	..	..
Union Pacific	182¼	183¾	181⅞	183½
Central Leather	39	39½	39	39½
U. S. Rubber	39⅝	41¼	39⅝	41⅛
U. S. Steel	78⅛	79..	77⅞	79⅜
U. S. Steel, pfd.	119⅜	119⅝	119	119⅝
Wabash, com.	20⅜	21	20⅜	21
Wabash, pfd.	44¾	46⅜	44¾	46⅜
Western Union Tel.	70¾	..	..	..

COBALT STOCK.

Special to The Advertiser from Edward Cronyn & Co., Toronto.

TORONTO, Feb. 11.—Noon quotations on the Standard Mining Exchange were: Beaver, 33½; Chambers-Ferland, 35½; Crown Reserve, 3.60; Cobalt Lake, 21¼; Coniagas, 5.50; Foster, 27; Green-Meehan, 9; Kerr Lake, 8.87; La Rose, 4.25; Little Nipissing, 50¼; Nipissing, 9.95; Otisse, 11; Rochester, 20; Nova Scotia, 38; Silver Leaf, 11; Temiskaming, 60; Trethewey, 1.38.

MONTREAL, Feb. 11.	Sellers.	Buyers.
Bell Telephone	..	145
Can. Converters	48	42½
C. P. R.	180	179½
New Pacific	176	174½
Detroit Electric	63½	62¼
Dom. Coal, com.	85½	85⅜
Dom. Coal, pfd.	114½	113½
Dom. Steel, com.	69	68¾
Dom. Steel, pfd.	136	135¼
Halifax Electric	124	120
Illinois Traction	92	91½
Lake of Woods, com.	143	141
Laurentide Paper	..	128
Laurentide, pfd.	..	130
MacKay, com.	..	88
MacKay, pfd.	..	76
Minn. and St. Paul	138¼	138⅛
Montreal Light and Power	133½	133
Montreal Street	222	221
Montreal Steel Works	99¾	99
Montreal Steel, pfd.	120	109
Montreal Telegraph	..	145
N. S. Steel	79⅜	79¼
Ogilvie Mill	..	138
Ogilvie Mill, pfd.	128	..
R and O.	95¾	94⅞
Rio de Janiero	94¾	94
Sao Paulo	146½	..
Toronto Railway	125	124½
Twin City	112½	..
Bank of B. N. A.	150	149
Eastern Townships Bank	163	..
Merchants Bank	180	..
Bank of Montreal	256	255
Bank of Nova Scotia	284	283
Royal Bank	232¼	..
Bank of Toronto	220	214
Union Bank	..	142
Traders Bank	147	144
Canada Cotton	56½	55
Dom. Textile, pfd.	103¼	102¾
Montreal Cotton	135	133
Bonds—Colored Cotton	100½	100
Dom. Coal	99	98½
Dom. Steel	94	..
Lake of Woods	111¼	..
Laurentide Paper	110	108
Mexican E. L. Co.	83½	80
Mex. L. and P.	98½	97¾
Montreal Street	100½	98½
Price Bros	..	105
Rio de Janiero	95½	..
Textile, Series A	95	..
Textile, Series B	..	97
Penman	61¾	61⅜
Reserve	370	369
Rubber, com.	98	95
Rubber, pfd.	119	..
Textile, com.	73	72⅝
Asbestos, com.	30	29
Asbestos, pfd.	95	94
Black Lake, com.	21	20½
Black Lake, pfd.	64	62½
Superior	68	67¼
Ottawa Power	110	109
Loan and Mortgage	151	150
Porto Rico	34½	..
Ogilvie Bonds	..	112½
Black Lake Bonds	80	79¼

Morning Sales: Iron, common, 100 and 125 at 68⅝, 25 at 68¾, 300 and 200 at 65¾, 100, 50 and 25 at 68¾, 225, 25, 25 and 150 at 68⅞, 100 at 69; Mexican, 25 at 73; Soo, common, 75 at 134½, 25 at 134¾, 25 at 136¼, 100 at 136½, 50 at 136¾, 25 at 136⅞, 25 at 137, 25 at 137¼, 25 at 137½, 25, 75, 50 and 25 at 138, 175 and 150 at 138¼, 25 at 137½; Black Lake, 50 at 20¼; C. P. R., new, 4-10 at 178; Superior, 25 at 67¾; Rio, 25 at 95; Illinois, 25 at 90¾, 25 at 91; Shawinigan, 85 at 90½, 25 at 90¾; Toronto Railway, 20 at 125, 50 at 124¾; R. and O., 141 at 95; Textile, preferred, 5 at 102, 25 at 103; Woods, preferred, 150 at 126; Packers, B, 50 at 73; Laurentide, 10 at 130; Penmans, common, 206 at 60, 25 at 60⅝, 25 at 60¾, 25, 15 and 25 at 62½, 200 at 61¾, 25 at 62, 75, 62, 10 and 50 at 61¼, 25 at 62¼, 50 at 62, 200 at 61½, 100 at 61¾; Textile, common, 100 at 72, 50 at 72⅛, 50 at 72¼, 20 at 72⅞, 25 at 72½; Reserve, 25 at 3.60; Iron, preferred, 25 at 125½; Scotia, 10 at 187¾, 125 at 79, 50 at 79⅛, 5 and 50 at 79, 200 at 79⅛, 100 at 79¾, 200 at 79½, 100 at 79⅝; Molsons Bank, 21 at 210; Rio, bonds, 5,000 at 82½; Iron, bonds, 6000 at 94¾; Textile, bonds, 1000 at 95.

By private wire to H. C. Becher, London, from Harris, Winthrop & Co.

New York, Wall Street, Feb. 11.—Noon.—The market has been very firm all morning, with stocks wanted on all reactions. The tone in London was generally cheerful on easier money, and improving sentiment on the continent. The holiday tomorrow may cause a good deal of short covering before the close. Talk of six per cent on Norfolk before long. Sales to noon, 417,000.

A FIFTH COMMISSION

French-Canadian To Be on Board of the Intercolonial.

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—Within a short time a fifth commissioner will be appointed to the Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railway board of management. The present board is said to be working well, but there are some further adjustments of duties, and this will involve the appointment of another man. It is understood that the new member of the board will be a French-Canadian.

Too Late to Classify.

LOST, FRIDAY MORNING—GENTLEMAN'S small silver watch, wrapped in tissue paper. Reward at 565 Talbot street. 100u

LOST—FOXTERRIER; ANSWERS TO name of "Midge"; on Central avenue. Finder will be rewarded on returning to 641 Waterloo, or phone 2211. 100u

A HORSE DEAL AIRED IN COURT

Mare Sold to a St. Thomas Man Brings About a Lawsuit.

There was a sitting of the first division court this morning before Judge Macbeth.

A case of some interest arose over a horse sold by Philip A. Cheevers, of this city, the plaintiff, to George T. Stewart, of St. Thomas, for $75. Decision was reserved.

According to the evidence presented, Mr. Stewart came to the city and bought the horse, and was going to drive it back to St. Thomas, but as the mare was in foal, the plaintiff offered to deliver it at the Traction Company station, and pay the freight on it to St. Thomas. This was done, and Mr. Cheevers received word of its safe arrival.

George Schwartz, an employee of the defendant, testified that the mare had been kept some time, and had been driven occasionally. Then for some reason it was returned to its former owner. But Mr. Stewart had sent George Schwartz up to London to sign for the horse at the station, with the result that the plaintiff had neither the horse nor the money now, and is consequently suing for the purchase price.

Mr. George S. Gibbons, for the defendant, introduced an affidavit, stating that the transaction had taken place in St. Thomas, and that almost all the witnesses resided there, and requested that the action be tried there, instead of London. His honor, however, refused to receive the affidavit, and after the case had been argued at some length, reserved his decision to permit the presentation of points of law.

LATE LOCAL NEWS

Tour of Inspection.

Mr. M. S. Blaikiock, of Montreal, enginer of maintenance of ways for the Grand Trunk, was in the city this morning making his usual tour of inspection.

Lads Given a Warning.

Some lads who appeared before Magistrate Love this norning for acting in a disorderly manner by annoying a South London resident, were allowed to go with a warning.

Mrs. Gould Dead.

Mrs. Priscilla Gould, relict of the late Samuel Gould, died at Poplar Hill yesterday. Mrs. Gould was 75 years old. The funeral, which will be of a private nature, will be held on Saturday.

Miss Lydia Hobbs Dead.

The death occurred in Toronto yesterday of Miss Lydia E. Hobbs, the youngest daughter of the late Dr. Hobbs, of this city. The remains will arrive in London tomorrow, and interment will be made here.

Funeral of James Piper.

The funeral of James Piper was held on Wednesday afternoon from his late residence on Tecumseh avenue to Mount Pleasant Cemetery, and was of a private nature. The services were conducted by Rev. E. H. Peatfield, of the First Congregational Church, assisted by Rev. H. A. Graham, of the Wellington Street Methodist Church, and Rev. Mr. Sinker, of the High Street Mission.

Car Off the Track.

The Grand Trunk auxiliary was called to Ingersoll this morning to replace a car which, owing to snow and ice, had jumped the track at a switch in one of the sidings. The car was soon replaced and no delay to traffic was caused.

Wages Case in court.

The case of John H. Chatterson, of London Township, who is suing William H. Wyatt, of the same township, for the balance of the wages said to be due him, was opened before Squire Chittick at 3 o'clock this afternoon. It has not yet been decided.

Sickness in the City.

Scarlet fever and diphtheria is steadily increasing in the city, and at the present time there are 21 cases of the fever and 11 diphtheria patients in the contagious wards at Victoria Hospital. The other wards are all well filled, and physicians state that there is a great deal of sickness in the city for this season of the year.

Sunday Appointments.

The Huron College Sunday appointments are as follows: Courtright, C. C. Brett; Innerkip and Eastwood, W. G. Blackwell; Hanover, W. H. Robarts; St. James', assisting the dean, E. Hawkins; Port Dover, K. Alexander; Dresden, J. Tully; Newmarket and Wardsville, J. Cartlidge; St. Thomas, assisting Archdeacon Hill, N. Ward; London Township, A. L. G. Clarke; Lambeth and Chelsea Green, S. McDonnell; St. David's Mission, A. D. Curry; Church of the Redeemer, Adelaide street, H. B. Ashby; Norwich, A. F. H. Cree; Aged People's Home, R. Buchanan; St. Mark's, Pottersburg, H. C. Light.

Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Steele and son Clare have left for a two months' trip through the State of Florida.

Miss Alice Hart, of Ingersoll, has returned home from a visit with Mrs. O. Deacon, of Cathcart street.

Miss Ida Bennett, 716 Colborne street, was the recipient of a handkerchief shower last night from a number of her friends upon the eve of her departure for an extended trip to points in California. Mrs. J. H. Bennett and Miss Bennett leave on Monday.

Miss Rae Noble, of Strathroy, is visiting friends in this city.

A 'bus party of young people from London were entertained at the home of Mr. Charles Marshall, The Gore, Monday evening. The party broke up at an early hour after spending an enjoyable evening in music and games.

Miss Ada Parsons, 65 High street, is visiting with Miss Gladys Malcolm, "Cedar Villa," Littlewood.

Miss Addie Palmer, of Aylmer, is spending a few days with friends in London.

PASSENGER HURT IN "PAY AS YOU LEAVE"

Accident in Which Mr. Henry C. Greene Was Injured on Street Car.

While getting into the "pay-as-you-leave" car at the corner of Richmond and Dundas streets last evening, Mr. Henry C. Greene, of 571 Dundas street, was thrown against the iron bars when the car started suddenly. He was painfully bruised by the jolt, and when examined by Dr. John D. Wilson it was discovered that one rib was fractured. He will be around in a few days.

EAST LONDON

SIGNING A PETITION FOR A FIRE ENGINE

East End People Are Determined to Have One in No. 2 Station.

The petition being circulated in the east end requesting the city council to place a fire engine in No. 2 hall is being largely signed, and already about a hundred businessmen have added their signatures.

It is understood that a recommendation will be made by the men backing the petition that the engine now in use in the central station be placed in No. 2 hall, and a larger one secured for the central part of the city.

A move is also on foot to have a light ladder truck placed in one of the east end halls. The truck at the central has a long run to the east end and is usually several minutes behind the other apparatus. There are no ladders at either No. 2 or No. 5, and a single horse truck would provide that section of the city with equipment that would be good for several years.

ENJOYABLE RECEPTION

Held at Home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sager.

A most enjoyable reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sager, 728 York street, on Wednesday evening, at which Mr. and Mrs. McDonald, of Griswold, Manitoba, who are home on a visit, were the guests of honor. Mr. McDonald is Mrs. Sager's brother. The evening passed very pleasantly in a social manner, and before the gathering came to an end a dainty supper was served. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Murdy, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Lutz, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. McLeod, Mr. and Mrs. Meters, Mr. and Mrs. Link, Mr. and Mrs. Eddy, and Miss Kathleen Meters.

CENTENNIAL CHOIR WAS BANQUETTED

The choir of the Centennial Methodist Church was banquetted in the schoolroom last evening by the Ladies' Aid Society, the trustee board and the quarterly officials board, about 150 being present.

Rev. G. N. Hazen, pastor of the church, presided, and spoke of the good work of the choir under the direction of Mr. Bert Weir, the leader. Rev. W. L. Wickett also gave an address.

Solos were rendered by Messrs. Blythe and Taylor.

Mr. Weir responded in behalf of the choir, while Mr. Richards spoke for the male chorus.

A PRETTY WEDDING IN KING ST. MANSE

A pretty wedding was solemnized at the manse of the King Street Presbyterian Church this afternoon at two o'clock, when Miss Nellie Henderson Wilson, of this city, was married to Mr. George Walker, of Sinclair, Man., the ceremony being performed by Rev. James Rollins.

The bride was attended by Miss Christina Gray and the groom by Mr. Robert S. Lindsay.

They will leave in a few days to take up their residence in the west.

A. O. F. MEETING.

A special meeting of the Ancient Order of Foresters has been called for Tuesday, March 1, in Foresters' Hall, at the corner of Dundas and English streets, when Mr. Walter Richards, sen., will be presented with a past high chief ranger's jewel, Mr. Richards having held the position of H. C. R. for four years.

The presentation will be made by H. C. R. J. W. Young, of Hamilton, and District Chief Ranger Frank Ball will occupy the chair. Permanent Secretary W. Williams, of Toronto, will also be present.

A SLEIGHRIDE.

The members of the Sunday school of King Street Presbyterian Church were treated to a sleighride yesterday afternoon and evening. About 55 of the young scholars were taken around the city from 4:30 till 6 o'clock, while the seniors were given an outing from 7:30 till 9.

FRANCIS BIBLE CLASS

The Annual Meeting Held Last Night and Officers Elected.

The annual meeting of the Francis Bible Class of the Empress Avenue Methodist Sunday school was held last night at the home of Mr. Alf. Mitcheltree, 130 W