## FRIENDS PREVAILED

A Nervous Toronto Woman Walked the Floor During the Night for Hours at a Time-She Makes a Statement.

TORONTO, ONT .- "I was troubled with nervousness. It was impossible for me to keep still and if the spells came over me during the night I had to get up and walk the floor for hours at a time. My blood was very poor and I was subject to bilious attacks. My feet would swell and I was not able to do my own housework. I treated with two of the best physicians here but only received relief for a time. I became discouraged. One day a friend called and advised me to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. I laughed at the advice but I was prevailed upon and procured one bottle. Before I used it all I began to feel better. I took several bottles and also several boxes of Hood's Pills. Now I can eat and drink heartily and sleep soundly. Hood's Sarsaparilla has entirely cured me and also strengthened me so that I now do all my own work. I cheerfully recommend Hood's Sarsaparilla to all sufferers from nervousness, weakness or general debility." Mrs. H. F. PARM, Degrassi Street.

Hood's Pills cure Liver Ills: easy to take,

Mining Stocks.

| Toronto, Feb. 14. — Following are closing quotations on the Toronto M | ining and   |
|---|-------------|
| Industrial Exchange:  |             |
| <b>▲</b> 8ke  | d. Bid.     |
| Decca   | 20          |
| Folor 10  |             |
| Hammond Reef  | 441/4       |
| Hiawatha. 25  | 24          |
| Superior G. and C. Co   | 8           |
| Sawbill   | 30          |
| Cariboo   | 17914       |
| Minnehaha 35  | 321/2       |
| Minnehaha   | 94          |
| Cariboo Hydraune 8  | 6           |
|   | 81/2        |
|   | 56          |
|   | 51          |
|   | 97          |
|   |             |
|   | 12          |
|   | 100         |
| Old Ironsides   | 80          |
| Knoh Hill   |             |
| Dundee  | 311/2       |
| Noble Five  | 271/2       |
| Parna   | 365         |
| Dambler Cariboo Con   | 32          |
| Crow's Nest Pass Cosl   | 00 53.00    |
| Two Friends 10  | J           |
| Van Anda  | 33/4        |
| Rig Three   |             |
| Commande:   |             |
| Deer Park   |             |
| Evening Star  |             |
| (ijant  |             |
| Good Hope 3   |             |
| Iron Horse  | 16          |
| 1ron Colt 11  |             |
| Iron Mask 81  |             |
| Montreal Red Mountain 23  |             |
| Monte Cristo 10   | 91/2        |
| Northern Belle  | 1/2         |
| Novelty   | 1/2 31/2    |
| Silver Bell Con   |             |
| St. Elmo  | 31/2        |
| Virginia  | 45          |
|   |             |
| Victory-Triumph. 10<br>War Eagle Con                                  | 345         |
| White Bear  | 35/         |
| B. C. Gold Fields   |             |
| Can. G. F. S  |             |
| Call Hills  | 5           |
| Gold Hills  |             |
| SALES - Afternoon - Hammond   | 500 at 441/ |
| 14%; 500 at 44; 500 at 44%; 500, 500,                                 | 56%. Cari   |
| Coldon Stor IIII all Links 2.000 av                                   | 500 at 39   |

Golden Star, 100, 500, 1,000, 2,000 at 56%. Cariboo, 100, 100 at 180. Minnehaha, 500, 500 at 32; 600 at 32; 4. Waterloo, 1,000 at 10½. Smuggler, 250 at 8½: 100, 1,500, 500 1,000 at 8¾. Noble Five, 1,000 at 28; 1,000 at 28¾. Poer Park, 500, 500 at 17. White Bear, 1,000 at 3¾; 1,000 at 3½. B. C. Gold Fields, 500 at 5¾.

# Geo. McBean & Son.

We are open for offers of GRAIN, FLOUR and MILLFEED. If offering please state quantities and lowest prices.

| O. BOX 807 MONTREAL          |
|------------------------------|
| l ocal Market.               |
| London, Wednesday, Feb. 15.  |
| Wheat, new, per bu69c to 69c |
| Wheat, white fall69c to 69c  |
| eas, per bu54c to 63c        |
| ats per bu                   |
| orn, per bu44c to 45c        |
| arley, per bu                |
| uckwheat, per bu             |

WEEKLY-

This week's deliveries of grain have been very light. The result is, oats have been considerably higher, the usual price being 90c, with 91c to 92c, occasionally. Wheat was steady at \$1 15.

Corn sold at 75c to 80c for flint. Barley brought 90c to \$1. Beans were scarce and sold at 75c by the load for choice stock. Rye sold for \$1 at private sale.

Eggs and butter were much firmer. Poultry scarce.

Meats were barely steady, the supoly was good and the demand slow. Potatoes were scarce at 70c to 90c.

| TT  | - 07   |          |       |
|---|--------|----------|-------|
| Hay was slow at \$6 50 t  | 0 \$1. |          | do.   |
| Quotations:   | -1015  |          |       |
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| GRAIN.  |        | -        |       |
| Wheat, white, fall, per 100 lb: 1   | 15     | (4)      | 1 15  |
| Wheat, red, fall, per 100 lbs 1   | 15     | (0)      | 1 15  |
| Wheat nring her like ins  |        | 9        |       |
| Oats, per 100 lbs. Peas, per 100 lbs. Corn, per 100 lbs.  | 90     | 6        | 1 00  |
| Door now 100 lbs  | 90     | @        | 00    |
| Company 100 lbs   |        | 0        | 80    |
| Corn, per 100 108   | 70     |          |       |
| Barley per 100 lbs  | 82     | @        | 1 00  |
| Rve per 100 lbs   | 85     | •        | 85    |
| Bean, s per buPROVISIONS.   |        | @        |       |
| PROVISIONS.   |        |          |       |
| Honey, comb   | 9      | 0        | 12    |
| Honey, como   | 7      | 4        | 10    |
| Honey, extracted  |        |          |       |
| Cheese, per lb  | 10     | 0        | 12    |
| Eggs, single dozen  | 20     | 0        | 22    |
|   | 17     | (0       | 18    |
| Hoges per dozen, basket, p'kd.  | 14     | (0)      | 14    |
| Fore fresh store lots dog   | 00     | @        | 00    |
| Duston nor lb retail  | 18     | (0)      | 20    |
| Eggs, fresh, basket, dozen.  Eggs, per dozen, basket, p'kd.  Eggs, fresh, store lots, doz  Butter, per lb, retail  Butter, pound rolls, baskets  Butter, bl large rolls or crocks |        |          |       |
| Butter, pound rolls, baskets  | 15     | (t       | 16    |
|   | 14     | (a       | 15    |
| Butter, per lb, tubs or firkins.  | 10     | æ        | 14    |
| 7 l month   | 9      | 60       | 10    |
| VEGETABLES AND  | FRI    | TI       |       |
| Describbe non des   | 50     | @        | 1 00  |
| Pumpkins, per doz   |        |          | 90    |
| Potatoes, per bag   | 70     | (0       |       |
| Apples, per bag   |        | 0        |       |
| Apples per basket   |        | (0)      |       |
| Apples, per barrel  |        | 0        |       |
| Beets, per dozen bunches  | 20     | (0)      | 20    |
| Beets, per dozen banenes  | 60     | (4       | 90    |
| Onions, per bu  |        |          | 50    |
| Celery, per doz bunches   | 40     | (0)      |       |
| Turnips, per bag  | 25     |          | 30    |
| Carrots, per bu   | 123    | 2 6      | 25    |
| Turnips, per bag  | 49     | 0        | 50    |
| a diships, per general  |        |          |       |
| LIVE STOCK  |        | -22      |       |
| Young pigs, per pair  | 2.00   | .0       | 3 50  |
| Cows age 1  | 00 00  | (4       | 40 00 |
| Beef, per ib  | 21/    | @        | 4     |
| Hoge light per 100 lbs  | 3 90   | 0        | 4 00  |
| Hogs heavy, per 100 lbs   | 9 50   | (4       | 5 00  |
| Hogs neavy, per 100 los   | 0 50   | a        | 4 00  |
| Pigs, young, per pair   | 2 50   | 0.000000 |       |
| Sows, per 100   | 3 25   | @        | 3 50  |
| Dutcks per pair   | 50     | @        | 25    |
| Chickens, per pair  | 30     | 0        | 40    |
| Hen per pair  | 40     | (0       | 50    |
| DAV AND SEE   | DS     |          |       |
| Classical Mark Mark District  | 6 50   |          | 7 50  |
| Hay, per ton. Straw, per load. MEAT, HIDES. Beef, front quarters, per lb Beef, hind quarters, per lb  | 0 50   |          | 2 50  |
| Buraw, per load   | 2 30   |          | 4 00  |
| MEAT, HIDES.  | FIC    |          |       |
| Boef, front quarters, per lb  | 4      | 4 @      | 5     |
| Beef, hind quarters, per lb   | . 5    | 16 Q     | 61    |
| Mutton, quarters, per 16  | 5      |          | 6     |
| Veal, quarters, per lb  |        | 4 0      |       |
| Lamb quarter  |        | @        | 9     |
| Dressed hogs, 100 lbs, light  | 5 00   | e        | 5 50  |
| Dressed Hogs, no los, light   | 3 00   | a        | 5 (0) |
| Dressed hogs By IDS, heavy .  | 1 00   |          |       |
| Hides, No. 1, per ib  | 7      | 1 (0)    | 17    |
| Hides, No. 1, per lb  | 6      | 2 0      | 63    |
| Hides, No. 3, per lb  | 5      | 4 (0     | 51    |
| Colfekina organ   |        | 8 @      | 0     |
| Calfskins, green. Wool, washed, per lb. Wool, unwashed, per lb  | 8 5    | 5 @      | 15    |
| wool, washed, per lo  | 10 B   |          |       |
| wool, unwashen, per lb  |        | 9 100    | **    |

The Oil Market. FITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 15.—Oil opened \$1 15. PETROLIA, Feb. 14-Oil opened and closed

American Markets.

American Markets.

CHICAGO, Feb. 14. — The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—May. 72½¢ to 72½¢; July, 71½¢. Corn—May, 37¢ to 37½¢; July, 26½¢ to 26¾¢. Pork—May, \$10 02½. Lard—May, \$5 65; July, \$5 75; Sept., \$5 87½. Ribs—May, \$5 02½; July, \$5 75; Sept., \$5 87½. Ribs—May, \$5 02½; July, \$5 12½; Sept., \$5 25. Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, quiet and unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, 67¢ to 71½¢; No. 3 spring wheat, 65¢ to 71c; No. 2 red. 730 to 74¢. No. 2 corn, 35½¢ to 35½¢; No. 2 yfilow, 35½¢ to 36¢. No. 2 oats, 23½¢; No. 2 white, 30½¢ to 31½¢; No. 3 white, 30½¢ to 31½°, No. 2 harley, 41¢ to 51½¢. No. 1 flax-seed, \$1 17; Northwest, \$1 20½¢ to \$1 20½¢. Frime timothy seed, \$2 40. Pork, \$9 85 to \$9 90. Lard, \$5 47½ to \$5 50. Short ribs, \$4 70 to \$4 90. Shoulders, 4½¢ to 4½¢. Short clear sides, \$6 05 to \$5 10. Sugars, unchanged. Cloverseed—Contract grade, \$6 50. Eggs, firm: fresh, 25¢ to 25¢.

Cloverseed—Contract grade, \$5 30. Eggs, htm.
fresh, 25c to 25c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 26.000 barrels; wheat,
150,000 bushels; corn, 875,000 bushels; oats,
196,000 bushels; rye, 1,000 bushels; barley,
60,400 bushels.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 19,000 barrels: wheat,
11,000 bushels; corn, 436,000 bushels; oats,
296,000 bushels; rye, 1,000 bushels; barley,
27,000 bushels.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY. New York, Feb. 14.-The statement of the visible supply of grain in store and afloat on Saturday, Feb. 11, 1899, as compiled by the New York Produce Exchange, is as follows: Wheat, 30,-166,000 bushels—increase, 2.177,000 bushels; corn, 30,574,000 bushels—increase, 2,366,000 bushels; oats, 7,150,000 bushels—increase, 112,000 bushels; rye, 1,587,-000 bushels-increase, 20,000 bushels; barley, 2,922,000 bushels-decrease, 289,-

000, bushels. English Markets. Ruling prices for the past four market days— The following table shows the quotations per cental at Liverpool for the three previous market days. In the case of wheat highest

|                   | Feb. |      | Feb.  <br>11. |     | Feb. 18. |       | Feb. |       |
|-------------------|------|------|---------------|-----|----------|-------|------|-------|
| WHEAT             |      |      |               |     |          |       |      |       |
| Red Winter        |      | 0.   | 6             | 0   | 6        | 0     | 6    | 0     |
| No. 1 Nor. Spring |      | 10%  |               | 10% |          | 101/2 |      | 115   |
| Nc. 1 Cal         |      |      | 6             | 8   | 6        | 8     | 6    | 8     |
| March             | 5    | 734  | 5             | 734 | 5        | 838   | 5    | 814   |
| May               | 5    | 734  | 5             | 756 |          | 81/4  | 5    | 834   |
| CORN-             |      | 1    |               |     |          |       |      |       |
| New               | 3    | 71/2 | 3             | 7   | 3        | 71/4  | 3    | 71/4  |
| Old               | 8    | 73/  |               | 8   | 3        | 8     | 3    | 84    |
| March             |      |      |               | 536 |          | 53/4  | 3    | 64    |
| May               | 1 -  |      |               | 53% |          |       | 3    | 6     |
|                   |      |      | 19            | 0   | 19       | 0     | 18   | 9     |
| Flour<br>Peas     | 1    |      |               | 6%  |          | 91%   |      | 95    |
| Peas              | 4    |      | 50            | 0   | 50       |       | 150  | 0     |
| Lard              |      |      | 28            | 9   | 28       |       | 28   | 9     |
| Tallar            | 99   |      | 23            |     | 23       |       | 23   |       |
| Tallow            | 97   | 0    | 27            | 6   | 27       |       | 27   | 6     |
| Bacon, light      | 140  |      | 49            |     | 49       |       | 49   |       |
| Cheese, white     | 126  | 0    |               | 0   |          |       | 49   | 0     |
| Cheese, colored   |      |      | 149           |     | 149      | X 7   | 197  | 10.00 |
| Wheat-Spot du     | ver  | pool | , F           | eb. | 15-      | -1:30 | D.   | m.    |

8d; No. 1 red northern spring, 3s 11d; spot No. 2 red western winter, 6s. 2 red western winter. 6s.
Corn—Spot easy; American mixed, new. 3s
63/d; do old, 3s 8d; futures, steady; Jan., old.
3s 10d; March, 3s 53/d; May, 3s 53/d.
Flour—St. Louis fancy winter, dull, 7s 6d.
Peas—Canadian. 5s 91/d.
Beef—Dull; extra India mess, 65s; prime
mess. 60s.

Beef—Dull; extra India mess, 65s; prime mess, 60s.

Pork—Dull; prime mess, fine western, 50s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs, firm, 26s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, steady, 27s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs, steady, 28s; long clear middles, light, 35 to 38 lbs, steady, 28s 6d; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs, dull, 27s 6d; clear belies, 14 to 16 lbs, firm, 35s.

Lard—Prime western, dull, 28s 9d.

Butter—Finest United States, 36s; good, 65s.

Cheese—American, steady, finest white 49s; do colored, 49s.

Tallow—Prime city, 23s.

Turpentine spirits—32s.

Rosin—Common, 4s.

Petroleum—Refined, 6s 3d.

Linseed oil—18s 6d.

Cottonseed oil—Liverpool refined, 15s 6d.

BIRD SEED

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Dairy Markets. MONTREAL, Feb. 13.-Cheese, 9c to western, 14c to 15c.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.-Butter firm; tion creamery, 13c to 171/2c; state dairy, 13c to 20c; ereamery, 16c to 211/2c. Cheese firm; light skims, 8c to 9c; part skims, 7c to 8c; full skims, 3c to 4c; large colored, 101/2c; small colored, 11c to

CHICAGO, Feb.14.—Butter firm; creameries, 14c to 22c; dairies, 111/2c to 18c. Cheese steady; creameries, 9%c to 11c. Live . took Markets.

EAST BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 14 .-Cattle-There were 21 loads on sale; of the offerings were sold. Calves were in fair demand, and sold about up to choice, \$7 to \$7 50. Sheep and lambs-The offerings were 38 loads; prices were on a lower basis of \$5 05 to \$5 15. with a few sales at \$5 20, and the trade was about steady; lambs, choice to extra, \$5 10 to \$5 15; good to choice, \$5 to \$5 10; fair to good, \$4 75 to \$5; sheep, choice to extra, \$4 25 to \$4 50; good to choice, \$4 to \$4 25. Hogs-The trade is fairly active on the start, with 62 loads on sale; the basis of prices was lower, but they were all cleaned up, and compared with other markets our position was superior to any of them; heavy were quotable at \$4 25; medium, \$4 20 to \$4 25; Yorkers, \$4 20

to \$4 25; pigs, \$4 20; roughs, \$3 60 to \$3 85; stags, \$2 75 to \$3 75.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Beeves—Receipts none; no trading; feeling firm on expected light receipts Wednesday; cable firm; no shipments today. Calves -Receipts, 56; market firmer; veals, \$6 to \$8 75; no southern or western calves. Sheep and lambs-Receipts, 2,624; market firmer for sheep; lambs, 15c to 25c higher; sheep, common to good, \$3 50 to \$4 55; lambs, common to prime, \$5 30 to \$6: most sales at \$5 65 to \$6. Hogs -Receipts, 1,920; feeling very firm; ordinary to prime quoted at \$4 25 to \$4 50.

TORONTO, Feb. 14.—Today's receipts at the western cattle market were 41 loads, including 100 sheep and lambs and 1,400 hogs. Last week's receipts were: Cattle, 2,804; sheep and lambs, 1,035, and hogs, 7,322. Dealers do not look for any material change in prices during Lent. Shipping cattle are quoted at from \$4 25 to \$4 75, the latter for extra good stock; choice butcher stock sold at \$4 per cwt, although some drovers were asking more: common butchers were quoted as low as 3c per lb. Sheep are quoted at from \$2 25 to \$3 35 per cwt, and lambs at from \$4 to \$450 per cwt. Calves are quoted at \$3 to \$8 per head. The run of hogs was as usual at this season of the year; the best selections are quoted at from \$4 25 to \$4 50, with light hogs quoted at \$4 to \$4 25, and heavy hogs at \$3 75. Export cattle -Choice, \$4 40 to \$4 75; light, \$4; bulls, medium export, \$3 40 to \$4; heavy export, good quality, \$3 25 to \$4; loads of good butchers and exporters mixed. \$3.75 to \$4: stockers and medium to good, \$3 25 to \$3 65; feeders, heavy, \$3 60 to \$3 75; butchers' cattle, picked lots, \$5 50 to \$4 25; good, \$3 60 to \$4; medium, \$3 to \$3 50; common, \$2 25 to \$3 50; inferior, \$2 75 to \$3. Milch cows, \$25 to \$45. Calves, each, \$3 to \$6. Sheep per cwt, \$3 to \$3 25; bucks, per cwt, \$2 2; to \$2 75; spring lambs, each, \$4 to \$4 40. Hogs-Best, \$4 40; light, \$4 25; fat, \$3 48. CHICAGO, Feb. 14.-Traders in cat-

tle bought sparingly today, and offer-ings that were not good in quality sold largely 10c higher; fancy cattle

brought \$6 to \$6 15; choice steers, \$5 50 to \$5 95 medium steers, \$4 80 to \$5 10; beef steers, \$4 15 to \$4 75; stockers and feeders, \$3 30 to \$4 75; bulls, \$2 75 to \$4 25; cows and heifers, \$3 30 to \$4; western fed steers, \$4 25 to \$4 75; Texas steers, \$3 65 to \$4 80; calves, \$5 to \$7 50. The supply of hogs exceeded the demand, and buyers found it an easy matter to force prices 5c to 10c lower; fair to choice, \$3 82½ to \$3 95; packing lots, \$3 60 to \$3 80; mixed, \$3 65 to \$3 90; butchers', \$3 70 to \$3 95; light, \$3 60 to \$3 90; pigs, \$3 35 to \$3 60. There was an active demand for sheep, and sales were at an advance of 10c for sales were at an advance of 10c for desirable offerings; poor to prime lambs, \$4 to \$5 10, the greater part selling at \$4 85 to \$5; inferior to choice sheep, \$2 50 to \$4 50, chiefly \$3 80 to \$5 50; ewes, \$3 80 to \$4; yearlings, \$4 25 Receipts-Cattle, 5,000; hogs, 39,000; sheep, 14,000.

# SHOWS BALANCE OF \$8,496.99

Annual Report of Western Fair Association Gives Great Satisfaction.

Onward March of Continued Success-Officers and Board of Directors Commended for Efficient Services.

The annual meeting of the Western Fair Association was held in the city hall this afternoon. The yearly report presented gave great satisfaction, showing the financial standing of the association to be stronger than at any previous time, reflecting the greatest credit on the directorate and the able management of Secretary T. H. Browne, who has performed his duties in an efficient and most satisfactory manner. The financial statement shows a handsome cash balance of \$8,496 99.

Following is the report submitted: Gentlemen,-The directors, in submitting their annual report of the business of the past year for your consideration have to congratulate you on the continued success which has marked the Western Fair since its inception. No more striking instance of its onward march has been recorded than is contained in the present financial statement.

On assuming office at the beginning of the year they found a balance of \$3,-154 72 in the bank, and with part of this they have been enabled, at the moderate cost of \$1,682, to add an art annex to the main building, an improvement that has been in contemplation since the exhibition was first removed to the Queen's Park. The annex has proved suitable in every way, and has added new interest to the art department, and released for other purposes much room in the main building. A large additional floor space was found absolutely necessary for the transportation building, and this was secured at the very reasonable cost of \$857 45, and the expenditure has been amply justified by the very largely increased exhibit in that department. Show cases, field tents and furniture for board room and attraction dressing rooms are the furniture and chattel expenses.

above items may be properly considered a capital expenditure apart from the ordinary running expenses of the ex-The total amount expended on these improvements is \$2,700. alteration and erection of additional swine pens, the rearrangement of the 10c. Butter-Townships, 19c to 20c; interiors of the agricultural, horticultural and main buildings, taking out the dead trees and stumps from the western creamery, 16c to 22c; do fac- inside of the horse ring, bracing the tory, 111/2c to 14c; Elgins, 22c; imita- grand stands, electric lights on grounds and in buildings, and feed for live stock, comprise the principal items charged to grounds and buildings and general expense account.

Some questions having arisen as to the stability of the grand stands, your directors had them inspected by two competent architects and two of our most reputable builders, who united in pronouncing them perfectly safe. To make assurance doubly sure additional braces were put in, and the test of occupation to the limit of their cathere was a fair demand at a decline pacity without any sign of strain has from yesterday's close, and the bulk surely removed all doubt, if there ever

Considering the exhibition in its yesterday's prices; choice to extra several departments, separately, or as were quotable at \$7 50 to \$7 75; good to a whole, one could not help remarking the decided improvement and general advancement when compared with other fairs. This result is very large ly due to the careful management of each of our committees, together with the combined efforts of the members of the association and those in their

employ.

The Western Fair is now without doubt the live stock and agricultural show of the Dominion, and is patronized more extensively by those engaged in these particular branenes of industry than any of its competitors, and owing to the largely increased attendance we are able to close our year with a cash balance in the bank of \$8,496 99.

The receipts of the exhibition being largely dependent on the attendance, and the attendance in turn upon the weather, it has long been felt that one or two rainy days would inevitably result most seriously, and that some precaution should be taken in view of such a contingency. Your directors have therefore concluded to place \$5,-000 of the above amount apart as & special or reserve to be used only in case of such a misfortune, and they rejoice to be able to accomplish this without unduly straining the resources or leaving too little from which to start the exhibition of 1899. They cannot too strongly urge upon the association and their successors on the board the necessity of maintaining this cash reserve fund, and, if possible,

adding to it. They also think the time has perhaps arrived when prizes on a more liberal scale may be offered in some of the classes, more particularly in live stock departments, in which they all take so much pride, and suggest that their successors give this subject their care-

ful consideration. It is a great pleasure to your directors to acknowledge the many courtesies extended to them, and the friendly and complimentary references by the city press and newspapers throughout Ontario, also the special rates, increased train service and other valuable assistance granted by railway managers, and they also desire to most cordially thank those who have so generously contributed to the

funds and donated special prizes. The accounts of the association have been audited, as has been customary, by Mr. G. F. Jewell, F.C.A., (auditor for the City of London), and his cer-

tificate is appended. The directors wish in closing to bear testimony to the efficient and satisfactory manner in which the officers have performed their duties.

W. M. GARTSHORE, President. The financial statement, which is a & Co.

All of which is respectfully submit-



This section of our Dress Goods Department at any time is no mean part. We've always (deservedly) had a good name for Black. At no point, however, has the present been excelled. Early shipments are to hand. The new weaves and textures are opening with a rare richness. The staple or better-known makes are opening in value greatly exceeding any previous offerings, and the balance of the present season clearing at clearing prices.

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The above and all higher grades in stock are dyed with pure Sandringham black dye, giving the highest and richest finish obtainable without injury to the fabric.



| very gratifying one, follows, presented<br>by Treasurer D. Mackenzie:  |
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| [2] P. S.  |
| RECEIPTS.  |
| Balance from 1897\$ 3,154 72   |
| Entry fees and rent of stalls 2,146 85   |
| Privileges and rent of booths.   |
| dining halls, etc 3,528 12   |
| dining halls, etc 3,528 12 Gates and grand stand re-   |
| ceipts 23,302 95   |
| Yearly permits for use of track  |
| and stalls 278 00  |
| City of London Horticultural   |
| Society grant 412 28   |
| East Middlesex Agricultural  |
| Society grant  |
| Special prizes donated 360 00  |
| Subscription, London Street  |
| Railway Company 200 00   |
| Interest from bank 95 61   |
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| Total \$33,812 52  |
| DISBURSEMENTS.   |
| Prizes, medals and judges' fees.\$9,789 99   |
| Printing, advertising and bill-  |
| posting 2,768 45   |
| Police 305 42  |
| Office expenses, postage, rent,  |
| and salaries 1,863 21  |
| Grounds and buildings, and   |
| general expenses 2,926 8   |
| Expenses, gates and ticket de-   |
| partments 391 53   |
| Expenses, live stock and poul-   |
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try departments ..... Expenses, agricultural, horticultural and dairy departments ..... Expenses, machinery and carriage departments ...... Expenses, main building de-improvements ..... Furniture and chattels ....... Balance in bank, reserve fund.

Balance in bank, cash account 3,447 24 Cash on hand ..... ASSETS-CLOSE OF 1898. Realestate payments made on

the property conditionally held by the city of London (not including interest paid on mortgages) ......\$ 8,900 00 Construction or permanent improvements on lands held or

owned by the city ...... 21,009 30 Furniture and chattels ...... Balance in bank, reserve fund. 3,447 24 Balance in bank, cash account.

Total ..... \$42,064 81 Auditor George F. Jewell certified that he had audited the books and accounts and found them correct, as presented.

MR. HOUSE, OF BERLIN. Cured of Lumbago by Dodd's Kidney

Pills.

ed and prosperous resident, who numbers his friends by hundreds. For over a year past Mr. House was

tormented by severe pains in his back, which increased in severity in spite of doctors and their medicines. He was advised to try Dodd's Kidney Pills. He did so. That night he felt less pain. Daily the pains abated, and in less than two weeks, Dodd's Kidney Pills had cured him thoroughly.

There is only one sure and unfailing cure for Backache. That cure is Dodd's Kidney Pills. Experience has proved this thousands of times.

CADETS OFF FOR HOME.

Montgomery, Ala, Feb. 15.-The caterer for the Cadets, who got left while procuring water the other day, is back again. He was court-martialed for 'desertion" and acquitted. The boys are bringing home four real live alligators. The Cadets left Tampa for Montgomery at 3:30 on Monday, and arrived here at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Snow fell, and for an hour a hurricane blew. Monday was the coldest day in the history of Tampa.

REMOVAL OF THE CANADA LIFE. Toronto, Feb.15.-At the annual meeting of the Canada Life Assurance Company, held yesterday in Hamilton, it was decided to remove the headquarters of the institution to Toronto. vestment of over \$20,000,000, which is the amount the Canada Life has to look after, is one of the responsible duties which the officers of the company are charged with, and it is thought this can be done more advantageously in Toronto than in Hamilton.

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of joy. Bucklen's Arnica Salve cures them, also Old, Running and Fever Sores, Ulcers, Boils, Felons, Corns, Warts, Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Scalds, Chapped Hands, Chilblains. Best Pile Cure on earth. Drives out Pains and Aches. Only 25 cents per box. Cure guaranteed. For sale by W. T. Strong

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Some very special lines, in black and gray......50c A. S. & Co. "Special".....\$1 00

Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose, in extra good value, at 25c 35c, 40c, 50c.

The best Kid Gloves in the city at \$1.

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# TOLSTOI SAYS

Disarmament Conference Not Aiming at Peace.

The Count Writes a Letter-Be littles the Czar's Idea.

British Cabinet Ministers Scored for Holding Directorships.

London, Feb. 15 .- The Daily Chronicle this morning prints a letter from Count Tolstoi, written in reply to certain prominent Swedes, who asked him whether he thought it advisable to submit to the conference called by the czar the question of substituting some kind of public labor for conscription in the case of persons who conscientiously object to military service.

Count Tolstoi says that, while he is convinced that the refusal of individuals to serve in the army is the best way of obtaining general disarmament, he regards a discussion of the question by the conference as impossible, first, because the conference will be

A HYPOCRITICAL INSTITUTION, not really aiming at the establishment of peace and the lessening of militar-7 ism, but seeking to hoodwink the people by hiding the only true means of 3 salvation; and, secondly, because such a lessening of armies as the result of 359 21 the refusal of individuals to serve in them would undermine the fundamental force of every government.

115 19 GOVERNMENTS CANNOT LESSEN ARMIES.

Governments cannot of their own will either lessen their armies or arrest their armaments in the present state of the 8,797 33 world, especially when all are doing Plucky Fight of a Gold Hunter With their utmost to acquire new possessions. As long as governments continue to acquire territory, such as the Philippines and Port Arthur, or to keep what they have acquired, such as Poland. Alsace-Lorraine and Egypt, just so long will armies grow larger and larger. and as long as governments continue to govern their subjects through force. they will never tolerate refusals to serve

as soldiers. TERRIBLE MORAL IGNORANCE. Continuing, Tolstoi says: "There was recently published an account of an American regiment which refused to march against Iloilo. This is cited as something remarkable. What is remarkable is that all these regiments of Russian, German, French, Italian or 49 75 American warriors, instead of doing the same thing, have, at the caprice of men who were entirely strangers to them, marched out to kill the subjects of another nation who had done them no harm. Indeed, if the people of our days go to war, or even enter military service, giving themselves over to slavery to men whom they do not esteem, it is only because such persons are living in a state of terrible moral ignorance. Had such true enlightenment as I have referred to spread among the peoples, the news of the proposed conference would not have met with the sympathetic echoes of ill-defined hopes, but Berlin, Feb. 13.-Everyone in Berlin rather would have encountered conknows Andrew House. He is a respect- tempt and derision, if not indignation."

CABINET MINISTERS SCORED. London, Feb. 15 .- The Daily Chronicle, discussing the debate in the House of Commons last evening, over Mr. MacNeill's amendment to the address, says: "We hope that Mr. Balfour may be able at tonight's session of the house to announce that some of his colleagues have resigned their directorships." The paper points out that the Earl of Selborne, under secretary of state for the colonies, is a director of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company; and that the Duke of Devonshire, lord president of the council of ministers, is chief of a great armament company. "Yet," says the Daily Chronicle, "they are one and all powerful cases of our imperial defenses.'

The Daily News, which comments in a similar strain, says that Lord Rosebery, when he succeeded Mr. Gladstone in the premiership, insisted upon all his colleagues resigning their directorships, and that Lord Salisbury ought to have done the same.

CERVERA TO LOSE HIS SEAT. Madrid, Feb. 15 .- The supreme military court decides that Admiral Cervera and Captain Diaz Morea, formerly commander of the Spanish cruiser Cristobal Colon, have no right to sit in parliament, they being involved in the military proceedings resulting from the loss of the Spanish squadron at Santiago.

BAILEY WILL BE CHAIRMAN. London, Feb. 15.—Both in amusement financial circles there is much speculation over the announcement

Hunt's Your Diamond Grocer Flour

that Barnum & Balley's circus will remain here instead of returning, as was originally planned, to the United States. The English company which is to be floated will have a capital of \$2,000,000, of which James A. Bailey takes one-third. Mr. Bailey will become the chairman of the board of directors, his associates on the board being Mr. George Starr and Mr. M. C.

# SERIOUS FIRES

Three Persons Missing-Firemen and Apparatus Stalled in Snewdrifts.

New York, Feb. 15 .- Fire today at 117 and 119 Prince street, this city, destroyed the establishment of Joachim & Finkelstein, cloaks and suits; Hyman Ossusky & Co., lace and silk caps; Gustav Mendelsohn, infants' wear; Gustav Reno,laces; Adolph Miller,dress skirts, and the Novelty Tea Gown Company. Venkeuren & Thornton, white goods, suffered considerably. Total loss, about \$75,000. The firemen were handicapped in their efforts by frozen hydrants. One engine and a water tower got stalled in a snowbank on their way to the fire. Three hundred persons are thrown out of em-

ployment by the fire. Chicago, Feb. 15.—During the fire in Arlington here last night, more than a score of tenants occupying the apartments in the building rushed through the smoke and flames, and all of them, with the exception of one family, were accounted for after the building had been destroyed. The missing are: Marte, mail carrier; Mrs. Fred Marte,

and her 1-year-old infant. Two persons sustained injuries during the fire. R. N. Nanson jumped from the fourth floor to an adjoining roof, and escaped by breakingt a window. His hands were severely cut by glass. J. C. McCall jumped from the second story window and escaped with slight injuries.

# ENDED IN DEATH

a Yukon Bear.

Wash., Feb. 15.-F. H. Browning, of Seattle, who has just returned from Dawson over the ice, brings news of the terrible death of Carl Joel, of New York, who was killed by a Yukon bear on the banks of the Indian River. These bears resemble a cinnamon, but are larger. Joel was tramping up the trail with a heavy pack, when he suddenly came face to face with a big Yukon tear, which started for the miner as soon as he saw him. Joel was armed with a heavy 44 Colt revolver, and every chamber was loaded. He started to fire at the beast when he was 20 feet away. His aim was steady, and when he pulled the trigger a bullet struck home. Blood spouted from a severed artery, and he wrote out the story of the fight in crimson on the snow. The bear kept on, and the miner fired again. Another spurt of blood showed that the second bullet went home. No vital spot had been struck, and with the huge beast lumbering down upon h.m Joel stood his ground and fired the remaining cartridges. As the beast was upon him he fired his last shot. The bullet struck home over the heart, but it had been fired too late. With its last and tremendous burst of strength the great bear grabbed the unfortunate man in its death grip and never let go.

A party of miners bound for lower Dominion Creek found the body a short time after. Joel was still in the bear's grasp. It had been a fight to the death of both.

# Remarkable Rescue

Mrs. Michael Curtain, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption, and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from first dose. She continued its use, and after taking six bottles, found herself sound and well; now does her own housework, and is as well as she ever was. Sold by all druggists; large bottles 50 cents and \$1.00.

The Conservatives of Ontario will try and hold a big convention for organization at Toronto before Easter.

# When Beauty Fades.

In response to repeated inquiries from ladies with whom Dr. Chase's Ointment has become so popular for skin diseases, asking if face powders are injurious and can be used while using the ointment, we state that while the majority of face powders are injurious we can recommend the recipes given in Dr. Chase's supplementary recipt book on page 45, which will be sent to any address on receipt of eents in stamps. Dr. Chase's Ointment is the ladies' friend for all skin diseases. Address Dr. A. W. Chase Co.,

The Times announces the marriage in London in April next, of Mr. Philip Crossley, son of the late Clement Crossley, to Miss Frances Redfield, daughter of the late Mr. Redfield, of Albany,

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