FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

BIG DEMAND FOR HAY; PRICE IS AT $12.00

Inferior Quality Disposed Of for a Dollar Less—Thirty Loads Sold.

The features of the local market today were the large amount of hay sold and the drop in the price of the commodity. Between 25 and 30 loads were offered and the majority of the sales were made at $12 per ton. Several loads of an inferior quality were sold at $11 per ton.

Oats, although not so plentiful as usual, were somewhat lower in price, and the sales were made at quotations ranging from 95 cents to $1.05 per cwt. The average price was about $1.02 per cwt. Wheat, of which some five or six loads were sold, was quoted at 95 cents per bushel.

Dressed hogs were scarce and the prices remained unchanged from $11.50 to $11.75 per cwt.

No vegetables or dairy produce was offered on account of the cold weather.

The prices were:

Grain, Per Cwt.			
Wheat, per cwt	$1 58	to	$1 58
Oats, per cwt	95	to	1 05
Barley, per cwt	1 00	to	1 10
Buckwheat, per cwt	1 25	to	1 25
Grain, Per Bushel.			
Wheat, per bu	95	to	95
Oats, per bu	32	to	36
Vegetables.			
Lettuce, per doz	40	to	40
Potatoes per bag	1 00	to	1 05
Parsnips, per bu	40	to	45
Turnips, per bu	30	to	30
Beets, per bu	40	to	40
Onions, per bu	75	to	80
Cabbage, per doz	30	to	40
Carrots, per bu	30	to	30
Parsley, per doz	40	to	40
Green onions, per doz	40	to	40
Rhubarb, per doz	1 00	to	1 00
Watercress, per doz	40	to	40
Fruits.			
Apples, per bbl	1 00	to	1 25
Apples, per bag	50	to	75
Apples, per bu	40	to	50
Hay and Straw.			
Hay, per ton	11 00	to	12 00
Straw, per ton	7 00	to	8 00
Dairy Produce.			
Butter, dairy, wholesale	28	to	29
Butter, fancy, retail lb	30	to	32
Butter, store lots, lb	23	to	25
Butter, creamery, lb	31	to	33
Butter, crocks, lb	27	to	28
Eggs, dairy hall price	30	to	31
Eggs, fresh-laid, doz	26	to	27
Eggs, crate, wholesale	25	to	25
Honey, strained, 10 lbs	1 20	to	1 20
Honey, sections doz	2 20	to	2 40
Poultry, Dressed.			
Chickens, per pair	1 25	to	1 50
Chickens, lb, wholesale	15	to	16
Chickens, per lb	17	to	17
Old fowl, per lb	11	to	12
Ducks, per lb	15	to	16
Ducks, per pair	1 25	to	1 60
Turkeys, per lb	22	to	23
Poultry, Alive.			
Chickens, per lb	12	to	13
Ducks, per lb	11	to	12
Turkeys, per lb	18	to	19
Old fowl, per lb	8	to	9
Live Stock.			
Milch cows, each	50 00	to	70 00
Fat sows, cwt	5 50	to	6 00
Smal pigs, pair	6 00	to	9 00
Select hogs, per cwt	8 50	to	8 50
Hides, Wool, etc.			
Cow hides, No. 1	11½	to	11½
Cow hides, No. 2	10½	to	10½
Cow hides, No. 3	9½	to	9½
Wool, unwashed, lb	12	to	13
Wool, washed, lb	19	to	20
Calfskins, per lb	13	to	15
Butchers' Meats.			
Lamb, per lb	13	to	14
Dressed hogs, choice	11 75	to	12 00
Veal, per cwt	11 00	to	12 00
Beef cows, cwt	8 00	to	9 00
Beef, young, cwt	10 00	to	11 00
Mutton, per cwt	8 00	to	10 00
Heavy hogs, cwt	7 50	to	8 50
Stags, per cwt	2 00	to	2 00

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LIVE STOCK.

EAST BUFFALO, N.Y., Feb. 18.—Cattle—Receipts, 200; active, steady to strong. Veals—Receipts, 125; active and steady, at $4 to $12. Hogs—Receipts, 6,500; fairly active and 10c to 20c higher; heavy, $8 75 to $8 85; mixed, $8 80 to $8 90; Yorkers and pigs, $8 85 to $8 90; roughs, $7 75 to $7 85; stags, $6 to $7; dairies, $8 75 to $8 90. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 440; slow; lambs and wethers 10c lower; lambs, $6 to $8 25; yearlings, $5 to $8 50; wethers, $6 25 to $7; ewes, $3 50 to $6 50 sheep, mixed, $5 to $6 50.

PRODUCE.

CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE.

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	92⅞	93	92½	92½
July	91¾	91⅞	91½	91½
Corn—				
May	52½	52⅝	52¼	52¼
Sept.	54½	54¾	54⅜	54½
Oats—				
May	34¼	34⅜	34⅛	34⅛
July	34⅛	34½	34	34¼
Pork—				
May	19 87	19 95	19 82	19 85
Lard—				
May	10 70	10 72	10 65	10 65
Ribs—				
May	10 55	10 60	10 55	10 55

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 18—Close.—Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 Manitoba, 7s 7d; No. 3, 7s 5d; futures firm; March, 7s 6⅝d; May, 7s 3⅞d; July, 7s 3½d. Corn—Spot steady; American mixed, new, 4s 11d; do, old, 6s; futures steady; March, old, via Galveston, 5s 7½d; do, La Plata, 5s 6⅛d; do, American mixed, 4s 10¾d. Flour—Winter patents, 29s 6d. Hops (in London)—Pacific coast, £4 10s to £5 10s. Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, 67s. Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, 65s; short rigs, 16 to 24 lbs, 66s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, 64s; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, 65s; do, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, 64s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, 66s; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, 56s. Lard—Prime western, in tierces, 54s; American refined, in pails, 56s 6d. Cheese—Canadian finest white, 63s 6d; do, colored, 65s. Tallow—Prime city, 32s. Turpentine spirits—33s 3d. Rosin—Common, 15s 6d. Petroleum—Refined, 9⅝d. Linseed oil—28s 3d. Cottonseed oil (Hull refined)—Spot, 28s 6d.

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

WINNIPEG, Feb. 18.—Close—Wheat—May, 88c; July, 89¾c.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 18. — Close — Wheat—87⅝c.

COTTON

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Cotton prices up to 2:30 p.m.: May, 12.04c; October, 11.43c.

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

TORONTO, Feb. 18.—Morning prices today:

	Ask.	Bid.
Brazilian T., L. and P.	95½	95⅛
B. C. Packers, com.	154	..
B. C. Packers, pfd.	154	..
Burt, F. N., com.	101	..
Burt, F. N., pfd.	105	..
Canada Bread, com.	31	30
Canada Cement, com.	..	28
Canada Cement, pfd.	93¼	..
Can. Interlake, com.	69	67
Can. Interlake, pfd.	90	89
Canada General Electric	..	112½
Canada Machinery, com.	61½	60½
Canada Locomotive, com.	68	67
Canada Locomotive, pfd.	94⅞	..
Canadian Pacific Railway	230	229½
Canadian Salt	..	120
City Dairy, com.	52½	..
City Dairy, pfd.	100	..
Consumers' Gas	187	..
Crow's Nest	70	..
Detroit United	77½	76½
Dominion Canners, com.	77	75½
Dominion Canners, pfd.	..	102
Dominion I. and S., pfd.	102½	..
Dominion Steel Corp	56¼	56
Dominion Telegraph	..	100
Duluth-Superior	..	70
Electric Dev., pfd.	87	..
Illinois, pfd.	..	91½
Lake of Woods, com.	..	141
Lake of Woods, pfd.	119½	..
Lake Superior Corp.	..	30¼
Mackay, com.	84	83½
Mackay, pfd.	68¼	..
Maple Leaf, com.	62½	61
Maple Leaf, pfd.	98	96½
Mexican L. and P.	75	75
Mexico Tramway	110	108
Monterey, pfd.	73½	..
Monarch, com.	87	..
Monarch, pfd.	94	..
N. S. Steel	88	..
Ogilvie	..	124
Pacific Burt, com.	40	..
Pacific Burt, pfd.	90	..
Penmans, com.	57½	57
Penmans, pfd.	87	..
Porto Rico Railway	72	..
R. and O. Navigation	116½	116
Rogers, com.	173	..
Rogers, pfd.	115	..
Russell, M. C., com.	90	..
Russell, M. C., pfd.	98	..
Sawyer-Massey, com.	50	..
Sawyer-Massey, pfd.	95½	..
St. L. and C. Navigation	110	108
Shredded Wheat, com.	82	..
Shredded Wheat, pfd.	..	92¾
Spanish River, com.	68½	..
Spanish River, pfd.	97	..
Steel of Canada, com.	25	..
Steel of Canada, pfd.	89	..
Tooke Bros., com.	55½	55
Tooke Bros., pfd.	..	92
Toronto Paper	83	..
Toronto Railway	..	137½
Tucketts, com.	56½	..
Tucketts, pfd.	..	93½
Twin City, com.	..	104⅞
Winnipeg Railway	200	197½
Coniagas	8.75	3.55
Crown Reserve	3.60	2.98
La Rose	3.00	..
Nipissing Mines	9.00	..
Trethewey	.31	..
Bank of Commerce	..	219
Dominion Bank	226	225
Bank of Hamilton	..	210
Imperial Bank	224	..
Merchants' Bank	..	196½
Metropolitan Bank	200	..
Molsons Bank	..	203
Bank of Nova Scotia	262	..
Ottawa Bank	..	207½
Royal Bank	223¾	..
Standard Bank	225	..
Union Bank	208¼	..
Canada Landed	163¾	..
Canada Permanent	198	..
Central Canada	..	187½
Colonial Investment	..	80
Dominion Savings	..	77
Great West Permanent	130½	..
Hamilton Provident	132	..
Huron and Erie	..	210
Huron and Erie, 20 p. c. pd	..	200
Landed Banking	..	139
London and Canadian	..	120
National Trust	..	200
Ontario Loan	..	167
Ontario Loan, 20 p. c. paid	..	151½
Real Estate	..	106
Toronto General Trusts	..	192¼
Toronto Mortgage	..	140
Toronto Savings	..	200
Union Trust	180	178
Canada Bread bonds	89	..
Dominion Canners bonds	104	..
Electric Dev. bonds	93½	92
Keewatin bonds	100½	..
Laurentide bonds	..	108
Mexican L. and P. bonds	90	..
Penmans bonds	90¼	..
Rio Janeiro, 1st mort.	..	98
Sao Paulo bonds	100	..
Spanish River bonds	97	..
Steel Co. of Canada bonds	100	..

Morning Sales: Tooke, 25 at 55; Mackay, 85 at 83⅞ to 84; Interlake, preferred, 6 at 89 to 89⅞; Spanish River, 25 at 68; Shredded Wheat, preferred, 17 at 92¼; Tucketts, 25 at 56½; Brazilian, 508 at 95 to 95⅛; Toronto Railway, 115 at 137½ to 138½; Winnipeg, 65 at 197½ to 199½; St. Lawrence, 10 at 108; Dominion Bank, 12 at 225½ to 226; Imperial Bank, 5 at 219¾ to 220; Bank of Comemrce, 22 at 219½; Nipissing, 50 at 8.90; La Rose, 25 at 3.00; London and Canadian, 31 at 121 to 123; Colonial Loan, 22 at 80¼; Canada Permanent, 50 at 197; Bell Telephone, rights, 88 at 8 to 9, and 13 shares miscellaneous.

Montreal Stock Exchange.

MONTREAL, Feb. 18.—Morning sales: Detroit, 210 at 75½; Toronto Railway, 141 at 138; Brazilian, 464 at 95 to 95½; Twin City, 25 at 105; C. P. R., 620 at 229 to 230; Soo, 25 at 136; Ottawa L., H. and P., 10 at 187½; R. and O., 25 at 115½; Power, 820 at 223 to 226; Bell Telephone, 10 at 148½; do, rights, 140 at 8 to 8½; Shawinigan Falls Power, 80 at 137; Quebec Railway, 360 at 19; Winnipeg Railway, 75 at 198; Montreal Power and Shawinigan rights, 225 at 75; Tooke, 50 at 55; Dominion Canners, 50 at 75¼; Sherwin-Williams, 25 at 59; Converters, 20 at 48; Tucketts, 125 at 56; Price Bros., 50 at 73; Laurentide, 50 at 217½; Canadian cotton, 30 at 42½; do, preferred, 41 at 78 to 73½; Scotia, 135 at 81½ to 82; Spanish River, 80 at 67⅞ to 68; Canada Cement, 275 at 27½ to 27¾; do, preferred, 222 at 91¼ to 92; Illinois, preferred, 20 at 91½ to 92; Dominion Iron, preferred, 20 at 102 to 102½; Dominion Textile, 94 at 84; Steel Corporation, 375 at 54¾ to 55. Bonds—Dominion Cotton, $6,500 at 101½ to 102; Porto Rico, $2,000 at 92¼; Western Canada Power, $1,000 at 86½; Dominion Iron, $2,000 at 92; Montreal Power, 4½ per cent, $5,000 at 98; Canada Cement, $5,000 at 100; Montreal Street Railway, $2,100 at 100; Steel of Canada, $600 at 99; Quebec Railway, $2,000 at 59. Banks—Nova Scotia, 11 at 263; Molsons, 15 at 201½; Montreal, 29 at 243; Union, 20 at 150 to 151; Royal, 13 at 223. Mines—Crown Reserve, 150 at 3.60.

COBALT STOCKS.

[Edward Cronyn & Co., members of the Toronto Stock Exchange, report the following quotations on the mining market this morning.]

TORONTO, Feb. 18.—Beaver, 39½ to 41; Chambers-Ferland, 28 to 29; Coniagas, 8.25 to 8.75; City of Cobalt, 42½ to 43½; Cobalt Lake, 48 to 49; La Rose, 2.85 to 3.00; McKinley-Darragh, 2.00 to 2.05; Nipissing, 8.90 to 9.00; Peterson Lake, 25 to 25½; Temiskaming, 39 to 39½; Dome Extension, 9 to 9½; Dome Mines, 17.50 to 18.25; Hollinger, 15.25 to 15.35; Jupiter, 41 to 41¾; Preston East Dome, 3½ to 4; Swastika, 14½ to 15; Vipond, 22½ to 23.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.

	Open.	High.	Low.	2pm.
Amal. Copper	69¼	69⅝	68⅞	69
American Sugar	115½	..	..	..
Amer. Beet Sugar	35½	..	..	..
Amer. Locomotive	37	..	..	..
American Foundry	51⅜	51⅜	51¼	51¼
American Refining	69⅞	70½	69⅞	69⅞
Atchison, com	101½	101⅝	101⅜	101⅜
Anaconda Copper	35¼	35½	35¼	35½
Baltimore & Ohio	100½	100⅝	100½	100⅝
Brooklyn Transit	89	89¼	89	89¼
Canadian Pacific	229½	230¼	228¾	229
Chesapeake & Ohio	75¾	75¾	75½	75½
Consolidated Gas	133½	133½	132½	132½
Col. Fuel & Iron	35	35¼	35	35¼
Erie, com	29⅜	29⅝	29⅜	29⅜
Erie, pfd	44½	..	..	..
Gt. Northern, pfd	127	127¼	125¾	125¾
Inter-Metropolitan	61½	61½	60⅛	60⅛
Lehigh Valley	156¾	157⅛	156	156
Louisvile & Nash	133½	134½	133½	134½
Missouri Pacific	38½	38½	37½	37½
New York Central	106	106	105⅞	105⅞
Northern Pacific	116⅝	117	114⅞	115¼
Norfolk & Westtrn	106½	..	..	..
Ontario & Western	30½	..	..	..
Pennsylvania	118	118	117⅞	117⅞
Reading Railway	159½	160¼	159⅛	159¼
Republic Steel	24⅞	25	24⅞	25
Rock Island	22⅛	22¼	22⅛	22⅛
Southern Railway	26¼	..	..	..
Southern Pacific	101	101¼	100¾	100⅞
St. Paul	108¼	108⅝	108¼	108⅝
Union Pacific	156⅝	157⅛	155¾	156⅞
U. S. Rubber	63⅞	64	62	62⅞
U. S. Steel	61⅞	62½	61¾	61¾
U. S. Steel, pfd	108¼	108¼	108⅛	108⅛

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DIED NINE DAYS AFTER HIS WIFE

Mr. Richard Quait Succumbs in His Seventy-Second Year.

Death has paid a second visit to the home of Mr. Richard Quait, 266 Cheapside street.

On Feb. 9 Mrs. Quait died after an illness of some weeks, and this morning Mr. Quait passed away in his 72nd year. The funeral takes place on Thursday to Woodland Cemetery.

PLAN NEW STREET

Road Experts Gave Practical Addresses to Wingham Ratepayers.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Wingham, Feb. 18.—At a meeting of the ratepayers, the question of paving Josephine street came up for discussion, and a number of plans were discussed by experts, some of whom showed lantern views of various pavements. Among those who spoke were City Engineer Jones, of Brantford; Government Road Officer Gray, Mr. Toohey, Mayor Vanstone and Reeve McKibbon. Specifications are to be prepared shortly, and work will commence in the spring.

MADERO AGREES

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steady progress of the movements of concentration of ships, soldiers and marines for the last 24 hours, and that these measures are not designs to meet existing conditions in Mexico, but only to guard against the possibility of unexpected and graver conditions that might place the safety of foreigners in Mexico quite beyond the ability of the de facto government of the country to insure.

U. S. TROOPS GATHER AT CUBAN POINT

Powerful Forces Are Ready For Instant Action in Mexico.

[Canadian Press.]

Washington, Feb. 18. — Further preparations for co-operation between the army and navy for any emergency in the Mexican situation, went forward today, with the asssembling of 2,000 marines at Newport News and Philadelphia, from where they are to be transported to a concentration camp at Guantanamo. It was expected that the two regiments would sail today. At Guantanamo they will be seventy hours from Vera Cruz.

While a veil of secrecy was thrown about preparations for mobilizing an army expeditionary force at Galveston from the troops now on the border, it was known that troops as far north as Leavenworth, Kansas, had been ordered in readiness. The order last night to send two of the army transports at Newport News to Galveston disclosed that the general staff was actually organizing for the possibility of a movement from the latter point.

This would leave the first brigade of the first army division, already under marching orders, without ships, but it is assumed that the war department has arrangements with merchant lines under a mail subsidy.

Officials were kept in suspense by the continued censorship at Mexico City ,and official dispatches were brief.

Connecticut Sails.

New York, Feb. 18.—The battleship Connecticut, flagship of the North Atlantic Squadron, steamed out of the Brooklyn navy yard at daybreak today bound for the United States naval station at Guantanamo, Cuba, where emergency forces including 2,000 marines, are being concentrated while developments in Mexico are being watched.

Although the big battleship was in drydock when orders were received yesterday from Washington for her to proceed to Guantanamo, the warship was floated, provisioned and manned within eight hours, and she moved out of Wallabout Bay at the navy yard punctually at 6:30 o'clock, the hour set in the orders, under command of Rear Admiral Winslow.

HEAVY DAMAGES

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of the lift; that the foreman of the defendants gave Alex. Buchanan negligent instructions, and that the shaft and elevator were not properly guarded as required under the Ontario factories act. The defendants deny the allegations of the plaintiff, and claim that the action was due to the want of care and caution by the deceased. Messrs. Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons for the plaintiff, and Messrs. Meredith & Fisher for the defendants.

Messrs. Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons are also acting for Mrs. Margaret Pickard, who was struck and seriously injured by an engine at the Grand Trunk station on July 13, 1912. The plaintiff alleges that the accident was caused by the negligence of the engine crew in not ringing the bell or sounding the whistle. The plaintiff claims $1,000 damages and the costs of the action. Mr. W. H. Biggar, K. C., of Toronto, for the defendants.

Personal Mention

Miss Pearl Lewis, 2 Evergreen avenue, is visiting with friends in Toronto.

Miss Ethel McLaughlin, 422 Rectory street, is confined to her home with pneumonia.

REPORT ON PLANS FOR ROADWAYS AND WALKS

City Engineer Brazier Submits Details of Cost to Council.

A lengthy report by the city engineer on streets and pavements of Detroit, Windsor and Sarnia, and the cost of cement pavements, was received by the council. His contentions are that some of the cement pavements in Detroit and Windsor are not as good as he expected. A report on the estimated cost of the installation of a plant for the construction of cement sidewalks and pavements was also submitted, and will likely be dealt with later on.

Mr. Brazier submitted an estimate of the cost of equipment for and the cost of construction of cement sidewalks in the city by day labor under the supervision of the city engineer's department. The following equipment would be necessary:

1 ¼ cubic yard capacity batch mixer, on truck with gasoline engine, power loading skip and water tank	$720 00
1½ dozen shovels at $7.50 per dozen	38 00
1½ dozen shovels at $7.50 per dozen	11 25
½dozen picks at $4.50 per doz.	2 25
Jointing tools, tampers, etc.	15 00
400 feet of 1-inch hose at 20c	80 00
1 canvass sheet	40 00
1,000 F. B. lumber at $24	24 00
Miscellaneous	15 00
Total cost	$880 00

This equipment is based upon the laying complete of 50,000 square feet of cement walks, equivalent to a length of 10,000 feet with an average width of 5 feet.

Mr. Brazier also prepared the following estimated cost of equipment for and the cost of construction of cement pavements by day labor as follows:

1½ cubic yard capacity, drum batch mixer, on truck with steam boiler, power-loading skip and delivery boom and bucket	$1,552 00
One rooter	$ 40 00
Three barrows, at $6.50	19 50
Two dozen shovels at $7.50	15 00
One dozen picks at $5	5 00
Half dozen rakes at $8	4 00
400 feet of 1-inch hose at 20c	80 00
2,000 feet B. M. of lumber at $24	48 00
One tool box	15 00
Jointing tools, tampers, etc.	20 00
Miscellaneous	20 00
Total cost	$266 50

SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE TO BE HELD NEXT MONDAY

Eight Hundred Teachers and Superintendents To Be In Attendance.

An event that will interest the eight hundred or more Sunday school teachers and superintendents of London is to take place on Monday next, when the London Sunday school association will hold its annual institute, or one-day convention, in Wesley Hall. Two well-known specialists in Sunday school work, Rev. E. W. Halpenny, general secretary Ontario Sunday School Association, and Rev. W. A. Brown, of Chicago, will be present, and give addresses both afternoon and evening. All who are interested in this important part of church work should endeavor to attend these meetings.

LOCAL NEWS

—Magistrate Kelly, of Goderich, was in the city today and called upon Police Magistrate Judd this morning.

—W. C. Harris, of this city, left today on a business and pleasure trip to New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Bermuda.

—Dr. Duncan ,resident chief physician at Victoria Hospital, has been ill with a severe attack of grippe, but is now recovering.

—On Thursday evening the monthly at home and dance of the non-commissioned officers and men will be held at the barracks.

—The friends of Mr. Harry McHarg, Grand Trunk engineer, will regret to learn that he is seriously ill at his home with pleurisy.

—Mr. J. F. Maine addressed the Epworth League of Kensington Methodist Church on "Canada" Monday evening. Several musical numbers completed the program.

—Mrs. J. W. G. Winnett is a convalescent at the Wellesley Hospital, Toronto, following a critical operation for appendicitis and other ailments. The news of Mrs. Winnett's recovery will bring good cheer to her many anxious friends in London.

—The funeral of Mrs. Robt. Northgreaves, which was to have been held this afternon from her late residence, 558 Richmond street, has been postponed until Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock to await the arival of her son, William, of Brattleboro, Vt. The services will be conducted privately by Rev. H. H. Bingham and interment will be made in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Mr. Cooney Seriously Ill.

Mr. William Cooney, bill poster, is seriously ill at his home on Queen's avenue, with heart trouble.

New Houses for Adelaide Street.

Building permits to erect two houses on Adelaide street north, to cost $1,100 each, were issued to Miss Warwick this morning.

Injured at Rink.

Miss Carrie Neely, of East London, sprained her ankle while skating at the asylum rink Monday afternoon. Medical attendance was rendered at the asylum.

Preparing Estimates.

General Manager Glaubitz and his staff are busy preparing estimates for the year, which will be presented to the water commission at its next meeting, which is to be held Thursday afternoon.

Special Committee Meets

A meeting of the special committee of the county council, appointed to examine the high school accounts, will meet at the county buildings on Friday afternoon. The members of the committee are Messrs. W. T. Ulens, John Morgan and John Stuart.

Men Parade to Church.

A recently-instituted feature of life at Wolseley Baracks is the fortnightly church parade to Cronyn Memorial Church, an officers' party of twenty attending regularly. Officers and men of other denominations than the Anglican attend churches of their own denomination.

Conference Committee Meets.

The program committee of the London Conference met in Wesley Hall at 10:30 this morning and drafted the arrangement of Sunday and weekday services and the order of business for the annual conference, which meets in the First Methodist Church, beginning on the first Wednesday in June. The completed program will be ready for publication in the course of two weeks.

Buy Lots for Employees.

The Richards-Wilcox Manufacturing Company, the firm which recently purchased the Wilcox plant in Chelsea Green, have purchased 16 or 17 building lots adjoining their factory from the Chelsea Green Land Company. It is stated that it is the intention of the compan yto erect homes for their employees on the lots. Numerous other transfers of small lots have tkaen place in Chelsea Green.

RAHDWARE DEALERS ARE IN CONVENTION

Over a Thousand Delegates Attend Annual Gathering at Hamilton.

[Canadian Press.]

Hamilton, Feb. 18.—The convention of the Hardware Dealers of Canada opened here this morning with an attendance of over a thousand delegates from all parts of the Dominion. Controller Cooper, in the absence of Mayor Allan, welcomed the visitors. A. A. Bittues, of Montreal, presided, and emphasized the fact that everything displayed at the big exhibition in the armories was Canadian made. Other speakers were M. S. Madole, Napanee; F. C. Lariviere, Quebec, and H. O. Comore, Guelph. The exhibition will open to the public tonight. Among the speakers at the banquet on Thursday evening will be Lieutenant-Governor Gibson and Hon. Frank Cochrane.

MOTHER NEAR DEATH; SON IS BEING SOUGHT

Chief Williams Asked to Search for Missing Joseph Wilson.

Chief Williams has received a letter from Mrs. C. Ablett, 188 Christ street, Poplar, London, England, in which the writer asks the local police to assist in finding the whereabouts of her brother, Joseph Wilson, or Rogers, as he is sometimes known. Mrs. Ablett states that Wilson is abou 30 years of age, tall and of dark complexion. He was fomerly a sailor, but some 8 or 9 years ago left Halifax for western points. He is described as a musician of considerable ability, being able to play both the flute and piccolo. If anyone knows anything in connection with Wilson's movements it will greatly oblige his relatives, as his mother is dying and wishes him to communicate with her immediately.

JUVENILE ACTORS SHOW CLEVERNESS

Pollard Company Presented "The Toymaker" at Grand Last Night.

The Pollard Australian Juvenile Opera Company opened a week's engagement at the Grand last night, presenting "The Toymaker."

The company has not been in this city for four years, but the loss is distinctly that of the theatre patrons of London, as the company is one of the best that has visited this city for some time.

When one takes into consideration the youthfulness of the members of the company the production is voted the best of its kind. The ages of the different members vary from 10 to 19 years, but the acting of the individuals would do credit to people with many more years' experience.

"The Toymaker" is an opera comique in two acts, and gives the different members of the cast an opportunity to show their voices and acting to the best advantage. The principal parts are taken by capable artists, and the cast is well balanced.

The stars of the performance last evening were Miss Hattie Hill, Miss Nellie McNamara, Miss Queenie Williams, Miss Eva Pollard and Teddie McNamara. Miss Hill, as Lancelot, gave a good account of herself in the part of a novice at a monastery, and also the lover of the doll. Miss Eva Pollard, as the doll, was clever, and her singing of the songs in the automatic manner was well received. Special mention should be made of Miss McNamara, whose singing was of an excellent quality, and her rendition of "The Rosary" was encored repeatedly. Teddie McNamara as Hilarius was as clever a piece of work in the comedy line as has been seen at the Grand this season.

Several songs were of the catchy variety, among them being, "Fall In and Follow Me," "I Love You Very Dearly," "Are You the Little Boy I Met the Other Evening?" and "A Jovial Monk Am I."

MR. GUNN SECURES SETTLERS FOR WEST

Prince Albert Secretary Attracted 250 to His Locality.

Mr. Walter E. Gunn, secretary of the Prince Albert Board of Trade and Northern Saskatchewan Boards of Trade, and a former London boy, has been conducting an experiment, the results of which will be watched with interest. He has recently been touring the old country in the interests of the immigration department, and in addition to the course of lectures, his visit has been featured with some inovations. One of these is giving his lecture and illustrating his subject with limelight views, which set forth the need of men in the west.

As a result Mr.Gunn says that Prince Albert will gain by thousands of men.

He has been flooded with applicants who wanted to come to Canada, and within two or three months 250 artisans, heads of families, are going to Prince Albert. If these men are satisfactory their families will be assisted out.

EX-LONDON ALDERMAN DEAD AT BRANDON

Samuel Stinger Passes Away in His Seventieth Year.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 18.—The death of one of Brandon's well-known and respected citizens occured today when Samuel Stinger, aged 70 years, passed away. The deceased had lived in Brandon for the past fifteen years and was a prominent member of the First Methodist Church and a member of the Oddfellows. He came to Brandon from Palmerston, Ont., and was at one time an alderman in London, Ont. He leaves a son and daughter.

REMARKABLE ESCAPE FROM HORRIBLE DEATH

The Driver's Head Was Pushed Ahead of Heavily Loaded Wagon.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ingersoll, Feb. 18.—Particulars of the terrible accident to John May at Crampton Saturday afternoon were ascertained yesterday. May was hauling ice, and was seated on a plank on top of a load. The plank slipped on the ice and the driver was precipitated at the horses' heels. One of the team was a spirited animal, and it immediately started to run. The other animal required no additional prompting, and they were soon beyond control. May's head was directly in front of the wagon wheels, and acted much after the fashion of a brake. He was pushed over the frozen ground for a considerable distance, it being remarkable that he was not killed outright. He is doing as well as could be expected.

A Compound Fracture.

The injuries sustained by Mrs. Crawford by falling on the sidewalk on Saturday are more serious than at first supposed. She has a double fracture of the hip bone, and has suffered a great deal of pain.

The town council held a 25-minute session last night at which a small amount of routine business was transacted. A communication from Mrs. Mary Crawford informed the council of the accident with which she met on Saturday by falling on the sidewalk, and also of her intention to hold the corporation liable. Street Commissioner H. E. Robinson, who also has been manager of the waterworks, tendered his resignation, to take effect the 28th of this month. The waterworks will soon pass under the management of the commission, along with the electric plant. Mr. Robinson's resignation was accepted.

The young people of Knox Church, Woodstock, were guests last evening of the Young People's Society of St. Paul's Church. The attendance at the joint meeting was large, and the occasion was highly enjoyable. A particularly pleasing program was rendered, after which tempting refreshments were served.

KILLED PREAMBLE OF HURON AND L. S. BILL

Ontario Argues That the Line Should Be Under Provincial Jurisdiction.

[Canadian Press.]

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—The Commons railway committee today killed the preamble of the bill to incorporate the Huron and Lake Shore Railway from Meaford to Sarnia. There was a lengthy discussion on invasion of provincial rights. R. G. Code, K.C., for the province, arguing that as the line was wholly within Ontario it should come under provincial jurisdiction.

Hon. Sam. Barker, Mr. Blain, of Peel, and others upheld this contention.

The vote was 19 to 8 against the preamble, and argument followed as to whether this killed the bill. The point was not finally decided.

ALREADY ARE ASKING ABOUT THE REUNION

Old Boys' Committee Will Be Called Together Early in Year.

Secretary Weldon, of the Old Boys' Association, has received a number of communications from London old boys and girls living in the United States, asking about the celebration, which is to be held here in August, 1914.

It has been suggested that the committee in charge get together early this year and make arrangements for the celebration, instead of waiting until the last moment.

It is likely that a meeting of the executive will be held soon to make arrangements for a series of meetings to be held