LONDON FIREMEN MAY STRIKE

[Canadian Press.]

LONDON, March 18.—10:30 p.m.—A strike of the London firemen which was threatened, is not likely to occur. About the time the men were deciding to demand an increase in pay the fire committee of the common council, unaware of the men's action, met and decided to recommend a substantial increase in their wages.

Tomorrow (Saturday)

OUR SPECIAL SHOWING OF

TRIMMED HATS

$3.75

SHOWS WHAT WONDERS CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED BY SPECIALIZATION.

There's "line" in each model here—so they are all becoming. There's smartness in every material and trimming, and each shows almost astonishing value, as evidenced by this showing of

Flowered Hats

Which we have chosen to introduce the "feature" price. Flowers and fruits of every fashionable type adorn scores of pokes, turbans, toques, sailors and shepherd shapes, of Milan and hemp straws.

It's a showing of semi-dress hats worth coming far to see.

In SUITS AND COATS we have a very splendid selection to choose from at very reasonable prices.

See these in our windows, and many more inside.

H. WOLF & SONS

263-265 DUNDAS STREET.

SPRING NECESSITIES

YOU SHOULD BUY

At BROWNLEE'S

AND SAVE MONEY.

SPECIAL—2 Gallons of American Oil for 25c, Not Delivered

FOR HOUSECLEANING TIME.

Muresco, in all tints, package 40c
Alabastine, in all tints, 40c
Ready-Mixed Paints, per quart 50c
White Star Toilet Paper, large roll ..... 6 for 25c
Galvanized Wash Boiler, No. 9, for $1.00
12-quart Enamel Pails, blue or white, $1.15, for ... 40c
14-quart Enamel Pails, blue or white, $1.25, for ... 50c
Claw Hammers 15c to $1.00
Key Hole Saws, 25c to $1.25
Hand Saws .... 50c to $2.25
6 lbs. Epsom Salts for .. 25c
6 lbs. Sulphur for 25c
1-gal. Syrup Cans.
2-gal. Syrup Cans, wood jacket.
3-gal. Syrup Cans, wood jacket.
Door Locks complete, with knobs 40c
O-Cedar Mops at 75c, $1.25, $1.50
5-gal. Syrup Cans, wood jacket.
Spades, Spading Forks, Shovels, Hoes, Rakes, Lawn Rakes, Manure Forks and Poultry Netting.

ALL AT LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

J. A. BROWNLEE, 385-7 TALBOT STREET

THE METROPOLITAN SUIT AND SKIRT MANUFACTURING CO.

ANNOUNCE THEIR FIRST

Millinery Opening

A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend and inspect the wonderful large variety of charmingly modish spring creations in millinery.

In order to introduce this new line we are offering a large variety of Hats at a very special price. More than one hundred Hats, and not two alike.

Ladies' and Misses' Suits, Coats and Dresses, specially priced for Friday and Saturday.

SUITS in smart models, in navy, Belgian blue, tan, black, grey and broken checks. Priced from **$8.45** to **$30.00**

COATS—Short, long and medium. Some have belts or semi-belts and many show patch pockets and ball button trimmings. Priced from **$5.95** upwards.

DRESSES

You will be most agreeably surprised to find so complete an assortment of the new smart styles and materials at these interesting prices—from **$3.95** upwards.

See our New Spring Serge Skirts at **$1.98**.

232 DUNDAS ST. OPP MAJESTIC THEATRE.

SUPPLIES CONTRACTS FOR ENGINEERING DEPT. RECOMMENDED TODAY

Gravel, Iron, Cement, Lumber, Coal, Sewer Tile, Etc.

Contracts for engineering department supplies were recommended at the session of the board of control today.

In every instance the recommendation of the city engineer was accepted by the board, save in the case of F. Hutchinson, who was a low bidder for unscreened river gravel in West London. Hutchinson is on the proscribed list of the contractors, and the contract went to John Robinson.

For gravel, of all kinds, the contracts were practically split between George Alexander and John Robinson.

Iron and Cement Contracts.

Iron castings went to the Vulcan Foundry Company for $2.25 per 100 pounds, while the cement contracts were let as follows: Small quantities, Hayman & Mills, $1.55 per barrel; wagon lots, Hayman & Mills, $1.43 per barrel; carload lots, Webster-Harvey, Limited, $1.39 per barrel.

For lumber, other than bridge planking, the several lumber companies of the city will be asked to submit new prices. Bridge plank went to the London Lumber Company at $40.50 per 1,000 for 2-inch stuff, and $41.50 for 3-inch.

Coal Bids Accepted.

Coal bids were accepted as follows: City building, Brooks Bros., $6.85 per ton (35 cents a ton rebate for all coal delivered in April and May); relief coal, Brooks Bros., $7.25 per ton; road roller coal ("Mastadon") William Leaman & Sons, $5.50 per ton; road roller coal ("Brier Hill"), Brooks Bros., $4.85 per ton; blacksmith's coal, Chantler Bros., $6.00 per ton. The relief department wood supplies were awarded to Brooks Bros.

For sewer tile, Hayman & Mills secured the contract for 4, 6, 8 and 21-inch tile, together with the "Y," "T," and bends, and Copp Bros., the 15, 18 and 24-inch double-strength tile.

AUCTIONEERS.

Say you saw it in the Advertiser

J. W. LAIDLAW, AUCTIONEER, Wilton Grove. Dates taken. James Martin, March 26; Alonzo Copeland, 17; Joe Minicil, 18; J. W. Laidlaw, 24.

DERMATOLOGY.

HAIR GOODS PROPERLY MADE UP; reasonable prices. Madame Moxley, 729 Richmond street. v

MARINELLO SYSTEM FOR FACE scalp, chiropody. Removal of superfluous hair permanently. Miss Beattie, corner Talbot and Fullarton. Phone 3027.

TENDERS FOR COAL.

Tenders will be received by the Secretary, Board of Education, City Hall, for the supply of coal required by the City Public Schools and Collegiate Institute, up to noon on Monday, 22nd inst. The coal is to be delivered at the different schools on the order of the Secretary. Seventy-five per cent of the coal may be delivered immediately on the acceptance of the tender. Prices for all grades of Pocahontas, hard coal, and select lump (Youghiogheny), are to be given. A certified check for $50 is to accompany each tender. A. E. SILVERWOOD, Chairman No. 2 Committee, Board of Education. R. M. McELHERAN, Secretary. 94c

Notice to Creditors

In the matter of Brewster's, Limited, of the city of London, in the county of Middlesex.

Notice is hereby given that the abovenamed, Brewster's, Limited, has made an assignment to me under the provisions of Chapter 134, R. S. O., 1914, of all its estate and effects in trust, for the benefit of all its creditors.

A meeting of the creditors of the said estate is hereby convened, and will be held at the law offices of Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons, London, on Friday, the 26th day of March, A.D. 1915, at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the appointment of inspectors and the giving of directions with reference to the disposal of the said estate.

All creditors of the said estate are hereby required to file their claims with my solicitors, Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons, London (as directed by the said statute), on or before the day of such meeting. After May 1, 1915, I shall proceed to distribute the said estate, having regard only to such claims as I shall have notice of, and I shall not be responsible for the assets of the said estate, or any part thereof, to any person, or persons, whose claim, or claims, shall not have been filed.

Dated the 17th day of March, A.D. 1915.

GIBBONS, HARPER & GIBBONS, Solicitors for Assignee, London.
HENRY MACKLIN, Assignee.
Mar.17,19

Application to Parliament

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made by the Corporation of the City of London to the Legislature of the Province of Ontario at its present session, for an act:

1. To authorize the Council of the Corporation of the City of London to pass a bylaw, without obtaining the assent of the electors thereto, for the issue of $80,000 debentures for the London Railway Commission, to enable the said commission to defray the cost of extending the tracks of the London and Port Stanley Railway in the City of London, on Bathurst street, of station buildings, additional supplies, highway protection, signalling and dispatching system, additional freight cars and running terminals.

2. The existing debenture debt of the said city is as follows:

General debentures	$2,128,448.35
Waterworks debentures	965,859.36
Electric department debentures	604,026.44
Schools and Public Library debentures	650,741.11
The London Railway Commission debentures	700,000.00
City's share of local improvement debentures	173,239.20
Total	$6,022,320.52

3. The reason for requiring the issue of the debentures is to enable the said commission to complete the said railway for traffic in the manner above provided.

4. To provide that the said sum of $80,000 shall not be reckoned as part of the indebtedness of the city, as fixed by the City of London Act, 1906, but shall be excluded in computing the same.

Dated at London, Ontario, this 9th day of March, A. D., 1915.

S. BAKER, City Clerk.
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$119,000.00 City of London Debenture Notes for Sale.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the City Clerk, and marked, "Tender for Debenture Notes," will be received at the office of the City Clerk, London, Ont., up to 5 o'clock p.m., on Saturday, March 27, 1915, for the purchase of the whole or any portion of an issue of $119,000 of debenture notes in denominations of $100, $300 and $500 each, payable in three years, with interest at 5 per cent per annum, payable half-yearly.

Citizens and others desiring to purchase any of these debenture notes will be furnished with full particulars, and forms of tenders, on application to the City Treasurer.

The Corporation of the City of London will not be bound to accept any tender.

H. A. STEVENSON, Mayor. J. S. BELL, City Treasurer.
March 17, 19, 20, 23, 25.

INSULT TO MANY LOYAL CITIZENS

Ottawa Paper Makes a Hot Reply To Dr. Edwards' Speech.

[Canadian Press.]

Ottawa, March 19.—The Ottawa Citizen today makes a warm editorial reply to the attack Dr. Edwards, M. P. for Frontenac, made on French Roman Catholics in a speech on the bilingual question at an Orange banquet here on Wednesday night.

"At a time," says the Citizen, "when French and English Canadians, and by the latter term we include all those who do not speak French as their mother tongue, are standing side by side in defence of our common heritage, it ill becomes any responsible public man to endeavor to stir into life the ever-smouldering embers of race and religious animosity.

"Dr. Edwards is insulting a large and thoroughly loyal section of this community by his nonsensical talk of a French-Canadian Roman Catholic republic in Ontario. The strongest opponents of bilingualism in Ontario are Roman Catholic churchmen, like Bishop Fallon and Rev. M. J. Whelan, of this city. This in itself should prove sufficient to indicate the non-religious character of the bilingual movement in this province, but the Citizen is not concerned with this aspect of the matter so much as with the despicable effort to stir up animosities in our own community."

RULES GOVERNING TRADE WITH HOLLAND

[Canadian Press.]

Washington, March 19.—The following special ruling governing commerce with Holland was made public today at the British embassy here:

"All shipments of petroleum, copper, wheat or wheat flour, should be consigned to the Netherlands Government, when destined for consumption in Holland, and all other articles on the contraband list destined for consumption in Holland, should be consigned to the overseas trust."

GOVERNOR ASSASSINATED AFTER TWO DAYS' RULE

[Canadian Press.]

New York, March 19.—The steamer Iroquois brought to this port today news of the assassination of Governor Zayas, of San Domingo, and two of his children at Azua, a small town about 55 miles southeast of Santo Domingo. Governor Zayas, it was said, went from Santo Domingo to Azua as a passenger aboard the Iroquois, to begin his duties as governor of the province. He was in office two days when adherents of a rival political party shot and killed him and his two children.

Zayas was formerly in command of the forces which bombarded Azua during the recent uprising.

APPRECIABLE ADVANCE IN WHOLESALE PRICES FOR FEBRUARY MONTH

[Canadian Press.]

Ottawa, March 19.—An appreciable advance in wholesale prices in Canada for the month of February has been noted, the jump equalling 5.2 in the labor department's index number, which for February was 143.8, as compared with 138.6 in the preceding month, and 136.1 in February, 1914.

The chief factor in the advance was the steep rise in grains and flour early in the month, continuing the advance which began in January. Considerable increase in the price on the foreign markets was also responsible to some extent. Other important advances occurred in butter, cheese, apples, bread, wool, cotton, leather, etc. Lower prices prevailed in cattle, beef, eggs, lemons, oranges, potatoes, coal, sulphite pipe and raw rubber.

TREMENDOUS GOOD MEETINGS CAUSED

Rev. Dr. Fikes Spoke in Talbot Street Church Again Last Night.

In Talbot Street Church last night, Dr. Fikes spoke with enthusiasm of the tremendous good the evangelistic meetings have done, and of the 250 or more who have taken a decided stand on the side of right during the campaign.

"But," said he, "there are many—a multitude—yet standing at the gate, not quite over the line that separates the Christian from the world."

Dr. Fikes took for his text, Mark, xii., 34: "Thou art not far from the kingdom of God." "The whole world," he continued, "is divided between two kingdoms—the kingdom of God and the kingdom of Satan. There is no neutral kingdom. Every person old enough to know the difference between right and wrong belongs to one of these universal kingdoms. It is pathetic to see instances where the husband belongs to one kingdom, and the wife belongs to the other. Brother and sister likewise frequently belong to the opposing kingdoms. Partners in business, chums and pals, school friends, too, are also divided between the two kingdoms. No argument is needed—we know whether or not we are in the kingdom of God. He that does the will of God belongs to the divine kingdom. Many deceive themselves in thinking they are in, because their names are on some church roll. But our Lord asks: 'Why call ye me Lord, and do not the things which I say?' We are forced to say, what the apostle told Simon, 'Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter, because thy heart is not right in the sight of God.' One's heart may look all right to the world, to one's friends, family, social set, to the politicians and financial friends, but nothing counts unless the heart is right in the sight of God.

Given Benefit of Doubt.

"Of one thing we may be sure: God gives us the benefit of every doubt, and credits us with all the good we possess. Although the rich young ruler turned away from him, there was something about the chap that Jesus loved. When Christ faced the hypocrites and skinflints, the white-washed Pharisees and Sadducees of his day, he flayed them alive, and gave them to understand that they belonged to the kingdom of their father, the devil, and that because of that they were far remote from the kingdom of God. But in Mark, xii., Jesus turns, keen and kind, to the scribe, who answers intelligently and frankly the questions under discussion, and says to him: 'Thou art not far from the kingdom of God.' As some of you are away back yonder by the doors, and others are here within touch of the platform, so multitudes of thinking men and women are not in the degradations of vice and thus far off from the kingdom, but are really standing at the very gates. It requires but one step by some of you to enter fully into blessings God has for all who confess Jesus Christ before the world. Early training at the knee of mother; the life and example of loved ones at home; the associations of wife, or companions; the familiar teachings of God's Word in Bible school and from church pulpit; the reverse of fortune, a bed of sickness, the death of a parent, child, or friend, have all conspired to bring you very near to the kingdom, so that tonight you are at the very gates. Intellectual sincerity and prolonged, serious thinking, has led you right up to the entrance. A life of moral integrity free from the usual outbreaks of sin, has helped to make it true that you are not far from the kingdom of God.

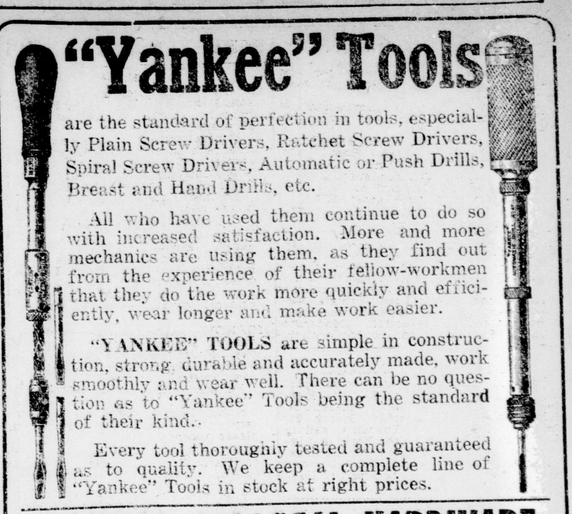
Definite Act Needed.

"But you are still outside. Intellectual sincerity and moral integrity may bring one up to the gate, but it remains for a definite act of the will to step across the entrance into the kingdom. You certainly hope to enter that blessed kingdom one day—but when? Why have you deferred this, the most important and far-reaching step in all your career? Is it because you don't feel like it? Well, do you feel like being lost? Do you never do anything that you don't feel like doing? The only feeling you need is to feel sorry that you are still outside. Is it because you can't decide? You can decide every other question. You decided to ask that pretty girl to marry you. You decided to come to this meeting. You decided to eat supper. Is there something you hang on to which you know must be given up if you go inside? It is easy to drop your bundles if you really want to enter.

"Think of the danger you run so long as you remain outside. Remaining out there, you may more easily go back into sin, from which you have sought to free yourself. You may grow utterly indifferent to your danger and rest content because you are 'not far from the kingdom.' But to be 'not far' is far enough to miss salvation. You may die just where and as you are. Then it will be impossible forever to gain entrance. You then become separated from all who are near and dear to you, and from all that is high and holy, sweet, clean and beautiful, for all eternity.

"It is a terrible thought that one may perish in sight of the harbor, just outside the gate of life and eternal safety."

"Yankee" Tools



are the standard of perfection in tools, especially Plain Screw Drivers, Ratchet Screw Drivers, Spiral Screw Drivers, Automatic or Push Drills, Breast and Hand Drills, etc.

All who have used them continue to do so with increased satisfaction. More and more mechanics are using them, as they find out from the experience of their fellow-workmen that they do the work more quickly and efficiently, wear longer and make work easier.

"YANKEE" TOOLS are simple in construction, strong, durable and accurately made, work smoothly and wear well. There can be no question as to "Yankee" Tools being the standard of their kind.

Every tool thoroughly tested and guaranteed as to quality. We keep a complete line of "Yankee" Tools in stock at right prices.

COWAN'S COLOSSAL HARDWARE

125, 127 DUNDAS ST. TWO PHONES—3461, 3462

Here Is an Invitation

To you to come and see our display of

Cut Flowers

We offer only excellent qualities, fresh and in the widest variety, so it is easy to choose your favorites. Floral decorations are one of our specialties.

The House of Flowers

Gammage

LONDON.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

THE LOCAL MARKET

Slowness in selling was again the characteristic of the market on Friday. About 30 loads of hay were the chief offerings on the square. Hay and straw are unchanged in price and sell as quoted.

Butter and eggs have hardly been on the square since last Saturday, and a very small offering along this line is expected for Saturday's market. Prices, however, are fairly steady.

Potatoes are one of the slowest sellers on the market. They bring only 40c to 50c a bag for vegetables of good quality.

Grain, Per Cwt.			
Wheat, per cwt	$2 33	to	$2 33
Oats, per cwt	1 60	to	1 84
Grain, Per Bushel.			
Wheat, per bu	1 26	to	1 26
Oats, per bu	60	to	62
Vetgetables.			
Potatoes, load, bag	40	to	50
Potatoes, per bag	40	to	50
Beets, per bu	40	to	40
Cabbages, each	5	to	5
Radishes, per doz	40	to	40
Turnips, per bu	25	to	30
Carrots, per bu	40	to	40
Celery, each	5	to	10
Parsnips, per bu	50	to	50
Onions, per dozen	40	to	40
Lettuce, per dozen	40	to	40
Rhubarb, per doz	1 00	to	1 00
Fruit.			
Apples, per bag	75	to	1 10
Apples, per bbl	1 50	to	2 25
Hay and Straw.			
Hay, per ton	13 50	to	15 50
Straw, per load	5 50	to	6 00
Straw, per ton	7 50	to	8 50
Dairy Products, Wholesale.			
Butter, dairy, lb	32	to	33
Butter, crocks, lb	30	to	31
Butter, rolls, lb	32	to	33
Butter, store lots, lb	28	to	29
Eggs, basket, doz	18	to	19
Eggs, crate lots, doz	18	to	19
Dairy Products, Retail.			
Butter, rolls, lb	35	to	35
Butter, fancy, lb	35	to	35
Butter, crocks, lb	32	to	35
Eggs, per dozen	22	to	22
Eggs, per basket, doz.	21	to	21
Honey, strained, 10 lbs	1 40	to	1 50
Poultry, Alive, Wholesale.			
Old fowl, lb	8	to	9
Young chickens, lb	9	to	10
Ducks, per lb	10	to	10
Geese, per lb	9	to	9
Turkeys, per lb	15	to	15
Poultry, Dressed, Wholesale.			
Old fowl, lb	9	to	10
Young chickens, lb	10	to	11
Ducks, per lb	11	to	12
Geese, per lb	10	to	11
Turkeys, per lb	15	to	16
Poultry, Dressed, Retail.			
Spring chickens, pair	1 00	to	1 50
Ducks, per pair	1 25	to	2 00
Chickens, per lb	16	to	17
Turkeys, per lb	20	to	22
Geese, per lb	14	to	15
Live Stock.			
Hogs, per cwt	7 60	to	7 60
Fat sows, cwt	5 50	to	5 50
Small pigs, pair	5 00	to	10 00
Export cattle, cwt	8 00	to	8 50
Milch cows, each	60 00	to	90 00
Butchers' Meats.			
Dressed hogs, each	10 00	to	10 25
Veal, per cwt	13 00	to	14 00
Beef, per cwt	9 00	to	11 50
Mutton, per cwt	8 00	to	10 00
Yearling lamb, lb	14	to	15

GRAIN.

Winnipeg, March 18.—The grain market opened lower today. There was considerable activity at the start, especially in Chicago, and the range of fluctuations for the day was fairly wide.

May wheat opened at $1.52½ and closed at $1.54¼, after a fluctuation of 2⅞c. Oats closed ⅜c to ½c higher. Flax closed ¼c lower for May, ¼c higher for July, and 1⅜c lower for October. There was a very good demand for spot wheat, with the most limited offerings. No. 1 northern spot wheat was 1c under May, and No. 2 northern, 1½c under May, while No. 1, for opening of navigation, was 1c lower.

Inspections for Wednesday were only 179 cars, as against 269 last year, but 300 cars are in sight for today.

Export trade reports were very varied; some houses reported 100,000 to 200,000 worked overnight, while other large houses reported their bids quite out of line.

Cash quotations: Wheat—No. 1 northern, $1.53; No. 2 northern, $1.52½; No. 3 northern, $1.49; No. 4, $1.43½; No. 5, $1.39¼; No. 6, $1.35¼.

Oats—No. 2 Canadian western, 64¼c, No. 3 Canadian western, 62c; extra No. 1 feed, 62c; No. 1 feed, 61c; No. 2 feed, 60c.

Barley—No. 3, 77c; No. 4, 72c; feed, 70c.

Flax—No. 1 N. W. C., $1.80; No. 2 Canadian western, $1.77.

Chicago, March 19.—Wheat made a fresh advance in prices today, influenced by an upward swing in quotations at Liverpool. Argentine shipments were large, but vessel rates from there were said to be rising rapidly, and values also, with Italy and Greece competing against Great Britain. Requirements for Italy alone were estimated as being at least 15,500,000 bushels. Prices here, after opening ⅝c to 2⅛c up, steadied at a moderate reaction from the top of the range.

Liverpool, March 19.—Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 Manitoba, 13s 5½d; No. 2 hard winter, 13s 4d.

Corn—Spot quiet; American mixed, new, 7s 8½d; do old, 8s 2d. Futures firm; March, 7s 5¼d.

FLOUR.

Liverpool, March 19.—Flour—Winter patents, 38s 3d.

HOPS.

Liverpool, March 19.—Hops (in London)—Pacific coast, £3 10s to £4 15s.

PROVISIONS.

Liverpool, March 19.—Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, 60s 6d.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, 64s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, 61s 6d; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, 64s 6d; do heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, 64s; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, 56s 6d; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, 52s.

Lard—Prime western, in tierces, new, 49s 9d; do, old, 53s; American refined, in pails, 54s; do, 56-lb boxes, 52s 9d.

DAIRY.

Liverpool, March 19.—Cheese—Canadian finest white and colored, new, 95s.

OILS AND METALS.

Liverpool, March 19.—Tallow—Australian (in London), 41s 9d.

Turpentines Spirits—33s.

Rosin—Common nominal.

Petroleum—Refined, 9¼d.

Linseed Oil—35s.

Cottonseed Oil (Hull refined)—Spot, 30s 9d.

LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, March 19.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,000; market slow; steers, $5 80 to $8 65; western steers, $5 35 to $7 40; cows and heifers, $3 25 to $7 75; calves, $7 to $10 50.

Hogs—Receipts, 17,000; market firm, a shade up; light, $6 60 to $6 85; mixed, $6 60 to $6 95; heavy, $6 35 to $6 85; roughs, $6 35 to $6 50; pigs, $5 50 to $6 70.

Sheep—Receipts, 5,000; market firm; sheep, $7 10 to $8 15; yearlings, $7 80 to $9 15; lambs, $7 60 to $9 90.

East Buffalo, N.Y., March 19.—Cattle—Receipts, 600 head; slow. Veals—Receipts, 600 head; active, $5 to $12 50.

Hogs—Receipts, 4,000 head; active; mixed and yorkers, $7 50 to $7 60; pigs, $7 40 to $7 50; roughs, $6 35 to $6 50; stags, $4 50 to $5 50.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 4,400; active; lambs, $6 50 to $10 90; yearlings, $8 to $9 50; wethers, $8 25 to $8 75; ewes, $4 to $8; sheep, mixed, $8 to $8 25.

COTTON

New York, March 18.—Cotton — Futures closed steady; closing bids: March, 8.61c; May, 8.88c; July, 9.17c; October, 9.48c; December, 9.66c.

Spot—Closed quiet; middling uplands, 8.95c. Sales, 800 bales.

Liverpool, March 18.—Cotton—Futures closed quiet. May-June, 5.18½d; June-July, 5.23½d; July-August, 5.30d; October-November, 5.45½d; January-February, 5.54½d.

Spot—In good demand; prices easier;

WALL STREET.

New York, March 19—Wall Street, 10:30 a.m.—London's long-delayed decision to meet the minimum prices fixed by the New York Stock Exchange seemed to exercise a stimulating effect at the outset of today's local trading. Reading and Lehigh Valley advanced a point, with substantial gains in other active shares. United States Steel was heavily traded in at a moderate gain, and the copper group as a whole was at a higher level, while Bethlehem Steel made another high record. Specialties also shared in the upward tendency, which was attended by a fair degree of activity. More gold imports from Canada were announced.

Noon.—The London market's price revision of the international list not only failed to provide liquidation from foreign sources, but seemed actually to bring about a moderate demand from across the water. Trading fell away in a marked manner toward midday, but gains were fully maintained in some instances, notably Bethlehem Steel and the metal shares, higher levels being registered. Leading railroad issues also showed improvement, although shares of the western roads were relatively backward. Heavy sales of New York Central debenture sixes at new low prices was the main feature of an otherwise dull and irregular bond market.

1:30 p.m.—Increasing dullness took the list in the early afternoon, the demand for leading stocks being less pronounced. Quoted values lost none of their firmness, however, some of the specialties mounting to higher levels.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

J. M. Young, 18 Dominion Savings building, reports fluctuations in New York stocks as follows:

New York, March 19.

Trunk Lines and Grangers—	Open.	High.	Low.	2p.m.
Baltimore & Ohio.	67		66¾	67
Erie, com	22⅝	22¾	22⅝	22¾
Great Northern	115¾	116	115¾	116
New Haven	52½	52½	52	52½
New York Central	83	83⅛	83	83⅛
Rock Island	30	27		
St. Paul	86½	86⅞	86½	86⅞
Pacifics and Southerns—				
Atchison, com	95¾	95⅞	95¾	95⅞
Canadian Pacific	158⅛	159¼	158⅛	159
Kansas & Texas	10⅛			
Kan. & Tex., pfd.	27½	27½	27⅜	27⅜
Missouri Pacific	10¾	11	10½	11
Northern Pacific	102⅝	103	102⅝	103
Southern Pacific	83¼	84	83¼	83⅞
Southern Railway	14⅝	15	14¾	15
Union Pacific	119⅞	120⅜	119⅞	120⅜
Coalers—				
Lehigh Valley	136	136	135¼	135¾
Ontario & West	29			
Pennsylvania	104⅞	104⅞	104¾	104¾
Reading Railway	142⅝	143½	142⅝	143¼
Traction Shares—				
Interboro, com	12⅞	..	..	..
Interboro, pfd	59½			
Third Avenue	50¾	50¾	50⅛	50⅛
Industrials—				
Am. Beet Sugar	41½	41⅞	41½	41⅞
American Can	27½	28⅜	27½	28⅜
American Car	40½	40½	40¼	40½
American Sugar	102½	102½	102	102
Amer. Smelters	63¾	65⅛	63¾	65⅛
Central Leather	33¾	34	33¾	34
Corn Products, pf.	70½	..	..	..
Col. Fuel & Iron	23½	..	..	..
Consumers' Gas	115¾			
Ice Securities	28¾	29	28⅝	28⅝
People's Gas	120			
U. S. Rubber	55⅝	57¼	55⅝	57¼
W. Union, xd	64	..	..	..
Woolworth	104½	104½	104½	104½
Copper Shares—				
Amal. Copper	55⅝	56⅜	55⅝	56¼
Anaconda Copper	26¾	27	26¾	27
Miami Copper	23⅞	24½	23¾	24½
Tennessee Copper	28⅞	29	28¾	28⅞
Utah Copper	52¾	54¼	52¾	54⅞
Oil Shares—				
Am. Cotton Oil	44¾	..	..	..
Cal. Petroleum	16¾	16⅝	16⅝	[illegible]
Mex. Petroleum	70¼	70½	69	[illegible]
Steel Shares—				
Bethlehem Steel	58⅞	62⅝	58	62½
Beth. Steel, pfd.	104¾	105	104¾	105
Republic Steel	20	..	..	..
U. S. Steel	44¾	44⅞	44¼	44⅝
U. S. Steel, pfd.	104½	..	..	..

Sales to noon, 145,000 shares.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, March 19—12 noon.—A new list of minimum prices on the stock exchange, which went into effect today, shows reductions averaging 2 points. The new minimum for Consols is 66½. Concerning American stocks, the following ruling was made:

"No bargain shall occur below the English equivalent of the minimum fixed by the New York Stock Exchange committee."

London, March 19.—The money market was not affected today by the payment of £26,000,000 ($100,000,000) on exchequer bonds and £7,000,000 ($37,500,000) maturing treasury bills. Discount rates were easy.

The revised official prices on the stock exchange did not increase business, but the opinion is that it is a step in the right direction, and will bear fruit later. War loans and Brazilian bonds were fairly active, but oil shares and Kaffirs moved irregularly.

American securities were a shade more inactive. Erie and Canadian Pacific were frequently marked, and United States Steel changed hands at 46½, a fraction over the new minimum. The closing was steady.

Closing prices were:

Consols, for money	66 9-16
Consols, for account	57
Atchison, common	99⅛
Baltimore and Ohio	69½
Canadian Pacific	165⅛
Chesapeake and Ohio	42½
Chicago Great Western	11
Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul	89¼
De Beers	6¼
Denver and Rio Grande	23¼
Erie, common	14
Erie, first preferred	38
Grand Trunk	9½
Illinois Central	107
Louisville and Nashville	115½
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	10¾
New York Central	86
Norfolk and Western	104½
Ontario and Western	25¼
Pennsylvania Railway	54¼
Rand Mines	4⅝
Reading Railway	74¼
Southern Railway	17⅛
Southern Pacific	86½
Union Pacific	124½
United States Steel	46

MONEY MARKET.

London, March 19.—Bar silver was quoted at 23 13-16d per ounce.

Money, 1 to 1¼ per cent.

Discount rates—Short bills and three months' bills, 2¼ per cent.

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, March 19.

	Asked.	Bid.
Bell Telephone	140	
Canadian Pacific	158	
Canada Cat.	110	
City Dairy, pfd.	101	
Consumers' Gas	178¼	
Mackay, com.	73½	
Mackay, pfd.	67½	
Maple Leaf, com.	42½	
Maple Leaf, pfd.	94¼	
International Petroleum	800	760
Shredded Wheat, pfd.	..	92
Twin City	99	96½
Western Canada Flour	105	102
Hamilton Provident	..	128
Hamilton Prov., 20 p.c. paid	..	125
Conlagas	..	460
Hollinger	..	2260
La Rose	74	
Nipissing Mines	590	570
Trethewey	..	9
Toronto General Trusts	216	205

T. G. MEREDITH MAY HELP TORONTO OUT

As Corporation Counsel of That City Leaving for Front.

By an arrangement with G. R. Geary, corporation counsel to the city of Toronto, who has been accepted as an officer in the Canadian overseas force, T. G. Meredith, of this city, has undertaken to do counsel work for Toronto whenever his services are required and can be given without interfering with his local work.

"It is simply a question of doing occasional work to help out a brother counsel," Mr. Meredith explained to The Advertiser today. He went on to point out that the legal department of the city of Toronto was a large one, with five or six lawyers on the staff, so that it was not likely that his services would be required often during Mr. Geary's absence.

THE END OF THE WORLD

A two-days' spiritual conference opened in the Christian Church, Dundas and Elizabeth streets, yesterday afternoon. At the afternoon session devotional exercises were conducted by the pastor, Rev. G. F. Assiter. At 3 o'clock an address was given by Rev. Robert Stevenson, of Watford, on "Our Pre-Millennial Hope." Rev. George Dewey, of Blenheim, assisted in the song service, which followed an address, "Are We in the Last Days?" by Rev. A. McKibbon, B.A., greatly interested the large audience. At the evening session an address, "Is Jesus Christ Coming Again?" was given by Rev. Marcus Scott, D.D., of Berlin. Dr. Scott conducted a question drawer during the evening.

PRISON DISAGREES WITH "ISSHY" CLARKE

William (Isshy) Clarke, charged with the theft of a gold watch and $15 from the person of George Bateman, a Caradoc farmer, was remanded today by Police Magistrate J. C. Judd until Monday, when he will come up for a preliminary hearing.

Clarke, who looked pale and haggard in the prisoner's dock, had nothing to say about the charge, and was led from the court room to the cell block without once speaking.

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