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LATEST MARKETS

LOCAL MARKET.

Thursday, Dec. 22.

Today's market was hardly up to expectations. Nevertheless there was a large attendance of farmers and buyers. Nearly every sleigh contained its quota of some kind of fowl. Turkeys, of course, were more numerous than any other fowl. Sales were moderately brisk for all kinds of poultry, prices were a shade easier.

Grain—About 25 loads of oats were offered. The demand was good at 95c to 98c per cwt. Wheat sold at $1 per bushel; very little offered. Barley 90c to 92c per cwt.

Hay and Straw—Hay was in large supply, as there were 35 loads offered; sales were fairly brisk; nearly all of the loads were sold by 11:30 o'clock; prices ruled mostly at $8 per ton. Several loads of straw sold at $5 50 to $6 per ton. A few loads of hay went at $8 25 per ton.

Butter and Eggs—Butter was in fair demand, at 18c for crocks and 19c for pound rolls. Eggs were in brisk demand, at 25c to 27c per dozen.

Apples—There were considerable offered; sales were a trifle brisker, at $1 per barrel, or 40c per bag.

Vegetables and Roots—Potatoes sold well, but prices were easier, at 65c per bag wholesale; cabbages were held at 40c per dozen; celery, 40c per dozen; other vegetables as quoted.

Poultry—This line was well represented, as it was expected it would be; prices were easier, at 13c to 15c per lb for dressed turkeys; most of the sales were made at 13½c and 14c per lb; live turkeys sold at 11c to 12c per lb; geese sold well at 8c to 10c per lb; chickens, 9c to 10c per lb; ducks, 10c per lb.

Butchers' Meats—Sales were slow, at prices quoted.

Dressed hogs sold today at $6 25 to $6 75 per cwt.

GRAIN, PER CENTAL.			
Wheat	$1 65	@	$1 66
Oats, new	95	@	98
Corn	95	@	1 10
Barley	90	@	92
Rye	90	@	1 00
Buckwheat	1 00	@	1 00
Peas	1 00	@	1 50
GRAIN, PER BUSHEL.			
Wheat	1 01	@	1 02
Oats, new	33	@	34
Corn	51	@	56
Peas	80	@	90
Buckwheat	52	@	53
Barley	43½	@	44
Rye	54	@	55
DAIRY PRODUCE.			
Butter, store lots, lb	16	@	17
Butter, crocks	17	@	18
Butter, rolls	18	@	19
Butter, creamery	21	@	23
Eggs, doz., wholesale	24	@	25
Eggs, doz., retail	25	@	27
Honey, strained, lb	9	@	10
Honey, comb	12	@	15
FRUITS.			
Apples, per bbl	90	@	1 25
Apples, per bag	35	@	50
POULTRY, DRESSED.			
Old hens, per pair	60	@	80
Spring chickens, pair	50	@	80
Turkeys, per lb	12½	@	15
Ducks, per pair	90	@	1 25
Geese, each	80	@	1 25
Hens, per lb	6	@	7
Chickens, per lb	10	@	10½
Ducks, per lb	9	@	10½
Geese, per lb	8½	@	9½
POULTRY, ALIVE.			
Spring chickens, per pair	45	@	65
Old hens, per pair	65	@	75
Ducks, per pair	70	@	80
Turkeys, per lb	11	@	12
Chickens, per lb	8	@	8½
Hens, per lb	5	@	6
Ducks, per lb	8	@	8
BUTCHERS' MEATS.			
Dressed hogs, cwt	6 00	@	6 75
Beef, per cwt	4 00	@	6 00
Mutton, per cwt	6 00	@	7 50
Lamb, per lb	9	@	9
Pork, lb, hindquarters	8	@	9
Pork, lb, forequarters	7½	@	8
LIVE STOCK.			
Hogs, selects, cwt	4 60	@	4 60
Pigs, per pair	3 00	@	4 00
Sows, per cwt	3 00	@	3 25
Stags, per cwt	1 50	@	2 00
Grass cattle, cwt	3 50	@	3 75
Export cattle, cwt	4 00	@	4 00
HAY AND STRAW.			
Hay, per ton	7 50	@	8 50
Straw, per ton	5 00	@	6 00
Straw, per load	3 00	@	3 50
VEGETABLES.			
Potatoes, per bag	65	@	70
Turnips, per bag	25	@	35
Carrots, per bu	20	@	25
Onions, per bu	80	@	1 00
Beets, per bu	30	@	35
Parsnips, per bu	30	@	35
Cabbages, per doz	25	@	40
Cauliflowers, per doz	50	@	1 25
Celery, per doz	30	@	40
Sage, per doz	15	@	20
Savory, per doz	15	@	20
WOOL, HIDES, TALLOW.			
Wool, washed, per lb	19	@	20
Wool, unwashed	12½	@	14
Hides, No. 1, per lb	8½	@	8½
Hides, No. 2	7½	@	7½
Hides, No. 3	6½	@	6½
Tallow, rendered, lb	4	@	4½
Tallow, rough, lb	2½	@	3
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STOCK MARKETS.

H. C. Becher, stock broker, Bank of Commerce building, received the following by private wire from Bartlett, Frazier & Carrington today:

New York, Dec. 22. — Noon. — The bear tactics which were in evidence yesterday were again seen. Consumers Gas was again weak, although no one believes that there is any danger of the scheme for municipal lighting being carried through. In spite of the fact that the buying of United States Steel preferred was a great deal better than the selling, the stock was heavy. Presumably between now and

C. N. SPENCER, STOCK BROKER.

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Tuesday the market will be dull, and judging from present conditions may reach a somewhat lower level, but after the new year it is confidently expected that there wil lbe a sharp movement in prices. Sales to noon 327,700.

MONTREAL

Montreal, Dec. 22.

	Ask.	Off
Canadian Pacific	130	129½
C. P. R., new	128½	127
Montreal Street Railway	215½	214
Toronto Street Railway	105	103
Halifax Street Railway	106	104
Twin City Transit	105¼	105
Richelieu & Ontario	62	61
Montreal Telegraph	160	159
Bell Telephone	160	..
Dominion Steel, com	18	17
Dominion Steel, pfd	57½	56
Montreal Power	81	80
Nova Scotia Steel, com	66½	66¼
Detroit Railway	78	77¾
Dominion Cotton	45	38
Montreal Railway, new	214	212½
Montreal Railway, bonds	104½	103
Lake of Woods, bonds	109	108
Winnipeg Railway, bonds	105	103
Dominion Coal, com	63	61
Dominion Coal, pfd	119	117
International Coal	..	75
Bank of Montreal	255	253
Molsons Bank	220	219
Merchants' Bank	170	162½
Ogilvie Flour, com	..	200
Ogilvie Flour, pfd	132	129¾
Ogilvie Flour, bonds	115	112
Dominion Steel, bonds	83¾	82½
Heat and Light, bonds	103	101
Laurentide Pulp, bonds	108	106
Toledo Railway	24½	22¾

SALES: C. P. R., 50 at 128⅝; Power, 25 at 80½, 25 at 80; Iron, common, 35 at 18; C. P. R., new, 5 at 127, 108 at 127½; Twin City, 50 at 104¼; Toronto Railway, 50 at 104; Coal, common, 50 at 62; Scotia, common, 25 at 66¼, 100 at 66½, 50 at 66¾, 50 at 66½; Bell Telephone, 3 at 157; Montreal Cotton, 100 at 102; Halifax Railway, 25 at 104½; Ogilvie, preferred, 25 at 130; Coal, preferred, 2 at 118¾; Lake of the Woods Milling, preferred, 25 at 110, 25 at 109; Merchants' Bank, 11 at 163; Pulp bonds, 3,000 at 106; Winnipeg bonds, 36,000 at 101.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 22.

	Ask.	Off.
Bank of Montreal	..	254
Ontario Bank	130	129¾
Bank of Toronto	..	233
Merchants' Bank	..	161
Bank of Commerce	166	164¼
Imperial Bank	230	228
Dominion Bank	250½	..
Standard Bank	240	..
Bank of Hamilton	216¾	..
Nova Scotia	271	..
Ottawa Bank	..	215
Traders' Bank	..	120
Bank of British America	..	91
Western Assurance	..	95
Imperial Life	..	149
Consumers' Gas	213	207
Ont. & Qu'Appelle Land	..	100
Can. Northwest Land, pfd.	..	99
Canadian Pacific Railway	129¾	129¾
Toronto Electric Light	149	148
Canadian General Electric	173	169
Dominion Telegraph	..	120
Bell Telephone	161	..
R. & O. Navigation	..	61
Niagara Navigation	..	106
Northern Navigation	61	..
Toronto Railway	105	103¾
Twin City Railway	106	105⅝
Sao Paulo Tramway	108	107
Dominion Steel, com	18½	18¼
Dominion Coal, com	62	60¾
Nova Scotia Steel, com	66½	..
Crow's Nest Coal	350	..
Mackay, com.	40½	39⅝
Mackay, pfd.	75½	74½
Sait	113	..
British-Canadian L. & I.	95	90
Canada Landed	..	105½
Canada Permanent	..	122¼
Canadian Savings & Loan	..	120
Central Canada Loan	..	160
Dominion Savings & Invest.	..	70
Hamilton Provident	..	119
Landed Banking & Loan	..	119
London & Canada L. & A.	..	98
Manitoba Loan	..	95
Toronto Mortgage	..	97
London Loan	..	120
Ontario Loan & Debenture	..	120
Nova Scotia Steel bonds	..	108

SALES: Ontario Bank, 75 at 129¾, 145 at 130; Imperial Bank, 30 at 229; Dominion Bank, 29 at 250¾, 20 at 250½; Toronto Railway, 25 at 104, 10 at 103⅞; Sao Paulo, 125 at 107½, 1 at 107, 25 at 107¾, 1 at 107¼, 25 at 107; Canadian General Electric, 25 at 170; Mackay, preferred, 10 at 7; C. P. R., 150 at 129½; Nova Scotia Steel, 85 and 25 at 66, 50 at 66¼; Dominion Steel, 25 at 18¼; Coal, 25 at 81⅞.

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

Chicago, Dec. 22.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—May	1 11⅞	1 12½	1 11⅜	1 11½
July	98¾	98⅞	98⅛	98⅛
Corn—May	45⅝	45⅞	45⅜	45⅝
July	45⅞	45⅞	45½	45⅝
Oats—May	31⅜	31½	31⅜	31½
July	31⅝	31½	31⅜	31½
Pork—Jan.	12 55	12 55	12 50	12 55
May	12 92	12 92	12 87	12 87
Lard—Jan.	6 85	....	....	6 85
May	7 12	7 12	7 10	7 10
S. Ribs—Jan.	6 40	....	....	6 40
May	6 72	6 72	6 67	6 67

NEW YORK.

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New York, Dec. 22.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Amal. Copper	64½	65⅜	64½	65¼
American Sugar	141½	143	141½	142¼
American Cotton Oil	36⅛	36½	36	36½
Amer. Locomotive	34	34¼	33¾	34
American Foundry	34⅜	34⅜	34	34
American Refining	80	80	79¼	79¾
Atchison, com	85	85½	84¾	85⅜
†Atchison, pfd	101¼	101¼	101	101
Baltimore & Ohio	99½	99½	99	99¼
Brooklyn Transit	59½	59½	59	59½
C. P. R.	130	130	129¼	129½
Ches. & Ohio	47¾	47¾	46¾	46¾
Chicago G. Western	22	22¼	21⅞	21⅞
Col. Fuel & Iron	45¼	45¼	44½	44¾
Consolidated Gas	194	196	193½	195¾
Delaware & Hudson	185	..	..	..
Erie	36¼	36⅝	36⅛	36½
Erie, pfd	73⅞	74⅜	73⅞	74
Kan. & Tex., com	31⅛	31⅛	30½	30½
Louisville & Nash	138¾	139¾	138½	139¾
Metropolitan St. Ry.	121	121½	120⅝	120⅝
Mexican Central	20¼	20¼	19¾	20
†Missouri Pacific	106⅛	106⅛	105¾	105¼
N. Y. Central	140¼	139¼	140¼	139⅞
Norfolk & Western	78½	78½	78⅛	78¼
*Ontario & Western	40½	40½	40¼	40¼
Pennsylvania	136¼	136⅜	135¾	136¼
People's Gas	106	106	105½	105¾
Reading	77¼	77½	75⅞	76½
Republic I. & S.	16	..	..	16¼
Rock Island	33⅛	33⅜	32⅞	33
Southern Railway	34	34	33⅞	33⅞
Southern Ry., pfd	98½	..	..	..
Southern Pacific	63	63½	62½	62⅞
St. Paul	168¾	169⅝	168⅜	168¾
Tenn. Coal & Iron	71	71	69¾	69¾
Union Pacific	109¾	110⅛	109⅜	109¾
U. S. Leather	14⅛	..	..	14
U. S. Leather, pfd	100½	101¼	100½	101
U. S. Steel	28¾	28¾	28	28⅜
U. S. Steel, pfd	91¼	91⅝	90⅝	90⅞
‡West. Union Tel	92½	..	..	..
Wisconsin Cen., pfd	42½	42½	42⅜	42⅜

*Ex-dividend, 3 per cent. † Ex-dividend, 2½ per cent. ‡Ex-dividend, 1¼ per cent.

N. S. WILLIAMS, Broker,

113 Masonic Temple.

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HAY MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—Baled Hay—The prevailing tone of the market continues easy, and quotations are unchanged, at $7 50 per ton for No. 1 timothy and $6 50 for mixed clover and No. 2, in car lots on the track here.

Baled Straw—Offerings here are light, and the market has a firm tone, at $6 per ton for car lots on track here.

PRODUCE MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 22.—Wheat—The Ontario grades continue quiet and are quoted unchanged, at 97c to 98c bid for red and white; spring, 92c to 93c; goose, 86c to 87c; Manitoba wheat is firmer, in sympathy with prices at Winnipeg; No. 1 northern, $1 04; No. 2 northern, 99c to $1; No. 3 northern, 93c, at Georgian Bay ports, and 6c more grinding in transit. Flour—Ninety per cent patents, $4 20 to $4 35, in buyers' sacks, east and west;

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15c to 20c higher for choice; Manitoba, $5 40 to $5 70 for first patents, $5 to $5 40 for second patents, and $5 to $5 20 for bakers. Millfeed—Easier in tone, at $14 to $14 50 for bran in bulk, and $17 to $18 for shorts, east and west; Manitoba, $21 for shorts and $18 for bran for export. Barley—Unchanged, at 45c for No. 2, 43c for No. 3 extra, and 41c for No. 3 malting, outside. Toronto freights. Rye—Steady, at 74c to 75c for No. 2. Corn—New Canadian yellow, 43c; mixed, 42c, f. o. b., Chatham freights; new American, No. 3 yellow is easier, at 51½c to 52c; mixed, 51½c, on track at Toronto. Oats, 33c to 33¼c for No. 1 white, east, low freights; No. 2, 32½c, low freights, and 32c north and west. Rolled oats, $4 for cars of bags, and $4 25 for barrels, on track at Toronto; 25c more for broken lots here and 40c more outside. Peas, 67c to 68c for No. 2, west. Buckwheat—Dull, at 50c to 51c west. Butter—Steady to firm in tone; creamery prits are still scarce; choice grades are in good demand and prices unchanged. Eggs—Steady, with firm tone, at 20c to 21c for fresh and 20c for limed; no new-laid offerings.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 22.—There were 67 loads in today, including 810 cattle, 1,400 sheep and lambs, 1,400 hogs and 52 calves.

Quotations:

Export cattle, choice, cwt	$4 75	@	$5 00
Export cattle, medium	4 00	@	4 25
Export bulls	3 50	@	4 00
Export cows	3 25	@	3 75
Butchers' cattle, choice	3 25	@	4 00
Butchers, medium	3 00	@	3 50
Butchers, common	2 75	@	3 00
Feeders, short-keep	3 75	@	4 00
Feeders, medium	3 00	@	3 50
Stockers	2 50	@	3 00
Milch cows, each	30 00	@	55 00
Export ewes, cwt	4 00	@	4 25
Bucks	2 50	@	3 00
Culls, each	2 50	@	3 50
Lambs, cwt	5 25	@	5 80
Calves, each	2 00	@	10 00
Calves, cwt	3 00	@	4 75
Hogs, singers, off cars	4 75	@	4 75
Hogs, fats and lights	4 50	@	4 50

Export cattle are steady, at prices quoted; good butchers' cattle are selling well, and medium and common are a slow trade; milch cows selling well and in demand.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, Dec. 21.—Live cattle are quoted at 10c to 13½c per lb; refrigerator beef at 9½c to 10c per lb; sheep at 10c to 12½c per lb.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, Dec. 22.—Cattle—Receipts, 50 head; quiet; prime steers, $5 50 to $6; shipping, $4 50 to $5 25; butchers, $3 75 to $4 85; heifers, $2 75 to $4 25; cows, $2 25 to $3 85; bulls, $2 25 to $4; stockers and feeders, $2 50 to $3 90. Veals—Receipts, 200 head; active, $4 50 to $8 75.

Hogs—Receipts, 10,200 head; slow, 10c to 20c lower; heavy, $4 60 to $4 65; mixed, $4 55 to $4 60; Yorkers, $4 45 to $4 55; pigs, $4 30 to $4 40; roughs, $3 80 to $4; stags, $3 to $3 50.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 8,000 head; sheep slow, lambs active, 15c to 20c higher; yearlings, $5 50 to $6; wethers, $5 to $5 25; ewes, $4 50 to $4 75; sheep, mixed, $2 50 to $4 75.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Cattle—Receipts, 8,500; market steady; good to prime steers, $6 10 to $7; poor to medium, $3 85 to $6; stockers and feeders, $2 10 to $4 20; cows, $1 25 to $4 40; heifers, $2 to $5; canners, $1 25 to $2 40; bulls, $2 to $4; calves, $3 to $6 75; western steers, $3 50 to $5.

Hogs—Receipts, 32,000; market weak and lower; mixed and butchers, $4 35 to $4 60; good to choice heavy, $4 50 to $4 65; rough heavy, $4 30 to $4 40; light, $4 20 to $4 40; bulk of sales at $4 35 to $4 47½.

Sheep—Receipts, 15,000; market strong; good to choice wethers, $4 55 to $5 10; fair to choice mixed, $3 50 to $4 50; native lambs, $4 50 to $6 90.

OIL MARKETS.

PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 21.—Oil opened and closed at $1 55.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., Dec. 21.—Credit balances, $1 55; certificates, no bid; shipments, Pennsylvania, 63,860 barrels.

LONDON.

London, Dec. 21.—Petroleum, American refined, 5½d; spirits, 8½d.

ANTWERP.

Antwerp, Dec. 21.—Petroleum, 19 francs 25 centimes.

BREMEN.

Bremen, Dec. 21.—Petroleum, 6 marks 35 pfennings.

DAIRY MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 21.—Butter—Steady and unchanged; receipts, 5,944 pkgs. Cheese—Firm and unchanged; receipts, 2,690 boxes.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 21.—Butter—Steady; creameries, 16c to 26c; dairies, 16c to 22c. Cheese—Firm, 11½c to 12c.

BEAN MARKET.

DETROIT.

Detroit, Dec. 21. — December $1 59, January $1 61, February $1 62 bid.

SUGAR MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 21.—Sugar—Raw firm, refined firm. Molasses—Steady.

LONDON.

London, Dec. 21.—Raw sugar—Centrifugal, 15s 3d, nominal; Muscovado, 14s; beet sugar, 14s 3d.

FLAXSEED.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Flaxseed—Northwest, $1 23½; southwest, $1 16; December, $1 16; May, $1 23½.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Dec. 22.—Wheat—Spot nominal. Futures quiet; December nominal; March, 7s 1⅝d; May, 7s 1⅜d.

Corn—Spot quiet; American mixed, new, 4s 7½d; do, old, 4s 10½d. Futures steady; January, 4s 4d; March, 4s 3½d.

Peas—Canadian firm, 5s 11d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter steady, 9s 9d.

Hops (in London)—Pacific coast steady, £7 10s to £8 10s.

Beef—Firm; extra India mess, 66s 3d.

Pork—Easy; prime mess western, 68s 9d.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs. quiet, 40s 6d.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, weak, 35s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, easy, 39s; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, easy, 39s; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, easy, 37s; short clear backs, 16 to 24 lbs, easy, 37s; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, quiet, 38s.

Lard—Prime western, in tierces, quiet, 36s 6d; American refined, in pails, steady, 35s 6d.

Butter—Good United States firm, 75s.

Cheese—American finest white and colored strong, 48s 6d; do, September make, strong, 51s 6d.

Tallow—Prime city steady, 22s 9d; Australian (in London) easy, 26s 6d.

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LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS OF 1904 AGGREGATE IN COST $87,435.26

Interesting Statement Prepared by Assessment Commissioner —Gossip of City Hall.

Assessment Commissioner Grant has had a statement prepared, which shows the cost of the various local improvements made during the year, the total running up to $87,435 26. The statement shows that the 93 sidewalks put down during the year cost $10,841 83. Eleven of these were 4 feet wide, and cost 25 cents per lineal foot; 15 were 4 feet 6 inches wide, and cost 2.81 cents per foot; 51 were 5 feet wide, and cost 31 cents per foot; 11 were 6 feet wide, and cost 3.72 cents per foot; 1 was 7 feet wide, and cost 4.11 cents a foot, and 1 was 10 feet wide, and cost 6.89 cents a foot.

The cement curbs and gutters laid cost $30,278 64, and the pavements put down cost $10,314 79.

The city pays one-half the cost of the sidewalks, and one-half the cost of the curbs and gutters, but only pays for the street intersection of pavements.

According to the statement the asphalt block pavement on Wellington street is costing the ratepayers 90.17 cents per foot.

During the year 19 sewers were put down, at an average cost of 13.07 cents per foot. The lowest cost of sewers was 6.68 cents per foot, the highest 19.61 cents per foot.

Much speculation is going on in municipal circles as to what the Conservative Club intends to do in regard to the water commission. It is well known that Mr. Pocock, who was elected on the Conservative ticket this year, and Mr. William Jones, also a club candidate, do not agree on the water commission, and there is said to be a move on foot to pull Mr. Pocock out of the contest and put up someone more acceptable to Mr. Jones. Who this someone is likely to be, nobody appears to know, and the chances are that nobody ever will know, for it is understood Mr. Pocock proposes to run again.

As it is now too late to lay the matter of increasing the water supply before the electorate in January next, it is likely that the people will be asked to vote on the question later on—probably in the spring. There are those who still favor the river water proposal for fire-fighting purposes, and the report of Engineer Jennigs has not by any means cleared up the situation. About the most important statement in the report is that the present supply of spring water can be doubled, but as the city has no use for such a vast quantity of water just yet, it is more than likely the people will be satisfied if another million gallons of water be added daily to the present supply.

The Free Press once in a while gets off a joke, but doesn't know it. In a writeup of Ald. Wyatt, the F. P. says he "bulked large" during this year and last in the council. In view of the fact that the alderman has been chairman of the board of works this year and in 1903, and had an overdraft each year, it would appear to the average elector that there is such a thing as 'bulking" too large. Last year the board of works had an overdraft of $5,168. This year the board's overdraft is fully $3,000. Yes, indeed! Ald. Wyatt did "bulk large."—in fact, he overbulked.

CANDIDATES FOR COUNTY COUNCIL

The Aspirants for Municipal Honors in Middlesex —Official List.

The official returns of the nominations for the Middlesex county council, which have now all reached the hands of County Clerk Capt. Robson, are as follows:

Division 1—Biddulph, McGillivray and the village of Lucan—John Bradley, George Westman, James Darling and Robert Hutchinson.

Division 2—East and West Williams, the village of Parkhill and the town of Ailso Craig—John Barrett, John C. McDonald, and Simon McLeod.

Division 3—London township—Thos. Clark and Robert W. Jackson (acclamation).

Division 4—Dorchester and Nissouri—Richard Fitzgerald and Neil McCallum (acclamation).

Division 5—Westminster and Delaware—Richard Piper and John Cousins (accl.)

Division 6—Caradoc and Lobo — William Young, Thomas G. Turnbull and Duncan Lamont.

Division 7—Ekfrid, Mosa and the villages of Glencoe, Newbury and Wardsville—Donald D. Graham, Neil A. Galbraith and Archibald D. McCallum.

Division 8—Adelaide, Metcalfe and the town of Strathroy—James Bennett, George Lewis, G. D. Robotham.

ANOTHER WEEK'S SOJOURN IN JAIL

Boyd and Stevenson's Counsel Fail to Secure the Bail That Is Necessary.

William Boyd and Hugh Stevenson, alleged confidence men, will in all probability have to remain in jail for another week at least. In the police court this morning an effort was made to secure bail, but the magistrate declined to alter the order made last week, without the consent of the crown attorney. The latter's agreement to the proposal was not forthcoming, and Mr. Ed Meredith, K. C., had to accept the inevitable.

The case was adjourned further for a week because of Mr. McKillop's inability to be present. Mr. Meredith was agreeable to this, as he could not arrange to have Boyd's counsel from Chatham present here today.

Mr. Meredith argued that the bail was altogether too high, and that he could not see the force of the magistrate's argument in placing such an order.

Mr. McKillop said that not until after a commitment had been made would it be reasonable to consider lower bail.

Frank Pudney pleaded guilty to a charge of assaulting John Wilson, a bartender, and was fined $5 and $3 25 costs.

CANDIDATES FOR HONORS ON JAN. 2

Mr. Donald Ferguson

Mr. Donald Ferguson, who has announced himself as a candidate for the board of water commissioners, is one of the younger generation of business men. He is favorably known, not only in business circles, but among all other classes of citizens, and he is assured a hearty support on Jan. 2. Mr. Ferguson, who is familiarly known as "Dan," is a member of the Travelers' Association, and has friends "along the road," who will be equally as delighted to hear of his success, as will his many friends in the city. Should he be returned to the board, Mr. Ferguson will stand for the management of the business of the waterworks department in a business way.

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Mr. J. H Saunders

Mr. J. H. Saunders, of King street, is again seeking election to the city council. Mr. Saunders has already served at the board, and at the election a year ago was counted out by a very few votes. During his career as an alderman, Mr. Saunders carefully guarded the interests of the workingmen at every turn, and from this direction he expects a very liberal support.

HAD NARROW ESCAPE

Two Little Girls on a Sled Thrown Against Moving Car.

What might have proved a very serious accident occurred on Rectory street this morning, when two little girls riding on a sled attached to a bob-sleigh were almost thrown under the wheels of a street car.

The sleigh was coming up York street at a rapid rate and the driver turned quickly onto Rectory street. A car was just passing and the sharp turn caused the sled to slew, throwing the children against the car. They luckily struck the back step of the car and were saved. Had the car been a few feet further back the sled and its accupants would have undoubtedly been thrown under the wheels.

One of the little girls received a severe gash over the eye, but the other was unhurt.

—Mr. Percy Trebilcock, of the College of Pharmacy, Toronto, is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Trebilcock, Richmond street.

WHILE MORE prevalent in winter, when sudden changes in the weather try the strongest constitutions, colds and coughs and ailments of the throat may come in any season. At the first sign of derangement use Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup. Instant relief will be experienced, and use of the medicine until the cold disappears will protect the lungs from attack. For anyone with throat or chest weakness it cannot be surpassed.

CONDENSED LOCAL NEWS

HAD HIS FINGER PINCHED.

An apprentice employed by Lawson & Jones had one finger caught in a printing press this morning. The injury, however was slight, only the end of the finger being crushed.

REWARD FOR FIREMEN.

Mr. George McCormick, manager of the McCormick Manufacturing Company, has sent a check for $50 to Fire Chief Clark. The money is a Christmas box for the men, for the good work done at the fire last night.

STOCK SALE AT LAMBETH.

A large crowd attended the sale of Mr. Lawrence Deadman, near Lambeth, yesterday afternoon. Thirty-one dairy cows were sold, including six 2-year-old heifers, at an average price of $34 80 each; eight new milch cows averaged $42 80. The sale was conducted by Auctioneers Hunt and McGregor.

FUNERAL OF MR. ATKINSON.

The funeral of the late Edward Atkinson, who passed away in Philadelphia on Tuesday, was held this afternoon from the residence of his sister, Mrs. George Tambling, 371 King street, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. James Livingstone, and six of the deceased's nephews, resident in this city, acted as pall-bearers.

A YOUTHFUL THIEF.

A boy who was caught in the act of robbing the cash drawer of Wallace & Guillemont, druggists, came up in the juvenile court this morning, and after pleading guilty to the charge, was remanded for a week. It is probable that he will be sent to the reformatory at Mimico.

ANOTHER THOMAS O'BRIEN.

Mr. Thomas O'Brien, chief engineer at St. Joseph's Hospital, wishes the public to understand he was not the Thomas O'Brien who was arrested on Monday for being drunk and fighting with a policeman. He is an industrious and quiet citizen and felt embarrassed, for fear the public would connect him with the affair.

HARRIS VS. LONDON LIFE.

At the high court, Toronto, re Harris and London Life Insurance Company, F. E. Hodgins, K. C., for C. F. and

English Plum Puddings
Christmas Cake
Christmas Shortcake
Mince Pies and Patties
Mincemeat (Our Own Make.)

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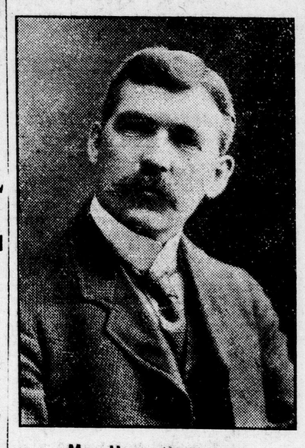

Mr. Wm. Gammage

Among the candidates for election to the board of education for 1905 is Mr. William Gammage, the well-known florist. Mr. Gammage is one of the most widely and most favorably-known residents of the city, and the announcement of his candidature has been received with pleasure by his many friends. He has already served on the board of education for three years, and in all matters