FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

POTATOES SOLD FREELY AT 90 CENTS A BAG

Oats Soared Up to $1 20 Per Cwt. on the Local Market This Morning.

With the exception of some fifteen loads of hay, the farmers' market was a small one this morning. Hay varied in price from $12 50 to $13 50 per ton.

Oats, of which there were a few loads offered, ran up as high as $1 20 per cwt., at which price one load of black oats was sold.

Potatoes sold freely at 90 cents per bag. Garden stuffs and early vegetables were fairly plentiful, the greater portion of the market being constituted by gardeners' and florists' wagons.

Dressed pork was steady at $8 50 and $9 per cwt. Beef was more plentiful than usual, but the price was not much affected.

Eggs sold at 17 and 18 cents per dozen. Butter was scarcer than for some days past, but the demand for it was only moderate.

Poultry prices are very active and promising.

The quotations:

Grain, Per Cwt.			
Barley, per cwt	$1 00	to	$1 00
Oats, per cwt	1 17	to	1 20
Wheat, per cwt	1 34	to	1 36
Grain, Per Bushel.			
New wheat, per bu	80	to	80
Hungarian seed, per bu	80	to	80
Hay and Straw.			
Hay, per ton	12 50	to	13 50
Straw, per ton	6 00	to	6 00
Pressed straw, per ton	6 00	to	6 00
Dairy Produce.			
Butter, store lots, lb	15	to	17
Butter, creamery, lb	25	to	26
Butter, creamery, lb	20	to	26
Butter, fancy, retail, lb	20	to	21
Butter, dairy, wholesale	19	to	18
Eggs, fresh-laid, dozen	18	to	17
Eggs, crate, wholesale	11	to	12
Honey, strained, lb	10	to	12
Honey, sections, dozen	1 50	to	2 00
Poultry, Dressed.			
Turkeys, lb, retail	18	to	18
Turkeys, lb, wholesale	14	to	16
Chickens per pair	1 25	to	1 50
Chickens, lb, wholesale	14	to	15
Chickens, lb, retail	16	to	18
Old fowl, per lb	10	to	12
Spring chickens, lb	35	to	40
Ducks, per pair	1 25	to	1 75
Ducks, lb, wholesale	16	to	17
Ducks, lb, retail	18	to	20
Geese, lb, wholesale	13	to	14
Geese, lb, retail	14	to	15
Poultry, Etc., Alive.			
Turkeys, per lb	12	to	14
Ducks, per lb	14	to	14
Spring chickens, lb	25	to	30
Old fowl, per lb	12	to	13
Butchers' Meats.			
Rabbits, per pair	50	to	60
Mutton, per cwt	8 00	to	10 00
Lambs, each	4 00	to	6 00
Dressed hogs, cwt	8 50	to	9 00
Beef, per cwt	7 00	to	9 00
Veal, per cwt	11 00	to	12
Pork, forequarters, lb	12	to	12½
Pork, hindquarters, lb	12	to	12½
Live Stock.			
Select Stock, per cwt	5 75	to	6 00
Fat sows, cwt	5 00	to	5 00
Stags, per cwt	3 00	to	3 00
Feeding steers, per cwt	5 60	to	6 50
Milch cows, each	40 00	to	60 00
Small pigs, pair	4 50	to	6 00
Hides and Wools			
Tamb skins, each	90	to	93
Wool, unwashed, lb	11	to	11
Hides No 1, lb	7½	to	7½
Hides, No 2, lb	6½	to	6½
Hides No 3, lb	5½	to	5½
Calskins, lb	10	to	12
Tallow, rough, lb	2½	to	3½
Tallow, rendered, lb	5	to	5½
Sheepskins, each	40	to	65
Vegetables.			
Artichokes, per peck	25	to	25
Parsnips, per peck	25	to	40
Green onions, dog bunches	20	to	25
Potatoes, per bag	90	to	9
Seed potatoes, per bag	75	to	80
Turnips, per bu	35	to	35
Lettuce, per dozen	40	to	40
Rhubarb, per dozen	40	to	50
Radishes, per dozen	40	to	40
Green onions, dozen	40	to	40
Celery, dozen bunches	20	to	50
Carrots, per bu	40	to	40
Cabbage, per dozen	20	to	40
Beets, per bu	40	to	40
Onions, per bu	1 60	to	1 25
Tomato plants, per box	20	to	20
Fruits.			
Apples, per bbl	6 00	to	7 00
Apples, per bu	1 50	to	1 75
Seeds, Wholesale.			
Red clover seed, bu	7 00	to	7 50
Alsike, per bu	8 00	to	9 00
Canadian timothy, bu	5 50	to	6 00
American timothy, bu	7 00	to	7 00
Alfalfa, per bu	14 00	to	14 00
Flowers.			
Carnations, per dozen	35	to	50
Pansies, per box	15	to	15
Roses, per dozen	50	to	50

PRODUCE.

WINNIPEG, May 8.—Closing prices today: May, 92⅝c; July, 94¾c.

[From Charles Head & Co., by private wire to J. J. Tearney.]

CHICAGO, May 8.

Wheat—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
July	87⅞	88⅛	86⅞	86⅞
Sept.	87⅞	87½	86¼	86½
Corn—				
July	51¾	51⅞	51⅜	51⅝
Sept.	52½	52⅝	52⅛	52⅛
Oats—				
July	32⅛	32⅛	31¾	31¾
Sept.	31¼	31⅜	31½	31⅜
Pork—				
July	15 05	15 05	14 95	15 02
Lard—				
July	8 15	8 15	8 05	8 05

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TORONTO, May 8.—Ontario wheat—Winter wheat, No. 3, 86c to 87c outside. Manitoba wheat—No. 1 northern, $1 00½; No. 2, 98c; No. 3, 96c, at lake ports. Canada western oats—No. 2, 40c; No. 3, 38c, at lake ports. Manitoba flour—Quotations at Toronto are: First patents, $5 10; second patents, $4 60; strong bakers, $4 40. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 56¾, c. i. f., bay ports. Ontario oats—No. 2, 36c to 37c outside. Peas—No. 2, 80c to 81c outside. Barley—No. 3 extra, 60c to 65c outside. Buckwheat—52c to 53c outside. Rye—Firm, 70c to 71c outside. Millfeed—Manitoba bran $23 in bags at Toronto; shorts, $23 in bags at Toronto. Ontario flour—Ninety per cent patents, $3 45, at the seaboard.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 8.—Wheat closed—May 98c; July, 99¾c; September, 95⅝c to 95¾c; No. 1 hard, $1 01½; No. 1 northern, $1 01½; No. 3, 94⅝c to 97½c. Bran—$21 50 to $22. Flour—First patents $4 70 to $5; second patents, $4 60 to $4 90; first clears, $3 20 to $3 65; second clears, $2 20 to $2 25.

TORONTO, May 9.—Cash grain prices are steady. The market for futures was inclined to be easier at the opening this morning. Government report regarded as bearish. Quotations: Ontario wheat—Winter wheat, No. 3, 86c to 87c outside. Manitoba wheat—No. 1 northern, $1 00½; No. 2, 98c; No. 3, 96c, at lake ports. Canadain western oats—No. 2, 40½c; No. 3, 39½c, at lake ports. Manitoba flour—Quotations at Toronto are: First patents, $5 10; second patents, $4 60; strong bakers, $4 40. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 56c, c. i. f., bay ports. Ontario oats—No. 2, 37c to 37½c outside. Peas—No. 2, 80c to 81c outside. Barley—No. 3 extra, 60c to 65c outside. Buckwheat—52c to 53c outside. Rye—Firm, 70c to 71c outside. Millfeed—Manitoba bran, $23 in bags at Toronto; shorts, $23 in bags at Toronto. Ontario flour—Ninety per cent patents, $3 45, at the seaboard.

FLAXSEED.

CHICAGO, May 8.—Flaxseed—No. 1 southwestern, nominal; No. 1 northwestern, nominal.

POTATOES.

TORONTO, May 8.—Potatoes—Wholesale quotations average $1 per bag for Ontarios, out of store, and 80c to 85c per bag in car lots.

HAY

TORONTO, May 8.—Baled hay—No. 1 timothy, $12 to $13; mixed clover and timothy, $? to $11. Baled straw—$8 to $6 50.

LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Ill., May 9.—Cattle receipts estimated at 3,000; market steady. Beeves, $5 to $6 50; Texas steers, $4 65 to $5 60; western steers, $4 80 to $5 60; stockers and feeders, $4 50 to $5 50; cows and heifers, $2 40 to $5 65; calves, $4 75 to $6 85.

Hogs receipts estimated at 13,000; market strong to 5 cents higher. Light, $5 90 to $6 25; mixed, $5 85 to $6 20; heavy, $5 70 to $6 05; good to choice heavy, $5 85 to $6 05; pigs, $5 75 to $6 15; bulk of sales $5 95 to $6 10.

Sheep receipts estimated at 15,000; market strong; native, $3 to $4; western, $3 25 to $4 75; yearlings, $4 50 to $5 50; lambs native, $4 25 to $6 40; western, $5 to $6 50.

SUGAR.

TORONTO, May 8.—Sugars are unchanged, in bags, as follows: Granulated, Redpath, $4 70; do, St. Lawrence, $4 70; do, Acadia, $4 65; do, Beaver, $4 55; No. 1 yellow, St. Lawrence, $4 40; do, Redpath's, $4 30; do, Acadia, unbranded, $4 20.

DAIRY.

MONTREAL, May 8.—Cheese—Westerns, 11¾c to 12c. Butter—Choicest, 26c to 26½c, seconds, 26c to 26½c.

NEW YORK, May 8.—Butter—Steady, receipts, 5409 packages; creamery, 18c to 23c, do, held, 19c to 20c; state dairy, 18c to 22c; process, 15c to 18c; factory, current make, 16c to 16½c. Cheese—Firm; receipts, 2187 boxes; state whole milk, old white, 10½c to 12c; do, colored, 11c to 14c; daisies, 13c to 14c; state skim milk, new, large, 10c to 11c.

TORONTO, May 8.—Eggs—Selected, case lots, 18c to 19c.

NEW YORK, May 8.—Eggs—Steady, receipts, 20,541 cases; fresh gathered, 19½c to 20c; do, storage packed, 18½c to 19c; do, dirties, 19½c to 15½c; do, checks, 16c to 14c; state, Pennsylvania and nearby fresh, 19½c to 21c; do, gathered, 17½c to 20c; western gathered, white, 20c to 21c; southern duck eggs, 16c to 22c; western duck eggs, 17c to 20c.

MONTREAL, May 8.—Eggs—Fresh, 19c to 20c.

COTTON.

NEW YORK, May 8.—Cotton—Futures closed steady. Closing bids: May, 15.42c; June, 15.42c; July, 15.50c; August, 14.91c; September, 13.41c; October, 12.91c; November, 12.86c; December, 12.86c; January, 12.78c; March, 12.87c. Spot closed quiet, 15 points higher; middling uplands, 15.65c; do, gulf, 15.90c; sales, 6300 bales.

FINANCIAL.

[From Charles Head & Co., by private wire to J. J. Tearney.]

NEW YORK, May 9.—There is nothing in the way of feature to the cables from England to influence prices. London is irregular. It is to be assumed that the same professional trading as of late will be witnessed in this market, since the tendency is to wait for developments next week, when the supreme court hands down decisions, and the possibilities favor a final ending of these cases. Such a result would be hailed with satisfaction in Wall street, where the stagnation is beginning to wear on the nerves of the speculatively-inclined, for the public refuse to take hold till the situation is cleared. Probably the Mexican affairs, however, also make for conservatism in sentiment, for the insurgents' chief seems unable to hold his followers in check, which does not argue well for the peace proceedings now under way. The administration will prevent intervention as long as possible, though should too chaotic conditions develop such action may result. The House has passed the farmers' free list, but the measure will be killed in the Senate. It is worthy of note that the winter wheat crop promises exceedingly well, a yield of over 500,000,000 bushels being estimated from the government figures of conditions. Money is very easy, so that the good class of stocks should continue in demand. We favor buying the better class for the long pull, though the market may be dull for some time.

LONDON, May 9.—Stocks closed today as follows: Consols, for money, 81 11-16; do, for account, 81 3-16. Amalgamated Copper, 64⅞; Anaconda, 7⅜; Atchison, 115⅞; do, preferred, 108; Baltimore and Ohio, 107½; Canadian Pacific, 240⅛; Chesapeake and Ohio, 82; Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, 123; De Beers, 108⅝; Denver and Rio Grande, 29; do, preferred, 57¼; Erie, 32⅛; do, first preferred, 49⅝; do, second preferred, 39; Grand Trunk, 28½; Illinois Central, 141½; Louisville and Nashville, 150; Missouri, Kansas and Texas, 33½; New York Central, 109⅝; Norfolk and Western, 109⅝; Ontario and Western, 42⅛; Pennsylvania, 63½; Rand Mines, 7⅜; Reading, 79½; Southern Railway, 27⅞; do, preferred, 66; Southern Pacific, 117⅝; Union Pacific, 181; do, preferred, 86½; United States Steel, 76½; do, preferred, 122¼; Wabash, 16¾; do, preferred, 37. Bar silver steady, 24 9-16d per ounce. Money, 1¼ per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for three months' bills is 2⅜ per cent.

TORONTO STOCK UP TO 1 P.M.
[From Dyment, Cassels & Co., Members Toronto Stock Exchange.]

Toronto, May 9.	Bid.	Off.
F. N. Burt, com.	112½	112¼
General Electric	108	109
Canadian Pacific	235	..
City Dairy, com.	36	37
Consumers Gas	194½	195
Detroit United	70	71½
Dom. I. and Steel, pfd.	100½	..
Dom. Steel Corporation	55¼	..
MacKay, com.	90¾	91½
R. and O. Navigation	..	121
Rio Janeiro Tram	105½	105⅞
Sao Paulo Tram	..	164
Toronto Electric Light	134	134½
Twin City, com.	108½	109
Winnipeg Railway	234	234⅝
Crown Reserve	355	358
La Rose	463	..
Nipissing Mines	1075	1085
Trethewey	..	108
Dominion Bank	239	239¾
Bank of Hamilton	201	..
Imperial Bank	..	232
Metropolitan Bank	197	..
Molsons Bank	207	..
Traders Bank	144½	..
Agricultural Loan	139	..
Canada Landed	160½	..
Central Canada	107½	..
Huron and Erie	200	..
Ontario Loan	164	..
Mexican L. and P. bonds	90½	..
Rio Janeiro	100¾	..

Morning Sales: Porto Rico, 50 at 62, 5 at 62¾, 8 at 62, do, bonds, 500 at 90, 500 at 90; Duluth-Superior, 75 at 81; Sao Paulo, 25 at 163; Consumers' Gas, 20 at 196; Maple Leaf, preferred, 5 at 97; Rogers, 11 at 138½, 4 at 179, 6 at 178½; do, preferred, 1 at 112; F. N. Burt, preferred, 20 at 116½; Toronto Electric, 8 at 133½, 25 at 134, 12 at 133¾; Quebec L. and P., 5 at 64¾; Dominion Steel, preferred, 4 at 99½; Russell Motor, 5 at 93¾; Winnipeg, 25 at 238, 25 at 239, 25 at 239¼, 50 at 239⅜, 10 at 239, 25 at 238½, 75 at 237¾, 270 at 235, 25 at 234¾, 100 at 234½, 25 at 235, 25 at 235⅛, 100 at 235, 25 at 234¾; Rio, 8 at 105¾, 100 at 105½, 2 at 105¾, 170 at 105½, 25 at 105¾, 10 at 106, 4 at 106; Twin City, 25 at 108½, 50 at 108¾; C. P. R., 100 at 233¾, 50 at 234⅛, 50 at 234¼; Bank of Commerce, 1 at 236, 4 at 237, 25 at 236, 4 at 236½, 1 at 237, 10 at 236½, 3 at 236; Bank of Hamilton, 14 at 201; Dominion Bank, 5 at 239; Traders' Bank, 5 at 144; Canada Landed, 25 at 163; Mexican L. and P., bonds, 1500 at 90; Canada Permanent, 20 at 170; Mackay, 6 at 90½; B. C. Packers, 25 at 54; Toronto Railway, 25 at 133½; R. and O., 10 at 118⅞. Cement, preferred, 1 at 87½.

NEW YORK, May 9.

[From Charles Head & Co., by private wire to J. J. Tearney.]

	Open.	High.	Low.	2 p.m.
Amal. Copper	62	62	62½	62
Amer. Beet Sugar	47⅞	47⅞	47	47
Amer. Can, pfd.	86⅞	87⅛	86⅞	86⅞
American Smelters	74½	74⅞	74¼	74¼
Amer. Cotton Oil	56	56	55⅝	55⅞
Atchison, com.	110½	110⅝	110⅛	110½
Brooklyn Transit	78⅞	78⅞	78¾	78⅞
Canadian Pacific	233⅛	234⅛	232½	232½
Central Leather	27⅞	27⅞	27⅛	27⅛
Chesapeake & Ohio	79½	79⅞	79½	79⅞
Consolidated Gas	144	144⅜	144	144⅜
Corn Products	14½	14⅝	14⅛	14⅜
Distillers	35¼	..	..	..
Erie, com.	31⅛	31⅝	31⅛	30⅝
Erie, 1st pfd.	49	49¼	48⅞	48⅞
General Electric	156	..	..	..
G. Northern, pfd.	125⅛	125⅛	125⅛	125⅛
Illinois Central	138⅞	..	..	..
Interb-Metropolitan	19½	19⅝	19½	19⅝
Inter-eMt., pfd.	53⅝	54⅛	53⅝	54⅛
Kansas Southern	32⅞	33⅝	32⅞	32⅞
Lehigh Valley	174⅞	175	174⅞	175
Mexican Central	24	..	..	..
Missouri Pacific	49	49⅛	49	49⅛
New York Central	107⅛	107⅛	107	107
Northern Pacific	125¼	125¾	125⅛	125¾
National Lead	52⅞	..	..	..
Pennsylvania	122½	122⅝	122	122⅝
Pacific Telegraph	50	50	49	49
Reading	154⅞	155⅛	154⅛	155
Rock Island	29⅞	..	..	..
Southern Railway	27⅞	27⅞	27⅛	27⅛
Southern Ry., pfd.	64⅞	65⅛	64⅞	65
Southern Pacific	114⅞	114⅞	114⅛	114½
St. Paul	130¼	130⅝	129⅝	129⅝
Union Pacific	177⅞	177⅞	177½	177¾
Utah Copper	41⅛	41⅛	41	41⅛
U. S. Steel	74½	75⅛	74⅞	75
U. S. Steel, pfd.	118⅞	..	..	..
Virginia Chemical	50⅞	60⅛	59½	59½
Wabash, pfd.	36¼	..	..	..
Western Maryland	57⅞	58⅛	57⅞	58½
Wisconsin Central	69	70	69	70
Inter. Harvester	128	128½	127	127

Todays Sales—Montreal.

Morning Sales: Toronto Railway, 75 at 134¼, 160 at 134½, 10 at 134¾, 25 at 134⅞, 50 at 134, 46 at 133¾, 10 at 133⅞, 195 at 133½, 2 at 134, 5 at 133¾; Montreal Railway, 2 at 219½, 75 at 220, 125 at 221, C. P. R., 75 at 233¾, 75 at 234, Winnipeg, 275 at 240, 10 at 239, 25 at 238¾, 100 at 236, 50 at 234½, 75 at 235, 100 at 234½, 25 at 234¾, 25 at 235, 25 at 235¼, 25 at 235⅛, 50 at 235, 25 at 235⅜, 100 at 235½, 25 at 235, 25 at 234¾; Rio, 8 at 105¾, 100 at 105½, 2 at 105¾, 170 at 105½, 25 at 105¾, 10 at 106, 4 at 106; Twin City, 25 at 108½, 50 at 108¾; C. P. R., 100 at 233¾, 50 at 234⅛, 50 at 234¼; Bank of Commerce, 1 at 236, 4 at 237, 25 at 236, 4 at 236½, 1 at 237, 10 at 236½, 3 at 236; Bank of Hamilton, 14 at 201; Dominion Bank, 5 at 239; Traders' Bank, 5 at 144; Canada Landed, 25 at 163; Mexican L. and P., bonds, 1500 at 90; Canada Permanent, 20 at 170; Mackay, 6 at 90½; B. C. Packers, 25 at 54; Toronto Railway, 25 at 133½; R. and O., 10 at 118⅞. Cement, preferred, 1 at 87½.

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THE RACES COMMINGLE.

The white man in Mexico does not dislike the Indian nor look upon him as a social inferior because of his race. Nor does the Indian hate or distrust the white man. It would not be a common thing to find a white man in the republic who would refuse to allow his daughter to marry of an Indian, or at least a half-breed, simply on account of his blood. In the true sense there is no race question in Mexico; certainly no social race question. The relations which exist between the governing white race and the gentle-loving, lazy and politically incompetent Indians are marked by something approaching affection; and this regardless of political divisions or disturbances.

Nothing more surprises visiting foreigners in Mexico than the total absence of race prejudice among the people. The shutting out of the Indians and their hybrids from control of the Mexican Government is due to their political shallowness and indifference, and their inability to grasp the meaning of democratic institutions or to assume the individual responsibilities which must go with self-government determined by popular majorities.

The undisguised theory of the dominant statesmanship of Mexico is that to carry out the letter of the constitution by enforcing the right of unrestricted manhood suffrage and thus turn over the control of the republic to the ignorant, slothful and unprogressive masses, who constitute the undoubted majority, would be to paralyze material progress, drive foreign capital out of the country and throw the nation back again into its old, restless, revolutionary habits, with national bankruptcy, internecine strife and general lawlessness as the inevitable result.—North American Review.

WHEN CUPID WENT TO CHURCH.

An extraordinary case has given rise to much sensation and comment around the Hamlin, W. Va., district, especially among the younger members of the community. The cause of the trouble lies in the fact that Albert Dick was indicted the other day by the Lincoln county grand jury at Hamlin for disturbing religious services. The indictment was returned on the evidence of Rev. John Beech, who testified that Dick kissed his sweetheart during the progress of the services and thereby disturbed the religious exercises.

EAST LONDON NEWS

Adelaide Street Baptist Young Peoples' Union held the regular missionary meeting last evening, in charge of Miss Woodburne. A paper was read by Mr. Earle Gray and several solos were rendered by Miss Clements and Mr. West.

The Centennial Methodist Epworth League last night was in charge of Miss Allie Wright. A solo was rendered by Miss Jennie Brown.

A Collision.

A street car on Rectory street collided with a street sprinkling car today at noon. The car was going up grade slowly at the Grand Trunk tracks at the time or a serious accident might have resulted.

EAST END NOTES.

Mr. Stanley Pugh, of 185 Rectory street, who was injured on the railroad at Port Burwell recently, is recovering at his home, but will be unable to resume work for four or five weeks.

Mrs. Charles Clark, of No. 2 Rathgar street, is visiting friends at Kirkton.

Mr. James Cairnes, of Woodstock, is visiting at the home of Mrs. J. Pugh, of 185 Rectory street.

Mr. Harry Heath, formerly of East London, but now of Hyde Park, accompanied by Mrs. Heath, has gone to Jacksonville, Florida, to attend a convention of the Railway Conductors of America, of the local branch of which he is secretary.

A horse attached to a milk wagon belonging to Charles Marshall ran away on Queen's avenue east today and sprinkled the contents of the cans along the avenue as far as Quebec street, where it was halted. The damage to the wagon was slight, but the animal was found to have severely cut and bruised one of its feet in the course of its mad dash down the street.

LOCAL ITEMS

—Miss Macdonald, daughter of Postmaster Macdonald, will give an address this evening in the school room of New St. James' Presbyterian Church under the auspices of the Ladies' Home Missionary Society. Miss Macdonald, who is the secretary of the National Y. W. C. A., has addressed meetings in Europe and America, and her address will prove instructive and interesting.

Speckled Beauties.

Mr. J. O. Weldon obtained two fine speckled trout Monday at Dorchester, which he has placed in the city hall aquarium.

Personal Mention

Toronto Mail and Empire: The Heather Club, for which the London Dramatic Club is presenting "Lady Huntsworth's Experiment" on the 15th at the Princess Theatre, has been doing good work all winter, visiting tubercular children in their homes and supplying them with nourishing food, and for the summer is having a pavilion near the Sick Children's Hospital at the Island. The performance on Monday evening is under the distinguished patronage of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Geary, and Lady Meredith. Lady Moss, Mrs. Teetzel, Mrs. Melvin Jones, Mrs. Edmund Arthurs, Mrs. Norgheimer, Mrs. Allan Arthurs, Mrs. J. J. Dixon, Mrs. A. E. Kemp, Mrs. W. D. Matthews, Mrs. W. Campbell Macdonald, Mrs. H. D. Warren, Mrs. Hanna, Mrs. Ashe, Mrs. Stephen Haas, Mrs. Braithwaite, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Arthur Hills, Mrs. R. J. Christie, Mrs. Ross Gooderham, Mrs. Alan Sullivan, Mrs. Cawthra Mulock, and Mrs. R. K. Marshall.

Mrs. Albert Templar, of 54 Beaconsfield avenue, has returned home from Ludlow, Ky., where she attended the funeral of her brother-in-law, Mr. William Landon.

The many friends of Mr. J. S. Constable, who has been very ill at his home 18 Marshboro Place, will regret to hear that he is not improving and has been removed to Victoria Hospital.

Mrs. G. E. MacBurney, of 135 High street, will receive for the first time since coming to the city, on Friday, May 12, from 3 to 5 p.m., and afterwards on the second Friday of each month.

MR. BRYCE AT HAMILTON

Ambassador to U. S. a Guest of the Canadian Club.

[Canadian Press.]

Hamilton, May 9.—Right Honorable James Bryce, British ambassador to Washington, had the degree of honorary membership conferred on him by the Hamilton Canadian Club today. This morning he was the guest of the city, the club and other prominent organizations. He was taken for an automobile ride around the city and through the manufacturing district, and then tendered an informal reception in the council chamber by the city council. This was followed by a luncheon at the Royal, at wich Mr. Bryce addressed the members of the Canadian Club. In his remarks to the aldermen he referred with pride to the friendly relations between Canada and the United States, and said he hoped it would be a lesson to European nations.

SIXTY GOLDEN WEDDINGS.

Reims, the centre of the champagne disturbancess, has just been celebrating an interesting event, the golden weddings of sixty old couples. We are not told whether they all came from Reims, although the celebration may have been limited to the department.

The fete is as old as the revolution, when it first seems to have begun. In the time of the Directory there were two fetes, the fete of the old people, and the fete of the golden wedding. This seems to have been a very pretty affair, to judge from the account in the Debats. There was a procession of oxen, with their horns crowned with flowers, followed by children crowned with violets, by young men wreathed with myrtle, and old men with garlands of olives and girls dressed as vestal virgins.

At Paris in August, 1797, there was a great festival in honor of the old men, who were all given seats at the opera, when "a gracious Hebe crowned their white locks with garlands of roses," and the soldiers presented arms. The idea of the fete was the encouragement of the family circle. The old man, who was a happy grandfather, was feted as an encouragement to the younger generation to follow in his footsteps. The same idea is to be found in our curious observance of the Dunmow Flitch, but we have no fete of the golden wedding corresponding to that held at Reims last week.—The Westminster Review.

THE PARIS SALON REJECTS THOUSANDS

Mural Decorations the Feature of Great Art Exhibit.

Paris, May 8. — Mural decorations will be the important attraction at the salons this year, and such great examples of this great branch of art are to be shown that all Paris is expectantly awaiting the opening of the Societe Nationale des Beaux-Arts (the new salon), and the Artistes Francaise (the old salon), at the end of this month. With large, commanding canvases coming from the hands of such artists as Menard, Henri Martin and Aman-Jean, it is not to be wondered that the art world is on the alert, nor will there be disappointment, for each of these three recognized masters of mural painting has surpassed himself.

Thousands Are Rejected.

Until 1817 pictures accepted for exhibition in the Louvre never extended beyond the first two columns of the long gallery now containing the works of the old masters, but at that date the increase was so great that the whole of this one room was filled with the artists' exhibits.

Last winter at the Salon des Artistes Francaise 1,925 paintings in oil were exhibited, while at the more exclusive salon, the Beaux-Arts, the number reached 1,236, and at the Independent 5,669 canvases were hung. This does not include the works of the exhibitors of pastels, drawings, engravings, etchings etc. At the first two salons 8,000 pictures were rejected, so that last year 16,830 paintings were sent to the spring salons without counting the scores of smaller exhibitions with which Paris abounds from early autumn until the beginning of summer.

It has been estimated that to paint these pictures over 400,000 square feet of canvas were used, while 303,950 feet of material were needed to properly frame them. The manufacture of frames alone is a huge industry. Some are made of wood or composition, gilded, bronzed, or covered with gold leaf; others are machine carved, while the artists of affluence often resort to magnificant specimens of the skilled wood carvers art to enhance the artistic value of their paintings. The celebrated painter, Menard, once said he never showed even his most intimate artistic friends a picture without its frame.

Cost Is Enormous.

Folne the great paint manufacturer, is authority for the statement that over 140,000 pounds of paint are used to paint the pictures for the salons each year. An average of $1.50 a pound is a conservative estimate. This calculation would make an expenditure in paint alone of $210,000. Add to this the outlay for canvas of over $20,000 and a possible $340,000 for frames and one can readily comprehend the capital and labor required before the big salons are thrown open for inspection. The sculptural materials are more costly than those of the painters, but are consumed in smaller quantities. The yearly average in the spring salons is probably not more than 1,300 statues, which include busts and statuettes. Modern French art has produced two great geniuses, Rodin and the late Puvis de Chevannes, Rodin, of course, is still lalive, and Puvis de Chevannes has an heir to his glory in Rene Menard, whose wonderful decorations for the law school of Paris made such a stir at the salon of 1909. This year he will exhibit an immense decoration called "Labor" for the National Savings bank at Marseilles. It is a broad far reaching landscape with a man and oxen tilling the soil in the foreground.

Among the painters of decided individuality this year will be found Cottet with his vigorous picture of the Breton peasants. His canvases this spring will represent the peasants' strange religious processions, showing the women in their holiday garb. Henri Martin's decoration for a diningroom will be among the strongest and most admired exhibits at the "old salon." Emile Renard will exhibit "The Communion Feast of the Orphans," a work that has taken him almost a year to compose and execute. The young girls seated a round a table are all attired in their white communion robes.

The American artists' exhibit will be an unusually strong one this season. The sensational picture will be Edwin Scott's—formerly of Buffalo, N. Y.—"Place de la Madeleine" on a cold winter's day, the largest and most important canvas that this artist has yet exhibited.

A FORTUNE IN HER HAIR.

The clever ruse of a woman, Miss Fay Wallet, was revealed at South Bend, Ind., recently. She was detained as a witness against a man named Talcott, whose former wife sued him for $115,000, alleged to be due as alimony. Miss Wallet was a friend of Talcott's, but denied any knowledge of his financial position. When searched by the police matron $40,000 in bonds, $6,000 in coupons and $1,200 in cash was found concealed in her hair.

THE MONKEY KNEW HIS FRIEND.

Some excitement, and, later, kindly interest, was caused in a vaudeville theatre at Copenhagen the other week. During the performance a monkey named Morits suddenly sprang off the arms of a man in the audience. It was discovered that the man had been Morits's master four years ago, and they had been great friends.

HOW NAPOLEON WAS SPANKED.

When in exile at Elba, Napoleon told a story of how his mother spanked him.

One day, it appears, his mother's mother was bobbling along the street in Ajaccio, when Napoleon and his sister Pauline followed the old lady and mimicked her. Their grandmother turned and caught them in the act.

She complained to Madame Letitia Bonaparte. Pauline was at once spanked and disposed of. Napoleon, who was out in his regimentals, could not be handled, since the uniform was as sacred as the flag. But his mother bided her time.

The next day, when her son was off his guard, she called out, "Napoleon! Napoleon! Quick! You are invited to dine with the governor!"

Whereupon the future emperor ran to his room to change his clothes. His mother quietly followed, and when she judged that the proper time had come rushed into the room, seized her undressed hero before he guessed her purpose, laid him across her knee, and belabored him earnestly with the flat of her hand.

CHANCE TIRED OF SOUTHPAWS.

Chicago, May 8. — Manager Chance has had his fill of southpaws, and it is reported that port-wheelers will be missing from the ranks of the Cubs. When Foxen was sold to Atlanta of the Southern League, Chance had but one southpaw, Pfiester, left, and it is said he is trying to arrange an advantageous trade for Pfiester.

TWO-MOTOR AEROPLANES.

Because lightness and durability are antagonistic qualities, and because the more trustworthy the machine the heavier must be its construction, it may well be inferred that the aeroplane motor is not a model of durability or reliability. The aeroplane builder appears at present willing to tolerate very little reliability, largely because the aeroplane is still in the hands of record-breakers and prize-winners, rather than the ordinary sightseers.

The need of improvement in motors was proved in the famous Circuit de l'Est of 1910, from Paris to the towns of Troyes, Mezieres, Douai and Amiens. The contest was remarkable because the airmen were expected to perform what they had never attempted before. They had to fly over a given course on specified days without being able to choose weather conditions most favorable to them. Eight machines started from Paris, but after the second day the only competitors left were Leblanc and Auburun on their Bleriot monoplanes. The failure of the others was due solely to engine troubles.

It is probable that the future aeroplane will carry two motors instead of five, so that if one fails, the other will still be able to drive the machine safe-one, each motor independently operatly through the air. For military purposes, at least, such a double-motor aeroplane is absolutely necessary. Imagine a spy in the air compelled to glide ignominiously down into the enemys' camp, because his engine failed him! Mere considerations of safety alone demand the installation of two motors on a flying machine. In March, 1910, the French aviator, Crochon, fell to the ground in a cross-country flight from Mour