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Births, Marriages and Deaths.

BORN.

PATTESON—At 471 Princess avenue, Dec. 5, the wife of Godfroy B. Patteson, of a son.

BROWN—In Belleville, on Dec. 3, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Brown.

Amusements and Lectures

Advertisements under this heading two cents per word or ten cents per line each insertion.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE—Wednesday, Dec. 9, "McSORLEY'S TWINS." Introducing FERGUSON AND EMERICK, The Irish Politicians. Prices—25c, 50, 75c. Seats now on sale. 83c

BISHOP CRONYN HALL—GRAND PIANO Recital. Mr. Thomas Martin, assisted by Miss Catherine Moore, Tuesday evening, Dec. 15. Tickets (reserved seats) 50c, at Nordheimer's (Anderson's book store). Plan of hall open Saturday. 81u yw

ST. JOHN'S CHRISTMAS SALE OF WORK and concert at school house, Dec. 10 and 11, 4 to 10 p.m.; admission, 10c; high tea at 6 p.m., 15c extra. Christmas tree. 84u

WHEN HAVING CHRISTMAS PARTIES and your friends to spend a jolly evening, try the wonderful Graphophone. Church and school entertainments. J. C. LOCKHART, 423 Park avenue.

DON'T FAIL TO SEE THE ORIENT Minstrels at the Grand, Monday, Dec. 14. Popular prices. 84c ywt

CHOIR CONCERT—R. MACDONALD, E. J. Forsythe, A. George, Misses Roblyn and Cooke, at King Street Methodist Church, Monday, Dec. 14. Tickets, 15c. 84c ywt

CHRISTMAS IN ENGLAND—UMBRIA, Saturday, Dec. 12; St. Louis, Wednesday, Dec. 16. Passengers can reach all parts of Great Britain in plenty of time for Christmas. FRANK B. CLARKE, Richmond street, next Advertiser.

MISS PAULINE WOODLIFFE—PIANIST —Evening dance parties attended: terms moderate. 265 Dundas street. 82c

PALACE DANCING ACADEMY — ADVANCED Class commences Dec. 2. Specialties: Waltz, two step, three step and four step. New class for gentlemen beginners Dec. 7. DAYTON & MCCORMICK.

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY Mr. R. B. Millard, at his residence, 345 Princess avenue. Special attention given to the waltz, two-step, court waltz, two-step Jersey and the cycle. Satisfaction guaranteed. Lessons any hour.

Meetings.

One cent per word each insertion. No advertisement less than 10 words.

PLEBISCITE CAMPAIGN OPENED BY Rev. E. O. Taylor, lecturer, of Chicago, and Miss Millie Runalds, singer, of New York, next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. b

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, NO. 20, A. F. and A. M., G. R. C.—A regular communication of above lodge will be held this evening at 7:30, in Masonic Temple. Visitors welcome. D. W. BLACKWELL, W. M.; M. D. DAWSON, secretary. b

Domestics Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

GENERAL SERVANT—SMALL FAMILY —References required. Apply, from 7 to 8, at No. 427 William street. 84c

GENERAL SERVANT WANTED — Apply at once. 662 Dundas street. 83c

AN EXPERIENCED DININGROOM GIRL —Apply at once, City Hotel. 81c

HELLO!—RING UP 1,121—HOTEL COOKS dining-room girls, kitchen girls, genera, servants, chambermaids, nurses, housekeepers and coachman. Dwyer's Employment Agency, 591 Richmond street.

Male Help Wanted.

WANTED—AN IDEA—WHO CAN think of some simple thing to patent? Protect your ideas; they may bring you wealth. Write JOHN WEDDERBURN & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C., for their $1,800 prize offer and list of two hundred inventions wanted.

AGENTS—WANTED—$20 PER WEEK— Apply to GEO. MARSHALL & Co., ten importers, 258 Dundas street.

Agents Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

WANTED—RELIABLE MAN TO SELL Canadian guaranteed stock in and near London; good salary; permanent. Perry Nursery Company, Rochester, N. Y. b

WE CAN GIVE POSITIONS—TO PERSONS of all grades of ability. Agents, bookkeepers, clerks, farmers' sons, lawyers, mechanics, physicians, preachers, students, married and single women, widows. Positions are worth from $400 to $2,000 per annum. We have paid several of our canvassers $50 weekly for years. Many have started poor and become rich with us. Particulars upon application. State salary expected. T. H. LINSCOTT, Manager, Toronto, Ont. 84c ywt bw

MEN AND WOMEN OUT OF EMPLOYMENMT and willing to work can learn of a permanent situation at good wages, by writing at once to P. V. H., Box 283, Augusta, Maine. 80bc-ywt

$3 A DAY SURE—SEND US YOUR ADDRESS and we will show you how to make $3 a day, absolutely sure; we furnish the work and teach you free; you work in the locality where you live. Send us your address and we will explain the business fully; remember we guarantee a clear profit of $3 for every day's work; absolutely sure; write at once. Imperial Silverware Co., Box K. C., Windsor, Ont. ywt l

WANTED — MALE AND FEMALE agents to sell Mexican Remedies to families in and out of city. Mexican Medicine Company, 256 Dundas street.

ARE YOU MAKING FIVE DOLLARS per day? If so, don't stop to read this: we cannot guarantee it, but we promise you ten per week (have some representing us making far more), and will teach you how to make it free. If you are not afraid of work, write immediately; both sexes, but no idlers. J. L. NICHOLS & Co., 33 Richmond street west, Toronto. 881f-d&w

Jewelers.

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO REPAIRING— J. T. WESTLAND, Engraver and Manufacturing Jeweler, 340 Richmond street (upstairs), London, Ont.

Shorthand

We give a practical and thorough education. Our terms are reasonable. Write for particulars.

The Western Ontario Shorthand Academy, 76 Dundas Street.

W. C. COO, C.S.R., Official Court Stenographer, Principal. ywt

Wanted.



No better medium than "THE ADVERTISER" Sure returns. 20c for 10 words—three insertions.

WANTED TO PURCHASE — STORY and half brick cottage, with all modern improvements, and stable. Cash transaction. Apply J. W. WINNETT, barrister, 420 Talbot street, London. ywt

WANTED — 25 BICYCLE RIDERS TO get their low frames made high at HUTCHINSON'S, 651 Dundas street.

Board and Lodging.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

PRIVATE BOARD $2 75 PER WEEK—334 Waterloo street. 82c

BOARDING — GENTLEMEN CAN BE accommodated with board and lodging. Private family. 434 York. 80n

Business Chances.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

FOR SALE—FOUNDRY—AT COUNTY seat—Thriving town; good business. Box 138 Bad Axe, Mich. 73bk

FOR SALE—GOOD FURNITURE AND undertaking business; doing leading trade in one of best towns in Ontario; everything A1; stock up to date. Write Box 17, Advertiser Office. 82k

Houses, Etc., To Let.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

TO LET—HOUSE—521 DUNDAS STREET, between Maitland and William; 4 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and summer kitchen, soft and hard water. Apply to Mrs. WILLIAM CAMERON, 531 Dundas street. 41tf

HOUSE TO LET—428 PARK AVENUE— 5 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen; city and soft water; bath, etc. J. C. TREBILCOCK, 235 Dundas street. 34tf

Real Estate.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

FOR SALE CHEAP — TWO DOUBLE roughcast cottages, corner Dufferin avenue and Elizabeth street. Apply LEWIS CLARK, 358 Rectory street.

S. CHADWICK & SON — REAL ESTATE Agents. Homes. Investments. Speculation. Call Room 2 Albion Building.

Articles For Sale.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

FOR SALE—FAMOUS ACTIVE RANGE —In perfect order; using gas only reason for selling. 512 Piccadilly street. 81n ywt

ONE THOMAS ORGAN AND A GOOD assortment of coal cook stoves to be sold cheap at the Ark, Market Square.

FOR SALE—ENGLISH HUNTING SADDLE and bridle, new; a bargain; must be sold at once. At Higby's back stable, 492 Ridout street. 84c

GAS CHANDELIERS AND BRACKETS and globes. SMITH BROS., 376 Richmond street. y

$5,000 VALUE IN PRIZES DISTRIBUTED by Promotive of Art Association, Limited, Montreal, Fridays. Tickets 10 cents. FRANK B. CLARKE, Richmond street, next Advertiser. ywt

AT THOMPSON'S, 421 RICHMOND street—"Good Cheer" cooking stove; fine and cheap. "Art Amherst, a beautiful base burner, for little money. Call now. ywt

SUNDAY SCHOOLS NEEDING FOLDING candy boxes for Christmas trees or entertainments, write for samples and prices. 80 Dundas street, London. 83n bw

50 SET HARNESS FROM $7 UP. Blankets, Bells and robes. J. DARCH & SONS, 377-379 Talbot street.

ORGANS BY THOMAS AND DOHERTY— Also Steinway piano; easy payments. Heintzman & Co., 236 Dundas street. H. W. BURNETT, manager.

STOVES SOLD CHEAP AT KEENE'S stove and furniture warehouse, 12 Masonic Temple, Market Square.

FOR SALE—ONE 30 HORSEPOWER automatic "Brown" engine, built by Goldie, McCulloch & Co., Galt. Cylinder 10 inches, stroke 24 inches; can be run at 60 revolutions, or as high as 90 revolutions; also one tubular exhaust feed water heater. The engine is in daily operation and can be seen at The Advertiser office, London, Ont. 662-3tf

RUBBER STAMPS, SEALS — RAZORS sharpened; guns, rifles, revolvers and locks repaired. D. MCKENZIE & Co., 388 Richmond street.

PIANOS—NORDHEIMER'S AGENCY AT Anderson's Book Store, 188 Dundas street, representing Steinway, Chickering, Haines, and the celebrated Nordheimer Pianos. Orders for musical merchandise and sheet music promptly attended to

Pawnbrokers.

T. FOX, ORIGINAL PAWNBROKER, lends money on diamonds, watches and jewelry; business strictly confidential; highest price paid for cast-off clothing. 393 Clarence street.

WANTED—300 SECOND-HAND OVERCOATS—Highest cash prices paid. A. P. SAINSBURY, 99 King street. Mail orders attended to.

Money to Loan.

SOME MONEY TO LOAN ON MIDDLESEX farm property at 5 and 5½ per cent and on city property at 5½ and 6 per cent. WEEKES & SCANDRETT, solicitors, 98 Dundas street, London.

MONEY TO LOAN ON FIRST AND second mortgages, notes and other securities at lowest rates. G. W. FRANCIS, 78½ Dundas street, London. Branch offices, Strathroy and Watford.

Dental Cards.

DR JEFFREY N. WOOD—DENTIST— Higgins' Block, over 212 Dundas street.

DR. GEORGE C. DAVIS, DENTIST — Graduate R. C. D. S., Toronto, 1879, graduate Philadelphia Dental College, 1883. Specialties: Preservation of natural teeth; crown, porcelain and bridge work. 170 Dundas street, London, Ont. Telephone 975.

L. MCDONALD, DENTIST. Office, 183½ Dundas street, London. Telephone 702.

DR. J. H. SWANN—DENTIST—OFFICE 207½ Dundas street. Telephone 1,131.

WOOLVERTON & BENTLEY, DENTISTS —246 Dundas street, next Edy Bros. over Cairncross & Lawrence, druggists. Telephone 822.

ELLIOTT HOLMES, L.D.S., ROOM 3, Duffield Block, Dundas and Clarence streets. Phone 897.

Storage.

STORAGE — MERCHANDISE, PIANOS, furniture; reasonable rates; most convenient. Western Storage and Commission Company, 420-422 Ridout street.

Artists.

MRS. LAURA DOUGLAS, 149 ALBERT street, receives pupils in oil and pastel painting.

Topics of Today.

Hon. Clifford Sifton was banqueted by Moosomin (Man.) Liberals last night.

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There are five candidates for the mayoralty in Winnipeg—all new. Mayor Jamieson is not a candidate for re-election, or there would be no opposition.

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Argentina has passed an extraordinary law, according to the Pall Mall Gazette. After Jan. 1, 1897, every unmarried male between 20 and 80 must pay a monthly tax to the state. Should celibates of either sex refuse an offer of marriage without good reason, they must pay $500 to the person refused.

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The Winnipeg Tribune says that in the reorganization of the Department of the Interior, the offices of Deputy Minister of the Interior and Commissioner of Indian Affairs will be amalgamated, and James Smart, of Brandon will fill the new post. This, it is said, will dispense with Hayter Reed's services.

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The investigation into the conduct of John Crowe, Indian agent in Bruce county, proves that he was an offensive political partisan. It is said that he will be dismissed for wrongfully influencing the Indians.

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A remarkable item has been placed in the New South Wales tariff. Prince Ranjitsinjhi, the cricketer, appears as exempt from tax. He will visit the country with an English team next year, and has been excepted by name from the penalties of a bill imposing a tax of £100 on all colored aliens that land in the colony. The bill is intended to exclude Hindoos, Chinese and Japanese from Australia.

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A Winnipeg dispatch to the Toronto Telegram says: "It has been decided that the petitions in Marquette against Dr. Roche, Conservative, and against N. Boyd, in Macdonald, also a Conservative, will be pushed to a finish. In Liberal circles it is said that the grossest acts can be shown in Macdonald, and that the number of ballots in some cases were in excess of those recorded. In the event of either seat being opened, there is scarcely a doubt that supporters of the Ministry will be returned. It was only the three-cornered fights dividing the Liberal vote that caused the election of Conservative candidates in these ridings at the general election."

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South Brant Liberals met and passed resolutions of congratulation to Premiers Laurier and Hardy on their accession to office. A convention will be held to nominate a candidate for the bye-election for the House of Commons in a few days.

Situations Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

WANTED — POSITION AS BOOKKEEPER by competent man, at present employed by large manufacturing concern in United States. Satisfactory references given. Address Box 28, this office. 79n

GEORGE PRITCHARD—BROKER— 7 PER CENT STRAIGHT INVESTMENTS —Realty Security. PROPERTIES—Bought sold and exchanged INSURANCE — Confederation Life, Alliance Fire. Inquire for particulars, office, 9 Market Lane. Telephone 757. yt

INSURE YOUR PROPERTY IN THE Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company. All classes of insurance at lowest rates.

Assets	$57,314,280
General Reserve	6,500,000
Average daily income over	30,000

EDWARD TOWE, general agent. Office 412 Richmond street, over Bank of Commerce, London. Money to loan on real estate at 5 and 5½ per cent. Phone 207. ywt.

Welland Canal.

TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES FOR THE YEAR 1897.

SEALED TENDERS by mail, addressed to the undersigned and indorsed "Tender for Supplies," will be received until the arrival of the evening mails on Tuesday, Dec. 15th, for the supply of iron, timber, castings, hardware, fuel, oil, etc., etc., for the Welland Canal and its branches, for the year 1897.

Forms of tender can be obtained at the Superintending Engineer's Office, St. Catharines, on and after Friday, Nov. 20th.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. By order

W. G. THOMPSON, Superintending Engineer.

St. Catharines, Nov. 17th, 1896. 8m



WELLAND CANAL.

Notice to Contractors.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and indorsed "Tenders for pier work at Port Dalhousie," will be received at this office until noon on 22nd December, 1896, for the removal of so much of the remaining portion of the timber superstructure of the east pier at Port Dalhousie as may be required, and the renewal of the same with concrete.

Plans and specifications of the work can be seen at the Superintending Engineer's office, St. Catharines, where specifications and forms of tender can be obtained on and after Thursday, Nov. 26, 1896.

Contractors are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and in the case of firms, unless there are attached the actual signatures, the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the firm.

An accepted bank check for the sum of $1,500 must accompany each tender, which sum will be forfeited if any party tendering declines entering into contract for the work, at the rates stated in the offer submitted.

The checks thus sent in will be returned to the respective contractors whose tenders are not accepted, and in the case of the accepted tender, will be retained until the completion of the contract as security for the due fulfillment of the same.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. By order,

JOHN H. BALDERSON, Secretary.

Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, November 20th, 1896. 8m

Lion and Bear.

Britain and Russia Agree on the Turkish Question.

Verdict of Guilty in the Big Libel Case at Berlin.

A Number of Leading German Journalists Sent to Prison.

Queen Victoria Wins First Prize for Hereford Cattle — Honors for Sara Bernhardt.

RAIDED THE BATTENBURG CLUB.

London, Dec. 8.—A hundred constables raided the Battenburg Club on Goswell Road at an early hour on Sunday morning and arrested 150 persons, including many women.

CABLE NOTES.

The Duc d'Aumale is ill at Chantilly. The Duc is 74 years old.

A Constantinople dispatch says that under pretext of revenging an old grievance, 10,000 Kurds raided the Province of Mamouret ul Aziz, where they burned and pillaged villages and massacred the inhabitants.

HONORS FOR SARA.

Paris, Dec. 8.—The proposal to award Sara Bernhardt the insignia of the Legion of Honor was favorably considered by the French Cabinet, provided the preferential claims of Mlle. Reichemberg as "Doyenne of the Comedie Francaise" can be arranged for.

VICTORIA TAKES FIRST PRIZE.

London, Dec. 8. — At the annual Smithfield cattle show the Queen wins the first prize for Herefords, and receives several medals for cattle of other classes. Baron de Rothschild wins the first prize for short-horned steers, and Lord Rosebery gets the first prize for short-horn heifers.

GREECE IN THE GUNPOWDER LINE.

Athens, Dec. 8.—The King of Greece has issued a rescript demanding army maneuvers on a large scale, and summoning 10,000 men from the reserve for the formation of a permanent camp. The selection of a new rifle for the army and other military extensions long advocated by public and military opinions has caused a sensation.

LEADING EDITORS SENT TO PRISON.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—The evidence was concluded yesterday in the trial of Herr Leckert, and other newspaper men charged with libeling Count August zu Eulenberg, Court Chamberlain; Baron Marshall von Bieberstein and Prince Alexander von Hohenlohe.

When the court returned after a brief recess, it announced that a decision had been arrived at in respect of all the prisoners. All but one of them were found guilty. Von Luetzow and Leckert were sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment each. Bergoe was condemned to be confined for one month. Ploetz was fined 500 marks and Foehmar 300 marks. Leckert's father was also accused, but nothing was proved against him, and he was discharged.

IN ACCORD.

London, Dec. 8.—A dispatch from Constantinople says: Husim Pasha, Turkish Ambassador to Russia, has telegraphed to the Porte, informing the Turkish Government of the existence of a complete understanding between Russia and Great Britain in regard to the enforcement of reforms in Turkey. This information has created a sensation in the Sultan's circle. M. Nelidoff, Russian Ambassador to Turkey, who is now on his way to Constantinople from a visit to St. Petersburg, will, it is understood, call a conference of the ambassadors immediately upon his return to his post, to discuss the questions of financial and other reforms in Turkey, and the opening of the Dardenelles.

CLEVELAND'S MESSAGE.

Comments of the London Press — The Cuban Question.

London, Dec. 8.—The Pall Mall Gazette this afternoon, commenting upon President Cleveland's message to Congress, says: "There is nothing in the message unsatisfactory to Great Britain. As far as Cuba is concerned, President Cleveland is neither diplomatic nor politic. His language will please neither Spain nor the insurgents."

The Globe sees in the message "Monroeism thrusting itself forward in the usual menacing fashion," and doubts if McKinley will be "grateful to his predecessor for bequeathing him the task of bullying Spain."

The St. James' Gazette contrasts the "polite, cautious tone" of the message with the minatory message of a year ago on a similar topic, and says: "The conditions in Cuba undoubtedly give the United States the right to call upon Spain to enforce her authority speedily or acknowledge that her inability to suppress anarchy has deprived her of her right to be considered as governing the island."

LIVED WITHOUT BRAINS.

Inquest on a Suicide Reveals That His Skull is Empty.

Montreal, Dec. 8.—The inquest in connection with the suicide of young Howell, the would-be murderer of Miss Sims, ended with a verdict of suicide while insane being returned.

The autopsy of the body revealed the fact that Homer Howell had lived for years with scarcely any brains at all, his stock being ounces less than the minimum of the female body, let alone the male, according to medical experts. Part of the brain he had showed signs of disease, and the inquest elicited the fact that he had for the past two years been taking large quantities of quinine.

He was stricken down with malaria when he was in Mexico two years and a half ago, and had suffered from very severe headaches ever since.

Weyler Wounded

According to a Special Dispatch From Havana.

Maceo's Men Cross the Trocha in Large Force.

Report That Gomez Has Scored Another Victory.

New York, Dec. 8.—A dispatch to the Herald from its Jacksonville, Fla., correspondent says: "I have received a dispatch from Havana which states than Antonio Maceo has crossed the Trocha with a large force. It is reported, according to the dispatch, that Captain-General Weyler has been wounded at the front. All news from the scene of the engagement is suppressed by the officials at the palace.

Tampa, Fla., Dec. 8.—From a Cuban passing through here from Havana, via Key West, which he reached in a fishing vessel, it is learned that the skirmishing around Guanabacoa still continues, and that raids continue to be of nightly occurrence. The Government officials fear that a large detachment may dash into the city.

Another band of 50 insurgents crossed the Trocha yesterday near Artemisa. This has caused reinforcements to be added to many portions of the Trocha, so that for many miles the pickets guarding it are within 50 feet of each other.

There is a rumor in Havana that Gomez has scored another victory, but it cannot be substantiated. Havana people are unusually reticent now, and Government spies are so numerous that they fear to speak, even to their closest friends.

City of Mexico, Dec. 8.—There is a keen feeling of disappointment here that President Cleveland could not see his way to recognizing the belligerency of the Cubans, for Mexican sympathy is undoubtedly with them and most of Latin-America—with the possible exception of Chili—is ready to follow the lead of the great Republic.

In a Trunk.

Where a Parisian Woman Concealed Her Admirer.

And in the Morning Found Him Dead—An Old Story Finds a Counterpart.

New York, Dec. 8.—The Herald has the following account of a remarkable case in Paris, reproduced from its European edition:

"Boccaccio's story of the gallant who was hidden away in a trunk might now be rewritten, in so far as the ending is concerned. In the modern instance, told in the Journal des Debats, the heroine is standing her trial for murder.

"There lived together at Lyons a grocer and one Elise Piot, who frequently took advantage of the absences of the master of the household to receive a certain Badoit. On the evening of Feb. 16 last Elise and Badoit were together when the grocer unexpectedly returned. Elise, terrified, hid her visitor in a large trunk that stood empty in the apartment, shutting down the lid and locking it upon him, and then opened the door to her liege lord.

"The grocer dined at home, and after dinner escorted Elise to a cafe concert, whence the couple did not return till close on midnight. Even then the woman had no opportunity of releasing Badoit from his uncomfortable hiding place; and it was only about 7 o'clock the following morning, on the departure of the grocer, that Elise was enabled to open the trunk.

"Badoit had died during his imprisonment!

"Both Elise Piot and the grocer were arrested, but on explanations being given the latter was set at liberty. For some months past various courts have been dealing with the case, which none were willing to try, Elise Piot being all the while a prisoner; and it needed the intervention of the Court of Cassation to determine upon a solution, which is that the charge of 'meurtre' can be brought against the woman.

"Elise Piot is, in consequence, now upon her trial at the Isere assizes."

A REMARKABLE FREAK.

Although an Idiot, Tom Hawkins Had a Great Memory

Palmyra, Mo., Dec. 8.—Tom Hawkins, a noted negro character, died at the poorhouse in the city. He had been an inmate of this institution for 30 years, or since 10 years of age, and was a freak. Although an idiot, he had a most remarkable memory, and while he could not either read or write, could recite, word for word, chapter after chapter, from the Bible. Whenever he heard anything read he committed it to memory and never forgot it. His remarkable memory has been put to severe tests on numerous occasions and was never known to fail him. He had frequently recited the contents of several columns of a newspaper, word for word, after hearing it read once. In all other particulars he was a perfect imbecile.

How to Cure Skin Diseases.

Simply apply "Swayne's Ointment." No internal medicine required. Cures tetter, eczema, itch, all eruptions on the face, hands, nose, etc., leaving the skin clear, white and healthy. Its great healing and curative powers are possessed by no other remedy. Ask your druggist for "Swayne's Ointment." Lyman, Sons & Co., Montreal, wholesale agents.

Dickens' daughter, before she died, had completed a book called "My Father as I Knew Him," which will be published soon.

THERE is not a more dangerous class of disorders than those which affect the breathing organs. Nullify this danger with Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil—a pulmonic of acknowledged efficacy. It cures soreness and lameness when applied externally, as well as swelled neck and crick in the back; and, as an inward specific, possesses most substantial claims to public confidence.

Use Kur-a-Kof for coughs and colds. 25c. at Anderson & Nelles' drug store.

Tens of Thousands

of testimonials bear witness to the marvelous efficacy of TOLU, TAR and TAMARACK in every form of throat and lung trouble. It is a grand cough remedy. The results are truly magical.

Sold only in 25 cent Bottles.

WHOLESALE AGENTS...

Cairncross & Lawrence,

Chemists, etc.,

Corner Dundas St. and Park Ave. London, - - Ont.

Branch—Corner Richmond and Piccadilly.

Venezuela Satisfied.

To Accept the Anglo-American Agreement Regarding Arbitration.

Extra Session of Venezuelan Congress—Last Obstacle in the Dispute Removed.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—Secretary Olney has just received a cablegram from Senor Andrade, the Venezuela minister to Washington, who is now in Caracas, stating that the Venezuelan Government has accepted the agreement reached by the United States and Great Britain for the arbitration of the boundary dispute.

An extra session of the Venezuelan Congress has been called to consider the treaty. Thus the obstacles to this long standing question will be removed.

Lost on the Lakes.

The Death Record Smaller This Year.

Total Number of Fatalities 66—Of These 26 Men Fell Overboard.

Detroit, Dec. 8.—Only 66 lives were lost on the lakes this season, which is much fewer than usual. In some cases crews made very fortunate escapes from wrecks.

The most serious disaster was the wrecking of the schooner Waukesha, Nov. 7, with a loss of six lives. The second most serious loss was that of the Mary D. Ayer, May 11. The chooner Sumatra foundered off Milwaukee, Sept. 4, was a loss of four seamen. A boiler explosion on the Roda Stewart, off Alpena, killed three, and three were burned on the City of Kalamazoo Nov. 30. The captain and two of the crew went down with the Little Wissahickon, July 9.

Twenty-six sailors fell overboard and were drowned in harbors or on the open lakes. Six were killed by falling through hatches. One diver, at work on the wreck of the Cayuga, was suffocated. But one passenger met death, and it is believed that he committed suicide. The others of the 66 died from various causes.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

The Provincial Stock Show opens at Guelph today.

Mr. Oliver Teft, of Hamilton, is reported to have fallen heir to $500,000.

The Bank of Bengal has increased its rate of discount from 8 to 9 per cent.

Mr. W. G. Raymond has been elected president of the South Brant Reform Association.

The Kentucky Court of Appeals has refused a new trial to Scott Jackson, charged with the murder of Pearl Bryan.

The rumor is revived that Sir William Van Horne will retire at the end of the year from the presidency and general managership of the C. P. R., to be succeeded by Vice-President Shaughnessy.

Frederick Loveland, the oldest and best-known guide in the Adirondacks, has been accidentally killed by a falling tree. Loveland was a giant in stature and possessed remarkable strength. He was 70 years old.

Frederick Small, who was contractor for the grocery supply for the Hamilton House of Refuge, and who pleaded guilty to the charge of obtaining money from the city corporation by false pretenses, was Monday fined $400 or six months in jail.

At Whitby on Monday Stephen Coffey, aged about 14 years, was playing with a small bird rifle, and accidentally shot himself in the hand. The bullet entered the palm, and found lodgment in the back of the wrist, just below the thumb and first finger.

Steamship Arrivals.

Dec. 7	At	From
State of Nebraska	Moville	New York
H. H. Meirs	Bremen	New York
Columbia	Gibraltar	New York
Peruvian	Glasgow	Boston
Geronz	London	Montreal
Teutonic	Queenstown	New York
Dec. 8.	At.	From.
Bovic	New York	Liverpool
Paronia	Queenstown	Boston
Edam	New York	Druggist Amsterdam

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Sporting World.

Sparring Exhibitions by Local Boxers.

Homing Pigeons Fly From British Columbia to Kingston.

Wheeling Records Broken at Denver, Col.—Other Sporting News.

ATHLETICS.

LOCAL BOXING EXHIBITION.

The sparring exhibitions given at Tom Lemmon's boxing academy last night were witnessed by a large number of devotees of the art. The best set-to of the evening was between Lemmon and Acker, of this city, and although the latter towered away above his opponent in size, Lemmon's skill enabled him to gain the most points.

Tom Greenwood and Alf Jenkins gave an interesting set-to.

Two big, burly butchers, named Flanagan, gave a comical bout.

McLeod, of Hamilton, and Willis, of London, were matched for a six-round contest, but Willis pulled off the gloves at the end of the fourth round.

The programme included a couple of other bouts between city youths, and throughout the evening good, clean work marked the boxing.

FITZ SAYS "NO."

San Francisco, Dec. 8.—Fitzsimmons has declined flatly to consider for a moment Corbett's offer to come here and box ten rounds for $15,000.

THE WHEEL.

RECORD BREAKING.

Denver, Col., Dec. 8.—Sager and Swanbrough, on a tandem, unpaced, flying start, broke the following professional tandem records Saturday at the Denver Wheel Club Park: Three-quarter mile, 1:25 1-5, 2-5 of a second better than the time of Evans and Hatton at San Jose, Cal., last May; six miles, 12:22 2-5; seven miles, 15:16 4-5; eight miles, 18:51 3-5; nine miles, 20:16; ten miles, 22:16 2-5.

PROGRESS OF THE SIX DAYS' RACE.

New York, Dec. 8.—Much interest is felt in the six days' bicycle race at Madison Square Garden, owing to the international character lent by the presence of the long distance British and French riders; of Tom Linton, the Welsh champion; Charley Chapple, the English long distance crack, and Jules Dubois, of Paris-Bordeaux race fame. The 28 starters were: Albert Schock, New York; Frank Wallace, Germany; Tom Linton, Wales; Wm. Lumsden, Scotland; C. Chapple, England; Teddy Hale, Ireland; Peter Golden, America; A. A. Hansen, Denmark; George Cartwright, England; Fred Forster, Germany; E. C. Moore, Albert Hosmer, George Van Emburgh, D. M. MacLeod, W. J. Conklin and Ned Reading, America; Ed. Von Steeg, Germany; Burns W. Pierce, Canada; S. L. Cassidy, Taylor and J. S. Rice, America; J. Wilson, England; J. R. Gannon, E. C. Smith and C. W. Ashinger, America; W. A. Elkes, England; J. A. Glick, America. The first mile was made in three minutes by Tom Linton.

The opening of the second 24 hours of the race found the squad sadly depleted. Of the original entries, only sixteen remained, and it is good betting that less than half this number will be in the race at the finish. Hale, the Irishman, who has led since yesterday afternoon and broken record after record, was fresher and hopeful of success this morning. Experts at the Garden say, however, that he will not last the six days, although there was nothing in his appearance this morning to warrant that assertion. Reading, the Nebraska man, who yesterday broke all records for continuous riding, was within a score of miles of the Irish champion at 9 o'clock, but gave evidence of breaking up. It would surprise nobody to see "Major" Taylor, the pride of the colored contingent, capture first money. He was within 32 miles of the leader at 9 o'clock, and seemed as fresh as when he started. Moore, of Philadelphia, may get some of the money. Schock, the winner of the last six days' contest, has disappointed his friends, and his withdrawal will surprise no one. He complains of stomach trouble. The chances of Glick, who went off for a time last night, but returned later, are not seriously regarded. The same may be said of Gannon, Cassidy, Smith, Pierce (the Canadian), Ashinger and McLeod. Several of the riders are suffering acuteiy from the glare of the electric lights, and are wearing smoked glasses. Most of them kept the track during the night.

At 1 o'clock this (Tuesday) morning the score stood: Hale, 433.3; Reading, 406.9; Pierce, 377.3; Moore, 408.4; Taylor, 398.2; Ashinger, 382.1; Rice, 381.4; Elkes, 358.9; Conklin, 346.3; Schock, 382.6; Smith, 351.1; Glick, 355.2; Forster, 366.5; Gannon, 322.6; Von Steege, 315.7; Cassidy, 321; Maddox, 328.8; McLeod, 287; Golden, 299.6; Hanson, 291; Wilson, 165.1.

The score at 10 a.m. was: Hale, 546 miles; Reading, 526.6; Moore, 524.8; Taylor, 523.6; Schock, 517.3; Ashinger, 399.8; Rice, 325.5; Pierce, 506.4; Forster, 518.8; Elkes, 416.5; Smith, 465.5; Gannon, 420.5; Cassidy, 424.8; McLeod, 355.6; Glick, 449.4; Maddox, 436.5.

CHESS.

A REMARKABLE FEAT.

Pilsbury, the chess expert, concluded early yesterday morning a most remarkable performance. He played simultaneously on 26 boards with experts singly and in consultation. Forty-five persons participated in the exhibition. Pilsbury won 16 games, drew 7 and lost 3.

HOMING PIGEONS.

A LONG JOURNEY.

Montreal, Dec. 8.—Major-Gen. Cameron, formerly of the Kingston Royal Military College, stated today that he has received word that two carrier pigeons which he sent to British Columbia in charge of Dr. Walkem, a brother of Judge Walkem, of Kingston, have returned.

Middlesex County Court.

A Commercial Traveler's Suit Against His Employers.

True Bill Found Against Fountian, David Hedley and Daniel Ross.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

Ranson A. Robbins, of St. Thomas, vs. Welford Bros. occupied all afternoon. The plaintiff is a commercial traveler residing in St. Thomas, and claims that on June 5, 1894, he was engaged by Wellford Bros. as traveler and collector for a year, when the defendants agreed to pay him $50 per month, with a reasonable amount for traveling and incidental expenses. The plaintiff began to work on June 21, and continued until Jan. 27, 1895. During these six and a half months he received only $312 50. His expenses totaled $426 03, making $738 53 due him from defendants. He also claims it was agreed that he should pay his expenses out of the accounts he collected. The sum collected was $1,542 23, and at various times he turned over to his employers $99 77, leaving a balance due on that account of $542 46, which he, with their consent, retained on account of his salary and expenses. When plaintiff entered their employ, he owed the firm $50, which was to be deducted from his salary. After deducting the $592 46 due the defendants by the plaintiff from the $738 53, the amount they owed him, there remained a balance due of $146 07. Plaintiff claims wrongful dismissal, for which he claims $200 damages, and the sum of $146 07, the balance of wages, with 6 per cent thereon, from Jan. 27. The defendants admitted that Mr. Robbins had been employed by them, but only from week to week, nor otherwise than on a basis of 10 per cent, he to pay his own expenses. They claimed that plaintiff had not adhered to his agreement with them, not making returns at stated periods of accounts collected by him. They claimed, also, that plaintiff had owed them $85 when he started with them a second time, and since then had collected certain moneys and retained it, and had overdrawn his account some $222, and this they sought to recover.

TUESDAY MORNING.

The court reassembled at 10 o'clock. All the morning was occupied in hearing evidence in the above cases and the addresses of the respective counsel to the jury.

Mr. Love, in speaking, said that the plaintiff had received threatening letters from his employers, and when he had quit and tried to secure another situation he received another communication, not a letter, but a "Victoria, by the grace of God, Queen, Defender of the Faith," business, with a big red seal on it. Mr. Love spoke for about an hour.

Colin McDougall, Q.C., St. Thomas, then addressed the jury.

The judge in his address charged strongly in favor of the defendants. He said they were to consider what the contract was between the parties. Was the conduct of the plaintiff that of an individual who was to be paid by the salary? It was alleged that he was to receive $50 per month, yet from the day he went into the employ of the defendants he never gave them a statement of traveling expenses. There was another view of the case. The plaintiff himself said that when his services were no longer required he made no p[illegible]t, and said nothing about settling. [illegible]thing more was heard from hi[illegible] until Welford Bros. wrote to him, asking him for a statement of his accounts. If it were true that Robbins had collected money and not made any returns to Welford Bros., he (the judge) was bound to tell the jury as a matter of law the Welfords were perfectly justified in discharging him. It was not only a breach of contract, but an offense against the criminal laws of the land. The jury were then locked up, and the court adjourned for lunch.

TRUE BILLS.

True bills were found by the grand jury against David Hedley for arson, and also on the charge of placing obstructions on the G. T. R. track at Glencoe.

A true bill was found against Daniel Ross for arson. He is charged with burning the house of Chas. Small, of North Dorchester. Both Ross and Hedley are thought to be insane.

A true bill was found against Edwin Fountain for house-breaking and robbery.

Mr. George Workman, a peddler of clothing was riding up from the C. P. R. station, Woodstock, on a baggage wagon on Saturday night, when he fell from the rig, breaking his leg and receiving a bad cut in the head. He was taken to the hospital. Mr. Workman's home is in Streetsville.

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Toronto Sewerage Contractors Can Employ Nobody Else.

Laborers to be Paid the Union Rate of Wages—The Council Prevented a Month's Delay in the Work.

Had the mayor not voted last night to accept the tender of Grant & Co. for section "C" of the sewerage system, the work would have been thrown back for over a month, which would have sorely disappointed many who have been looking forward to employment.

The council's action last night means that work will begin as soon as a few preliminaries are attended to—probably in ten days. Every employe must be a resident of London; if not, the engineer may discharge him at a moment's notice. The city bylaws also require that every contractor on city work must pay his employes the union rate of wages. There is no established union scale of wages among laborers except bricklayers' and plasterers' laborers. The city pays its employes $1 25 per day for nine hours' work; but the current rate of wages paid laborers by city and other contractors is 12 1-2 cents an hour for ten hours' work per day, so that the sewerage employes cannot be paid below this figure. The ten hours per day was placed in the specifications because the ten hours' rule is the prevailing one.

Section "C" is only a small portion of the sewerage system, and if the conditions of the present contract do not prove satisfactory the succeeding contracts may be amended to suit.

MRS. STERNAMAN

Secures a Stay in the Proceedings for Extradition.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 8.—On behalf of Mrs. Olive Sternaman, who is charged with the murder of her husband, Geo. H. Sternaman, in Cayuga, Ont., an application has been made by her attorneys, Duckwitz & Thayer, to the Federal Court, and a writ of certiorari has been granted, which means that an appeal from the decision of United States Commissioner Fairchild has been taken and the case will be reviewed by Judge Coxe in Syracuse.

It is stated that her extradition will be resisted to the court of highest resort. A hearing before Judge Coxe was set down for today, but the record of the proceedings before Commissioner Fairchild is not yet prepared. As soon as the papers are ready the argument will proceed.

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Rev. R. R. McKay, B.A., late of Ottawa, entered upon his duties as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Woodstock, on Sunday. He succeeds Rev. Dr. Dadson, who was recently appointed to the pastorate of a church in Montreal.

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William C. McCuaig, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in Windsor, has sent his resignation to the president, J. E. D'Avignon. The directors are adverse to his leaving, and an attempt will be made to get him to reconsider his decision. General Manager Hays, of the Grand Trunk, has sent word that he woud like to meet one of the directors of the association in order to devise some arrangement for giving a site to the association for the proposed new building. A. McNee will go to Montreal to confer with Mr. Hays on the subject.

The youngest child of Mr. John Neil Willson, of Ridgetown, was nearly burned to death through his nightdress catching on fire from a gas grate.

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SHE MAY SEE.

A Little Girl's Eyesight Probably Restored by the Aid of X Rays.

New York, Dec. 8.—Guided by X rays provided by Thomas A. Edison, a lancet operated by Drs. W. C. Bailey and A. D. Wendall, has probably restored sight to 10-year-old Mary Shoeliner, of Newark, N. J. Two years ago the girl fell on her head. When picked up her skull was apparently uninjured and the scalp wound quickly healed. A few months ago she complained that there was a mist before her eyes. In a week she was totally blind.

After a consultation it was decided to try the X rays. The girl was taken to Mr. Edison's laboratory at Orange. The X rays were focused against the side of the child's head, and it was shown that blindness was caused by a blood clot, which was removed by an operation.

"Unless the nerve fibres have become atrophied," said Dr. Bailey, "there is no reason why the child's eyesight should not be fully restored."

LOCUSTS AND ANTS.

Interesting Letter Received From Dr. Mackay, Presbyterian Missionary.

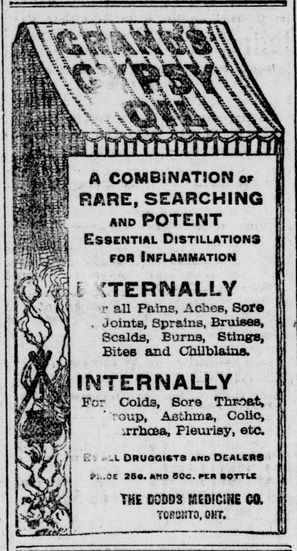
Rev. Dr. G. L. Mackay, the famous missionary to Formosa, has written describing a rainfall of locusts. With a running noise swarms of locusts on the wing flew ten feet high over their heads. On and on with the wind the insect army pressed forward, until the air was thickened and the sun darkened. In a moment they settled on the waving rice fields of green, and with great rapidity that color gave way to a brownish hue. Crowds of farmers, their wives and children, were wild with excitement, and were jumping, running, yelling and cursing the destroyers.

The doctor also writes from Tamsui describing an invasion of his residence by ants. There seemed to be no end to their numbers. They are about one-eighth of an inch in length, reddish color and closely allied to the myrmica molesta species. They relish vegetable as well as animal food, but have a peculiar fondness for all saccharine matter.

A MONTH'S FIRE LOSSES.

New York, Dec. 8.—The Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin says: The fire loss of the United States and Canada for the month of November amounts to $5,211,800. The November record is remarkably light, and makes certain a great reduction for the whole year, 1896, as compared with 1895, unless some enormous conflagration takes place this month. The total for 1896 will be about $115,000,000.

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Steel-Pointed Hair Pins, 1c box.
Old Brown Windsor Soap, 6 large cakes, 10c.
Cotton Tape, white, 6 bunches for 5c.
12-yard bunch Vandyke Braid only 1c each.
12 Long Black Hat Pins for 5c.
Children's Fancy Toboggan Toques, 25c, for 10c.
Large bottle of Machine Oil, 5c.
Petroleum Jelly, 5c bottle.
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COME NOW AND COME OFTEN.

Section "C"

Toronto Contractors Are to Build London Sewers.

Their Bid $1,700 Lower Than the London Tenders.

Lengthy Discussion on the Ten Hour Clause.

The Claim for Those Fire Department Extras Filed.

Proposal to Do Away With the Snow Plows Vetoed.

The City Council last night adopted the report of the special committee appointed to open tenders for section "C" of the new sewerage system, recommending that A. Grant & Co., Toronto, the lowest tenderers, receive the contract at the price named, $9,112 22.

THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE'S WORK.

Previous to the reading of the tenders at the meeting of the committee, considerable discussion occurred, first, as to whether tenders from contractors other than citizens should be accepted, and as to whether preference should be shown or the lowest tender accepted.

Ald. Parnell was in the chair, and the others present were Ald. O'Meara, Wm. Heaman, Cooper, Dreaney, Pritchard and Skinner, Dr. Campbell, Mr. Ohipman, City Engineer Graydon and Secretary Bell.

Ald. Pritchard moved that no tender be accepted unless the tenderer be a Canadian residing in Canada.

Ald. Dreaney moved in amendment that only the tenders of city contractors be considered.

Ald. Cooper took the position that preference should be shown to the London contractors, and if any citizen was $50 or $100 above an outside contractor, should such be the lowest, the London man should be given the contract.

Ald. O'Meara—We have good men in this city, quite able to build this sewer, and well able to compete with outside men, as they know every foot of the land. I would like to see them get the contract. The present tenders are for only a small portion of the work, and are we going to lose a large amount of money in this fashion? There isn't a gentleman around this board who would throw his own money away like that."

Chairman Parnell said it would be better to have city men do the work, but it was also true that they were well able to compete with outside contractors. This was the first bit of the contract, and if they were to bar outside contractors they might have the next price go up to a great amount.

Ald. Skinner thought the committee would protect the city's interest best by not leaving the bidding in the hands of a half-dozen city contractors.

Ald. Pritchard's motion carried.

The engineer suggested that even though a tender be the lowest, it should be ascertained if the contractor be competent before accepting.

Ald. O'Meara said he did not believe the committee should sit there to open tenders, and then leave it for the engineer to decide. He moved that the lowest tender be accepted if it complies with the specifications, and the above regulations in all respects.

Ald. Cooper made another effort to have preference shown to city men.

Ald. Skinner and O'Meara argued that some system was needed, and the only way was to accept the lowest tender.

Ald. Pritchard and Dreaney agreed with Ald. Cooper.

When Ald. O'Meara's motion was declared carried, Ald. Pritchard said: "That's wrong," and Ald. Dreaney echoed, "You'll find out where you made the mistake." The following were the tenders:

Harding & Leathorn, city	$10,900 00
C. Bartitt, city	14,863 00
Simpson & Murray, city	14,335 00
Wm. F. Grant & Co., Toronto.	9,112 22
J. W. Cawrse, city	9,973 00
A. J. Brown, Toronto	16,915 00
Clark & Connolly, Toronto	10,180 00
Geo. D. Cameron & Co., city.	11,367 89
J. S. Fallows, city	16,272 00
J. S. Fallows (with hydraulic cement)	15,092 00
George F. Webb, Hamilton	17,389 00

Ald. O'Meara's motion that the tender of Wm. F. Grant & Co., of Toronto, $9,112 22, be accepted. Carried, Ald. Dreaney, Cooper and Pritchard voting against it.

As the sureties given by J. W. Cawrse were Toronto men, he was considered as an outsider, so Ald. Dreaney wanted to accept the tender of Harding & Leathorn.

Ald. Skinner—Ald. Dreaney wants to give $1,700 to the city contractor.

REPORT BEFORE THE COUNCIL.

When Ald. Parnell moved the adoption of his report, he explained the circumstance attending the discussion in the afternoon, and hoped the recommendation would meet with approval.

Ald. Garratt moved that the firm of J. W. Cawrse be granted the contract at $9,973.

Ald. Nutkins seconded the motion, saying that they were city men, and had been supplying the city with lime, brick, etc., for years. If they got a Toronto man, he would bring his workmen with him. It would be the same in this case as with the car shops.

Ald. Parnell explained that a good deal had been said in committee before accepting the tender, and it was agreed, all things being equal, to accept a city firm's tender, but things were not equal. There was a difference of about $1,700, and in his opinion J. W. Cawrse was merely acting for the parties who gave the security, and who, he believed, were going to do the work. He thought the working people of London had been protected sufficiently. He further stated that Mr. Grant was the only one who complied with all the requirements.

Ald. Dreaney thought Harding & Leathorn should have had the contract. If Toronto men came here it would be the same with the sewer as with the carshops. They would bring their own men with them.

Ald. Cooper took the same view.

Ald. Bennet—I am thankful that all men are not built alike. If we have to confine ourselves to accepting contracts only from our own city, we'll find ourselves in a very small place.

Ald. Powell said he believed in the dollar-and-cent principle for the people of London. He thought if Mr. Cawrse got the contract it would be like throwing away $1,000, and there was no man on the council who would apply that principle to his own business. The motion was to practically give away $1,720 of the people's money, and it was high time the thing was stopped.

Ald. O'Meara agreed with all Ald. Powell had said.

Ald. Carrothers moved that the clause in the agreement giving contractors the right to bring in outside labor under the head of experts be stricken out. He protested vigorously against the clause. He said they had had enough of the outside labor expert business when the Barber Company put the pavement down.

Ald. Taylor found fault with the way the business was being done. He was not ashamed of being one of the 1896 council, like some of the others, who were afraid that if the scheme didn't go through at once it would never get there at all. He didn't think that the tenders should be let until some of the members who didn't know anything about the specifications had been given a chance to look them up.

Ald. Pritchard—The specifications were made in committee and rushed through in such a manner that no business man could intelligently and properly vote. He had gone away from the committee meeting on this account.

The mayor said he had taken the specifications into consideration and would have been derelict in his duty if he had not seen that the rights of citizens were properly protected. He thought the clause regarding experts was plain enough. If the engineer found men employed who should not be there, the council empowered the engineer to remove them, and if the engineer didn't do his duty the council could deal with him.

Ald. Skinner spoke of the specifications as having been well considered before being passed, and if Ald. Pritchard got up and rushed out, that was none of the council's business. He was against tampering with the specifications. If anything was wrong with them this piece of work might be done according to them, and they could be remedied for the next.

Ald. Pritchard—What was the difference between Mr. Graydon's estimate and Mr. Chipman's?

Ald. Parnell—Mr. Graydon's estimate was $11,000, and Mr. Chipman's $10,980.

Ald. Nutkins protested that he was not there to pander to any person or persons. He said he had been in the city sixteen years, and had never done any city work, and didn't want to. Continuing, he said: "You talk about protecting the workingmen. The standard hours for a laborer in London is nine. Here you have made it ten. Is that protecting the laboring man. I don't think it is. It is benefiting the Toronto contractor. Where is the protection for the workingman? I am going to support London men. I don't care who they are. Look at the car shops. This Hamilton man promised the mayor he would employ citizens if it was possible to get them. With the work being done at this time of the year, he could get double the men if he wanted them.

Mayor Little said he was under the impression that the city bylaw would govern the number of hours a man should work. He said the bricklayers had a union here, and they worked nine hours. They could, therefore, demand that nine hours should constitute a day's work. He said it was an oversight. He understood that the agreement was for nine hours' work. The matter would be all right by the contractor signing a contract for nine hours. The city men would work nine hours, and if the others could not do the same it was their own business.

Ald. Parnell said the specifications couldn't be made better than they were if they worked a month on them. They stated that a man should receive $1 25, the equivalent of ten hours' work. There was nothing compelling them to work ten hours.

Ald. Garratt said the union rules didn't cut any figure with the Hamilton man. They paid every week here, but he only paid once every two weeks.

Ald. Bennet wanted to know if London and Toronto contractors had not figured on the same basis, that of nine hours.

Ald. Carrothers pointed out that the Toronto contractors had tendered on the ten-hour-a-day understanding, while the London contractors had figured on nine hours; 12 1-2 cents a day on each man employed would make the difference in the contracts.

Ald. Carrothers' amendment to strike out clause 53 was defeated on the following vote:

Yeas—Ald. Pritchard, Taylor, Douglass, Carrothers, Cooper, Garratt, Dreaney and Nutkins—8.

Nays—Ald. J. Heaman, O'Meara, Powell, Skinner, W. Heaman, Armstrong, Bennet, Parnell, McCalium and Gerry—10.

Ald. Garratt moved that "nine" be inserted in the clause instead of "ten."

Ald. Powell said this would defeat the whole scheme.

Ald. Nutkins said he wanted the Toronto men to be placed on the same footing as himself.

Ald. O'Meara—Now you are talking about protecting the workingman. You are talking against what you said a few minutes ago. You want the men to have work, and you won't give it to them. You don't want them to work ten instead of nine if they can get it.

Ald. Garratt's motion was then put and defeated on the mayor's vote.

Yeas—Ald. Pritchard, Taylor, Douglass, Carrothers, Cooper, Garratt, Dreaney, Nutkins, Gerry—9.

Nays—Ald. J. Heaman, O'Meara, Powell, Skinner, W. Heaman, Armstrong, Bennet, Parnell, McCallum—9.

The mayor gave his casting vote against the amendment. He explained that he was under the impression that the general conditions would be governed by the bylaw which the council had passed some time ago. He thought the contractor ought to pay the standard wages. And he was perfectly willing when accepting the Grant tender that the council should make the nine-hour condition. It would not be wise to change the conditions here, and he therefore voted nay.

Ald. Carrothers said that an hour a day was a big thing on a big job, and it was not to be expected that the contractor would give it up.

Ald. Nutkins said the greater part of the work would be done by laborers, as excavating was the biggest job, and that the bricklayers would not be interested.

Ald. Garratt's motion to accept the tender of J. W. Cawrse was defeated. 10 to 7, and the clause passed by a majority of 12, awarding the contract to Grant & Co., Toronto.

NO. 2 COMMITTEE REPORT.

This committee recommended that the claim of R. W. Clindinning for damages for accident caused by alleged defective sidewalk be filed.

Ald. Parnell submitted the engineer's report, stating that the man had not been hurt, nor was he in anyway disabled. The rest of the report passed without much comment.

NUMBER ONE'S REPORT.

The committee recommended that the petition of Wm. Hayman be granted by refunding to the petitioner $1 10 and deducting the amount from M. Baldwin & Sons' account for street watering. This was struck out, on motion of Ald. Garratt.

"That the city schools be not used for election purposes" was a clause that caused some discussion, but was finally carried.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Ald. Powell, chairman of the special committee appointed to look into the Lewis suit matter, and try to effect a settlement, said he refused to call a committee together to adjudicate on such an important matter unless the city solicitor were present.

The Mayor—You have that power, I suppose.

Ald. Parnell thought the matter had been hanging fire long enough, and it was throwing good money after bad appealing cases. A decision had been given against them, and the matter should be settled.

The committee will meet on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, with the city solicitor.

Ald. Carrothers reported that the mayor and he had secured the option of a plot of land on the county's property on Ridout street for a term of ten years at $5 per year, if the county saw fit to charge it. They had not been authorized to do so, but they had considered it in the best interests of the city. The agreement was read a first time, and on motion of Ald. Skinner was referred to next year's council.

A motion of thanks was tendered the mayor and Ald. Carrothers for their foresight and shrewdness.

THOSE EXTRAS.

The communication from the Waterous Engine Company, of Brantford, asking for payment of the long-standing account for the extras in connection with the aerial truck caused considerable discussion. Ald. Pritchard said he was glad that the thing was before the council. He wanted the council to understand that it was the wish of the committee that the supplies should be ordered whether they were or not. The order had apparently been given, and should be paid for.

Ald. Bennet didn't feel disposed to pay for them unless there was satisfactory evidence that the extras were ordered.

Ald. Cooper wanted the extras sent back.

Ald. Powell stated positively that he had given no order for them, and that he believed Chief Roe had given an order.

Ald. McCallum thought the truck was not as good as it might have been. The wheels were in bad shape already.

Ald. Carrothers thought it was high time such foolishness as paying accounts for unordered supplies was stopped. Ald. Powell had stated that he didn't order them and that Chief Roe had denied it. The Waterous people could show no order. The matter was filed.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

The following petitions were received:

Edward Burn, John Knowles, Mary Norris and Mary Fitzgerald—For remission of taxes. No. 2.

W. R. Reiley and Ben Johnston—For position of street commissioner. No. 2.

J. L. McIntosh—For the position of plumbing inspector. No. 2.

Meredith, Cameron, Judd & Dromgole's petition on behalf of John McClary, re the widening of High street. No. 2.

Jerry Collins' claim for damage to his property caused by the street railway. No. 2.

Isabella Thompson—To have her taxes charged against her unencumbered property. No. 1.

W. C. Furness, G. N. W., asking permission to put an electric light in front of the office on Richmond street, the same as the C. P. R. Granted.

Engineer Graydon recommended that the street railway company be compelled to close the side door of the cars, and use only the two end doors. Filed.

E. Dibb petitioned on behalf of the B. of R. T., asking for a refund of $10 on account of the recent ball not being a success. Granted, on motion of Ald. Carrothers.

Engineer Graydon's recommendation asking that citizens be compelled to clean the snow off the sidewalks in front of their residences, so as to abolish snow-rowing, was voted down.

J. M. O'Sullivan's petition for free use of the City Hall for the distribution of prizes on Dec. 23 was granted.

M. M. Pattullo, asking that Mr. Stewart be removed from the Old People's Home to the Home for Incurables, was referred to the mayor and inspector, with power.

Court Magnolia, asking for a refund of $10, paid for City Hall at a recent concert, was carried.

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War or Arbitration—Canada's Interest in Salisbury's Settlement.

Lord Salisbury's settlement of the Venezuela question is assailed with much vigor by Mr. George Tate Blackstock, Q.C., in the Canadian Magazine for December. Great Britain, it is pointed out, for 25 years "turned a deaf ear to the entreaties of Venezuela, because she was too weak to forcibly oppose us," but Lord Salisbury has now, "in deference to the threats of the United States," turned right about face, and granted practically all that Venezuela ever asked. This, Mr. Blackstock, warmly argues, "proclaims England to the world as a swaggering bully." To concede the right of Venezuela to a general arbitration of all claims in dispute between her and Great Britain is represented as the choice of the path of "national infamy and disaster." The United States, Mr. Blackstock asserts, gains everything, "while England is certainly ignominously defeated and humiliated." The Monroe doctrine is firmly established and inscribed on the international code, and the influence of the United States is made absolutely paramount upon this continent. Mr. Blackstock maintains that trade follows the flag, and that the submission of the Venezuela dispute to arbitration will help United States commerce with South America, and injure Canadian trade.

Mr. Blackstock charges that Englishmen at home concentrate their attention on European politics, and make every concession to the United States, so as to leave them free to attend to the game of European intrigue with undistracted attention. He denounces this course as weakness and pusillanimity, and warns the British Government that constant and reiterated humiliation must cause Canadian spirits to droop and sicken in the choke-damp of national dishonor. He considers that if the arrangement with the United States is sanctioned by Parliament the most serious blow will be struck at the maintenance of British institutions upon this continent. The United States Mr. Blackstock considers to be the "deadly, jealous and persistent foe" of England—that being the term incorrectly used by Mr. Blackstock to denominate Great Britain. Yet he finds that English statesmen are constantly endeavoring to conciliate the United States by one concession or another. This, Mr. Blackstock says, is a policy, of weakness, which is fast approaching the confines of poltroonery. The latest phase of this giving in is the concession of the Monroe doctrine and the agreement to establish a tribunal to try cases arising thereunder. The agreement, Mr. Blackstock thinks, should be resisted as an indignity and as a mark of national degeneracy.

This Canadian attack on Lord Salisbury's amicable settlement of a question which almost brought the two great branches of the English-speaking race to the verge of a bloody war is probably put in as strong terms as could be commanded. The writer is opposed to the arbitration of the ownership of the lands in dispute between Britain and Venezuela. But why should there not be arbitration? If Great Britain has a good case, we believe that the tribunal will decide in her favor. If the British are in the wrong, if they have been seizing territory to which they have no rightful claim, it does not stand to reason that they should retain it without compensating the real owners. We have all been anxious to see the principle of peaceful arbitration established as the agency by which international disputes should be disposed of. Why should an international tribunal, composed of men of good sense and integrity, not settle disputes between two or more nations with as great acceptability as a national court now disposes of quarrels between individuals?

The acknowledgment of the Monroe doctrine is assailed. There are compensating advantages to us in Canada. With that doctrine in force, the United States is pledged to prevent any foreign nation from attempting to seize the whole or any portion of the territories now held as republics or as part of the British Empire. Supposing, for example, that Russia were to attempt to subjugate Canada, the United States would be in duty bound to prevent that great power from establishing herself in the Dominion. And so with any other country inclined to be aggressive.

The caustic critic of Lord Salisbury professes fear lest the new agreement between the United States and Great Britain will injure our trade interests with South America. He gives utterance to the cry, "Trade follows the flag." It does not always follow. Trade goes where there is the least resistance. The lower the import duties, the more profitable the direct trade. Where taxes on imports are high, trade either will not take place, or it will be conducted by a circuitous route. Very often, for example, the United States tea and coffee supply is purchased with British manufactures. This is how the trade proceeds: Britain buys United States wheat and beef; Brazil and China buy British manufactures, and send their coffee and tea to the United States to pay for the wheat and beef sent to Great Britain. The flag has nothing to do with the transaction. The trade goes where the profits are the more plentiful.

While it is easy to criticise any agreement which is in the nature of a compromise, it is well to ask what would have been the result if the heated condition of affairs had been allowed to continue, and the threatened war had taken place, or were yet hanging in the balance? The arbitration of these difficulties by the sword and by the dynamite gun would make Canada the theater of the greatest and most bloody of modern conflicts, and would cause irretrievable ruin to both countries, no matter which secured the victory. When we are inclined to cavil at the agreement to arbitrate the difficulty, and to acknowledge the right of the United States to a say in the matter, it is profitable to reflect on the alternative.

Says the Toronto Star: "Manitoba Conservatives have formally repudiated the school question entirely, pronouncing it a dead issue. But Caron and Foster are still holding it up as a live topic. Evidently the party is still not one harmonious whole." Really, it seems still in a harmonious "hole," as the late Mr. Gorman, of Ottawa, was wont to remark.

"Learning Their Business."

Some people think that a point has been made against the Canadian Ministers who are acting as a tariff commission when they say that these gentlemen are "learning their business."

It is true that Sir Richard Cartwright is the only one of the three Ministers who can be regarded as a financial and tariff expert, and that Hon. Mr. Fielding and Hon. Mr. Paterson are comparatively new to the business, though able statesmen withal. But is it not better that the new Ministers should get down among the people affected, and learn all about the tariff and its effects on the country, rather than that they should accept without question the ideas of deputies often-times prejudiced in favor of senseless red-tape arrangements?

The Ministers cannot know too much about the tax question, or about the methods of its administration. These certainly need amendment.

This is the season for annuals. One of the best is "Chums," issued from the press of Cassell & Co., London, and published in Canada by Wm. Bryce, Toronto. The volume is handsomely illustrated, many of the pictures being brilliantly colored and full-page. It is just the book for a Christmas present.

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Western Ontario.

Safe-Blowers Get in Their Work in Leamington.

School Changes — Transfer of Mill Property.

The Interntional Hotel, Wnidsor, has been sold to Harry James for about $9,000.

The report that Dr. Kingston will be a candidate for mayor of Aylmer next year is denied.

A Tilbury correspondent says: "It is a foregone conclusion that W. C. Crawford will be reeve by acclamation for 1897."

Mr. J. F. Reynett, of the G. T. R., freight office staff, Brantford, has been removed to a similar position in the Stratford office.

The estate of Peter Ross, Kintore, offers to creditors 5 cents on the dollar. There are $3,000 unsecured debts and $300 assets.

G. F. Cronk concluded his deal with Wm. Beattie, Blenheim, by which he purchased 25 acres of fine fruit land in a splendid locality.

John Gillespie has resigned his position as mould maker for the Sydenham glass works, Wallaceburg, and has gone to his home in Hamilton.

J. S. Richardson's general store at Tilbury was entered Sunday night by burglars, the safe blown open (evidently by experts), and about $26 secured.

—Mr. John Kelly, of Ellice, recently sold thirteen lambs to Mr. Hoffman, of Sebringville, which netted 1,615 pounds. The price paid was $3 30 per hundredweight.

At the monthly meeting of the Chatham fire department the following officers were elected for 1897: President, Chief Jacques; secretary, George Pritchard; treasurer, James W. Degge.

The flour mills owned by Messrs. Cranston & Scrimger, at Galt, have been purchased by Messrs. Samuel J. and John Cherry, who will take possession Jan. 1. The price paid was under $20,000.

At Osgoode Hall, in Gaynor vs. White, J. H. Moss, for defendants, moved to change venue from Chatham to Sarnia. H. A. E. Kent for plaintiff. Order made changing venue from Chatham to Sarnia.

Two Italians, hailing from St. Thomas, were summoned at the police court in Aylmer for peddling fruit without a license under the county bylaw, and in default of $10 fine were committed to jail for 60 days, unless the fine be sooner paid.

Mortimer Milligan, of Buffalo, 23 years of age, was arrested at a farmer's house east of St. Thomas Monday, charged with having stolen $150 and a gold watch and chain from one of his friends. When arrested he had $113 and the watch upon his person. He went back to Buffalo.

The vacant positions in the Leamington high school have been filled by the appointment of Mr. Lyman Brown, B.A., of Gananoque, as classical master, and Mr. F. J. Weidenhammer as moderns master. The staff for 1897 will consist of these two and Mr. L. M. Scratch, science specialist, with Mr. J. Elliott, B.A., as principal.

According to the Toronto Globe, the estate of Jessop & Co., general store, Blyth, shows considerable deficit. The statement shows liabilities of $4,500, while so far the assets in sight amount to only $1,200. A number of Toronto houses are interested. H. P. Pollock, fruit dealer, Goderich, is endeavoring to effect a compromise.

Elijah Kidd, the Toronto man arrested in Windsor a few days ago in connection with a swindling scheme, succeeded in defrauding Wm. Sullivan, of Amherstburg, in a similar manner to that he practiced in Goderich and surrounding towns. Sullivan bought from Kidd the sole right to sell his patent potato peeling machine in Essex county, and now he finds that an Anderdon man also purchased the same privilege.

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Local Market.

(Reported by A. M. Hamilton & Son.)

London, Tuesday, Dec. 8.

Wheat, per bu	81c to 84c
Oats, per bu	14 1-4c to 20c
Peas, per bu	36c to 44c
Corn, per bu	22 1-2c to 33 1-2c
Corn, per bu	25c to 34c
Buckwheat, per bu	24c to 29c
Rye, per bu	28c to 30c
Barley, per bu	20c to 29c
Beans, per bu	50c to 65c

Wheat sales ranged from $1 35 to $1 40 per 100 pounds today. The bulk of the offerings were taken for shipping and storage account. Millers seem to be looking for lower prices or are filled up—one of the two—as they were quite neglectful today.

Oats steady, at 45c to 60c, and in good demand.

Corn slow at 45c to 50c.

Peas and barley quiet and unchanged.

No buckwheat offered.

Beans sold from 45c to 60c for merchantable stock.

Butter did not change.

Eggs firm at 16c to 18c by the basket.

Meats were dull.

Dressed hogs sold at $4 to $4 50.

Hay and straw were abundant and sold slow.

Quotations:

GRAIN.			
Wheat, white, per 100 lbs	1 38	to	1 40
Wheat, red per 100 lbs	1 35	to	1 40
Wheat, spring per 100 lbs	1 35	to	1 40
Oats, per 100 lbs	45	to	60
Peas per 100 lbs	60	to	74
Corn per 100 lbs	40	to	60
Barley, per 100 lbs	40	to	65
Rye, per 100 lbs	50	to	53
Beans, bu	50	to	65
Buckwheat, per 100 lbs	40	to	55
PROVISIONS.			
Honey	8	to	12
Cheese, per lb	9	to	10
Honey	8	to	12
Eggs single dozen	18	to	20
Eggs fresh, basket, per doz	16	to	18
Eggs, fresh, store lots, per doz	12	to	14
Butter single rolls per lb	15	to	17
Butter, per lb, 1 lb rolls, baskets	14	to	15
Butter per lb, large rolls or crocks	14	to	15
Butter, per lb, tubs or firkins	9	to	12
Lard, per lb	9	to	9
MEAT, HIDES, ETC.			
Beef, quarters, per lb	3½	to	5
Mutton quarters, per lb	5	to	6
Veal, quarters, per lb	6	to	9
Lamb, quarter	7	to	8
Dressed hogs, 100 lb	4 00	to	4 10
Live hogs	3 25	to	3 50
Hides, No. 1, per lb	5	to	5
Hides, No. 2, per lb	4	to	4
Hides, No. 3, per lb	3	to	3
Calfskins, green	5	to	5
Calfskins, dry, each	25	to	25
Sheepskins, each	50	to	50
Lambskins, each	50	to	50
Wool, per lb	18	to	18
Tallow, rendered, per lb	3	to	3
Tallow, rough, per lb	1½	to	1½
HAY AND SEED			
Hay per ton	7 50	to	8 00
Straw, per load	2 00	to	3 50

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The Oil Market.

PETROLEA.

Petrolea, Dec. 8.—Oil opened and closed at $1 52.

English Markets.

(Beerbohm's Report by Cable.)

Liverpool, Dec. 8—12:45 p.m.

Wheat—Spot quiet; demand moderate; futures steady; near and distant positions ½d lower.

Corn—Spot quiet; futures quiet; near and distant positions ¼d lower.

Bacon—Steady; demand moderate; Cumberland cut, 25 to 30 lbs, 29s 6d; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs, 29s; long clear light, 35 to 38 lbs, 29s 6d; long clear heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, 28s; short clear backs, light, 18 lbs, 28s 6d; short clear middles, heavy, 45 to 50 lbs, 26s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, 29s.

Shoulders—Square, 12 to 18 lbs, 30s.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, 42s 6d.

Tallow—Fine North American, 17s 9d.

Beef—Extra India mess, 57s 6d; prime mess, 47s 6d.

Pork—Prime mess, fine western, 48s 9d; medium western, 41s 3d.

Lard—Steady; prime western, 20s 6d; refined in pails, 23s 6d.

Cheese—Dull; demand poor; finest American white (Sept.) 51s; finest American colored (Sept.), 51s.

Butter—Finest United States, 95s; good, 60s.

Turpentine spirits—29s 9d.

Rosin common—5s 9d.

Cotton seed oil—Liverpool refined, 15s 3d.

Linseed oil—16s.

Petroleum—Refined, 6½d.

Refrigerator beef—Forequarter, 3½d; hindquarter, 5½d.

Bleaching powder—Hardwood, f. o. b., Liverpool, £7.

Hops—At London (Pacific Coast), £3 10s.

The receipts of wheat during the past three days were 322,000 centals, including 204,000 centals American. Receipts of American corn during the past three days were 187,200 centals.

Weather—Fine.

London, Dec. 8.

Cargoes off coast—Wheat and corn, nothing doing.

On passage—Wheat, buyers indifferent operators and partially 3d lower; corn, quiet and steady.

Country markets—English and French quiet.

The Dairy Markets.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Dec. 8.—Cheese dull; demand poor; finest American white (Sept.) 51s; finest American colored (Sept.), 51s.

Butter—Finest United States, 95s; good, 60s.

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mand poor; finest American white and colored, September, 51s.

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MONTREAL.

Montreal, Dec. 7.—Cheese, 9 1-2c to 10c. Butter—Townships, 14c to 16c; western, 11c to 13c.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 7.—Butter firm; State dairy, 11c to 20c; do, creamery, 15c to 23c; do, factory, 7c to 12 1-2c; Elgins, 24c. Cheese steady; State large, 7 1-4c to 10 1-2c; do, small, 7 1-2c to 10 1-4c; part skims, 3 1-2c to 7c; full skims, 2 1-2c to 3c.

American Produce Markets.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—The wheat market acted weak today, but the decline established early in the session was partially recovered later. The visible supply decrease of 2,608,000 bu was the single item of the day's news which in any way afforded comfort to the bulls. Everything else was against the price. Opening Liverpool cables were ¼d to ½d lower, and closing ones gave a total loss from Saturday of 1½d. Rains were reported in India, and the receipts in the Northwest were heavy, both of which facts were bearish in their effect. The London Times estimated the British crop at 20,000,000 bu more than that of 1895. Closing Paris and Antwerp cables were unchanged to higher, whilst Berlin advices quoted a material decline. May wheat opened from 81c to 80½c; sold between 81c to 81¼c and 80c, closing at 81c 1½c to 1½c under Saturday. Cash wheat was weak and 1c to 1½c lower. Corn and oats each declined 1c. Provisions were firm.

The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—No. 2 Dec., 77½c; May, 80½c; July, 74½c.

Corn—No. 2 Dec., 23c; Jan., 23½c to 23¾c; May, 26c to 26¼c.

Oats—No. 2 Dec., 18¼c; May, 21½c to 21¾c.

Mess pork—Dec., $6 80; Jan., $7 57½; May, $7 90.

Lard—Dec., $3 70; Jan., $3 85; May, $4 07½.

Short ribs—Dec., $3 85; Jan., $3 85; May, $4.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour steady; No. 2 spring wheat, 77c to 79½c; No. 3 spring wheat, 76c to 79c; No. 2 red, 89c to 90½c; No. 2 corn, 23c to 23½c; No. 2 oats, 18½c to 18¾c; No. 2 rye, 39½c; No. 2 barley, 36c; No. 1 flaxseed, 77½c to 79c; prime timothy, $2 50; mess pork, $6 80 to $6 85; lard, $3 75 to $3 77½; short rib sides, $3 75 to $3 95; dry salted shoulders, $4 25 to $4 50; short clear sides, $4 to $4 12½.

Receipts—			
Flour	5,000	Wheat	33,000
Corn	187,000	Oats	314,000
Rye	17,000	Barley	73,000
Shipments—			
Flour	21,000	Wheat	361,000
Corn	357,000	Oats	102,000
Rye	45,000	Barley	29,000

BRITISH APPLE MARKETS.

Montreal, Dec. 7.—Mr. A. R. Fowler, Portland, received the following cable from Messrs. Simons, Shuttleworth & Co., Liverpool: No change in prices since last quotations. The market is very flat, except for fine grades of sound fruit. Quality and condition are being well paid for, but lower grades and conditions are very weak. Shipments as a rule are landing in bad order.

Messrs. Simons, Jacobs & Co., Glasgow, cable as follows: The market is glutted with fruit in bad condition and prices lower in consequence.

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Live Stock Markets.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 7.—Receipts of beeves yesterday and today, 4,200 head; steers, 10c lower than on Friday; the decline on medium and good grades and cows reached 20c; poor to strictly native steers, $3 85 to $5 15; stags and oxen, $2 75 to $4 25; bulls, $2 to $2 60; dry cows, $1 30 to $2 65; best beef steady, at 6½c to 8¼c for poor to prime native sides.

Cables from Britain markets quote American steers at 10c to 11c, dressed weight; American refrigerated beef, 7c to 8½c; American sheep, 8c to 8½c, dressed weight. No shipments today; exports tomorrow, 850 beeves and 250 quarters of beef.

Receipts of calves yesterday and today, 1,500 head; veals slow, and 1c lower. Poor to prime veals, $4 to $7; grassers, $2 40 to $3; coarse western calves, $3 to $3 25; dressed calves weak; city dressed veals, 7c to 10½c.

Receipts of sheep and lambs yesterday and today, 11,000 head; market closed at a reduction of 1c to 1½c. Poor to prime sheep, $2 to $3 50; common to choice lambs, $4 25 to $5, one car $5 12½; dressed mutton, 4c to 7c; dressed lambs, 7c to 9c; Canadian lambs, $4 70 to $5.

Receipts of hogs yesterday and today, 16,590 head; sale at $3 50 to $3 80.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Dec. 7.—About 550 head of butchers' cattle, 25 calves and 300 sheep and lambs offered at the East End Abattoir today. More than half the cattle were over from last week. Sales were slow, with very little improvement on the low prices of last week. The best cattle sold at about 3 1-4c per lb; pretty good stock sold at from 2 1-2c to 3c per lb, and the common beasts at from 1 1-2c to 2 1-4c per lb. It was probable that some of the leaner animals would bring less than 1 1-2c per lb. Calves were in demand, but they were almost all small young veals. Mr. Bourassa bought 11 calves, paying from $3 to $7 each for them.

Mutton "critters" were scarce, and higher in price. Sheep sold at from 2 1-2c to 3c per lb, and lambs at from 3 3-4c to 4 1-4c.

There were no sales of fat hogs reported today. The prices offered were about 3 3-4c per lb.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Opening. Wheat, December, 77c; May, 80 1-4c; July, 74 1-4c. Corn, May, 26c. Oats, December, 18 1-4c; May, 21 1-4c. Pork, January, $7 60; May, $7 95. Lard, May, $4 10.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 7.—Cattle—Receipts, 172 cars; market firm; extra steers, $4 90 to $5 10; good heavy, $4 50 to $4 75; mediums, $4 25 to $4 65; mixed butchers, $4 25 to $4 75; prime heifers, $3 75 to $4; fair to extra cows, $2 50 to $3; stockers, $3 35 to $3 60; feeders, $3 50 to $3 75; stock bulls, $2 50 to $3 50.

Hogs—Receipts, 200 cars; Yorkers, $3 25 to $3 30; light, $3 25 to $3 35; pigs, $3 30 to $3 40; mixed packers, $3 20 to $3 25; heavy, $3 15 to $3 20; roughs, $2 60 to $2 90; stags, $2 to $2 25.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 91 cars; market slow; prime lambs, $4 75 to $5; good to choice, $4 40 to $4 65; common and culls, $3 40 to $3 90; good to choice mixed sheep, $3 25 to $3 50; culls and common, $1 65 to $2 25.

At the close: Cattle—About steady for all but old cow stuff, with bulk sold.

Hogs—Steady, but between 45 and 50 cars of late arrivals were left unsold.

Sheep and Lambs—The break in the lamb market today was not unexpected, and when the market opened, with 85 cars of sale lambs and sheep, including 15 cars of Canadas, as compared with 70 cars a week ago today, with the eastern markets reported lower, with 60 cars on sale and unfavorable weather, there was nothing else to do except to sell the stock at lower prices or hold and feed it. A concession of fully 15c to 20c was made on the best lambs from Saturday's prices, and fully 35c lower than last Monday, with the medium weights that the feeders did not take all of 25c lower and the common and cull stock 20c to 25c lower.

Canada Lambs—Receipts, 15 cars, while 2 cars were carried over from Saturday; the market for Canadas was very low; most of the offerings were over-weights, and undesirable on that account; a few tops sold at $4 75, but the general sales of the best were at $4 70, with heavy and bucky lambs quotable down to $4 25 to $4 50; the market closed very slow, and 6 to 8 cars were reported unsold at a late hour.

Who Ordered Repairs?

No 3 Committee Again Probing in the Dark.

The Item of $80 75 for Work on Watering Carts Still in Dispute.

No. 3 committee held a special meeting last night, and wrestled with the accounts for the repairs to water carts for nearly an hour. The engineer submitted a report for all the repairs ordered, which, he said, Mr. Grant, the inspector, had recommended. There had not been any repairs made on orders from Mr. Grant, as that gentleman had stated positively that he had given none.

Ald. Douglass thought that Mr. Heaman should collect the accounts from the men who ordered the repairs. If the contractors accepted the responsibility of taking their carts to the blacksmiths for repairs, the amount of unauthorized repairs should be deducted from the contractors' accounts.

Maurice Baldwin was before the committee protesting against being fined for not watering the street on the afternoon of June 23. He said the engineer had fined him $4 for one afternoon, making about $15 for the season altogether.

The repairs to Contractor Baldwin's carts were: Cart No. 1, $1 25 and cart; No. 7, $18 50, making $19 75, only $6 75 of which was ordered.

Contractor Griffin's repairs: Cart No. 2, $17 20; cart No. 4, $10 45, making a total of $27 65, only $9 40 of which was ordered by the engineer, leaving $18 25 for repairs unaccounted for.

The repairs on Mr. Orchard's cart, No. 6, amounted to $46, only $1 of which was ordered.

The total account was $116 15. Only $35 40 of repairs had been authorized—$80 75 worth of repairs done without anybody's order, apparently.

Engineer Graydon thought the only way to get at the bottom of the whole business was for the chairman to call a meeting for Wednesday night, at which the contractors and all the officials, with Mr. George Heaman, should be present. This was carried.

PREFERRED POISON.

A Murderer Dying in His Cell Who Was to be Hanged Today.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 8.—Abraham Eckert, who was to have been hanged today for the murder of Frederick T. Bittenbender, on July 7, 1895, took poison in his cell this morning and is dying.

A QUEER DETECTIVE.

Customs Officers Made Use of a Muskrat Trap.

Windsor, Dec. 8.—The customs officers here suspected for some time that their cash drawer was being systematically robbed. The thief had some way of opening the drawer without forcing the lock.

The officers tried almost every means to detect the culprit, but failed, and, as a final resort, set a muskrat trap in the drawer. Yesterday morning they found the cash untouched, but Bertha Haines, a colored girl who washes out the office every morning before the officers arrive, had her fingers cut and bleeding. This was enough for them, and they caused her arrest.

A FARMER IN TROUBLE.

A Grenville County Man Speaks His Mind—Feels Like a New Man—Cured by Four Boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Cardinal, Dec. 7.—Mr. Robert McIntosh, a farmer very widely known in this county, and living near this village has been in a painful and dangerous condition as the result of kidney disease affecting the bladder. When called upon he said:

"During three years, until quite recently cured by using four boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills, I have been an intense sufferer from kidney disease, which kept going from bad to worse, though I was doctoring all the time.

"Under advice I began using Dodd's Kidney Pills, at once realizing great help. I now feel like a new man and am perfectly cured of kidney trouble in any form."

ANNEXATION OF HAWAII.

San Francisco, Dec. 8.—Secretary of State Olney, it is reported on excellent information, has under consideration a treaty of annexation of Hawaii to the United States. A letter just received here via Victoria, B. C., states that this news has been received at the islands, and that the treaty will be sent to the Senate very soon. The information is given out by a Government official in Hawaii whose name is withheld. In the islands the sentiment is all for annexation.

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L. & J. THE WEATHER TODAY: Partly fair; occasional rain; little change in temperature. **L. & J.**

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She was at the Public Library last week. Perhaps you didn't see her. Those who did wondered how Mrs. Kenley ever acquired the knowledge necessary to make so many fancy articles for home decoration. Like as not some went away with the idea that the kind of thread she used had something, if not a great deal, to do with the success of her work, and those who went away with that idea struck it right. The thread had a great deal to do with it. Belding & Paul's silk threads are used by expert fancy workers. We carry a full line of their silks, and would suggest, if you desire your Christmas work to turn out as Mrs. Kenley's at the Art Exhibition, that you come to us for a supply. Our Art Department is in great demand at this season; so many are getting their presents ready. The following list may give you an idea of some of the things needed:

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Andalusian Wool, 5c skein.
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AGAINST CARPENTER.

Alleged Bigamist and Wife-Murderer—His First Wife Will Testify Against Him.

Petrolea, Dec. 8.—It is now said that James Carpenter, whose trial for the alleged murder of his wife near Hagersville will take place at the present Brant Assizes, is a bigamist.

Mrs. Mary Carpenter, who lives in Petrolea, says that she was married to Carpenter several years ago and because of his brutality to her and her daughter she left him. While they lived together they moved from place to place about the country. Carpenter, she says, not only failed to provide for her, but he frequently subjected her to the most inhuman treatment.

Government Inspector John Murray, who has charge of the case, came to Petrolea yesterday and took Mrs. Carpenter and her daughter to Brantford, where their testimony will be offered against the prisoner.

FAMOUS TRIAL RECALLED.

Death of a Leading Witness in the Cronin Case.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Henry Owen O'Connor, one of the principal witnesses for the prosecution in the famous Cronin case, committed suicide by shooting himself at his home in this city. O'Connor was a friend of Dr. Cronin, and his evidence in the trial was confined to remarks he had heard made in Camp 20, of the Clan-na-Gael, by some of the defendants, against Dr. Cronin.

O'Connor's death recalls the mysterious fatality which has pursued persons connected with the great case. Just before he shot himself, O'Connor drew up a will disposing of his property, and called in neighbors to witness it. This document was made the basis of a farewell letter to his wife, in which O'Connor said illness prompted him to do away with himself.

JOHN DYNES DYING.

Hamilton, Dec. 8.—John Dynes, the veteran Burlington Beach hotelkeeper, is dying. His physicians prescribed a little pure whisky as a stimulant, but the old man refused positively to take it, never having tasted it in his life. This is a wonderful record for a man who has kept a hotel for half a century.

A TEAMSTER'S SAD MISHAP.

Comber, Ont., Dec. 8.—One of the Polanders employed in the timber camps of E. Smith, Rochester township, met with a frightful accident recently. He was teaming wood, when one of the wagon wheels went into a rut with such force that he was thrown from the wagon, and a sharp axe, which was on the load, also fell, cutting an ugly gash in the man's back. The unfortunate man bled profusely, and it is feared that his spine is injured.

LIFE SAVED.—Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the lungs, and was given up by physicians. A neighbor advised me to try Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, stating that his wife had used it for a throat trouble with the best results. Acting on this advice, I procured the medicine, and less than half a bottle cured me; I certainly believe it saved my life. It was with reluctance that I consented to a trial, as I was reduced to such a state that I doubted the power of any remeuy to do me any good.

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GLEN OAK.

Glen Oak, Dec. 7.—Married, on Dec. 2, Henry Pettit, of this place, to Miss Pullman, of Mitchell, Ont. We wish them much pleasure and many a merry Christmas.

Wheat has taken a tremendous tumble in Strathroy. Two weeks ago it was selling for 86 cents per bushel. Now it is down to 81 cents. No doubt flooding the town with wheat for tax money accounts for all this. Flour keeps up in the same notch.

Glying dates of entertainments, Christmas trees, etc., is now the order of the day in Western Middlesex.

LAKE SHORE—BOSANQUET.

Lake Shore, Bosanquet, Dec. 7.—Councilor Johnson's wife died at her home on Stoney Point on Friday, Dec. 4, at an advanced age. The funeral took place on the following Monday. Twelve days previous to her death her daughter Martha passed away, aged 16 years.

Mrs. Annie Johnson, of Kettle Point, is convalescent.

While many Bosanqueters have sold their apples for nothing, and some for less, there are a few who have done better, among whom might be mentioned, Mr. Simon Blunden, of Lake Shore, who cleared 50 cents a barrel by doing the picking and hauling; also Henry McBryan, of the 5th con., who got 50 cents a barrel for all his fall and winter apples.

Miss Ella McBryan, of the Forest High School, spent Saturday and Sunday at Alex. Johnson's, on Lake Shore.

C. A. W. Gustin left on Saturday, Dec. 5, for Detroit, where he will take up his residence.

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Commerce and Finance.

Montreal Stock Market.

MONTREAL, Dec. 8.

	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	56½	55
Duluth, common	5	4½
Duluth, preferred	12	9
Commercial Cable	167	166½
Wabash, common	..	..
Wabash, preferred	..	..
Montreal Telegraph	170	165
Richelieu and Ontario	86½	85½
Montreal Street Railway	219	215½
Montreal Street Railway, new	..	..
Montreal Gas Company	184½	184
Bell Telephone	160	157½
Royal Electric, xd	135	131
Toronto Railway	69½	69½
Bank of Montreal	228	227
Ontario Bank	..	80
Banque du Peuple	..	..
Molsons Bank	..	180
Bank of Toronto	..	226
Banque Jacques Cartier	..	..
Merchants Bank	172	168
Merchants Bank of Halifax	165	161
Quebec Bank	..	..
Union Bank	110	100
Bank of Commerce	130	127½
Northwest Land preferred	..	..
Montreal Cotton Company, xd	..	120
Canada Colored Cotton	60	35
Dominion Cotton	95	..
Postal Telegraph	94	94

SALES—Com. Cable, 50 at 167, 110 at 166½; Mont. St. Ry. 50 at 218½; Mont. Gas, 125 at 184½, 50 at 184½, 75 at 184, 25 at 184½; Royal Electric, 30 at 130, 4 at 131; Toronto Ry. 25 at 69½, 25 at 69½, 50 at 69¾, 125 at 69½, 25 at 69½; Merchants' Bank, 16 at 168½; Postal Tel., 10 at 93½, 75 at 94½, 150 at 94, 10 at 93½.

Toronto Stock Market.

TORONTO, Dec. 8.

	Ask.	Off.
Montreal	220	225
Ontario	..	80
Moisons	..	..
Toronto	230	225
Merchants	171	167
Commerce	129	127½
Imperial	180	178½
Dominion	230	..
Standard	162	162
Hamilton	133	134
British America	121½	119½
Western Assurance	163½	162½
Canada Life	..	..
Confederation Life	280	276
Consumers Gas	..	200½
Dominion Telegraph	126	123
Montreal Telegraph	..	..
Northwest Land Company, pref	50	..
Northwest Land Company, com	..	..
Canada Pacific Railway Stock	56½	55½
Commercial Cable Company	167½	167
Postal Telegraph	94½	94
Bell Telephone Company	158½	158
Montreal Street Railway	219½	218
Montreal Street Railway (new)	..	..
Toronto Street Railway	69	68½
Dominion Savings and Investment	..	77
Farmers Loan and Savings	95	..
Farmers' L. and S., 20 per cent	..	..
Huron and Erie L. and S.	..	160
Huron and Erie, 20 per cent	..	150
London and Canada, L. and A., xd	90	..
London Loan	..	103
London and Ontario	101	..
Ontario Loan and Debenture	..	121

SALES—Ontario, 2, 10 at 180; Commerce, 3 at 128½; Imperial, 10 at 179; Com. Cable, 25 at 167½; Postal Tel., 25 at 94½, 25 at 94; Bell Tel., 25, 75 at 158½; Toronto Ry., 25, 25, 10 at 69—1 p.m. board. Com. Cable, 25, 25 at 167½; Postal Tel., 25, 50, 25, 25 at 94½; Toronto Ry., 25, 69½, 25 at 69½—11:15 a.m. board.

New York Stock Market.

Reported by Frank Butler, broker, Masonic Temple.

Dec. 8.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Atchison Ry.	14¼	14¼	14	14¼
C., B. and Q.	78	78⅜	77½	77⅞
C. and N. W.	105½	106¼	105½	106¼
Chicago Gas	76¼	76⅝	75⅝	75⅝
Gen. Electric	32⅝	33½	32½	32⅝
Manhattan	95¼	96	95	95½
L. and N.	50	50¼	49⅝	50
Missouri Pacific	22	22	21⅝	21⅞
Pacific Mail	25	25½	25	25¼
Rock Island	68¼	68⅝	68¼	68½
Reading	28⅝	28⅞	28½	28⅝
St. Paul	74½	74⅞	74⅜	74⅝
Tenn. Coal and Iron	28½	28⅞	28½	28⅝
Wabash	16⅝	16⅞	16⅜	16⅝
Western Union	86¼	86⅝	86⅛	86⅜
Distillery Trust	13⅜	13⅝	13⅜	13⅜
Leather Trust	6½	6¾	6½	6¾
Sugar Trust	115¾	115¾	115½	115¾
Tobacco Trust	74	74⅛	74	74⅛

COMMERCIAL.

Toronto Grain Market.

Toronto, Dec. 8.—Wheat—The market is dull, the offerings more liberal, and prices are lower; 5 cars of red sold west at 81c; winter wheat sold at 80c; goose wheat is quoted west at 68c. Manitoba wheat is quiet; No. 1 hard is quoted at 99c North Bay, and 97c for No. 2 hard; No. 1 hard is quoted at 94c Toronto and west and at 96c east.

Flour—Dull and easier; cars of straight roller in barrels were offered middle freights west today at $4.

Mill-feed—Slow at $8 for shorts west and $7 for bran.

Barley—Dull and easier at 30c to 31c for No. 1 outside, 27c for No. 2, 23c to 24c for No. 3 extra; four cars of feed sold on the G. T. R. west today at 21c.

Buckwheat—Dull and lower at 27c north.

Rye—Steady at 34c to 35c outside.

Corn—Easier; cars of new sold west today at 25c; old yellow corn is quoted at 27 1-2c.

Oats—Dull at 18c for mixed and 19c asked for white on the Northern.

Peas—Quiet at 41c north and west, and 42c middle freights west.

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American Produce Markets

DETROIT

Detroit, Dec. 8.—Wheat—No. 1 white cash 92½c; No. 2 red cash and Dec., 91½c; May, 91c.

TOLEDO.

Toledo, Dec. 8.—Wheat—No. 2 Cash and Dec., 93½c; May, 95½c.
Corn—May, 29¾c.
Oats—May, 21½c.

MILWAUKEE.

Milwaukee, Dec. 8.—Wheat, cash, 77½c; May, 79½c.

BUFFALO.

Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 8.—Spring wheat—Fair demand; No. 1 hard, spot, 89½c; No. 1 northern, 86c; do old, 87½c. Winter wheat—Dull; No. 2 red, 95c asked.

Corn—Quiet; easy; No. 2 yellow, 25½c; No. 3 yellow, 25c; No. 4 yellow, 24c; No. 2 corn, 24½c; No. 3 corn, on track 24c; No. 2 yellow, 27½c in store.

Oats—Firm; No. 2 white, 23½c; No. 3 white, 21½c; No. 4 white, 19c to 19½c; No. 3 mixed, 18½c on track.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 8.

Flour—Receipts, 31,500 bbls; sales, 2,700 packages; state and western quiet.

Wheat — Receipts, 42,600; sales, 1,745,000; ruled weak and lower in consequence of disappointing cables, liquidation and absence of cash demand; May, 85½c to 86c; July, 81c to 81½c.

Rye—Nominal.

Corn—Receipts, 116,200 bu; sales, 25,000 bu; steady on unexpectedly light receipts; May, 31 11-16c to 31½c.

Oats—Receipts, 214,800 bu; ruled dull; track, white state and western, 22c to 32c.

Butter—Receipts, 10,068; steady; state dairy, 11c to 20c; state creamery, 15c to 23½c; Elgins, 24½c.

Cheese — Receipts, 6,651 packages; quiet; large, 7½c to 10½c; small, 7½c to 10½c.

Eggs — Receipts, 9,153 packages; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 22c to 26c.

Sugar—Raw, quiet but steady.

Coffee—Firm; No. 7, 10c.

Hops—Quiet.

Lead—Strong; bullion price, $2 75; exchange price, $3.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Wheat—Dec., 77c; May, 80½c; July, 75c. Corn—Jan., 23½c; May, 26½c. Oats—Jan., 18½c; May, 21½c. Lard—May, $4 10.

Chicago Exchange.

Following are the fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade furnished by F. H. Butler, Broker, Masonic Temple. 'Phone 1,278.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—Dec.	77	77½	76¼	77¼
May	80½-80	81	79½	80¾
July	74½	75½	74	75⅛
Corn—Dec.	22¼	22¾	22¼	22⅝
May	26	26½	25¾	26⅛
Oats—Dec.	18¼	18¾	18⅛	18⅜
May	21¼	21⅝	21	21⅜
Pork—Jan.	7 60	7 62	7 57	7 62
May	7 95	7 95	7 87	7 95
Lard—Jan.	3 87	3 87	3 85	3 87
May	4 10	4 10	4 6	4 10
Ribs—Jan.	3 87	3 87	3 85	3 87
May	4 02	4 05.	3 97	4 02

Puts, 79½; calls, 82.

Late English Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 8.—1:30 p.m.

Wheat—Spot quiet; demand poor; No. 2 red spring, 6s 10d; No. 1 Cal., 7s 4d; futures opened steady, with near and distant positions 4d lower; closed steady with December 4d lower and other months 4d lower; business heaviest on middle positions; Dec., 6s 7½d; Jan. and Feb., 6s 8d; March, 6s 8½d; May, 6s 8¼d.

Corn—Spot quiet; American mixed, new, 2s 1½d; futures opened quiet with, with near and distant positions 1d lower; closed quiet, with Dec. 1d lower and other months ½d lower; business about equally distributed; Dec., 2s 10½d; Jan., Feb. and March, 2s 10d; April and May, 2s 10¼d.

Flour—Firm; demand poor; St. Louis fancy winter, 9s 3d.

Peas—Canadian, 4s 9d.

Live Stock Markets.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Hogs—Receipts, 19,000; rather slow but generally higher; light, $3 15 to $3 37 1-2; mixed, $3 15 to $3 40; heavy, $2 75 to $3 40; roughs, $2 95 to $3 10.

Cattle—Receipts, 5,000; quiet but steady; beeves, $3 45 to $5 40; cows and heifers, $1 60 to $4 10; Texas steers, $2 80 to $4 20; stockers and feeders, $2 90 to $4.

Sheep—Receipts, 8,000; strong to 10c higher.

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Use Kur-a-Kof for coughs and colds. 25c, at Anderson & Nelles' drug store. b

Local Brevities.

—Colin McDougall, Q.C., St. Thomas, was in the city today.

—Mr. Willis Chipman, C. E., is in the city, working on the sewerage plans.

—Today is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. The usual services were held in Catholic churches.

—The mid-winter exercises at Hellmuth College will take the form of a public concert, to be held about the middle of February.

—No. 1 Company, R. R. C. I., had a route march in London township this morning under Capt. Carpenter. The roads were very heavy and muddy.

—Mr. George Johnstone, merchant tailor, of this city, has been ill. His brother is well known by the pleasant sobriquet of Jamaica Johnstone, a famous missionary.

—Hon. W. S. Fielding and Hon. Wm. Paterson left the city for Woodstock this morning to conduct a tariff inquiry. Their Ontario tour ends at St. Catharines tonight.

—Lady Johnson, wife of the late Chief Justice Sir Francis Johnson, has arrived in town from London, Ont., on a visit to her son, Mr. C. F. G. Johnson, and Mrs. Johnson, Hutchison street, with whom she will spend the Christmas holidays.—Montreal Star.

—Music Hall will no doubt be crowded tomorrow evening on the occasion of the concert to be given by the Orpheus Glee Club, under the auspices of the London Dairymen's Association. Tickets 15c, reserved seats 25c, children 10c. Reserve seats for sale at box office.

—Mr. James K. Wright, for some years assistant ticket agent at the G. T. R. station here, has been promoted to a responsible position in the Union Station, Toronto. Mr. Wright has been a popular and obliging official, and his advancement is a deserved recognition of his merit. The hearty good wishes of his London friends go with him.

—Mr. Otto R. Brener, proprietor of the Canadian branch of Vallens' Cigar Manufactory, of Havana and Chicago, left today on a trip in the interest of his firm, to British Columbia, San Francisco and Mexico. Mr. Brener, while in Mexico, will be the guest of Senor Gonzala Fernandez, the great nitrate king, and anticipates a pleasant week's deer hunting on that gentleman's vast estates.

—The Ametomagnoscope exhibited at the Music Hall yesterday is truly a wonderful invention. Some of the views are colored, and in this respect differ from those shown by the Cinematographe. They are very realistic, and one in which the effect is particularly fine is the "Ocean Storm." Many of the pictures are amusing, and all are very fine. The Ametomagnoscope will be at the Music Hall every afternoon and evening this week.

—"McSorley's Twins" will entertain all their friends and acquaintances at the Grand tomorrow evening. The Toronto Globe says: "McSorley's Twins' is a bright, breezy play, with lots of songs and dances, which, combined with the work of the comedians, delighted a large audience at the opera house last evening. Ferguson and Emerick represent the Irish element. What little vestige of a plot there is emanates from the actions of these two comedians. The musical numbers are many and select.

—The executive committee of the Western Fair Association have decided to ask the directors of the fat stock show to come to London next winter, and there seems every possible reason why they should be successful, there being no better accommodation in the Province for this purpose. Messrs. Allan Bogue, J. S. Pearce, W. McNeil and Secretary Browne start tomorrow morning to interview the directors of the fat stock show, now meeting in Guelph. It is hoped they will succeed.

—Through an error it was stated that Mr. James Mattinson, of the London Drug Company, told the tariff commission that "the present duty on crude drugs of 50 per cent should remain." The words "crude drugs" should have read "patent medicines," as crude drugs are free. The present cost of alcohol, he said, was 250 per cent more than it would be if the import duty was made the same as the excise. He also stated that the price per gallon in bond was $1 15 in Canada, while the same could be bought for from 25 to 35 cents in the United States. The Canadian excise duty on alcohol is $1 70 per proof gallon, and not $1 17, as reported. This is equal to $2 08 1-2 per gallon of druggists' alcohol.

GOVERNOR BOSTON.

Mr. Robert Boston, ex-M.P., Lobo, has been offered and has accepted the position of governor of the county jail, made vacant by the death of Mr. Patrick Kelly. Mr. Boston will begin his duties on Monday next.

THE PLEBISCITE.

A joint meeting of representatives from the W. C. T. U. and Ministerial Association met in Somerset Hall yesterday afternoon to consider the advisability of forming an educational campaign association, to prepare for the plebiscite. The subject was discussed at some length, and it was decided to organize such society, with representatives from the Ministerial Association, W. C. T. U., and other temperance societies.

The following reverend gentlemen were appointed a committee from the Ministerial Association: George Jackson (chairman), T. S. Johnson, W. M. Walker, Robert Johnston, Geo. Fowler, Thomas Wilson, B. Clement, J. W. Pedley and W. H. Claris.

It was further decided to retain Rev. E. O. Taylor, of Chicago, to lecture in this city under the auspices of the association.

ORANGEMEN ELECT OFFICERS.

L. O. L., No. 303, of London township, held their annual election of officers on Thursday, Dec. 3. The attendance of members was large, and seeveral visiting brethren were present. After routine business came the election of officers, which resulted as follows: Bro. W. Elliott, W. M.; Bro. John S. McGuffin, D. M.; Bro. Wm. Shoebottom, Chap.; Bro. R. T. Shoebottom, R. S.; Bro. James H. Shoebottom, F. S.; Bro. Jas. F. Shoebottom, Treas.; Bro. James Deacon, director of ceremonies; Bro. Jas. A. Stanley, lecturer; Bro. Richard Blackwell, first committee; Bro. W. M. Shoebottom, second committee; Bro. Jas. Shoebottom, third committee; Bro. T. W. Shoebottom, fourth committee; Bro. Fred McGuffin, fifth committee; Bro. Richard Murdick, steward. The officers were all installed by Bro. Ed Howard, W. D. M., after which he delivered an able address. The exercises consisted of music, singing, and speaking, and ended with a banquet.

The valuable gold watch presented Saturday to Mr. James Gilmore, M.P., by the Middlesex County Council was purchased from the well-known jewelers, A. Morphy & Co., who make a specialty of fine presentation goods. b

GUESS AWAY!

As to When the Ontario Parliament Will Dissolve.

Special to The Advertiser.

Toronto, Dec. 8.—Rumor has been current that the Ontario Parliament would be dissolved at the end of next summer.

Premier Hardy was asked this morning about it, but would say nothing except that he would let the politicians keep on guessing.

THE DOCKERS' STRIKE.

Women's Meeting in Hamburg Supports the Strikers.

Hamburg, Dec. 8.—Two meetings of the wives, sisters and daughters of the dock laborers and other strikers were held here last night. Resolutions were adopted declaring that the women would loyally support the men in their efforts to better their condition, and would share in their privations.

BRANT FALL ASSIZES.

Two Murder Cases — Suit Against the Street Railway Company for $60,000.

Brantford, Dec. 8.—The fall assizes are being held in Brantford, before Mr. Justice Street. The docket is the largest known in the county for many years, and includes two cases of murder. Easton vs. the street railway company was the first case called. Plaintiff sues the defendants for damages for injuries received in the street railway mishap on July 18, 1895. Easton was brought into court on a stretcher at the last hearing, when his lordship immediately adjourned the case. Since that time the plaintiff has been lying in plaster of paris, and is now in the library on the self-same stretcher. Mr. Brewster, for the plaintiff, claimed that there was negligence on the part of the street railway company, on whose car his client was riding when the alleged injury took place. As proof of this he proposed to produce evidence that the company were pushing instead of pulling a trailer, and that they were going at a high rate of speed. The plaintiff, he claimed, has for the last eighteen months experienced a living death. His lower extremities are paralyzed, and medical men state that he will never recover. Plaintiff lays claim for $60,000 damages.

SKATER DROWNED.

Special to The Advertiser.

Preston, Ont., Dec. 8.—The twelve-year-old son of Mr. Wm. Pickup, of this place, was drowned here today while skating on the pond.

SIR CHARLES LUNCHED.

London, Dec. 8.—The former Canadian High Commissioner Sir Charles Tupper, was entertained at luncheon today by the Council of the United Empire Trade League. There were 60 guests present, including Messrs. James Lowther, Howard Vincent, Lowles, Disraeli and Laurie, all members of Parliament; Lord Masham, the agent-general of Australia, Natal, and the Cape of Good Hope, and Mr. Rufus Pope, of Canada.

WHEN A NEWSPAPER AD IS DEAD.

No Telling Says an Advertiser, and He Cites an Instance of Long Life.

"You can never tell when an advertisement is dead."

The speaker was one of the largest advertisers in this country, a man whose name is known everywhere in connection with a "cure" of which he is the proprietor. He was discussing the general subject of advertising with some friends in an uptown cafe.

"Now you would say that a newspaper advertisement would certainly cease to be useful when the newspaper had been cast aside into a rubbish heap, but I'll tell you a little story to show that so long as the paper exists and the type on it can be read its advertising power remains.

"There walked into my office three weeks ago a woman who was afflicted with the ills that I cure, and who wanted to take a course of treatment. She came from way up in Erie county and said she was prepared to stay here in town and give my skill a full opportunity to demonstrate itself. Needless to say, I cured her, got $150 of her good money, and sent her home rejoicing, but that is another story.

"I asked this woman, as I ask all my patients, how she had happened to come to me. She said she had read one of my advertisements. I asked her in what publication. She said she did not know. Her husband, she said, was in the employ of a carpet house, his business being fitting and putting down carpets. He was taking up an old carpet in a Buffalo home in order to replace it with a new one. Under the old carpet there was a layer of newspapers, which he gathered up and cast aside.

"He happened to glance at one and his eye fell on the name of the disease from which his wife suffered. He read the advertisement, which was mine, tore the piece from the paper, put it into his pocket, and took it home for his wife to read. She had it in her pocketbook and gave it to me.

"It was old and yellow and there was nothing on it to tell from what newspaper it had been torn. But it demonstrates that you never can tell when an advertisement is dead."—New York World.

SILENCE WAS HEARD.

Pearson's Weekly.

In a well-known bank in Edinburgh the clerks are presided over by a rather impetuous manager, whose violent fits of temper very often dominate his reason. For instance, the other day he was wiring into one of them about his bad work.

"Look here, Jones," he thundered, "this won't do. These figures are a perfect disgrace to a clerk. I could get an office boy to make better figures than those, and I tell you I won't have it! Now, look at that five, it looks just like a three. What do you mean, sir, by making such beastly figures? Explain!"

"I—er beg your pardon, sir," suggested the trembling clerk, his heart fluttering terribly, "but—er, well, you see, sir, it is a three."

"A three?" roared the manager; "why, it looks just like a five!"

Neglect of the hair often destroys its vitality and natural hue, and causes it to fall out. Before it is too late, apply Hall's Hair Renewer, a sure remedy.

Great Northern Mining Company sold in 40-share certificates at 25 cents share; capital, $475,000. Orders promptly executed. Have Red Eagle at 7 1-2c share. John A. Moody, London. tf

James Wallace & Co., confectioners, Belleville, have assigned; also John Small, shoemaker, Erin. H. Nicholson, tailor, Port Arthur, is offering to compromise at 25 cents on the dollar.

BARGAINS:

Two-Keyed Padlocks, 10c each.
Steel Snow Shovels, 25c each.
Wood Snow Shovels, 10c each.
Silver-Plated Knives, 10c each.
White Handle Knives, 12c each.
Shingle Hatchets, 10c each.

Large boxes Shoe Blacking, 6c each
Butler's Butcher Knives, 15c each.
Can Openers, 10c each.
One-Blade Jackknife, 7c each.
Two-Blade Jackknife, 10c each.
Curry Combs, 8c each.

COWAN'S HARDWARE, 127 DUNDAS STREET.

ywt

HORSES TAILS.

The well-known artist, Mr. G. F. Watts, sends the following emphatic note to the secretary of the London Humanitarian League:

The brutal fashion of docking horses is a disgrace to our civilization, and cannot be too strongly protested against. I do not see how the legislature and the church can be so indifferent to it. Cropping dog's ears was, I believe, put down; docking is far worse, indeed it is, I think, more degrading than bull-fighting. There is in that courage and address, though in a bad cause; for the brutal practice of docking, a mere caprice of fashion, nothing can possibly be said—indeed, the short agony in the time of excitement is probably less than that suffered by the horse during the protracted time between the brutal (I wish I could find a stronger word) operation and the healing of it. With regard to the artistic side, there is degraded want of taste in destroying the harmonious balance of nature's arrangement, the somewhat heavy head of the beautiful animal being balanced by the tail, which naturally should have considerable volume. Setting aside the disgusting cruelty, this want of taste, which can prefer to see the noble creature changed by the destruction of the fine appendage into a thing that resembels the stump of a worn-out broom—made to resemble a pig or a tapir—is very lamentable when found among the classes that can boast of education and refinement. The cruelty is barbarous in those who practice it, infinitely degrading in those who encourage in from so mean a motive as fashion—only not contemptible because much worse.

HIS EXPERIENCE.

She—It must be a terrible thing to be paralyzed.

He—It is. You feel so mean the next morning.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

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The Farrel House hotel and stables, belonging to Mr. Robert McLean, Cayuga, Ont., were burned to the ground on Monday. The property was insured for $1,200.

DETECTIVE AGENCY—McKinnon's International Detective Agency and Bureau of Inquiry and Investigation

Male and female experts only engaged and supplied.

Correspondents in all the leading cities in Canada, United States and Europe. All business and correspondence strictly confidential.

We investigate every class of Criminal, Commercial or Civil Work, including Murders, Thefts, Burglaries, Incendiarism, Forgery, Frauds, Blackmailing, Threatening and Anonymous Letters; Locate Lost or Absent Relatives, Friends or Heirs; Discover Absconding Debtors; Secure Possession of Stolen Property, and employ special machinery to capture Fugitive Criminals liable to extradition.

All employes of this agency are provided with credentials.

Hugh McKinnon, Gen. Superintendent
Hamilton, Ontario, Canada,
Offices, 17 Main St., East. Residence, 21 Bold St
yt

A Christmas Photo.

A dozen of our Cabinet Photos will please a dozen of your friends. Come at once and you will receive them in time to send to distant friends.

COOPER & SANDERS, Over C. P. R. Ticket Office. ywt

Railway Time Tables.

CORRECTED NOV. 15, 1896.

GRAND TRUNK—Southern Division.

MAIN LINE—GOING EAST.

Trains arrive at London from the west—4:15 a.m., 12:25 p.m., 10:25 a.m., 4:20 p.m., 7:10 p.m., 11:20 p.m.

Trains leave London for the east—3:35 a.m 4:30 a.m., 8:20 a.m., 12:40 p.m., 2:25 p.m., 4:25 p.m., 7:55 p.m.

MAIN LINE—GOING WEST.

Trains arrive at London from the east—3:03 a.m., 11:07 a.m., 11:20 a.m., 12:40 p.m., 6:25 p.m 9:50 p.m.

Trains leave London for the west—7:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m., 2:20 p.m., 6:45 p.m.

Sarnia Branch.

Trains arrive at London—3:30 a.m., 8:05 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 2:20 p.m., 5:35 p.m., 7:50 p.m.

Trains leave London—3:10 a.m., 7:40 a.m., 11:12 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 6:35 p.m.

London, Huron and Bruce.

Arrive at London—9:50 a.m., 6:25 p.m.
Leave London—8:15 a.m., 4:45 p.m.

St. Marys and Stratford Branch.

Arrive at London—9:45 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 5:40 p.m., 10:30 p.m.

Leave London—7:15 a.m., 11:10 a.m., 2:40 p.m., 5:55 p.m., 8:30 p.m.

L. E. & D. R. R.

Going South—Trains leave London, 6:25 a.m., *10:05 a.m., 2:30 p.m., *7:00 p.m. Trains arrive at Port Stanley, 7:25 a.m., 3:38 p.m.

Going North—Trains leave Port Stanley, 7:45 a.m., 4:40 p.m. Trains arrive at London, 8:45 a.m., 2:05 p.m., 5:40 p.m., 10:35 p.m.

*Go only as far as St. Thomas.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

GOING EAST.

Trains arrive at London from the west—4:10 a.m., 4:25 p.m., 2:40 p.m.

Trains leave London for the east—4:15 a.m., 8 a.m., 4:35 p.m.

GOING WEST.

Trains arrive at London from the east—1 1:1 a.m., 8 p.m., 11:20 p.m.

Trains leave London for the west—11:25 a.m., 8:10 p.m., 8:15 a.m.

YOUR CHILD SMILES

when you use for his bath .....

BABY'S OWN SOAP

It's so pleasant to use. .....

His skin after the bath—soft, white, sweet smelling—will be proof of the excellence of this soap.

The Albert Toilet Soap Co., Mfrs. Montreal.

Cold Rooms

Can be heated cheaply and without the least inconvenience by using a portable GAS HEATER. Cost from $3 up.

City Gas Company 401 Clarence St. ywt

Coal

Always well screened. Our men know how to deliver it. They leave your house and cellar as neat as they found it. When you buy your next call at our city office. **FRANK B. CLARKE'S** Steamship Agency, Richmond street, next Advertiser, or yard

Bowman & Co.

ywt

We Believe

That our Koal is the best grade in the market for domestic use. If you don't believe it, it is probably because you have not tried it.

DAILY

19 York Street—No. 3 Masonic Temple. Telephone 348.

CLEAN AND BRIGHT . . .

will be that bedroom if you repaper it. We can do it in a few hours and change it from a dreary to a cosy room. Thousands of samples to select from.

H. & C. COLERICK
441 Richmond Street.
ywt

SHELL OYSTERS

NEW YORK BLUE POINTS.

20 cents per dozen at counter; 30 cents served in dining-room.

Hub Restaurant.

STYLISH AND NEAT.

Patterns in Pantings for dress and business suits. Prices very reasonable.

DEEKS & CO.,
Richmond St., Opposite Advertiser.

Established 1862.

John T. Stephenson

The Leading Funeral Director.

Embalmer, wholesale and retail dealer in all kinds of Funeral Supplies. Metallic Caskets always in stock. New Funeral Car and Hearses of the latest designs.

RESIDENCE ON PREMISES.

104 Dundas Street, London, Ont.

Telephone 459. Open day and night.

Checks or Stripes

No matter what you desire for a business suit we can show you. As for our workmanship, hundreds of customers can certify to our care. We want your continued favor and the favor of your friends.

O. LABELLE, MERCHANT TAILOR,
372 Richmond Street.

CHRISTMAS GREETING



Means so much more when something goes with the word. What is more suitable than a NICELY-FRAMED PICTURE? We have an immense stock and are offering reduced prices for the Christmas trade.

E. N. HUNT, 190 Dundas Street

A Lover's Triumph.

Here he learned something of Annie Dale's story, for Everet's inquiries and interests in the same person had revived memories regarding that sad remorse, and it had become a common theme since.

Annie Dale's grave, and the house where she had lived, were pointed out to Geoffrey, and he went by himself to visit them.

He came to the dismantled home first and walked round and round it, as Everet Mapleson had done, peering in through the windows, noting the position of the rooms, and wondering if he should ever know if this had really been the home of his mother, and under what circumstances she had lived there; whether she had been a loved and honored wife, or whether her early death had been caused by some secret sorrow that had broken her heart.

He knew there had been another visitor there before him—although he had been told nothing regarding the stranger's visit of the week previous—for the broken step and the trampled grass gave ample evidence of that fact.

He wondered if it could have been the man who had so suddenly fled from Saratoga after meeting him, who had, perhaps, been driven there by sorrow and remorse to look once more upon the ruin he had wrought.

He grew more and more fearful that the story of his birth must be a sorrowful one, for it was evident that no one bearing the name of William Dale had ever resided in Fort Union.

He would not have been able to trace the man beyond that point at all, but for his accidental meeting with the old miner, who had worked in the mines where he had owned an interest, and thus been able to direct them to this remote village.

If William Dale had never lived at Fort Union, why had he registered from that place? If he was now living at Fort Union, and his name was not William Dale, why had he used that address again after the lapse of so many years?

There was something very mysterious about the whole matter, and it began to seem like a hopeless puzzle to the young man.

He finally left the house and bent his steps toward that small inclosure where, in the gathering dusk, he could just see the pure white head-stone gleaming among the vines that grew all around it.

He entered the place and approached the spot, noting that here, too, there were signs of a recent visitor, and knelt down to read the name that had been inscribed upon the spotless marble.

"Annie," he read, and the single name sent a thrill through every fiber of his being.

Here, too, there seemed evidence that there was some sad tale of wrong and suffering connected with the life of the girl who had been buried there, for had she been a wife and with nothing to conceal, would not a fond husband have wished the name that he had given her also chiseled there?

"Oh, if I could only know!" Geoffrey groaned within himself, as he bowed his head upon the stone, feeling completely baffled, and as if all trace must end here. "Was this woman my mother? She was something to William Dale, and William Dale is something to me, or he would never have betrayed so much emotion upon meeting me, and then fled from me. Was she his lawful wife? Am I her child, and had I an honorable birth?"

"Good heavens!" he added aloud, "there must be some way to solve these questions. Oh, if the Fates would but guide me to some one who could tell me how to unravel this mystery."

"Ahem! Well, youngster, I shouldn't wonder if I was yer man. What'll ye give to hear a prettier love story than ever was writ?"

CHAPTER XXVI.

Geoffrey started to his feet as if electrified, as these unexpected words fell upon his ears, and found himself face to face with a man of perhaps 50 years, his face seamed and browned by hardships and exposure, rough in appearance, uncouth in dress, and with an anxious, alert air about him, which conveyed the impression that he feared being identified and apprehended for some reason or other.

"Who are you?" Geoffrey sternly demanded, for he knew that country was not the safest place in the world, and it flashed upon his mind that the man might be a robber, and had followed him there with some evil intent.

"I'm all right. I've no wish to harm ye, sir," was the reassuring response, as the newcomer appeared to read his thought, "and I guess it don't matter much who I be, provided I can tell ye what ye seem to want to know about this here grave."

"No," replied Geoffrey, his suspicions instantly vanishing. "If you can give me the history of the poor lady who lies here, and tell me where I can find the man who brought her here, I'll pay you well, and ask no further questions about yourself. But how came you to follow me to this place?"

"I didn't foller ye. I was sittin' yonder, behind that clump of spruce, when ye hove in sight. I didn't mean to show up at all, but when I saw ye so eager by this here tombstone, I was kind o' curious to know what yer game was, and crept on ye unawares. But I say, youngster," the man added, suddenly taking a step forward, and peering into Geoffrey's face, "who are you?"

The rough fellow had actually grown pale, and his breath came in gasps through his tightly locked teeth.

"I am an eastern man," answered Geoffrey, evasively.

"Is—is your name Geoffrey?" the man demanded, in a hoarse whisper.

"Yes."

"Ha! Geoffrey Dale!"

"Yes."

"Great Christopher! I—I thought so. Something about yer sent a chill over me the minute I laid eyes on ye," said the man, tremblingly and terribly agitated. "Boy—boy," he continued, in a tone of fear, "how on earth came ye and me to turn up together here, of all places in the world?"

Geoffrey was amazed at his words. Evidently the man knew something about him, and with that knowledge there was connected some incident that caused him personal fear.

Instantly the young man's mind reverted to the condition in which Mr. Huntress had found him—a poor abandoned imbecile. Had this rough creature known of that, or had anything to do with it?

His next words enlightened him somewhat.

"You're all right, too, in the upper story, and ye can talk," he muttered. "Where have ye been all these years?"

"All these years. How many years?" queried Geoffrey with a rapidly beating heart.

"It's eight years ago last spring, since I set eyes on ye, and little thought I should ever see you again; never with that look on yer face. Where ye been, I say?"

"Eight years ago last spring," began Geoffrey, gravely, while he closely watched every expression on his companion's countenance, "I was one day wandering, a poor, demented boy, in the streets of New York city. My strange appearance and actions attracted a mob of urchins, who began to make sport of me. They were in the midst of their cruelty when a carriage stopped near me, and a beautiful little girl beckoned to me, at the same time opening the door of the carriage. I darted away from my tormentors, and the next moment was driven away in safety, much to the rage of the boys. The girl's father took an interest in me, consulted a physician, who made an examination of my case, and reported that my demented state had been caused by a heavy blow on the head several years before."

Geoffrey saw the man shudder, as he made this statement, while a low exclamation of pain escaped him, and a dim suspicion began to dawn on his mind

"It was found," he resumed, still watching the man, "that my skull had been fractured, and that a portion of the bone was pressing on my brain, which caused temporary paralysis, and made me an imbecile."

To be Continued.

Young Again.

Do You Wish to Avoid the Infirmities of Old Age?

Paine's Celery Compound an Invigorator and Life-Giver for the Old.

Old people seem to grow weaker as the months go by. They are troubled with constipation, flatulence, drowsiness, rheumatism, indigestion and neuralgia. They have had one or more of these troubles for years. Their diseases are truly all of nervous origin.

Paine's Celery Compound is the world's great specific for all the difficulties that beset old people. Its regulating influence on the liver, bowels and kidneys removes the disorders that old people suffer from. Paine's Celery Compound is recommended by the best medical practitioners as a grand stimulant to the vital powers, productive of appetite, and a wonderful promoter of digestion.

When you are old use Paine's Celery Compound; it will strengthen and build you up, and add years of comfort and peace to your life.

In the past, multitudes of people, reduced in vitality and strength, and on the road to becoming life-long invalids, have been made hale, hearty and strong by using nature's great life-giving medicine.

"See that you get "Paine's," the kind that makes old people feel young, and that always makes the sick well.

These are the days when the man with several, pokes fun at the man with one wheel.

THE MEDICINE FOR LIVER AND KIDNEY COMPLAINT.—Mr. Victor Auger, Ottawa, writes: "I take great pleasure in recommending to the general public Parmelee's Pills as a cure for Liver and Kidney complaint. I have doctored for the last three years with leading physicians, and have taken many medicines that were recommended to me without relief, but after taking eight of Parmelee's Pills I was quite relieved, and now I feel as free from the disease as before I was troubled."

After the honeymoon is over the man generally has all the bashfulness in the family.

It is often a mystery how a cold has been "caught." The fact is, however, that when the blood is poor and the system depressed, one becomes peculiarly liable to diseases. When the appetite or the strength fails, Ayer's Sarsaparilla should be taken without delay.

The odd thing about marriage is that a fool is just as likely to make a desirable one as the wise people.

Worms cause feverishness, moaning and restlessness during sleep. Mother Graves' Worm Exterminater is pleasant, sure and effectual. If your druggist has none in stock, get him to procure it for you.

The Oil Center

Hon. W. S. Fielding and Hon. W. Paterson Visit Petrolea.

Cordially Welcomed by the Leading Men of the Town.

An Interesting Trip Through the Oil Region.

Mr. Hyman Shoots a Well — The Processes of Oil Refining Witnessed—A Sarnia Manufacturer Wants a Chance at the American Market—Handicapped by the Duties.

The hospitality for which Petrolea is pre-eminent was extended yesterday to Hon. W. S. Fielding, the Minister of Finance, Hon. W. Paterson, the Controller of Customs, and other distinguished visitors who accompanied them. The express due to leave London at 11:12 a.m., being two hours late, a special train of two coaches was made up at the G. T. R. station here, departing at 11:45, and reaching the oil metropolis about 1 p.m. With the Minister and Controller were Mr. Charles Hyman, Mr. T. S. Hobbs, M.P.P., Mr. Moses Masuret, Mr. W. S. Calvert, M. P. for West Middlesex; Mr. John Fraser, M. P. for East Lambton; Mr. Wm. McGregor, M. P. for North Essex; Mr. C. B. Burns, private secretary to Mr. Fielding, and the representatives of The London Advertiser, the Toronto Globe, and the Toronto Mail and Empire. At Wyoming the party were joined by Mr. J. F. Lister, M. P. for West Lambton; Mr. Charles MacKenzie, ex-M. P. P. for West Lambton; Mr. Harry Gorman, editor of the Sarnia Observer, and Mr. Frank Ward, of Wyoming, a leading oil dealer.

The whistles of the refineries shrieked a welcome as the train pulled into Petrolea. At the station the visitors were met by a large concourse of prominent citizens, and driven to the magnificent Hotel Iroquois, where a capital dinner had been ordered by the local reception committee. Mr. James Peate, president of the Petrolea Liberal Association, presided, and among the well-known men present, besides the Ministerial company, were: J. H. Fairbank, W. E. Hammon (president of the reception committee), Charles Jenkins, John Walker, Mayor Edwards, E. A. Archer, J. D. Noble, H. Corey, Dr. C. O. Fairbank, George Stanson, David Trotter, Robert Jackson, Dr. Calder, J. J. Bell (president of the Petrolea Young Liberal Association), Isaac Greenison, John Dale, Alex. McQuien, Ed. Julien, J.H. Jackson, John Kerr, Geo. Moncrieff, A. E. Shaunessy, J. E. Perkins, John Walker, Frank Smith, and James Kerr (Sarnia).

The trip to Petrolea was not a part of the pre-arranged programme of the Tariff Commission, but Mr. Fielding, with his usual thoroughness, wished to inspect the oil region and acquaint himself with its character and magnitude, which can scarce be comprehended through any description, however graphic. The oil men decided to submit their views on the tariff at a later period, when they will send an influential deputation to Ottawa, supplied with information and arguments, that could not be elaborated at short notice. They therefore arranged to give their guests as much pleasure and profit as could be squeezed into an afternoon, and very admirably they succeeded.

DRIVING THROUGH THE OIL REGION.

The visitors, directly after dinner, were driven in comfortable carriages through the business portion of the oil district. The forest of derricks, dotting the landscape, planted in farms, orchards, meadows, moors, lanes, ditches, front yards, back yards, bounding the horizon, north, south east and west; the incessant movement of miles of shafting and thousands of pumps; the multitude of tanks, engine houses, refineries, and other tokens of this immense industry, formed a spectacle which, if not aesthetic, was wonderfully impressive, and must have been a revelation to those who saw it for the first time. One glimpse of this territory is more effective a hundred times, than the bald statement that it contains 8,000 wells, producing 800,000 barrels per annum, and representing $10,000,000.

MR. HYMAN'S GOOD SHOT.

Several stops were made to allow the party a close examination of the modus operandi of oil production. Messrs. Fielding and Paterson first tramped through the clinging mud (which shared the affection shown everywhere toward the Ministers) to see the process of drilling a well on the property of the Ontario Oil and Land Company. Nearly 400 feet of perpendicular shafting was drawn from the bowels of the earth with remarkable dexterity. The visitors were next privileged to witness an even more interesting thing—the shooting of a well on Mr. J. L. Englehart's territory. Mr. C. S. Hyman's reputation as a good shot earned him the honor of applying the fuse. The muffled explosion of the nitro-glycerine was followed by a huge geyser of black fluid, which shot up 60 feet. The results were pronounced highly satisfactory by experts. Some time was also spent in Mr. Englehart's fine pumphouse, where resides the power that works 200 pumps. The ample and cleanly machinery was much admired.

AT THE IMPERIAL WORKS.

After another detour through avenues of derricks, the carriage pulled up at the Imperial Oil Company's huge works, which cover 60 acres of ground. Nearly an hour was spent in the various departments, studying the complicated processes to which petroleum is subjected, admiring their ingenuity and rapidity, and commending the system which governs the diverse branches of the establishment with automatic regularity. The visitors were shown, in order, the tin shops, the bleaching house, where the oil is bleached before shipping, the barreling and shipping shed, the rooms where paraffine, wax and candles are made; the central pumping station and boiler rooms, where oil is pumped to the different places; the jumbo agitator, where 1,200 barrels of oil were being chemically treated; the twenty stills, with their roaring furnaces; the condenser, the paraffine and lubricating oil works; the saw and stave mills, capable of turning out 400 barrels per day; the press house, and lastly the freezing room—the only spot where the Ministerial party were coldly received during their Petrolea visit.

DOWN ON THE DUTIES.

The Hotel Iroquois was reached at 5:15 p.m., after a most delightful outing, and just as the shades of night began to fall in thick, oily flakes. Here Messrs. Fielding and Paterson kindly granted an audience to Mr. John Goodison, of Sarnia, proprietor of the Tunnel City thresher works, which employs from 35 to 40 men. Mr. Goodison said he manufactured threshers, bean threshers, plows and cultivators. His raw material was pig iron, bar iron and sheet steel. He complained of the high price of iron and steel here, compared with that over the border. Bar iron cost him $1 80 and $1 85 per 100 pounds; just across the river, at Port Huron, it sold for $1 20 and $1 25. For one quality of steel, with iron finish, he had to pay in Canada $2 60; the same steel, delivered at their shops, cost his American competitors only $1 25. For rolled steel he paid $2 65; the American only $2 20.

Mr. Fielding—Do you buy American steel?

Mr. Goodison—Yes.

Mr. Fielding—Why don't you buy Canadian steel?

Mr. Goodison—The other is better.

For pig iron, Mr. Goodison said, he paid $19 per ton, from the Hamilton furnaces; at Port Huron it was delivered for $13. If he bought it in the United States it would cost him $14 40, plus the duty.

Mr. Fielding—So that the Hamilton furnaces give you iron at the American price, with the duty added.

Mr. Goodison—Yes.

Mr. Fielding—Can't you use the iron made further east?

Mr. Goodison—No; it is too far away.

Mr. Goodison also complained that American machinery, particularly bean threshers, was shipped here in pieces, which paid small duty, and was then put together, finished and sold as complete machines. He alleged that the majority of machines coming from the other side were under-valued.

COULD COMPETE WITH AMERICANS.

Mr. Lister, M.P.—Are you able, on account of the duty, to manufacture as cheaply as Americans?

Mr. Goodison—No; but if I had as cheap raw material, I could compete with them. If I had the same advantages as they have, I could open a good field for my machines in Michigan.

Mr. Fielding—You are not afraid of competition?

Mr. Goodison—No.

Mr. Goodison also complained that Americans had better freight rates. He paid 9 cents a hundred for 40 miles; the Port Huron maker only 7 cents a hundred for 60 miles. He also said that 50 per cent of his goods were of iron.

RETURNED TO LONDON.

The visitors then partook of supper, the train being held for half an hour. A large crowd bade them farewell at the station, and Mr. Fielding was given three cheers and a tiger as the train pulled out. London was reached at 8:30, the Ministers staying at the Tecumseh over night.

What you want when you are ailing is a medicine that will cure you. Try Hood's Sarsaparilla, and be convinced of its merit.

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Total Sales for Month of September 6,576 Bottles, and October 11,689, and Published Hereunder is the Affimation of it:

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I, Burton Morris, of the City of Toronto, in the County of York, do solemnly declare that (1) I am shipper for the firm of Edmanson, Bates & Co., proprietors of Dr. Chase's family medicines, and am familiar with the quantity of goods sold and shipped by said firm. (2) During the months of September and October respectively there were sold in the Dominion of Canada 6,576 and 11,689 bottles of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine, and I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of "The Canada Evidence Act, 1893."

(Signed) BURTON MORRIS.

Declared before me at the City of Toronto, in the County of York, this 2nd day of November, 1896. J. H. DENTON, a Commissioner, etc.

UNSOLICITED TESTIMONY:

ASTHMA FOR YEARS.

"I have suffered very severely from asthma for over twenty-five years," says R. G. Moore, of Hamilton. "If I ventured away from home the change of air would bring on such bad attacks that I was afraid I would suffocate at times. A short time ago I found it necessary to go to Paris, Ontario, on business. On the way my old enemy attacked me with great severity. As soon as I got to Paris I went to Armitage's drug store and bought a bottle. It relieved my Asthma, and although I have been away from ome several times since, I experienced no more trouble. I regard my quarter as well spent, and intend to send some more after it."

A PREVENTATIVE OF COLDS.

"I have been a chronic sufferer from severe colds for a long time," says Miss Hattie Delaney, of 174 Crawford street, Toronto. "Usually at this season of the year I did not know what it was to be free from them. Nothing did me much good until I got a bottle of Chase's Linseed and Turpentine. It not only cured my cold, but I have not had another since. I ascribe the credit wholly to Dr. Chase."

A BANKER'S EXPERIENCE.

"I tried a bottle of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine for a troublesome affection of the throat," writes Manager Thomas Dewson, of the Standard Bank, now of 14 Melbourne avenue, Toronto. "It proved very effective. I regard the remedy as simple, cheap and exceedingly good. It has hitherto been my habit to consult a physician in troubles of this nature. Hereafter, however, I intend to be my own family doctor."

A CROUPY COUGH.

"My little boy had a bad croupy cough," says Mrs. Smith, of 256 Bathurst street, Toronto. "My neighbor, Mrs. Hopkins, recommended me to try Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine. I did so, and the first dose did him good. One bottle completely cured the cold. It is surprising the popularity of Chase's Syrup. It appears to me it can now be found in every house."

PROVED MOST EFFECTIVE.

"I used Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine for severe throat trouble," writes Mrs. Hopkins of 254 Bathurst street, Toronto. "It proved most effective. I regard it as one of the best household remedies there is. It is easy and pleasant to take and drives out the cold with surprising celerity."

Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine soothes and heals the affected parts, relieves the over-charged membrane, relieves congestion of the air passages; arrests the progress of fever and inflammation. It is prepared from the finest demulcents and expectorants from the prescriptions of Dr. Chase, and is specially effective in Croup.

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The First of these Monthly Competitions will commence January 1st, 1897, and will be continued each month during 1897.

$1,625 IN BICYCLES AND WATCHES GIVEN FREE EACH MONTH FOR Sunlight SOAP WRAPPERS

As Follows:

10 First Prizes, $100 Stearns' Bicycle, . .	$ 1,000
25 Second " $25 Gold Watch	625
Bicycles and Watches given each month . .	1,625
	12
Total given during year 1897,	$19,500

HOW TO OBTAIN THEM.

Competitors to save as many "Sunlight" Soap Wrappers as they can collect. Cut off the top portion of each wrapper—that portion containing the heading "SUNLIGHT SOAP." These (called "Coupons") are to be sent enclosed with a sheet of paper on which the competitor has written his or her full name and address, and the number of Coupons sent in, postage paid, to Messrs. Lever Bros., Ltd., 23 Scott St., Toronto, marked on the Postal Wrapper (top left-hand corner), with the NUMBER of the DISTRICT Competitor lives in.



NO. OF DISTRICT	NAME OF DISTRICT
1	Western Ontario, consisting of Counties York, Simcoe & all Counties W. and S. of these
2	East'n Ontario, consisting of Counties Ontario, Muskoka & all Counties E. & N. of these
3	Province of Quebec
4	Province of New Brunswick
5	Province of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island

RULES.

1. Every month during 1897, in each of the 5 districts, prizes will be awarded as follows:

The 2 competitors who send in the largest numbers of coupons from the district in which they reside, will each receive, at winner's option, a lady's or gent's Stearns' Bicycle, value $100.

The 5 competitors who send in the next largest numbers of coupons from the district in which they reside, will each receive, at winner's option, a lady's or gent's Gold Watch, value $25.

2. The competitions will close the last day of each month during 1897. Coupons received too late for one month's competition will be put into the next.

3. Competitors who obtain wrappers from unsold soap in dealer's stock will be disqualified. Employees of Messrs. Lever Brothers, Ltd., and their families, are debarred from competing.

4. A printed list of winners in competitor's district will be forwarded to competitors 21 days after each competition closes.

5. Messrs. Lever Brothers, Ltd., will endeavor to award the prizes fairly to the best of their ability and judgment, but it is understood that all who compete agree to accept the award of Messrs. Lever Brothers, Ltd., as final.

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Toronto, Dec. 7.—11 p.m.—The depression over Northern Alberta yesterday has spread throughout the Northwest, and is approaching the lakes. It is giving milder weather throughout the Northwest. The eastern depression is moving off the Atlantic coast. Fair weather prevails everywhere.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Calgary, 8-36; Edmonton, 16-34; Qu'Appelle, 8-38; Winnipeg, 2 below-24; Toronto, 30-37; Ottawa, 28-34; Montreal, 30-32; Quebec, 20-30; Halifax, 38-48.

PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Dec. 8.—1 a.m.—Probabilities for 24 hours for lower lake region: Partly fair; occasional rain; little change in temperature.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory yesterday were 37 above, and 32.5 above.

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—They buy best who buy early.

—Several good Christmas stories will be found in the advertising columns of The Advertiser today.

—Job printing of all kinds turned out neat and clean at The Advertiser Job Department. Prices the lowest.

—Miss Gilmour, the popular soloist of St. Andrew's Church, left yesterday for Philadelphia, where she may remain.

—There were ten additions to the membership of the First Presbyterian Church (Rev. Mr. Clark's) at the recent communion service.

—The Orient Minstrels will appear at the Grand Opera House on Monday evening next. The Balmoral Club have notified the secretary of the Orient Club that they will attend in a body.

—A special order in council has been passed by the Ontario Government, authorizing the High Court to accept the London and Western Trusts Company, Limited, as administrators, without security.

—W. Sanders and C. Kerr, of this city, have been transferred to take the places of Brakemen F. McDonald and A. M. Riley on the C. P. R. between St. Thomas and Woodstock. The latter come to London.

—John Dempsey, Noble Cook, Ernest Cook and Leonard Dart were before the police magistrate this morning, charged with being drunk. They all pleaded guilty, and were discharged.

—Rev. W. M. Roger, now of Peterboro, formerly of East London, is assisting Rev. R. M. Hamilton, of Brantford, with evangelistic services. The meetings are well attended and the interest growing. Mr. Hamilton is meeting with much success in his new field of labor.

—The Dominion Government have issued orders to postmasters throughout Ontario not to allow any notices to be placed in the postoffices or to allow any bulletin or other board to even rest against the building. The Government thinks that such notices as are usually stuck on the walls of the postoffices should be advertised in the newspapers.

—In looking for Christmas gifts it will be well to inquire at J. I. Anderson & Co.'s and W. L. Carrie's book stores for "The Cabot Calendar." It is full of the most interesting dates of events connected with Canadian history, and contains beautiful portraits of Champlain, Frontenac, Wolfe and Mork. It is an especially suitable gift to send to friends in the old country. All patriotic Canadians should possess a copy.

—The following donations were received with most hearty thanks at the Protestant Orphans' Home for November: Eleven pounds of beef, Mr. Finch; 2 barrels of apples, Mrs. S. Smith; 3 bags of apples, Mrs. Macbeth; magazines, Mrs. Thos. Kent; buns, Mrs. George Robinson; cakes, Mrs. J. W. Little; clothing, Miss Hungerford; supplies from kindergarten schools as a thanksgiving offering.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. W. F. Bullen took place privately yesterday morning to Woodland Cemetery, service being conducted at her late residence, 470 Colborne street, by the Rev. J. B. Richardson, and high mass afterwards celebrated at St. Peter's Cathedral, the deceased being a member of the Roman Catholic communion. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Frank F., C. F. and W. H. Bullen, of Chicago, and W. F. Graham, of this city, grandsons of the deceased. Four sons and three daughters survive her —W. F. Bullen, manager of the Ontario Loan and Debenture Company; Albert F., George and Fred F., of Chicago; Mrs. George Harris, Mrs. Wm. Graham and Miss Bullen, of this city.

—The grand master of the Canadian Order of Oddfellows, Mr. T. A. Wardell, Dundas, paid an official visit to the city lodges last night, accompanied by Mr. P. W. Bayliss, of London, the district deputy grand master. The local lodges—City of London, No. 43; Star of the West, No. 126, and Perseverance, No. 118—were well represented at the meeting, and interesting talks on the growth and work of the society were given by the two visitors, the grand master pointing out that the increase in the past five months had exceeded that of any six months since the order was instituted. There were, he showed, over 150 lodges in Canada, with a membership of 6,000. The distinguished visitor was subsequently banqueted at the Atlantic House. Mr. W. Hayes acted as toast master. The usual toasts were honored, and some happy speeches made in reply by the grand and district deputy masters and others.

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FROM ROSSLAND.

The following telegram has been received from Manager Cole, of the White Bear mine at Rossland, under date Dec. 7, 1896: "Machine drill started today; making good headway. All machinery working fine."

INDIANS FINED.

Wm. Nicholas, Albert Smith, Edward Cornelius and John Ninham were yesterday fined $1 and costs each by Squires Smyth and Lockwood for assaulting Wm. Doxtater. The total fines and costs amount to $28 28, which will have to be paid before Dec. 21, or the four Indians may spend Christmas Day doing hard labor. Cornelius and Ninham were found guilty on a second charge of assaulting Henry Schuyler, and fined $1 each or 20 days. The trouble is the outcome of a spree on the Oneida reserve on Dec. 3.

ROYAL BLACK KNIGHTS.

At the annual meeting of Royal Royal Black Precetory, No. 346, Royal Black Knights of Ireland, held in the Knights of Pythias Hall, Richmond street, Worshipful Preceptor Sir Knight J. Macdonald in the chair, and Sir Knight M. Baldwin in the vice-chair, the election of officers resulted as follows: Worshipful Preceptor, Sir Knight J. Macdonald (re-elected); Deputy Preceptor, Sir Knight D. Patterson; Chaplain, Sir Knight S. H. Wood; Reg., Sir Knight S. Clare (re-elected); Treasurer, Sir Knight H. Wallace (re-elected); Lecturers, Sir Knights Geo. Fox and J. Murray; Censors, Sir Knights J. Walker and Geo. Geoghegan; Standard-bearers, Sir Knights J. McKenzie and M. Baldwin; Pursuivant, J. Long; Tyler, T. Evans; Committee, Geo. Chittick, A. Achenson, J. Campbell, W. Mackay, W. Griffith, H. E. Bates, W. Fitzgerald.

A CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.

Much discussion took place at the meeting of the managers of the Protestant Orphans' Home yesterday afternoon, when the subject of a children's hospital was brought up. Dr. Niven and Dr. John D. Wilson spoke of the great necessity for such an institution, and the latter suggested that all the doctors of the city be called to meet the ladies who were intimate with the matter. After a general discussion, in which many of the ladies showed an interest, but were a little afraid that they could not add this burden to their already heavy one of caring for the home work, it was moved and carried that the advisory board of the home should be called at an early date to meet the managers and those interested in this project.

MASONIC ELECTION.

At the meeting of the Tuscan Lodge, A., F. and A. M., No. 195, last evening, officers for 1897 were elected, as follows, R. Wor. Bro. J. S. Dowar and Wor. Bro.-elect Macdonald being scrutineers: W. M., Bro. J. Higginbottom; I. P. M., W. Bro. George T. Brown; S. W., Bro. O. R. Prener; J. W., Bro. W. A. Bleuthner; chaplain, V. W. Bro. J. D. Clarke; treasurer, W. Bro. E. Paull; secretary, R. W. Bro. R. B. Hungerford; tyler, W. Bro. John Robertson; auditors, Bros. J. M. McWhinney and H. E. Gates. R. W. Bro. A. W. Porte, P. G. S. W., one of the oldest past masters of the Tuscan Lodge, having removed to Toronto, was unanimously elected an honorary member by his brethren. In the course of the evening, W. Bro. E. Paull, on behalf of the lodge, presented W. Bro. E. B. Smith, the immediate past master, with a valuable gold past master's jewel for his past services. The jewel was suitably inscribed. W. Bro. Smith replied in a very feeling manner. The committee in charge of the recent reunion—Wor. Bro.-elect Higginbottom, V. Wor. Bro. Clarke, and Bro. John M. McWhinney—reported the gathering a great success, and were voted hearty tranks. At the close of the proceedings, the members and visitors partook of refreshments in the library, and a happy hour was spent.

AN INTELLECTUAL FEAST.

"The Romance of Athens" was the title of a lecture delivered to an audience that well-filled the lecture hall of the First Presbyterian Church last evening, by Mr. R. A. Little, B.A., of the staff of the Collegiate Institute. The lecturer referred first to the wonderful revival of the ancient Greek tongue, that had taken place of late years, and also by interesting comparisons informed his hearers of the extent and physical characteristics of the Republic of Attica and the ancient city of Athens. The names of the great artists and philosophers which have shone as stars, not only in Grecian, but in world, history, were referred to, as well as the surprising fact that the most of them were to be found within the time limits of a century, and the bounds of a territory the size of the county of Middlesex. The lecturer then gave a most graphic picture of the life led by the Athenian citizens when their city was in its glory, and so vivid and beautifully ideal was it, that doubtless many who hearkened felt a longing to be transplanted to these ancient days, when life was practically all out-of-doors, and surrounded by the choicest art the world has known, while the chiefest artists in tragedy and comedy, as well as the greatest philosophers of human history, entertained by their talent and taught by their wisdom. The pastor of the church presided, and at the conclusion of the lecture a very enthusiastic vote of thanks to Mr. Little, on motion of Mr. Robert Reid, sen., seconded by Mr. Lawrence Gibson, was passed by those who had for an hour and a half partaken of a decidedly intellectual feast.

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A PLEASANT FAREWELL

To Rev. W. L. Armitage, Assistant Rector of the Memorial Church—A Fine Programme.

The musical and literary entertainment held in the school room of the Memorial Church last evening was a decided success, the basement being filled to the doors and many having to stand. The programme consisted of many fine numbers, which were all well rendered and highly appreciated by those present. The singing of the doxology and short remarks of welcome by the pastor opened the proceedings. Vocal selections by Miss MacLaren, Miss Barnard, Miss Q. Moore, Frederick Simpson, E. Gardiner and Miss Chadwick were very fine and received much well-merited applause, as also did the piano solos by Miss M. Raymond and Miss Sherley. The male quartet, Messrs. E. Gardiner, A. Lee, R. Treleaven and H. Hambly, earned an encore. The recitals by Miss Mossip, Miss Lethbridge and George Wright were heartily applauded and won recalls. The violin solos by Madame Hausch added greatly to the evening's enjoyment, as she was repeatedly encored. During intermission Mr. Bucke, warden of the church, read an address to Rev. W. L. Armitage, assistant rector of the Memorial Church, expressing regret at his departure from their midst and wishing him godspeed on his journey, and that he might be as successful in his new home as he had been while here. Mr. Armitage replied in a very feeling manner, saying he would long remember the short but happy time spent here. Mr. Armitage leaves shortly for Peterboro to take charge of a church there.

Archdeacon Davis made a short but very interesting address, which proved most entertaining and instructive. Rev. Canon Richardson thanked all who took part and everyone present for making the entertainment such a great success. The affair was closed by prayer and the singing of the National Anthem.

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AGAINST CHURCH TRUSTEES.

Writ Served on the Authorities of the First Methodist Church—Claiming Nearly $7,000.

A writ issued by Messrs. Meredith, Cameron, Judd & Dromgole has been served on the trustees of the First Methodist Church, claiming nearly $7,000 for damages and extras, on behalf of Blanshard & Nurse, the brick and stonework contractors on the new building.

The contractors claim a balance due on their account, and while the church trustees admit they have some of the contract price, they hold it because of a mechanics' lien placed against it by a sub-contractor.

The contract price for the brick and stonework was $22,359. The church trustees admit some extras on the job, and Architect Burke, of Toronto, is in the city estimating the amount due Blanshard & Nurse.

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A wife and mother living in St. John, N. B., says: "I shall ever pleasantly remember my first experience with Diamond Dyes. My husband had a Sunday coat that was getting to be a dingy and faded shade of brown. He needed a new one very badly, but could not afford it. After a day or two of very serious consideration, I suggested that the coat might be dyed a good black, and stated that I would undertake the work. I had never dyed anything before; but having heard how easy it was to dye with the Diamond Dyes, I bought a package of Fast Diamond Dye Black for Wool and proceeded with the operation. I was quite nervous and fearful lest I would completely spoil the coat; but after following closely the directions for dyeing, I was overjoyed with my victory. I was successful beyond all expectations, and my husband was delighted. The coat when dried, pressed and finished looked like a new one from a tailoring establishment. Thanks for your magnificent dyes."

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