Last Edition.

London Advertiser.

Business is what you are after. Don't try to disguise the fact. People know you're not in business for your health.

VOL. XXXVI., NO 33. LONDON, CANADA, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1898. WHOLE NO. 11,010.

Births, Marriages, Deaths

Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths which are inserted in The Daily Advertiser also appear in The Western Advertiser. Births 25c, Marriages and Deaths 50c.

DIED.

TANNER—In this city, on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 1898, William J. Tanner, in his 61st year. Funeral from his late residence, 17 Pipe Line road, South London, on Friday, at 3 p.m.; service at 2:30.

Amusements and Lectures

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

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

Thursday, Dec 8

The big farce-comedy hit for the past five seasons, and still we are happy. The big show.

FINNIGAN'S BALL.

Nothing but fun. Prices, 25c, 50c, 75c. Seats now on sale. 9u

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

Matinee and night, Saturday, Dec. 10, Klaw & Erlanger's superb production of Barnet & Sloane's fairy extravaganza,

"JACK AND THE BEANSTALK."

Prices—Matinee, $1, 75c, 50c, 25c, children, 50c; night, $1 50, $1, 75c, 50c, 25c. Seats on sale Thursday. 9k

MUSIC HALL.

Two nights, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, December 9th and 10th,

DEAN'S BOSTON UNCLE TOM'S CABIN CO.

Prices—10 cents and 20 cents. 9c

STARLIGHT RINK, YORK STREET, opposite G. T. R. station. Good ice tonight. b

AUDITORIUM—TONIGHT—TONIGHT—A few seats left for the Schubert Glee Club Concert. Tickets 50c and 75c. b

JUBILEE RINK—BAND TONIGHT—Splendid ice. Admission 10c. b

GRAND CONCERT—DUNDAS CENTER Methodist Church, next Tuesday evening, Dec. 13, by the choir, assisted by the Sherlock Male Quartet, of Toronto, under the leadership of Mr. J. M. Sherlock, tenor soloist. Admission 25c. 9u

PRINCESS—SEVENTH BAND TONIGHT—Ice superb. Music Saturday afternoon and evening. Season books at office. b

WEDNESDAY EVENING, DEC. 7—Opening date for advanced class for ladies and gentlemen. Special season tickets from December to May, at reduced rates. Dayton & McCormick.

CHRISTMAS SHIPS TO ENGLAND—S. S. Paris, American Line, sails from New York for Southampton Wednesday, Dec. 14, due Southampton Dec. 21. Havre and Paris are reached by steamers from Southampton, leaving every week night. Umbria, Cunard Line, sails Dec. 17. F. B. Clarke, Richmond street, next Advertiser, agent.

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING—Rapid teaching; low rates. All who desire a thorough knowledge of the art of dancing should avail themselves of this opportunity. Lessons any hour. R. B. Millard, teacher of dancing, 345 Princess avenue.

Meetings.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, ATTENTION—ANNUAL assembly of Richard Coeur de Lion Preceptory, No. 4, Friday evening, Dec. 9, for election of officers and general business. A large attendance desired. A. A. Campbell, Presiding Preceptor; J. S. Dewar, Registrar. b

Male Help Wanted.

WANTED—FIRST-CLASS FARM HAND; one used to feeding cattle and milking. Address Box 91, Advertiser. b

Domestics Wanted.

WANTED—AN EXPERIENCED PARLOR maid. Apply Mrs. V. Cronyn, 591 Dundas street. 10c

WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT—REFERENCES. Mrs. Fred Heath, 25 Marley Place. 9c

WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT—ONE who can cook. Apply in the evening, 420 York street. 9tf

WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT; REFERENCES required. Apply 308 Wolfe street. 7tf

Female Help Wanted.

WANTED—WRITERS TO DO COPYING at home. Law College, Lima, Ohio. 6k

WANTED—AN ENERGETIC BUSINESS woman with small capital; important position; age forty. Address Manager, 512 Temple Building, Toronto, Ont. 5n

Situations Wanted

SITUATION WANTED—BY LADY AS housekeeper, or any position of trust. Apply box 93, Advertiser. 8c

SITUATION WANTED—BY YOUNG MAN, in office or store or any useful employment, at moderate remuneration. Is willing to work, and can bring good recommendations. Address, Ernest Atkins, 265 Clarence street, London. 7n

Houses, Etc., To Let.

TO LET—BRICK COTTAGE, SIX ROOMS, pantry and cellar, 737 Waterloo street. Apply S. L. Bissell, 369 St. James. 10u

TO RENT—HOUSE WITH STABLE ON William street, north of C. P. R.; in good repair, $8 per month. For particulars apply to J. W. G. Winnett, Barrister, etc., 420 Talbot street. ywt

TO LET—NO. 427 KING STREET—APPLY at 383 King street. 96tf

TO LET—BRICK HOUSE—FOUR BEDROOMS, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and basement. Apply 138 Queen's avenue. 96tf

TO LET—COVERED MOVING VANS—When moving have your furniture and pianos carefully moved. Address 57 Carling street. Phones 1,162 and 1,167.

Swedish Masseuse.

MISS MILLAR, 359 PRINCESS AVENUE Swedish therapeutic massage, graduate of the Hugo Oidenourg Institute, Chicago.

Six Situations

were secured by pupils of Coo's Shorthand and Business Academy during the present week, as follows: Miss Bennet, with T. B. Escott & Co.; Miss Rumball, with L. A. Morrison, Esq.; Miss Kenny, with Stuart, Stuart & Ross; and three young ladies temporarily with D. S. Perrin & Co., Meredith & Fisher and Pocock Bros. We secure a situation for every graduate. Join our classes at once and qualify. For terms apply

W. C. COO, C. S. R., 76 Dundas Street.

Our Slipper Display.

The kinds most desirable for holiday gifts. These are worthy representatives from the best assorted stock in London.



LADIES' FINE SLIPPERS. Special at 75c, 95c, $1, $1.25, $1.50 and $1.75.

MEN'S SLIPPERS. Special at 75c, 90c, $1, $1.25 and $1.50.

SKATING AND HOCKEY SHOES. Men's, $1.90. Girls' and boys', $1 and $1.25.

Come early and secure first choice.

Pocock Bros.,

140 DUNDAS STREET.

Lost and Found.

LOST—GOLD WATCH, INITIALS "J. A." engraved on case. Liberal reward for return to this office. 10c

Articles For Sale.

BEFORE BUYING YOUR XMAS CAKE get a sample of ours, or you will be sorry. Best materials used. Fruit carefully cleaned, skillfully made, and sold at bargain prices. GEORGE PETERS.

TEN-INCH KID BODY DOLLS, WITH bisque heads, 10c; 12-inch china dolls, 8c; 200-page story picture books, 25c. Cunningham's Bargain Store, 778 Dundas street.

FOR SALE—BASEBURNER—NEARLY new, at a bargain. Sifton & Co., Dundas street. 9c

DIAMONDS REMOUNTED AND OLD jewelry made up to-date at small expense, I. T. Westland, 340 Richmond street, up stairs.

THE BELL PIANO COMPANY

offer some startling bargains for the holiday trade in slightly-used and second-hand pianos and organs. These goods are put down to such a price that will command the attention of close and shrewd buyers. Terms to suit. Call and examine. 4tf

THOS. H. JANES, SOUTH LONDON. We are giving special attention to Xmas goods. 3½ lbs. raisins, 25c; 3½ lbs. currants, 25c; peels, 20c lb. Ask for trading stamps. ywt

$8.50 WILL BUY $10 MAHOGANY Bedroom Suites, for this week only. Keene Bros.' Cash Bargain Furniture Store, 127 King street.

HORSE FOR SALE—LIGHT DRIVER—Bargain. Apply 238 Dundas street.

FIRST-CLASS WOOD—HARD AND SOFT—stove lengths or cordwood. Prompt delivery to any part of the city. Prices reasonable. Phone 1,312. S. Gilles & Son, Sawmill, East London.

FOR SALE—POCKET KNIVES, DOOR keys. Sewing machines repaired at lowest prices. D. McKenzie & Co., 374 Richmond street.

PAMPHELT WORK OF EVERY DESCRIPTION, clean and quick, at Advertiser Job Department.

PORK SAUSAGE AND BOLOGNA, FOUR pounds 25c; smoked ham and bacon, 10c; pickled bacon, 9c; shoulders, 6c; long clears, 8c, at Park's, corner Market Lane.

A BEAUTIFUL LARGE UPRIGHT PIANO, 7⅓ octaves, will be sold cheap and on easy terms of payment. Party leaving town and it must be sold. Heintzman & Co., 217 Dundas street.

R. M. MILLAR, ELECTRICIAN, NO. 434 Talbot street, between Carling street and Queen's avenue. All work done efficiently and at moderate prices A specialty of Medical Batteries. 21tf

BEST HARD COAL AND WOOD DELIVERED in all parts of the city. W. G. Kadey, 771 Dundas street. Phone 1,134.

KEENE'S, MASONIC TEMPLE, IS THE cheapest place to buy stoves or furniture. Large took on hand.

Board and Lodging.

PRIVATE BOARDING—LARGE PLEASANT rooms; all modern conveniences. Mrs. Collett, 228 Oxford street, corner Richmond. 100n tyw

Wanted.

WANTED—PAIR OF BOBSLEIGHS—Apply 545 Ontario street. b

HIGHEST PRICE PAID FOR GENTLEMEN'S cast-off clothing. A. P. Sainsbury, 90 King street. Mail orders attended to

Miscellaneous.

NEW PATENT—ANYONE WISHING sashes adjusted cheap, equal to pullies and weights, drop a card or call on J. L. White, sen., Pottersburg. Territory for sale. 10n

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF London South Council, No. 19, C. O. C. F. I beg to acknowledge receipt of check for $2,000, being the full amount of beneficiary certificate held by my late husband. I also ask the officers of the Grand Council to accept my thanks for the prompt payment of the same. May your order prosper in the future as it has in the past. I am sincerely yours, Alice Lucas. b

W. H. BROWNING, THE CELEBRATED clairvoyant who tells the past and the future, is in the city for one week and can be consulted at 262 Horton street, or will call if ad dressed. 9c

Real Estate.

FOR SALE, AT A BARGAIN, AS OWNER wishes to build, detached house, 12 rooms; all modern improvements; finest location; 325 Queen's avenue. Cronyn & Betts. 99tc ywt

FOR SALE OR WILL TRADE FOR LARGER place—market garden, with young orchard, and small fruits; good buildings. Apply Box 91, Advertiser Office. 2n eod

FOR SALE—TWO-STORY BRICK DWELLING house, 4 bedrooms, library room, bath (hot and cold water), closet, furnace and other modern conveniences. Lot, 44 feet frontage, situated on Queen's avenue. The owner has left city and the property will be sold cheap, part cash, balance at 4½ per cent. Apply Edward Towe & Co., Insurance and Real Estate Agents, Office—Over Bank of Commerce. ywt

FOR SALE—ONE NEW 2-STORY HOUSE and one new cottage; central location; cheap and easy terms. Call for particulars.

J. F. SANGSTER, 403 Richmond street.

TENDERS FOR SEWER

—AND—

TENDERS FOR STORM DRAIN.

SEPARATE tenders will be received at this office, up to 4 o'clock, on Thursday, 15th December, for the construction of a TILE SEWER on Waterloo street, also for a TILE STORM DRAIN on same street.

A. O. GRAYDON, City Engineer.

ALD. H. M. DOUGLASS, Chairman No. 2 Committee. 10c eod

The ONTARIO MUTUAL LIFE.

SECURITY—Our Reserve is the highest held by any Canadian Company on all of its policies, and our surplus is $400,000 more than the Government standard.

POLICIES—We issue all desirable plans of insurance, and our policies are most liberal in their privileges and options.

PROFITS—Dividends are paid to policyholders only. Our results of matured policies have surpassed those of all competitors.

C. E. German, General Agent, London, - Ont.

FIGHTING IN THE SWAT VALLEY

Between the Forces of the Mad Mullah and Mawbof Dir.

British Rights Under the Clayton-Bulwer Treaty Will Be Respected.

The Tide of Emigration to Canada—Growth of Anglo-Canadian Trade.

London, Dec. 8.—Fighting has been renewed in the Swat Valley between the mad mullah and the forces of the Mawb of Dir. Forty men were killed on each side.

BRITISH RIGHTS TO BE UPHELD.

The Washington correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says: "I have ascertained from the highest source that President McKinley has no thought of ignoring or violating British rights under the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. On the contrary, when the proper time arrives, England will be invited to co-operate regarding the Nicaragua Canal." The Washington correspondent of the Times makes a similar statement. The Daily Chronicle says, editorially: "The assurance given by our Washington correspondent cannot but cause great satisfaction here. Yet there will probably be some division of opinion in England on the question of making the canal with public money. There is no reason why the work should not be done by private enterprise under a government guarantee by both nations. Our interest in the matter is only that the canal should be free, neutral and open to all the world on equal terms."

An official denial has been issued of the report from New York saying that the Prince of Wales contemplates attending the centennial celebration of the city of Washington as capital of the United States.

EMIGRATION FIGURES.

Emigration returns, just published, show that the number of emigrants from British ports to Canada for the month of November last was as follows: English, 561; Irish, 35; Scotch, 24; and foreign, 677. Total for the eleven months ended Nov. 30: English, 14,861; Irish, 853; Scotch, 1,687; and foreign, 9,465. There were more emigrants to Canada during that period than to the Cape; and compared with those having Australia for their destination, the number was double that. The number of emigrants to the United States for the eleven months was 118,810.

BRITISH-CANADIAN TRADE

Imports from Canada for the month of November, as per statistics issued today, were: Cattle, 10,690; value, £172,059; sheep and lambs, 6,626—£9,834; wheat, 814,200 cwts—£228,717; meal and flour, 253,700 cwts—£130,029; peas, 151,890 cwts—£51,468; bacon, 51,467 cwts—£95,576; hams, 7,352 cwts—£14,242; butter, 27,265 cwts—£115,129; cheese, 190,200 cwts—£400,328; eggs, hundreds, 260,495—£87,988; copper, 2,173 tons—£5,100; wood (hewn) 3,115 loads—£11,342; wood (dressed), 82,477 loads—£193,618; horses, 438—£11,892. The total value of exports to Canada for the same period was £278,211.

A PROTEST.

London, Dec. 8.—The Times this morning, protesting editorially against Secretary Gages' "Exclusive maritime policy," and expressing a hope that congress will not indorse it, says: We regard with the heartiest feelings of sympathy and without a tinge of jealousy the development of the imperial spirit in the United States, but it must not be supposed that we are prepared to approve the adoption of an exclusive policy in regions in whose destinies we might have claimed a voice.

FROM THE FAR EAST.

Shanghai, Dec. 8. — Rear Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, M. P., who has been in China for some time, on behalf of the British Associated Chamber of Commerce, will start on his home voyage early next month, going by way of Japan and the United States.

Pekin, Dec. 8.—The dowager empress' anger at Kang Yu Wei, the Cantonese reformer, is said to have culminated in a secret order, sent to the Chinese minister at Tokio, Japan, instructing the latter to capture Kang Yu Wei at all costs.

The German minister here, Baron Von Heyking, has demanded of the Chinese foreign office that a German missionary, lately maltreated in the province of Shan Tung, shall be escorted through the district by Chinese officials, and be shown special honors, and that the mandarin responsible for the outrage be degraded.

The members of the Tsung Li Yamen are greatly perturbed at the French ultimatum regarding the missionary held prisoner by the Szchuan rebels. They declare it is impossible to comply with the demand of France for his release, as the Szchuanese rebels are bevond control.

POPE OPPOSED TO CARLISM

Special Message Sent by His Eminence to Madrid.

The German Army Bill Doesn't Look Toward Disarmament.

A Cabinet Crisis Imminent in Hungary—Row in a Parisian Theater—French Officials in a Fever.

London, Dec. 8.—The Rome correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says: In response to appeals from the Spanish Government, the pope has sent to the papal nuncio at Madrid instructions to remind the Spanish clergy that it is their duty to oppose Carlism.

PEACE COMMISSION.

There was no joint session of the peace commission yesterday in Paris, as the Spaniards are still occupied in translating the Americans' answer to their proposals in regard to the status of Spanish subjects in the annexed territories. All that remains for the commissions to attend to is the settlement of the minor points of the treaty, which will probably be signed on Saturday next.

THE KAISER AND THE ARMY BILL.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—Considerable surprise is expressed at the omission from Emperor William's unusually long speech opening the reichstag of any reference to the agreement with Bavaria about military judicial proceedings with Great Britain. The evening papers note that the emperor spoke of the czar as his "dear friend," and of Emperor Frances Joseph as his "faithful ally." They argue, therefore, that the trend of foreign policy is unchanged, and that the triple alliance is still in existence.

The preamble of the army bill says that "Germany is still menaced in consequence of her geographical position, while neighboring states do not cease their systematic warlike preparations. There is no doubt that the czar's manifesto furnishes a pledge that at present attack from that side is not contemplated, but disarmament has nowhere occurred, and in present circumstances it can scarcely be anticipated. Special attention is drawn to the military preparations of France and Russia, and the preamble concludes by declaring that "a strong and well-organized army is the surest pledge of peace."

CABINET CRISIS IN HUNGARY.

Vienna, Dec. 8.—A cabinet crisis is imminent in Hungary. Dr. D. le Szilagyi, president of the Chamber of Deputies, and Dr. Lang, one of the vice-presidents, have resigned. Dr. E. de Josepocos explains that he cannot remain in a ministry which would be compelled to employ unconstitutional means to retain office.

In the lower house of the Hungarian Diet yesterday some noisy scenes occurred.

FRENCH OFFICIALS IN A FEVER.

Paris, Dec. 8.—The Paris newspapers vigorously denounce the speech delivered by the British ambassador, Sir Edmund J. Monson, at the annual meeting of the British Chamber of Commerce here, as being a commentary and warning in the most offensive form. They say the French ambassador at London, M. Paul Cambon, will certainly be instructed to ask the Marquis of Salisbury whether it was by his orders that Sir Edmund undertakes to direct France's foreign policy. The ambassador's speech has caused a sensation in official and diplomatic circles.

ROW IN A THEATER.

An exciting incident took place last night at the opening of the new Opera Comique. The performance was inaugurated with a performance of "Dame Blanche," in the presence of a brilliant audience, including M. Faure, members of the cabinet, senators, deputies, Russian grand dukes, and all the leading diplomatic, artistic and literary notabilities in Paris. President Faure's arrival was signalized by shouts of "Vive l'Armee!" which were answered by shouts of "Vive Picquart!" The rival crowds came into collision, and there was some fighting.

IN EGYPT.

London, Dec. 8.—Advices from Cairo say that a British gunboat reports that no trace has been found of any French post beyond Fashoda for 270 miles. It is believed the French have withdrawn.

A Brussels dispatch says, in response to a suggestion of King Leopold to the British Government that the Bahr-el-Ghazal be included in the Congo Free States, that Lord Salisbury says the Anglo-Congo convention must be revised so as to secure British occupation from Uganda northward. This involves the revocation of the Congo States' lease of the Emin Pasha province.

FIFTEEN KILLED, FIFTY WOUNDED.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—Fifteen women and girls were killed and 50 dangerously injured by jumping from the windows of a burning hosiery factory in Vilna, Russia.

CABLE NOTES.

The Daily News' dispatch from Odessa says: "It is reported here that the Turkish cavalry will be increased by 25,000 troopers on the advice of Emperor William."

Much amusement and some indignation has been caused in Canadian circles today by a New York message in the Morning Post, alleging that well informed circles in Quebec believe that Mr. Chamberlain's inquiry respecting Anticosti foreshadows the intention of the British Government to seize the island in the event of war with France.

The Austrian steamer Istria was sunk on Wednesday in a collision with the Italian steamer Capria from Brindisi for Trieste. No lives were lost.

Experience is a teacher of mankind, and some men will learn of no other.

The law's delay doesn't apply to the presentation of the lawyer's bills.

CITY SHOULD OWN THEM

Mr. Martin, of the Fabian Society, on Municipal Monopolies.

Results of Good Government in England, Contrasted With America.

Prospective Mayoralty Candidates on the Platform.

The Mayor Defends the City Council—Mr. Martin Not Impressed With Local Government in America—Lively Discussion.

Not a very large audience greeted the first appearance of J. W. Martin, of the Fabian Society, London, Eng., at the city hall last night, although the speaker was announced to deal with subjects of vital importance to every ratepayer and citizen. Mr. Martin was introduced by Mayor Wilson as one well qualified to handle the questions upon which he would speak, viz., "Franchises and Monopolies," he having been a member of the county council of Old London.

MR. MARTIN.

Mr. Martin first spoke of municipal government, which he said was a constant cause of complaint in the majority of cities. The people required that the city should be improved, made more cleanly, and beautiful, and this under the existing condition of things was becoming more costly, and local taxation increased. This was purely and simply because citizens consented to enfranchise monopolies. "Is there no way in which the citizens can recompense themselves?" asked Mr. Martin. "Are there no enterprises into which the city can embark?" This objectionable condition at one time existed in England, but now the municipalities owned every valuable franchise, consisting of waterworks, gas and street railway, and electric light plants, which only a few years ago were under the control of monopolies; high taxation was disappearing, and through the municipalization of these industries they were being worked for the good of the community. "London the New," he said, "should be able to judge, as they, having municipalized the waterworks system, know what benefits are to be derived. This same system, controlled by a private concern, would be a constant trouble, and give nothing but dissatisfaction."

In referring to Glasgow, he pointed out how the private companies which had previously held this franchise had broken down in their attempt to meet the constantly increasing requirements. The city had then taken the matter into its own hands and now obtained from Loch Katrine a supply which was abundant, cheap and pure, and for which to the poor there was absolutely no charge. The supply had been increased 139 per cent. Birmingham had a similar experience. That city was now bringing its water supply from a great distance at a cost of $30,000,000, for its rapidly increasing population, sufficient for a hundred years to come, and providing it at a greatly reduced rate. Liverpool was now bringing its pure and cheap water 77 miles. With Manchester it was the same way—better water, more of it and cheaper rates.

THE GAS MONOPOLY.

What was true of the water question was true of gas. The old idea, which was entertained in Great Britain, that competition would remedy all abuses, had broken down, and as a result, 203 cities in Great Britain now manufactured and supplied their own gas. The tendency in this direction, too, had increased as its wisdom became more and more apparent—in fact, it might be said generally that the tendency there was for the municipalities to extend their control over their franchises. Birmingham reduced the rate per 1,000 feet from 3s 6d to 2s 3d. It was able to improve the quality, shorten the hours of labor, and increase the wages of the workmen in some sections. Glasgow, by manufacturing its own gas, reduced the rate from 4s 7d to 2s 2d. Last year, Manchester, after having reduced the rate to 2s 3d, was able to hand over to the reduction of other rates $250,000 from this source alone. Lincoln had reduced the price of gas there to 2s 3d. "Here," he said, "you apply your efforts to secure $1 gas. In England, this would soon lead to municipal revolution." Lincoln last year, after paying interest, sinking fund, etc., had secured enough money to hand over $7,500 toward the reduction of municipal rates."

CIVIC CONTROL OF ELECTRIC LIGHT.

In England there is no system so thoroughly municipal as that of electric lighting, not only for streets, but for every house, if need be, where these plants exist. Brighton, that beautiful spot so well known to all travers, and one of the best towns in England, last year, after paying expenses of the municipal plants, handed over $10,000 to the relief of the district rates. The plant at Bradford had earned 12 per cent on the capital invested. Liverpool, after purchasing the gas plant from the private corporation at market value, was able, after six months, to contribute $55,000 to rate reduction after paying expenses. Manchester, last year, handed over $50,000, and preferred that it should go to the benefit of the community in reduction of taxation, instead of going into the pockets of benevolent gentlemen, as dividends. (Applause.) Only two cities in Great Britain over 100,000 population—Newcastle and Norwich, were supplied with light by private companies. Hampstead last year accrued $12,000, to be applied to the reduction of the rate of taxation from this source, and out of 41 installations of lighting plants in England last year, only four were by private corporations. For every town supplied by private companies, two were supplying their own light. To show that this was possible not only in the larger places, where fine economics could be practiced, but also in the smaller places, he illustrated the case of Tunbridge Wells, where the municipal plant gave a return of 11 per cent on the investment.

STREET RAILWAY FRANCHISES.

It was generally understood that in the matter of street railway systems the English were miles behind the United States and Canada. Wherever this was the case, however, it was because the franchise was in the hands of monopolies. When a municipality took hold itself, it adopted the latest innovations. Previous to 1896 English municipalities could own only the tracks, but when fuller powers were given 40 municipalities at once made use of their privileges. The commons 25 years ago refused to allow municipalities to operate their own street railways, but in 1896 a law was passed which gave full powers to municipalities to control their own roads, and during the last two years many roads had been taken over, the number last year being 42. In 1870 Glasgow gave a franchise to a street railway company, and 28 years ago had received much better concessions than most places in America receive from the private corporations. The city laid the lines, and the company paid the interest on all money borrowed to do it. A sinking fund had to be kept up sufficient to repay the capital at the expiration of the time of lease. They had to keep the road in repair, with the city engineer as the judge, and a rental of $750 per mile per annum was paid, with a provision that the fare was not to exceed 2 cents. Glasgow took over the system after a fight with the company, and now had better cars, better service, better everything, and a 1 cent fare for short distances. The people here who paid a 5 cent fare did not know what they were about. The first year that Glasgow conducted its own street railway, after all expenses were paid, the city made $200,000. In Sheffield, in one year, $12,000 extra wages had been paid, and hours of labor lessened. In Blackpool, in five years, the street railway accommodation was doubled, and in 1897, $8,000 was the net profit to the town. Liverpool, Leeds and London had similar experiences. The House of Commons, by an act passed, allowed the corporations to municipalize these systems at the expiration of 21 years. Municipalities had been taking advantage of this throughout the country as fast as the 21 years expired. Next year South London would own its service, and materially better it. Extensions would be made and a cheaper fare charged.

THE TELEPHONE.

Inquiry into this matter had been made in Old London, as the service given there by a private company was of a most unsatisfactory character. The official report of the committee appointed to look into the matter was that the only way to receive a satisfactory telephone service was for the people to install their own.

NATIONAL POLITICS IN MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

Municipal matters should be kept as free from national politics as possible. There should be no "party" feeling about it. In England the imperial representation was 7 to 1 Conservatives against other parties. In the county councils and municipal boards the majority of the members were "Progressives," and thought more of securing a bettered condition of the municipality they represented than of catering for political popularity. It certainly would be a disaster if politics were to be one of the qualifications of a seat on the council boards. Politicians should not be placed at the heads of departments. That was dangerous. In England it was the best man for the vacant place, and his politics were never known. In most English and Scotch cities the council displayed remarkable acumen in choosing their officers. For the past seven weeks traveling in America, the speaker had heard nothing but complaints about the municipal government. There were "ward factions," "ward bosses," and "political bosses" at the heads of departments, creating great dissatisfaction. This was not the democratic country he had heard so much about. Nothing was democratic which was run by "rings" and "cliques." These were the causes of despair. (Applause.) The council was just what the people made it. If the representatives gave away the valuable franchises the ratepayers were to blame. Why should it be different in Canada and the United States from what it was in England? If they replied that they could not trust to the honesty of their councils, then he must tell them that if the councils were dishonest it was the people who were responsible. The city which winked at or condoned or jested at dishonesty and embezzlement on the part of its representatives must pay the penalty.

"If you are dissatisfied with your municipal board," concluded the speaker, "there are enough men present here to go out and make an impression that will secure you a board of representatives you will be proud of." Mr. Martin resumed his seat amid deafening applause.

MAYOR WILSON THINKS THE COUNCIL ALL RIGHT.

As the applause died away, Mayor Wilson rose to make an explanation. He informed Mr. Martin that "conditions were not the same here as in England." Money to municipalize these systems could not be had here for 2½ per cent. He could say for the council that if the speaker would ask most people, they would say "The council is all right." Conditions differed here, because the street railway fran-

[Continued on page 8.]

POLITICAL

Nominations in West Lambton and Other Constituencies on Wednesday.

West Lambton—For Dominion House—Dr. T. G. Johnston (Lib.); John Farrell, of Forest (Con.).

East Prince—Dominion House—John Bell (Lib.); E. A. Lafurgey (con.).

Montmagny, Que.—Dominion House—P. R. Martineau (Lib.); A. W. Blouin (Con.).

Bagot—Brodeur (Con.); Marcile (Lib.). The late member, Mr. Dupont (Con.), was elected in 1896 by acclamation.

The probodilities are that the nominations in the West Elgin (Provincial) election will be held on Thursday, Jan. 5, and the voting on Thursday, Jan. 12.

Mr. F. G. Macdiarmid will be nominated at Dutton on Friday, Dec. 16, by West Elgin Conservatives.

A Dainty and Acceptable Gift.

Our Christmas Perfumes remind one of a garden of flowers. Nothing could be more dainty or sweet, or so suitable as one of our new packages of Christmas Odors. It will carry with it the fragrance of the kindly thought that finds expression in this pleasant token, giving each day a new delight, and making all the year glad with the sweet reminiscence.

CAIRNCROSS & LAWRENCE, Chemists and Perfumers, 216 Dundas St., London. Branch—Cor. Richmond and Piccadilly.

FELL 40 FEET TO THE GROUND

Robert Jones Instantly Killed at St. Thomas.

Sudden Death of a Grand Trunk Car Inspector Who Went From London to Windsor in 1866.

St. Thomas, Dec. 8.—Robert Jones, 23 years old, son of Mr. Robert Jones, Second avenue, was the victim of a fatal accident yesterday morning. Jones, who is a laborer, was working on new county building, on the floor over the old court room ceiling. The brick of the arch over the window in the top had been taken away, leaving only laths and plaster. The deceased stepped back on this lath and plastrd, and it giving way, he fell backwards and head downwards into the cellar of the new east wing, a distance of over 40 feet. In falling his head struck a two-inch plank. Death was instantaneous.

E. J. MARTIN DIES SUDDENLY.

Windsor, Dec. 8.—Edward J. Marshall, of 57 Goyeau street, for many years an employe of the G. T. R., died suddenly in the baggage room of the station last night. He was a car inspector, and had just finished his work in connection with the outgoing midnight express, when he complained of a suffocating feeling, sat down to rest, and suddenly fell back dead.

Marshall came to Windsor with the London volunteers during the Fenian troubles of 1866, and afterward found work with the G. T. R., where he has remained ever since. He was a widower with six children, the youngest 14 years of age. He was over 50 years old, and carried some life insurance.

ILL BUT TWO HOURS.

Dresden, Dec. 8.—On Sunday night, after a brief illness of two hours, there passed away one of Dresden's most popular and highly respected citizens, in the person of Alexander McVean. Mr. McVean was in the best of health and spirits on Saturday, and attended divine service in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning. He came to Dresden from Kingston about 26 years ago. He was 69 years of age, and leaves a wife, one daughter and five sons.

R. A. ALGER, JUN., HURT.

Grand Mere, Que., Dec. 8.—Russell A. Alger, jun., son of the American secretary of war and manager of his father's pulp company here, was badly injured by being thrown from his toboggan.

HER FIRST OFFENSE AS BIGAMIST

Montreal, Dec. 8.—Mary Hughes was sentenced to 23 months in jail for bigamy. An amusing feature of the case was that she pleaded for a light sentence on the ground of its being her first offense.

Highly Attractive Sale

—OF—

Oil and Water Paintings

AT AUCTION,

At Jones' Auction Rooms, Friday Evening, Dec. 9, at 7:30.

A VALUABLE collection of Genuine Guaranteed Pictures by well-known Canadian artists, comprising Henry Martin, O.S.C.; W. Sherwood, Bell-Smith, McEvoy and others, including important works held for private sale. On view Thursday and Friday previous to sale.

J. W. JONES, Auctioneer.

6etyw

Slater Bros. Tailors,

399 Richmond street. Telephone 84

New Suitings,

New Overcoatings,

New Trouserings

Choice Goods for Fall Wear.

SANITARY CONDITION

Of London Is Generally Good.

The Death Rate for the Year Was Only 12.3 Per 1,000.

Fully One Fifth of the Deaths Due to Consumption.

Important Report of the Committee on That Dread Disease.

At the meeting of the board of health last night, Medical Health Officer Hutchinson presented his annual report upon the sanitary condition of the city, death rate, and other matters relating to the public health, for the year ending Nov. 15, 1898, as follows: The number of deaths during the year was 472, 24 of these being due to the lamentable accident at the city hall in January. This report does not include 21 still-born. Two hundred and ninty-five cases of infectious diseases occurred in the year, as follows: Scarlet fever, 114; diphtheria, 103; typhoid fever, 46; consumption, 26. The latter disease is not reported to the health officer. One hundred and ninety-seven cases of infectious diseases were sent to the General Hospital, viz:

	Number of Patients.	Deaths.
Typhoid fever	29	1
Scarlet fever	55	5
Diphtheria	87	3
Consumption	26	2

St. Joseph's Hospital received 17 cases of typhoid fever, with 2 deaths. There were 99 deaths from consumption, and 54 from all other infectious diseases combined. Leaving out consumption, it will be seen that of the remaining 188 cases treated in the General and St. Joseph's Hospitals, there were only 11 deaths, or a mortality of not quite 6 per cent. Of the cases treated outside of the hospitals there were 43 deaths, or a death rate of 40 per cent. As patients outside the hospitals are attended by the same physicians as those in the hospital, the great difference in the death rate in favor of the hospitals can only be accounted for by better sanitary surroundings and better facilities for combating disease, which are not always within reach of the sick in their own dwellings. There is also the fact that several cases sometimes occur in succession in the same dwelling, the first one only being reported. Of the 472 deaths in the city consumption is given as the cause of 99, or more than a fifth of the whole number. At the convention of the medical health officers, held in Ottawa in September last, it was shown that there were 3,000 more deaths in the Dominion last year from consumption than from all the other infectious diseases put together, and that in Ontario 1 person in every 1,000 died from consumption.

The province last year lost 2,500 wage earners, and a distinct loss of $2,500,000, and an indirect loss impossible to estimate.

Consumption is contagious, and, therefore, much can be done in the way of prevention. In this connection the recommendations of the committee appointed by your board are of such importance to the public that a printed copy should, if possible, be placed in every family, and I would suggest as the best means of accomplishing this that these recommendations and instructions to the public be printed on the backs of the assessment commissioner's slips left at each dwelling, and they would then unfailingly reach every householder in the city.

There are three clauses in the recommendations of your committee which should be incorporated in the city bylaws relating to public health, or in the Ontario public health act. They are as follows: First—Physicians should report all cases of consumption to the medical health officer for purposes of record, but the placarding of houses where such patients live is not required. Second—All deaths from consumption and chronic bronchitis should be promptly reported by the physicians to the medical health officer, so that he may order and superintend such means of disinfection as he may deem necessary, and the city clerk should refuse to issue burial certificates in cases of consumption, until the death certificate has been indorsed by the medical health officer. Third—Managers of free libraries and other public and Sunday school libraries should not issue books to consumptive patients or their families, and their officials are requested to have printed on their library cards a notice to this effect: "No books will be issued to persons residing in any house where there is a case of consumption, diphtheria, scarlet fever, typhoid fever, or other infections disease."

Cancer caused the death of 35 persons. The number of people dying from this disease is, in proportion to the population, increasing every year. The proposed bylaw respecting the sanitary plumbing of buildings is still in abeyance. An excellent plumbing bylaw was formulated by the board of health and master plumbers of the city. A bylaw regulating house plumbing is very much needed in the interest of public health, and it is to be hoped that next year's city council will see their way to pass this bylaw.

During the year, West London with a population of 1,885 was annexed to the city, making the population of London now 38,575. The increase in the population of the city during the year, exclusive of West London, was 466. This is a very satisfactory increase and shows the steady growth of the city. A report upon the condition of herds, dairies and the quality of milk supplied the city during the last six months will be laid before you this month.

The sanitary condition of the city has been very good, and it gives me great pleasure to again report an exceedingly low death rate, 12.3 in every 1,000 of the population. This is the same as last year, and when the new system of trunk sewers shall have been completed, there is every prospect of this death rate being reduced still lower.

RAVAGES OF CONSUMPTION.

Consumption, its ravages and how to prevent the spread of this dread disease, was the absorbing question at the meeting of the board of health last night, when the following members were present: Chairman Ald. Taylor, Prof. Bowman, Messrs. Christie and Pritchard, Dr. Campbell and the board officials.

Dr. Hutchinson, medical health officer also submitted a report showing the death rate of the city for the past year to have been only 12.3 per thousand, of which over one-fifth were due to consumption.

It was decided to approve of the action of the medical men, who agitated the question of over-taxing the pupils in the city schools. Too much home work was given. Mr. Bowman said it was necesary that something be done, as the evil had become so great. A committee composed of Prof. Bowman, Dr. Campbell and Mr. Pritchard was appointed to confer with the school board in the matter.

AN IMPORTANT REPORT.

Following is the report of the board's committee on consumption: Your committee on the report from the health officers' convention in the matter of consumption submit the following:

"Consumption is the most prevalent and the most fatal of diseases in Canada. Last year in the Dominion there were 3,000 more deaths from consumption than from all other infectious diseases. In Ontario one person in every 1,000 dies from consumption annually. Last year the province lost 2,500 wage-earners from this disease—which means a direct loss of $2,500,000, and an indirect loss of an almost incalculable sum besides.

"In London this year, out of 472 deaths, 99 were from consumption, and 54 from diphtheria, scarlet fever and typhoid; so that about twice as many died from consumption as from all other infectious diseases. Two deaths in every nine were from consumption.

"Consumption is contagious, and therefore many deaths from this disease might be prevented. It is also curable in many cases, when taken in time.

"The hygienic remedies for consumption are pure air and pure food. To secure proper treatment, for the majority of people, sanitoria in rural districts are recommended—institutions to which consumptives can be sent as soon as the disease is detected, where they can receive proper care, while at the same time their families and homes can be protected from contagion. This work will have to be done by municipalities, with such aid as may be received from philanthropists. As London has taken on itself a heavy burden this year in the matter of hospital construction, it cannot be expected for some time to do anything in the way of a consumptives' sanitorium. But there is a great opportunity here for private effort by the citizens—in this respect following the example of Toronto, which has lately appointed a local committee to proceed with the establishment of a sanitorium. The only one at present in operation in Ontario is situated in Gravenhurst.

"Meanwhile, there are duties and responsibilities resting upon citizens and municipalities alike—the careful observance of which cannot but result in great benefit to the community, and the saving of many lives.

"As the poisonous germs of consumption are disseminated largely through the dried sputa, or matter expectorated by diseased persons, special care should be taken with this substances to prevent the spread of contagion.

"There should be no spitting in public buildings, conveyances, or on the streets. Persons with cough should always use a handkerchief or vessel provided for the purpose. The former should be burned, and the latter purified frequently by some strong disinfectant. In street cars and other public conveyances, and in public buildings, placards forbidding spitting should be posted, and a sufficient number of spittoons provided. These spittoons should be cleaned daily with boiling water and a strong disinfectant.

"In order further to avoid danger from infected dust, the rooms occupied by consumptives should have no carpets, or unnecessary furniture, ornaments, curtains, etc. The floor should be wiped with a damp cloth, and no broom used. The room should be frequently disinfected; and invariably after the death or removal of a patient.

"As consumption may be conveyed through meat and milk, special care should be taken by the board of health and its officials that no diseased articles of food are sold. It is further advised that milk should be boiled before it is used.

"Physicians should impress upon all consumptive patients and their friends the communicable nature of the disease. They should report all cases to the medical health officer for purposes of record; but the placarding of houses where such patients live is not required.

"All deaths from consumption and chronic bronchitis should be promptly reported by the physician to the medical health officer, so that he may order and superintend such measures of disinfection as he may deem necessary. And the city clerk should refuse to issue burial certificates in cases of death from consumption until the death certificate has been indorsed by the medical health officer.

"The managers of the Free Library, and all other public and Sunday school libraries, should issue no books to consumptive patients or their families. And these officials are requested to have printed on their library cards an announcement to the effect that 'no books will be issued to persons residing in any house where there is a case of consumption, diphtheria, scarlet fever, typhoid fever, or other infectious disease.'

"The medical health officer shall report monthly to this board the deaths from consumption and other infectious diseases.

"The city council is requested to amend its bylaws wherever necessary to assist in carrying these recommendations into effect."

The report was adopted, and Medical Health Officer Hutchinson authorized to carry out its recommendations as far as possible.

Ayer's Hair Vigor

What does it do? It makes the hair soft and glossy, precisely as nature intended. It cleanses the scalp from dandruff and thus removes one of the great causes of baldness. It makes a better circulation in the scalp and stops the hair from coming out. And it restores color to gray or white hair.

$1.00 a bottle. Sold by all druggists.

It Prevents and It Cures Baldness

If you do not obtain all the benefits you expected from the use of the Vigor, write the Doctor about it.

Address, DR. J. C. AYER, Lowell, Mass.

OAK HALL

"The Great One-Price Clothiers."

MONEY-SAVERS! BARGAINS FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY!



Men's All-Wool Frieze Double Breasted Ulsters, deep storm collar, slash pocket..... $5.00

Men's Fine Beaver Overcoats, heavy lined, $4 00, $5 00

Men's Suits, extra value, beautifully made and trimmed, $5.00, $6.00, $6.50, $7.00, $7.50

Youths' Black and Blue Double-Breasted Frieze Ulsters, deep storm collars, slash pockets... $3.75



Boys' 3-Piece Suits, heavy and strong, ages 10 to 15, $2.75 and..... $3.50

Boys' Heavy Frieze Overcoats, deep storm collar, slash pockets, ages 10 to 16..... $3.50

Children's 2-Piece Suits, nobby, double breasted, $2 25 and..... $2.50

Children's Reefers, storm collars, blue Naps..... $2.00

Children's All-Wool Frieze Reefers, storm collars, slash pockets..... $3.00



OAK HALL

154 Dundas Street - - London.

ALFRED TAYLOR, Manager.

MULTUM IN PARVO

The loss in New York's big fire is placed by insurance men at $700,000.

The Halton and West Huron Provincial bye-elections take place today.

Chatham has been without electric street lights since Sunday, as a result of the recent storm.

The St. Thomas ratepayers will be called upon to vote on a municipal street lighting bylaw.

The house of representatives at Washington passed the anti-ticket scalping bill by a vote of 119 to 101.

The announcement that Mr. W. C. McDonald, of Montreal, is to be knighted was semi-officially confirmed at McGill University.

Word has been received of the death in Vancouver, by drowning, on Nov. 21, of John Barrow, a former well-known young Brantfordite.

James McGee, aged 70, president of the New York Produce Exchange, was found dead in bed in North Plainfield, N. J. Heart disease.

The Grand Trunk telegraphers complain that the company is discharging members of the order for their connection with the association.

The whaling bark Alexander, the last of the Arctic fleet to return this year, has arrived at San Francisco, without making a single catch.

Robt. Thomson, the well-known lumber merchant, and one of Hamilton's wealthiest and most prominent citizens, died suddenly at his residence on Wednesday of heart disease.

Negotiations which have been proceeding for over three months have resulted in the sale to a New York syndicate of the Lindell and Missouri street railway system of St. Louis, for $8,500,000.

John Stein was convicted at the Toronto police court of forging the name of a fellow-employe of the Grand Trunk Railway Company on the pay roll for the sum of $37. He was sent to the Central for eighteen months.

Gordon's general store, Sparling & Landers' hardware store and Cariston's hotel and livery stable, at Manitou, Man., were burned Tuesday night. Gordon's loss is about $25,000; Sparling & Landers', $5,000, and Cariston's $5,000.

There is a tremendous grain blockade existing at present in Buffalo. Monday last the elevator storing capacity was exhausted, there were 5,000,000 bushels of grain afloat in the harbor, and 1,500,000 bushels of contract wheat were due from Fort William.

The L. E. and D. R. R. bonus bylaw received its third reading by the St. Thomas city council. The council decided to take no action in regard to the election of aldermen at large and the recommendation of No. 1 committee to submit a bylaw at the January elections was not entertained.

MIDDLESEX NEWS

Mrs. B. Blackstock, Lobo, is visiting Ivan friends.

Mr. B. Blackstock, of Lobo, has bought a fine draft horse from his brother-in-law. The price paid was about $100.

Mr. Hawkshaw, of Glanworth, shipped two cars of fine Shropshire sheep this week. One car goes to Portland, Oregon, the other to Minnesota.

Mr. Robert McRoberts, of Thorndale, has disposed of his interest in the knitting factory to Wm. Hopkins, but intends continuing at his old trade.

The old shop just north of the residence of Mr. H. McTavish on Main street, Belmont, has been bought from Mr. S. Hambly by Mr. McTavish, and is being torn down. Strachan and Procunior, who have hitherto used this building as a carriage and paint shop, have procured from Mr. Procunior, of Nilestown, a building which was moved from there last week, and placed just south of the blacksmith shop.

The newly organized Belmont Gun Club held their first shoot recently, when a number of sports from the village and the surrounding country met, and, considering that this was their first contest, some good work was done. Mr. Dougal McPherson, Glanworth, shipped a car load of cattle to Toronto this week.

Mr. Bradish, from England, is on a visit for a few days to his cousin, Mr. J. Bradish.

Mr. Colin McPherson, Glanworth, has sold his grocery business to Mr. Nichol, of Westminster.

The Ardill farm, 50 acres, situated on con. 4, Thorndale, being the south half of the east half of lot 14, Nissouri West, was sold by public auction at McLean's hotel, and purchased by Mr. Samuel Belton, Wyton, at the price of $3,225.

The Episcopal and Methodist Sunday schools, Thorndale, are preparing for their usual Christmas entertainments, all looking forward to the annual visit of that mythical old gentleman, Santa Claus.

Piles Cured Without the Knife by Dr A. W. Chase's Ointment.

Mr. George Browne, painter, of Woodville, Ont., Victoria county, says: "For thirteen years I was a sufferer from bleeding piles, and the intense agony which I passed through during those years and relief I obtained by Chase's Ointment prompts me to give this testimonial. My physician wished me to have an operation, but I felt I could be cured without the knife. Three boxes of Dr. Chase's Ointment stopped the bleeding and effected a permanent cure."

A word to the wise may be sufficient, but they seldom get off that easily.

That disgusting pest—bedbugs—extirpated completely by Persiatic Bedbug Exterminator.

PERMANENT CURE OF RHEUMATISM.

Burdock Blood Bitters Cured Mrs. C. Allard Eight Years ago, and she has had no Return of the Disease Since.

From the tortures of Rheumatism who would not give his all to get release, even though it were temporary. But when, for a small outlay, not only temporary but permanent relief can positively be procured through the use of Burdock Blood Bitters, who need endure the agony of this terrible disease.

The case of Mrs. C. Allard, of Pembroke, Ont., is another of those instances, some of which we are publishing from time to time, where B.B.B. not only gave relief for the time being, but made a cure so lasting that after eight years there has been no return of the disease.

This is the letter written by Mrs. Allard, Jan. 16th, 1894:

"About three years ago I was troubled with Rheumatism in my arm and shoulder, and a queer, sleepy feeling in my arms so that they pained me a great deal at night.

"I tried different doctors and a good many remedies, but found no relief. I was advised by a lady friend to try B. B. B., and after using one bottle I felt so much better that I continued using it until I had taken in all three bottles, when I was completely cured.

"B. B. B. I consider a splendid remedy, and I cannot speak of it too highly." (MRS.) C. ALLARD.

This letter was received July 6th, 1898:

"Since I was cured by Burdock Blood Bitters some eight years ago I have never felt any pains or aches in my arm or shoulder. I still have the same confidence in B.B.B. now that I had then. It gave me so much relief and made such an effectual cure that I never fail to praise it." (MRS.) C. ALLARD.

Red Cross Tea--Walla Galla

Satisfies the most fastidious. There are many good reasons for it. It is selected from the first pickings of the best gardens, and is prepared for use by a perfect system of manufacture. It is wholesome, delicious and economical. Try it and be convinced. Packed in sealed lead packets of full weight, and sold by grocers generally at 40c, 50c and 60c per pound.

Red Cross Tea--Walla Galla

J. H. CHAPMAN & CO. | J. H. CHAPMAN & CO.

Our Challenge Dress Goods Sale

Is Making Things Lively.

It means money made to every customer.

Your money grows fast when brought in contact with our prices.

Our values open the eyes of the almost blind.

Our prices will open the greatest combination lock ever made.

The Only Spot. You may as well come here first as last.

"CHALLENGE" IS THE WORD.

J. H. Chapman & Co.

126, 128, Dundas St.

"WHITE GHOST" SOLD

Champion Trotter Only Brought $975 at Auction.

The Canadian Loses His Lead in the Six Days' Cycling Contest.

Eastern Baseball League Meeting—Turf Events in New Orleans and San Francisco.

TURF.

WHITE GHOST SOLD.

St. Louis, Dec. 8.—At the Sloan, Nims & Bratton speed sale at East St. Louis, Dandy Jim, 2:09¾, "the white ghost," holder of the world's trotting record, 2:10½, on a half-mile track, owned by Dr. J. W. Battle, of St. Louis, has been sold at auction for $975. Dandy Jim is now 13 years old. King Jack, 2:17¼, went under the hammer at $575, E. D. Pendleton, of Baltimore, being the purchaser.

AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, Dec. 8.—Yesterday was the twelfth day of the Crescent City Jockey Club's meeting.

First race, selling, 6 furlongs—Diggs 1, Bridget 2, Apple Jack 3. Time, 1:16¼.

Second race, selling, mile — Harry Preston 1, Pell Mell II. 2, Chancery 3. Time, 1:47.

Third race, selling, mile—Bishop Reed 1, Pinkey Potter 2, Can I See 'Em 3. Time, 1:46.

Fourth race, 7 furlongs—What Next 1, Time Maker 2, Friskal 3. Time, 1:30.

Fifth race, selling, 5½ furlongs—Trulight 1, Patroon 2, Branch 3. Time, 1:02.

AT OAKLAND.

San Francisco, Dec. 8.—Track fast at Oakland yesterday.

First race, selling, 5 furlongs—Clarendon 1, Correct 2, Tiburion 3. Time, 1:01½.

Second race, selling, 7 furlongs—Dun Praise 1, Ulm 2, Pat Murphy 3. Time, 1:29¾.

Third race, 5 furlongs, selling—Cross Molina 1, Magdalene S. 2, Hemora 3. Time, 1:01¼.

Fourth race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Our Climate 1, Velose 2, McFarlane 3. Time, 1:47.

Fifth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Novia 1, Chihuahua 2, Imperious 3. Time, 1:13¾.

Sixth race, selling, 1 mile—Alcira 1, Myth 2, New Moon 3. Time, 1:41.

The Roots of Cancer...

This is where the knife fails. Plasters also, although inflicting agonizing pain, fail to make a permanent cure. The only perfect system is our painless, pleasant home treatment. Particulars free.

A. L. Stott & Jury, Bowmanville, Ont.
(Mention London Advertiser.)

BASEBALL

EASTERN LEAGUE.

The annual meeting of the Eastern League began yesterday at New York, and adjourned after a brief session until Thursday of next week. The only matter discussed was the resignation of the Buffalo club, which has joined the Western League. President James Franklin, of Buffalo, made a speech in which he explained his grounds for making the change. The resignation was accepted and the action of the league will be brought before the National board of arbitration, when it meets next Tuesday, prior to the annual meeting of the National League. President Powers will then request the National board to ratify the Eastern League's action in the Buffalo matter.

WHEEL.

THE CANADIAN LOSES HIS LEAD.

New York, Dec. 8.—The largest crowd that has gathered to watch the riders in the six days' bicycle race filled Madison Square Garden last night. The riders at 7 p.m. were down to 21 men. Pierce, the Canadian, was able to regain his lead over Miller by the enforced rest of the latter, and at 7 p.m., the 67th hour of the race, was three miles in the lead. Up to the 68th hour of the race Pierce had taken but 4½ hours of sleep. At that hour his trainer forced him to retire for a short time. He was off the track but 15 minutes. When Miller returned to the track and found Pierce three miles ahead of him, he rode very fast, and at the end of the 68th hour was three miles ahead of Pierce. He made his lead five miles in the next hour. The scores of the fifteen leaders at 12 o'clock noon were: Miller 1,142, Waller 1,132, Pierce 1,127, Albert 1,126, Stevens 1,095, Gimm 1,035, Nawn 1,005, Lawson 1,003, Hale 999, Aronson 982, Forster 946, Schinner 931, Joyeaux 924, Julius 896, Pilkington 863.

FISTIC.

GARDENER LET UP.

Columbus, O., Dec. 8.—Oscar Gardener was yesterday acquitted on the charge of prize-fighting. On April 7 last he engaged in a glove contest with George Stout, during which the latter fell or was knocked down, sustaining injuries, from which he died. An attempt was made to indict Gardener for manslaughter, but unsuccessfully, the grand jury returning an indictment for prize-fighting.

SHARKEY WILLING.

Tom Sharkey, in a statement issued last night, says that he will cover Corbett's forfeit of $1,000 for a return match, although he thinke it foolish to meet in private for $5,000 a side, when they can get so much more by boxing in public. He will agree to give the whole or any part of the stake to charity.

DIXON VS. PLUTO.

George Dixon, feather-weight champion, has been matched to fight Young Pulto, the Australian champion, 20 rounds, before the Olympic Athletic Club of San Francisco, some time in February.

NOTES OF SPORTS.

Fullback McBride has been elected captain of the Yale eleven.

Chicago is to have a yacht building plant, which will greatly stimulate the sport of sailing in that town. The Canada cup challenger will be built there.

The National Sporting Club of London is on the right track. In the future all contestants in boxing matches will have to submit to a thorough examination before being allowed to enter the ring.

Now that the National League is again agitating the matter of strict discipline among players, it is not unlikely the other leagues will follow suit.

MUNYON'S



I will guarantee that my Rheumatism Cure will relieve lumbago, sciatica and all rheumatic pains in two or three hours, and cure in a few days.
MUNYON.
At all druggists, 25c. a vial. Guide to Health and medical advice free. 1505 Arch st., Phila.

RHEUMATISM

MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL

Make Provision to Redeem the House of Refuge Debentures—Sheriff Cameron's Report on the Employment of Prisoners.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Middlesex county council resumed business at 2 o'clock. The first report of the finance committee, which was adopted, recommended that as the $20,000 house of refuge debentures fall due on Dec. 31, the warden and treasurer be empowered to convert $18,000 of Middlesex proper debentures into cash, and pay the same out of the sinking fund to the credit of Middlesex proper. This will free the Huron portion of Middlesex from any indebtedness whatever. The treasurer is authorized to borrow from the cash in hand such sum as may be required to increase the sinking fund of Middlesex proper to $18,000. The payment of a large number of accounts was also recommended.

The motion of G. B. Campbell, for a grant of $200 to assist in building a lock-up in Glencoe, was laid over for further consideration.

Sheriff Cameron's report as to the number of days' labor in the jail was referred to the jail committee. The total number of days' work was 1,947, of which 629 was performed on the outside, 311 days in the court house and offices, and 1,616 days inside the jail. A statement showing how the prisoners were employed was also referred to the jail committee. In this, the sheriff says: "While some of the work was very profitable to the county, I would have been glad had more of such work been available to keep the prisoners employed. An idle prisoner is a much worse character than the same individual steadily employed. This rule is so general as to be a recognized truth outside, as well as inside the jail, and I will be glad to confer with your jail committee at any time to discuss this, in my opinion, very important question."

J. D. Balfour, M.D., superintendent of the city hospital, requested the payment by the county of $500 on account to the hospital trust. There have been 1,900 days' stay of county patients in the general hospital up to Nov. 30. Referred to finance committee.

Accounts from the Children's Aid Society for $238 72 were received. Among them was one for $49 28, from the Sisters of St. Joseph, for the care of three Bohun children, from London township, near West London, who were made over to the society by Squire R. F. Lacey, in June last. These children were, on Oct. 9 last, stolen away from the home, presumably by their mother, and the society has been unable to recover them. Referred to finance committee.

The clerk of Caradoc notified the council that a deed had been executed Gowanlock, deeding to the corporation of Caradoc land for a road allowance, four rods in width, leading from their present traveled road to the proposed bridge over the Thames, on what is known as the Gilles site. Referred to the board of directors.

The report of Bridge Commissioner Talbot was referred to the board. The following bridges have been erected in 1898: Thedford bridge, over Aux Sable River, between Lambton and Middlesex; Kilworth bridge, over the Thames, at Kilworth; Tait bridge, over the Thames, between Middlesex and Elgin; a bridge between Parkhill and West Williams; bridge between Delaware and Westminster, opposite lot 9, con. 4, of Delaware, and one between Westminster and Southwold. The above are wooden bridges with the exception of the last mentioned, which has a concrete substructure, and an iron superstructure. The following will require renewing next year: One over Mud Creek, on the boundary line between Middlesex and Huron; one over Mud Creek between McGillivray and East Williams, and one over the Sable Flats, on the boundary line between McGillivray and West Williams.

In the Matter of Sidewalks.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

As a ratepayers of the city of London, I am glad that Ald. Jolly has made a move against shoddy sidewalks, and believing in true economy by working on permanent lines, and doing work once only, I wish to draw the attention of the ratepayers of the city of London to the rapid rate London has been laying down wooden sidewalks. There have been laid in 1898 probably twelve or thirteen miles, and some have been laid right in the heart of the city—shoddy when compared to Portland cement concrete stone walks, when laid by responsible contractors who understand their business and have a reputation to lose, and working under a specification drawn up by an expert. We have the best raw material for this work close to the city, and under good management can have one of the best permanent sidewalks and the cheapest that can be laid. When durability is considered, nearly all the progressive cities and towns in Ontario have for years been laying down permanent concrete stone sidewalks. As we have not taken the lead with permanent sidewalks, let us follow such enterprising cities and towns with advanced ideas; such as St. Thomas, Guelph, Ingersoll, Brantford, Woodstock, Cratham and other progressive cities and towns that have many miles of permanent walks laid and are still putting them down. They have abandoned wooden perishable sidewalks as a thing of the past. Now let us look at the sidewalks that are principally being laid in the city of London. Shoddy, the most expensive walks that can be built. The life of a wooden sidewalk is about six years, and half of this time constant repairing has to go on, replacing the rotten planks, paring down the knots, driving down the nails into the half-rotten scantling to prevent the plank springing up in front of citizens and sometimes throwing them down with the prospect of an action against the city for damages for defective walks. This walk is a good harbor for rats, mice and other vermin, and should be condemned on sanitary grounds. Notice all over the city where the rotten sidewalks have to be taken up that offensive odors rise from them. Notice the city is building more with the same materials. I think it is time to call a halt, for as long as the ratepayers of London have their work done on this line they will always have their hands in their pockets and never out of a job.

The city of London building permanent sidewalks for a few years would add beauty to the streets and make London a healthy place in which to live, and with our macadam roads London would compare with any city of the same size upon the American continent. By doing all our work upon permanent lines (which is true economy), doing work only once, besides being a good asset, the ratepayers would in a few years find their taxes becoming a great deal lighter.

EBENEZER NORTH.

WEALTH OF THE SOUDAN

How Soon Will It Be Self-Supporting?—Will Be a Severe Tax.

[Major Arthur Griffiths, in the Fortnightly Review.]

How soon can the Soudan be made to meet its own share of expense and relieve the Egyptian exchequer? It must prove at first a costly acquisition. For the reasons already given a numerous local force must be maintained, and although the Egyptian army estimates may be relieved by a certain reduction of the native Egyptian troops, the military establishment in the Soudan will still constitute a severe tax, to which the province can contribute little. Even in more flourishing days before it was wasted and depopulated by the pitiless dervish rule, the Soudan was not particularly productive; its export trade did not exceed £1,000,000, and its chief product was gum arabic. There is some accumulation of this, it is said, awaiting more peaceful times to come down country, and the industry will no doubt revive and develop. Agricultural enterprises will probably extend, especially in the lands longest recovered; the fertile Province of Dongola, for example, which, according to all accounts, has made rapid progress under the active steps taken to recolonize. Nine-tenths of the old population has returned, many from the lower province, and grants of land have been freely given to all. The same good results may be seen higher up the river, at Abu Hamed and Berber, and all trade will be stimulated by the facilities offered by several routes—the new railway back to Wady Halfa, and the now reopened desert road to Suakin.

As for the heart of the Soudan, Khartoum, and beyond, it is not yet in the Egyptian possession, and it is still an unknown quantity, its resources hardly explored. Many think that it is rich in mineral wealth; and the existence of a great gold-bearing field in this southeastern extremity has long been known, the country of the Beni Shengol, on the confines of Abyssinia, and believed to be really the site of the Biblical King Solomon's mines. The sad fact is also known that this valuable auriferous territory has already passed into other hands. The man in possession is Menelek, King of Abyssinia.

Grows in favor every day, because

Sweet Home Soap

is pure soap.
It's the washer.

LONDON SOAP CO.

DR. CHASE'S KIDNEY-LIVER PILLS

All the most painful and fatal diseases arise from deranged kidneys. The liver and stomach are affected; digestion interfered with; biliousness and constipation are an accompaniment; headache, loss of energy and ambition, a dragging down feeling, low spirits and despondency; these are some of the symptoms.

Dr. Chase's Kidney Liver Pills are the world's greatest kidney cure, because they act directly on the kidneys and restore them to health, strength and vigor. They remove the cause of headaches, backaches, and an endless chain of most fatal and complicated diseases.

Dr. Chase's Kidney Liver Pills cure Bright's Disease, diabetes, rheumatism and kidney disease, after skilled physicians have failed.

Dr. Chase's Kidney Liver Pills are purely vegetable, and act pleasantly and naturally. One pill a dose; 25 cents a box.

At All Dealers, or EDMANSON, BATES & CO., Toronto, Ont.

Hobbs' Winchester Bicycles

....FOR 1899....

IN ONE QUALITY ONLY.
AS GOOD AS MONEY CAN BUY.

PRICES:

Model 26, 28-inch wheels	$ 40 00
Model 24, 28-inch wheels	50 00
Model 22, 30-inch wheels	75 00
New Winchester, 32-inch rear wheel, 30-inch front wheel	110 00

Unapproached in new ideas, quality and finish by any maker on the Continent.

Hobbs Manufacturing Co.

LONDON, - ONTARIO.

RADWAY'S READY RELIEF

Radway's Ready Relief cures the worst pains in from one to twenty minutes. Not one hour after reading this advertisement need any one suffer with

Aches and Pains

For headache (whether sick or nervous) toothache, neuralgia, rheumatism, lumbago, pains and weakness in the back, spine or kidneys, pains around the liver, pleurisy, swelling of the joints, and pains of all kinds, the application of Radway's Ready Relief will afford immediate ease, and its continued use for a few days effect a permanent cure.

A Cure For All

Colds, Coughs, Sore Throat, Influenza, Bronchitis, Pneumonia, Swelling of the Joints, Lumbago, Inflammations, Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Frostbites, Chilblains, Headaches, Toothache, Asthma, Difficult Breathing.

Cures the worst pains in from one to twenty minutes. Not an hour after reading this advertisement need any one suffer with pain.

Radway's Ready Relief is a sure cure for every Pain, Sprains, Bruises, Pains in the Back, Chest and Limbs.

IT WAS THE FIRST AND IS THE ONLY PAIN REMEDY

That instantly stops the most excruciating pains, allays inflammation and cures Congestions, whether of the Lungs, Stomach, Bowels or other glands or organs, by one application.

A half to a teaspoonful in half a tumbler of water will in a few minutes cure Cramps, Spasms, Sour Stomach, Heartburn, Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Sick Headache, Diarrhea, Dysentery, Colic, Flatulency and all internal pains.

There is not a remedial agent in the world that will cure Fever and Ague and all other Malarious, Bilious and other fevers (aided by Radway's Pills) so quickly as Radway's Ready Relief.

25c per bottle. Sold by druggists.

Radway's Pills

Always Reliable, Purely Vegetable.

Perfectly tasteless, elegantly coated, purge, regulate, purify, cleanse and strengthen. RADWAY'S PILLS for the cure of all disorders of the Stomach, Bowels, Kidneys, Bladder, Nervous Diseases, Dizziness, Vertigo, Costiveness, Piles.

SICK HEADACHE,
FEMALE COMPLAINTS,
BILIOUSNESS,
INDIGESTION,
DYSPEPSIA,
CONSTIPATION
—AND—
ALL DISORDERS OF THE LIVER.

Observe the following symptoms resulting from diseases of the digestive organs: Constipation, inward piles, fullness of blood in the head, acidity of the stomach, nausea, heartburn, disgust of food, fullness or weight of the stomach, sour eructations, sinking or fluttering of the heart, choking or suffocating sensations when in a lying posture, dimness of vision, dots or webs before the sight, fever and dull pain in the head, deficiency of perspiration, yellowness of the skin and eyes, pain in the side, chest, limbs and sudden flushes of heat, burning in the flesh.

A few doses of RADWAY'S PILL will free the system of all the above-named disorders.

Price 25c per box. Sold by druggists, or sent by mail.

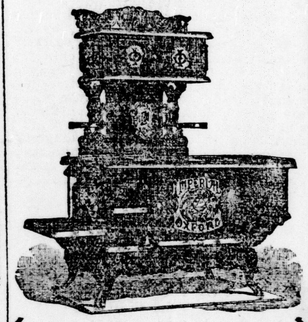
Send to DR. RADWAY & CO., 7 St. Helen street, Montreal, for Book of Advice.

In the Morning

There's no waiting and waiting for the fire when you have the new

Imperial Oxford

In Your Kitchen.



The fire in these grand new Ranges will keep in all night on an extra low allowance of fuel, and will burn up briskly at a regulating touch, ready for any broiling or baking as soon as you are.

The saving of time—as well as the saving of fuel—will mean a good deal to you—every day—won't it?

Don't make the mistake of choosing a range before seeing the patented features of the Imperial Oxford at our agent's.

Jos. W. Chambers,

112 Dundas Street.

The GURNEY FOUNDRY CO.,

Limited, Toronto.

Skates

Hockey Skates,
Spring Skates.

Hand Sleighs,
Coasters,
Cutters.

Carpet Sweepers.

Table and Pocket Cutlery

CARVERS—

In cases, pairs and sets, from $1.00 per pair up,

—AT—

REID'S HARDWARE,

118 (North Side) Dundas St.

Your Choice Of Two Pictures...

Holly Queen, OR The Three Friends

Really Beautiful Pictures, sent to any address, securely packed in a tube, postage prepaid, for only

Ten Cents.

POSTAGE STAMPS WILL BE RECEIVED.

ADDRESS—
ADVERTISER PRINTING CO.,
tf d&w LONDON, ONTARIO



Hams, small	10c lb
Bacon, smoked	10c lb
Breakfast Bacon	10c lb
Long Clear Bacon	8c lb
Sausage, small	4 lb 25c
Sausage, large	4 lb 25c
Bologna	4 lb 25c

Canadian Packing Co'y
LONDON.

Marriage Licenses.

MARRIAGE LICENSES AT SHUFF'S Drug Store, 540 Dundas street east, corner William. Trolley cars pass the door. No witnesses required.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED—OFFICE Adkins' Jewelry Store, East London. No witnesses required.

WM. H. WESTON, ISSUER OF MARRIAGE licenses, 64 Stanley street. No witnesses required.

LICENSES ISSUED BY THOS. GILLEAN Jeweler, 402 Richmond street.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED BY W. H. Bartram, 99 Dundas street.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED AT Johnston's shoe store, 193 Dundas street. No witnesses required. Residence 364 Dundas.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED AT Strong's Drug Store, 184 Dundas street Residence 289 Dufferin avenue.

Business Cards.

D. DODD & CO.—PRACTICAL BUILDERS carpenters and joiners. Jobbing and repairing promptly attended to. Shop 154 Fullarton street.

GEO. ROUGHLEY—FELT AND GRAVEL roofer, repairing a specialty; estimates on application. 209 South street, London. Telephone 888

Musical Instruction.

MR. THOMAS MARTIN,
PIANO VIRTUOSO,
Receives pupils in piano playing, elementary and advanced. Studio, 283 Dufferin avenue Pupils prepared for concert playing, teaching, etc. ywt

INEZ ETHELYN SMITH,
SOPRANO SOLOIST.
Teacher of singing. 244 Queen's avenue

MR. CHARLES E. WHEELER, ORGANIST St. Andrew's Church—Instructor of piano, pipe organ, singing and harmony. Teaching resumed Sept. 5. Address 315 King street.

MISS A. E. PROUDFOOT—
TEACHER OF PIANO
(elementary and advanced students), at the LONDON CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC.
Also teaches "Fletcher Kindergarten Music Method." Classes now being formed. For rates, etc., apply at
CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC,
Phone 1,101. 374 Dundas street.

W. H. HEWLETT—ORGANIST DUNDAS Center Methodist Church, conductor London Vocal Society, teacher of piano, organ harmony and composition. Telephone 1,281 418 Queen's avenue.

Massage Treatment.

MISS SHUFF—GRADUATE OF DRS Weir Mitchell's Hospital for Nervous Diseases, Philadelphia. Massage and Swedish Movements. 497 King street, London, Ont. Phone, 502.

Insurance.

A. N. UDY—INSURANCE AGENT—Office over C. P. R. ticket office. Telephone 736.

Some pugilists are heavy-weights, some are light-weights and the majority of them are long-waits.

A DINNER PILL.—Many persons taken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a healthy nutriment, it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. They correct acidity, open the secretions and convey the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the medicine to take if troubled with indigestion.

Hotel Cards.

THE RICHMOND—CORNER OF KING and Richmond streets. H. L. Peine new proprietor. A call solicited.

EUROPEAN HOTEL — 203 DUNDAS street. Choice wines, liquors and cigars Chas. Stevens, proprietor.

O'NEIL HOUSE—CORNER TALBOT AND York streets; new and convenient; stables Wm. Collins, proprietor.

CITY HOTEL—LONDON—BEST $1 A DAY house in Canada; good stables in connection. J. McMartin, proprietor.

THE ST. LAWRENCE HOTEL—MONTREAL—Centrally located and first class in every respect. H. Hogan, proprietor.

TECUMSEH HOUSE—LONDON, ONT.—Largest and best hotel in Western Ontario. No charge for baggage or sample rooms Rates $2 and $2 50 per day. C. W. Davis, proprietor.

GRIGG HOUSE—LONDON, ONT.—REFURNISHED and renovated throughout. Large and light sample rooms for commercial men Rates $1 50 and $2 per day. M. O'Meara, proprietor.

Livery Stables.

LILLEY'S LIVERY—NO. 619 DUNDAS street, East London, Ont. Telephone 650.

THOMAS TREBILCOCK—STAR LIVERY —633 Richmond street. Best hacks, coupes, etc. Light livery a specialty. Careful attention to orders. Phone 123. Open night and day.

Money to Loan.

TENNENT, McDONAGH & COLERIDGE, barristers, solicitors, notaries, etc., 78 Dundas street, London. Money to lend on mortgages at 4½ to 5½. Also on notes and other security

PRIVATE AND TRUST MONEY TO LOAN at 4½ to 5½ per cent on real estate security, in sums to suit. No commission charged T. W. Scandrett, solicitor, etc. 98 Dundas street, London.

SUMS OF $100 AND UPWARDS TO LOAN on real estate at 5 to 6 per cent. G. N. Weekes, solicitor, corner Richmond and King streets.

Dental Cards.

DR. W. S. WESTLAND—DENTIST—Post-graduate in crown and bridge work, Chicago. Edge Block, Richmond street. Phone 960, residence 287 Queen's avenue.

DR. NELLES, DENTIST, HAS REMOVED to 211 Dundas street, opposite Runians department store.

DR. REYNOLDS, DENTIST, SUCCESSOR to Dr. Swan. First-class honors, Toronto University. 207½ Dundas street. Phone 1,131.

DR. G. H. KENNEDY—DENTIST—SUCCESSOR to the late Dr. Davis. Specialty preservation of natural teeth. 170 Dundas street. Phone 975.

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

DR. L. H. DAWSON—DENTIST—CORNER Dundas and Lyle streets, East London.

DR. JEFFERY N. WOOD—DENTIST—Over Runians, Gray & Carrie's, Dundas street. Telephone 1,236.

L. McDONALD—DENTIST—
Office 183½ Dundas street, London.
Telephone 702.

WOOLVERTON & BENTLEY—DENTISTS —216 Dundas street, next Edy Bros., over Cairncross & Lawrence, druggists. Telephone 822.

Veterinary Surgeon.

J. H. TENNANT—VETERINARY SURGEON—Office, King street, opposite Market House. Residence, corner King and Wellington. Telephone.

Legal Cards.

MCEVOY, POPE & PERRIN—BARRISTERS, solicitors, 402 Ridout street, opposite court house. Telephone 979. Money to loan. J. M. McEvoy, LL.B., H. C. Pope, LL.B. F. E. Perrin, B.A.

LOVE & DIGNAN—BARRISTERS, ETC—418 Talbot street, London. Francis Love R.H. Dignan.

W. H. BARTRAM—BARRISTER, SOLICITOR, etc. Office, 99 Dundas street.

GIBBONS, MULKERN & HARPER—BARRISTERS, etc., London. Office, corner Richmond and Carling streets. George C. Gibbons, Q.C., P. Mulkern, Fred. F. Harper.

T. W. SCANDRETT—BARRISTER—SOLICITOR, etc., 98 Dundas street, London

PARKE, PURDOM & PURDOM—BARRISTERS, Masonic Temple. E. Jones Parke, Q.C., T. H. Purdom, Alexander Purdom.

GREENLEES & BECHER—BARRISTERS, etc., Canadian Loan Company Building, Richmond street, London. Private funds to loan. A. Greenlees, B.A., H. C. Becher.

T. H. LUSCOMBE—BARRISTER, SOLICITOR, etc., 160 Dundas street, near Richmond. Money at lowest rates.

J. H. A. BEATTIE—BARRISTER, ETC.—87½ Dundas street. Private funds to loan on real estate at 5%.

JARVIS & VINING—BARRISTERS, ETC. —101 Dundas street. Private funds to loan on real estate.

STUART, STUART & ROSS—BARRISTERS, solicitors, notaries, etc. Offices London, Strathroy and Glencoe. Alex. Stuart Duncan Stuart, Duncan C. Ross, LL.B. London offices, corner Dundas and Richmond Glencoe, Main street.

U. A. BUCHNER—BARRISTER, ETC, 83 Dundas street, London. Telephone 99. Money to loan at lowest rates.

MAGEE, McKILLOP & MURPHY—BARRISTERS, solicitors, notaries, etc. Offices, corner Richmond and Dundas, London. James Magee, Q.C., J. B. McKillop, Thomas J. Murphy, Phillip E. Mackenzie, LL.B.

Architects.

J. A. GAULD, ARCHITECT, 272½ DUNDAS street ywt

MCBRIDE & FARNCOMBE—ARCHITECTS and surveyors, 213 Dundas street H. C. McBride. F. W. Farncombe, H.S., C.E.

MOORE & HENRY—ARCHITECTS AND civil engineers. Members Ont. Ass'n Architects; members Ont. L. Surveyors Ass'n members Am. Waterworks Ass'n.

HERBERT MATTHEWS—ARCHITECT—(formerly with C. C. Haight, New York Carling Block, Richmond street.

Medical Cards.

DR. W. L. SMITH—OFFICE, 619 RICHMOND street, London. Specialist in Piles, Ulcers, Tumors, Fissure, Fistula, Pruritis and all Rectal Diseases. ywt

DR. BELTON HAS RETURNED FROM England and resumed practice. Hours, 12 to 3 and 6 to 8 p.m. 90tf

DR. MEEK, QUEEN'S AVENUE, LONDON —Specialty, diseases of women. Hours, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

H. A. KINGSMILL, M.D.—
443 Park avenue. Phone 216.

DR. N. R. HENDERSON, CORNER OF Queen's and Park avenues. Eye, ear, throat and nose only.

CL. T. CAMPBELL, M.D., M.C.P.S.—OFFICE and residence, 327 Queen's avenue, London. Office hours, 8 to 9:30 a.m., 1 to 2 p.m., and 6 to 8:30 p.m. Skin diseases a specialty.

DR. GRAHAM—OFFICE, 380 CLARENCE —Residence, 616 Richmond. Specialties—Pulmonary affections, cancers, tumors, piles, diseases of women and children.

R. OVENS, M.D., 205 QUEEN'S AVENUE—Eye, ear, nose and throat.

DR. ENGLISH—OFFICE AND RESIDENCE —888 Dundas street. Telephone.

DR. JOHN D. WILSON—OFFICE AND residence, 260 Queen's avenue. Special attention paid to diseases of women.

DR. MACLAREN—OFFICE AND RESIDENCE, northeast corner of Park and Queen's avenues. Hours, 11 to 3 and 6 to 8 Special attention paid to diseases of digestive system. Telephone 869.

Viavi Treatment.

MRS. L. STEIN AT HOME SATURDAYS at her new address, 196 John street London.

London Advertiser.

[ESTABLISHED BY JOHN CAMERON IN 1863.]

Managing Director and Editor, **John Cameron**

London, Thursday, Dec. 8, 1898.

West Lambton Election.

West Lambton has had the proud distinction of sending to Parliament some of the ablest Liberals that Canadian public life has known. Dr. Johnston, who will undoubtedly be elected on Wednesday next, will be likewise a credit to the party. The doctor is a native of Sarnia, and has spent all his life in the riding. He is intimately known, and enjoys great popularity throughout its length and breadth. His large professional practice has not prevented his taking a keen interest in political and municipal affairs. For the past two years he has been mayor of Sarnia, an office which he has filled with much ability. His second term was conferred on him by acclamation. The doctor will command the full strength of the Liberals, and his personal prestige is expected to draw many Conservative votes.

Municipal Reform in Ottawa.

The Ottawa city council has decided by a vote of 19 to 5 to apply to the Legislature for an act reducing the number of aldermen from three to two in each ward, the term of office to be two years, one alderman to retire each year.

If the act goes into effect, the number of aldermen will be reduced from 24 to 16, representing eight wards. By the two-year plan, only eight aldermen will be elected yearly, and it is expected a better class of candidates will be secured. The Ottawa Citizen regards it as a step in advance, but adds:

"At the same time the beneficial influence will not be nearly as great as would result from a measure abolishing ward representation, which is an evil that lies at the root of the present municipal system. However, the reduction of the number of aldermen is a necessary preliminary to the abolition of the ward system, and as such deserves the commendation of the public."

We agree with this opinion, and repeat our previous advice that the question be thoroughly discussed on the hustings in the coming municipal campaign in London. The record of the present council furnishes a pretty good argument for the champions of municipal reform. In saying this, we do not censure the really able representatives this year, who, unfortunately, are in the minority.

Lord Aberdeen on Canada.

The English papers received by the last mail contain a full account of the banquet tendered Lord Aberdeen by the Lord Mayor of Liverpool upon the arrival of our late Governor-General in England. Lord Aberdeen shows that his interest in Canada was not severed by his departure. His speech, published broadcast in Great Britain, was one of the best advertisements that Canada could have, and his lordship may be relied upon to continue the good work. In his Liverpool address he took occasion to express gratitude for the kindness shown Lady Aberdeen and himself in the Dominion. The Canadians, he said, were a warm-hearted people, who had a way of making other people fond of them. The Canadians were also remarkable, in that they were characterized by an intense spirit of confidence in their own country, and in its future, and that had been manifested within the period which his experience covered. About five years ago a certain tariff legislation was passed by a neighboring republic, which had the effect of cutting off certain channels of trade. Was there any doubt, anxiety, or despondency on the part of the Canadian people? None. There was a firm conviction and determination that if one market was closed they would find another, and they looked in the direction of Great Britain, and so that legislation was to Great Britain a blessing in disguise. The Canadians showed their mettle on that occasion, and the tendency to increase commerce with Great Britain took very definite shape when the Dominion Parliament decided to provide for certain facilities for trade, which seemed to be fully appreciated in this country.

Lord Aberdeen paid the following graceful compliment to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, whose popularity in Great Britain is unbounded:

"He (Lord Aberdeen) thought that was in the minds of the British public to some extent when, upon the very memorable occasion of the Diamond Jubilee, the Canadian representative was received with an exceptional amount of favor and attention. (Cheers.) The Canadians—he called himself a Canadian—were very proud that Canada was so well represented in the person of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Premier. Quite apart from any party view, Canada as a whole felt she was well represented, and was proud of the marks of honor, attention and distinction conferred upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier, first by her Majesty the Queen, and also by the British public generally. They over here had had an opportunity of seeing and hearing what manner of man Sir Wilfrid Laurier was, and he thought Canada had no need to be ashamed of her Premier. (Cheers.) The Canadians had shown their mettle. While Canada might justly be very proud of the magnitude of her territory, what she would have to do was to see that it was developed in every sense, not only commercially, but socially, in the matter of government, and in every way worthy of a great dependency. (Cheers.)"

The Fight Against Consumption.

The Board of Health shows that it is alive to the necessity of more effective measures for checking the ravages of consumption. The committee having the matter in hand report that in London two deaths in every nine are due to this dread disease, and that in this Province one person in every 1,000 dies annually from the same cause. It is only in late years that intelligent and systematic efforts have been made to combat this scourge. Although these efforts have been on a very inadequate scale, the results have infused a new hopefulness into the campaign against consumption. Undoubtedly the time is not far distant when, as the committee of the Board of Health asserts, this work will have to be undertaken by municipalities, and the strict isolation and scientific treatment of consumptives insisted upon, as a protection to the community. The infectious nature of the malady has not been properly recognized in the past. If the rules approved by the Board of Health last night could be strictly enforced, they would do much in the way of prevention; but a large scheme of sanatoria throughout the Province is necessary if the plague is to be grappled with effectively.

The work of the Gravenhurst Sanitarium is a very encouraging example.

Canadian Literature.

The Christmas number of the Canadian Magazine has a prosperous appearance, and is filled with good things. Among the contributors we note Attorney-General Longley, of Nova Scotia, Theodore Roberts, Bernard McEvoy, Joanna R. Wood, Charles G. D. Roberts, Katharine Blake Coleman ("Kit") Grant Allan, John A. Cooper, and other Canadian writers of distinction. This magazine is doing praiseworthy work by providing a home market for the best native literary talent. It deserves the cordial support of the Canadian reading public, not merely because it is Canadian in character, but because of its intrinsic merits. It is superior to many of the more pretentious periodicals we get from the other side.

Our monthly contemporary combats The Advertiser's semi-playful, semi-serious assertion that there is no distinctively Canadian literature—that Canadian literature so-called is merely English literature produced in Canada. We do not think, for example, that Parker or Barr, or any one of the authors mentioned by our contemporary, has produced a work which Canadians feel to be peculiarly their own—an echo of their own life. These writers have made good English literature out of Canadian materials. Mr. Parker's latest book is good English literature made of materials gathered in the Isle of Jersey, while Mr. Barr is now devoting himself to German romance. We can understand a French, a German, a Russian, or Italian, and a British literature, differentiated by peculiarities of race and language, but Canadians, like Australians, or the people of any other portion of the British Empire, are essentially British in their genius. A so-called local color or weak realism may confer the title "Canadian literature," but we want a wider outlook, and should aim to produce something broader and stronger, if Canadian authors and Canadian works are to take a commanding position. They may or may not find themes at home: Shakespeare found most of his abroad, yet it did not detract from the glory he reflected on English literature. In Canada there is little in contemporary life that lends itself to an ideal conception. The picturesque period in our history has passed, and there was none to record it, though Mr. Parker in his "Seats of the Mighty" has made a laudable effort to revive the romance of the old French regime. The development of the country, and the increasing complexity of life, may, however, evolve a new set of conditions more favorable to literature.

Lord Kitchener has escaped from England.

There is nothing small about this year's council if it is to be judged by its deputation bills.

Municipal nominations were held in Manitoba on Tuesday. This is more sensible than having the campaign in the busy Christmas holiday week. November would be a still better time.

The estimated expenditure for the schools of Old London for the year 1899-1900 is £2,834,075, equal to a tax rate of 6½d in the pound. This is an increase of a penny in the pound, compared with the current year.

France, following Germany's example, is making a missionary outrage the excuse for another land-grab in China. The great powers place an inestimable value on a Christian minister—abroad.

Sir Wilfrid Lawson, M. P., speaking at the Cobden Club recently, said that free trade throughout the world would be the greatest blessing to the human race. Sir Wilfrid is right. Protective tariffs are a greater menace to the peace of the world than armies and navies.

The platform methods of the Opposition are becoming quite theatrical. At Sarnia, on Tuesday night, Mr. Foster had an imaginary conversation with an empty chair, supposed to represent Mr. Paterson, M.P. Mr. Whitney's plan is to exhibit photographs. A little ventriloquism and a few clog dances thrown in would still further amuse the boys.

The Imperial Bank of Germany is undergoing a financial crisis, and has had to greatly increase its note circulation to meet the emergency. The cash on hand and the deposits show an alarming shrinkage. It is generally believed that German commercial progress has been pushed beyond a healthy stage and that a temporary reaction has set in. Industrial development has been largely state-aided, and like most papfed institutions, is not as sound and strong as it looks.

Canada is moving fast these days, and the momentum seems to have been communicated to the railway and steamship services. The Intercolonial flyer has broken its record by making the trip from Halifax to Montreal, 837 miles, in 23½ hours, stoppages included. The C. P. R. intend to reduce the time between Montreal and Winnipeg from 54 to 47 hours. A new steamship service was inaugurated this week between Paspebiac, Que., and Milford Haven, which will cut two days off the ocean voyage.

WHAT OTHERS SAY.

He Loves It Too Well.

[Detroit Tribune.]

The sensational preacher is seldom the man who will hide his voice under a bushel

A Costly Collapse.

[Hamilton Herald.]

The collapse of the electric-wire system of Hamilton will probably cost the electric companies over $300,000. Would it cost much more than that to put all the wire underground?

A Case for Mr. Dingley.

[Washington Star.]

Detroit, Mich., is having some difficulty over the anxiety of teachers residing in Canada to obtain employment on this side of the boundary line. The necessity of being protected against the Canadian school-ma'am should be brought to Mr. Dingley's attention.

Ready for Anything.

[Washington Star.]

If this country reaches the conclusion that it does not desire to assume the cares of colonial possession, Great Britain will doubtless be willing to drift gracefully into the responsibility and make liberal arrangements as well.

A Cloak for Protection.

[Toronto Globe.]

The German farming interests have secured the virtual exclusion of American meat and sausage on the ground of it being diseased. Although the plea is a humbug it is encouraging, as it shows at least the necessity of a pretext in excluding foreign food products. At one time a pretext was not necessary.

Our Glorious Climate.

[Toronto News]

In no part of Canada is the climate such that the people suffer by reason of its severity, although it is necessary that they make every provision against it in the way of clothing and warm homes. The boys who are trained under these circumstances are very different citizens to those who are trained in the Southern States to the belief that work is unnecessary and even derogatory. Canada has reason to be grateful for its situation upon the earth's crust; and that no part of the Dominion is in a subtropical climate.

What Is Luxury.

[Bystander, in Toronto Sun.]

What is luxury? The London Advertiser asks, and it says with truth that the question is one not easy to answer. In fact, it cannot be answered in the abstract and without reference to the means and circumstances of the particular person. We can only define it as expenditure beyond the reasonable measure of enjoyment. Money spent in pleasure, so long as the pleasure is kept within bounds, is no more wasted or misapplied than money spent in food or clothes. A fair allowance of pleasure is a need as well as a mental and physical necessity to man. Without of his nature would become soured. Hospitality is one of the duties of life and must be performed by all who have the means according to their social position. It becomes culpable only when it runs into extravagance and ostentation, as on certain occasion it has done. That private vices are public benefits, as Mandeville held, and that by wasting the fruits of human labor in dissipation or vainglory you do good to trade are fallacies, which, if fallacies could ever die, would long ago have been in their grave.

LIGHT AND SHADE.

Melancholy.

"The melancholy days have come,"
So sings the poet sad;
But if he wouldn't sing so much
They wouldn't be so bad!
—Chicago Record.

Easily Fixed.

Squire Waterbury—What's good for a bad cold, Ezra?

Uncle Ezra Toddynip—Take a drink of good whisky.

Squire Waterbury—But I don't drink.

Uncle Ezra Toddynip—Wa'al, I'll jine you, an' you kin take a cigar.—Puck.

If I Should Die Tonight.

If I should die tonight
And you should come to my cold corpse and say,
Weeping and heartsick o'er my lifeless clay—
If I should die tonight
And you should come in deepest grief and woe
And say, "Here's that ten dollars that I owe"—
I might arise in my large white cravat
And say, "What's that?"

If I should die tonight
And you should come to my cold corpse and kneel,
Clasping my bier to show the grief you feel—
I say, if I should die tonight
And you should come to me and there and then
Just even hint of paying me that ten,
I might rise the while;
But I'd drop dead again.
Rochester Post-Express.

Truth Gets There.

The nimble lie
Is like the second hand upon a clock,
We see it fly, while the hour hand of truth
Seems to stand still, and yet it moves unseen
And wins at last, for the clock will not strike
Till it has reached the goal.
Longfellow.

MARRIAGE OF THE UNFIT

Nervous People Warned to Remain Single.

The Highly Sensitive Not Suited to This Hard World—A Doctor's Warning.

Under the title, "The Marriage of the Unfit," Dr. Harry Campbell contributes to the London Lancet, a paper that deals carefully and exhaustively with the problems relating to the marriage of those who have weaknesses, physical or mental, that ought not to be transmitted to posterity. All such he advises not to marry; but he proposes no plan by which they can be made to take this advice. Dr. Campbell's conclusions are very well stated, in brief, in the following editorial discussion of his article in the Medical Record (New York, Oct. 8). Says the editor:

"He (Dr. Campbell) first shows to how large an extent the process of natural selection is interfered with among civilized peoples—on the one hand, by a saving of lives which under more primitive conditions would terminate; and on the other, by the restrictions governing the marriage laws. Dr. Campbell appears to think that the abolition of polygamy was, from the standpoint of physical hygiene, a mistake; but, as he admits that the reintroduction of polygamy is impossible, he agrees that the only course to pursue is to attempt to instil into the minds of the community at large the pernicious effects resulting from ill-judged marriages, and asks and answers the question as to who shall and who shall not marry. To the majority of the cases cited by him as unfit, such as pulmonary consumption, organic heart disease, epilepsy, insanity, chronic Bright's disease, no exception can be taken; but it will be generally thought that, as regards one class of disorders, at least, he is certainly inclined to be too emphatic in his opinion. We refer to functional disorders of the nervous system. He says: 'The highly sensitive are not suited to this hard world. Its strenuous conditions call for men of iron nerve and stout heart. I fear that it must be acknowledged that, as regards happiness—which, at any rate from the purely physical point of view, may perhaps be fairly looked upon as our being's end and aim—the fine animal, with little imagination and a good thick skin has the best time of it here—is the most truly "fit."'

"In short, the advice given to those afflicted with 'nerves' is, 'Remain single.' There can be no doubt that if the 'neurotics' never married, in the course of time diseases of the nervous system would greatly lessen and probably die out; and it may also be true that a world peopled with phlegmatic, thick-skinned mediocrities would be happier, in a sense. But the question may here be asked: Do we want to be without our 'neurotics,' or can we get along without them? If history be ransacked, it will be found that most of the great deeds of the world have been performed by individuals of a highly sensitive, nervous temperament. The contention, too, that the thick-skinned mediocrities are the happiest people is open to doubt. If a more or less animal life is the end to be gained, then they may be; but at the same time the fact should be borne in mind that, while they they never descend into the depths of misery, like the being with the ill-strung nervous system, yet, on the other hand, they are incapable of experiencing many of the delightful emotions and of ascending into the heavens of joy, as are the neurotics. In this country the suggestion of Dr. Campbell, that any person afflicted with a neurotic taint should be precluded from marrying, will scarcely meet with favor, as in that case probably half the population would remain single."

AWFUL SKIN DISEASE

Suffered Untold Agony Two Years. Itching and Burning Terrible. Had to Give up Work Entirely.

Instant Relief in First Application OF CUTICURA REMEDIES. At Work, Fully Cured in 2 Months.

I was afflicted with a terrible malignant breaking out all over the upper part of my body. I was treated by some of the very best physicians, who pronounced it contagious blood poison, through whom I spent hundreds of dollars trying to get relief, but it seemed to get worse. All the time I was suffering untold agony, and finally had to give up work entirely. I grasped at everything I saw advertised, and listened to every suggestion from friends, but nothing seemed to reach my case. The burning, itching fir I was in seemed to be aggravated by every effort to relieve myself; but, thank God, relief came to me at last. CUTICURA REMEDIES were suggested to me, and I immediately procured the CUTICURA (ointment), CUTICURA SOAP, and CUTICURA RESOLVENT. From the first, I experienced a soothing relief, notwithstanding my intense pain. The warm bath, with CUTICURA SOAP, the anointing with CUTICURA, and the dose of CUTICURA RESOLVENT, seemed to start the good work from the first. I improved right along, and *in less than two months I was able to be up and at work*, and continued to improve daily till at last *I was entirely cured*, sound and well, *not a sign on my body anywhere* indicating that anything had ever been the matter with me. It is now over two years since I have been entirely cured, and not a sign or a symptom has ever returned. I will gladly answer any and all letters with reference to my case. M. B. BASTIEN,
156 W. Hunter St., Atlanta, Ga.

Witness: J. G. AHERN.

GEORGIA, FULTON COUNTY.
In person appeared before me, Edgar H. Orr, a Justice of the Peace in and for 1026 District, G. M., State and County aforesaid, J. G. Ahern, who being duly sworn, depeteth and saith that the statements made in the above testimonial are true.
J. G. AHERN.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this Oct. 28th, 1897. EDGAR H. ORR, J. P.

Sold throughout the world. POTTER DRUG AND CHEM. CORP., Props., Boston. How to Cure Worst Eczema, free

THE RUNIANS, GRAY, CARRIE COMPANY.

Special Bargains For Friday....

Corsets, E. & T., $1 Corsets, Friday 50c, sizes 18, 19, 20, 24 to 30.

Ladies' Linen Collars, three styles, 5c each.

27 only Felt Skirts, regular 75c and $1, Friday 50c.

Veiling, black and colors; regular 10c, 12½c and 15c, Friday 3c yard.

Ribbons, fancy stripes and plaids; regular 15c, 20c and 25c, Friday 5c yard.

10 pieces twilled All Silk Ribbon, black, moire, grosgrain and fancy colors, 7 inches wide, regular 35c, 45c and 60c, Friday 25c.

Ladies' Mourning Handkerchiefs, regular 20c and 25c each, Friday 2 for 25c.

Odd Lines Ladies' White and Colored Handkerchiefs, were 8c, 10c and 15c, Friday 5c each.

Lily of the Valley Buttermilk Soap, 3 Cakes in Box, Friday 10c box.

16-inch Dolls, regular 10c and 15c, Friday 5c each.

Fancy Wickerwork Baskets, regular 25c and 35c, Friday 15c.

Writing Pads, regular 10c and 15c, Friday 5c.

Box of Notepaper and Envelopes, regular 5c, Friday 3c.

Kid Gloves, Odd Sizes and Lines, were $1 and $1 25, black—6, 7, 7¼, and 7½; colors—6, 7, 7¼, 7½ and 8; to clear, Friday 25c.

Sample Ladies' and Children's Ringwood Gloves, regular 25c to 50c, Friday 15c pair.

Infants' small size Wool Vests regular 10c, 12½c and 15c, Friday 5c each.

Ladies' Cashmere Hose, two and one rib, regular 50c, Friday 3 pairs for $1 25.

Ladies' Fleece Lined Vests and Drawers, 50c line, Friday 35c each.

2,000 yards American Prints, Turkey red and black grounds, Friday 5c yard.

The balance of White Cotton Remnants, 5c to 8c yard, Friday 3½c yard.

22 pieces only of Shaker Flannel to sell at 3½c yard.



Read This List



10 pairs Slightly Soiled White Blankets, were $3, $3 75 and $4 pair, Friday $2 40 pair.

72-inch Table Linen, half bleached, very fine, regular 45c yard, Friday 25c yard.

72-inch Full Bleached Linen, three patterns, were 90c and $1, Friday 69c yard.

Dark Blue Linenette Lining, Friday 5c yard.

14 Dress Patterns, 7 yards to each, finest French manufacture, were $6 50 to $7 50, Friday $3 50 each.

9 Dress Patterns, 7 yards to each, beautiful goods, were $8 and $10, Friday $5 each.

Table of Fancy Dress Goods, checks, plaids, etc., regular 75c to $1, Friday 50c.

90 pairs Lace Curtains, Taped Edge, 2½ yards long, Friday 25c pair.

White Swiss Lace Curtains, 3½ yards long, regular $5 to $6 pair, Friday $3 90.

5 pieces Union Carpet, 36 inches wide, Friday 19c yard.

20 pairs Ladies' Kid Slippers, sizes 2½ to 6, regular $1 25, Friday 75c.

Sample Ladies' Shoes, laced or button, sizes 2½ to 7, regular $2 50 and $3, Friday $1 25.

No. 1 Pure Corn Starch, 5-lb. package for 25c.

60 3-lb. Tins of Pure Food Asparagus, regular 35c tin, Friday 20c tin.

6 lbs. Redpath's Granulated Sugar and 1 lb. of Black or Mixed Imperial Tea for 50c.

50 3-lb. Boxes of Perrin's Biscuits, Friday only 19c.

3 dozen only Men's White Laundered Shirts, Linen Bosoms, sizes 14½ to 16½, regular 50c, Friday 38c.

12 pairs Men's Odd Pants in extra heavy, All-Wool Tweed, worth $1 75, Friday $1 25.

2½ dozen Men's Shirts and Drawers, odd lines, regular 25c, 35c and 45c, Friday 19c.

3½ dozen Men's Black and Brown Fedora Hats, sizes 6¾ to 7¼, regular $1, Friday 75c.

Runians, Gray, Carrie Co'y,

IMPORTERS.

208, 210, 210½, 212 Dundas St., London.

TELEPHONE 1046.

THE NEW FRANK LESLIE'S POPULAR MONTHLY.

Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly for November is the initial number in the new and improved form of this long-time favorite illustrated family magazine, with a handsome cover in colors and gold. Its price is reduced to 10 cents, $1 per annum. This is unquestionably a wise and popular move on the part of the publishers; and the return of Mrs. Frank Leslie to the editorship of the magazine assures for it a future as brilliant as its past has been prosperous.

The current (November) number of the new Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly makes good its promises in a splendid table of contents, which includes: An illustrated symposium on "Greater America," with contributions by Col. A. K. McClure, Gen. Fitzhugh Lee and Senators Chandler and Davis; "With Wheeler and Roosevelt at Santiago," by the Rev. Peter MacQueen; Clara Barton on "Red Cross Work in Cuba"; Walter Clamp on "Football"; Mrs. Frank Leslie on "The Southern Woman"; "Converting Silver into Gold"—an account of the wonderful discovery of Dr. Stephen H. Emmens; the opening chapters of "April Bloom," the new serial story by Egerton Castle (author of "The Pride of Jennico"), illustrated by Wenzell; complete short stories by Frank R. Stockton, Margaret E. Sangster, Etta W. Pierce and E. Louise Liddell; sketches and poems by Louise Chandler Moulton, Lillian Whiting, H. Villiers Barnett, Madison Cawein, Isaac W. Eaton, Charles Crandall, R. K. Munkittrick and Henry Tyrrell.

The illustrators of this number include: Albert Wenzell, S. Werner, Ch. Grunwald, Hugh M. Eaton, Frank Adams, Florian Peixotto and Walter Goltz. Frank Leslie's Publishing House, 141-143 Fifth avenue, New York.

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

The greatest firmness is the greatest mercy.—Longfellow.

Many of the elephants of Abyssinia are without tusks.

The Dealer

makes a great big profit when he sells imitations of Adams' Tutti Frutti Gum.

That's why some dealers desire to push off imitations and substitutes upon you. Adams' Tutti Frutti Chewing Gum is made from pure Chicle Gum, and no other gum is "just as good," or half so good.

219

W. F. BROCKENSHIRE, East End Gallery, is still making those beautiful cabinet photographs at $2 per dozen. Gallery open on Thanksgiving Day. 666½ Dundas street. ywt

The Cowan Company, of Toronto, will demonstrate the superior qualities of their COCOAS at T. F. Kingsmill's Drygoods Store every day for the next four weeks, from Nov. 14. Demonstrations all day long. A cordial invitation is extended to the ladies of London to call and sample them. 207

PATENTS PROMPTLY SECURED

GET RICH QUICKLY. Write to-day for a free copy of our big Book on Patents. We have extensive experience in the intricate patent laws of 50 foreign countries. Send sketch, model or photo for free advice. MARION & MARION, Experts, Temple Building, Montreal

Army and Navy Blend

OF CEYLON TEAS.

At 25c, 40c, 50c and 60c per pound is the best value in the market. At all first-class grocers.

JOHN GARVEY,
Sole Agent for Canada. London, Ont

Hood's Pills

Best to take after dinner; prevent distress, aid digestion, cure constipation. Purely vegetable; do not gripe or cause pain. Sold by all druggists. 25 cents. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

THE MARKETS.

Mining Stocks.

Toronto, Dec. 7.—Following are today's closing quotations on the Toronto Mining and Industrial Exchange:

	Asked.	Bid.
Decca	25	25
Olive	90	89
Hammond Reef	20	..
Superior G. and C. Co.	8	7
Sawbill	45	25
Cariboo	120	116½
Minnehaha	22	18½
Cariboo Hydraulic	110	..
Tin Horn	10	6
Smuggler	18¾	17
Winchester	12	9
Old Ironsides	..	75½
Golden Cache	8	1
Kelly Creek	3	40
Athabasca	43	..
Dundee	36	..
Dardanelles	11	83¼
Fern Gold M. & M. Co	..	48
Nelson-Poorman	..	15
Noble Five	18½	..
Van Anda	5	37½
Big Three	16½	14½
Commander	12½	..
Deer Park	21	19¼
Grand Prize	4	..
Evening Star	..	4
Giant	8	..
Good Hope	3½	..
Gopher	..	4
Homestake	5	..
Iron Colt	9¾	9
Iron Mask	79	73½
Juliet	11	..
Jumbo	48	40
Keystone	11	..
Lily May	23	15
Montreal Red Mountain	17	15
Monte Cristo	12	11
Northern Belle	3½	..
Novelty	4½	3½
R. E. Lee	6	..
St. Paul	6	..
Silver Bell	..	5
St. Elmo	..	4
Virginia	40	37
Victory-Triumph	9	6
War Eagle Con	294	290
White Bear	7½	6¾
B. C. Gold Fields	6	4¾
Can. G. F. S.	7	5½
Gold Hills	10	5
Crow's Nest Pass	25	..

SALES—Silver Bell, 500, 1,000, 2,000 at 5; Sup. G. and C. Co. 500 at 6½; Minnehaha, 500, 100, 1,500, 1,300 at 19, 500, 1,000 at 19½; Nelson-Poorman, 500 at 15½; Novelty, 500 at 4, 500, 1,000 at 4½; Virginia, 500 at 38; Athabasca, 200, 300 at 43, 500 at 42½, 200 at 40; B. C. Gold Fields, 1,000 a 6½; Van Anda, 500, 1,000 at 4¾; Deer Park, 1,000, 1,000 at 19¾, 1,000, 1,000 at 19½; White Bear, 1,000 at 6¾; Smuggler, 1,000 at 19, 1,000 at 19½.

Liverpool Salt

Makes the best flavored meats. It's about the same price as others and is 20 per cent stronger. Single sacks or in large lots. Call.

A. M HAMILTON & SON,

373 Talbot Street, opp. the Market.

Local Market.

London, Thursday, Dec. 8.

Wheat, white fall, per bu....69c to 69c
Wheat, red fall, per bu ....69c to 69c
Oats, per bu.....27½c to 28½c
Peas, per bu.....54c to 60c
Corn, per bu.....44c to 45c
Buckwheat, per bu 48c to48c
Barley, per bu .....40¾c to 50½c

Wheat deliveries were light today, and prices steady; sales at $1 13 to $1 16, with $1 15 as the usual price.

Oats steady; 32c to 33c was the usual price paid; odd lots sold at 34c to 35c.

One load of feed barley sold at 32c. Several loads of the malting grade offered, but the parties interested did not seem willing to state the price paid. The range lately has been 90c to $1 07 for bright samples. The chief fault with today's receipts was light weight.

One lot of beans sold at 70c; the sample was only fair—they were 1897 crop. No other kind of grain offered.

Eggs were active at 20c for baskets, and 22c for single dozens of strictly fresh.

Butter was quiet at 16c retail.

Turkeys were firmer at 8c. Ducks were slow at 6c, and geese, 5c, wholesale.

Meats steady; receipts of dressed hogs were better; sales at $4 to $5 for heavy, and $5 25 to $5 50 for light.

Hay sold at $6 to $7 per ton.

Quotations:

GRAIN			
Wheat, white, fall, per 100 lbs	1 15	@	1 15
Wheat, red, fall, per 100 lbs	1 15	@	1 15
Wheat, spring, per 100 lbs	0 00	@	0 00
Oats, per 100 lbs	82	@	85
Peas, per 100 lbs	90	@	1 00
Corn, per 100 lbs	75	@	80
Barley, per 100 lbs	85	@	1 05
Rye, per 100 lbs	85	@	85
Beans, per bu	..	@	..
PROVISIONS.			
Honey, comb	9	@	12
Honey, extracted	7	@	7
Cheese, per lb, wholesale	5	@	6
Eggs, single dozen	20	@	22
Eggs, fresh, basket, dozen	20	@	20
Eggs, per dozen, basket, p'kd.	14	@	14
Eggs, fresh, store lots, doz	00	@	00
Butter, per lb, retail	17	@	20
Butter, pound rolls, baskets	16	@	16
Butter, lb, large rolls or crocks	14	@	15
Butter, per lb, tubs or firkins	10	@	14
Lard, per lb	9	@	10
Chickens, per pair	35	@	60
Ducks, per pair	50	@	80
Turkeys, per lb	8	@	9½
Geese, per lb	5	@	6
VEGETABLES AND FRUIT.			
Pumpkins, per doz	50	@	1 00
Potatoes, per bag	55	@	70
Apples, per bag	25	@	1 00
Apples, per basket	15	@	40
Apples, per barrel	1 50	@	2 00
Beets, per dozen bunches	20	@	20
Onions, per bu	60	@	90
Celery, per doz bunches	30	@	50
Squashes, per doz	30	@	1 50
Turnips, per bag	25	@	30
Carrots, per bu	12½	@	25
Parsnips, per doz. bunches	40	@	50
LIVE STOCK.			
Young pigs, per pair	2 00	@	3 50
Cows, each	20 00	@	40 00
Beef, per lb	2½	@	4
Hogs, light, per 100 lbs	4 00	@	4 10
Hogs heavy, per 100 lbs	3 50	@	3 90
Sows, per 100	3 25	@	3 25
Ducks, per pair	50	@	65
Chickens, per pair	30	@	40
Hens, per pair	40	@	50
HAY AND SEEDS.			
Hay, per ton	6 00	@	7 00
Straw, per load	2 50	@	2 50
MEAT, HIDES, ETC.			
Beef, quarters, per lb	4½	@	5
Heifers, per lb	5½	@	6
Mutton, quarters, per lb	5	@	6
Veal, quarters, per lb	5½	@	6
Lamb, quarter	7	@	8
Dressed hogs, 100 lbs, light	5 15	@	5 50
Dressed hogs 100 lbs, heavy	4 75	@	5 00
Hides, No. 1, per lb	7	@	7
Hides, No. 2, per lb	6	@	6
Hides, No. 3, per lb	5	@	5
Calfskins, green	8	@	8
Wool, washed, per lb	16	@	17
Wool, unwashed per lb	9	@	11
Lambskins	00	@	00
Pelts	..	@	..
Sheepskins, green	60	@	65
Tallow, rendered, lb	2	@	3
Tallow, rough, lb	2	@	2

American Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—Dec., 64¾c to 64¾c; May, 65½c; July, 64¼c. Corn—Dec., 33½c to 33¾c; May, 34½c to 34½c; July, 34¼c to 34¾c. Oats—Dec., 25c; May, 26½c. Mess pork—Jan., $9 20; May, $9 42½. Lard—Jan., $5 10; May, $5 27½. Short ribs—Jan., $4 57½; May, $4 75. Cash quotations: Flour weak; No. 3 spring wheat, 61c to 63½c; No. 2 red, 67½c. No. 2 corn, 34c; No. 2 yellow corn, 34½c. No. 2 oats, 26½c to 26¾c; No. 2 white, 28½c; No. 3 white, 27¾c to 28¾c. No. 2 rye, 53c. No. 2 barley, f. o. b., 37c to 57c. No. 3 flaxseed, 98c; northwest, $1 03. Prime timothy seed, $2 25. Mess pork, $8 to $8 05. Lard, $4 97½ to $5 15. Short ribs, $4 50 to $4 70. Shoulders, 4¾c to 4¾c. Short clear sides, $4 80 to $4 90. Sugar, unchanged. Eggs, firm; fresh, 22c to 22½c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 69,000 bushels; wheat, 232,000 bushels; corn, 409,000 bushels; oats, 446,000 bushels; rye, 44,000 bushels; barley, 134,000 bushels.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 47,000 barrels; wheat, 90,000 bushels; corn, 431,000 bushels; oats, 279,000 bushels; rye, 1,000 bushels; barley, 12,000 bushels.

POULTRY.

CHAS. ABBOTT, Wholesale Produce and Commission Merchant.

Am open to buy car lots or less, of all kinds of poultry. If any to offer, quote lowest price and name quantity. Also roll butter and all other kinds of produce.

Phone 1228. 172 King St. London, Ont

Geo. McBean & Son.

We are open for offers of GRAIN, FLOUR and MILL FEED. If offering please state quantities and lowest prices.

P. O. BOX 807 - MONTREAL

The Oil Market.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 7.—Oil closed at $1 15.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 8.—Oil opened $1 15.

PETROLIA, Dec. 8.—Oil opened and closed at $1 40.

English Markets

Ruling prices for the past four market days—The following table shows the quotations per cental at Liverpool for the three previous market days. In the case of wheat highest prices are given.

	Dec. 2.		Dec. 3.		Dec. 6.		Dec. 7.	
WHEAT—								
Red Winter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 Nor. Spring	6	3	6	2½	6	2	6	1½
No. 1 Cal.	6	10½	6	10½	0	0	0	0
Dec.	6	1½	6	0½	6	0	5	10⅞
March	5	10⅞	5	9½	5	9¼	5	9
CORN—								
New	3	10½	3	10¼	3	9¼	3	9¼
Dec.	3	9⅜	3	9½	3	9¼	3	8⅞
March	3	7⅜	3	7⅝	3	7⅜	3	7
May	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Flour	19	0¾	19	3	19	3	19	3
Peas	5	10½	5	11	0	0	0	0
Pork	50	0	50	0	0	0	0	0
Lard	27	6	27	6	27	6	0	0
Tallow	20	3	20	3	0	0	19	9
Bacon, light	28	0	28	0	0	0	0	0
Cheese, white	45	0	46	0	0	0	0	0
Cheese, colored	46	0	47	0	0	0	0	0

Live Stock Markets.

EAST BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 7.—Cattle—There was about one load on sale, and with a moderate demand; the feeling was steady for butcher cattle and stockers. Calves were in fair supply, moderate demand and steady at the quoted figures, but few sold up to the outside quotations; choice to extra were quotably $7 and $7 50; good to choice, $6 50 to $7. Sheep and lambs—The offerings were light, 28 loads, about six of which were Canadas; the demand opened fairly active, and from 15c to 25c higher on the top grades; the snow blockade that caused railroads to refuse shipments after noon checked business so that Canada lambs and some natives were held; the basis of Canadas was $5 40 to $5 50 asked; native lambs were quotable at $5 50 to $5 65; good to choice, $5 25 $5 50; common to fair, $5 to $5 25; sheep, choice to extra, $4 25 to $4 40; good to choice, $4 to $4 25; common to fair, $2 50 to $3 50. Hogs—Offerings were 47 loads; the uncertainty of shipping after the storm had blocked the east-bound tracks caused a lull in the business that practically left the matter of price out of the question; heavy hogs were quotable on the best hours of the day at $5 40; mixed, $3 35; Yorkers, $3 30; some lights, $3 25; pigs, $3 25 to $3 30; roughs, $3; stags, $2 50.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, Dec. 5.—Owing to large arrivals of Canadian and Argentine cattle, the market was weak and prices for such broke 1c. The demand was also limited and trade slow. Prices for best States cattle were fairly well maintained, they selling only ¼c lower than last week, at 12c. Choice Canadian and Argentine cattle sold at 10½c. Canadian sheep broke ½c to 1c, selling at 11c, and Argentine 1c to 1½c, at 10c.

Liverpool, Dec. 5.—This market was somewhat demoralized for Canadian stock and prices for cattle declined 1c to 1½c, to 9½c to 10c, but sheep were about steady at 11c.

Messrs. John Olde & Son, live stock salesmen, of London, England, write W. H. Beamen, live stock agent, of the Board of Trade building, Montreal, under date of Nov. 24, as follows: The trade was a little dearer all round today, but especially for South American cattle, which came better; sheep were much dearer. For sale were 1,829 cattle and 3,190 sheep, of which 1,178 States cattle made 5¾d to 6¼d per lb; 162 Canadian sold at 5d to 5¼d; 489 South American brought 5½d; 2,478 South American sheep made 6d per lb; 712 Canadian sold at 5¾d.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Beeves—Receipts, 2,720; opened active; steers and cows a shade higher; bulls and medium cows closed steady; market closed weak on Chicago advices; steers, common to choice, $4 40 to $5 40; oxen and stags, $3 to $4 85; bulls, $2 50 to $3 60; choice and extra fat do, $3 70 to $4 30; cows, $1 80 to $3 80; choice fat do, $4 10 to $4 15. Cable steady. Export, 35 sheep and 1,800 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 1,285; veals dull and weak, except for choice; other calves steady; veals, $4 to $7 50; choice and extra do, $7 75 to $8 50; barnyard calves, $3 to $3 50; western, $3 12½ to $3 25. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 8,029; sheep steady; prime stock scarce and firm; lambs fully 15c higher; sheep, poor to good, $2 50 to $4 25; lambs, ordinary to choice, $5 30 to $6; Canadian lambs, $5 55 to $6. Hogs—Receipts, 8,847; steady at $3 55 to $3 75 for fair to choice hogs.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Strength and activity in cattle today were restricted to choice cattle; other descriptions which were in large supply were slow of sale at a decline of 10c to 15c; beef steers, $3 90 to $4 25; Christmas beeves, $6 to $6 25; choice cattle, $5 50 to $5 75; stockers and feeders, $2 90 to $4 40. Hogs, $3 25 to $4 25; pigs, $3 10 to $3 25. Lambs, $3 70 to $5 40; poor to choice western, $4 80 to $5 35; feeders, $4 50 to $4 75; yearlings, $4 25 to $4 75. Sheep, $2 50 to $4 25; rams, $2 50 to $3 25; western sheep, $3 40 to $4 10; feeders, $3 50 to $3 80. Receipts: Cattle, 27,000; hogs, 58,000; sheep, 16,000.

INGERSOLL PROVES IT

Dodd's Kidney Pills the Only Cure for Bladder Disease.

Ingersoll, Dec. 5.—If there could be the slightest shadow of a doubt about the unfailing efficacy of Dodd's Kidney Pills, in all cases of Kidney and Bladder Disease and Rheumatism, the experience of Mr. Michael Sherlock, of Ingersoll, would positively dispel it for ever.

Mr. Sherlock suffered unceasing tortures from Bladder and Kidney Trouble, aggravated by Rheumatism, for five years. Every remedy he used failed to help him, until he began to take Dodd's Kidney Pills. They cured him quickly, competely and permanently.

Dodd's Kidney Pills should be used by every sufferer from these complaints. They never fail to cure, and are besides, the best tonic, and strengthener known.

WESTERN ONTARIO

A Brantford Carpenter Meets With a Painful Accident.

Thieves at Work in Sarnia—An Enterprising Belle River Farmer—$50 Reward for Poultry Thieves in Tilbury—Fire in a Woodstock Hotel

Brantford Collegiate Institute will have a cadet corps.

The G. T. R. is building a new bridge over Moison Creek, Belle River.

Chatham's death rate for the year ending Dec. 1 was 1.6 per cent.

J. O. Peck and Mrs. F. Jarmin were married at Amherstburg Wednesday.

The Berlin curlers will amalgamate with the Waterloo club this winter.

Patrolman Maitre, Windsor, will undergo an operation this week for appendicitis.

Bothwell ratepayers, by a majority of 90, have decided to put in an electric light plant.

Brantford free library purchased books to the amount of $60, from the late Rev. Dr. Cochrane's library.

Thieves entered the home of Mary Gibson, Salvation Army captain, Sarnia, Monday night, and stole $60 in money.

Tilbury East Council is offering a reward of $50 for the arrest and conviction of poultry thieves operating in that township.

The house of James Mero, a well-to-do farmer about half a mile this side of Tecumseh, was burned at an early hour Sunday morning.

Mr. Henry Hewitt has been appointed United States consul at Brantford, to succeed Mr. F. B. Pollard, who is now living in Chicago.

The Waterloo Musical Society is negotiating with the Berlin Amateur Opera Company for the production of Faust in that town at an early date.

The high and public school boards of Essex are bent on retrenchment and are dispensing with the services of a teacher from each school at the end of this year.

James Sears, a carpenter employed at the new Verity Works, Brantford, fell off a scaffold Monday, and sustained injuries which will lay him up for a few days.

C. P. R. officials estimate that one-third of the Ontario laborers who go to Manitoba to work in the harvest fields every summer remain permanently in the province.

Messrs. J. S. Scarff, of Woodstock and T. H. Race, of Mitchell, have been appointed as delegates to the Western Fair at London from the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association.

A quantity of wood around the stove in the sitting-room of the Arlington Hotel, Woodstock caught fire Wednesday morning and before the blaze was discovered a hole had been burned in the floor. Damage slight.

An enterprising farmer near Belle River, bought one of the cars of wheat which were dumped out in the recent accident on the G. T. R., for $25, and succeeded in gathering up over 500 bushels of marketable grain.

Mrs. Brousseau, of Tilbury East, complained to the magistrate that she had received sundry beatings from her husband and son, and exhibited bruises, but as the alleged offenses were committed just over the county line, no complaint could be taken.

Frank Blain, a carpenter at the Verity Plow Works, Tuesday, lost the index finger of his right hand. He was planing a half-inch board, and bearing down upon it, when the thin lumber suddenly cracked allowing the man's hand to run against the sharp knife. In an instant the forefinger was nipped off close to the hand.

Recently, while Alex. McKercher was driving along the Marthaville side road he met with a most extraordinary and expensive mishap. His horse stepped on one end of a sleigh stake, and the other springing up pierced the poor brute's abdomen, completely disemboweling it, so that its entrails fell on to the road. Mr. McKercher mercifully knocked the wretched animal on the head and put an end to its agony. His loss is about $75.

CONVICTED OF MURDER

Oliver Prevost To Be Hanged on St Patrick's Day.

CONVICTED of murder sl J—J —

Port Arthur, Ont., Dec. 8.—The jury in the Prevost murder case yesterday returned a verdict of guilty, and Chief Justice Armour sentenced the prisoner to be hanged on the 17th of March. This will be the first hanging in Port Arthur's history, although there have been several murder trials here.

The crime for which Oliver Prevost has been sentenced was the murder of Carrier and Dalvin at a piggery on Feb. 10, 1898. The bulk of the evidence was of a circumstantial nature, the crown relying principally upon that of Rossana Gautier, the wife of one Gautier, of Valleyfield. She was living with Prevost here at the time of the tragedy.

Her story is that Prevost went out to the piggery on the evening of the 10th, after dark, killed the two men, came back to town, told her so, and then made her go out with him while they ransacked the cabins and brought in, with a mule and sleigh, what plunder there was. Then he afterwards drove the mule back, tied it to a tree, and set fire to the buildings.

One Daust, a brother-in-law of Prevost, swore that the prisoner told him that the woman had shot one of the men, and that he had killed the other.

Prevost was practically the only witness for his own defense. His story was to the effect that the crime was committed by the woman.

MURDER AND SUICIDE BY A BOY.

Clarksville, Tenn., Dec. 8.—City Marshal A. D. Bryant, of McKenzie, was shot in the back of the head three times yesterday, and almost instantly killed while seated in the telegraph office here. The murderer was a boy named Hugh McCall. McCall fled to his home and committed suicide by taking morphine. The cause is that Bryant arrested McCall last Saturday for drunkenness and city law violations.

$100,000 FOR A MATCH.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 8.—The careless handling of a lighted match by an employe of the Standard Oil Company caused a fire yesterday which destroyed the company's works in East Los Angeles. Loss, $100,000, with no insurance.

SEVEN FEET ON THE LEVEL!

A Great Snowfall Reported a Elmira, Michigan.

Elmira, Mich., Dec. 8.—This section is literally buried in snow. For several days past a big storm has raged, and there is now about seven feet of "the beautiful" on the level, with more falling.

About six miles west of Elmira they say it has fallen so deep that it has filled the River Jordan so that teams drive over it, without knowing where the river is.

Other truthful people say it is so deep in some places that it completely covers the forests.

THE AMERICAN PROPOSALS

Reciprocity Offers to Canadians—The Latter Will Make a Counter Proposal.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—It is understood that the session of the joint high commission yesterday brought more definite developments on the important reciprocity question than have been secured heretofore, and that the American side presented a schedule outlining about how far it was possible to go on this subject. Although the commission will authorize no statement, intelligent observers of its work say that the American proposition probably includes concessions on barley, live animals, agricultural products and certain ores, and possibly also some concessions on coal. It is understood not to make concessions on lumber, which is the item on which the Canadian officials have been most desirous of securing reductions. The Canadians will probably submit counter-propositions, and as a result of these definite exchanges, an early agreement or final disagreement is looked forward to at no distant date.

TWO-CENT POSTAGE

For Canada—Mr. Mulock Says It Is in Store.

Sarnia, Dec. 8.—In his speech yesterday in the interests of Dr. Johnston, the Liberal candidate, a significant statement was made by Hon. Mr. Mulock:

"With reference to the 2-cent rate of postage in Canada," said he, "I would say that that is in store for the people of Canada within a reasonable time." (Cheers.) Mr. Mulock held that there was no more powerful factor to promote immigration than the letters of friends in the land to which they have gone, to the old folks at home. This was one of the good results which would follow imperial penny postage. (Applause.)

"BON VOYAGE"

Humorous Incident Anent the Spaniards' Evacuation of Cuba.

Havana, Dec. 8.—The statue of Isabel La Catolica, which stands in the middle of Central Park, in this city, was found this morning holding a valise in one hand and a steamer rug in the other. An immense placard was strung across the back of the statue with the words, "Bon Voyage," inscribed on it.

A NEW GIBRALTAR.

Kingston, Jamaica, Dec. 8.—As part of the scheme of converting Kingston harbor into a great naval depot and dockyard, in view of the construction of the Nicaraguan Canal in the near future, the admiralty authorities have arranged for the purchase of the Greek Pond, at the western extremity of the city. The dockyard, it is said, is to be the largest and best equipped in the British dominions. A naval authority, who has been interviewed on the subject, says that the intention is to make Jamaica "another Gibraltar," commanding the canal, and forming a rallying point for the naval and military forces of the Anglo-American alliance.

CAN STOOP

—AND—

Straighten Up Now.

The Pain in the Back Was So Bad That He Couldn't Do It Before He Took Doan's Kidney Pills.

Lame, painful, aching backs—plenty of them all over Canada.

But they're getting less and less every day since people have begun to find out that all kinds of bad backs are due to kidney derangement, and that Doan's Kidney Pills is the remedy.

Mr. John Macdonald, 120 Patrick street, St. John, N. B., is one of those who never fail to speak a good word for Doan's Kidney Pills, as they cured his aching back and relieved his urinary troubles when everything else failed.

He worked at the lumber business for years, and the heavy lifting, as well as the exposure to cold and wet, brought on a serious complication of kidney troubles. He suffered greatly with pain in his back just over the kidneys, and a burning, smarting sensation in passing water, which amounted to agony.

"I hadn't finished the second box of Doan's Kidney Pills," said Mr. Macdonald, "when the pains all left my back, and I can stoop and straighten up without the slightest difficulty. My urinary trouble disappeared, and today I am feeling stronger and in better health than I have been for years."

That's the way Doan's Kidney Pills always act. They never fail to cure your kidney trouble, and—more than that—they invigorate and strengthen your entire system. Sufferers from Backache, Urinary Trouble, Bladder Weakness, Puffiness of the Feet or under the Eyes, Dizziness, Headaches, Lumbago, Soreness of the Muscles, etc., should not fail to give Doan's Kidney Pills a trial. They'll cure when all else fails.

Sold by all druggists, or sent by mail on receipt of price, 50 cents a box, or three for $1 25. The Doan Kidney Pill Company, Toronto, Ont. Ask for DOAN'S and refuse all other.

DEADLY KISSES

Children Allowed to Kiss a Corpse Contract Diphtheria.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 8. — The state board of health has become much exercised over the alarming condition of affairs that exists in Washington, Warren county, where an epidemic of diphtheria is threatened. Many children were allowed to kiss the corpse of a child of John Cushman, who had died of diphtheria, and who was a favorite at school.

As a result it is reported that several cases of diphtheria have made their appearance.

FATAL RESULT OF A TORONTO FIRE

Miss Helen Power Jumps From a Window and Dies—Miss Barber Dying—Others Narrowly Escape.

Toronto, Dec. 8.—A comparatively insignificant fire in a down-town business block last night resulted in the death of one woman, another was fatally injured, another seriously injured, while several others had narrow escapes. Along the south side of King street, near Bay, run a row of flats, used principally by dressmakers and women employed in tailor shops. The rooms in these flats are heated from the stores beneath, and when last night a fire broke out in the basement of McElroy & McLeod's tailoring establishment, at No. 63½, the flames and smoke found their way in a moment up the hot-air flues. The store was closed for the night. It appears that the flames soon reached the stairway and cut off all access from the upper stories to the street, and a call was made for ladders, which were slow in being produced. Those in the apartments at the time were: Mrs. C. Stedman Fierce, of New York State, manicurist, at 3 King street east; Miss Helen Power, of Toronto, professional nurse; Miss Kate Barber, late of Collingwood, dressmaker, at 3 King street east; Miss Helen Burnett, 145 Borden street, dressmaker; Mrs. Cross, wife of William G. Cross, horse dealer; Miss May Foster, tailoress.

JUMPED TO HER DEATH.

Miss Helen Power was sleeping on the third story. She managed to reach the window, and climbed out on to the sill. Then before she could be rescued she either jumped or fell, and her body struck the icy sidewalk beneath. She was terribly injured, and at 1:30 she died. Miss Power came here from New York about ten years ago. She was well known to the medical profession, but had no relatives here.

RESCUED.

Miss Foster came to a window on the third flat, and, being too terrified or unable because of the smoke to scream, she clapped her hands, and the crowd saw her. Firemen William Crawford and William Shannon, of the Bay and Lombard street sections, ran up a ladder and took the woman from the window.

DYING.

Fireman Crawford and Charles Gordon, the assistant electrician of the department, found Miss Barber lying on a sofa stupefied by the smoke. The flames had just reached her, and her face and breast were burned. She was taken to the Emergency Hospital, and was found to be so seriously injured that her life is despaired of.

AN OLD LADY JUMPED.

Mrs. Fierce, who is between 70 and 80 years of age, jumped from a rear window to the back kitchen, and was considerably injured.

Fireman Charles Dickens dragged Miss Burnett through a window on the first floor, and the remaining inmates escaped by jumping from the back windows to the sheds in the rear.

The pecuniary loss will be comparatively light, probably $1,200 in all. In Miss Barber's room was found her purse with money and an insurance policy in the Calendonian Insurance Company for $400. A gold watch was also found.

PROBABLY A "YELLOW" YARN.

New York, Dec. 8.—The New York Sun publishes a dispatch from Havana which says Admiral Cervera had planned, with the approval of Capt.-Gen. Blanco, to bombard Santiago, when the Americans entered, and slaughter 30,000 non-combatants. This barbarous scheme was to be carried out in revenge for the defeat of the Spanish before Santiago. Diplomatic interference by Great Britain prevented the slaughter.

A BANK CLERK SCARED THE BURGLARS.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 8.—A daring attempt was made by safe-crackers to rob the Bank of British North America, in this city, early yesterday morning. The men were scared away by the night clerk, Fred Salisbury, who appeared on the scene with a revolver. The burglars fled through the back window. There was in the vicinity of $200,000 in the safe.

AMERICAN COAL FOR FRANCE.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—Consul Skinner, at Marseilles, has informed the state department that if American coal companies can supply the right kind of coal at the right price, namely, at about $7 72 per ton delivered into the coal bunkers at Marseilles, they have before them the opportunity for a new and important market. The high price at Marseilles is ascribed to the shortage in the British output owing to the strikes.

HEBREWS WANT THEIR RIGHTS.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 8.—The Hebrew congregations in session here adopted the following resolution presented by the committee on civil and religious rights: "We urge the importance of making every effort towards the enactment of a treaty between the United States Government and that of Russia, whereby the rights of American citizens of Jewish birth shall receive equal recognition with those of all others."

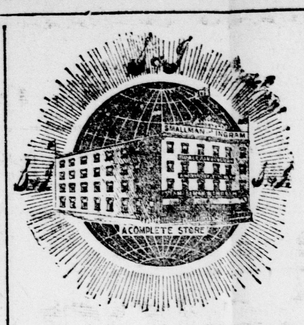
Old England's Flag Vs. Dr. A. W. Chase

The virtues of Dr. Chase's remedies are known the world over, and, like old England's flag, the sun on them never sets.

Dr. Chase's Ointment, Kidney-Liver Pills, Catarrh Cure, Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine and Liver Cure enjoy the confidence of everybody. They have won their way into public favor on merit. Their sterling qualities and high standing and purity have made them the household word all round the world. All dealers sell and recommend them.

The tongue is always mightier than a bullet, though it might not speed as true.

Madrid has now a German school, with 43 pupils and eight teachers.



WEATHER PROBS: Fair and colder.

Those Party Gloves

Should be of the latest style and color. We have a superb line for evening wear—the theater, balls, parties, etc. Everyone who likes real style should see them.

Christmas All Over The Store

Our stock of Xmas goods, fancy articles, handkerchiefs, slippers, furs, notions and all manner of toys are now on sale in our various departments. An early inspection will please us and be profitable to you.

Quick Sales in Shoes.

The sales in our Shoe Department have been so numerous that we are convinced that people will buy at our closing-out prices whether they want their purchases for immediate use or not. Remember this is a genuine closing out sale of everything in our Shoe Department. Prices were never so low. Buy your Xmas gifts here and they won't cost much.

Ladies' Under-Wear.

We are offering some extra values in Ladies Vests and Drawers. Ladies will do well to buy up this line at 50c. One special lot of Vests, worth 65c, also selling at 50c. A complete line of Children's Black Tights, in all sizes, both knee and ankle length, at from 65c to 85c.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM,

149 and 151 Dundas Street.

AMUSEMENTS

AT THE GRAND TONIGHT.

The manner in which "Finnigan's Ball" is being received all along the line this, its fourth season, demonstrates conclusively that it has lost none of its forcible entertaining qualities which have given it such a decided prestige among farce-comedies. When "Finnigan's Ball" was first introduced to the amusement public, four years ago, it immediately jumped into popular favor, and ever since it has occupied an exalted position in the front ranks of up-to-date offerings of a similar nature, and the indications are that it will more than hold its own the present season, and many seasons to come, for that matter.

"JACK AND HIS RETINUE."

"Jack and the Beanstalk" is in the third season of its triumphal career, and is again demonstrating its powers as one of the best drawing attractions on the American stage. It is one of the early bookings at the Grand, its date being Dec. 10, on which day it will be played at matinee and night performances, and will be brought here in complete form, just as given during its long runs in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and other cities. In every detail the production is one of the most remarkable ever seen in this country. Its gorgeous and tasteful costuming, elaborate and beautiful scenic embellishment and really amazing electrical effects have been factors in its success.

EARTHQUAKES.

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 8.—An earthquake shock was felt about 8 o'clock yesterday evening. It was severe enough to cause brick and stone buildings to sway and to break somewhat. So far no real damage is reported.

Santiago de Cuba, Dec. 8.—Santiago experienced a severe earthquake shock Tuesday night, frightening many and destroying a large quantity of crockery. The shock lasted several seconds.

IN OCEAN'S DEEPEST VALES.

There are spots in the ocean where the water is five miles deep. If it is true that the pressure of the water on any body in the water is one pound to the square inch for every two feet of the depth, anything at the bottom of one of the "five-mile holes" would have a pressure about it of 13,200 pounds to every square inch.

There is nothing of human manufacture that would resist such a pressure. That it exists there is no doubt. It is known that the pressure of a well-corked glass bottle at the depth of 300 feet is so great that the water will force its way through the pores of the glass. It is also said that pieces of wood have been weighted and sunk in the sea to such a depth that the tissues have become so condensed that the wood has lost its buoyancy and would never float again. It could not even be made to burn when dry.

Why will you allow a Cough to lacerate your throat or lungs and run the risk of filling a consumptive's grave, when, by the timely use of Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, the pain can be allayed and the danger avoided? This syrup is pleasant to the taste, and unsurpassed for relieving, healing and curing all affections of the throat and lungs, coughs, colds, bronchitis, etc.

EVERETT HOUSE, Union Square, New York.

WM. M. BATES. B. L. M. BATES.

PATRIA VERITAS FIDES

An established hotel under new management and thoroughly abreast of the times. Visitors to New York will find the Everett in the very heart of the shopping district, convenient to places of amusement and readily accessible from all parts of the city. EUROPEAN PLAN. ywt

When You Wear a



P. D. CORSET

you are satisfied, you look right, you know you feel right.

Superior in quality, fit and workmanship. Tailor cut. Hand made. All sizes and lengths to suit all figures.

At nearly all Drygoods stores.

Any dealer can get them for you.

$1 to $30 a pair.

For Sale by Smallman & Ingram.

Pure Food

Is quite as necessary as pure drinking water — the purer the better. Knowing this, why not buy Rolled Oats that you are sure are clean and free from hulls—the cleaner the better for your health?

Tillson's Pan-Dried Rolled Oats

are perfectly cleansed by a new process. But that is not all—to make assurance doubly sure they are recleaned by the same process. But be sure your grocer gives you Tillson's.

The Tillson Co'y, Limited, Tillsonburg, Ont.

Mammoth Livery

Hacks, Coupes, Landaus, Busses and Light Livery. Saddle Horses. Sale and Boarding Stable. Open day and night. Phone

A. G. STROYAN —189— Dundas St.

Hood's Pills

Best to take after dinner; prevent distress, aid digestion, cure constipation. Purely vegetable: do not gripe or cause pain. Sold by all druggists. 25 cents. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

THE MARKETS.

Mining Stocks.

Toronto, Dec. 7.—Following are today's closing quotations on the Toronto Mining and Industrial Exchange:

	Asked.	Bid.
Decca	25	25
Olive	90	89
Hammond Reef	20	..
Superior G. and C. Co	8	7
Sawbill	45	25
Cariboo	120	116½
Minnehaha	22	18½
Cariboo Hydraulic	110	..
Tin Horn	10	6
Smuggler	18¾	17
Winchester	12	9
Old Ironsides	..	75½
Golden Cache	8	..
Kelly Creek	3	1
Athabasca	43	40
Dundee	36	..
Dardanelles	11	8¾
Fern Gold M. & M. Co	..	48
Nelson-Poorman	..	15
Noble Five	18½	..
Van Anda	5	3¾
Big Three	16½	14½
Commander	12½	..
Deer Park	21	19¾
Grand Prize	1	..
Evening Star	..	4
Giant	8	..
Good Hope	3½	..
Gopher	..	4
Homestake	5	..
Iron Colt	9¾	9
Iron Mask	79	73½
Juliet	11	..
Jumbo	48	40
Keystone	11	..
Lily May	23	15
Montreal Red Mountain	17	15
Monte Cristo	12	11
Northern Belle	3½	..
Novelty	4½	3½
R. E. Lee	6	..
St. Paul	6	..
Silver Bell	..	5
St. Elmo	..	4
Virginia	40	37
Victory-Triumph	9	6
War Eagle Con	294	290
White Bear	7½	6¾
B. C. Gold Fields	6	4½
Can. G. F. S.	7	5½
Gold Hills	10	5
Crow's Nest Pass	25	..

SALES—Silver Bell, 500, 1,000, 2,000 at 5; Sup. G. and C. Co. 500 at 6½; Minnehaha, 500, 100, 1,500, 1,300 at 19, 500, 1,000 at 19½; Nelson-Poorman, 500 at 15½; Novelty, 500 at 4, 500, 1,000 at 4½; Virginia, 500 at 38; Athabasca, 200, 300 at 42, 500 at 42½, 200 at 49; B. C. Gold Fields, 1,000 a 5½; Van Anda, 500, 1,000 at 4½; Deer Park, 1,000, 1,000 at 19¾, 1,000, 1,000 at 19½; White Bear, 1,000 at 6¾; Smuggler, 1,000 at 19, 1,000 at 19½.

Liverpool Salt

Makes the best flavored meats. It's about the same price as others and is 20 per cent stronger. Single sacks or in large lots. Call.

A. M HAMILTON & SON,

373 Talbot Street, opp. the Market.

Local Market.

London, Thursday, Dec. 8.

Wheat, white fall, per bu....69c to 69c
Wheat, red fall, per bu ....69c to 69c
Oats, per bu.....27½c to 28½c
Peas, per bu.....54c to 60c
Corn, per bu.....44c to 45c
Buckwheat, per bu 48c to48c
Barley, per bu .....40¾c to 50½c

Wheat deliveries were light today, and prices steady; sales at $1 13 to $1 16, with $1 15 as the usual price.

Oats steady; 32c to 33c was the usual price paid; odd lots sold at 24c to 30c.

One load of feed barley sold at 32c. Several loads of the malting grade offered, but the parties interested did not seem willing to state the price paid. The range lately has been 90c to $1 07 for bright samples. The chief fault with today's receipts was light weight.

One lot of beans sold at 70c; the sample was only fair—they were 1897 crop. No other kind of grain offered.

Eggs were active at 20c for baskets, and 22c for single dozens of strictly fresh.

Butter was quiet at 16c retail.

Turkeys were firmer at 8c. Ducks were slow at 6c, and geese, 5c, wholesale.

Meats steady; receipts of dressed hogs were better; sales at $4 to $5 for heavy, and $5 25 to $5 50 for light.

Hay sold at $6 to $7 per ton.

Quotations:

GRAIN			
Wheat, white, fall, per 100 lbs	1 15	@	1 15
Wheat, red, fall, per 100 lbs	1 15	@	1 15
Wheat, spring, per 100 lbs	0 00	@	0 00
Oats, per 100 lbs	82	@	85
Peas, per 100 lbs	90	@	1 00
Corn, per 100 lbs	75	@	80
Barley, per 100 lbs	85	@	1 05
Rye, per 100 lbs	85	@	85
Beans, per bu	..	@	..
PROVISIONS.			
Honey, comb	9	@	12
Honey, extracted	7	@	10
Cheese, per lb, wholesale	5	@	6
Eggs, single dozen	20	@	22
Eggs, fresh, basket, dozen	20	@	20
Eggs, per dozen, basket, p'kd.	14	@	14
Eggs, fresh, store lots, doz	00	@	00
Butter, per lb, retail	17	@	20
Butter, pound rolls, baskets	15	@	16
Butter, lb, large rolls or crocks	14	@	15
Butter, per lb, tubs or firkins	10	@	14
Lard, per lb	9	@	10
Chickens, per pair	35	@	60
Ducks, per pair	50	@	80
Turkeys, per lb	8	@	9½
Geese, per lb	5	@	6
VEGETABLES AND FRUIT.			
Pumpkins, per doz	50	@	1 00
Potatoes, per bag	55	@	70
Apples, per bag	25	@	1 00
Apples, per basket	15	@	40
Apples, per barrel	1 50	@	2 00
Beets, per dozen bunches	20	@	20
Onions, per bu	60	@	90
Celery, per doz bunches	30	@	50
Squashes, per doz	30	@	1 50
Turnips, per bag	25	@	30
Carrots, per bu	12½	@	25
Parsnips, per doz. bunches	40	@	50
LIVE STOCK.			
Young pigs, per pair	2 00	@	3 50
Cows, each	20 00	@	40 00
Beef, per lb	2¼	@	4
Hogs, light, per 100 lbs	4 00	@	4 10
Hogs heavy, per 100 lbs	3 50	@	3 90
Sows, per 100	3 25	@	3 25
Ducks, per pair	50	@	65
Chickens, per pair	30	@	40
Hens, per pair	40	@	50
HAY AND SEEDS.			
Hay, per ton	6 00	@	7 00
Straw, per load	2 50	@	2 50
MEAT, HIDES, ETC.			
Beef, quarters, per lb	4½	@	5
Heifers, per lb	5½	@	6
Mutton, quarters, per lb	5	@	6
Veal, quarters, per lb	5½	@	6
Lamb, quarter	7	@	8
Dressed hogs, 100 lbs, light	5 15	@	5 50
Dressed hogs, 100 lbs, heavy	4 75	@	5 00
Hides, No. 1, per lb	7	@	7
Hides, No. 2, per lb	6	@	6
Hides, No. 3, per lb	5	@	5
Calfskins, green	8	@	8
Wool, washed, per lb	16	@	17
Wool, unwashed, per lb	9	@	11
Lambskins	00	@	00
Pelts	..	@	..
Sheepskins, green	65	@	65
Tallow, rendered, lb	3	@	3
Tallow, rough, lb	2	@	2

American Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—Dec., 64¼c to 64¼c; May, 65¼c; July, 64¼c. Corn—Dec., 33½c to 33¾c; May, 34½c to 34¾c; July, 34½c to 35¼c. Oats—Dec., 26c; May, 28¾c. Mess pork—Jan., $9 20; May, $9 42½. Lard—Jan., $5 10; May, $5 27½. Short ribs—Jan., $4 67½; May, $4 75. Cash quotations: Flour weak; No. 3 spring wheat, 61c to 63½c; No. 2 red, 67½c. No. 2 corn, 34c; No. 2 yellow corn, 34½c. No. 2 oats, 26½c to 26¾c; No. 2 white, 28½c; No. 3 white, 27¾c to 28½c. No. 2 rye, 53c. No. 2 barley, f. o. b., 37c to 57c. No. 3 flaxseed, 98c; northwest, $1 03. Prime timothy seed, $2 25. Mess pork, $8 to $8 05. Lard, $4 97½ to $5 15. Short ribs, $4 50 to $4 70. Shoulders, 4¾c to 4¾c. Short clear sides, $4 80 to $4 90. Sugar, unchanged. Eggs, firm; fresh, 22c to 22½c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 69,000 bushels; wheat, 222,000 bushels; corn, 409,000 bushels; oats, 446,000 bushels; rye, 44,000 bushels; barley, 134,000 bushels.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 47,000 barrels; wheat, 90,000 bushels; corn, 431,000 bushels; oats, 279,000 bushels; rye, 1,000 bushels; barley, 12,000 bushels.

POULTRY.

CHAS. ABBOTT, Wholesale Produce and Commission Merchant.

Am open to buy car lots or less, of all kinds of poultry. If any to offer, quote lowest price and name quantity. Also roll butter and all other kinds of produce.

Phone 1238. 172 King St. London, Ont

Geo. McBean & Son.

We are open for offers of GRAIN, FLOUR and MILL FEED. If offering please state quantities and lowest prices.

P. O. BOX 807 · · MONTREAL

The Oil Market.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 7.—Oil closed at $1 15.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 8.—Oil opened $1 15, PETROLIA, Dec. 8.—Oil opened and closed at $1 40.

English Markets

Ruling prices for the past four market days—The following table shows the quotations per cental at Liverpool for the three previous market days. In the case of wheat highest prices are given.

	Dec. 2.	Dec. 3.	Dec. 6.	Dec. 7.
WHEAT—				
Red Winter	0	0 0	0 0	0 0
No. 1 Nor. Spring	6 3	6 2½	6 2	6 1½
No. 1 Cal	6 10½	6 10½	0 0	0 0
Dec.	6 1½	6 0⅝	6 0	5 10⅞
March	5 10⅛	5 9½	5 9¾	5 9
CORN—				
New	3 10½	3 10¾	3 9¾	3 9¼
Dec.	3 9⅜	3 9½	3 9¾	3 8⅞
March	3 7⅜	3 7⅝	3 7⅞	3 7
May	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0
Flour	19 0¾	19 3	19 3	19 3
Peas	5 10½	5 11	0 0	0 0
Pork	50 0	50 0	0 0	0 0
Lard	27 6	27 6	27 6	0 0
Tallow	29 3	29 3	0 0	19 9
Bacon, light	28 0	28 0	0 0	0 0
Cheese, white	45 0	46 0	0 0	0 0
Cheese, colored	46 0	47 0	0 0	0 0

Live Stock Markets.

EAST BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 7.—Cattle—There was about one load on sale, and with a moderate demand; the feeling was steady for butcher cattle and stockers. Calves were in fair supply, moderate demand and steady at the quoted figures, but few sold up to the outside quotations; choice to extra were quotably $7 and $7 50; good to choice, $6 50 to $7. Sheep and lambs—The offerings were light, 28 loads, about six of which were Canadas; the demand opened fairly active, and from 15c to 25c higher on the top grades; the snow blockade that caused railroads to refuse shipments after noon checked business so that Canada lambs and some natives were held; the basis of Canadas was $5 40 to $5 50 asked; native lambs were quotable at $5 50 to $5 65; good to choice, $5 25 $5 50; common to fair, $5 to $5 25; sheep, choice to extra, $4 25 to $4 40; good to choice, $4 to $4 25; common to fair, $2 50 to $3 50. Hogs—Offerings were 47 loads; the uncertainty of shipping after the storm had blocked the east-bound tracks caused a lull in the business that practically left the matter of price out of the question; heavy hogs were quotable on the best hours of the day at $5 40; mixed, $3 35; Yorkers, $3 30; some lights, $3 25; pigs, $3 25 to $3 30; roughs, $3; stags, $2 50.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, Dec. 5.—Owing to large arrivals of Canadian and Argentine cattle, the market was weak and prices for such broke 1c. The demand was also limited and trade slow. Prices for best States cattle were fairly well maintained, they selling only ¼c lower than last week, at 12c. Choice Canadian and Argentine cattle sold at 10½c. Canadian sheep broke ½c to 1c, selling at 11c, and Argentine 1c to 1½c, at 10c.

Liverpool, Dec. 5.—This market was somewhat demoralized for Canadian stock and prices for cattle declined 1c to 1½c, to 9½c to 10c, but sheep were about steady at 11c.

Messrs. John Olde & Son, live stock salesmen, of London, England, write W. H. Beamen, live stock agent, of the Board of Trade building, Montreal, under date of Nov. 24, as follows: The trade was a little dearer all round today, but especially for South American cattle, which came better; sheep were much dearer. For sale were 1,829 cattle and 3,190 sheep, of which 1,178 States cattle made 5¾d to 6¼d per lb; 162 Canadian sold at 5d to 5¼d; 489 South American brought 5½d; 2,478 South American sheep made 6d per lb; 712 Canadian sold at 5¾d.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Beeves—Receipts, 2,720; opened active; steers and cows a shade higher; bulls and medium cows closed steady; market closed weak on Chicago advices; steers, common to choice, $4 40 to $5 40; oxen and stags, $3 to $4 85; bulls, $2 50 to $3 60; choice and extra fat do, $3 70 to $4 20; cows, $1 80 to $3 80; choice fat do, $4 10 to $4 15. Cable steady. Export, 35 sheep and 1,800 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 1,285; veals dull and weak, except for choice; other calves steady; veals, $4 to $7 50; choice and extra do, $7 75 to $8 50; barnyard calves, $3 to $3 50; western, $3 12½ to $3 25. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 8,029; sheep steady; prime stock scarce and firm; lambs fully 15c higher; sheep, poor to good, $2 50 to $4 25; lambs, ordinary to choice, $5 30 to $6; Canadian lambs, $5 55 to $6. Hogs—Receipts, 8,847; steady at $3 55 to $3 75 for fair to choice hogs.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Strength and activity in cattle today were restricted to choice cattle; other descriptions which were in large supply were slow of sale at a decline of 10c to 15c; beef steers, $3 90 to $4 25; Christmas beeves, $6 to $6 25; choice cattle, $5 50 to $5 75; stockers and feeders, $2 90 to $4 40. Hogs, $3 25 to $4 25; pigs, $3 10 to $3 25. Lambs, $3 70 to $5 40; poor to choice western, $4 80 to $5 35; feeders, $4 50 to $4 75; yearlings, $4 25 to $4 75. Sheep, $2 50 to $4 25; rams, $2 50 to $3 25; western sheep, $3 40 to $4 10; feeders, $3 50 to $3 80. Receipts: Cattle, 27,000; hogs, 58,000; sheep, 16,000.

INGERSOLL PROVES IT

Dodd's Kidney Pills the Only Cure for Bladder Disease.

Ingersoll, Dec. 5.—If there could be the slightest shadow of a doubt about the unfailing efficacy of Dodd's Kidney Pills, in all cases of Kidney and Bladder Disease and Rheumatism, the experience of Mr. Michael Sherlock, of Ingersoll, would positively dispel it for ever.

Mr. Sherlock suffered unceasing tortures from Bladder and Kidney Trouble, aggravated by Rheumatism, for five years. Every remedy he used failed to help him, until he began to take Dodd's Kidney Pills. They cured him quickly, competely and permanently.

Dodd's Kidney Pills should be used by every sufferer from these complaints. They never fail to cure, and are besides, the best tonic, and strengthener known.

WESTERN ONTARIO

A Brantford Carpenter Meets With a Painful Accident.

Thieves at Work in Sarnia—An Enterprising Belle River Farmer—$50 Reward for Poultry Thieves in Tilbury —Fire in a Woodstock Hotel

Brantford Collegiate Institute will have a cadet corps.

The G. T. R. is building a new bridge over Moison Creek, Belle River.

Chatham's death rate for the year ending Dec. 1 was 1.6 per cent.

J. O. Peck and Mrs. F. Jarmin were married at Amherstburg Wednesday.

The Berlin curlers will amalgamate with the Waterloo club this winter.

Patrolman Maitre, Windsor, will undergo an operation this week for appendicitis.

Bothwell ratepayers, by a majority of 90, have decided to put in an electric light plant.

Brantford free library purchased books to the amount of $60, from the late Rev. Dr. Cochrane's library.

Thieves entered the home of Mary Gibson, Salvation Army captain, Sarnia, Monday night, and stole $60 in money.

Tilbury East Council is offering a reward of $50 for the arrest and conviction of poultry thieves operating in that township.

The house of James Mero, a well-to-do farmer about half a mile this side of Tecumseh, was burned at an early hour Sunday morning.

Mr. Henry Hewitt has been appointed United States consul at Brantford, to succeed Mr. F. B. Pollard, who is now living in Chicago.

The Waterloo Musical Society is negotiating with the Berlin Amateur Opera Company for the production of Faust in that town at an early date.

The high and public school boards of Essex are bent on retrenchment and are dispensing with the services of a teacher from each school at the end of this year.

James Sears, a carpenter employed at the new Verity Works, Brantford, fell off a scaffold Monday, and sustained injuries which will lay him up for a few days.

C. P. R. officials estimate that one-third of the Ontario laborers who go to Manitoba to work in the harvest fields every summer remain permanently in the province.

Messrs. J. S. Scarff, of Woodstock and T. H. Race, of Mitchell, have been appointed as delegates to the Western Fair at London from the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association.

A quantity of wood around the stove in the sitting-room of the Arlington Hotel, Woodstock caught fire Wednesday morning and before the blaze was discovered a hole had been burned in the floor. Damage slight.

An enterprising farmer near Belle River, bought one of the cars of wheat which were dumped out in the recent accident on the G. T. R., for $25, and succeeded in gathering up over 500 bushels of marketable grain.

Mrs. Brousseau, of Tilbury East, complained to the magistrate that she had received sundry beatings from her husband and son, and exhibited bruises, but as the alleged offenses were committed just over the county line, no complaint could be taken.

Frank Blain, a carpenter at the Verity Plow Works, Tuesday, lost the index finger of his right hand. He was planing a half-inch board, and bearing down upon it, when the thin lumber suddenly cracked allowing the man's hand to run against the sharp knife. In an instant the forefinger was nipped off close to the hand.

Recently, while Alex. McKercher was driving along the Marthaville side road he met with a most extraordinary and expensive mishap. His horse stepped on one end of a sleigh stake, and the other springing up pierced the poor brute's abdomen, completely disemboweling it, so that its entrails fell on to the road. Mr. McKercher mercifully knocked the unfortunate animal on the head and put an end to its agony. His loss is about $75.

CONVICTED OF MURDER

Oliver Prevost To Be Hanged on St Patrick's Day.

CONVICTED of murder sl J—J—

Port Arthur, Ont., Dec. 8.—The jury in the Prevost murder case yesterday returned a verdict of guilty, and Chief Justice Armour sentenced the prisoner to be hanged on the 17th of March. This will be the first hanging in Port Arthur's history, although there have been several murder trials here.

The crime for which Oliver Prevost has been sentenced was the murder of Carrier and Dalvin at a piggery on Feb. 10, 1898. The bulk of the evidence was of a circumstantial nature, the crown relying principally upon that of Rossana Gautier, the wife of one Gautier, of Valleyfield. She was living with Prevost here at the time of the tragedy.

Her story is that Prevost went out to the piggery on the evening of the 10th, after dark, killed the two men, came back to town, told her so, and then made her go out with him while they ransacked the cabins and brought in, with a mule and sleigh, what plunder there was. Then he afterwards drove the mule back, tied it to a tree, and set fire to the buildings.

One Daust, a brother-in-law of Prevost, swore that the prisoner told him that the woman had shot one of the men, and that he had killed the other.

Prevost was practically the only witness for his own defense. His story was to the effect that the crime was committed by the woman.

MURDER AND SUICIDE BY A BOY.

Clarksville, Tenn., Dec. 8.—City Marshal A. D. Bryant, of McKenzie, was shot in the back of the head three times yesterday, and almost instantly killed while seated in the telegraph office here. The murderer was a boy named Hugh McCall. McCall fled to his home and committed suicide by taking morphine. The cause is that Bryant arrested McCall last Saturday for drunkenness and city law violations.

$100,000 FOR A MATCH.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 8.—The careless handling of a lighted match by an employe of the Standard Oil Company caused a fire yesterday which destroyed the company's works in East Los Angeles. Loss, $100,000, with no insurance.

SEVEN FEET ON THE LEVEL!

A Great Snowfall Reported a Elmira, Michigan.

Elmira, Mich., Dec. 8.—This section is literally buried in snow. For several days past a big storm has raged, and there is now about seven feet of "the beautiful" on the level, with more falling.

About six miles west of Elmira they say it has fallen so deep that it has filled the River Jordan so that teams drive over it, without knowing where the river is.

Other truthful people say it is so deep in some places that it completely covers the forests.

THE AMERICAN PROPOSALS

Reciprocity Offers to Canadians—The Latter Will Make a Counter Proposal.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—It is understood that the session of the joint high commission yesterday brought more definite developments on the important reciprocity question than have been secured heretofore, and that the American side presented a schedule outlining about how far it was possible to go on this subject. Although the commission will authorize no statement, intelligent observers of its work say that the American proposition probably includes concessions on barley, live animals, agricultural products and certain ores, and possibly also some concessions on coal. It is understood not to make concessions on lumber, which is the item on which the Canadian officials have been most desirous of securing reductions. The Canadians will probably submit counter-propositions, and as a result of these definite exchanges, an early agreement or final disagreement is looked forward to at no distant date.

TWO-CENT POSTAGE

For Canada—Mr. Mulock Says It Is in Store.

Sarnia, Dec. 8.—In his speech yesterday in the interests of Dr. Johnston, the Liberal candidate, a significant statement was made by Hon. Mr. Mulock:

"With reference to the 2-cent rate of postage in Canada," said he, "I would say that that is in store for the people of Canada within a reasonable time." (Cheers.) Mr. Mulock held that there was no more powerful factor to promote immigration than the letters of friends in the land to which they have gone, to the old folks at home. This was one of the good results which would follow imperial penny postage. (Applause.)

"BON VOYAGE"

Humorous Incident Anent the Spaniards' Evacuation of Cuba.

Havana, Dec. 8.—The statue of Isabel La Catolica, which stands in the middle of Central Park, in this city, was found this morning holding a valise in one hand and a steamer rug in the other. An immense placard was strung across the back of the statue with the words, "Bon Voyage," inscribed on it.

A NEW GIBRALTAR.

Kingston, Jamaica, Dec. 8.—As part of the scheme of converting Kingston harbor into a great naval depot and dockyard, in view of the construction of the Nicaraguan Canal in the near future, the admiralty authorities have arranged for the purchase of the Greek Pond, at the western extremity of the city. The dockyard, it is said, is to be the largest and best equipped in the British dominions. A naval authority, who has been interviewed on the subject, says that the intention is to make Jamaica "another Gibraltar," commanding the canal, and forming a rallying point for the naval and military forces of the Anglo-American alliance.

CAN STOOP

—AND—

Straighten Up Now.

The Pain in the Back Was So Bad That He Couldn't Do It Before He Took Doan's Kidney Pills.

Lame, painful, aching backs—plenty of them all over Canada.

But they're getting less and less every day since people have begun to find out that all kinds of bad backs are due to kidney derangement, and that Doan's Kidney Pills is the remedy.

Mr. John Macdonald, 120 Patrick street, St. John, N. B., is one of those who never fail to speak a good word for Doan's Kidney Pills, as they cured his aching back and relieved his urinary troubles when everything else failed.

He worked at the lumber business for years, and the heavy lifting, as well as the exposure to cold and wet, brought on a serious complication of kidney troubles. He suffered greatly with pain in his back just over the kidneys, and a burning, smarting sensation in passing water, which amounted to agony.

"I hadn't finished the second box of Doan's Kidney Pills," said Mr. Macdonald, "when the pains all left my back, and I can stoop and straighten up without the slightest difficulty. My urinary trouble disappeared, and today I am feeling stronger and in better health than I have been for years."

That's the way Doan's Kidney Pills always act. They never fail to cure your kidney trouble, and—more than that—they invigorate and strengthen your entire system. Sufferers from Backache, Urinary Trouble, Bladder Weakness, Puffiness of the Feet or under the Eyes, Dizziness, Headaches, Lumbago, Soreness of the Muscles, etc., should not fail to give Doan's Kidney Pills a trial. They'll cure when all else fails.

Sold by all druggists, or sent by mail on receipt of price, 50 cents a box, or three for $1 25. The Doan Kidney Pill Company, Toronto, Ont. Ask for DOAN'S and refuse all others.

DEADLY KISSES

Children Allowed to Kiss a Corpse Contract Diphtheria.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 8. — The state board of health has become much exercised over the alarming condition of affairs that exists in Washington, Warren county, where an epidemic of diphtheria is threatened. Many children were allowed to kiss the corpse of a child of John Cushman, who had died of diphtheria, and who was a favorite at school.

As a result it is reported that several cases of diphtheria have made their appearance.

FATAL RESULT OF A TORONTO FIRE

Miss Helen Power Jumps From a Window and Dies—Miss Barber Dying —Others Narrowly Escape.

Toronto, Dec. 8.—A comparatively insignificant fire in a down-town business block last night resulted in the death of one woman, another was fatally injured, another seriously injured, while several others had narrow escapes. Along the south side of King street, near Bay, run a row of flats, used principally by dressmakers and women employed in tailor shops. The rooms in these flats are heated from the stores beneath, and when last night a fire broke out in the basement of McElroy & McLeod's tailoring establishment, at No. 63½, the flames and smoke found their way in a moment up the hot-air flues. The store was closed for the night. It appears that the flames soon reached the stairway and cut off all access from the upper stories to the street, and a call was made for ladders, which were slow in being produced. Those in the apartments at the time were: Mrs. C. Stedman Fierce, of New York State, manicurist, at 3 King street east; Miss Helen Power, of Toronto, professional nurse; Miss Kate Barber, late of Collingwood, dressmaker, at 3 King street east; Miss Helen Burnett, 145 Borden street, dressmaker; Mrs. Cross, wife of William G. Cross, horse dealer; Miss May Foster, tailoress.

JUMPED TO HER DEATH.

Miss Helen Power was sleeping on the third story. She managed to reach the window, and climbed out on to the sill. Then before she could be rescued she either jumped or fell, and her body struck the icy sidewalk beneath. She was terribly injured, and at 1:30 she died. Miss Power came here from New York about ten years ago. She was well known to the medical profession, but had no relatives here.

RESCUED.

Miss Foster came to a window on the third flat, and, being too terrified or unable because of the smoke to scream, she clapped her hands, and the crowd saw her. Firemen William Crawford and William Shannon, of the Bay and Lombard street sections, ran up a ladder and took the woman from the window.

DYING.

Fireman Crawford and Charles Gordon, the assistant electrician of the department, found Miss Barber lying on a sofa stupefied by the smoke. The flames had just reached her, and her face and breast were burned. She was taken to the Emergency Hospital, and was found to be so seriously injured that her life is despaired of.

AN OLD LADY JUMPED.

Mrs. Fierce, who is between 70 and 80 years of age, jumped from a rear window to the back kitchen, and was considerably injured.

Fireman Charles Dickens dragged Miss Burnett through a window on the first floor, and the remaining inmates escaped by jumping from the back windows to the sheds in the rear.

The pecuniary loss will be comparatively light, probably $1,200 in all. In Miss Barber's room was found her purse with money and an insurance policy in the Calendonian Insurance Company for $400. A gold watch was also found.

PROBABLY A "YELLOW" YARN.

New York, Dec. 8.—The New York Sun publishes a dispatch from Havana which says Admiral Cervera had planned, with the approval of Capt.-Gen. Blanco, to bombard Santiago, when the Americans entered, and slaughter 30,000 non-combatants. This barbarous scheme was to be carried out in revenge for the defeat of the Spanish before Santiago. Diplomatic interference by Great Britain prevented the slaughter.

A BANK CLERK SCARED THE BURGLARS.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 8.—A daring attempt was made by safe-crackers to rob the Bank of British North America, in this city, early yesterday morning. The men were scared away by the night clerk, Fred Salisbury, who appeared on the scene with a revolver. The burglars fled through the back window. There was in the vicinity of $200,000 in the safe.

AMERICAN COAL FOR FRANCE.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—Consul Skinner, at Marseilles, has informed the state department that if American coal companies can supply the right kind of coal at the right price, namely, at about $7 72 per ton delivered into the coal bunkers at Marseilles, they have before them the opportunity for a new and important market. The high price at Marseilles is ascribed to the shortage in the British output owing to the strikes.

HEBREWS WANT THEIR RIGHTS.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 8.—The Hebrew congregations in session here adopted the following resolution presented by the committee on civil and religious rights: "We urge the importance of making every effort towards the enactment of a treaty between the United States Government and that of Russia, whereby the rights of American citizens of Jewish birth shall receive equal recognition with those of all others."

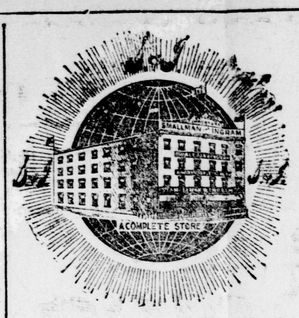
Old England's Flag Vs. Dr. A. W. Chase

The virtues of Dr. Chase's remedies are known the world over, and, like old England's flag, the sun on them never sets.

Dr. Chase's Ointment, Kidney-Liver Pills, Catarrh Cure, Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine and Liver Cure enjoy the confidence of everybody. They have won their way into public favor on merit. Their sterling qualities and high standing and purity have made them the household word all round the world. All dealers sell and recommend them.

The tongue is always mightier than a bullet, though it might not speed as true.

Madrid has now a German school, with 43 pupils and eight teachers.



WEATHER PROBS: Fair and colder.

Those Party Gloves

Should be of the latest style and color. We have a superb line for evening wear—the theater, balls, parties, etc. Everyone who likes real style should see them.

Christmas All Over The Store

Our stock of Xmas goods, fancy articles, handkerchiefs, slippers, furs, notions and all manner of toys are now on sale in our various departments. An early inspection will please us and be profitable to you.

Quick Sales in Shoes.

The sales in our Shoe Department have been so numerous that we are convinced that people will buy at our closing-out prices whether they want their purchases for immediate use or not. Remember this is a genuine closing out sale of everything in our Shoe Department. Prices were never so low. Buy your Xmas gifts here and they won't cost much.

Ladies' Under-Wear.

We are offering some extra values in Ladies Vests and Drawers. Ladies will do well to buy up this line at 50c. One special lot of Vests, worth 65c, also selling at 50c. A complete line of Children's Black Tights, in all sizes, both knee and ankle length, at from 65c to 85c.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM,

149 and 151 Dundas Street.

AMUSEMENTS

AT THE GRAND TONIGHT.

The manner in which "Finnigan's Ball" is being received all along the line this, its fourth season, demonstrates conclusively that it has lost none of its forcible entertaining qualities which have given it such a decided prestige among farce-comedies. When "Finnigan's Ball" was first introduced to the amusement public, four years ago, it immediately jumped into popular favor, and ever since it has occupied an exalted position in the front ranks of up-to-date offerings of a similar nature, and the indications are that it will more than hold its own the present season, and many seasons to come, for that matter.

"JACK AND HIS RETINUE."

"Jack and the Beanstalk" is in the third season of its triumphal career, and is again demonstrating its powers as one of the best drawing attractions on the American stage. It is one of the early bookings at the Grand, its date being Dec. 10, on which day it will be played at matinee and night performances, and will be brought here in complete form, just as given during its long runs in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and other cities. In every detail the production is one of the most remarkable ever seen in this country. Its gorgeous and tasteful costuming, elaborate and beautiful scenic embellishment and really amazing electrical effects have been factors in its success.

EARTHQUAKES.

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 8.—An earthquake shock was felt about 8 o'clock yesterday evening. It was severe enough to cause brick and stone buildings to sway and to break somewhat. So far no real damage is reported.

Santiago de Cuba, Dec. 8.—Santiago experienced a severe earthquake shock Tuesday night, frightening many and destroying a large quantity of crockery. The shock lasted several seconds.

IN OCEAN'S DEEPEST VALES.

There are spots in the ocean where the water is five miles deep. If it is true that the pressure of the water on any body in the water is one pound to the square inch for every two feet of the depth, anything at the bottom of one of the "five-mile holes" would have a pressure about it of 13,200 pounds to every square inch.

There is nothing of human manufacture that would resist such a pressure. That it exists there is no doubt. It is known that the pressure of a well-corked glass bottle at the depth of 300 feet is so great that the water will force its way through the pores of the glass. It is also said that pieces of wood have been weighted and sunk in the sea to such a depth that the tissues have become so condensed that the wood has lost its buoyancy and would never float again. It could not even be made to burn when dry.

Why will you allow a Cough to lacerate your throat or lungs and run the risk of filling a consumptive's grave, when, by the timely use of Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, the pain can be allayed and the danger avoided? This syrup is pleasant to the taste, and unsurpassed for relieving, healing and curing all affections of the throat and lungs, coughs, colds, bronchitis, etc.

When You Wear a



P. D. CORSET

you are satisfied, you look right, you know you feel right.

Superior in quality, fit and workmanship. Tailor cut. Hand made. All sizes and lengths to suit all figures.

At nearly all Drygoods stores. Any dealer can get them for you.

$1 to $30 a pair.

For Sale by Smallman & Ingram.

Pure Food

Is quite as necessary as pure drinking water — the purer the better. Knowing this, why not buy Rolled Oats that you are sure are clean and free from hulls—the cleaner the better for your health?

Tillson's Pan-Dried Rolled Oats

are perfectly cleansed by a new process. But that is not all—to make assurance doubly sure they are recleaned by the same process. But be sure your grocer gives you Tillson's.

The Tillson Co'y, Limited, Tillsonburg, Ont.

EVERETT HOUSE, Union Square, New York.



WM. M. BATES. B. L. M. BATES.

An established hotel under new management and thoroughly abreast of the times. Visitors to New York will find the Everett in the very heart of the shopping district, convenient to places of amusement and readily accessible from all parts of the city. EUROPEAN PLAN. ywt

Mammoth Livery

Hacks, Coupes, Landaus, Busses and Light Livery. Saddle Horses. Sale and Boarding Stable. Open day and night. Phone

A. G. STROYAN —189— Dundas St.

F. H. BUTLER,
STOCK BROKER.
Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or on margin. Send for vest pocket manual. Long distance 'phone.
OFFICES, 15 and 16 Masonic Temple London

TODAY'S MARKETS

Toronto Stock Market.

TORONTO, Dec. 8.

	Ask.	Off.
Montreal	250	240
Ontario	..	114½
Toronto	..	242
Merchants	179	177
Commerce	146	143½
Imperial	213	211½
Dominion	255	253¾
Standard	191	188
Hamilton	188	186½
British America	137	135¾
Western Assurance	175	173½
Consumers' Gas	..	225½
Montreal Gas	204	202¾
Dominion Telegraph	..	133
Northwest Land Company, pref.	55	54
Canada Pacific Railway Stock	84½	84
Commercial Cable Company	186¾	186
Commercial Coupon Bonds	105¼	104½
Com. Registered Bonds	106¾	104¾
Bell Telephone Company	..	170
Bell Telephone, new	..	..
Richelieu and Ontario	100½	99½
Montreal Street Railway	..	..
Toronto Street Railway	106½	105¾
London Street Railway	..	176
London Electric	124¾	123
G. T. R., Gtd.	..	..
G. T. R., Firsts, Pref.	..	75
Dominion Savings and Invest.	..	170
Huron and Erie L. and S.	..	157
Huron and Erie, 20 per cent.	..	..
London and Canada L. and A.	70	111
London Loan	120	..
London and Ontario	80	124
Ontario Loan and Debenture	..	..

Montreal Stock Marke t

MONTREAL, Dec. 8.

	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	84	83¾
Duluth, common	3	2
Duluth, preferred	7	6
Commercial Cable	186¾	186¾
Com. Cable Coupon Bonds	..	102
Commercial Registered Bonds	..	102
Montreal Telegraph	180	176
Richelieu and Ontario	102	100
Montreal Street Railway	284	283½
Montreal St. Railway, new	282	280½
Toronto Railway	105¾	105½
Montreal Gas Company	203½	203¾
Bell Telephone	174	170
Royal Electric	158½	158
Bank of Montreal	250	245
Ontario Bank	..	..
Molsons Bank	205	204
Bank of Toronto	250	245
Merchants' Bank	178	176¾
Merchants' Bank of Halifax	..	180
Quebec Bank	..	129½
Union Bank	125	110
Bank of Commerce	147	140
Northwest Land, pref.	55	53½
Montreal Cotton Co.	160	154
Canada Colored Cotton	75	65
Dominion Cotton	107½	107

Toronto Produce Market.

Toronto, Dec. 8. — Wheat is quiet at 67½c to 68c for red and white west. Manitoba wheat lower at 77c to 77½c for No. 1 hard, Midland. Flour dull; cars of straight roller in barrels, $3 05 to $3 10 west. Millfeed firm at $14 to $16 for shorts and $12 for bran west. Barley steady at 47c to 48c for No. 1, and 45c for No. 2 west. Buckwheat firm at 46c to 47c west. Rye firm at 51c to 52c west. Corn steady at 34c for Canada-yellow west and 42½c for American, Toronto. Oats steady at 27½c to 28c for white west. Peas firm at 62c west. Eggs firm at 20c for new laid; 17c to 18c for fresh gathered and 14c for limed. Butter steady at 13c for choice large rolls and dairy tubs, and 11c to 12c for medium to good. Dressed hogs steady at $5 30 to $5 40 for cars of mixed weights here.

English Markets.

Liverpool, Dec. 8—12:30 p.m.

Wheat—dull; spot No. 1 Cal., 6s 10d to 6s 10¼d; No. 1 red northern spring, 6s 11¼d; spot No. 2 red western winter, no stock.

Corn—American mixed, spot, quiet, old, 3s 9¼d; Oct., 3s 7¾d; Nov., steady, Dec., 3s 8¼d; March, quiet, 3s 8d.

Peas—Canadian, 5s 10½d.

Beef—Dull; Extra India mess, 67s 6d; prime mess, 42s 9d.

Pork—Prime mess, fine western, 50s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs, steady, 35s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, steady, 40 to 45 lbs, 28s; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs, steady, 29s; long clear middles, light, 35 to 38 lbs, steady, 29s 6d; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs, strong, 32s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, steady, 34s.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, dull, 37s.

Lard—Prime western, 27s 3d.

Butter—Finest United States, 88s; good, 65s.

Cheese—American, finest white 45s; do, colored, 45s.

Tallow—Prime city, 19s 6d.

Turpentine spirits—29s.

Rosin—Common, 4s 3d.

Petroleum—Refined, 6½d.

Linseed oil—17s 6d.

Cottonseed oil—Liverpool refined, 14s 9d.

Liverpool, Dec. 8—Closing.

Wheat—Spot, No. 1 red northern spring, firm, 6s 2¼d; No. 2 red western winter, no stocks; No. 1 Cal., 6s 10d to 6s 10½d; No. 1 cash, firm, 5s 2¾d.

Corn—Spot quiet; American mixed, spot, old, steady, 3s 10¾d; futures, quiet, Nov., steady, 3s 11½d; Dec., 3s 9d; Jan., 3s 7½d; March, 3s 7½d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter, steady, 8s.

Peas—Canadian, 5s 11d.

Pork—Firm, prime mess, fine western, 50s; do, medium, western, firm, 47s 6d.

Beef—Prime mess, steady, 62s 6d; extra India mess, steady, 67s 6d; do, medium, western, steady, 47s 6d.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., steady, 34s 6d.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs., firm; 35s; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs, strong, 33s; long clear middles, light, 35 to 38 lbs, easy, 29s; long clear middles, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, easy, 28s; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs, firm, 29s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, dull, 34s 6d.

Shoulders—Square, 12 to 14 lbs, firm, 23s.

Lard—Prime western, firm, 27s 5d.

Butter—Finest American, 88s; good, 65s.

Rosin—Common, steady, 4s 3d.

Cheese—American finest white, firm, 46s; colored, firm, 47s.

Tallow—Prime city, steady, 20s 3d.

Cottonseed oil—Liverpool refined, dull, 14s 9d.

Turpentine spirits—Firm, 29s6d.

Hops—At London (Pacific coast), firm, 45 to 86.

Petroleum—Refined, 6¾d.

Linseed oil—17 6d.

American Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Opening—Wheat, May 65¾c; Dec., 64¼c; July, 64¼c. Corn, July, 34¾c; Dec., 33¾c; May, 34¼c. Oats, May, 29⅝c Pork, May, $9 25. Lard, May, $5 30; Jan., $9 12½. Ribs, Jan. $4 02½; May, $4 77½.

BUFFALO, Dec. 8.—Spring wheat—No. 1 northern, 74½c; No. 2 northern, 71½c; winter wheat, No. 2 red, 72c; No. 1 white, 72c. Corn—No. 2 yellow, 36c; No. 4 yellow, 35c; No. 3 corn, 35c. Oats—No. 2 white, 32c; No. 3 white, 30½c to 31c on track.

DETROIT, Dec. 8.—Wheat—No. 1 white cash, 68¼c; No. 2 red cash and Dec., 68¼c; May, 69¼c.

TOLEDO, Dec. 8.—Wheat—Cash and Dec., 69c; May, 69⅝c. Corn—Cash and Dec., 34¼c; May, 34⅝c. Oats—Cash, 28; May, 27⅝c.

MILWAUKEE, Dec 8.—Wheat—Cash, 66c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Flour—Receipts, 40,243 bbls; sales, 3,100 packages; winter patents, $3 60 to $3 85. Rye flour —Quiet; good to fair, $2 95 to $3 15; fancy, $3 15 to $3 50. Wheat—Receipts, 456,950 bu; sales, 350,000 bu; options declined this morning under liquidation, disappointing cables and favorable crop news; March, 72⅞c to 73 3-16c; May, 70c to 70⅝c; Dec., 71⅝c to 72c. Rye—Dull. Corn—Receipts, 75,075 bu; sales, 30,000 bu; options opened steady on covering, but broke later with wheat; May, 39⅛c to 39¼c; Dec., 39¼c. Oats—Receipts, 45,600 bu; options dull. Butter—Receipts, 2,664 packages; very firm. Cheese—Receipts, 2,901 packages; quiet but firm; large white and colored, 10c. Eggs—Receipts, 2,669 packages; quieter; States and Pennsylvania, 26½c; western, 22c to 24c. Sugar—Raw firm; refined steady. Hops—Firm. Lead—Quiet.

Live Stock Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Hogs—Receipts, 50,000; left over, 5,920; fairly active and steady; light, $3 20 to $3 42½; mixed, $3 25 to $3 45; heavy, $3 25 to $3 45; rough, $3 25 to $3 30; Yorkers, $3 30. Cattle—Receipts, 10,000; steady; beeves, $3 90 to $6; cows and heifers, $2 to $4 70; Texas steers, $3 30 to $4 25; stockers and feeders, $2 80 to $4 40.

Buy a Success
Not An Experiment.
STRONG'S
Baking Powder
has been proved a success. Others have experimented to equal Strong's but have failed.
W. T. Strong & Co.
Chemists and Druggists,
184 Dundas Street, London.
w

WILL HE STAY HERE?

Titusville, Pa., Presbyterians Urge Rev. Robert Johnston to Accept a Call.

On Sunday last a deputation from Titusville, Pa., visited St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, with a view to extending a call to Rev. Robert Johnston, B.D. The visitors attended both services, and were most favorably impressed when they witnessed such a large gathering on so stormy a night. The two sermons were convincing arguments that Mr. Johnston was the man they were looking for, and consequently they urged him to accept a call to the only Presbyterian church in Titusville, with a large and wealthy congregation. The stipend offered is said to have been $3,000, and a free manse. The preacher's reply was that he could not consider the call just now, and gave the deputation no encouragement. The reply has been communicated to the Titusville congregation, which, it is said, has been asked to increase the stipendiary allowance prepartory to again interviewing Mr. Johnston.

LATE SPORTING

Progress of the Six Days Bicycle Race.

Pierce Slightly Ahead—Several Spills, But No One Hurt.

WHEEL.

THE SIX DAYS' SPIN.

New York, Dec. 8.—"Dutchman" Waller was the leader in the six-day bicycle race at the Garden at 7 a.m. today. Waller too the place shortly after 2 o'clock, from Miller, passed the 1,200-mile mark a few minues after half-past four, going at an 18-mile gait, and held this average speed up to ten minutes past six, when he left the track for a rest. By three o'clock Miller was third in the race, Pierce having rushed him, and at seven o'clock Pierce was still getting away from Miller, and gaining on Waller, while the latter slept. By 8 o'clock Pierce was once more at the top of the string. Albert, the long distance walker, climbed away up the list of riders, and at 4 o'clock took second place. Shortly before 6 o'clock he left the track and lost some of his advantage. There were a number of falls during the night. Waller dozed a moment about 4 o'clock, awoke with a start, wobbled, and grabbed Frederick, who was riding at his side. Both fell in a heap and their wheels broke. Teddy Hale fell asleep and dropped from his wheel. He lay for a moment, and then awoke with a start. Jumping up he rubbed his eyes and remounted his wheel. At 8 o'clock Pierce was 37 miles behind the best record, made by Miller last year.

Scores at 10 a.m.: Pierce 1,260, Waller 1,258, Miller 1,256, Albert 1,237, Stevens 1,205, Gimm 1,143, Hale 1,139, Lawson 1,131, Aronson 1,130, Nawn 1,124, Forster 1,048, Schinner 1,031, Joyeux 1,004, Turville 980, Julius 977.

SCORE AT NOON.

New York, Dec. 8.—The score at noon was: Miller, 1,290.2; Waller, 1,289.2; Pierce, 1,285.5; Albert, 1,265.1; Stevens, 1,231; Gimm, 1,174.9; Lawson, 1,154.9; Aronson, 1,150.8; Hale, 1,143.8; Nawn, 1,140.2; Forster, 1,065.3; Schinner, 1,061.7; Joyeux, 1,032; Turville, 1,005; Julius, 998.7.

HOCKEY.

A meeting of all those interested in the City League Hockey Association is called for at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, in the hockey room at the Jubilee Rink.

TWO LIVES LOST IN A HOTEL FIRE.

Wadena, Minn., Dec. 8.—The Central House was burned yesterday morning, and two men lost their lives. Two bodies, burned beyond recognition, have been recovered. They undoubtedly are C. J. Solquist and Frank Austin, who are missing.

Steamship Arrivals.

Dec. 7.	At	From.
Haddon Hull	Halifax	Hamburg
Teutonic	Liverpool	New York
Lucania	Liverpool	Halifax
Majestic	New York	Liverpool
Mesmon	London	Montreal
Montrose	Bristol	Montreal
Dec. 8.	At	From.
Nebraska	New York	Glasgow

The great lung healer is found in that excellent medicine sold as Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup. It soothes and diminishes the sensibility of the membranes of the throat and air passages, and is a sovereign remedy for all coughs, colds, hoarseness, pain or soreness of the chest, bronchitis, etc. be far advanced in consumption.

FAGGED OUT.—None but those who have become fagged out know what a depressed, miserable feeling it is. All strength has gone, and despondency has taken hold of the sufferers. They feel as though there was nothing to live for. There, however, is a cure—one box of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills will do wonders in restoring health and strength. Mandrake and Dandelion are two of the articles entering into the composition of Parmelee's Pills.

LATEST "PROBS"

Toronto, Dec. 8—11 a.m.—Probabilities for the lower lakes region for the next twenty-four hours: Fresh to strong westerly winds; fine, and decidedly colder.

LATE LOCAL ITEMS

—The fire alarm system has been put in shape again.

—Mr. P. Bruce Wallace and bride have returned from their wedding trip.

—One drunk was the only offender at the police court this morning. He was discharged.

—A large crowd of skaters made merry at the Princess Rink last night. The ice was in splendid condition.

—Mrs. H. J. Carter, of this city, has returned home after a pleasant visit to her daughter, Mrs. Wm. White, of Toronto.

—Over 500 seats had been taken before noon today for the Schubert Glee Club concert in the Auditorium tonight. The crowd promises to be a record-breaker.

—The grand entertainment in the Opera House on Monday evening next promises to be a very successful affair. It is in aid of the children's wing of the new hospital.

—St. Thomas Times: Commencing Monday, Dec. 12, the L. E. and D. R. early morning train will leave London at 5:50 a.m. instead of 6 a.m., in order to make early connections out of St. Thomas.

—The imperial penny postage stamps have been received here. They are very handsome. All the portions of the British Empire are marked in red, and Canada bulks large on the map. "We hold a vaster empire than has been" is the inscription.

—Mrs. Elizabeth Twoohey, aged 46, died in the city hospital yesterday from inflammation. She leaves three grown-up daughters, who all reside in this city. The funeral took place this afternoon to Mount Pleasant Cemetery, from her late residence, 18 York street.

—Mr. T. R. Parker, C. P. R. ticket agent here, has received notice that another change in the time card has been made, to take effect Dec. 12. This applies specially to transcontinental lines, but will likely more or less affect local trains.

—All lovers of music should hear Mr. J. M. Sherlock, the celebrated tenor from Toronto, who will sing in Dundas Center Methodist Church next Tuesday evening. Mr. Sherlock will bring his male quartet with him, the most popular musical organization in Toronto.

—The regular sitting of the weekly high court was held at the court house today, Mr. Chancellor Boyd presiding. W. A. Buchner moved on behalf of plaintiff for judgment for possession of a part of lot No. 7, con. 19, West Williams, near Parkhill. Plaintiff proved title to the land, and the order was made.

—Daniel Linden, arrested a few days ago by Detectives Nickle and Egelton, at Bradshaw's Hotel, on the fifth concession, of London township, on the charge of stealing $565 from Alex. McLaughlin, London, is now in the City Hospital. Linden had his feet badly frozen while lying drunk in the snow, before being arrested, and when removed to the jail on Monday this fact was discovered by Dr. Macarthur, who sent the man to the hospital. Amputation of both feet may be necessary.

HE WAS A LONDONER.

The following is from the Herald, a Boston, (Mass.) paper. The deceased was a former resident of London, and left here about six years ago:

"Funeral services over the remains of the late Patrick Callaghan, who was killed on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, were held this morning at St. Vincent's Church, by Rev. Father Brogan. Mass was sung by the regular choir. There were many handsome floral tributes, among them being a wreath five feet high and a massive sickle and sheaf of wheat from his fellow-employes. Delegations were present from several societies. The Democratic Club of ward 13 sent a standing wreath and the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen a brake-wheel of choice flowers."

Split Trees.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

There are few orchards in this section, I fear, which have not suffered from the recent ice and snow storm. Now, all trees that are broken down are not necessarily destroyed. If one half of a tree has gone down on account of a split crotch, or a limb is split down, and lying on the ground, draw them up into place by a pulley, or get help to lift them up. Then attach a binding chain from a strong limb of the broken part to another limb on the opposite side of the tree; have the chain loose, so that you can put a stick in like a binding pole on a load of lumber, and by twisting on that stick you can complete the drawing up of the limb. Then bore a five-eighths hole through two limbs on opposite sides of the tree. Take a measurement of the length, get a half-inch rod made, with a nut and washers at each end, and after this rod is in place, take off the chain, and your tree is very little the worse. This work should be done at once, or as soon as possible, before the wood and bark get set in a bent shape, for, if allowed to get set, the bark will break when raised. If there is even an inch of wood still adhering to the bark, it is enough, although more would be better.

In case it is absolutely necessary to remove an apple tree on account of old age, or for any other cause, never chop it down, as is customary, but dig it up. It is only an hour's work for one man to get up an apple tree, no matter how large. Then there is no trouble with the stump. Another tree can be put in its place, if desired. The idea that a small tree will not grow in the place where a large tree has been removed is not correct. However, a little fresh earth to plant it in is a precaution that it would be well to take Yours truly,

A. C. ATTWOOD,
Evergreen Hill Fruit Farm, Vanneck.

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 remedy to do me good.

There is no fool like an old fool who tries to act like a young fool.

WHAT WILL THEY DO?

Street Railway Company Will Not Accept the New Schedule.

They Have the Mayor's Promise to Support Them.

In Re-establishing Last Winter's Schedule—Council Wants More Cars.

Next Monday is specified as the day for the street car schedule passed by the city council at the last meeting to be put into effect. But, although such is the council's order, the possibility of its being carried out is very remote.

Manager Carr said today: "It is impossible to run the cars according to that schedule."

Asked as to the number of cars which would be required if the schedule were workable, Mr. Carr said: "Twenty-four or twenty-five."

"In a recent letter to the city engineer you stated that the mayor undertook to have last winter's schedule requiring only fifteen cars carried out?"

"Yes," said Mr. Carr, "we have that promise in black and white."

The document, as read to the reporter, stated that the mayor undertook to do all in his power to carry through last winter's schedule. This, the company claims, was one of the conditions on which they were asked to concede the one-third of a cent increase in the men's wages.

It is a peculiar complication. The aldermen are determined to enforce the order. Yet at the first step they are confronted with the mayor's promise.

THE STREET CAR EMPLOYES ANXIOUS.

The street railway employes are naturally anxious as to the outcome. If the mayor's promise is carried out, it means that a number of men will be laid off during the winter.

NEWS OF THE LONDONIAN

Safe Arrival of Forty-Five Out of the Eighty-Eight Men Comprising Her Crew.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 8.—The British steamer Vedamere, which sailed from Liverpool, No. 22, for Baltimore, passed Cape Henry last night, and reported that she had on board 45 of the crew of 88 men of the steamer Londonian.

The Londonian sailed from Boston, on Nov. 15, for London, and was previously reported by a vessel arriving at Liverpool, as having been sighted on her beam ends and abandoned. This is the first news of the whereabouts of the crew. The Londonian undoubtedly went to the bottom of the ocean.

Nothing was said by Capt. Bantlett, of the Vedamere, to indicate the fate of the balance of the crew.

THE LOST.

Boston, Dec. 8.—A dispatch received at the office of the Furness Line Steamship Company just before noon today from Baltimore, announced that Capt. Lee and 24 of the crew of the steamer Londonian, were lost, and that 45 survivors were rescued by the British steamer Vedamere.

Besides Capt. Lee the lost include the first and third officers, and the first and third engineers. Among the saved are 22 cattlemen, including the foremen and 23 of the crew, including the second and fourth officers, and the second and fourth engineers. This is all the knowledge in possession of the company here concerning the saved and lost.

KIPLING ON THE SOUDAN SCHOOL

London, Dec. 8.—The Times publishes a poem by Rudyard Kipling, entitled "Kitchener's School," purporting to be a translation of the song of an Indian Mohammedan addreseed to the Hubshees, or Soudanese. The following three stanzas are typical of the whole:

"Knowing that ye are forfeit by battle, and have no right to live,
He begs for money to bring you learning, and all the English give;
It is their treasure, it is their pleasure, thus are their hearts inclined,
For Allah created the English Mad, the Mahdist of all mankind.

"They do not consider the meaning of things, they consult not creed or clan,
Behold they clap the slave on the back, and behold, he becometh a man,
They terribly carpet the earth with dead, and before their cannon cool,
They walk unarmed by twos and threes to call the living to school

"Certainly they were mad from of old, but I think one new thing,
That the magic whereby they work their magic, wherefrom their fortunes spring,
May be that they show all people their magic, and ask no price in return,
Wherefore, since ye are bond to that magic, O, hubshee, maile haste and lern."

Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What it has done once it will do again.

HIGH-CLASS FURS.....
Fur Garments, Fur Trimmings and smaller Furs are in our stock. All genuine Furs—selected by a buyer who understands every detail in quality and manufacturing.
BELTZ,
Select your Christmas presents early.

PROCEEDINGS HAVE STOPPED

Court of Cassation Interferes in the Picquart Case.

The Peace Treaty About Finished—Spaniards Will Not Cede a Coaling Station in the Carolines to Uncle Sam.

Paris, Dec. 8.—Several of the newspapers here assert that the court of cassation has examined the secret documents in the Dreyfus case, and that the court has also taken the steps necessary to postpone the Picquart court-martial.

Later—The court of cassation this afternoon ordered a stay of proceedings in the Picquart court-martial.

PEACE TREATY FINISHED.

The treaty is finished. Judge Day said: "We have settled all the points upon which there is a possibility of agreement. Only the engrossing remains."

The Spaniards refused to cede the United States a coaling station in the Caroline Islands.

The Madrid papers are disposed to revive the question of the Maine and excite public opinion against the United States on account of the reference made to this subject in President McKinley's message to congress. They contain reports that Senor Montero Rios, president of the Spanish commission, made an impassioned denunciation of President McKinley at the last joint meeting of the commissions, but these reports are practically without foundation.

STRATHROY.

Advertiser Agent, J. D. Meekison.

Strathroy, Dec. 8.—At the last meeting of the town council, Dr. Whitehead and Mr. A. E. Kinder, representing the public library, asked for the usual grant to that institution. On motion of Councilors Healey and Gilles, $75 was granted.

Mr. H. H. Sands has opened a carpenter shop in the premises formerly occupied by Mr. Wm. Gott, Front street.

This (Thursday) evening the second annual banquet of Court Steadfast, No. 8,419, C. O. F., will be held in Mr. R. C. Wilhelm's oyster parlors, Front street.

Dr. G. Henderson has been elected one of the homeopathic representatives to the Medical Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario for the ensuing year. The doctor has filled this position continuously since 1875.

At the last regular meeting of Beaver Lodge, No. 83, the following officers were elected for the ensuing Masonic year: (W. M., Wor. Bro. John Robertson; S. W., Bro. F. W. Atkinson; J. W., Bro. R. A. Wilmott; treasurer, Rt. Wor. Bro. J. P. Whitehead; secretary, Wor. Bro. R. F. Richardson; chaplain, Bro. Jas. H. English; tyler, Bro. Geo. Graham; auditors, Wor. Bro. W. J. Seed and Bro. W. A. Armstrong.

Anniversary services will be held next Sunday in the Front Street Methodist Church; Rev. Dr. Saunders, of Dundas Street Methodist Church, London, will preach both morning and evening. On the following Monday evening the annual congregational tea, under the auspices of the league, will be given. The members of the congregation are expected to come and bring their baskets. The tea will be given from 6 to 8, after which the Rev. Dr. Saunders, of London, will give an address on "Cranks."

Miss Bella Mitchell, of Knapdale, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Oliva Gough, Metcalfe street.

The meeting of the Women's Christian Association was held in the parish rooms of St. John's Church on Wednesday afternoon last, when the arrangements for the Christmas dinner to the inmates of the House of Refuge, were made. The thankoffering collection from St. Andrew's C. E. Society was also kindly acknowledged.

The meeting of the Y. P. Society last Tuesday evening was well attended, in spite of the stormy weather. An interesting paper on "The French Explorer, La Salle," was read by Mr. H. Pope. Vocal selections were rendered by Miss Davis and Mrs. Phillips, and a piano solo was well rendered by Miss Kinder.

LONDON'S LUNATIC ASYLUMS FULL.

[From the London Critic.]

I learn with less astonishment than regret from the evidence given in a coroner's court that the lunatic asylums of Great Britain are absolutely full up. At the beginning of this month a man named Beeson applied to the master of the Southwark workhouse for help, "as people were threatening to burn or hang him." On the 15th he was certified as insane by a magistrate, but the same afternoon broke his neck in a quadrangle appropriately known as the insane exercise yard.

In the evidence it transpired that there was not room for a single patient in any London asylum, nor for that matter in any country asylum, even as far away as the Isle of Wight. A juror was informed that it often took two or three weeks to secure a vacancy. I had no idea that the competition was so keen, or, rather, the ecommodation so inadequate.

The United States transport Panama, from Santiago and Havana, about whose safety fears were entertained, has arrived at New York. She has many sick soldiers on board, and the bodies of 15 who died.

Children Cry for CASTORIA.
Children Cry for CASTORIA.
CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.
Children Cry for CASTORIA.

"What's in a Name?"
MONSOON
A Name That Means Something.

Extract from a letter from Ceylon, India, just received by the Monsoon Tea Co.:

"The Monsoon rains have come, and all tropical vegetation has burst into fresh life and vigor. The sap is rising, the new growth on the tea bushes is soft and succulent, the delicate green of the young leaves, glistening in the hot sun between the showers, delights the planter's heart—for it is Monsoon time, when the finest and richest liquoring teas are plucked and manufactured."

Our Teas Are
MONSOON TEAS
Direct From the Growers.
Packed in Sealed Lead Packets and Sold at Grocers at 25c, 30c, 40c, 50c and 60c.

$24 Minus $3.60
Leaves $20.40

A suit of clothes that formerly cost $24 can be bought for $20 40, if you buy it now while our discount sale is on; and everything else equally cheap. Every garment will be made up in first-class style, with the best of trimmings. We are offering this discount merely to reduce the balance of our Fall and Winter stock. No matter what you want—whether an Overcoat, Suit, a Fancy Vest, or a pair of Trousers—it will pay you to give us a call.

O. LABELLE,
Merchant Tailor, - - 372 Richmond St.
TELEPHONE 1027.
2 bi ywt

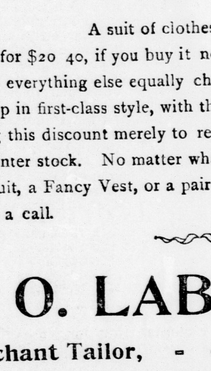
Liberia is the only more or less civilized country where clocks are almost entirely dispensed with. The sun rises exactly at 6 a.m. and sets at 6 p.m. throughout the year, and is vertically overhead at noon.

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 must substantial claim to public confidence.



All furnished rooms, servants wanted, houses to let, for sale, etc., advertisements are inserted in both editions of The Advertiser without extra charge. Get the best results.

WEATHER STRIP
—For Windows, 1c per Foot.
—For Doors, 2c per Foot.



Self Cork Pullers, 25c each
Cowan's Cash Hardware,
127 Dundas Street.

THE LIVERPOOL & LONDON & GLOBE.
Canada Branch, Montreal.
Assets.....$58,000,000
Fire Losses Paid Since 1803, $169,017,187
EDWARD TOWE & CO., general agents. Office, over Canadian Bank of Commerce, London. Funds to loan, 5 per cent. Phone 699.

A neat little brush is attached to the tail of the glowworm, and it is used to keep clean that part of the insect from which the light gleams so as to make it more distinctly visible.

THERE'S NO TIME
like the present to have the repairing round your house done. We do all kinds of plumbing and electrical work. Charges moderate.
F. H. LEIGH,
Electrician and Plumber, 505 Richmond Stree Opposite R. C. Church.

GET YOUR NEXT SUIT AT
WM. SLATER'S
581-3 Richmond St.,
And you will save a few dollars Come up and we'll explain how.

Skelley's Patent Ball Cock...
If attached to your closet will save many a plumber's bill. This Cock is absolutely seatless and cannot leak. 243 Dundas street.

ASIDE FROM
the saving of money, that there is in buying GOOD KOAL, there is the pleasure and comfort of having a good FIRE giving sufficient heat and freedom from trouble in the management of your stove or furnace.
It is our earnest endeavor to supply the quality that will give such results.
Try Our Koal. Daly

Home, Sweet Home
One of its chief charms that "hallow us there" is the cheerful, glowing grate fire that makes one's "ain fireside" a spot to spend the long winter evenings in happiness with their loved ones. If you want the fire glowing, bright and lasting, without frequent replenishing, buy your coal from the high-grade stock of coal that is kept clean and well sheltered at our yards.
Cameron's
Office—Hiscox Building.
Yard—Burwell street at G. T. R.

What Fever Means.

Fever is a system of physical housecleaning. It is the method adopted by nature to burn up the poisonous materials in the body. The germs of consumption are often thrown off in this way, but the system is frequently unequal to the trying ordeal. Nature should be assisted by healthful diet and clothing, and above all by the administration of Shiloh's Consumption Cure, the acknowledged standard remedy for consumption for over fifty years.



ALEX. LEWIS, of Frogmore, La., says: "Some time ago I suffered terribly from a hacking cough, and the doctor said I would get consumption if I let it run on. I commenced taking Shiloh's Consumption Cure regularly, and am now completely recovered."

Shiloh's Consumption Cure is sold by all druggists, under a guarantee that the purchase money will be refunded in case of failure. 25c., 50c. and $1 a bottle throughout the United States and Canada. In England, 1s. 2d., 2s. 3d. and 4s. 6d.

THE QUEEN OF THE SEASON

Never yet had Lady Vivien deliberately striven to win a heart. Alas! that the fascination of a fair face should be so great, while real worth is uncared for! Yet so it was; hearts had been but too readily offered for her acceptance, and when a wooer had been blandly but firmly rejected, she had always been able to say to herself, "It is not my fault that he has to endure this disappointment. I cannot help it if he was so egotistical as to think that his admiration was worth more to me than what I received from other and better men."

She had been gratified by the homage offered her; she had dressed, sang, smiled to secure it, but only as the incense due to her beauty and her rank. Never till now had she said to herself: "I will not rest till he has confessed that he loves me; till I have revenged myself for every slight he has inflicted on me; till his pride is under my foot, and I can make him bow his haughty head, and do whatever I choose to demand."

It was a bold determination, and she had no gleam of hope to work on save those few passionately-spoken words when she lay before him fainting with weakness, and apparently unconscious; but Vivien was a passionate and willful girl, ready to risk or dare anything rather than endure the stinging sense of such mortification as Sir Innis' coolness often caused her.

He was cool still in spite of his kindness. He was the first to see when she wanted anything; the first to hasten to her assistance, if she let her book fall, or her pillows required altering; but then there was none of the empressement of the lover in his manner, nor could her thanks, however softly murmured, or however prettily they were seconded by her grateful glances, cause the slightest change to pass over his imperturbable features. If she were ever so gentle and winning, his pulses did not seem to quicken, nor did his eye rest more tenderly upon her; and if she grew impatient and spoke to him peevishly, he only raised his shoulders and his eyebrows a little and strolled away, to return when she was in a more placable mood.

"He must have lost his heart before he came here," she decided one day, but when she hinted this in a careless fashion to her brother it was promptly negatived.

"Hatherfield a victim to the blind god! Not he, indeed. If he had formed an attachment he is too loyal to be philandering here with Cressy and the Estridges; he would be at the feet of his lady-love. Besides, he frankly told me not long since that he had not found the fair dove, fond dove, etc., who is destined to be his beauteous bride."

"It's my opinion that he is one of those intensely egotistical men who are incapable of feeling affection for anyone but themselves," Vivien exclaimed, but Aymer had ceased to testify any annoyance at her strictures on his friend.

"If you are right, what a happy fellow he must be! What aches, and pains, and miserable moments he will be spared! I wish he would teach me his secret. I'm too impressionable myself. But I'm afraid talking so much is not good for you, Vivien, dear; your face is quite flushed."

"With vexation at your ridiculous speeches," she retorted.

"Is that all? Then I'll release you of my presence. Here's Hatherfield—talk of the angels, etc.—he shall be my substitute. Innis, my dear fellow, come and try whether you can amuse this poor, dear invalid, and win sweeter words for your pains than she has been giving me. I am dismissed as not worth listening to."

Sir Innis, who had been walking, came forward directly, and put into Vivien's hand the bunch of snowdrops he had brought in with him.

"Aymer does not give me much encouragement to undertake the office he offers me," he said, pleasantly. "If he, with his fund of ready wit and good humor, cannot find something entertaining to tell you, what success am I likely to have in my endeavors?"

"Please don't talk as if I were a child," said Vivien, plaintively. "Aymer's high spirits are rather overpowering when one's head aches oppressively, and I believe he provoked me into calling him absurd, but I did not wish him to trouble you to take his place."

"It will neither trouble me to talk nor to keep silence. I have had some experience with invalids."

"Oh, don't call me that. I am quite tired of seeing everyone put on a sympathetic look as soon as they enter the room, and try to walk more softly, and lower their voices."

"I was merely going to observe that I know how easily the nerves are acted upon when we are too weak to do anything but lie still and endure whatever our well-meaning but often mistaken friends inflict upon us; so pray do not hesitate to order me out of the room if I am in your way."

"Thanks; but I had rather you stayed, unless it wearies you. I am afraid I am very exacting."

Vivien looked up with a penitent air as she said this, but she bit her lip, for the polite disclaimer to expected to hear was not spoken. Sir Innis merely bowed, as if the remark were unanswerable.

"It is the first time since my childhood that I have been really ill," she went on; "and I suppose you will say that I ought to congratulate myself on that fact?"

"I don't know. There are lessons of endurance learned on a sick bed that are often of inestimable value to us."

"And you think that I stand in need of such lessons?"

"I was speaking in general terms, Lady Vivien. Pray, do not attach a signification to my words that they were not intended to convey."

"Did you think me in danger that evening my folly was so sharply punished?" she demanded, presently. "I fancied you were rather uneasy about me, weren't you?"

"So much so that I scarcely know what I did or said. If I shocked you with my incoherent expressions, please impute them to the true cause—my anxiety lest medical aid should not arrive in time."

Again Vivien's lip was compressed.

"It would have been a great shock to Aymer if anything had happened to me. Perhaps it was of him you were thinking?"

"It was of him I thought," Sir Innis quietly assented; and Vivien, finding that he said no more, turned restlessly upon her couch.

"I shall grow nervous and feverish if I lie here and recall such horrors; let us talk of something else. After all, I will play the child, so amuse me, s'il vous plait, monsieur."

"Willingly, but how? Shall I tell you a fairy story, or would you prefer a tale with a moral, or shall I read to you?"

Vivien made a petite movement of disgust.

"Or play noughts and crosses on a slate with me, or birds, beasts and fishes? This is making a baby of me with a vengeance. Are you at the end of your resources? Have you nothing better to propose?"

"I am afraid not, for I heard you say yesterday that you were tired of chess, and considered ecarte and besique detestable."

"Talk to me of yourself, Sir Innis," she said, imperiously. "You have been a great traveler; tell me some of your adventures."

"With pleasure. Shall I illustrate them with some sketches from my folio? My descriptive powers are not very great, but with the aid of a few photographs and drawings I may be able to bring before you more vividly the places of which I shall speak."

He went in search of the portfolio, and Vivien sat up to examine its contents, for she had an idea that here she might find some clue to the inner life of the draughtsman.

"You sketch very unequally, Sir Innis," she observed. "Here are half a dozen views drawn with a vigorous pencil, certainly, but not to be named beside this scene near Chamouni."

"That is not mine," he frankly avowed. "It was painted for me by a young artist whose acquaintance I made while in Switzerland."

"You should advise him to come to London; such pictures as he can paint would surely obtain universal admiration. But perhaps it is his love of his art that keeps him on the Continent?"

"No," replied Sir Innis, speaking with great deliberation, "it is not that. It is a foolish passion for a lady whose affections he is afraid he can never hope to win, which has made him a wanderer in other lands for the last two or three years."

"How very romantic," exclaimed Vivien. "One does not often hear such a love story in this matter-of-fact nineteenth century."

"You do not regret that, do you?" asked Sir Innis. "Surely this friend of mine is wasting his life and his talents when he moons about solitary places, only working by fits and starts, and making himself miserable because he cannot have the toy he sighs for."

"How flattering it is to hear one of my sex contemptuously spoken of as a toy."

[To be Continued.]

Telephone 485.

New Roquefort ...Cheese

JUST ARRIVED.

Fitzgerald, Scandrett & Co

168 DUNDAS ST.

WE GIVE In Exchange for TRADING STAMPS

FREE Medical Treatment FOR Weak Men

Who are Willing to Pay When Convinced of Cure.



A scientific combined medical and mechanical cure has been discovered for "Weakness of Men." The proprietors announce that they will send it on trial—remedies and appliance—without advance payment—to any honest man. If not all that is claimed—all you wish—send it back—that ends it—pay nothing!

This combined treatment cures quickly, thoroughly, and forever all effects of early evil habits, later excesses, overwork, worry, etc. It creates health, strength, vitality, sustaining powers, and restores weak and undeveloped portions of body to natural dimensions and functions.

Any man writing in earnest will receive description and references in a plain sealed envelope. Professional confidence. No C.O.D. deception nor imposition of any nature. A national reputation backs this offer. Address

Erie Medical Co., Buffalo, N.Y.

THE ONTARIO BEEKEEPERS

Annual Meeting of the Association at Guelph—Interesting Papers Presented.

Guelph, Dec. 7.—The Ontario Beekeepers' Association met at the city hall, Guelph, yesterday, with the president, Mr. B. Holmes, in the chair. In his address he congratulated the members of the association on the favorable season through which they had just passed, the honey harvest generally being a good one, although some localities reported a very low average yield. He said the association had made good progress during the year, and was doing good work in advancing the interests of the beekeepers. Mr. Holmes urged those present to do all in their power to increase the membership of the association and to loyally support the organization. In concluding his address Mr. Holmes said: "The inspector of apiaries has, so far as I have been able to learn, attended to the work in connection with his department in a manner which has been quite satisfactory to all concerned. His report will, however, be submitted for your consideration. The present price of honey, with the slightly downward tendency incident to the harvesting of a good crop, will probably have a discouraging effect upon some of the beekeepers of this province.

The history of the butter and cheese industry in this country would certainly be an interesting and profitable study for all such. When the price on cheese commenced to decline the dairymen did not for a moment entertain the thought of giving up the business. On the contrary, however, they decided to keep a large number of cows, and to introduce new systems of reeding, with a view to increasing the yield of milk per cow, and the result with the up-to-date dairyman is that the average yield of milk per cow has been doubled, and in many instances more than doubled. The dairymen did not give up because of low prices, and may we not profit by a study of their movements? Following their example we will keep a greater number of colonies of the very best bees that money can buy, sparing no pains nor expenses to make the most of the bee pasturage in our various localities, and thus keeping pace and co-operation with the dairymen. We will do our part in making this fair Canada of ours what it was originally intended to be, 'a land flowing with milk and honey.'"

This was followed by a paper by Mr. H. G. Sibbald, Cooksville, on the subject of "Spring Management." Mr. Sibbald advocated setting bees out early, about March 15, putting on the old stand, examining them as little as possible; he did this in the cellar; and all clean and in good shape were left alone. Light colonies were marked when setting out. He objected to spreading the brood of the hive, and favored clipping queens' wings. Mr. D. W. Heise, Bethesda, indorsed Mr. Sibbald's paper. Messrs. Holtermann, McEvoy, Gemmel, Post, Hall, Boomer, Atkinson, Evans, Pickett and others followed in a long discussion.

Mr. W. J. Brown, Chard, read a paper on the subject of "Summer Management." Mr. Brown went through the entire season, giving methods of management. Mr. James Armstrong, Cheapside, opened up the discussion, followed by Messrs. Jacob Alpaugh, J. K. Darling, J. W. Sparling, and others.

In the evening Mr. W. C. Hutchinson, of Flint, Michigan, read a capital paper on "Management in Swarming Season," in which he gave a great deal of practical information in regard to this important part of the beekeeper's work. An animated and useful discussion of the paper followed.

The subject of judging honey at exhibitions was then informally discussed, as Mr. James Fixture, of the experimental farm, Ottawa, who was down on the programme to give the results of some experiments on wintering bees, is too ill to be present.

GLEN OAK.

Glen Oak, Dec. 8.—Quite a number of young cattle died in this locality lately, especially calves, the animals not showing much signs of sickness till found dead. In some cases a lameness appears in the shoulder before the unknown disease takes them off.

DORCHESTER STATION.

Dorchester Station, Dec. 7.—William Capstick, who keeps a drygoods and grocery store, discovered a burglar in his store one night, about 10 o'clock. The intruder made a dash for his liberty by removing the bar of the door and tearing the fastenings of the storm door from its moorings, and escaped, but was subsequently located by Mr. Pooke, the night operator, and handed over to Mr. Capstick, together with the contraband stuff, including a box of cigars, tobacco, cheese, etc. He is held on charges of theft and insanity.

Rev. E. H. Sawers, of Wilton Grove, the popular divine, preached the anniversary services in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday to appreciative assemblages. The anniversary tea meeting on Monday evening proved to be a pronounced success. The menu was served in the spacious basement by the generous ladies of the congregation. Rev. Malcolm Kay, pastor, presided. G. N. Crooker, baritone, captivated the entire audience. Miss Galloway, contralto, of Ingersoll, and W. H. Price, tenor soloist, of Ingersoll, sang with fine effect. Miss Capenter, of London, gave a number of recitations. Stirring and appropriate addresses were given by Rev. Mr. Mahan, of the village, and Rev. John Currie, of Belmont, and Rev. E. H. Sawers, of Wilton Grove, the latter of whom a number of the ladies desired your correspondent to specially mention. The offerings of the people and receipts of tea meeting totaled about $100.

Charles Sifton, of North Oxford, succumbed to illness superinduced by a fall, on Friday, Dec. 2, aged 79 years. The deceased was a native of Tipperary county, Ireland. He quit the land of the shamrock when a lad of 12 years, and settled in London township for a few years, going thence to Malahide township. He pitched his tent in North Oxford in 1860, and had lived there continuously ever since. He married Jane Carpenter, and had eight children, of whom there are living: Mrs. (Dr.) Graham, of this village; Dr. J. W. Sifton, of Comber; Josiah Sifton, of Thamesford, and Dr. James Sifton, of Iowa. The interment took place to the Banner cemetery on Sunday, when Rev. A. K. Birk, of Stratford, and Rev. Mr. Millan, of Thamesford, conducted the funeral services. The casket was borne by Messrs. Wm. C. McCarty, Joseph Cawthorpe, Samuel Murray, Judge, Eckert and Thomas Neely.

Mrs. D. Grey, of Ailsa Craig, is a guest of Mrs. James Nichol.

BELMONT.

Belmont, Dec. 1.—The tea meeting held in the Methodist Church on Nov. 30, in honor of the introduction of the new acetylene gas lights into the church, passed off most successfully. People began arriving shortly after 6 o'clock, and soon the basement of the church, where the refreshments were served, was a scene of bustle and activity. After attending to the wants of the inner man, the people went up to the auditorium, which was filled to the doors when the programme was commenced at 8:30. Most of the entertainment part was furnished by the Eckart family, of Thamesford, who provided songs, recitations and bell music, the latter being very heartily applauded. Speeches were made during the evening by Rev. H. W. Crews, of St. Thomas, and Rev. J. Currie, of this village. Rev. W. Quance officiated as chairman. Proceeds, $81.

Bro. Sparkman, aided by D. D. H. C. R. Finch, organized a court of the Canadian Order of Foresters on Friday last. It promises to be the leading fraternal society of the village.

Messrs. Strachan & Procuniar, carriage builders, had a large frame building moved on sleighs from Nilestown and placed beside the blacksmith shop on Saturday, to be used as a carriage and paint shop.

Fred Mohr has been awarded the contract for painting the dwelling of James Thompson.

Rev. George Fowler is recuperating at the home of John D. Thompson.



Some people in the world persist in clinging to old methods. There are men who still use a forked stick in place of a modern plow. There are also men, who, when they are troubled with a disordered stomach or liver, resort to the old-fashioned violent remedies that rack and rend the whole body, and while they give temporary relief, in the long run do the entire system a great amount of harm.

Modern science has discovered remedies infinitely superior to these old-fashioned drugs, that do their work by promoting the natural processes of excretion and secretion and gently correcting all circulatory disturbances. When a man feels generally out of sorts, when he loses sleep at night, when he gets up headachey and with a bad taste in his mouth in the morning, when he feels dull and lethargic all day, when his appetite is poor and his food distresses him, when work comes hard and recreation is an impossibility, that man, though he may not believe it, is a pretty sick man. He is on the road to consumption, nervous prostration, malaria, or some serious blood disease. In cases of this description a man should resort at once to Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It is the best medicine for a weak stomach, impaired digestion and disordered liver. It is the great blood-maker and purifier, flesh-builder and nerve tonic. It cures 98 per cent. of all cases of consumption, bronchitis, lingering coughs and kindred ailments. Thousands have testified to its marvelous merits. It is a modern, scientific medicine that aids without goading nature, and that has stood the test for thirty years. Medicine dealers sell it.

Dr. Pierce's Pellets cure constipation.

GLANWORTH.

Glanworth, Dec. 5.—Charles Nichol, of Brantford, has purchased the drygoods, grocery business and good-will of Colin McPherson, V.S.

Plans and specifications are being prepared for the erection of an office for Dr. Nichol.

Messrs. Thomas Campbell and Duncan McColl were elected elders in the South Westminster Presbyterian Church, and they will be designated on the 16th.

Adam Govenlock has returned from North Dakota after an absence of about a year.

Substantial aid was meted out by the North Westminster Presbyterian Church and St. Andrew's last Sabbath, to supplement the efforts of the congregation of Merritton, whose church fell a prey to a cyclone recently.

Rev. Malcolm Kay, of Dorchester Station, filled the pulpits of North Westminster and St. Andrew's last Sabbath with acceptance.

Elder John Lawson has quit the land o' the thistle, and he is expected to arrive this week.

Gratifying Improvement.

My face was covered with pimples and blackheads when I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, but after the use of this medicine a short time I was entirely cured. I cannot recommend it too highly since it has done so much for me. May Ryan, North street, Oungah, Ont.

HOOD'S PILLS are the only pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla. 25c. b

About the only difference between marbles and billiards is in the age of the players.

The Medical Profession Recommend Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment.

Dr. C. M. Harlan, writing in the American Journal of Health, Feb. 10, says: "Among the proprietary medicines deserving recognition is Dr. Chase's Ointment, as a remedy for Piles, Eczematic skin eruptions of all kinds, for which it has been used with marked success and has effected remarkable cures in many obstinate cases which seem to baffle the skillful medical attendant."

The germs of consumption are everywhere.

There is no way but to fight them.

If there is a history of weak lungs in the family, this fight must be constant and vigorous.

You must strike the disease, or it will strike you.

At the very first sign of failing health take Scott's Emulsion of Cod-liver Oil with Hypophosphites.

It gives the body power to resist the germs of consumption.

50c. and $1.00, all druggists.

SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, Toronto.

A Word to Women

Very few clothes are discarded because they are actually worn out. They are thrown aside because you get "tired of them." You want something new or different and it costs a good deal of money to buy new things.

Why don't you take those discarded clothes which are in your closets and bureau drawers, and make them new with

Maypole Soap

Dyes any Colour



Maypole Soap cleanses and dyes at one operation. It dyes any material any color—from sombre black to the most brilliant hues of the rainbow. An ordinary wash-bowl is all that is required for small garments.

Maypole Soap does not streak or crock the fabric. Anybody can use it. It multiplies your wardrobe at almost no cost. Your children can be clothed with the material in your cast-away garments, made new with **Maypole Soap.**

The best druggists and grocers sell it. Black, 15 cents a cake. All other colors, 10c. Better send for our free illustrated booklet that tells all about home dyeing.

ARTHUR P. TIPPET & CO., Managers — Canadian Depot: 8 Place Royale, MONTREAL.

ALWAYS Use E. B. EDDY'S Matches. BUY THE BEST.

Oysters and Hot Dinners, 20c

Lunches served at all prices. Cooked ham always on hand.

JOHN FRIEND, 117 Dundas St

....THE....

LONDON LIFE

Insurance Company.

Head Office, - London, Ont.

Government Deposit.....$ 60,000
Invested Assets, over.....$700,000

John McClary, President. A. O. Jeffery, Vice-President.

Ordinary, Whole Life, Limited Payment Life and Endowment Policies issued on as favorable terms as by other first-class companies. Also guaranteed 5 Per Cent Income Bonds, than which no more advantageous plan of insurance has ever been devised. Full particulars from any agent of the company. Money to loan on real estate security at lowest current rates of interest.

J. G. RICHTER, Manager.

92bu eod

BLOOD POISON

HAVE YOU Sore Throat, Pimples, Copper Colored Spots, Aches, Old Sore Ulcers in Mouth, Hair Falling? Write Cook Remedy Co., 1,637 Masonic Temple, Chicago, Ill., for proofs of cures. Capital $100,000. Worst cases cured in 15 to 35 days 500-page book free.

Navigation and Railways

WHITE STAR LINE

Royal and United States Mail Steamers for Queenstown and Liverpool.

*MAJESTIC.....Dec. 13, noon
CYMRIC.....Dec. 14, noon
GERMANIC.....Dec. 21, noon
*TEUTONIC.....Dec. 28, noon
BRITANNIC.....Jan. 4, noon

*Superior second-cabin accommodation on these steamers.

Saloon rates—On Teutonic and Majestic, $75 and upwards; second cabin rates, Majestic and Teutonic, $42 50 and upwards; Adriatic, $37 50 and upwards, according to location of berth. Round trips at reduced rates. Saloon rates on Germanic and Britannic, $60 and upwards. Steerage at lowest rates. Company's office, No. 9 Broadway, New York.

For further information apply to

EDWARD DE LA HOOKE

SOLE AGENT FOR LONDON.

Office—"Clock" corner Richmond and Dundas. ywt

A Mortgage Protected By a Christmas Gift!

Your Wife and Family Hold a Mortgage Against You

for their food, clothing and education. Your death may deprive them of their rights and cause much inconvenience, loss and even suffering. A Policy in THE NORTHERN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY will PROTECT THEM, SAVE YOU MUCH ANXIETY and ADD YEARS TO YOUR OWN LIFE. Don't neglect it. Make this your CHRISTMAS GIFT. Conditions and rates liberal.

HEAD OFFICE—TEMPLE BUILDING, LONDON

HON. DAVID MILLS, Minister of Justice, PRESIDENT. JOHN MILNE, MANAGER. 6g ywt

THE EUROPEAN SHOULDER BRACES

are the best to expand the chest and lungs. Made to order at 280½ Dundas street, between Waterloo and Wellington streets. Prices range from 65c to $1 50. Ladies favoring Mrs. Webb with these orders will receive good value and satisfaction.

Navigation and Railways

ALLAN LINE

Royal Mail Steamships, Liverpool, Calling at Rimouski and Moville.

From Portland.
*MONGOLIAN.....Dec. 17, 9 a.m.
*NUMIDIAN.....Dec. 31
From St. John. From Halifax.
LAURENTIAN.....Dec. 21, 1 p.m. Dec. 22
From New York.
STATE OF NEBRASKA.....Dec. 14, 10 a.m.

*Do not call at Moville.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

First cabin, Derry and Liverpool, $55 and upwards; return, $100 and upwards. Second cabin, Liverpool, Derry, London, $25; return, $66 50. Steerage, Liverpool, Derry, Belfast, Glasgow, London, everything found, $22 50 and $23 50.

Glasgow-New York service — Cabin—$47 25 and upwards; return, $89 75 and upwards; second cabin, $32 50; return, $61 75; steerage, $23 50.

AGENTS—E. De la Hooke, "Clock," corner Richmond and Dundas. Thomas R. Parker, southwest corner of Richmond and Dundas streets, and F. B. Clarke, 416 Richmond street.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM

FOR CHICAGO AND ALL POINTS WEST.

FOR NEW YORK AND ALL POINTS EAST.

TAKE THE Great Double-Track Highway.

Offices—"Clock" corner Richmond and Dundas streets. E. De la Hooke, city agent, and G. T. R. Depot.

CPR CPR CPR CPR CPR CPR CPR

CANADIAN PACIFIC RY

CPR CANADA'S CPR
CPR COLOSSAL CPR
CPR CONCERN. CPR
CPR CPR
CPR The Canadian Pacific Railway CPR
CPR and Steamship Lines comprise a CPR
CPR mileage of over 23,000. They al- CPR
CPR most circle the globe. They were CPR
CPR constructed to be large. The CPR
CPR great feature of the lines pre- CPR
CPR dominates in every detail of CPR
CPR their operation. Whether mak- CPR
CPR ing a trip of 5 or 25,000 miles, the CPR
CPR Canadian Pacific can comfort- CPR
CPR ably accommodate you. CPR
CPR C. E. McPHERSON, Asst. Gen. CPR
CPR Pass. Agent, 1 King street East, CPR
CPR Toronto. CPR
CPR THOS. R. PARKER, City CPR
CPR Pass. Agent, 161 Dundas street, CPR
CPR corner of Richmond. CPR
CPR CPR CPR CPR CPR CPR CPR

Navigation and Railways.

Intercolonial Railway OF CANADA

The direct Route between the West and all points on the Lower St. Lawrence and Baie des Chaleurs, Province of Quebec; also for New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward and Cape Breton Islands, Newfoundland and St. Pierre.

Express trains leave Montreal and Halifax daily (Sunday excepted) and run through without change between these points.

The through express train cars of the Intercolonial Railway are brilliantly lighted by electricity, and heated by steam from the locomotive, thus greatly increasing the comfort and safety of travelers.

Comfortable and elegant buffet, sleeping and day cars are run on all through express trains.

The popular summer sea bathing and fishing resorts of Canada are all along the Intercolonial, or are reached by that route.

Canadian-European Mail and Passenger Route.

Passengers for Great Britain and the Continent can leave Montreal Tuesday morning and join outward Mail Steamers at St. John on Wednesday, or they can leave Montreal on Wednesday morning and join outward Mail Steamers at Halifax on Thursday.

The attention of shippers is directed to the superior facilities offered by this route for the transport of flour and general merchandise intended for the Eastern Provinces, Newfoundland and the West Indies; also for shipments of grain and produce intended for the European markets, either by way of St. John or Halifax.

Tickets may be obtained and all information about the route, also freight and passenger rates, on application to

A. H. HARRIS, General Traffic Manager, Board of Trade Building, Montreal.

D. POTTINGER, General Manager.

Railway Office, Moncton, N. B., May 21, 1897.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL "The Niagara Falls Route."

....TO....

WINTER RESORTS OF THE SOUTH.

If you contemplate a trip to the South call and get winter tourists rates to the principal Southern Points.

Folders, rates and all information at City Ticket Office, 395 Richmond street.

JOHN PAUL, City Passenger Agent.
O. W. RUGGLES, Gen. Pass. and Tkt. Agt.

Electric Light and Bell Wiring

Electric Bells, Medical Batteries and all Electro-Medical Apparatus Repaired.

R. M. MILLAR, 434 Talbot Street.

Preferable, Don't You Think

to spend a term in the Forest City Business and Shorthand College, London, Ont.; then, when an opening is presented, to be able to hold the position than to accept a situation and find that you are not qualified and be forced to resign?

Catalogue free.

Miss Gerry has been placed as stenographer with G. T. Mann, city.

J. W. WESTERVELT, B. P., Principal.

FITZGERALD
and FITZGERALD,
Larristers 171 Dundas street,
Fitzgerald Block.

The Health of Your Family

May be endangered by allowing the plumbing in your residence to get out of repair. All this can be easily prevented by having a first-class plumber inspect your bath-rooms, water closets, etc., every once in awhile. I will gladly furnish estimates on plumbing work.

J. A. Johnston, 280 Dundas. Phone 1254

DIABETIC PATIENTS

will kindly remember that for the future my hours for consultation will be limited to Wednesdays.

Office Opposite Public Library. A. R. PINGEL, M.D. wty

FAIRBAIRN
MERCHANT TAILOR.
Opp. City Hall. Upstairs

W. B. LAIDLAW,
Barrister, solicitor, etc. Money to loan at low cet rates. Bank of Commerce Bldg.

POISONED PIGS

Strychnine Found in the Stomach of Mr. Stewart's Hogs.

St. Thomas, Dec. 8.—Mr. J. W. Murray, inspector of the Ontario criminal investigation department, is in the city. He is inquiring into the South Dorchester hog-poisoning case.

Mr. Alfred Stewart, who lives on con. 8, Dorchester, had 85 beautiful fat hogs a week ago Saturday night, the majority of which passed the 200-pound mark. On that night Mr. Stewart cooked a big boiler full of feed for the hogs, and left it out of doors all night to cool off. On Sunday morning he fed the hogs, and an hour or two later 60 of them were dead. Evidences of strychnine poisoning were apparent, and the services of Dr. McLachlan, veterinary surgeon, of Belmont, were obtained. He gave it as his opinion that poison had been placed in the hogs' food during the night, and the stomach of one of the victims was sent to Toronto for analysis, with the result that traces of the poison were found. Mr. Stewart's loss was $400.

SARNIA RESERVE.

Sarnia Reserve, Dec. 8.—Good sleighing in this neighborhood. Mr. Wm. Nahmalin is home after an extended visit in the vicinity of Saginaw, Mich.

Some mischievous youngsters took possession of Mr. Robert Isaac's horse and buggy in Sarnia while the owner was in Port Huron. Results, Mr. Isaacs walked home.

A big bee at Mr. Nelson Elijah's on Saturday by the swamps.

Mr. James Manass, jun., will be a candidate for chief if there is any election for chief and councilors this month.

Our sailor boys are home for the winter.

When you are nervous and sleepless, take Hood's Sarsaparilla. It makes the nerves strong and gives refreshing sleep.

Throwing mud at a good man only results in soiling your own hands.

Persiatic Plant Food makes strong, green foliage; assists all plants to bloom.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

STOVES, STOVES, STOVES.—Cheap Cook Stoves, Square Baseburners, Parlor Stoves, Extension Tables, Bedroom Suites, Spring and Hair Mattresses, Goose Feather Pillows, Down Cushions, made to order at the Feather Bed and Mattress Cleaning Factory, 593 Richmond street north. HUNT & SONS. Telephone 997.

London, to New York, Via Grand Trunk West Shore.

Leave London 4:50 p.m., arrive in New York 9:30 following morning. Through buffet sleeper from Hamilton; best service. For information apply to Grand Trunk agents, or address H. Parry, 308 Main street, Buffalo, N. Y. 99bu

We have just opened out a fine line of furniture coverings, imported direct from England. All the latest shades and designs. You should see them. At Trafford's, 95 to 97 King street.

ANDREWS' PLUGS fill decayed teeth. You have a bite to take now and then, so keep your teeth sound. w

A Money-Saver.

The Mechanics' Time Book sent free to workingmen by addressing Adams & Son Co., 11 and 13 Jarvis street, Toronto, and sending one wrapper from Adams' Tutti-Fruth Chewing Gum. **

A Tea Plant for a Tea Ad.

Last week a lady in this town received several tea plants, in good condition, nicely packed in native soil, from a friend in Ceylon, who is an employe of the old British company which grows the Monsoon Indo-Ceylon Tea. A letter, which came with the box, explained how the shrubs should be planted and cared for, and told when and how they would bud and bloom with masses of pretty blossoms. Thousands of ladies would, no doubt, be delighted to get a real India tea shrub, to pot as an ornamental plant for the winter and to transplant in the garden next spring. A tea plant, direct from the Monsoon Tea Gardens, growing in every Canadian home, would prove an interesting souvenir to remind one continually of Monsoon Tea. It would pay the Monsoon Tea Company to bring over and distribute a few thousand Ceylon tea slips, free, as an advertisement.—Kingston Whig.

White Llama Robes
—For Children's Carriages.
Gray Lamb Collars
—For Children.
Spittal, Sabine & Co.

$1.00 Will Buy
A pair of Hockey Skates with firm welded steel blades, nicely finished, strong and unbreakable. We can fit any size foot.
Wm. Gurd & Co.
185 Dundas Street. Phone 800.

A DRESSING GOWN....
Of silk from Japan, or a fine wool one from England. Imagine the comfort and satisfaction, and wonder if anything would be more appreciated. We know of nothing, and we hear the expressions of men every day.
BOUGHNER,
HABERDASHER.

FINE TAILORING
SOUTHCOTT'S
361 RICHMOND ST.

FAIR, COLDER.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 7, 11 p.m.—The low area central over Lake Nipissing yesterday is now dispersing over eastern Quebec, having given light local snowfalls in Ontario and Quebec. The pressure is increasing over the lakes, and to the west of the lakes and throughout Manitoba the pressure is abnormally high and the weather decidedly cold. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 30—44; Kamloops, 14—20; Calgary, 26—30; Qu'Appelle, 2 below—6; Winnipeg, 10 below—2; Port Arthur, 4—12; Parry Sound, 20—26; Toronto, 18—28; Ottawa, 20—20; Montreal, 22—30; Quebec, 16—20; Halifax, 20—44.

Toronto, Dec. 8, 1 a.m.—Probabilities for the lower lakes: Fresh westerly winds; fair and colder; light local snowfalls in the western portion.

Local temperatures—The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Wednesday, Dec. 7, were 25 and 18 above.

JUST THINK
You eat more bread than any other one article of food. It is very essential that it should be wholesome and nutritious. Johnston Bros.'
XXX GLUTEN
bread should be on your table. Phone 818.

London Advertiser.
TELEPHONE NUMBERS:
107.....Business Offices
134.....Editorial Room
175.....Job Departments
UNION LABEL

A LOCAL BUDGET

—A meeting of the officers of the Seventh has been called for this evening, at the drill shed.

—Local Salvationists are looking forward to a grand time tonight, when one of the members of the band will wed.

—The members of St. George's Society meet tonight to arrange for the distribution of the usual Christmas cheer for the deserving poor of the city.

—Mr. Fred W. Hardey's resignation as organist at the Centennial Methodist Church took effect Monday evening. It is stated that he will be succeeded by Mr. Calder, of this city.

—Mr. Alex. Furness, who was injured while playing in a New York theater, by falling across a sofa, has recovered from the injury, but will not return to New York until after the holidays.

—A Goderich subscriber is informed that the last census gives the population of the places he asks about as follows: Stratford, 9,110; Woodstock, 6,598; Brantford, 12,115; Hamilton, 40,112; Toronto, 200,000; London, 35,000.

—Word has been received here of the death of Mrs. J. H. Jackson, of Green Village, New Jersey, daughter-in-law of Mr. John Jackson, Woodview, London township, after a short illness. She leaves a husband and six young children to mourn her loss.

—The "King Frost" annual banquet given by Mr. W. H. Davis to his friends and acquaintances, is announced to take place tonight at the G. T. R. refreshment rooms. It is expected the attendance will be large, and the proceedings of an exceedingly pleasant character.

—Dr. W. J. Tillman, house surgeon at the City Hospital, was overcome by an ammonia explosion the other day. Had Dr. Tillman not retained his presence of mind sufficiently to enable him to give an attendant instructions as to what course to pursue the result might have been serious.

—Some $9 75 was stolen from the residence of Mr. John Tanton, 320 Piccadilly street, on Sunday evening, while the family were at church. Entrance to the house was made through a rear door. The money was extracted from two purses in the dining-room. Nothing else was taken. No clue to the thief.

—Brantford Expositor: It is officially stated that the committee of supply for the pulpit of Zion Church has approached the Rev. W. J. Clark, of the First Presbyterian Church, London, Ont. The reverend gentleman is said to have made the definite reply that he cannot give the congregation any encouragement to proceed with a call.

—A spirited team of horses belonging to Willard Sage, dairyman, of Nilestown, ran away at the corner of King and Clarence streets yesterday. After running several blocks the sleigh collided with a telegraph pole, and the fugitives were captured. The sleigh and harness were badly damaged, but the horses were unhurt.

—At the regular meetnig of Court Pride of the Dominion, No. 5,660, A. O. F., the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: P. C. R., Bro. A. C. Partridge; C. R., Bro. H. G. Hardingham; S. C. R., Bro. W. S. Lockhart; treasurer, Bro. M. D. Dawson (re-elected); secretary, Bro. J. W. Woonton (re-elected); S. W., Bro. J. Wheatcroft; J. W., Bro. F. Brown; S. B., Bro. G. Stickles; J. B., Bro. W. Oldridge; trustees, Bros. A. Bending, F. Rossiter, R. Taylor; auditors, Bros. E. M. Brown, J. Hinton, W. H. Branton; medical officer, Bro. James D. Wilson; assistant secretary, Bro. R. Taylor; minute secretary, Bro. E. Price.

—Rev. Q. W. Howard, principal of Rothesay Church School, St. John, N. B., has accepted the assistant rectorship of St. George's Church, Montreal, and will enter on his new duties early in January. Rev. Mr. Howard was born near this city 32 years ago, and graduated with the highest honors from Trinity College, Toronto. He was for a considerable time in the diocese of Huron, under Bishop Baldwin, who has already evinced for him the warm est friendship. Mr. Howard has long shown a desire to take up parish work, and has resigned the position he held as principal of Rothesay Church School to go to St. George's.

MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS.

Militia general orders announce that Surgeon-Major C. W. Belton, R. R. C. I., has attended a course of instruction at the depot and training school R. A. M. C., at Aldershot, England, and has been awarded a certificate; also a certificate in equitation. Seventh Battalion Fusiliers—Major G. W. Hayes is transferred to the reserve of officers. Twenty-Sixth Middlesex Battalion of Light Infantry—To be adjutant, Capt. H. W. Niven, from No. 4 Company, vice McEwen, promoted. No. 4 Company—To be captain, Lieut. A. V. Becher, vice Niven, appointed adjutant. Major Lessard has been brevetted lieutenant-colonel, and will command the Royal Canadian Dragoons. Major Louis Felix Pinault, has been installed in office as deputy minister of militia.

MOTHERS' MEETING.

In spite of the storm and the lack of street cars, over 70 mothers and kindergartners met in the Simcoe street kindergarten on Tuesday afternoon. Dr. Jamieson gave a valuable paper on "The Care of Little Children," referring to the care of the skin, necessity for cleanliness, bathing, exercise, fresh air, proper clothing, and suitable food. She emphasized particularly the necessity of rest and sleep for little children. Miss Evelyn Wrighton in a short paper discussed "The Christmas Thought in the Kindergarten." The children in kindergartens spend the weeks before Christmas working for others, thinking of giving, not receiving. Miss Laidlaw gave useful hints regarding the kind of toys and presents chosen for children. They should be things with which the children can do something and that stimulate the imagination—a doll, blocks to be transformed, an engine or train of cars that will help him to re-live a past experience, tools, etc. The next mothers' meeting was announced to be held in Lorne avenue kindergarten on Jan. 24, 1899.

SUCCESSFUL ORGAN RECITAL.

The Memorial Church was well filled with an appreciative audience last night on the occasion of the organ recital by the following well-known vocalists: Mr. J. Chaton, Mr. H. R. McDonald, city, and Miss Eva Robinson, of Toronto. The choir sang with pleasing effect at different periods during the evening. Of the five organ solos by Mr. Fetherston's "Bach's" "Toccata and Fugue" was perhaps the best number. The "Hosanna," by Dubois, is a noble composition. The "March of the Wise Men," by the same composer, is quite unique, particularly the star, which is represented by one note sounding all through the march. The overture, "Nebucco," was the favorite solo of the evening, with Wolstenholm's "Answer" a close second. Mr. Fetherston and his choir have added another success to their credit. Rev. Canon Richardson, rector, made a short address, in opening the service, pointing out the beauty and prominent place which praise and singing should have in the Church of God.

THE D. D. G. M. AT ST. GEORGE'S, NO. 42.

R. W. Bro. Samuel Dubber, of St. Thomas, the D. D. G. M. of London district, paid his first official visit to a London lodge last night, St. George's, No. 42, being favored with his presence. There was a large attendance of members and visiting brethren present. The D. D. G. M. was introduced by R. W. Bros. Munson and Dewar, and briefly addressed the lodge. During the evening the election of officers was held, and resulted as follows: W. M., Bro. W. M. Althouse; S. W., Bro. E. Plewes; J. W., Bro. J. E. Adkins; chaplain, W. Bro. S. Baker; treasurer, W. Bro. W. Skinner; secretary, V. W. Bro. Andrew Ellis; S. D., Bro. J. H. Deeks; J. D., Bro. C. H. Ward; I. G., Bro. B. Dawson; S. S., Bro. A. G. Stephens; J. S., Bro. W. J. Tanner; organist, Bro. W. H. Hewlett; D. of C., Bro. Lewis Clark; tyler, W. Bro. John Robertson. At the close of the lodge the brethren, to the number of about 100, sat down to a splendid repast in the banqueting hall. W. Bro. Charles Buskard, the W. M., presided, and introduced a toast list which elicited some capital speeches. The D. D. G. M. and R. W. Bros. Greer and Dewar, and V. W. Bro. Callard made brief responses to the "The Grand Lodge"; to "Our Visitors" replies were given by W. Bros. Essery, of 378; J. Jones, of 20; W. H. Chittick, of Merrill Lodge, Dorchester; O. Brener, of 330; Geo. Morris, of 380; Alfred Hirst, of Tecumseh Lodge, Stratford; Bro. McCready, of Harriston Lodge, and Bro. Carr, of 209a. "The brethren of St. George's Lodge elicited responses from Bros. Munson, Buskard, Ellis, Dale, Nelles, H. Hayman, Althouse, Plewes, Adkins and Hewlett.

CITY SHOULD OWN THEM

[Continued from page 1.]

chise was given away before some of the present members of the city council were born.

A Voice—What about the telephone?

The mayor explained that the council of 1897 were unable to cope with the telephone, and when the present council came into power the Bell people were told that they would have to give better terms. Another company was organized (the People's Telephone Company), and the threatened competition had greatly reduced the rates. He exulted in the fact that an agreement had been made by which the city would obtain practically $9,000 per year for the next five years. Referring to the electric light question, the mayor pointed out that the city had compelled them to reduce their rates 2 cents per light per night. The matter had been investigated, and information from all outside cities showed the council that the city could not run a lighting plant as cheaply as a private corporation. (Voice—"Oh, and why?") The city was now getting $2,000 per year or $20,000 for ten years. He was sure the speaker would agree with him that London as a city compared favorably with any city in the world of similar size.

WHAT EX-MAYOR TAYLOR THINKS.

Ex-Mayor George Taylor was accorded a hearty reception. In his opinion no objection could be made to anything the speaker had said, as it was a bare statement of facts, and as he had not said anything against the council that should not have been said. The city council had allowed a private corporation for the next ten years to carry the lantern, at a very small reduction over the previous cost of light, and had thrown away a chance for the municipalization of our lighting plant for ten years. (Applause.) "I don't think," he said, "that in the history of the city of London the citizens have been so much dissatisfied as they have been during the past year. We voted $70,000 for a hospital, and how much more has been spent? There is not a man here that can tell what it will cost before completed. In all likelihood it will cost over $100,000 and where is it now?"

Voice—Mortgaged to the county for $15,000.

"Yes, I believe it is. I don't know that it was necessary for the city to get down on their knees and beg the county to come in and take a share in it. The trouble was that the city council had bitten off more than it could chew, and erected a pile of bricks and mortar, which would possibly be of use in 50 years from now, without taking into consideration what the cost would be. What was true of municipalized plants in other places would be true in London. If there was no money in these franchises why were companies so keen to get them? And if there was good money in the electric lighting plant to a private company on the basis of the reduced rate, surely there was money in it for the citizens—(applause)—which had been thrown away.

MR. BARTRAM SPEAKS.

Mr. Bartram said he heartily concurred in all that the speakers of the evening from old London had said, but he differed with Mayor Wilson. The mayor knew as well as he (Mr. Bartram) that there was nothing but dissatisfaction, and that the city had, unfortunately, during the present year, been badly governed. Next year, as mayor, he proposed to attack the franchise of the London street railway and contest for its municipalization. He contended that a franchise was merely a bylaw, the same as all other municipal enactments, and could be repealed at the will of the people. A bylaw was simply the will of a free people, enacted by their representatives, and removable and alterable at will. The street railway bylaw was exactly in the same position as the cabman's bylaw. The confirmation by the Ontario Legislature did not affect the franchise, because the legislature could not make a municipal law either by the unwritten British constitution or by the confederation act, which only gave the legislature power to establish municipal institutions, which was not to make municipal laws, such as the street railway franchise, to bind people 50 years hence. Mr. Bartram pointed out the distribution of the powers of government and law-making, and claimed the sovereign right of the citizens of London to make their own local law, which could not be infringed by the Imperial Parliament, and certainly not by the Ontario Legislature, without reducing the citizens from free men to serfs. The council of the city were trustees of the citizens and like any other trustee could only make a beneficial contract. This city was on the era of a constitutional revolution in municipal government. Next year he proposed to make the street car company pay a monthly rent of $1,000, run their cars during the whole 24 hours—employ three gangs of men, eight hours each; fix their wages by a city law in the same way as that of its policemen and other city servants, carry school children at a 1-cent fare. He showed that according to the statement of the company given to the public recently, they were making at least $25,000 a year from the citizens, after paying interest and expenses. The company had no capital invested. The value of their plant was less than their bonded debt. The law as to the franchise can only be settled by the Privy Council in England; because there is probably no court or judge in Canada who would decide it in accord with the principles of the Anglo-Saxon law..

ALD. McPHILLIPS TO THE RESCUE

The mayor called upon Ald. McPhillips to say a few words in the hope of straightning out the tangled municipal meshes. Ald. McPhillips said he could not agree with Mr. Bartram, either as a city representative or from a legal standpoint. He felt that the platform upon which Mr. Bartram intended to appeal to the people was a very dangerous one for the city to have anything to do with. A bylaw given by the city to a company whereby the company had vested rights and large capital expended, and approved by the legislature, could not be abrogated the week after it was made.

Mr. Bartram—You don't know the law.

Ald. McPhillips—I think I have had as much legal experience as Mr. Bartram, and am quite as capable of giving an opinion.

Ald. McPhillips then explained the telephone scheme. On June 19 last, he said, only one city in America paid a higher telephone rate than London, according to population, and that was Boston. He told of how the rates were reduced, and said that $10 on 600 telephones—there's $6,000; $20 on——

Mr. McMechan—Where are the 600 telephones that were reduced $10?

Ald. McPhillips then remembered he had left his figures at home, and the mayor could not prompt him with accuracy. Mr. McPhillips then told of how he had opposed the Bell Telephone Company, and favored the granting of a fifteen years' franchise to the People's Company.

A Voice—In what respect relatively does the position of the city differ by taking away a franchise from the Bell Company and giving it to another company?

Ald. McPhillips — Certainly; that's just the position I took in the council. (Loud laughter.) The speaker then said the franchise of the Bell Company given by the council was unconstitutional.

Voice—Why don't you proceed to turn the council out, then?

Ald. McPhillips said he had complained and tried his best to remedy many things in the council, but was always met with too much opposition.

In conclusion, Ald. McPhillips referred to an editorial in the Free Press, which had censured him for certain things said by him at the council respecting the police. The challenge had been thrown out, and when the proper time came he would make some specific charges.

FRED DARCH.

The representative of the Socialist Labor Party spoke briefly, as the hour was late. To him it was a very peculiar thing that every year, just before an election, all candidates were so full of municipal reform. That was simply because the Socialist Labor Party had appeared on the scene, and compelled these reforms. When this party represented the people, the franchise of the city would be used for the good of all, instead of being given away to rob the poor and enhance the riches of the moneyed men. They would not be run for dividends, but for the purpose of reduction of the general scale of taxation.

Quality Counts With Most People

We don't sell the cheapest goods in the city. We sell the best at the lowest prices consistent with quality.

Raisins
Finest Selected Valencias, California (seeded), Choicest Sultanas (seedless),

Currants
The choicest Selected Cleaned Vostizza Currants.

Candied Peels
Crosse & Blackwell's Lemon, Orange and Citron—the best peels imported.

Shelled Nuts
Jordan and Valencia Almonds. Grenoble Walnuts.

New Layer Figs and Dates.

Extra Sifted Peas. (Aylmer)
These are the finest peas packed in Canada.
2 Cans for 25c.
Early June Peas, Sugar Corn, Tomatoes, String Beans, } Aylmer.
3 Cans for 25c.
Special price for case lots.

Canned Peaches
The Choicest Canadian Crawford Peaches,
3-lb Tins, 25c.

Oysters
The most reliable brands of Standard and Select Oysters, direct from Baltimore.

New Roquefort Cheese.

Candy
Chocolate Ginger, 40c lb.
Fine Creams, 10c lb.
Chocolate Drops, 15c lb.
Gum Drops, 10c lb.
Delicious Taffy, 15c lb.

T. A. ROWAT & CO
234 Dundas Street.
Phone 317.

People who EAT **Bread**
Might as well get something appetizing as to eat something that isn't. What's the use of buying a poor article when you can get the BEST for the same money?
THE PARNELL-DEAN STEAM BAKING COMPANY,
75 Bruce Street. Telephone 929.

Excelsior

Our Motto—Always try to improve. Well as we have done in the past our efforts are concentrated to do better in the future.

December Offerings At Kingsmill's.

EVERY JACKET, COAT, CAPE, MUST BE CLOSED OUT.

50c 12 Black Beaver Coats, silk trimmings, 50c each.

$1 12 Black Serge Coats, satin facing, $1 each.

$2 11 Black Nap Coats, astrachan trimmed, $2.

$3 7 Black Beaver Coats, $3.

$4 13 Black Jackets, various, beavers, friezes, naps, etc., $4.

$5 22 Pattern Fashionable Jackets, no two alike, prices from $11 to $20, all German make, fawns, brown, grays, black, claire de lune, to close out this lot the balance of this season's importations, $5.

$6 5 Colored Capes, all wool, heavy German made, prices $10 to $16, for $6.

$8 4 Black Capes, heavy patterns, $16, for $8.

$15 6 Very Handsome Pattern French Capes, prices from $45 to $55, for $15.

KINGSMILL'S
Clearing-Out Sale of Coats.

THE CLIMATE OF CAPE COLONY.

From Good Words.

The climate of the Cape Colony, and indeed of South Africa, may be compared to the south of Europe and the north of Africa, with frost and snow on the highest lands and sub-tropical belts on the lowest lying parts, as in Natal, Zululand and Mashonaland. It may be roughly said that any part of South Africa is better for those suffering from chest complaint than is the climate of our home country at the most trying time of the year. But those who come to South Africa hoping to escape from this disease should not as a general rule delay on the coast.

The Cape Peninsula is delightful for most people, but it is not by any means best for those who are constitutionally inclined to consumption. They must leave the coast, no matter how many inducements there may be for them to stay, and climb the tableland which faces them at whatever port they may land. At irregular distances from the sea we have probably nowhere more than a hundred miles of low-lying coast lands before we ascend. Once on the tableland, so far as climate goes, it matters not in what direction health-seekers proceed, the climate is equally good.

The best houses in the city of Manila are of stone and are handsome residences. Glass is not used for the windows, which are glazed with translucent oyster shells.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents.

SKATES OF GLASS.

Cinderella's glass slipper bids fair to become something more than a myth, though the modern Cinderella will need no fairy godmother to furnish her with a coach in which to reach home swiftly. Her slippers will answer the purpose.

The modern Cinderella's glass slipper is a skate, of which the upper part resembles a slipper, open behind, with a split "lace-up" heel-cap. The Age of Steel describes this new skate as a skate of glass, hardened by a recent process to the consistency of steel. Every part of the skate is of glass, from the slipper-like upper to the glittering blade.

It is asserted that the glass blades are much more slippery than steel ones, and that they will run almost as well over rough, snow-covered ice, as on a smooth ice-sheet, and will also go easily over inequalities, twigs and other obstructions.

They are made very sharp, and are so extremely hard that it is almost impossible to blunt them. They are unlike steel skates, in that they never want grinding, and never rust.

The new skates are as pretty as they are efficient. They are very nearly transparent, and in some cases the glass, while in the liquid state, is variously colored. Several noted skaters are said to have tested them, in every case with most satisfactory results. So the pretty skates, with their sharp blades, will, in all probability, soon be seen skimming over lakes and streams, and youths and maidens who long ago relegated the Cinderella story to the region of their childhood, will take a renewed interest in glass slippers.