Ayer's Remedies.

"Saved My Life"

A VETERAN'S STORY.

"Several years ago, while in Fort Snelling, Minn., I caught a severe cold, attended with a terrible cough, that allowed me no rest day or night. The doctors after exhausting their remedies, pronounced my case hopeless, saying they could do no more for me. At this time a bottle of

AYER'S Cherry Pectoral was sent to me by a friend who urged me to take it, which I did, and soon after I was greatly relieved, and in a short time was completely cured. I have never had much of a cough since that time, and I firmly believe Ayer's Cherry Pectoral saved my life."—W. H. WARD, 8 Quimby Av., Lowell, Mass.

AYER'S Cherry Pectoral

Highest Awards at World's Fair.

AYER'S PILLS cure Indigestion and Headache

D. & L. Emulsion.

The D. & L. Emulsion

Is invaluable, if you are run down, as it is a food as well as a medicine.

The D. & L. Emulsion Will build you up if your general health is impaired.

The D. & L. Emulsion Is the best and most palatable preparation of Cod Liver Oil, agreeing with the most delicate stomachs.

The D. & L. Emulsion Is prescribed by the leading physicians of Canada.

The D. & L. Emulsion Is a marvellous flesh producer and will give you an appetite.

50c. & $1 per Bottle

Be sure you get the genuine | Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd. Montreal.

EPPS'S COCOA

ENGLISH BREAKFAST COCOA

Possesses the following Distinctive Merits:

DELICACY OF FLAVOR, SUPERIORITY in QUALITY.

GRATEFUL and COMFORTING to the NERVOUS or DYSPEPTIC.

NUTRITIVE QUALITIES UNRIVALLED.

In Quarter-Pound Tins and Packets only.

Prepared by JAMES EPPS & CO., Ltd., Homœopathic Chemists, London, England.

The Canadian Post.

LINDSAY, FRIDAY, DEC. 25, 1896.

AT THE FALL OF THE LEAVES.

Why do the leaves fall? "Bless me, I don't know," you answer; "I suppose because it is one of nature's arrangements."

Precisely; but why did nature so arrange? Why not have summer time always, with perpetual foliage? What is the meaning of denuded branches, withered flowers, daylight fading in mid-afternoon, and winter's cold and desolation? When you find out why the leaves fall you will have discovered one of nature's deepest secrets—*why men die.*

Suppose we try an easier problem. Why should Mr. William Steel have written such a sentence as this?—"*At the fall of the leaf every year I got into such a state that I took no pleasure in anything.*"

No doubt there are minds so highly strung as to feel keenly the influence of outward conditions, changes of the seasons and the weather, and so on. But they are rare, and for practical purposes they ought to be rare. Our friend Mr. Steel, happily for him, was not one of them. All the same, he was a miserable man every time the leaves rattle to the ground.

Here's the way he puts it: "At the fall of the leaves every year I felt languid, tired and weary, and took no pleasure in anything. My appetite was poor, and after everything I ate I had pain and fulness at the chest and sides. Then there was a horrible pain at the pit of the stomach which nothing relieved."

Now this sort of thing would spoil a man's pleasure at any time of year, but the oddity of Mr. Steel's case is that it coincided with what you may call nature's bedtime.

"After a few months," he says, "the pain and distress would be easier for awhile, *but as autumn approached* I became as bad as ever. In September, 1890, I had an unusually bad time of it. I couldn't touch a morsel of food, and presently got so weak I was unable to stand on my legs. Every few hours I had to be poulticed, the pain was so bad. I went to bed and stayed there for a week, with a doctor attending me. He relieved me a little, but somehow he didn't succeed in getting to the bottom of my ailment."

That may be, but it doesn't quite follow that the doctor was in the dark as to Mr. Steel's ailment. He might have understood it right enough, yet failed to cure it because he had no remedy for it among his drugs. That happens all the while. Still, the reader may ask, what's the good of knowing the nature of a complaint, if we possess no medicine to cure it? There you have us; no use at all, to be sure.

"Well," Mr. Steel goes on to say, "For some time I continued very feeble, and was hardly able to walk across the floor. If I took a short walk I felt so tired and done up I didn't know where to put myself. This was year after year for six years.

"Finally I read about the popular medicine called Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup, and made up my mind to try it. So I began and kept on with it for some time. The result was that the pain left me, my appetite waked up, and my food tasted good and digested well; and presently I was strong and hearty as ever. That was three years ago, and the trouble has never returned. (Signed) William Steel, Hambleton, near Oakham, Rutlandshire, Dec. th, 1893."

Mr. Steele is grocer and postmaster at Hambleton, and his case is well known there. His complaint isn't hard to see through; it was indigestion and dyspepsia. But why did it come on only in the autumn? What did the fall of the leaf do with it? Let the reader study on that point.

Meanwhile it is a comfort to know that Mother Seigel's Syrup will cure it no matter when it comes on.

CAPTAIN SINCLAIR

Is Going Over to Investigate in Forfarshire.

MAY ACCEPT THE NOMINATION.

Canada Invited to Send a Representative to the Swedish Exposition—Increase in Exports, Decrease of Imports—Fat Profits Made by Ocean Liners—Ottawa News.

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Capt. Sinclair, secretary to the Governor-General, is disposed to accede to the request of the Liberals of Forfarshire to contest the riding for a seat in the British House of Commons in succession to Mr. White, who has resigned owing to differences of opinion with his constituents. Capt. Sinclair will leave for Scotland by the Etruria from New York next Saturday. Final decision as to his acceptance of the nomination will depend upon the result of his conference with the local Liberal Committee. For the present he will not resign his position as the Governor-General's secretary, and in any case he will return to Ottawa in February.

Should Capt. Sinclair contest the seat and be elected, involving his permanent departure from Ottawa, the severance of his connection with Canada will be greatly regretted here, as he has made himself very popular in connection with the management of viceregal functions. Capt. Sinclair is not a novice in parliamentary matters. He sat for Dumbartonshire one term and among the younger men of the Liberal party in England is looked upon as a coming Cabinet Minister. In the next Liberal Government he will, without doubt, receive an under-secretaryship. Thence the step to the inner Cabinet circle, especially for a young man of ability, such as he is, is but a short one.

An invitation has been sent to the Government of Canada to be officially represented at the International Scandinavian Exhibition to be held at Stockholm from May to October next. The matter is under consideration as to whether or not the invitation will be accepted. As Canada receives a good share of Scandinavian immigration, it might not be inadvisable to send a good man, like Mr. Akerlindh, over to Stockholm for a few weeks.

The local Liberal organ throws out the idea that the Dominion observatory will be removed from Toronto to Ottawa. It is pointed out that when Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper was Minister of Marine and Fisheries he ordered the change to be made, but influence was brought to bear against him, so that he had to go back on his own arrangement. But it is said the present Minister is not hampered in the same way and may decide on the change.

The Free Press makes some significant remarks about the profits of steamship companies, based on the announcement that the Allan Line is about to place two new vessels on the St. Lawrence route. It says figures are shown to the Government which represent the savings of the year, but no mention is made of the sum laid aside as a sinking fund. The fact is that our Canadian liners, drawing heavy subsidies, are charging just three times as much for freight as vessels plying between the Old Country and Australia which receive no government assistance. This is clearly shown by figures which came to hand yesterday of freight rates from Sydney to London. The truth of the matter is that on the one million barrels of apples shipped to the Old Country market this fall from Canada, there were charges that netted the companies an enormous profit. Often the apples spoiled, but it was the shipper who was out by this occurrence, not the companies.

Duncan Chisholm, Junior Judge of Waterloo County, has been appointed judge in place of Anthony Lacourse, deceased.

George Henry Dartnell, Junior Judge of Ontario County Court, has been appointed in the place of Burnham, deceased.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company will apply next session for an act confirming an agreement with the Hull Electric Company, whereby the latter leased the Aylmer branch of the C. P. R. for thirty-five years at a yearly rental of $5000.

T. Long & Bro. are seeking Dominion incorporation to carry on business as general merchants at Collingwood, with $100,000 capital.

The Ontario and Kootenay Mining Company is a new company seking incorporation from the Dominion Government. The promoters are John Flett, Toronto; W. Bell, G. B. Ryan and others of Guelph.

The exports for November show a gratifying increase, the figures for the month being $15,567,804, an increase of $833,494 over the corresponding month last year. Imports, however, fell off $577,535.

Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Sifton arrived from Winnipeg yesterday afternoon. Mr. Sifton will tackle his departmental duties to-morrow.

The excise revenue fr November amounted to $682,896, which, with the revenue from weights and measures, law stamps and other sources, makes a total of $689,015.

The Postoffice Savings Banks deposits for the month of November were $669,102, and withdrawals $590,266.

Hon. John Costigan left for the west to-night.

Hon. Mr. Davies returns to Ottawa on Tuesday.

Premier Laurier and Hon. Dr. Borden are now municipal electors of the city of Ottawa. Their names were placed on the voters' list for Central Ward yesterday at the sitting held by Judge Ross for final revision of the lists.

For the first time in many years the city of Ottawa comes out with a clean balance sheet at the end of the year.

Montreal Live Stock Market.

Montreal, Dec. 21.—Offerings at the cattle market to-day 750 butchers' cattle, 40 calves, 600 sheep and lambs. Trade was brisk and prices higher all around. Extra Xmas beeves sold at 4¼c to 4½c per lb; prime at 3½c to 4c per lb.; good stock at 3¼c to 3½c, and common 2c to 2½c per lb. Two extra calves brought $15 and $22; common $3 to $7 each. Sheep 2½c to 3¼c per lb. Lambs 3¾c to 4½c per lb. Thirty-eight choice lambs brought $4.40 per hundred pounds.

"THE DEVIL MADE HER DO IT."

Little Colored Girl Commits Curious Crimes at His Command.

Newburg, N.Y., Dec. 15.—A few weeks ago the Associated Charities Organization here found a home for a colored girl of 14 years, named Rosa King, in the family of Rev. J. Wood, at Mountainville, this county. The family did what they could for her, but she proved incorrigible. One evening they noticed that their tea had a peculiar taste, and it was thrown away. The girl confessed that she emptied a bottle of medicine into the teapot, and it has been ascertained that the medicine contained arsenic. A few days ago Rev. Mr. Wood's barn was burned and the girl, upon being questioned by Marshal Perrott today, confessed she set fire to it. She said the devil told her to do it. At another time she built a fire on the floor of a room in the Wood residence, but failed to burn the house down. She will be examined in the Recorder's Court to-morrow.

Old Gold Tobacco.

Old Gold CIGARETTES

W. S. Kimball & Co.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.

Retail Everywhere . . .

5c. PER PACKAGE.

17 FIRST PRIZE MEDALS.

INJURY AND NEGLECT.

He Failed in Health and Strength—His Kidneys Ached and he Took Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Deseronto, Dec. 14 (Special) — Among business people here, and especially by his fellow workmen, great interest has been taken in the case of Mr. James Stokes, who for the past fifteen years has been shipper for the Rathbun Company.

Lately he had run down in health and strength to the point of being compelled to quit work, and his recovery now, as the result of using Dodd's Kidney Pills, is the talk of the town. On seeing Mr. Stokes he said:—

"From over-lifting and strain I suffered greatly from kidney trouble, being advised, after all else had failed, to use Dodd's Kidney Pills; from the first dose I got relief, and hundreds of people here can vouch for my cure."

Neuralgia's Persistent Agony

Has but one source of relief. Nerviline—nerve pain cure—penetrates to the irritated nerves, soothes them into repose, and affords relief almost instantly. The whole range of medicine affords no parallel to Nerviline as a pain reliever.

In Cupid's Court.

"He who hesitates is lost,"
Thus the ancient saying ran,
Wandering far or tempest tossed,
Man have learned it to their cost
Ever since the world began.
In the court of Cupid, though,
Be is light of moon or sun,
Be the future weal or woe,
While Sir Plume is bending low,
She who hesitates is won.

Catarrh and Colds Relieved in 10 to 60 Minutes.

One short puff of the breath through the Bower supplied with each bottle of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder diffuses this powder over the surface of the nasal passages. Painless and delightful to use, it relieves instantly and permanently cures Catarrh, Hay Fever, Colds, Headache, Sore Throat, Tonsilitis and Deafness. All druggists. Sold by A Higinbotham.

Y. M. C. A. Reception

Nothwithstanding the stormy night and the busy times, besides the number of other attractions last week, a large number of people gathered in the rooms last night for the "subscribers' reception." Musical pieces, both instrumental and vocal, and recitations, were interspersed with the games and refreshments, and altogether a very pleasant and profitable time was spent. Mr. W. E. Smith and Mr. R. Williamson addressed the meeting on behalf of the boys, and testified to their appreciation of the benefits of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Stevens spoke on behalf of the subscribers, and warmly commended the association for the work they were doing, and expressed his satisfaction with the expenditure of the money subscribed. The orchestra, led by Mr. R. Humphreys, favored the audience with a very fine selection while the refreshments were being served. The meeting broke up about 11 o'clock.

Itching, Burning Skin Diseases Cured for 35 Cents.

Dr. Agnew's Ointment relieves in one day, and cures tetter, salt rheum, piles, scald head, eczema, barber's itch, ulcers, blotches and all eruptions of the skin. It is soothing and quieting, and acts like magic in the cure of all baby humors; 35 cents. Sold by A. Higinbotham.

Royal Arcanum Officers.

At the last regular meeting of Lindsay Council No. 911, Royal Arcanum, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: A. F. D. MacGachen, regent; John Short, vice regent; P. G. Pilkie, past regent; E. E. W. McGaffey, orator; W. H. Coombs, secretary; G. A. Milne, collector; J. W. Time, treasurer; Woren Worsley, chaplain; D. R. Anderson, guide; D. McGribbon, warden; Geo. A. Little, sentry. Mr. P. G. Pilkie was elected representative to the grand council, Mr. A. F. D. MacGachen as alternate.

TAKEN WITH SPASMS.

A Collingwood Resident Tells How South American Nervine Cured His Daughter of Distressing Nervous Disease.

The father of Jessie Merchant, of Collingwood, tells this story of his eleven-year-old daughter: "I doctored with the most skilled physicians in Collingwood without any relief coming to my daughter, spending nearly five hundred dollars in this way. A friend influenced me to try South American Nervine, though I took it with little hope of it being any good. When she began its use she was hardly able to move about, and suffered terribly from nervous spasms, but after taking a few bottles she can now run around as other children." For stomach troubles and nervousness there is nothing so good as South American Nervine. Sold by A. Higinbotham.

DIPHTHERIA IN THE NORTH COUNTRY.

The Disease has Spread from the Lumber Camps.

There has been an outbreak of diphtheria in five or six different townships in the northern part of Peterboro and Haliburton counties. The disease is traced directly to the lumber camps, from which patients have been sent to their homes, and thus the infection spread into the townships named. The provincial health authorities have been advised of the state of affairs and have taken prompt measures to prevent any further developments. The lumber camps have been rigidly inspected, and all possible precautions taken. The owners of camps have had their duty in the premises very strongly impressed upon them, and will no doubt be more careful in the future. Diphtheria is something like a forest fire; if taken at the start and isolated it will be confined to the place of origin, and can be easily controlled.....No doubt the local board will take proper precautions to guard against the disease being introduced here by sick men coming from the camps.

Railway Notes.

—It is stated that J. E. Quick, general baggage agent of the G.T.R., is gradually accomplishing the re organization of his department, and that when the heavy traffic commences in the spring an entirely new system will be in vogue. He is engaged at present preparing a code of rules similar to that now in force for lines west of the St. Clair river, but which has hitherto not been used in Canada. These regulations contain instructions to officials on every conceivable subject, and are intended to obviate the necessity of frequent telegraph messages with regard to baggage misplaced or lost. It is believed that after they come into force more of the article left on trains and in stations will be recovered and that passengers' effects generally will be more carefully guarded.

—Montreal Witness: Among the changes noticed in the Grand Trunk are the prompt, business-like habits of the head officers themselves. Former managers generally drove down in their carriages about eleven o'clock in the day, a habit which the subordinate officers were not slow to imitate. The officials seldom mingled with any of their subordinates; and a certain awe for position and power was carefully fostered. The contrast under the new regime is most marked. The manager disdains the notion of a private carriage going down to his office. For the most part, he walks. If he is in a particular hurry, he takes a street car. And, when in town, he is never later than nine o'clock; more frequently he will be found in his office at half-past eight. When going over the system, or taking a quiet stroll through the Bonaventure station, he speaks to the men directly and frankly. He will take a seat in the office of a subordinate, and talk over railway matters more as a friend than an employer. And he is able to call the men by their names—there is a value in knowing your men, which Mr. Hays, modern American as he is, fully recognizes. And the officers under him are like-minded with himself. They do not trouble at all about the frippery of position. They are plain, direct, business men, who meet all persons on the plane of manhood. The new regime is eminently a business one, which even those who were disposed to be unfriendly to it, are coming to regard with the liveliest satisfaction, finding, as they do, that while no countenance is given to nepotism in any department, faithful service is sure of recognition.

A CRIPPLE FROM RHEUMATISM.

Cured by a Few Doses of South American Rheumatic Cure—Miraculous but Fact.

Mrs. N. Ferris, wife of a well-known manufacturer of Highgate, Ont., says: "For many years I was sorely afflicted with rheumatic pains in my ankle, sand at times was almost disabled. I tried everything, as I thought, and doctored for years without much benefit. Though I had lost confidence in medicines I was induced to use South American Rheumatic Cure. To my delight, the first dose gave me more relief than I had had in years, and two bottles have completely cured me." Sold by A. Higinbotham.

Badly Frightened.

A couple of days ago four of our lads sports took an afternoon off and drove out to a bush a few miles from town to enjoy a rabbit hunt. By and bye a number of "white coats" were started moving, and three were knocked over in short order. It so happened that the next one broke out of the cover between two of the party, who were only about 30 yards apart, and forgetting their close proximity in the excitement one of the hunters fired at the animal. Immediately there came a cry of pain from his mate, who fell to the ground writhing in apparent agony and declaring that he had been shot. A hasty examination disclosed the fact that one grain of buckshot had broken the skin behind the ear and another had penetrated his boot and drawn blood from the heel. Although his companions knew that the injury was happily only trifling, the victim was almost scared out of his boots at the sight of the few drops of blood and the smarting sensation in the wounds, and insisted on being driven into town at top speed to receive medical attention, in the shape of an inch of court plaster and a mouthful of brandy, the latter being required to steady his nerves while his hurts were being examined. While the young man is being made a butt for many jokes in consequence of his nervousness there is a serious side to the incident when we think of the consequences had he received the full charge of shot, instead of a few stray pellets deflected by the hard ground. Hunters cannot exercise too much caution.

VARIETIES.

France has more money in circulation in proportion to its population than any other country.

So thorough is the excellence of Ayer's Hair Vigor that it can be used with benefit by any person, no matter what may be the condition of the hair, and, in every case, it occasions satisfaction and pleasure, in addition to the benefit which invariably comes from its use.

In proportion to its size, England has eight times as many miles of railway as the United States.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

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

Bicycles seem to have taken the place of brass candlesticks for wedding presents.

HOOD'S PILLS are easy to take, easy to operate. Cure indigestion, biliousness. 25c.

There are now in Paris over 1,000 American female art students.

Men who suffer from mental worry and overwork will find prompt relief in Miller's Compound Iron Pills. 50 doses, 25 cents.

Surprise Soap.

Best for Wash Day. For quick and easy work. For cleanest, sweetest and whitest clothes Surprise is best.

USE SURPRISE SOAP

Best for Every Day. For every use about the house Surprise works best and cheapest. See for yourself.

MARKET REPORTS.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Flour—There is no business reported, and prices are nominal. Straight rollers are quoted at $4, Toronto freight.

Bran—Trade quiet and prices unchanged. Bran is quoted at $7 to $7.50 west, and shorts at $9 to $9.50.

Wheat—There is a limited trade, with prices easy. Red sold outside at 70c and white at 80c. No. 1 Manitoba hard is unchanged at 93c, Toronto freight, and No. 2 hard at 91c.

Buckwheat—The market is quiet; car lots quoted at 28c to 29c outside.

Barley—The market is very dull. No. 2 is quoted at 27c north and west, and feed at 20c.

Oats—Market is quiet and prices unchanged. White sold outside at 18c west, and at 19c on the Midland. Mixed is 17c west.

Peas—Trade quiet and prices steady, with sales at 40½c outside.

Rye—The market is steady, with sales outside at 34½c to 35c.

Corn—The market is dull, with new yellow offering at 25c outside. Old yellow is quoted at 27c outside.

BRITISH MARKETS.

Liverpool, Dec. 21.—Spring wheat, 6s 9d to 6s 10d; red, no stock; No. 1 Cal., 7s 1d to 7s 2d; corn., 2s 9¾d; peas, 4s 5½d; pork, 48s 9d; lard, 21s 0d; bacon, l.c., heavy, 28s 0d; do., light, 27s 0d; do., s.c., heavy, 26s 0d; tallow, 18s 6d; cheese, white and colored, 51s.

London—Opening—Wheat off coast quiet, on passage steadier. English country markets in some cases 6d higher and in others 6d lower. Maize off coast quiet, on passage quiet and steady.

Liverpool—Spot wheat firm; futures steadier at 6s 7¾d for Jan., 6s 8¼d for Feb. and 6s 8¾d for March. Maize, 2s 9¼d for Jan., Feb. and March. Flour, 25s.

Paris—Wheat, 21f 50c for Jan.; flour, 46f 15c for Jan.

London—Close—Wheat on passage quiet and steady. Maize on passage quiet.

Paris—Close—Wheat quiet at 21f 60c for Jan.; flour, 46f 30c for Jan.

Liverpool—Close—Wheat and maize futures unchanged.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Flour—There is no business reported, and prices are nominal. Straight rollers are quoted at $4, Toronto freight.

Bran—Trade quiet and prices unchanged. Bran is quoted at $7 to $7.50 west, and shorts at $9 to $9.50.

Wheat—There is a limited trade, with no changes in prices noted. White and red are quoted outside at 80c to 81c. No. 1 Manitoba hard is unchanged at 93c, Toronto freight, and No. 2 hard at 91c.

Buckwheat—The market is quiet; car lots quoted at 28c to 29c outside.

Barley—The market is very dull. No. 2 is quoted at 27c north and west, and feed at 20c.

Oats—Market is quiet and prices unchanged. White sold outside at 18c to 18½c west, and at 19c on the Midland. Mixed is 17c west.

Peas—Trade quiet and prices steady, with sales at 40½c outside.

Rye—The market is steady, with sales outside at 34½c to 35c.

Corn—The market is dull, with new yellow offering at 25c outside and old at 27c. Old yellow is quoted at 27c outside.

BRITISH MARKETS.

Liverpool, Dec. 10.—Spring wheat, 6s 9d to 6s 10d; red, no stock; No. 1 Cal., 7s 1d to 7s 2d; corn., 2s 9¼d; peas, 4s 5½d; pork, 48s 9d; lard, 21s 0d; bacon, l.c., heavy, 28s 0d; do., light, 27s 6d; do., s.c., heavy, 26s 6d; tallow, 18s 6d; cheese, white and colored, 51s.

Liverpool—Close—Spot wheat quiet; futures firm at 6s 7d for Jan., 6s 7½d for Feb. and 6s 8d for March. Maize quiet at 2s 2s 9½d for April and May and 2s 9¼d for Jan., Feb. and March. Flour, 25s.

London—Close—Wheat on passage steady. Maize on passage quiet and steady.

Paris—Close—Wheat quiet at 21f 40c for Jan.; flour, 46f 10c for Jan.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Flour—The market is quiet and prices generally are unchanged. Straight rollers are nominal at $4, Toronto freights.

Bran—Trade quiet and prices unchanged. Bran is quoted at $7 to $7.50 west, and shorts at $9 to $9.50.

Wheat—The local market is dull, with little change in prices. Sales of white and red were made outside at 80c. No. 1 Manitoba hard offers at 94c, Toronto freight, and No. 2 hard sold at 91c, Toronto freight.

Buckwheat—The market is quiet, with a sale east at 29c.

Barley—The market is very dull. No. 2 is quoted at 27c north and west, and feed at 20c.

Oats—Market is quiet and prices unchanged. White sold outside at 18c west and at 19c to 20c on the Midland. Mixed is 17c west.

Peas—Trade quiet and prices steady, with sales at 40½c outside.

Rye—The market is steady, with sales at 35c on the Midland.

Corn—The market is dull, with new yellow offering at 25c outside and old at 27c.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

The offerings to-day were comparatively light, being about 35 car lots. There were few choice Christmas cattle, and the best sold at 4c per lb. A few were taken for export at 3½c to 3¾c. Medium butchers' sold at 3c and inferior stock at 2c per lb. Milch cows sell at $25 to $40 each and calves at $4 to $10 each.

Sheep and lambs in fair supply with offerings of 1000 head. Choice sheep sold at 3c per lb. and bucks at 2½c. Lambs are steady, there being sales at 3½c to 4c per lb.

Hogs in liberal supply and prices unchanged. The best sold at 4c per lb., weighed off cars, thick fats at 3¾c to 3½c, lightweights at 3¾c, sows at 2½c to 3c and stags at 2c per lb.

BRITISH MARKETS.

Liverpool, Dec. 18.—Spring wheat, 6s 9d to 6s 10d; red, no stock; No. 1 Cal., 7s 2d to 7s 3d; corn, 2s 10d; peas, 4s 5½d; pork, 48s 9d; lard, 21s 0d; bacon, l.c., heavy, 28s 6d; do., light, 27s 6d; do., s.c., heavy, 26s 0d; tallow, 18s 6d;

TORONTO MARKETS.

Flour—The market is quiet and prices generally are unchanged. Straight rollers are nominal at $4 to $4.10 Toronto freights.

Bran—Trade quiet and prices unchanged. Bran is quoted at $7 to $7.50 west, and shorts at $9 to $9.50.

Wheat—The local market is dull, with little change in prices. Five cars of white wheat sold at 80c on the Northern and red sold at the same price. No. 1 Manitoba hard offers at 94c, Toronto freight, and No. 2 at 92c, but no sales reported.

Buckwheat—The market is dull and nominal at 28c to 29c.

Barley—The market is very dull. No. 2 is quoted at 27c north and west, and feed at 20c.

Oats—Market is quiet and prices unchanged. White sold outside at 18c west and at 19c to 20c on the Midland. Mixed is 17c west.

Peas—Trade quiet and prices unchanged at 40c, north and west.

Rye—The market is steady, with sales at 34c outside west.

Corn—The market is dull, with new yellow offering at 25c outside and old at 27c.

BRITISH MARKETS.

Liverpool, Dec. 17.—Spring wheat, 6s 9½d to 6s 10½d; red, no stock; No. 1 Cal., 7s 3d to 7s 4d; corn, 2s 10¼d; peas, 4s 5½d; pork, 48s 9d; lard, 21s 0d; bacon, l.c., heavy, 28s 6d; do., light, 27s 6d; do., s.c., heavy, 26s 0d; tallow, 18s 6d; cheese, white and colored, 51s.

London—Opening—Wheat off coast easy, on passage dull and 3d lower. English country markets firm. Maize on passage rather easier.

Liverpool—Spot wheat quiet; futures ¼d easier at 6s 7½d for Jan., 6s 8d for Feb. and 6s 8½d for March. Maize 2s 9¼d for Dec. and April and 2s 9½d for Jan., Feb. and March.

Paris—Wheat 21f 40c for Jan. and flour 46f 15c for Jan.

London—Close—Wheat on passage dull. Maize on passage quiet.

Paris—Close—Wheat dull at 21f 25c for Jan.; flour 45f 60c for Jan.

Liverpool—Close—Wheat futures easy at 6s 7d for Jan., 6s 7¾d for Feb. and 6s 8d for March. Maize 2s 9¼d for Dec., April and 2s 9½d for March. Flour 25s.

Granby Rubbers.

Granby Rubbers

Modelled each year to fit all the latest shoe shapes. Extra thick ball and heel.

Honestly made of pure Rubber. Thin, Light, Elastic, Stylish, Durable.

Sold everywhere. They Wear like Iron.

Shorey's Clothing.

Reasons why Shorey's Clothing is the Best

Because—Shoreys are the only manufacturers of clothing who guarantee their work and their guarantee is as good as gold.

All their materials are Sponged and Shrunk and will not shrink or spot with rain.

Their Bicycle Suits are up-to-date models of comfort and are all Rigby Proofed.

They Rigby Waterproof all their Spring and Fall Overcoats and make no extra charge for it. Everybody is asking for Shorey's clothing but sometimes dealers try to persuade people to take inferior goods.

Look in the pocket for Shorey's Guarantee Ticket.

James Smart Mfg. Co.

No Man Knows . . .

the perturbation of spirit a woman suffers in cooking with a bad stove. Our constant aim has been to furnish the best article possible for the use intended. The

"REGAL PERFECTION" . . . RANGE . . .

for coal or wood, fulfils every requirement. The design and ornamentation of this range are in advance of anything previously attempted. The ovens are large and provided with draw-out rack, oven doors lined with tin, fire box provided with genuine duplex grate and it is a perfect and sure baker. Fully equipped with oven shelf, tea pot shelf, foot oven door trip, door hearth and extra large broiling or toasting door with mica frame, made with four or six cooking holes. Send for descriptive catalogue.

THE JAMES SMART MFG. CO., LTD. • BROCKVILLE, ONT.

For Sale by W. G. WOODS, Lindsay.

A VERY SAD CASE.

Tragedy in the Higher Classes of English Society Which Had Very Melancholy Features.

New York, Dec. 20.—A special from Mr. Ballard Smith, London, to a morning paper here, says: Never was there a sadder tragedy in the higher classes of English society, nor one more typical of its recent moral degeneracy than the suicide this week of the beautiful Mrs. Le Champion. She was only 23 years old, was the daughter of a noted soldier of an old family and married two years ago Loftus Le Champion, the son of another old soldier of equal birth. The two had been friends from childhood.

The best man at the wedding was young Lieutenant de Crespigny, an officer of the Guards, the son of Sir Claude, a famous sportsman and a direct descendant of a Norman chief. Mrs. Le Champion last month sued for judicial separation on the ground of her husband's cruelty, and got it, but her husband accused her of improper relations with young de Crespigny, and their child was given into the charge of a third party. Reports of this suit were cabled, but the fact was known to only a few in London, and not disclosed to the public. The husband and the alleged lover had a fist fight last summer at the fashionable Hurlingham Club, behind an aristocratic force of men and women spectators at a polo match. The wife was found dead a few mornings ago with an empty laudnum bottle beside her, and two letters. One letter contained her poor little will, leaving her diamond necklace to her babe, another necklace to Lady de Crespigny and a diamond ring to Claude de Crespigny, the son. The other letter, left unfinished, was to her husband. There was only this sentence: "Dear Loftus,—I am sorry to go without your forgiveness."

At her funeral yesterday, besides the members of her family and all the de Crespignys, Mr. Le Champion, dressed in deep mourning, drove up and stood with a friend at a little distance from the other mourners.

COWARDLY FIEND.

Sneaked Up and Cut the Throat of a Sleeping Man With Whom He Had Quarrelled.

Philadelphia, Dec. 20.—William Wallen, aged 25, and John King, aged 21, both garbage gatherers, quarrelled about a woman in the kitchen of the house where Wallen boarded, 2524 Deshong-street, last night. The quarrel was patched up, and King fell asleep in a chair. Wallen then deliberately cut the throat of the sleeping man with a razor, killing him almost instantly. The murderer was arrested.

A MESSAGE TO MEN.

Proving that True Honesty and True Philanthropy Still Exist.

If any man who is weak, nervous and debilitated, or who is suffering from any of the various troubles resulting from youthful folly or excesses of overwork, will take heart and write to me. I will send him on fidentially and *free of charge* the plan pursued by which I was completely restored to perfect health and manhood, after years of suffering from Nervous Debility, Loss of Vigor and Organic Weakness.

I have nothing to sell and therefore I want no money, but as I know through my own experience how to sympathize with such sufferers. I am glad to be able to assist my fellow-beings to a cure. I am well aware of the prevalence of quackery, and I myself was deceived and imposed upon until I nearly lost faith in mankind but I rejoice to say that I am now perfectly well and happy once more and am desirous therefore to make this certain means of cure known to all. If you will write to me you can rely upon being cured and the proud satisfaction of having been of service to one in need will be sufficient reward for trouble. Absolute secrecy assured. Send 5 cents in silver to cover postage, and address Mr. Geo. G. Strong, North Rockwood, Mich.

TAKE CARE OF THE BOYS.

Men can take care of themselves

The boy is the father of the man, and has a good deal more of the man in him than most people give him credit for. Almost any boy can be made vicious by telling him he is the worst boy in town. Put the ordinary boy in a stylish, well made suit of clothes and make him think he amounts to something and he'll rise to the occasion and show the man in him. Put him in a shoddy suit that will rip and ravel and he'll be just about the style of chap to go well with such a suit.

There is no reason why any boy should wear poorly made clothes, because the very best clothes can now be had ready-made. Messrs. H. SHOREY & CO., of Montreal have made a reputation for Boys', Youths', Childrens' and Men's ready-made clothing.

These goods are all sewn with linen thread, the cloth is thoroughly sponged and shrank, and the workmanship fully guaranteed. In the pocket of every garments of Shorey's Clothing is a little ticket guaranteeing it. If you insist on seeing this ticket before buying, you can be sure of getting Shorey's make, as they are the only house who venture to guarantee their workmanship in this manner.

An Idea in Skates.

Two of Barrie's swift skaters are using a skate with shoe attached, the combination weighing only nine ounces, the skate being aluminum with a thin blade of fine tempered steel inserted. The shoe is of polished calf and the whole outfit, costs but ten dollars.—Gazette.

COULD NOT LIE DOWN FOR EIGHTEEN MONTHS.

The Sufferings of a Toronto Junction Resident From Heart Disease.

Not an exceptional case of heart disease, but very distressing, was that of Mr. L. W. Law, of Toronto Junction, Ont., who was obliged to be propped up in bed with pillows for eighteen months because of smothering spells that would come over him whenever he attempted to lie down. No treatment had done any good until he tried Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart, and here one dose gave complete relief, and one bottle cured him, and to-day he enjoys the pleasures of good health as other people do. Heart disease will kill if not cured. Sold by A. Higinbotham.

Her Response.

"Whistle, daughter, whistle,
And you shall have a horse."
"I never whistled in my life,
So now I won't of course."
"Whistle, daughter, whistle,
And you shall have a wheel,"
Ah, bless the little damsel,
She raised a piercing peal.

THAWED CARTRIDGES.

The Result is a Wrecked House, Two Dying Men and Injured Lady.

Dunnville, Ont., Dec. 20.—Three brothers named Hiles were engaged in taking out stumps on the farm of Mr. Joseph Glaves of Wainfleet. Some one told them if they used nitro-glycerine it would make the work lighter, and straightway they procured some cartridges at St. Catharines. They said the stuff was frozen, and took six cartridges into Mr. Glaves' house, and put them on the cookstove to thaw. Mrs. Glaves was engaged in the kitchen and the three brothers sat by the stove. One of them shortly afterwards remarked, "The grease is coming out," and proceeded to shove them off the stove, when the nitro-glycerine exploded. The house was completely wrecked. Mrs. Glaves was thrown through a doorway, and is badly cut by pieces of the flying stove. She will recover. Two of the Hiles brothers were fearfully mangled, and will die.