

WHAT BIRMINGHAM DID UNDER MAYOR JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN

Reclamation of an Area of Squared Houses—Now a Source of Wealth. In 1875 the "most squalid district in England lay like a festering sore..."

FIGHTING ON LIAO-YANG ROAD Japs Drive the Enemy From Their Positions.

HEAVY FIGHTING. A despatch to the London Daily Telegraph from New-Chang states that Japanese scouts discovered the enemy in strength at Tatienling, 35 miles northeast of Feng-Wang-Cheng...

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THE FAIR AT WINNEPEG PRIZES WHICH WILL BE OFFERED FOR LIVE STOCK.

Advance sheets of the Winnipeg Dominion Fair prize list for 1904 show that the prizes offered for the principal classes of live stock are about as follows...

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THE WORLD'S MARKETS REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

Toronto, May 31.—Wheat—The market continues firm for Ontario grades, which are scarce. No. 2 white and red winter wheat at 95 to 95 1/2 outside...

Butchers—Market was barely steady, and for the medium cattle prices were off from 10 to 15c. For good butchers there was no easing off...

Stockers and Feeders—Market steady for firm for good quality light stockers and feeders...

Wool—The market is quiet, with demand moderate. No. 2 white quoted at 31 1/2 to 31 3/4 west, and at 32 1/2 low freights to New York. No. 1 white, 33 1/2 east and No. 2 at 32 1/2 east.

Country Produce.—Dried apples—The demand is limited and prices are steady at 3 to 3 1/2 per lb. Evaporated apples, 6 1/2 per lb.

FOR SOUTH AFRICA. A Montreal despatch says: The Elder-Tompson steamship Melville, Capt. W. G. Smith, sailed for South Africa ports, with a full general cargo...

THE DAIRY MARKETS. Buffalo, May 31.—Flour—Firm. Wheat—Dull; offerings light; \$1.01 asked for No. 2 hard winter. Corn—Easy; No. 2 yellow, 90c; No. 2 mixed, 87c; No. 2 white, 87c; No. 2 mixed, 87c.

THE RETIRED BURGLAR TELLS OF AN INCIDENT IN HIS BUSY CAREER.

As a rule," said the retired burglar, "people do not welcome the visits of the dark lantern man, but there may be times when they are glad to see him, when he can be of some service to them; as I was once, for instance, in the case of a man in his own-burglar trap."

The Fruit Division at Ottawa sent out a request for information as to the damages by mice and rodents during the past winter and has received a very large number of replies...

PECULIAR ACCIDENT IN A MINE at Williamson, Pa. A telegraph received at the Susquehanna Coal Company's office in this city on Wednesday night states that a miner named James H. Golden, who was employed in the workings of the Williamson Branch Coal Company at Williamson, Pa., was killed by a fall of timber...

A SUFFICIENT PROTECTION. Mr. J. M. Hillborn of Leamington, N. S., a C. Starr of Point, N. S., and several other respondents, have shown the efficacy of two or three shovels of earth about the trunks of the trees to protect them from the attacks of the white pine sawfly...

A STRUCK OF WOOD. The cage around his head I found to be in two halves, these attached to the door frame overhead. The contrivance worked much like an ordinary steel trap, except that it caught your head instead of your feet...