

THE DURHAM CHRONICLE

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A POLITICAL AVALANCHE

You can count now on the fingers of one hand the Conservative members in the new Manitoba Legislature. It is a pity that it should be so, but it is a greater pity that any party should so demean itself that public confidence should be almost wholly obliterated.

We are not prepared to admit that the Roblin Government was guilty of all wrong-doings laid against it by its political opponents. That they were guilty of wrong, and deserve to be punished, can scarcely be denied by any person of any political party. If they were guilty of half, or even of a quarter of the evil charged against them, the electors did the right thing to turn them out, and the same independent electors will not be slow to again exercise the same independent power in turning out the government elect when a wrong is detected. A government as well as an individual should be punished for a wrong, and under the circumstances, we see very little cause to mourn over the action of the Manitoba electors.

The Conservative electors of Manitoba turned out the Conservative government a few days ago just as the Liberal electors of Ontario turned out the Ross government ten years ago. Very few honest electors then either Liberal or Conservative, found fault with the Ontario decision, and if the Liberal government of Manitoba does as well for Manitoba as the Conservative government did for Ontario, it will be a long time before a reversal of the political situation in the prairie province. It was a political landslide, but it wasn't unexpected.

LIVERY LICENSES

The following appeared in the legal column of a recent issue of The Toronto Mail and Empire, and is timely, in view of the agitation to place a license on liverymen:

J. S. Seaforth.—Qu.—(1) Can I use my horse and buggy or my automobile to drive one or more people from one place to another and charge them for my services? (2) If I drive people 5 or 10 miles out of the town, and make a charge for it, can the town compel me to take out a license?

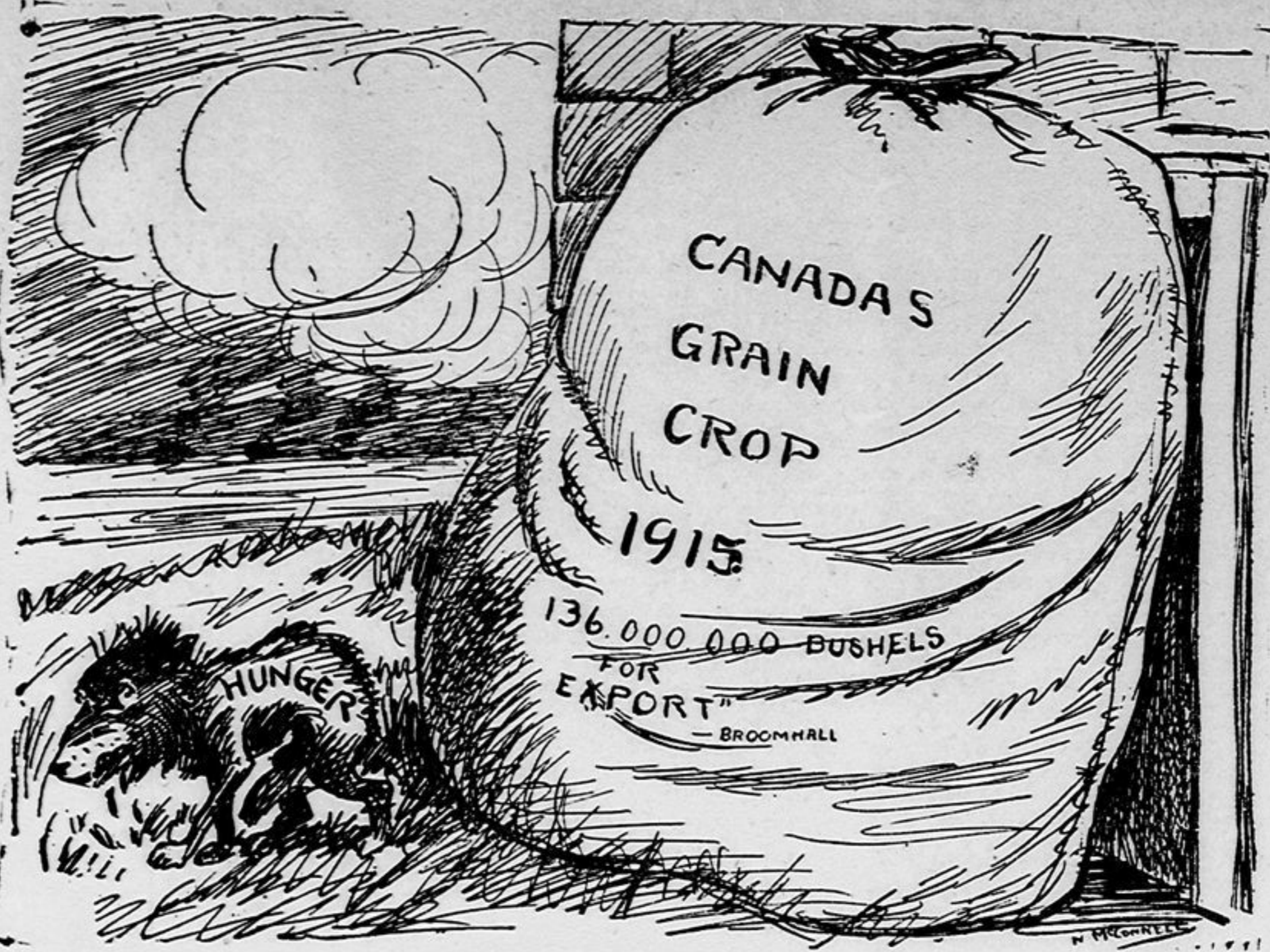
Ans.—There is no reason why you should not use your horse and buggy, or other conveyance to carry people from one place to another, and charge them whatever fee they are willing to pay for the services rendered. There may be some municipal by-law requiring that persons who use buggies, cabs, or other vehicles, to transport people from one place to another for hire, shall take out a license and pay a license fee. (2) The town by-law only affects those who employ cabs, motors or conveyances within the limits of the town. Municipal by-laws only have operation within the limits of the municipal corporation.

CANADIAN SOLDIERS PLEASED WITH GIFTS OF CIGARETTES

Mr. Nicholas Fagan of this place is in receipt of a letter from "somewhere in France," from one of the soldiers in the trenches, acknowledging the receipt of cigarettes received through the News' Tobacco Fund. While the letter is of no immediate importance or interest to our readers, so far as knowledge of the writer is concerned, it will be of interest in that it shows that the Tobacco Fund money has been properly handled and that the "smokes" have been delivered to the boys at the front. The following is the letter:

France, July 25, 1915.
N. Fagan, Durham, Ont.
Just a line to thank you for the cigarettes you were so kind to send me through The Daily News. I enjoyed them very much. We are all getting along fine, and will be glad, though, when we get back again to Canada. Everything is progressing very favorably along our front and at present things are pretty quiet.
Thanking you again for your cigarettes, I remain,
Yours gratefully,
GUNNER CHAS. KERN,
11th Battery, 3rd Brigade, C.F.A.,
Reg. No. 42341.

BETWEEN THE WOLF AND THE DOOR



The Wolf: "Confound the Canadian Government, for that 'Increased Production'"

PERSONAL

Miss Inno Davidson is visiting friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Irwin spent a day in Toronto last week.

Miss K. A. Firth is visiting with friends in Orangeville.

Constable Arrowsmith was in Harriston Monday.

Dr. Hutton was in Berlin last week.

Miss Reddy of St. Marys is visiting in town.

Miss Jean Brown, Toronto, is holidaying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Brown.

Miss Maud Caldwell of Buffalo is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. A. Brown.

Miss Eva Burnett returned yesterday from visiting her sister at Paisley.

Mrs. Schooley and grandson, Master Joe Whitechurch, are visiting friends in Toronto.

Miss Allie Blackbourn of Mimico is spending a few weeks in town with her mother and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Urquhart of Port Credit are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T.R. Whelan, of Wiborg Co., Toronto, was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. John Fallaise and daughter, Mrs. Pink, are visiting friends in Toronto.

Miss Margaret Hunter spent a few days in Toronto the fore part of the week.

Mr. W. H. Bean and daughter, Elizabeth are spending a week with Fordwich friends.

Miss Nellie Hepburn is holidaying with Hamilton and Dundas friends.

Mrs. E. W. Limin left yesterday morning to visit friends at North Bay.

Mr. C. C. James of Priceville was in town a few hours on Tuesday.

Mr. L. H. Dingman of St. Thomas was in town Tuesday on business.

Mrs. Howard McDonald and baby, and sisters, Misses Martha and Lavina Diegel, are visiting friends at Paisley.

Mr. Wm. Laidlaw, Jr., of St. Marys, is spending a few weeks with his parents, while recovering from his recent illness.

Principal Allan returned a few days ago from Toronto, where he spent a month in a special course in physical culture.

Mr. Fred Smith returned to Lacombe, Alta., on Tuesday, after spending a few weeks with his parents and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Wass of Toronto are holidaying with Mrs. John Crutchley and Mrs. George Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Davidson and daughter of St. Thomas, visited Mrs. Davidson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Levine.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Robertson left last week to visit members of the family at Burlington and Hamilton.

Miss Donagh of Hanover spent Sunday with Mrs. W. A. Glass, and left Monday morning to visit Mt. Forest friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Davis and

A Valued Pocket Piece

By JOHN Y. LARNED

My father was killed fighting on the northern side in the battle of Gettysburg, on the 2d of July. I was old enough to remember the news of his death and the military funeral that was given him when his body was sent home. Thirty years after his death I was paid a silver dollar bearing date of 1863. Since it marked the date of my father's death in battle, I prized it, and, instead of parting with it, I cut on it my father's initials.

One day while traveling I fell in with a young man, with whom I chatted. On entering the station at Cleveland the car door was thrown open and a trainman called: "Cleveland! All out!" The young man, surprised that the train would go no farther, made inquiries and discovered that he must stop overnight in Cleveland. He at once began to examine the contents of his pocketbook and found that he had barely enough to pay his bill at a hotel. I asked him to permit me to lend him some funds, but he refused, saying that he had just sufficient to get through. I insisted on his taking more, and he said if I had any loose change in my pocket he would accept it as a loan. The only coin I had was my pocket piece. After a moment's hesitation I handed it to him. He tried to get my address in order to return the loan, but we were leaving the train in a crowd, and I hurried away.

Not long after this the newspapers were filled with accounts of the murder of Richard Thornton, a wealthy man, in Buffalo. The case was one of those mysterious happenings that attract widespread attention. A nephew of the deceased, Edgar Thornton, was accused of murdering his uncle in order to secure his estate. The murdered man was very old, a bachelor, and his household affairs were administered by a Mrs. Ferguson, a widow, who, the evidence seemed to indicate, was endeavoring to induce him to make a will in her favor. The state attorney, by patching together bits of evidence, made a very good case, showing that the nephew, in whose favor a will had already been made, fearing that the woman would succeed in securing one giving her the property, had murdered his uncle to prevent his doing so.

Mrs. Ferguson swore that Edgar Thornton was with his uncle on the night of the murder, the two being together in the uncle's bedroom. She claimed to have heard high words between them. Edgar had left the house at 11 o'clock. She did not see Rich-

children, and his brother-in-law, Mr. Bunt, all of Toronto, are visiting in town and vicinity.

Mrs. Thos. Daniel, who underwent an operation at Fergus a couple of weeks ago, has so far improved that she will be able to come home shortly.

Mrs. Bruce Turner and two children, Bernicia and Lawrence, of Detroit, are spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Firth.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Black, Mr. and Mrs. T. Grasby and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon, all of St. Marys, and Mr. and Mrs. Glenholm of Toronto, were in attendance at the funeral of the late Arthur Black.

Dr. Hutton, Barrister Telford, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Grierson, Messrs. E. W. Limin, J. H. Hunter, John Robertson, W. Calder, John Townner, S. F. Morlock, J. G. Wilson, R. Burnett, S. P. Saunders, E. Kress, W. J. Firth, and Misses Deroy, Wesenburg and Weber, went to Berlin yesterday to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. Hahn.

ard Thornton till the next morning, when she found him dead, with a pillow pulled over his face. A weak point in the prosecution was that some \$200 that the deceased had on hand in a desk was missing. The state attorney declared that the accused had taken the money in order to make it appear that the murder had been committed for the purpose of robbery.

I read the newspaper reports of the trial, missing only one day's report. The next issue of the paper mentioned that the accused had endeavored to prove an alibi.

The servants in the house were all against Mrs. Ferguson, testifying that she kept Mr. Thornton in a sort of imprisonment, but they were persons of no education, and their evidence was easily pulled to pieces by the prosecutor. Indeed, Mrs. Ferguson proved that they had been liberally tipped by Edgar Thornton whenever he had called on his uncle.

It did not take me long to make up my mind that the accused was guilty. He could not have been innocent unless Mrs. Ferguson had perjured herself in testifying that he was with his uncle, and the only person with him, on the night of the murder.

I read the summing up of the case by the prosecutor, and my attention was attracted to these words:

The prisoner has claimed that on the night the murder was committed he was traveling on a train between Cleveland and Buffalo.

My meeting with the man to whom I had loaned a silver dollar flashed upon me. Could this Edgar Thornton be the person I had met? That person was to remain over in Cleveland at a hotel. The accused claimed to have been on a train.

A human life might depend on my action. I took a train for Buffalo and when I arrived went to the courtroom where the trial was being held. In the prisoner I recognized my fellow traveler. I called for his attorney, told my story and was put on the stand. I testified that on a certain date—the evening of the murder—I had entered Cleveland with the accused and had loaned him a silver dollar, which I described. The prisoner produced the identical dollar I had given him with the initials and date I had scratched on it.

There was a sensation in the courtroom. A man who was about to be convicted of murder was acquitted and was heir to a fortune. When I asked how he happened to have been on a train instead of in a hotel in Buffalo he said he had found passage on a combination milk and passenger train. Mrs. Ferguson had perjured herself to be revenged on the man to whom she had lost her fortune.

When Edgar Thornton went to his home on his release he found it filled with flowers from sympathetic friends.

I have the pocket piece, more valued than ever.

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HAMPDEN.
We are glad to report that Mr. Bert Marshall is improving nicely. Miss Mavis Cooper of Shelburne is visiting with her grandmother, Mrs. Cooper.
The garden party will be held on August 20. Further announcement next week.
Mr. John Henry and Miss Sarah Fulton spent Sunday with Proton friends.
Mr. and Mrs. Hastings and Miss Jennie Lendrum of Toronto spent their vacation with the Sharp family.
Misses Barbara and Bella Byers of Boston are spending a couple of weeks with friends here.
Miss Rebecca Park of Cincinnati is visiting three weeks at the parental home.
Rev. A. L. Budge of Creemore, formerly of Hampden, occupied the pulpit here for the last two Sundays. His many warm friends were present to welcome him.
Miss D. Carruthers of Welland is visiting with her aunt, Mrs. Hugh Fulton.
Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Grierson visited with Mr. and Mrs. Byers recently.
Miss Maggie Gilmour of Chesley is visiting at the old home.
Mrs. Tuller of Toronto, also her sister, Miss Rachael Ford, spent some time with friends here.
Miss Halpenny, a former teacher here, also her sister and brother visited with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. David Robinson.
Miss Janet Kerr is spending a week in Cookstown with her friend, Miss Pollock.
Messrs. George and Arthur Smith, William and John Derby, and Misses Jennie and Maggie Derby, motored to Owen Sound on Saturday and spent a most enjoyable time visiting friends.
Mr. T. Young, and Misses Ethel and Hazel, visited with Mildmay friends recently.
Mr. Andrew Derby has placed a

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new phone on the farm at Hampden.

Miss Maggie Derby and her cousin, Miss Margaret Kerr of Varney, are spending two weeks with friends at Sarnia.

The eastern part of the south line, Bentinck, is to be congratulated for the good work they have begun for the Red Cross. It is a most worthy cause to give a helping hand for the urgent needs of our country's noble, wounded and dying soldiers.

ABERDEEN.

Miss Katie McAuliffe of Durham has returned home, after spending a month with her aunt, Mrs. John Burns.

Miss Ruby Knisley of Durham is spending her holidays with Mrs. John Clark.

Miss Maggie McLean of Toronto is spending the summer with her brother.

A few of the folks from this burg took in the patriotic garden party, held at Mr. G. S. Hopkins' Bentinck, and report a good time.

The Misses Myers and Hillgartner of Allan Park spent a day with Mrs. John Lynn.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Noble spent Sunday with his brother, Joe.

Miss Maggie McLean spent an afternoon with Mrs. Lam's.

Mr. Thos. Reay lost a horse, which got hurt and died of blood-poisoning.

Miss Lawrence of Durham, returned home after spending her vacation among friends here.

MARKET REPORT

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Fall Wheat.....	\$1 10 to \$1 10
Spring Wheat.....	1 10 to 1 10
Milling Oats.....	55 to 55
Feed Oats.....	55 to 55
Peas.....	1 50 to 1 65
Barley.....	65 to 70
Hay.....	13 00 to 15 00
Butter.....	21 to 21
Eggs.....	19 to 19
Potatoes, per bag.....	45 to 45
Dried Apples.....	3 to 3
Flour, per cwt.....	3 50 to 4 50
Oatmeal, per sack.....	3 50 to 4 00
Chop, per cwt.....	1 50 to 1 75
Live Hogs, per cwt.....	8 50 to 8 50
Hides, per lb.....	13 to 14
Sheepskins.....	35 to 60
Wool.....	5 to 5
Tallow.....	14 to 14

Concerning Your Eyes

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