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COMMERCIAL MATTERS.

What Is Going On In the Business World—The Market News.

The Grand Trunk railway earnings for the week ending December 14th show an increase of \$42,143, the figures being 1902, \$209,598, 1901, \$267,453.

The Canadian Pacific railway earnings for the week ending December 14th amount to \$224,000, compared with \$789,000 last year; increase, \$35,000.

Canada's shipments of apples this year are over three times what they were last year and about double what they were in 1900.

The crops of corn are produced yearly in Cuba. The first crop is planted in December and the fourth crop is harvested in December.

Winnipeg advices are that this season 15,250,000 bushels of wheat reached outside market ports and that there are 27,939,464 bushels still to be forwarded by the railways.

The Hanover Courier reports that all the cement factories in Rhineland, Westphalia, have entered into a combination. The aim is chiefly to fix prices, which will start at from 175 (\$42) to 80 marks (\$43.25) per 1,000 kilos (22.05 lbs.).

at estimates are that the Florida grape crop is about one-half gone out of the state. The total crop will be 900,000 boxes, being augmented by 250,000 boxes by the large size of the fruit. Oranges run from 80 to per box, 128 being standard size.

crop is averaging the growers \$1.25 he trees. Probably a majority of fruit has been or will be purchased he trees.

A CLEVER COMPANY.

Fine Scenery and Clever Acting Presented. The Bros. are holding the boards of the opera house, and last night their engagement with the opera house, and last night their engagement with the opera house, and last night their engagement with the opera house.

Club Appoints Skip. Meeting of the Kingston Club, held at the rink, last evening skip was elected: William A. Stachan, Col. C. W. S. R. Bailey, M. S. Suther, William Ellis, L. L. Henderson, J. W. Power, T. Slater, T. McK. Robertson, II. den, Dr. A. P. Knight, J. B. em, W. H. Dalby.

To Keep Organized. The Kingston prohibition executive met Thursday afternoon, and endorsed the action of the provincial executive regarding the demands to be made on the Ontario government, which demands were regarded as very reasonable.

Oranges and Grapes. We have just received some of the best lines of oranges, such as the Camelia-brand, sweet and juicy. Also some choice Northern Spys and snow apples. W. J. Crothers.

High Grade Vegetables. Everything we have is fresh. We guarantee quality. We want your regular all the year around trade. Let us sell you all you can eat. Carnovsky, "On the Corner."

Free! Free!! Free!!! Until Christmas we will initial free of charge any umbrella or walking cane bought here. Special handles special prices. Jenkins.

Eighty overcoats more than we want at this late stage. Big cut in prices to clear. Roney & Co.

Have your Christmas greeting printed on cards, with your name, at the Whig office. 7 lb. pair of Upton's pure jam, 45c., at Mullins.

Holly and evergreen at Hiscock's.

A REPLY SENT.

IT IS LIKELY THAT SETTLEMENT WILL COME.

The Interests of the Powers Concerned Will be Well Safeguarded—Willing to Let U. S. Minister Bowen Act.

London, Dec. 19.—Great Britain has sent a reply to the United States in regard to the suggestion that the Venezuelan question should be submitted to arbitration. The tenor of the reply, it is expected here, will tend to bring about some arrangement for a satisfactory solution, while thoroughly safeguarding the interests of the powers concerned.

Would Let Him Act. Rome, Dec. 19.—Ambassador Meyer visited Foreign Minister Prinetti, at the foreign office, to-day, and communicated to him a cable message from Secretary Hay, saying the secretary was disposed to consent to the investment of Minister Bowen with full powers to settle the Venezuelan controversy if agreeable to Germany, Great Britain and Italy.

Germany Says Nothing. Berlin, Dec. 19.—Germany's answer to Venezuela's proposition for arbitration is ready and will be sent to the United States government in a day or two. The officials here maintain absolute silence regarding the character of the reply. The foreign office has no information to the effect that President Castro has bestowed on Minister Bowen full power to represent Venezuela in the settlement of existing difficulties, but such a step toward a solution would be received with pleasure.

The Answers Given. London, Dec. 19.—A parliamentary paper printed this morning, gives a number of questions relative to Venezuela, put by a tory member, Thomas Gibson Bowles, and the answer to these questions by Premier Balfour.

How They Regard Arbitration. Washington, Dec. 19.—Secretary Hay received responses from the governments of Great Britain and Italy respecting the proposal to arbitrate the Venezuelan difficulties. Great Britain is favorable to arbitration with proper safeguards. Germany accepts arbitration in principle, but finds a multitude of small adjustments to be made before entering into the agreement. Italy, as the junior partner of the allies, declares that she is favorable to arbitration but, provisionally, will be bound by the action of the senior partners.

Offer Services. Lima, Dec. 19.—A number of army officers here propose cabling their names to the president of Venezuela offering their services in case of the situation becoming more complicated.

TO BREAK WILL. Henry Mackey, of Buffalo, Will Try it.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—It was stated to-day, that Henry Mackey, of Buffalo, son of late William Mackey, millionaire lumberman, will try to break his father's will. He was only left \$8,000, while other members received large fortunes. It is said by the executors that the father put \$125,000 into a Buffalo business for the complainant, and that his treatment was, consequently, most generous.

CELEBRATES HIS JUBILEE. President Spent 50 Years in Ministry.

Halifax, Dec. 19.—Principal Pollok, of Halifax Presbyterian college, celebrated the jubilee of his ministry last night. Friends gave him a cheque for \$1,000, which Dr. Pollok devoted to founding a Pollok lectureship. An anonymous friend of Dr. Pollok also gave the college a cheque for \$1,000. Balmhouse conferred on him the degree of LL.D.

A WARNING TO GOLFERS. Man Who Knocked Out Caddy's Eye Must Pay \$6,000.

Post Henry, N.Y., Dec. 19.—A jury of Elizabethtown has returned a verdict of \$6,000 damages against David Fleming, who, while playing on the Lake Park links last evening, threw his golf club at his "caddy," causing the loss of one eye. The "caddy" brought suit for \$10,000.

Another Sensation Promised. London, Dec. 19.—It is rumored that the outcome of the Hartopp divorce suit will bring about an even more sensational case, one in which a person very near to the throne will figure. The most strenuous endeavors it is said, are now being made to settle this case and keep it out of court, but it is doubted if these efforts will succeed.

It Worked Erratically. Winnipeg, Dec. 19.—Owing to the erratic work of a voting machine, the municipal election in Miram, Man., may be nullified. One cycle registers anywhere from two to seven for each marble, and the candidate looked on as a sure winner was away in the minority.

Lead Thieves Punished. London, Ont., Dec. 19.—Charles Baker and Alfred Johnston were sentenced to terms respectively of two years and six months and two years and three months. The young men were caught stealing lead from the Canada chemical works.

Hamilton Mayoralty. Hamilton, Dec. 19.—Ex-Alderman Dixon, president of the Reform Association, has consented to run for mayor. His opponent will be Alderman Morden, conservative.

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BISHOP OF BUFFALO.

Doctor Conaty Likely to Succeed Quigley.



REV. DR. CONATY. Rome, Dec. 19.—It is stated in vatican circles that Rev. Dr. Conaty, rector of the Catholic university will be appointed bishop of Buffalo, to succeed Bishop James E. Quigley, nominated for the archbishopric of Chicago. It is also stated that the Rev. Dennis O'Connell, formerly rector of the Catholic College at Rome, will succeed Father Conaty.

KILLED FOR INSURANCE. This Theory Advanced in Case of Louisville Man.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 19.—It develops that R. C. Wayne, a Louisville business man found dead last night in the vicinity of Jacob Park, with a gun-shot wound in the breast, 6000 and had applications pending for \$50,000 more.

Coroner Kelly said the circumstances were such that the case would require exhaustive investigation. The inquest will be held Saturday.

Near Mr. Wayne's body, but on the opposite side of a wire fence, was a shotgun with one barrel empty and the other loaded and cocked. His friends and family declare that death was due to accident and that the gun was discharged while he was climbing through the fence.

THE JUNCTION SUBWAY. The Matter Before the Railway Committee.

A special despatch to the Whig from Ottawa, to-day, says: "At a meeting of the railway committee, this morning, to hear the application of the municipal council of the county of Frontenac, for an order doing away with the present crossing at rail level by the Grand Trunk railway, of the Montreal road, at Kingston Junction, and for the construction of a subway. It was decided that the railway company should bear the cost of the bridge, about \$2,500, and county and city should divide cost of approaches totalling about \$5,000.

CATTLE GUARD TESTS. Commissioners Will Resume Enquiry After Christmas.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Messrs. Holt and Robertson, of the Dominion cattleguard commission, who have been testing specimens of cattle-guards at the exhibition grounds since Monday, have suspended operations until after Christmas. Another session will be held in January, when more patents will be submitted. Some of those tried have been fairly successful. An automatic barrier that raises when the cattle step on a platform seems to be the best stock-turner.

Hinchinbrooke Council. Parham, Dec. 13.—Members all present. Labour of N. Barker struck off, having been performed. On motion, Jeffrey Walker, these were appointed deputy returning officers for the municipal elections: Division 1, E. Smith, 2, William Black; 3, James Fisher; 4, J. George. Voted for work on roads: J. Jeffrey, \$10.75; George Buttrell, \$1.50; E. Snider, \$11; James Wagar, \$1.50; William Snider, \$6; Thomas Breen, \$1.50; John Beattie, \$1; H. Sverbiick, \$9; N. Barker, \$2; P. New, \$1; R. Hayes, \$19.50; T. Howes, \$5; J. D. Goodfellow, \$6; E. Storey, \$2; J. Scantlin, \$10; P. Newow, \$2.10; J. Smith, \$15; George Gray, \$10; S. Leveck, \$8.50. Accounts passed: Thomas Duffy, timber, \$2.50; Mrs. Benn, charity, \$3.44; B. Davy, error in taxes, \$16.68; John Shellington, lumber, \$20.05; S. Harper, assistance on account of sickness, \$7.50; George Gray and G. A. Smith, for revising roll and selecting jurors, \$4 each; G. A. Smith, postage, stationery and sundries, \$13.57. Voted schools: Section one, \$175; two, \$166; three, \$205; four, \$298.50; five, \$287.25; six, \$261.70; seven, \$150.50; eight, \$175; nine, \$252; ten, \$279.10. Salaries voted: G. A. Smith, clerk, \$60; G. W. Killens, treasurer, \$45; reeve and councillors, \$30 each; Samuel Harper, caretaker of hall, \$6.

Married At Newburgh. On Wednesday, of last week, one of Newburgh's fair daughters became the bride of a western man, A. Bowen Perry, Clark's Fork, Idaho. The lady was Miss Ferguson, only daughter of Robert Ferguson, who was quietly celebrated in Okessa, by Rev. Mr. McColl, B.A., B.D., at the residence of George Watts, uncle of the groom. The bride and groom were assisted by Miss Watts and Mr. Jenkins, and at the conclusion of the ceremony a wedding supper was served by Mrs. Watts. Mr. Perry holds the position of agent and operator at Clark's Fork, Idaho, on the Northern Pacific railway. Mrs. Perry had been a member of the Methodist church choir during her residence in Newburgh.

A colored woman threw the odds and ends of medicine left after her husband's death into the fire. The explosion that followed carried the stove through one of the windows. "Moss' powerful movin' medicin I evah saw'd," she said. "No wannah the old man gone did."

Beginning with the new year Boston newsboys of less than fourteen years will have to have a license from the school-board.

NEWS OF WORLD

TELEGRAMS FROM THE FOUR QUARTERS OF EARTH.

Matters That Interest Everybody—Notes From All Over—Little of Everything Easily Read and Remembered by the Dear Public.

General Swayne died in New York on Thursday. Grave doubts are expressed as to the recovery of Cornelius Vanderbilt. Germany is supporting the claims of Belgium against Venezuela, which amount to \$1,250,000.

Don Carlos purposes to renounce his claim to the throne of Spain in favor of his son, Don Jaime. In New York on Thursday, Andrew Carnegie gave a dinner to more than thirty of his former associates in the steel business.

Albert E. Swift, Buffalo, owner of the "Johnstown Flood," at the Pan-American, died suddenly on Monday night in a bath-tub.

Joseph Seibert, twelve years old, ran into a lamp post while coasting in New York city, on Tuesday night and fractured his skull. He has since died.

C. W. Anderson & Son, bankers, Oakville, have assigned to E. R. C. Clark, Toronto. The liabilities to depositors are said to be about \$200,000.

The French authorities have become convinced that the death of Mrs. Elsie Gore was accidental and have decided to drop the case against M. De Rydzewski.

Horace L. Hotchkiss, who was J. De Gould's broker, has sold his seat on the stock exchange and will retire from Wall street after a career of forty-five years.

Mrs. Grant will be buried by the side of her late husband, at Riverside Park, New York. The tomb will be opened and her remains will be placed alongside the coffin of the revered president.

The employees of the United Rubber Goods company, Chicago, are on strike. They demand an increase of pay. Over 700 men are involved. Some of the men complain that they made not enough to sustain the lives of their children.

Blinded by the driving snow, Besie Hickson, aged fourteen, walked into Roundout Creek, near Kingston, N. Y., on Tuesday, and was drowned, while returning home with her little brother, from a store with supplies for the family dinner.

D. O. Wood, the assistant foreign freight agent of the Grand Trunk railway at Toronto, has resigned, and will sever his connection with the Grand Trunk. Mr. Wood has been appointed western agent of the Donaldson, Thomson and Lord lines of steamships.

Col. Fulkerson, one of the most noted generals during the civil war, and aide to "Stonewall" Jackson, of the Southern army, died at Bristol, Tenn., on Wednesday. He carried the Penneto flag at the battle of Antietam, and was several times wounded. President Lincoln was a personal friend of the deceased colonel.

Ollie Oaks, of Oshkosh, Wis., on Tuesday night stood on an iron register as she turned on the switch to the incandescent lights at her home. Instantly there was a blinding flash, and she sank to the floor dead. The wires of the electric power company there, owing to a heavy storm prevailing, became crossed, and the full current of the potential light wire passed through her body. The little girl was much disfigured.

Seriously Ill. Thomas McKay, Kingston, is critically ill of pneumonia at his uncle's, John Shorey, Newburgh, where he was taken with the disease a week ago. He is attended by his father, John McKay, and Mrs. McKay.

Out of Cold Storage. Red Roger grapes by the basket or by the pound, at Carnovsky's.

The moderator of the Irish Presbyterian assembly is to be granted precedence in Ireland along with Archbishops.

LADIES' FINE FURS

CLARK WRIGHT'S.

John Laidlaw & Son, 170 Princess Street.

Follow The Crowd

All the enthusiasm of success is awakened by the business of these days. Every effort is now being made to make shopping easy and pleasant.

Your appreciation is our encouragement. It is more and more a principle of this store to make everybody welcome, whether they care to buy or not.

We have the exclusive right for Kingston of the justly-famed FRENCH KID GLOVES, made by Rouillon, of Grenoble, France.

Advertisement for Rouillon Ladies' Black Kid Gloves, Colored Kid Gloves, and various fur items like Fawns, Drabs, Beaver Shades, Tans and Greys.

Handkerchiefs

LADIES' FANCY EMBROIDERED HANDKERCHIEFS, 12 1/2c., 15c., 20c., 25c., 33c., 35c., 39c., 49c., 69c., 75c., 90c.

LADIES' LINEN HEMSTITCHED HANDKERCHIEFS, 10c., 12 1/2c., 15c., 20c., 25c. and up.

CHILDREN'S FANCY HANDKERCHIEFS, 2 1/2c., 3c., 4c., 5c.

JOHN LAIDLAW & SON

THIS STYLE OF LADIES' FELT ROMEO SLIPPER



RED, BROWN, GREEN AND BLACK, Price \$1 at THE LOCKETT SHOE STORE.

Christmas Specials

A beautiful line of Golden Oak or Mahogany Cobble Seat Rockers only \$2, regular \$3. Fancy Rattan Rockers or Arm Chairs, only \$3.50, regular \$4.50. Children's 3-piece Toy Set only \$1.75. Screens, filled or in frames. Easels only 50c. for the holiday season. Ambulance, 147.

JAMES REID, The Leading Undertaker.

OUR LAST BARGAIN DAY

On Saturday we will offer the largest and best assortment of Taffies in Kingston.

Only 15c. Per Pound We have also the largest and best assortment of Boxes and Baskets in the city, all filled with our Pure Fruit Chocolates.

The Thompson Bottling Co., 292 Princess Street, Phone 304. Don't Forget THE WEMP PRICE CO., 286 Princess Street.



Table with financial data including 'WHEAT', 'CORN', 'CATTLE', 'PORK', 'LARD', 'SUGAR', 'COFFEE', 'TEA', 'RUBBER', 'COPPER', 'SILVER', 'GOLD', 'DOLLAR', 'POUND', 'FRANK' and various exchange rates.

Advertisement for C. LIVINGSTON & BRO., 75-77 BROCK STREET, featuring 'BUYERS OF MEN'S GIFTS' and a list of items like neckwear, handkerchiefs, gloves, muffs, hosiery, suspenders, smoking jackets, dressing gowns, bath robes, umbrellas, dress suit cases, shirts, cuffs, collars, etc.