A CHAIRMAN ELECTED.

THE SCHOOL BOARD BEGINS THE WORK OF ANOTHER YEAR.

W. Puulop Unanimously Placed in the President's Chair-He is Proud of the Honour - The Various Committees Named-A Scholarship Offered.

The inaugural meeting of the school board for 1889 was held yesterday afternoon in the board room.

The names of the candidates elect were read by the secretary: Cataraqui ward, John A. Macdonald ; Frontenac ward, H. Hunter : Ontario ward, Joseph A. B. Smith: Rideau ward, A. Horn; St. Lawrence ward, Dr. Herald; Sydenham ward, H. B. Savage; Victoria ward, W. Dunlop.

Mr. W. Robinson, clerk of the division court, administered to the new members the

oath of office.

W. Dunlop was unanimously elected chairman. He took his seat amid applause. He thanked the members for the honour done nim. It was an honour any citizen should feel proud of. He was proud that he had been elected without opposition, and laid particular stress upon the fact that he had received no opposition of a political nature, Their action in this matter showed that politics were not taken into consideration in matters pertaining to the business of the board. He alluded to the recent trustee elections and pointed out that politics were not considered in them. He congratulated the committee of school management of last year on the admirable work it had done. The enlargement of the Williamsville school had been carried out under its direction and was well done. This improvement was not completed before it was needed. There was not now a vacant seat in the building. Re ference was made to the engagement of a Kindergarten teacher, Miss Bowman. He hoped the Kindergarten class would be a success. He suggested that another class room be fitted up in the Central school as the schools were overcrowded. Another building was needed at once. He hoped the board would secure a portion of the Normal school lot on which to build it. The council would, no doubt, willingly grant money for the scheme. The committee to strike the standing com

mittees, Messys. Allen, Anglin, Martin, Wilson and Dr. Fee, reported as follows . STANDING COMMITTERS.

Finance-The chairman; Messrs. Anglin, Martin, Arniel and Horn. School Management - Messrs, Wilson,

Horn, Allen, Anglin and Dr. Fee. School Property-Messrs. Williamson, Dr.

Fee, Arniel, Martin and Savage. Library - Messrs. Martin, Macdonald,

Herald Smith and Hunter. Reports - Messrs, Macdonald, Herald, Savage, Hunter and Smith.

SCHOOL COMMITTEES. Central School - Messes. Horn, Fee and

Wellington Street School-Messrs. Allen, Williamson and Savage. Louise School-Messrs, Dr. Fee, Martin

Queen Street School-Messrs. Arniel, Her ald and Hunter.

and Wilson.

Cataraqui School -Messrs. Anglin, Wilson and Macdonaid. Gordon Street School-Messrs. Martin,

Smith and Herald. Williamsville School - Messrs. Wilson, Horn and Smith.

Frontenac School-Messrs. Savage, Macdonald and Hunter. Orphans' Home School - Messrs. Williamson, Anglin and Smith.

OFFERED A SCHOLARSHIP. Before the meeting dispersed Mr. Dunlop announced that he would offer a scholarship in the collegiate institute for one year. The scholarship will be competed for at the mid-

summer entrance examinations. THE CHAIRMAN ELECT. Mr. Dunlop, although a young man, is an able debater, and has taken a leading part in the board's conferences. The electors have been perfectly satisfied with the services he has rendered. He has been connected with

the board for six years. Judging from his

past actions he will make an efficient and

NEW COURT OF FORESTERS.

judicious president of the school board.

It Was Instituted in Gananoque Last Night -Bro. H. Bawden's Success.

Yesterday afternoon a delegation of members of Court Frontenac, Independent Order of Foresters, visited Gananoque, and assisted H. Bawden, now a provincial deputy of the high chief ranger, to institute a new court. The delegates from Kingston were Dr. Millman, supreme physician; A. R. Milne, high chief langer of the high court of Ontario; R. Meek, chief ranger; A Mc-Neil, F. C. Wade, woodwards, and Rev. C. E. Cartwright, J. Galloway, Joseph Wilson, and R. Baird, af the local court. A public meeting had been called by H. Bawden before the delegates arrived. When they reached the hall proceedings were continued vigorously, and with the most satisfactory results. The chair was courteously occu pied by Mr McIntyre, the reeve of the village, who introduced the speakers in the following order: Bro. Bawden, Bro. Milne, Bro. Cartwright, Bro. Millman, Bro. Meek and Bro. Wilson, all of whom took up some feature of forestry and explained it in a most acceptable way. Then followed the organization of the court, conducted by the high chief ranger. The list of charter members was produced. It bore the names of fifty-two persons, and these the leaders in banking, in business, in the government service, and in the industrial arts. A court more representative of the best classes in the community has never been formed under the auspices of the Independent Order of Foresters. The members having been duly initiated and instructed proce ded to the election of officers, and for the various positions selected the following brethren: C.R. -John Ormiston.

V.C.R.-T. F. How. Recording secretary-F. L. Stephen. Financial secretary-A. Davis. S. W .- T. Storey. J. W .- R. T. Kenny. Physician - Dr. Dumble. S. B. - Richard Wilson. J.B.-W. Watt. C.D., H.C.R.-C. E. Britton.

P.C.R.-F. Bird. The court meeting was enthusiastic and promising of great work in the interest of a good cause. The chief ranger said that Gananoque did not lag behind any place in the operation, of its benevolent societies that Court Gananoque would not be content to follow any other court, not excepting Court Frontenac. The supreme and high officers present said they never saw so good a court at its initiation, that Gananoque certainly had the best of material with which to begin its forestric career. Before leaving

the village the visiting brethren were handsomely entertained. Last night Mr. Bawden proceeded to Brockville, where he will also form a court of the Independent Order of Foresters.

If this should catch the eye of anyone needing new clothing, we would advise him to go to Lambert & Walsh, 110 Princess street, where he can be sure of getting good value for his money.

THE FRONTENAC ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting-The Officers For the Ensuing Year.

The annual meeting of the Frontenac agricultural association was held on Wednesday afternoon in the council chamber, city buildings. The attendance was not very large. President Wilmot occupied the chair and called for the reading of the minutes of the last meeting of the association. These were confirmed.

The auditors' and treasurer's statements were read. The financial statement was thus summarized: Receipts-

Cash on hand		522 17 700 70	00	
	81.	319	22	
Disbursements-	***		22	1
Auditors	. 8	8	00	
John Simpson, superintendent		60	00	(
Prizes, 1887		65	25	
Extra prizes, 1887		26	25	
Sondry accounts		49		
Midland association		689		
Kingston society		140		
Storrington soc.e y				
Wolfe Island society	.]	140	CO	
	\$1,3	319	22	

The treasurer, Mr. Vanluven, said but one of the township societies had forwarded its report to the Midland association as re quired by the act governing such institu tions.

The president called attention to the fact that the law did not allow any township show to be held within five miles of the county show, that is, if it is assisted from the fund. He had signed the checks for the township grants last year, but it was for the association to decide what its action should be in the future. The law being strictly carried out Wolfe Island would be cut off.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of officers and directors. Those of 1888 were re elected as follows :

President-John Wilmot. First Vice-President-James Redden. Second Vice President-William Duff.

Directors-Messrs. T. Hogan, Dr. Brown, W. Hutton, Isaac Simpson, B. W. Folger, R. J. Dunlop, G. S. Oldrieve, Mayor Thompson, ex Mayor Carson.

The delegates elect to the annual meeting of the Ontario agriculture and arts association were Messrs. H. Rankin and R. Meek.

The meeting then adjourned. The directors will meet at a later date and select a secretary and treasurer.

Township of Kingston,

On Wednesday, Jan. 9th, the annual meeting of the township of Kingston agricultural society occurred and was largely at tended. The following officers were elect-

President-John Harrigan. Vice Presidents-George Nicol, C. True

Directors-Messrs. D. Sheehan, Francis Marshall, H. Rankin, J. Knapp, C. Hav, B. Lancuster, H. Simpson, R. G. Purdy, C. George.

Auditors-D. Wright, A. Dunlop. The following letter was read from J. H. Metcalfe, M.P.P.: "To give your association the little aid in my power will always be pleasing to me. I recognize the valuable work it is performing in the township, and I desire to contribute a gold and silver medal to be competed for at your next annual show. I respectfully request that the gold medal be awarded to the best roadster stallion, of any age, owned the township, and that the silver medal be awarded to the most graceful lady rider. The lady must be a resident of the township, and the horse ridden by her owned in the township of Kingston.'

MEETING OF A COMMITTEE.

The System of Electric Lighting - The Location of New Lamps, }

The final meeting of the fire, water and gas committee was held last evening in the engineer's office. Alds. C. F. Gildersleeve, Robinson, and McCammon were present. A large number of accounts were passed. It was pointed out that there were located on the streets seventy three arc electric light lamps and four incandescents. Ald. Robinson asked for the location of an electric lamp at the head of Johnston street, and Ald. McCammon said that another lamp was needed at the lower end of Pine street. The committee decided to recommend the new council to place the lamps at these points. Ald. Gildersleeve said that if the corporation owned the electric light plant there would be no trouble for the citizens to get lamps where they were needed. The cost of supplying them would not be so great as at present. An incandescent light will be placed at the corner of Montreal and

A Pleasing Concert,

The Portsmouth Templars' first concert, with tea, was given last evening in the Orange hall to a full house. R. Atkins conducted the programme successfully. The songs by Misses Dobbs and Kate Wright and Mrs. W. Arthurs were well given and were encored. Mr. Rattary's "Philosopher" was good. "The negro photographer" by T Sampson and Hughes required a recall. W Kerr's recitation, "The Home-made Pie, brought down the house. The duets and choruses were first-class, and, all things considered, the concert was a great success.

The concert was held for the purpose of paying for the furnishing of the reading room recently opened by the members of Heart to Heart council, and which has already proved a blessing to many young

The Annual Meeting.

The annual congregational meeting of St. Andrew's church was held in Ontario hall last evening. Reports were presented from the session, managers, building committee, Ladies' home association, and the Sabbath school, all showing the affairs of the congregation to be in a very satisfactory state. During the evening Rev. Mr. Mackie presented Miss E. G. Rose with a purse and the choir also tendered her a handsome bible. Miss Rose leaves next week for St. Louis, Mo.

The Hotel Arrivals.

Arrivals at the British American Hotel-M. J. MacNamara, Brockville; T. S. Baillie, J. L. Gardner, N. Lewis, J. S. Potter, Montreal; T. P. Coulson, C. P. Simser, J. A. Bos well, C. N. White, Toronto; E. Ingersoll, W. Stanway, G. N. Morany, New York; M. D. Nicholson and wife, Rome, N.Y.; J. P. Reid, Chicago; Gus Williams, Westfield; W. Birkett, Hamilton; J. Sprague, Amheratburg; R. F. Teage, London, Eng.

Installation of Officers,

On Monday evening the following offices of Hand-in-Hand council, No. 273, were installed for the current term: S.C., William Kelly ; V.C., Sister M. Storms ; chaplain, John McIntyre ; R.S., James L. Rattray ; assistant secretary, F. M. Morrison ; treasurer, F. A. Kilpatrick ; P.C., A. E. Field ; F.S., E. B. Offord; H., John Harris; guard, Charles Wilson; sentinel, James Crawford,

Sweet, Wholesome,

For home made bread, try Manitoba flour, only 70c per | cwt, at W. F. Baker's, 12 Market square.

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY.

PARAGRAPHS PICKED UP BY OUR BUSY REPORTERS.

The Spice of Every Day Life-What the Public are Talking About-Nothing Es eapes the Attention of Those Who are Taking Notes.

D. Hogan, after a short visit, left for

Rochester yesterday. For genuine Scranton No. 4 coal go to the Gas Works yard.

The new wharf at the water works property has cost abour \$3,000.

Look out for the novel temperance entertainment, city hall, Jan. 25th. A.Y.M.C.A. has been established at A-

thens, formerly Farmersville. Dorcas society concert, Tuesday, Jan. 22nd, with additional attractions.

The Rathbun company have a large force of men raising the steamer Ella Ross. Dorcas society concert, Iuesday, Jan.

2nd with additional attractions. Mr. R. Davis will build a steam yacht 60 feet by 11 feet for parties in Gananoque. The schr. B. W. Folger, lying at South Bay, will be extensively repaired next

spring. Look out for the advertisement of the temperance entertainment, city hall, on January 25th.

Ex pupils of the separate school, Ports mouth, will surprise their friends on the 7th proximo. The county council convenes on Tuesday

next. Four candidates are having a hot contest for the wardenship. The Collinsby rafting company has purchased the steambarge Isaac. May and con-

sorts and the schr. Neelon. For dry oak and soft maple, soft wood and hard wood at lowest prices, go to

Crawford's, foot of Queen street. Alexandria Bay is agitating the building of a railway from that village to Redwood to

connect with the R.W. & O. system. The cost of the water works trenches has been kept below the estimates. More earth has been turned up than was anticipated.

Hardware, stoves and ranges, damaged by fire, water and smoke, clearing sale at big reductions. Bibby & Virtue, King street. Manitoba flour, \$2.75; bran, 90c: chop feed, \$1.25; hay, \$14; buck wheat flour, 65c per 1 cwt, at W. F. Baker's, 12 Market

The Ontario legislature opens on Thursday next. Since last session four new members take the place of deceased legis The streets committee has recommended

that John Brokenshire be paid \$20 without prejudice for injuries received on Gordon The Eddy fleet, consisting of the tug E.

B. Eddy, and 21 barges, all engaged in the lumber trade, were sold to D. Murphy & Co., forwarders, for \$320,000.

Miss Annie Fralick has been engaged to sing at the Dorcas society concert in the opera, Tuesday, Jan. 22nd, her last appearance before leaving for Rochester.

Just think of this, stair carpet for five cents; ladies' black wool hose for 15 cents, at R. McFaul's. Hosiery, gloves, mitts, hoods, caps, mufflers, &c., less than cost at R McFaul's.

The Kingston collegiate institute has the largest attendance on its record for the open ing of the year, 144. Of these 91 are taking the arts course, and 53 the teaching and business course.

Alpheus Snider, Verona, and Thomas Hartley, of Battersea, pleaded guilty to offences against the Scott act. It was Snider's third offence. The fines imposed were not learned Mr. Cummings, father in law of P. Mc-

Laughlin, died at Lawrence, Mass., on

Tuesday morning. He was seventy-two years of age, and leaves a wife and six children to regret his demise. The public school board, Portsmouth, held its first meeting in the school house last evening and elected John Scally, chair-

man. Patrick Redmond has been elected chairman of the separate school board. Ladies' half, whole and quarter wigs, bangs, switches, hair chains, rings, made to order. Dress and mantle making Cannif corset, best ever made, over Walsh &

Steacy's, 105 Princess street, Kingston. Immense buckwheat cakes. Our buckwheat flour makes the finest cakes, our bread flour is the finest in the land, cooking apples, table apples, 20c peck; lemons, 20c; oranges, 20c; cranberries, 10c. James Crawford.

On Tuesday a bright boy, five years old, son of Mr. Davis, teacher in the business college at Montreal, died at that place. Mr. T. Caswell, of this city, brother of Mrs. Davis, left to attend the funeral which took place on Wednesday.

Judge Wilkison, of Napanee, came to the city to-day to consider the twelve appeals from the decisions of the court of revision. There are seven parties who claim to be wrongly assessed, and five who assert that they are over assessed.

While James Rattray and a lady comcanion were skating yesterday near the Kingston & Pembreke railroad dock, they broke through, and the result would have been sad had not E. Arundell herocially pulled the young lady out.

Your money is better to us than goods, no matter how cheap. Roll bacon, 124c; cooking apples, 20c; table apples, 20c a peck lemons, 20; oranges, 20c; cranberries, 10c; roll and tub butter, fresh celery, potatoes, cambridge sausages. James Crawford.

James Moore, pensioner, Corrigan's lane, has received a cheque for \$1,110.33, arrears of pension due him for injuries received during the civil war. In future he will receive \$4 per month. The money was received through Mr. T. Dawson, of Wolfe

Now is the best time for bleaching cot tons. Cottons white and grey at wholesale prices at R. McFaul's. Towels, table linens, sheetings, pillow cottons, linen crash, all at mill prices, at R. McFaul's. Carpets, oil cloth, curtain poles, art blinds and rollers, chenile curtains, damask and tapestry curtaining, the cheapest in the city at R. McFaul's.

The telephones will be in use before the week is over. To make repairs 2,500 feet of cable were used. The cables contain fiftytwo wires in each. The trouble now is to connect all the wires and gather up the ends above the stores and houses. This is the most annoying job as every inch of wire will have to be examined to see that it is not grounded or broken.

A young woman residing in the upper part of the city has been considerably annoyed lately by anonymous writers. Scarcely a day passes that she does not receive one or more letters, which are written in a most disrespectful strain. She strongly suspects who the guilty ones are, and this information has been imparted to the police, who have taken the matter in hands.

Mr. Campbell, wood merchant, stated today that he had been a resident of the city for halt a century, and had never known the weather to be as mild at this season as it is now. In 1837 an open winter was experienced, but the weather was cold and disagreeable. The steamer Traveller started from the city on Feb. 16th in this year for Toronto wi h a load of troops, but the wind was so high the boat had to run back to port after reaching the Main Ducks.

DROWNING AT MILLHAVEN.

A Gallant Attempt to Rescue Those in Peril-A Sad Ending.

One of the saddest cases of drowning on record in the district occurred on Inesday at one o'clock, half a mile east of Millhaven. Two boys, Samuel Patterson and Fred Sterling, broke through the ice in the lake while skating, about sixty feet from shore in over twelve feet of water. Herbert Milligan lives at this point and hearing the alarm seized a board and ran to the rescue. Before he reached the boys he went through himself and sank almost immediately, the only apparent struggle being the raising of a hand above water. Meanwhile his wife, mother and sister were watching with alarm his gallant attempt at saving the lads' lives, and had the dreadful experience of seeing him lose his own. The wife was a young bride of only two weeks, being a daughter of Henry Benjamin, Ernesttown, at whose residence the wedding took place on Dec. 27th. She became nearly frantic with excitement and grief, and had to be almost dragged to the house. The lads meanwhile were rescued, Patterson getting out on the ice and keep ing his comrade from sinking by aid of a rope. A rescue party formed on shore and shoving off in a boat released the skaters from peril. The father of the drowned man arrived from the village just as the body was recovered. Rev. Mr. Young, who married deceased, will preach the funeral sermon on Thursday morning. Milligan was aged 25 years and lately resided at Winnipeg as an official of the Whelan house. The accident has cast a great gloom over the village.

ALL ON ACCOUNT OF ASHES.

A Row in Which Two Families Joined Banged With a Broom.

"She placed ashes in front of my door. This was the cause for an assault, the par ticulars of which were investigated by the police magistrate to-day. Jane Spence was complainant, David Leslie, defendant. Yesterday Mrs. Leslie laid ashes in front of Mrs. Spence's door. They were swept away and then Mrs. Leslie repeated the act. The husbands next rowed, and a brother of Leslie's made the conflict unequal. Mrs. Spence aided her leige lord, when David Leslie levelled her with a clip between the eyes. Mr Spence said David Leslie had his wife down and was beating her. When he went to interfere Leslie's brother "smacked" him severely. David Lestie said Spence threw a pail of water over his wife, and was getting ready to repeat the dose when he interfered and a fight ensued. Mrs. Spence was about to lay the broomstick across his back when he grabbed the weapon and got ashes in his eyes. There was a general exchange of bad

Mrs. Spence denied having "a woman's weapon" with her when the conflict occur-

Sophia Leslie, wife of defendant, and s son, both claimed that Mrs. Spence had attacked Mr. Leslie with a broom, and that any injury she received was while he was taking the broom from her. The case was enlarged for two days.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The Liberal Conservatives in Session-The Election of Officers Carried Out.

Last evening the annual meeting of the liberal conservative association occurred. The executive committee presented a lengthy report, which for obvious reasons we cannot publish. A resolution of congratulation to Sir John Macdonald, on his attaining the seventy-fourth year of his age, was carried, as were also resolutions of confidence in the leaderships of Sir John Macdonald and W. R. Meredith. The officers-elect are :

President-E. H. Smythe. First Vice President-James Swift. Second Vice President -G. Richardson. Third Vice-President-C. N. Spooner. Fourth Vice President-H. B. Savage. Treasurer-J. S. Muckleston. Joint Secretaries - D. McIntyre and C. F.

The chairmen of wards will be elected shortly.

PERSONAL MENTION.

People Whose Movements, Sayings and Doings Attract Attention.

Rev. Dr. Potts raised \$277 in Deseronto towards the college federation scheme. Brigade-Major Lewis is now on an inspection tour of the armouries in the eastern

part of the district. George A. Glynn and Aldernian Parsons, of Oswego, have purchased an interest in the Palladium, and will devete their time to the interests of the paper, Mr. Glynn in the editorial and Mr. Parsons in the business departments.

Mr. Ernest Ingersoll, late of the C.P.R. publication department, now on the editorial staff of the Cosmopolitan Magazine, New York, is in the city. He is here for the purpose of arranging for articles on Canadian topics. He has interviewed Rev. Dr. Grant, Miss Machar and other literary celebrities. He goes to Toronto and then to the Western states on a similiar errand. Mr. Ingersoll is an observant man and will give his impressions in a series of illustrative articles.

A PLACE FOR GAMBLING.

Inspector Glidden Says This is the Charter of the Stanley House,

Johnston Brown, of the Stanley house, Ontario street, was charged with allowing gambling to be carried on in his premises. The charge was preferred by Mr. Glidden, license inspector. Mr. McIntyre acted for the defendant. 'Mr. Glidden did not want the case opened to-day, because there were four witnesses to be secured who were apparently keeping out of the way of the policemen. The case was adjourned for two weeks. The trial of Bernard Joyner, who is supposed to be the informant against Mr. Brown, and who is charged with having violated the license act and used abusive language, was adjourned for two weeks.

A Handsome Work.

The Grand Trunk railway company has issued a handsome programme of the Montreal carnival events. The design is artistic and the mechanical effects the most admirable. The Grand frunk is doing the carnival a benefit by advertising it in so attractive a way.

The Kindergarten Class.

Miss Bowman, of Hamilton, who will take charge of the Kindergarten department of education in the public schools, is a native of Kingston. She will receive a salary of \$400 per annum. A piano will be hired by the school board for her department.

The Winter Carnival.

Is an established fact in Montreal. It is also a fact that Jelly of Cucumber and Roses will cure chapped hands and beautify the complexion. Druggists keep it. Wm. A. Dyer & Co., Montreal.

An interesting horse race took place on

Boy" won the contest. W. R. McRae, Belleville, has ass gned.

the ice below the bridge yesterday. There

were three entries. Vanalstine's "Mexican

TWAS AN AWFUL STORM.

THE WAY THE WIND HOWLED IN A WRITER'S STOMACH.

Kingstonians Were Not Aware of the Blow That Is Said to Have Occurred-Imaginative Ideas Run Wild-The Way

Liars on Space Can Spin it Out. The following despatch to the St. Louis Globe Democrat was sent to it from Montreal and had reference to the ice storm in Kingston on Sunday Jan. 6th :

"In the city of Kingston perhaps the most remarkable feature of the storm happened. The hurricane blew at the rate of seventy miles per hour nearly all of Sunday night and Monday. Earl and Rideau streets were lined with gigantic maple trees, while Wellington and King streets and Park avenue were lined with magnificent willows. This afternoon, all the streets are simply impas sable. The trees—some of them 21 feet in diameter-are strewn along the streets, across the roadways, some leaning against houses, the windows and cornices of which are demolished, and others in the most fantastic attitudes, all uprooted or torn off just above the ground by the wind and ice. There is not a telegraph or telephone wire standing in the city. All the poles are in the street and pedestrianism is almost an impossibility. The chimney of Simmond's tallow factory, 75 feet high, was blown down and several workmen injured. The chimneys of the Stanley House were also demolished, creating a panic among the guests, who thought the roof was falling in. Many people were injured by falling telegraph poles, and George Hosmer, Oscar Manning and Louis Hemberger are in the hospitals suffering from fractured skulls and limbs. A team of car horses were killed outright by a falling pole.

"The most remarkable scene is in Queen's park, the 50 acres of which are a huge pile of brushwood and fallen trees. The crashing of the trees in it caused residents in that locality to turn out of their beds and witness the storm's destruction. Tree after tree went down with a crash, and they were so very heavily ice-laden that when one gave way even the disturbing of the atmosphere caused other trunks to succumb, reminding the spectators of the roll of mus ketry in the distance The park is a solid mass of ice, it being impossible to force a passage through it. Hundreds of trees have been torn asunder, and they are all com pletely covered with ice, presenting a wonterfully grand scene. Several houses were unroofed and frame buildings fell in under the weight of ice.

"From the country come reports of widespread destruction. All the orchards in the district touched by the storm are more or less injured, some being entirely obliterated. Barns by the dozen have been destroyed, and few houses escaped damage in some shape. The freight trains are running, as it is impossible to stop them after they are started within a half mile, and passenger trains have great difficulty in running. There is no telegraphic communication whatever in the district. The loss to the telegraph companies will alone reach \$20,000, and the telephone companies nearly as much more. It will take six weeks to repair the damage done by the two days' storm."

COMMERCIAL MATTERS.

THE KINGSTON MARKETS. KINGSTON, Jan. 16. - The demand for beef is not large, the continued soft weather interfering in its keeping. The supply, however, is very large and, in consequence, the figures are very low from \$2 to \$5 per quarter. Mutton is from 6c to 7c per lb by the carcase. There are few prime cattle to be picked up in the country. The butchers, however, capture what there is paying from \$13 to \$25 per head. Lambs are sought at \$2,75 to \$3.25, and sheep at \$3.25 to \$4.75 per head. Little pork is offering and at prices from

\$6 50 to \$7 50 per cwt. Hams and breakfast bacon are worth 14c to 15c per lb; farmers' sides, 10tc to 11c per 1b, and barrelled pork, \$18 to \$19; sausages, 10c to 13dc per Ib.

Turkeys are worth 8c to 9c per lb; geese, 60c to 80c each; chickens, 40c to 55c per Hides are sold at 3c, 4c and 5c per lb:

sheep skins, 50c to 80c each; deacons, 25c to 35c each; calf skins, 40c to 50c each: wool, 16c to 18c per lb; rendered tallow, 5c to 5 c per lb. The supply of fish at present is limited. The cause of this is the mildness of the weather. Ice has not covered the fishing

grounds and consequently fishermen cannot

work. The prices paid for fish are: White tish and salmon, 10c per to; pickerel and bass, Sc per lb; pike, 6c per lb. The butter market is greatly glutted. The farmers have been turning their attention very vigorously to its manufacture. Fresh stock commands from 20c to 25c per lb according to quality. The packed article can

be bought at prices up to 20c per lb. Eggs are in big demand. The supply is inadequate. They bring 25c to 28c per dozen, potatoes, 40c to 45c per bag; parsnips, 50c per bag ; beets, 45c per bag ; carrots and turnips, 40c per bag; cabbege, 40c per dozen; onions, \$1 to \$1.20 per bush;

beans, \$1.75 per bush. Apples, \$1.50 to \$2 per barrel; oranges, 20c to 30c per dozen; lemons, 20c to 30c per dozen ; cranberries, 10c per quart ; figs and dates, 10c to 12c per lb. There has not been much change in the

flour market during the week. The quotations are: flour, \$5.50 to \$6.30 per barrel; oatmeal, \$5.50 to \$5.75 per barrel; cornmeal, \$1.40 per cwt; buckwheat flour, \$2.25 per cwt; bran, \$20; shorts, \$24; chopped feed, \$28 per ton; hay, pressed, \$18 per

The grain dealers say there is absolutely nothing doing. Not a hundred bushels has been handled during the past week. The quotations are : Wheat, \$1 to \$1.05; peas, 60c to 62c; barley, 60c to 65c; rye, 60c to 65c; oats, 38c to 40c.

MONTREAL STOCK MARKETS. MONTREAL, Jan. 17 .- 12 noon. Ontario Bank 1274
Bank du Peuple 1044
Molsons Bank 165
Bank of Toronte 000
Banque Jacques Cartier 98
Merchants Bank 1364
Quebec Bank 900
Union Bank 97
Bank of Commerce 118 Canada Cotton Company...... 40
Dundas Cotton Co...... 45
Hochelaga Cotton Co..... 600 LIVERPOOL CHEESE MARKET.

Cheese-White 60s, 0d : Colored 59s 6d Weather Probabilities.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 17-5 p.m.

Strong winds and gales, veering to westerly, cloudy or partly cloudy, with local showers, turning colder at night, with snow flurries in some places.