NEW SECRETARY OF WAR.

The President Appoints Stephen B. Elkins to Succeed Proctor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—President Harrison sent to the Senate yesterday the name of Stephen B. Elkins, of West Virginia, to be Secretary of War, as the successor of Senator Proctor, of Vermont, resigned.

STEPHEN B. ELKINS.

Stephen Benton Elkins was born in Perry county, Ohio, September 26, 1841. He migrated to Missouri in his boyhood and began studying law. He was graduated from the University of Missouri in 1860. He served in the war on the Union side in 1862 and 1863 as captain in the Seventy-seventh Missouri Regiment. He was admitted to the bar in 1864, and then moved to New Mexico and opened an office. He was elected a member of the Legislature two years later, and was attorney-general and United States district attorney for the territory. He amassed a fortune by mining and stock raising. He resigned as United States district attorney in 1872, and was elected to Congress next year. He was reelected in 1875. His friendship for James G. Blaine began during his first term in Congress, and has continued with undiminished fervor, it is said, ever since. He became a member of the National Republican Committee in 1875, when he married the daughter of ex-United States Senator H. G. Davis of West Virginia. It was largely through his energetic advocacy of the plumed knight that Blaine was nominated at the Chicago Convention of 1884.

CANADIAN CABINET DEPOSED.

Mercier and His Confreres Ousted for Corrupt Practices.

MONTREAL, Dec. 17.—The Liberal party of Canada has received the hardest blow of years in the dismissal of Hon. Honore Mercier, Premier of Quebec, and his cabinet for corruption. Lieutenant-Governor Angers, acting on report of Judges Jette, Baby and Davidson has ignominiously dismissed his ministers from office and called upon Hon. Mr. De Boucherville to form a new cabinet.

These judges, forming a royal commission, have been investigating charges that Mercier and his government had received $100,000 from Contractor Armstrong for the sale of the Bay des Chaleurs Railway. This amount was said to have been divided between the members of the Cabinet.

The new Cabinet will be Hon. Mr. De Boucherville, Premier, with Messrs. Taillon, Chase, Casgrain, John S. Hall, Flynn, Duplessis, Fitzpatrick, Nantie, Mackintosh and L. P. Pelletier as Ministers.

Trenton Woolen Mills in Trouble.

TRENTON, Dec. 22.—The financial trouble in the Saxony Mills, owned and operated by the Trenton Woolen Company, is likely to seriously affect the woolen trade in this city. The company recently allowed a note to go to protest, which was the beginning of the trouble. The liabilities are stated to be about $40,000, the heaviest creditors being in New York and Philadelphia.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

PRODUCE MARKET.

BUTTER—Market dull—Creamery. Eastern 23@30c.; Western, 24@28c.; Elgin, 30c.; imitation, 18@22c. Dairy—Eastern half-firkin tubs 26@27c.; Eastern Welsh tubs, 23@25c. Factory—Fresh, 15½c.

CHEESE—Market firm—Factory—New York cheddar, 11a11½c. Creamery, 10@11½c. New York part skims, 8½c.; full skims, 2½@3½c.

EGGS—Market firm—Fresh Eastern, firsts, 25@27c.; Western, firsts, 25@27c.

FEED—Market steady. Spring bran, 75@80c.; winter, 75@80c; 60lb feed, $1.15@1.20; 80lb, 87½@92½c.; middlings, $1.10@1.20; sharps, $1.30@1.32½c.; cracked corn, $1.20; corn meal, coarse and sifted, 75@80c.; flue, $1.25@1.35; rye feed, $1.00.

HAY—Market steady. Choice timothy, 80@85c.; No. 1, 75c. No. 2 70c.; shipping, 60@65c.; clover mixed, 60@65c.; clover, 60@65c.

STRAW—Long rye, 65@70c.; short rye, 50@55c.; wheat, 40@50c.; oat, 40@45c.

RYE FLOUR—Quiet at $5.15@$5.40. Fancy up to $5.60.

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Extra No. 2.....	3 60a 3 90	3 60a 3 90
Extra No. 1.....	3 95a 4 50	3 90a 4 35
Patents.....	4 85a 5 40	4 75a 5 25
City Mills—patents.....	....	5 40a 5 60
West India—shipping....	....	5 10a 5 25

PITTSBURG MARKET.

FLOUR—Jobbing prices—Fancy spring patents, $5,50@5,75; fancy winter patents, $5,25@5,50; fancy straight winter, $5,00@5,25; fancy straight spring, $5,25a5,50; clear winter, $4,65a5,00; straight XXXX bakers', $4,75a5,00. Rye flour, $5,25a5,50.

BUTTER—Creamery, Elgin, 31a32c; Ohio brands, 28a30c; common country butter, 18a20c; choice country roll, 20a22c; fancy, 24a26c per lb.

BEANS—New York and Michigan pea, $1,90a2,00; marrow, $2,15a2,25; Lima beans, 4a4½c per lb; hand-picked medium, $1,90a2,00.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—New, 2½a2½c per lb.

CHEESE—Ohio cheese, 11a11½c; New York cheese, 11½a12c; Limburger, 12½a13½c; Wisconsin, Sweitzer, full cream, 13½a14c; imported Sweitzer, 26a27c.

EGGS—25a27c for strictly fresh nearby stock; candled eggs, 24a25c; cold storage eggs, 21a22c.

POULTRY—Alive—Chickens, 60a65c a pair, large; 30a50c medium; live turkeys, 10a11c per lb; duck, 50a60c a pair; dressed chickens, 12a14c per lb; dressed turkeys, 13a15c per lb.

POTATOES—Carload lots, 35a40c on track; from store, 40a45c a bushel; Southern sweets, $1.50 a1,75 a barrel; Jerseys, $3,00a3,25.

CINCINNATI.

Flour heavy. Wheat in light supply and stronger; No. 2 red, 94a94½c. Corn firmer; No. 2 mixed, 45c. Oats stronger; No. 2 mixed, 35a35½c. Rye in fair demand; No. 2 94a95c. Pork nominal at $9,00a9,12½. Lard in good demand at $5,90a6,00. Bulk meats easier at $5,20a5,30. Bacon easier at $7,00. Butter easy; fancy Elgin creamery 30c; Ohio, 27c; choice dairy, 16a18c. Eggs in fair demand at 21a22c. Cheese in moderate demand and firm.

Little Johnny Tells a Story.

One time there was a young gote wich felt butty, and there was a ole ram wich lay in the road, half a sleep, chune his cud. The goat he had been shet up in a paster ol his life, an had never saw a ram an' he sed to his sister, the gote did: "You jest stan still an' se me whipe that freak off the face of the erth."

So the gote he went up before the ram an' stomp his feets an' shuke his head real frileful, but the ram he didn't git up, but only jes kep chune his cud and wo'ched out between his lashes. Bime by the gote he backed off an' tuke a run, an' then arose up in the air an' come down with his hed on the ram's head, whack! The gote's hed was busted, but the ole ram he never wank his eye. Then the ole ram he smiled with his mowth, an' sed to the butte gote's siste: "Pears to me, miss, that kangaroo of yourn is mity careless where he lites, he come gum dasted near making me swoller my cud."

Value of Experience.

"I like to see you cut beefsteak, Mr. Lively," said the board mistress to the new man. "You do it with such grace and ease."

"That's not surprising. I worked twenty years in a leather factory cutting out the soles for heavy shoes."

POULTRY NOTES.

No. 40.

Give the roosting poles at least one more dose of coal oil before winter.

If you wish early chicks, begin now to make the necessary preparations. Don't let your eggs get chilled.

But it don't pay to hatch chicks early if you don't have good warm quarters for them. Don't give the hen more than eleven eggs.

If you wish any new breeding stock now is the time to buy as you can get them cheaper and also have more of a selection.

Do not confine your birds, as they become too fat and don't lay so well, and are more liable to contract disease.

Charcoal is an excellent article to feed poultry to keep them in condition or if you suspect that they are out of sorts, try feeding charcoal.

W. B. GERMAN.

ST. GEORGE AND THE DRAGON.

It is said that in a lake near the city of Silene, in England, a huge dragon dwelt, whose insatiable maw seemed satisfied with nothing the people could give him. In their despair they cast lots to determine who among their dearest ones should be flung to the beast, and the lot fell to the King's daughter. As she was going, like Jeptha's daughter, to meet her terrible fate, she was met by George of Cappadocia, who, after hearing her sad story, bade her fear not, and making a sign of the cross he brandished his lance, attacked and transfixed the dragon, and leading him into the city beheaded him in the presence of all the people. For this noble deed he became the Patron Saint of England. Many a dragon in the form of disease, while leading his victim to death, as sure as that which would have befallen the King's daughter but for her timely rescue, has been demolished by the use of S. S. S., and the victim restored to health.

Treatise on Blood and Skin diseases mailed free. SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Atlanta, Ga.

Don't You Do It.

A man was recently arrested in Williamsport and fined $10 and costs for allowing his horse to remain in the street a long time without food or protection from the cold. Everyone so guilty should be punished. It is cruel in the extreme to subject a horse to such suffering and no humane person will do it. But it is often done.

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The county weekly newspaper publishers should be classed among capitalists. They lend more money than almost anybody else. But they don't lend it on interest—simply put it out in trifling sums over the country to delinquent subscribers, many of whom never repay the principal to say nothing of the interest.—*Exchange.*

I Was a Fool.

Yes, they said I was a fool not to try Sulphur Bitters for Rheumatism, from which I had suffered over two years; but I had tried so many doctors and medicines without getting relief that I was discouraged. I am now on my fourth bottle and almost cured. I was a fool that I didn't try that wonderful remedy before.—*C. G. Pratt, Manchester, N. H.* 12-25-2t.

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The Reason Why.

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An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge to all who desire, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper. W. A. NOYES, 820 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y. mar-6-1y.

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