SIR C. B. GORDON ADVISES CAUTION

At the meeting of the Men's Union of Erskine Presbyterian Church, Montreal, last week, Sir Charles Gordon gave an address on "Finance". He dealt with the world conditions which had caused the general rise in prices. with enormous numbers of men taken from productive employment to the destructive work of war, so that the demand for ordinary labor became acute, and costs of production increased tremendously. He considered that the breaking point had been reached a short time ago, when with the increased costs of labor and all commodities, people had realized that the inflation of prices, credit and currency could go no further.

"What has happened," said Sir Charles, "is that for a long time past the public were the most reckless buyers of anything and everything, with a rising market and credits easy to secure. Today we have the very opposite. Materials are offering at lower prices, but the public has made up its mind that prices are too high, and that if they hold out they will get their goods cheaper." He thought that the time had come for much caution in business matters.

PAPER MILL AT PRINCE GEORGE, B.C.

A report from Prince George, B.C., states that plans are practically completed for a pulp and paper mill at that point to cost over \$6,000,000, by a number of eastern capitalists, who have been looking over the ground, including Angus McLean, of the Bathurst, N.B., Lumber Company; Frank Jones, president of the Canada Cement Company, and M. E. Preish, president of the Haynes Lumber Company, Buffalo, N. Y.

BANK OF HAMILTON'S NEW QUARTERS.

The Bank of Hamilton began its first banking day last week at its new quarters on the corner of St. Peter street and St. James, formerly occupied by the Bank of Nova Scotia, which, a week ago, moved into its present offices in the old Eastern Townships Bank building on the corner of St. James and McGill streets.

The former local headquarters of the Bank of Hamilton on McGill street will continue as part of the institution and will have charge of the foreign business under the management of W. W. McGillivray, who has been transferred with that end of the bank's activities from Toronto to Montreal.

The office of the bank's Montreal manager, R. L. Ellis, will be in the new quarters on the corner of St. Peter street and St. James. This area will, when the Royal Bank builds its head office on the entire block stretching from St. Peter and Dollard to Notre Dame streets, be occupied entirely by banking institutions.

INCOME TAX ACCOUNTS.

Thousands of Christmas Reminders From Income Tax Collector.

Thousands of Montreal citizens are receiving Christmas gifts in the shape of bills for income tax. large staff has been engaged at the departmental offices at the Shaughnessy Building, Montreal, for some time past in getting these statements made and the accounts sent out. This has been a slow business, as the returns and accounts have to be sent to the Department at Ottawa and approved before being sent out, but it is stated by Peter McCaffrey, chief of the income tax collection department, that already many thousands of the accounts had been sent out, while each day the mails were loaded with further accounts, so that it was hoped that by the New Year the greater part of the work would be completed. Since all those who had made their income returns were aware of what was coming, said Mr. McCaffrey, the returns on the tax had been coming in promptly, many not even availing themselves of the thirty days grace allowed.

IMPLEMENTS DUTY FREE.

The Department of Trade and Commerce has been notified by the Customs Department of India that the following agricultural implements have been exempted from payment of customs duty when so constructed as to be worked by power other than manual or animal: Winnowers, threshers, mowing and reaping machines, elevators, seed crushers, chaff cutters, root cutters, ploughs, cultivators, scarifiers, harrows, clod crushers, seed drills, hay tedders and rakes.

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