### N FAILURES.

W. S. Robertson. Business be-

good Co. (not incorporated), proemmill. Liabilities, about \$9,000. er Vandusen, grocer, assigned to estimated at \$1,500.

R. Webb, provisions. Liabilities

ittlewood, drugs. Assigned to C.

Lebedinsky, general merchant, ously failed at Carman in 1903. Herbert, grocer. Assigned to 188, \$2,300.

Dubersy, grocer. Assigned to cout \$2,000. confectionery. Assigned to W.

ietske, hotel-keeper and grocer,

McIntyre, boots and shoes. Liabilities reported at \$8,000;

-Wm. Loundes, plumber. As-

Guano Co. The company was with an authorized capital of

Anderson, boots and shoes.

tailor and haberdasher. Has lities, \$8,500; assets, \$4,500. ar. Assigned to Kent & Tur-

Fournier, grocer. Assigned

, saloonkeeper. A. W. Stev-

Liabilities under \$1,000.—
liquors, George Duclos, the land is said to owe between Dauthier, manufacturer of steel on St. Amour. Liabilities estatout \$5,000.—Senez & Co., shoes. Assigned with liabilities of about \$6,000.

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bel, grocer. Liabilities about

Legrand, general store. Li-

oses Carsler, general merliabilities of \$19,000.

## USE RETURNS.

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Aug. 23rd.	A	ug. 31, '05
\$27,635,200	18	22,305,307
20,364,047	3 .	17,530,464
8,206,385		5,381,466
1,647,260		1,467,339
1,403,377	1	1,099,237
1,208,252		916,707
740,202		1,768,233
740,202		757,318
1,526,143		1,518,425
926,542		783,170
2,815,078		2,003,507

\$69,129,956 \$55,531,179

wn Co., Limited, has severed Bedding Co., and taken over innipeg, until now conducted ding Co., Limited. The manefore. The Winnipeg branch oronto Bedding Co., as it has

# CANADIAN NATIONAL EXHIBITION.

## The Finest Annual Fair in the World is now Drawing Crowds to Toronto.

The great Fair, to perfect which Manager Orr and his energetic staff have been devoting almost superhuman energy for weeks past, is now arrived. It is "on" in good earnest.

Every indication points to a colossal success, even for Toronto Exhibition, which is accustomed to, though not satiated with, that not easily defined quality. This success is not only the attribute of a favorable financial balance sheet; it is spelt in the growing enthusiasm of the Fair's visitors; in their constant return thither year after year; in the glowing remarks of people from across the border who, when they do admire a thing or an institution outside their own boundaries, mean something big.

The value of Canada's National Exhibition as an asset, and as a standing example of the business capability of its citizens, need not be argued now. It is recognized.

When the Exhibition "opened" on Tuesday afternoon, it was already in the possession of something like 20,000 people who did not care to wait on such a purely formal ceremony as the pressing of a button, to begin their pleasures. In other words, the Fair, like Topsy, just grewand opened itself.

But this did not detract from the interest of the ceremonial in the Dairy Building, later on, or of the proceedings when Chief Justice Sir Wm. Mulock, Mr. W. K. George, acting-president, in the place of Lieut.-Col. McGilliveay, unhappily ill, Hon. Nelson Monteith, Hon. John Dryden, Hon. Jas. Young, Hon. Robt. Jaffray, Hon. J. K. Kerr, Mr. W. K. McNaught, Mayor Coatsworth, Mr. Frederic Nicholls, Hon. Lyman Melvin Jones, Mr. Peleg Howland, Mr. G. H. Gooderham, and many other representative men, sat down to lunch with the directors.

A main feature of great exhibitions is the object-lesson they inculcate of the desirability of peace among the nations. The first exhibition of all, in London, was not followed by as much peace as its upholders said it would be; but that does not destroy the general argument.

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At least, Sir William Mulock, in his very eloquent address, did not think so, for he seized the occasion to belittle battleships and other weapons of destruction, and to laud the simple life of Canada.

"This Canada of ours," he exclaimed, "is the only country in the world worth living in that is not burdened with great military debts handed down to them by previous generations, Keep it on those lines. Watch carefully every tendency towards militarism, for we know that preparation for war leads to war. Remember that this is the last spot of refuge on God's green earth where men can come and not pay tribute for the sins of their ancestors."

Mr. George also made an admirable speech.

As to the general aspect of the grounds, it has most emphatically improved; more so than ever before between two consecutive exhibitions. Several unsightly shacks have been removed or destroyed; a handsome and solid new. Process Building has been completed, and a new Press Building, practically so. Wooden sidewalks have become concrete; roads and driveways in good condition. And the grass is as green, and the lake as blue as ever.

The Process Building may be described as one of the brightest ideas which have ever occurred to a management always distinguished for practical go-aheadiveness. It has precisely that combination of educative and attractive qualities which is, or should be, the main feature of a popular exhibition. The structure, which is several hundred feet long, is admirably lighted; its simple steel framework causing no obstruction to the sun's rays. An extraordinary number on machines are shown in operation. Some extremely large ones may be seen turning out carpets. In a corner, boots in various stages, from the first irregular sheet of rough leather to the polished dance-shoe of the debutante, are shown in making. Printing done "while you wait." Numerous other industries, mysterious to the uninitiated, beg the public to look and learn.

But it must not be forgotten—nor is it by the directors—that agricultural instruction is of fully as much importance as the manufacturing end of Canadian enterprise. Perhaps

more so. The farmers who come to the Fair from the ends of Ontario—and elsewhere—will have no cause to complain. The live-stock, poultry, vegetables, and other shows bid fair to beat records, just as truly as do the other lines.

All he amusement features, the vaudeville, the performing animals, the reproduction of Sir Walter Scott's "Ivanhoe," the fireworks, and last, but far from least, the Band of the Second Life Guards, are fully up to the mark in every way.

This article started talking success; it may as well and with the same; for such is the prospect ahead for this year's Fair.

#### Exhibition Notes.

Taken all in all the Manufacturers' Building presents a better appearance than ever, due to the more tasteful arrangement of the exhibits. It takes a great amount of careful thought to show one's goods so as to get the maximum of display in the minimum of space.

A most attractive exhibit is that of the Canadian Rubber Company of Montreal, who show an almost complete line of goods, such as hose, boots, rubber heels, mechanical rubber goods, etc. This company has not exhibited for the past three or four years, and the fact of their return is a silent testimony to the usefulness of the exhibition as a medium for exploiting their goods. The exhibit occupies a strategical corner position in the east end of the building, and is under the good care of Messrs. F. E. Wood and Fred. Summerhayes, eastern branch manager. They also have a display of carriage goods, such as carriage pads, tires, etc., in the Transportation Building.

The Office Specialty Mfg. Co., has its usual complete and attractive showing of labor-saving devices for the office, including filing cabinets, eard indexes, letter press copiers. This exhibit is very effective, and any business man would have little difficulty in finding here anything and everything required for reducing his office details to a minimum.

Toward the south-west corner of the building is the booth of the Globe-Wernicke Co., Stratford. This company shows roll-top desks, sectional book cases, filing cabinets. They exhibit a very pretty sectional book-case made of oak with dull finish, and fitted with leaded glass doors. Mr. R. S. Porteous is in charge.

The Monarch Typewriter Company succeeded in getting into the Manufacturers' Building this year. One of the most interesting things shown is a machine with a carriage 261/2 inches long. Such typewriters are used almost exclusively by insurance companies for getting out monthly statements. Although the carriage is so much wider the difference between the action and that of an ordinary machine is hardly appreciable.

There is the usual large and attractive exhibit of pianos and organs; of course, surrounded by crowds of visitors, eager to hear some one strike up a tune, or better still, to take away a souvenir sheet of music.

A familiar booth is that of E. W. Gillett Co. Here are found all kinds of desiderata for the really good housekeeper. If the truly remarkable display of household goods is not enough to hold the crowds, then the moving figure with his sleight-of-hand work assuredly will.

A most striking exhibit is that of the Dunlop Tire Co., with an impense horseshoe back ground. Samples of this concern's output are all there, and a very complete showing of its kind it makes.

One of the most attractive exhibits (especially from the view-point of the ladies) is that of Gowans, Kent. It fairly glistens, and is always surrounded by the throngs who are fond of cut glass; and who is not? Samples of glass-work shown are certainly remarkable for their beauty and design.

Walter Baker, with his pretty serving girls, occupies the same old stand at the north-east corner of the building. Here by the payment of five cents visitors can get a cup of the famous coeoa; and it is surprising how many people take advantage of the opportunity.