

Municipal government.

Insurance— Fire, life, marine.

Commerce and commercial relations.

Transportation — Rail and water, bills of lading.

The manufactures of Canada.

The natural products of Canada.

The (internal) trade of Canada.

The export trade of Canada.

The Customs Act and tariff of Canada, import trade.

Stenography.

Partnership, company, incorporation.

Insolvency, liquidation.

Many of these subjects could only be dealt with satisfactorily by men engaged in active business. Therefore, in arranging a course of commercial study it would be necessary to arrange for lectures or addresses by prominent men just in the same way as do the faculties of medicine and law. Neither faculty could turn out the men they do were it the system to teach exclusively from theory. The idea I place before you in this paper would furnish great advantages within the reach of lads actually beginning their business career with a common school education at the age of 15 or 16 years, and the following of the complete course would enable young men of 18 years of age to enter business employment upon a most desirable basis. The knowledge imparted in a course such as suggested would, with little additional practical experience, fit a young man for the higher positions in commercial life. He would be able to take his place as his ability or opportunity might call with eminent satisfaction.

I will make special reference to some of the subjects that have been indicated as desirable.