The Economics of Advertising" was the subject of an address delivered before the Montreal Publicity Association by Mr. J. J. Harpell. B.A., president of the Industrial and Educational Press, Limited. Mr.

Harpell spoke in part as follows:—

Economics is the science of business. Political tres. So long as the people of the Maritime Provinc-

The first stage in a search for guiding principles of action lies in a careful analysis and observation outside of Canada. in the field to be studied. So that we may have a

### Determining Rossible Purchasers.

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Our first effort should be to determine the number of possible and probable purchasers.
According to the Census returns of 1911 there were—at that time—7.200.000 people in Canada, of which 3.000.000 were males, of all ages. Exclusive of mining towns, 1.550.000 of these were living in the country, small villages and the remaining 2.250.000 were living in the country, small villages and the remaining 2.250.000 were living in the country, small villages and the remaining 2.560.000 were living in the country, small villages and the remaining 2.560.000 of these fishermen purchased their supplies, and where living in the country, small villages and the remaining 2.560.000 of these fishermen purchased their supplies, and where living in the country, small villages and the remaining 2.560.000 were living in the country, small villages and the remaining 2.560.000 of these fishermen purchased their supplies, and where living in the country, small villages and the remaining 2.560.000 were living in the country, small villages and the remaining 2.560.000 of the products of agriculture from facilities with the Express companies to carry fish out at the Dominion Government arranged for facilities with the Express companies to carry fish and Pacific Commerce, the export returns of these of morths and village showing the record shipments of foothers where the fish dealers of Montreal and Toronto purchased their supplies, and where the fish for Canadian rouse of Montreal and Toronto purchased language we must deduct 470.000 which represents language we must deduct 470.000 which represents language will be a seffected a considerable change in this condition, and all that is required now to complete the good work is for the Canadian people to eat more fish, leaving the purchasers only through the medium of the English purchasers only through the medium of the English foother trade in meritance of the month and the several marked features in connection with that trade.

New York, December 23.—The ma

Divided	1 .	C

These may be divided into groups or if	idustries	a
oltows: -		
Fishermen	70,000	
Miners	69,000	
Producers of Forest Products	50,000	
Mechanics and Farm Laborers	110,000	
Teachers, Physicians, Clergymen and		
other Professionalists	10,000	
Trade and Commerce	80,000	
Horticulturists	20,000	
Those who do a little farming and a		
little something else, as mining		
lumbering, or fishing	140,000	
Retired farmers	50,000	
Farmers' sons living at home	150,000	
Purchasing farmers	500,000	
This figure I regard is high, for accor	ding to t	h

would account for more than 30,000 holdings.

### Farmers' Reading Habits.

Our se	cond st	ep is	to exa	mine	the	readi	ng hal	its
of those	500,000	purch	nasing	farm	ers.	The	result	of
my exam	nination	is as	s follo	ws:-				

my	examination is as follows:-	
	Farmers who cannot read	50,000
	Farmers who can but do not read	100,000
	Farmers who read only their local	
	paper	210.000
	Farmers who read the local paper	
	and one or more methropolitan	

Farmers who are good readers and who read for information pertaining to their business of farmng and in whose homes are be found one or more scientific

Farm Journals ... 60,000
The result of our investigation so far would indicate that out of 900,000 farmers, large and small, out of the 70,000 fishermen there are not more than 2,500 good readers. Out of the 60,000 miners there ot more than 3,000 good readers. Out of 45,000 lumbermen there are not more than 2,000 good readers. In the Pulp and Paper industry, which accounts for about 5,000 employes, the percentage is larger

### dustry is over 800. Selection of Medium.

The third stage of our investigation may be nut

when he is reading local news or when he is looking very little attention is paid. when he is reading local news or when he is looking very little attention is place.

My information has been gathered very largely pondingly heavy, amounting to \$28,563,588 compared with \$5,395,373 during the same period last year.

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standard of stock is kept up to the point of profitable production. In sections where the inhabitants are accustomed to do a little farming and a little mining or a little farming and a little fishing, or a little farming and a little fumbering their efforts generally shown to use them you require some knowledge of conditions gained by personal experience or observation. You should lose no opportunity to poke about and observe closely.

The value of our exports of foreign oats and wheat of conditions gained by personal experience or observation. You should lose no opportunity to poke about and observe closely. result in producing the bare necessities of life. It is ve experienced the greatest de

economic ways of getting supplies to those we may ness establishment.

ated at \$300,000 against \$234,000 last year.

Vernon, B.C.. De ember 23.—Over a thousand carworth—two subcidiaries of the Canadian Car and
loads of fruit have been shipped this year by the Okanagan United Growers, Limited, central agencies forniga. In each instance the proceedings were of a
routine character. Hon. Nathaniel Curry was reticton to Salmon Arm for which returns amount to
tested president of both.

Vernon, B.C.. De ember 23.—Over a thousand carsystem will be made on the 28th, that will be the
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economics or political economy is the science of the es and British Columbia are forced to find a market in the United States for such a large part of their

If some of the money that is now being spent on in the field to be studied. So that we may have a definite object in mind, let us suppose we produce "Made in Canada" more more many state is now obtained in the formal of the money that is now obtained in the money that it is now o an excellent gas engine that is well adapted for farm forts calculated to encourage the people of Central cellent gas engine that is a construction of the desire to bring it to the attention Canada to eat more of our Atlantic and Pacific fish, better results would be obtained. Until a short time ago when the Dominion Government arranged for

or industries as supplies.

hoof and taken by jobbers to central stock markets, articles under the classification are barley, their grain to the local elevator etc.

### Appropriation for Advertising.

not find their Catalogue.

vertisement is always of the greatest value. Among other classes of readers the publicity advertisement. The exports of barley to Great Britain during Sep is of very little value. It is the advertisement that is calculated to educate that counts among this class \$69.335, compared with \$42,494 bushels, valued at

## Little Educative Advertising.

has been in the direction of publicity rather than edu-valued at \$2,175, compared with nil; of flour to 267, cate that out of 900,000 farmers, large and small, good and bad, we find there are no more than 60,000 effected in this Canadian community of ours if onegood readers. In like manner we would find that half of the money spent in publicity advertising were valued at \$20,420, compared with 11,610 bbls. valued spent with the object of educating the producers to at \$48,652; of cereal foods to \$149,762 compared with use better and more improved methods of produc- \$138,325, and of hay to 461 tons valued at \$4,956, tion?

## Preparation of Copy.

because there are more scientific men engaged in this the production of copy. This is an important factor 48 per cent., oatmeal of 64 per cent. and hay of 76 e are more scientific men engaged in this in the economics of advertising but the man who is per cent., those of wheat showed an increase for the to do it well requires a knowledge of psychology ramonth of 44 per cent., flour of 18 per cent. and cer-

## Sources of Information.

is that a man is most apt to consider what we have a few minutes longer while outlining some of the month last year. The exports of foreign agricultural to say about gas engines and their value as a motive sources of my information. The library from which products during September last were very heavy, power on the farm when he is in a mood for con- I gathered most of this information is one that any amounting to \$6,641.188 compared with \$1,472,795 sidering farm improvement. This is not likely to be man may possess, but unfortunately it is one to which during the same month last year. For the six months

tell you that there are many other considerations volumes: The returns to date of the 1911 census; relative direction of several Government Commissions; the an25,659 bushels, valued at \$15,389 during the same ats we intend to in- nual reports of the different Government Depart- month last year, while during the six culation, character of advertisements we intend to insert; that is, whether their educative or publicity
value predominates, etc.

nual reports of the downth rural life and industry;
trade returns of the Dominion Government; papers

foreign oats valued at \$1,171,594, compared with 45. read at Institutes of Rural School Teachers. The fourth step is to determine the geographical distribution of these prospective purchasers. Progressive and profitable farming maintains only in certain areas where the fertility of the soil and the standard of stock is kept up to the point of profitable readily the only volume consulted that the student would require to purchase. You will readily understandard of stock is kept up to the point of profitable readily the only volume consulted that the student would require to purchase. You will readily understandard of stock is kept up to the point of profitable where the inhabitants are

## Value of Government Literature.

crease in population during the last few years which made of the hundreds of excellent volumes and recrease in population during the last few years which accounts for the serious falling off in the rural population of the Maritime Provinces and Central Canthe attention is being given to economics in this coun-try, whether it is the political economics which every ponding period in 1913. Our fifth step is to examine into the purchasing statesman requires to know and keep well informed habits of the farmers within the areas selected, so that we may be able to determine the best and most should govern the action of the heads of every business.

# CALGARY MUST FIND \$200,000.

Pittsburg, December 23.—Osage and Oklahoma Co. Calgary, Alta., December 23.—The city must raise

Agricultural Products Shipped in Sep-tember Show Increase of \$817,419 Over Same Month of 1913

### \$86,082,855 IN SIX MONTHS

\$254,326.

Then there are the local centres which the people refer to when they say that they are "going to town."

Exports of agricultural products for the month of september. 1914, amounted to \$14,119,986, compared These are the places where supplies should be kept.

Just here we must not overlook the increasing dis
with \$13,302,567 during September last year, and for the six months ending September 1914 to \$86,082,855,

Dec. 7,40, up 7; March, 7,76, up 3; May, 7,97, up 4. position of the farmer to sell his products at the farm and to buy his supplies by mail. Their cattle, period last year. Grain and products of grain make hogs and sheep instead of being slaughtered and tak- up the greater proportion of these exports for which en to the local market are now largely sold on the Great Britain is the principal customer. The chief such as those of Toronto, Montreal, Chicago and wheat, bran, flour, oatmeal, cereal foods and hay Eoston. Their milk is delivered to the local dairy and amounting in September last to \$13,145,249 or approximately 94 per cent, of the total exports of products of agriculture during the month.

The exports of these products to Great Britain The sixth step in our economic investigation is the during the month amounted to \$9,989,921, or nearly 76 appropriation for advertising purposes. The firm that per cent. of the total exports and over 70 per cent. of This figure I regard is high. For advertising purposes. The firm that per cent. of the total exports of agricultural products for that same Census there was, in 1911. 530,000 farm holdings in Canada of over ten acres each and the number of farmers owning or working two or more holdings would happen to the Mail Order business of the T. Eaton Co. if they withdrew their Catalogues. The to Great Britain during September, the second farmer, who, after reading a technical article (and month of the war. The total exports of these grains tully 90 pc. of the inspiration of the best farmers, and products during September, 1913, amounted to may be traced to this source), is inclined to purchase and sengine and turns to the advertising columns to look for a source of supply, and does not find our advertisement there, will treat us in the same way \$2,281,649. That is, the exports of these eight items that the woman would the T. Eaton Co., if she could of agricultural products from Canada to Great Britain during September, 1914, showed an increase of For the habitual or good reader the constant ad-nearly 30 per cent. over those during the same

and for commodities, such as gas engines, we need \$442,416 during September last year; of oats to 333,683 not be surprised if we do not get immediate results, bushels, valued at \$154,840 compared with 642,873 bushels valued at \$281,081; of wheat to 8,137,688 bushels, valued at \$8,132,114, compared with 5,641,260 The tendency of Canadian advertising in the past bushels, valued at \$5,478,978; of bran to 5,040 cwt., compared with 2,085 tons valued at \$21,756. That is, while our exports of barley to Great Britain showed The seventh and last stage of our examination is a falling off of 87 per cent. from last year, oats of eal foods of 9 per cent.

One of the most interesting features of the exports from Canada this year has been the increase in the The third stage of our investigation may be put down as "An examination for the purpose of selecting the best classes of mediums in which to place our advertisements."

An important consideration to bear in mind here been discussing, and I will ask your indulgence for amounting to \$4,924,070 over those during the same amounting to \$4,924,070 over those during the same ending September this year they have been corres-

To 051 bushels valued at \$22,967 during the correspondence these add McKim's Newspaper Directory, which is ing period last year. Of wheat we exported 6,559,-

cultural products and 32 per cent. of the total ex-Value of Government Literature.

It is much to be regretted that more use is not during that period compared with 60 per cent of the bundleds of excellent volumes and

# BEEN INSTALLED AT MEDICINE HAT

One Tuesday, December 29th, a New Year's present declared quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent. and an \$200,000 within the next few days to keep its assurin the shape of their discharge, will be presented by ance to the Bank of Montreal that some portion of its Manager Moore, of the Government telephone office at Medicine Hat, Alta., to eighteen girl members of 16th to stock of record December 31st. Three months ago the company declared a quarterly dividend of 1%

The city is unable to retire the whole issue at present time there are about thirty sent but the holders of the notes declined to renew girls employed in the exchange, but with the inauthem unless some portion of the money due was paid, guration of the new system it will throw the helio girls out and in future girls will be kept only for the long distance work. As the cutover from the new DIRECTORS WERE RE-ELECTED.

OKANAGAN UNITED GROWERS.

Canadian Steet Foundries and Pratt and Letch—

Vernon, B.C., December 23.—Over a thousand car
system will be made on the 28th, that will be the



There is a movement on foot in Vancouver, B.C., to cation this week, manufacturers, merchants and others should purchase instead of going to foreign markets for their

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the chase instead of going to foreign markets for their the Barber's Union, to close barber shops on all holi- blast furnaces, will close Thursday evening, and will

New York, December 23 .- Cotton opened firm .-

The announcement of the directors of the Bank of Vancouver, at the time of its recent suspension, contained the following statement:

"Since the failure of the Dominion Trust Company, which shook the public confidence, the Bank of Vancouver has failed to receive even a reasonable measure of support. Wathout dobbt this is largely attributed to the damaging rumors which have been persistently circulated regarding the bank during the past month or two. To illustrate the nature of these rumors, it can be stated that many depositors of the bank and others interested in its welfare have been advised—some of them anonymously—to discontinue their business with the institution. The direct effect of these rumors caused very heavy withdrawals of deposits, which an institution much stronger than the Bank of Vancouver could not have continued to meet beprevailing conditions, notwithstanding the fact that prevaiing conditions, nowwentered to race that vigorous and persistent efforts were made to do so. In addition to seriously affecting the bank's policy of in addition to seriously accounts the same poincy of collecting, which was being pursued, the war indestinitely postponed negotiations towards securing adfinitely postpo ditional capital for the bank, and it has since then New York, December 23.—The market opened dull been impossible to resume these negotiations. When and steady for foreign exchange with demand sterl- it became evident that funds would be required to meet depositors' demands, every availab Sterling—Cables 4.86 to 4.86%; demand 4.85% to put forth to secure assistance, and it was only after exhausting all available sources that the directors reluctantly decided to suspend business

### TWO DAY'S VACATION THIS WEEK.

Sharon, Pa., December 23.—Employes of the United States Steel Corporation will be given a two days' va-

not resume until Sunday night.

silver 48%c; London bar silver 221/d.

# THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

Statement of the result of the business of the Bank for the year

Balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account, brought forward from last year		384,529	93
Net profits for the year ending 30th November, after providing for all bad and doubtful debts		2,668,233	29
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	3	3,052,763	21
This has been appropriated as follows:			
Dividends Nos. 108, 109, 110 and 111, at ten per cent. per annum	\$	1,500,000	00
Bonus of one per cent. payable 1st June		150,000	00
do do do 1st December		150,000	00
Transferred to Pension Fund (annual contribution)		80,000	OQ
Subscription to Canadian Patriotic Fund		50,000	00
do The Canadian Red Cross Society		5,000	00
Balance carried forward		1,117,763	27

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	\$ 3,052,763	27
GENERAL STATEMENT		
30th November, 1914		
LIABILITIES		
TO THE PUBLIC		1000
Notes of the Bank in circulation.  Deposits not bearing interest	\$ 14,942,557	
crued to date	181,508,809 933,800	
Balances due to other Banks in Canada	11,163,568	
than in Canada. Bills payable	3,924,151	
Acceptances under Letters of Credit	2,746,016	
	\$ 215,218,904	09
TO THE SHAREHOLDERS		
Dividends unpaid	2,731	28
Dividend No. 111 and bonus payable 1st December	525,000	00
Capital paid up	20 (45 76)	27
Balance of Profits as per Profit and Loss Account 1,117,763 27	29,617,763	
	\$ 245,364,398	6-1
ASSETS		
Current Coin       \$ 16,923,230 20         Dominion Notes       13,413,985 15	\$ 30,337,215	35
Notes of other Banks \$ 2,019,301 00		
Cheques on other Banks		
Balances due by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada	\$ 13,017,162	52
Dominion and Provincial Government Securities, not exceeding	3,295,411	87
market value British, Foreign and Colonial Public Securities and Canadian Municipal Securities	1,791,071	
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks, not exceeding market value.	16,104,763	57
Call and Short Loans (not exceeding 30 days) in Canada on Bonds.	8,926,859	91
Call and Short Loans (not exceeding 30 days) elsewhere than in Canada	18,750,526	61
Deposit with the Minister of Finance for the purpose of the Circulation Fund	700,041	
	\$ 92,983,653	09
Other Current Loans and Discounts in Canada (less rebate of interest)	132,168,482	26
Other Current Loans and Discounts elsewhere than in Canada (less	10,419,594	36
rebate of interest)	2,746,016	07
Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for)	733,826	88
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B. E. WALKER, President

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ALEXANDER LAIRD, General Manager

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Report of the Auditors to the Shareholders of The Canadian Bank of Commerce In accordance with the provisions of sub-sections 19 and 20 of Section 56 of the Bank Act, 1913, we report as follows:

We have audited the above Balance Sheet with the books and vouchers at Head Office and with the certified returns from the branches, and have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required, and we are of the opinion that the transactions of the Bank which have come under our notice have been within the powers of the Bank. We have audited the above reaches and have obtained an the most and which have comrequired, and we are of the opinion that the transactions of the Bank which have comrequired, and we are of the opinion that the transactions of the Bank which have comtended to the control of the Bank at the same of the Bank at the Bank at the Bank at the Bank at the same of the Bank at t

ance of former premises of the Eastern Townships Bank) \$1,252,344 80
Less mortgage assumed 100,000 00

Mortgages on Real Estate sold by the Bank.

Bank Premises at cost, less amounts written off. \$ 4,986,991 69

Less mortgage assumed on property recently

300,000 00

Other Assets not included in the foregoing .....

T. HARRY WEBB C. A. of Webb, Read, Hegan, Callingham & Co.

JAMES MARWICK, C. A.
of Marwick, Mitchell, Pent & Co.

Collections at Country Points but Purchasing is of Han Mouth Character

FEW PRICE CHANGE

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ale Used in the Manufacture of als Used in the main and Advances ntinue Very Strong and Advances Future Not Considered Unlikely—(
Lines Unchanged.

ey seems to be none too easy in the hardware markets and while collections in try are holding up very well, there is no buying movement on foot. Business is I hown in tin and zinc, while copper and sp to be on the upward path. At the new nails seem to be holding very steady, and i that these quotations will prevail. On the more orders have been placed locally. n spite of the fact that supplies of t are very small, there has been a slight his metal while the price remains unchan est reports from London, however, indicate is a good steadiness in the market and t

ed steadiness marks the copper m the price although unchanged from last w tending upward. The war orders fo ently placed in Canada make the consump nd the impending advance is credited to There is little doing in the market for iro and the market carries a marked heavine hile the demand is slow. Prices have manges from those prevailing at last writi The following table shows the prevailing

and metal prices in the local market:-HARDWARE AND METALS. Inget, 99 p.c. pure, Ib. .. .. .. .. ..

lbs. ... ... ... ... ... ... ...

ets up to 20 gauge, per lb. ..... Rods base ½ in. to 1 in. round, per lb. .....
Tubing, seamless, base, lb. .....
Tubing, iron pipe, size 1 in. base, per lb. ...

on bar, per 100 lbs. .... Forged iron, per 100 lbs. ........ teel, tire, per 100 lbs. ..... Steel, toe calk, per 100 lbs. ..... Reel Capital tool, per 100 lbs. .....

Black Sheet Iron:

to 24 gauge ...... 2.5 26 to 28 gauge ...... 2.6 Galvanized Sheets (Corrugated):

22-24 Gauge, per square ..... 6.78 Less than cost.

B. W. Gauge, 22-24 B. W. Gauge, 26

Lead and Lead Pipe:-

omestic (trail), per 100 lbs. .. .. .. sheets, 2½ lbs., sq. ft. ..... Cut sheets, 3 lbs., sq. ft.

Sheets, 4 to 6 lbs., sq. ft.

Lead Pipe, 2½ per cent. off

Lead Waste pipe, 2½ per cent. off cwt. casks ..... Part casks .....

alvanized Barbed Wire ..... Calvanized Plain Twist
Smooth Steel Wire, gauge 9 base ..... Poultry Netting .. .. .. .. .. ..

Cut Nails, base .....

Nos. 3-12 per 25 lb. box. ..... 4.10 orse shoes: fron horse shoes, light, medium and heavy. No. 2 and larger ..... . 1 and smaller

Steel Shoes, 1 to 6: No. 2 and larger ..... No. 1 and smaller ..... Toe Calks:

Blunt No. 2 and larger, per 25 lb. box ...... Blunt No. 1 and smaller, per 25 ib. box ...... Sharp No. 2 and larger, per 25 lb. box ..... Sharp No. 1 and smaller, per 25 lb. box. ..... Bolts and Nuts:

Carriage Bolts, \$1 (list) % and smaller 65 and Carriage Bolts, 7-16 up. 52½ & 12 per cent. Mahcine Bolts, % dia. 35 & 10 p.c. Machine Bolts, 7-16 and up. 60 p.c.

Nuts, square, all sizes, 4½ per lb. off.
Nuts, hexagon, all sizes, 4½ per lb. off. Iron Pipe: Buttwelded.

and % inch ..... \$2.16 

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