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The annual meetings of the Board of Trade, of the Corn Exchange, the monthly meeting and annual statement of the Harbour Commissioners, were followed by a dinner given by the chairman of the latter body, to leading representative commercial men, at which Sir

Hector Langevin and Mr. Mousseau of the Dominion Cabinet, and Mr. Chapleau, Premier of Quebec, were present. These several meetings have afforded opportunities to those chiefly interested in the commerce of Montreal to interchange their views on the subject. The topics which engaged the attention of the Board of Trade were the deepening of the Channel of the St. Lawrence, the extra mail service to England, the equitable distribution of insolvent estates, and the Shearer scheme for extending the harbor. These subjects are all of considerable interest, but there was little discussion