

attention to fall samples. In leather the movement is a moderate one, with movement is a moderate one, with values of sole and black leathers all steady at last quoted figures. Owing to the constantly advancing cost of goat-skins the quotation for dongolas and glazed kid leather are advanced 10 to 15 per cent.

Metals and Hardware.—As in other lines, the movement in metals and general hardware seems to be affected by the late severe weather, and the general demand is not over-active. Probably this is more noticeable in the latter than in the former line. As regards metals, there has not been a noteworthy change since last writing. Galvanized sheets are rather firmer in Britain, but the general local quotation is still \$4.15. Canadas are steady at \$2.45; tinplates, \$3.65 and \$3.90 for cokes and charcoals, respectively, of standard brand; block sheets, \$2.15 to \$2.20 for 28 gauge. Bars are firm at \$1.75 to \$1.80, and bar steel at \$1.90. Tin, copper, lead, etc., are all about steady at last week's figures.

Oils, Paints and Glass.—Linseed oil is at last a little firmer, and 43c. per gal. is now quoted as about the lowest for raw, with 46c. for boiled. Turpentine remains at 77½c. per gal. in bbl. lots. White lead is very firm at \$4.50 for No. 1 window glass is firmly held at \$3.25 per 100 feet for first break

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\$8,000 Water Works Debentures at 4½ per cent., repayable in 15 equal annual payments, and

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JOHN ROBINSON, Clerk
Niagara Falls, Can., Feb. 13th, 1905.

(FIRE) **German American Insurance Company New York**

CAPITAL PAID IN FULL
\$1,500,000
NET SURPLUS
5,633,249
CASH ASSETS
12,074,306

AGENCIES THROUGHOUT CANADA.

The United States concern which has been carrying on fishing operations in the Lesser Slave Lake are reported to be taking out enormous quantities of fish from these waters.

The Dominion Wire Rope Company, Limited, held their annual meeting in Montreal a few days ago, and elected the following officers:—President, F. W. Fairman; vice-president and managing director, F. H. Hopkins; secretary-treasurer, J. J. Rosevear.

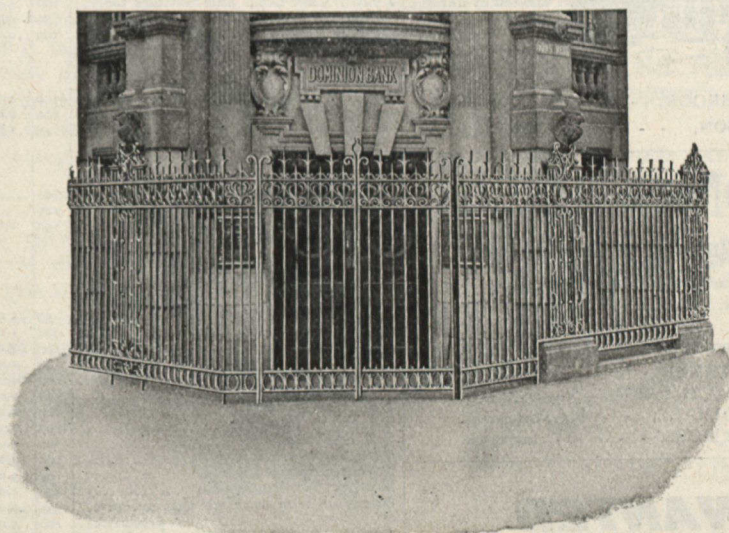
Oliver Furry, the locator of the well-known Britannia copper gold claims on Howe Sound, B.C., has, it is stated, given an option for a half-interest in the Empress group of copper-gold claims in the South Valley, Howe Sound, to Mr.

Stephen Raymond, of New York, for \$75,000. The Empress group consists of three claims, the Empress, Victoria, and Queen.

Arrangements are being made in Kingston Ont., for the purchase of the lighting plants as previously agreed upon. It borrows \$82,000, payable in thirty years, and will pay five per cent. interest on \$100,000 bonds for the next twelve years. Its annual payments from 1905 to 1917, will be \$9,642; from 1917 to 1935, \$10,520, and from 1935 to 1947, \$5,780. The plants are yielding a revenue of \$32,000 per year, which in the course of a few years is expected to go up to \$40,000. The municipalization of the plants will, it is believed, be profitable.

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