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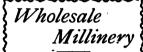
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Canadian Securities.

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Ottawa, Dec. 23.—A cablegram has been received at the department of finance stating that official notice has been given in the London Gasette of the admission of Dominion inscribed atocks to the list of securities in which trust funds should be invested. This is a consummation of the arrangement between the Imperial pad Canadian governments that was manounced by Mr. Fielding at the last session of parliament.

The trustes list in Britain comprises only gilt edged investment, The importance to Canada of this concession will readily be realised. It may be explained that the difference between the selling price of a security admitted to the trustee list on the control of the control

Soo Canal Traffic.

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Ottawa, Dec. 24.—The full returns of the traffic passing through the American and the Canadian "Soo" canals for the present season have been received at the department of railways and canals. There has been a slight increase, about 300,000 tons, in the buniness done by both canals this year acompared with last season, but there were the canadian "Soo" as against the season of 1800, it dropped from three million tons to two million tons.

This is largely accounted for owing to the approaches to the canal being only 18 feet, and as the new vessels are of heavier draught they, therefore, take the American canal. To remedy this a contract has just been let for the deepening of these approaches. Compared with the season of 1800 there was a decrease of three and a half million bushels of wheat, about half a million bushels in grain, and half a soliows:

Freight eastbound, United States, 1903 soliows:

Freight eastbound, United States, 1904; Canada, 1429,999; total, 20,522,933. Freight westbound, United States, 4,604,300; Canada, 4607,7354, United States, 4,604,300; Canada, 607,7354, United States, 4,604,300; Canada, 607,7354, The vessel passages were 10,630 the American and 2,2136,834. The traffic or 1809 is as follows: Eastbound, United States, 13,838; Sanada, 2,231,886; Canada, 2,231,834. The traffic or 1809 is as follows: Eastbound, United States, 10,332,334. The traffic or 1809 is as follows: Eastbound, United States, 10,332,334. The traffic or 1809 is as follows: Eastbound, United States, 10,332,335. The registered tonnage was 19,021,489 for the American and 2,205,334. The traffic or 1809 is as follows: Eastbound, United States, 10,332,334. The traffic or 1809 is as follows: Eastbound, United States, 10,332,334. The traffic or 1809 is as follows: Eastbound, United States, 10,332,334. The traffic or 1809 is as f

Forestry Association.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—The second annual meeting of the Canadian Forestry association will be held on the 7th of

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March next. It is expected that at the
annual meeting papers will be given
dealing with different aspects of forestry as related to the various provinces of the Dominion. As some of the
prominent members of the American
association, including Mr. Gifford Pinchot and Dr. B. E. Fernow, have linimated their intention of being present
at that meeting, it is hoped that the terming means town of the given in the earn
ing pone of these greatlemen.

The Canadian association has been
steadily growing in numbers since its
formation, and although it is not yet a
year in existence, it has a good membership, including representative men
from all parts of the Dominion. It has
also been regularly conducting a forestry department in "Rod and Gin,"
published in Montreal, and has indoubtedly succeeded in awakening a
much greater interest in the forestry
problems that face the people of Canada. There is no question that the
work which the association proposes, to
carry out is of the utmost importance
for the future of the Dominion, as her
forest resources are one of her principal sources of wealth, and on it depends also the existence of many