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NEW YEAR HONOR.

His Excellency the Governor has been notified by the Secretary of State that His Majesty has been pleased to confer the Honour of Knight Bachelor on The Hon-

ourable Marmaduke George Winter, C. B. E.
By Command,
A. G. Stewart Goodfellow,
Capt., Private Secy.
Government House,
St. John's, Jan. 1, 1923.

Bank of Montreal Report

The 105th Annual Report of the directors of the Bank of Montreal published elsewhere in this issue shows that greatest of Canadian banking institutions to have come through the past year's financial upheavals and reverses without noticeable impairment to its proverbial stability.

The report shows considerable changes to have taken place within the space of twelve months, important amongst which was the absorption of the Merchant's Bank of Canada. This step, while it has added to the responsibilities of the Bank of Montreal executive at a time when few commercial institutions would seek to add to their burdens, increased also the influence of Canada's premier bank thruout the Dominion as well as elsewhere by the acquisition of many new branches.

The combined Capital and Rest of the Bank now stand at \$54,500,000 while the total Assets amount to \$713,569,000. The total deposits from the public have reached the huge sum of over \$605,000,000. The total Loans now amount to \$409,000,000 which indicate that the Bank is taking its full share in meeting the needs of the borrowing community. The liquid position of the Bank remains as strong as ever, the amount of Gold and Silver coin held amounting to \$47,000,000, Dominion of Canada notes \$77,000,000, Gold in the Central Gold Reserve being \$16,000,000. The total quick assets of the Bank are \$417,000,000, or 63 per cent. of its liabilities to the public. It is sometimes forgotten that by far the largest number of any Bank's customers consists of savings depositors, and it must be a satisfaction to the depositors of the Bank of Montreal to know that their deposits are so amply protected.

Despite the reverses which were of such frequent occurrences in financial circles the past year the Bank of Montreal not only paid its dividend but also paid a 2% bonus.

In Newfoundland the Bank of Montreal has almost come to be regarded as our national bank, and every year the Colony's affairs form the subject of a paragraph in the annual report presented by the President and General Manager. In this respect we have not been neglected in the report published to-day, but we can scarcely feel flattered by the reference to Newfoundland which is to be found therein.

It may or may not be good business for bank executives to give way to optimism, but whatever the cause, we think that the General Manager's remarks as they apply to our Colony are unduly gloomy. The Bank's head office and branches in Newfoundland under the able direction of the veteran manager, Mr. J. A. Paddon, with the assistance of his genial and capable asst. manager, Major B. C. Gardner, have, we believe, done an average year's business, and the outlook is one which there is no reason to regard with anything but hopefulness and enthusiasm.

Winnipeg, Man.—Since the commencement of the crop year, September 1, the Canadian Pacific Railway reports the marketing of 154,317,895 bushels of grain, which exceeds the total for the same period of 1915, the fast bumper crop year. This year's total is composed of 133,725,337 bushels of wheat and 20,592,558 bushels of coarse grains.

OTTAWA, Ont.—What is regarded as a reflection of the improving business conditions throughout Canada is the steadily mounting receipts of the Post Office Department. Indications are that by the end of the present fiscal year, the Department will have a surplus of \$1,000,000.

ADVERTISE IN THE ADVOCATE.

OUR NEW KNIGHT



HON. SIR M. G. WINTER, KT.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found the official notice that His Majesty has been pleased to confer the honor of Knight Bachelor on the Honourable Marmaduke George Winter, C.B.E., M.L.C., senior partner in the well-known firm of T. & M. Winter, general merchants of this city.

There will, we feel, be general congratulations to the new Knight Born at Lamaline on April 4th, 1857, son of the late James Winter, H. M. Customs. Sir M. G. Winter came to St. John's when a very young boy. He received his early education in the schools of St. John's and later attended Upper Canada College, Toronto. He commenced his commercial career with the late firm of P. and L. Tessler, later going to New York, where he held a position of trust for a brief period with Lee & Co., leather merchants. On his return to St. John's, in 1878, he became junior partner in the firm of T. and M. Winter, and on the retirement of his brother, in 1898, became sole owner. Since that time his sons have become associated with their father in the conduct of their extensive and successful business enterprises, but the firm name has remained unaltered.

Sir M. G. Winter's first appearance in the public life of the Colony was in 1910, when he was appointed a member of the Legislative Council by the Morris Government. His grasp of the commercial affairs of the country has, at critical periods, proven of much value to the Upper Chamber, and his colleagues in that branch of our local Legislature place great confidence in his opinions on matters of public moment. He is also a director of the Government Savings Bank and of Bishop Feild College, an ex-President of the Board of Trade, as well as a large shareholder in our most important local manufacturing concerns. Generally speaking in business he is a big man in every sense. His readiness to help other firms doing business over financial hard places is too well known for extended reference.

We think, therefore, that in the honor conferred on Mr. Winter, Newfoundland has every reason to feel justly proud that another of her sons has won well merited Empire distinction. The Advocate takes occasion to extend to Sir M. G., Lady Winter and family heartiest congratulations.

THE TRUMPET OF EMPIRE

FORECAST OF THE GREAT AIMS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE EXHIBITION.

(By W. S. CRAWFORD)
Mr. John Hodgson, F.R.G.S., in a recent article on the British Empire Exhibition, called for Trumpets and Sweet Reasonableness. I read his article with great interest. Mr. Hodgson rightly described the Exhibition as a wonderful chance. It is a chance that will be exploited to the full. The Exhibition will be at once the expression of the Empire's justification, the trumpet of its achievements, and the guide to its future. It will mark an epoch in our history.

The British race is scattered over the world. Britons, like the heroes of a fairy tale, have set out to seek their fortune. They have made it. They have prospered exceedingly; and in 1924 they will gather at Wembley to show the Mother Country the results of generations of enterprise and honest work. They will be welcomed and honored as befits their strength and independence, and in the years that follow a new commercial brotherhood will be formed. Our efforts will be directed to satisfying our brothers from overseas; they will be our most important customers; we shall be theirs. We shall get together and stimulate British Empire Trade.

Value of Publicity.
Mr. Hodgson justly lays stress on the importance of publicity in connection with the Exhibition. He may rest assured that publicity plans are being prepared under the supervision of experts that will astonish the world. Every available penny will be spent in making known the aims and scope of the Exhibition, both in Britain and overseas, and in attracting exhibitors and visitors; and every effort will be directed towards making each penny do the work of a pound. At this early date it would not be desirable to divulge the surprises that are in store for the public, but it is safe to say that once the Exhibition is opened it will be difficult for the British public to travel to any other destination.

In every little village, in every factory, in every group or congregation of people in Britain, will be inaugurated a club—on the lines of a Christmas Goose Club—to which the members will be invited to subscribe some small weekly sum. This money will be spent on a trip or a succession of trips to Wembley, including rail or charabanc fares, entrance fee and coupons for the restaurants.

Each town and city will have its special day or days on which special excursions will run from the nearest station direct to one of the main line stations that adjoin the Exhibition grounds.

Existing connections admit of trains from every "main line" in England, Scotland or Wales being run direct from the remote country district straight into the Exhibition. No Exhibition site has ever been so favored for accessibility, not only from London but from the country as well.

Visitors from Overseas.
Apart from the display of all the manufactures, raw materials, developed and undeveloped resources of the whole Empire, apart from the Imperial Stadium—the largest in the world and the future home of English football and impetus to sports and athletics—the Exhibition itself, we hope, will possess the most splendidly equipped amusement that this country has ever dreamed of.

No visitor will have come here to Wembley will rest content until he has come again and again and brought his friends. The two main British buildings alone are together equal to five times the size of Olympia. They will be none too large to accommodate the exhibits and the great crowds. As for the Dominions, similar schemes will bring an unparalleled number of visitors from our overseas lands as well.

The whole British race will find in the old country—that popular type will find its dearest interest there. Already the people of our overseas Dominions are alive to the vast importance of this great Exhibition to their trade and their future prosperity. The good news is being trumpeted abroad by the daily and weekly press and the trade journals, who see what is not yet quite fully realized in the old country—that popular interest in the educational schemes and the trade-improving propaganda enterprises of the Exhibition must be catered for today, without waiting until 1924.

In the Congress Hall at Wembley will be held, throughout the period of the Exhibition, conferences on an infinite variety of topics of national and imperial and world-wide importance. The first World Power Conference, under the presidency of the Earl of Derby, will discuss the right application and development of all forms of power, and the subjects will range from electricity to finance. There will be conferences on education; on the emigration and settlement overseas of men, women and children; on science and art, and on all kinds of financial, industrial and political matters.

Senate of the Empire.
A World Publicity Convention will also be held. In this the Associated

War is Declared On Ticket Gamblers

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The Board of Directors of the Producing Managers' Association has declared war once more upon the ticket speculator. The board has adopted a plan whereby they hope to eliminate operations of the men who make a handsome profit by gouging the theatre goer.

The association would police and supervise all theatre ticket agencies, which would be limited to twenty-two in number, under the proposed plan. The agencies, it is proposed, on their part would be permitted to turn back to the theatres all of their surplus tickets, which heretofore have found their way into the hands of speculators.

Under the proposed plan, theatre box offices will continue to sell tickets. Allotments will be made to the twenty-two, who will be bound by written agreement to charge an advance of not more than fifty cents on each ticket, and who will agree to refrain from hoarding any one show.

Any agency caught by the association favoring any one show, charging more than fifty cents advance over the box office price, or turning tickets over to speculators will receive a warning from the association on the first offense, and will be closed for a second offense, under the proposed plan.

Calgary, Alberta.—Five new coal mines have been opened up along the Canadian Pacific Railway line from Acme to Drumheller, according to Charles Murphy, General Manager of Western Lines. The coal mined is of excellent quality for domestic use and should aid considerably to relieve any coal shortage this winter.

QUEBEC, Que.—A bill to authorize a further loan of two million dollars for aiding colonization is announced to be introduced in the legislature by the Minister of Colonization, Mines and Fisheries. In 1920 the legislature authorized a loan of \$5,000,000 for colonization purposes, including the opening of new roads and building bridges. Four millions of this has been spent and the new loan will enable \$1,500,000 to be spent this year and next year for the same purpose.

Advertising Clubs of the world will take part. Special steamers will be chartered to bring over the delegates from overseas, including over 2,000 from America. Moreover, it is hoped to hold an inter-Parliamentary conference of all the Governments in the Empire—in fact, to hold an unofficial Imperial Senate for the first time in our history.

His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, who is President of the General Committee of the Exhibition, declared in his stirring appeal to the nation that "an Empire worth dying for is also worth living for and working for." This great Exhibition is the concrete expression of the desire of our leading men and our progress.

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slob, making communication with the vessel almost impossible. Men fought the flames for three hours and were driven from deck by fire and smoke, the wind blowing in the face of the fighters. The vessel burnt to the water's edge and sank at eleven o'clock to-day. The vessel was partly loaded with a cargo of her herring. Hull was insured, but no insurance on cargo."

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