

water. It is claimed that under these conditions eggs will remain good for nine to ten months.

The Canada Packing Company's buildings in London are being hurried to completion. The manager, who has just arrived from Denmark, says the work of killing will probably be commenced in about three weeks.

An Ottawa grocer caused an explosion by putting sawdust, taken from a packing case, into a stove. The remaining sawdust, says the *Ottawa Citizen*, will be subjected to a Government analysis.

The *News-Advertiser* of Vancouver, B. C., says about 5,000 pounds of fresh salmon is being daily shipped east. Half the catch consists of white salmon. Red salmon bring \$1 each, others 50 cents.

During the last nine months the exports of breadstuffs from the United States amounted in value to \$145,032,766, against \$233,159,912 in the corresponding nine months of 1892—a decline of nearly \$89,000,000.

The movement of hogs in the States has been small the past week. Western packers have handled a total of 125,000, compared with 160,000 the preceding week, and 180,000 for the corresponding time last year. From March 1 the total is 860,000, against 1,095,000 a year ago—decrease 235,000 hogs.

The *New York Bulletin* learns that the importations of bananas during the month of March were very large, with the striking feature that New Orleans received more bananas than all the other ports of the country put together. The "City of Kingston," now en route to Montreal from Jamaica, is said to be laden mainly with bananas.

#### MONTREAL CLEARING-HOUSE.

The figures of the Montreal Clearing-House for the week ending April 20th, are: Clearings, \$10,635,606; balances, \$1,529,249.

#### TORONTO CLEARING-HOUSE.

Clearings and Balances of this clearing-house (of which the Bank of Toronto is not a member) for the week ended April 20th, 1893, are as under:—

	Clearings.	Balances.
April 14 .....	\$1,033,230	\$157,706
" 15 .....	1,136,012	216,984
" 17 .....	795,772	118,613
" 18 .....	1,247,268	134,233
" 19 .....	990,898	133,805
" 20 .....	1,064,101	134,825
Total .....	\$6,267,281	\$896,166

#### HALIFAX CLEARING-HOUSE.

Bank clearings for week ending April 15th, 1893, were as follows, viz.:

	April	Clearings.	Balances.
Monday	10 .....	\$176,974 47	
Tuesday	11 .....	200,120 00	
Wednesday	12 .....	464,019 64	
Thursday	13 .....	171,703 29	
Friday	14 .....	149,287 16	
Saturday	15 .....	279,595 52	
		\$1,441,700 08	

#### HAMILTON CLEARING-HOUSE.

Bank clearings and balances for the week ended April 20th, were as follows:—

	April	Clearings.	Balances.
Friday, April 14 .....		\$115,036	\$ 14,295
Saturday, " 15 .....		113,863	9,404
Monday, " 17 .....		181,776	87,424
Tuesday, " 18 .....		143,442	26,145
Wednesday, " 19 .....		124,028	14,083
Thursday, " 20 .....		131,996	22,672
		\$810,141	\$174,023

—Much attention is being given at the present time by municipalities, as well as individuals, to averting by means of cleansing processes, the spread of contagious and epidemic diseases. And no community can take too much pains in this direction. We have seen within the past few days an apparatus for applying disinfectants, the invention of Mr. A. G. Hunter, which we should think must commend itself to the health-loving as it does to the scientific man. For destroying animal and vegetable germs it is worthy the attention of Boards of Health in city, town or village. It can be applied to public buildings, hospitals, colleges, schools, factories, railway stations, steamboats. And it is available also in slaughter-houses and places where horses and cattle are kept. Mr. Hunter has certificates from Dr. Bryce and Dr. Cassidy, of the Provincial Board of Health, also from Dr. Sheard, Medical Health Officer, of Toronto, as to the merits of his apparatus. He also exhibits on Adelaide St., Toronto, a process of neutralizing the emanations from the sewers, by projecting sulphurous gas into them through an ingenious machine, generated in a chamber, and can be mechanically sent therefrom with penetrating force and in great volume. Present methods of generating sulphur fumes, such as burning sulphur in an open pan, are very crude and ineffective.

—The statement of the Western Bank of Canada shows reduced earnings for the year 1892-3, namely, \$32,500, equal to 8.87 per cent. on capital. The deposits have been flowing in, it appears, but the profitable use of them is another matter, and so part of the money has been put into debentures. We observe that the cash assets immediately available are lowered from \$601,000 last year to \$506,000 this year, a reduction of the percentage of cash assets in proportion to deposits and circulation from 43.6 per cent. a year ago to 33 per cent. now. It may not be amiss to point out that this is much below the average of Canadian banks. Such institutions as the Bank of Montreal, the Merchants, the Commerce, the Imperial, the Dominion, usually keep this proportion of cash assets at from 45 to 60 per cent. of the liabilities we have indicated.

The offices of the Commercial Union Assurance Company's Toronto agency have been removed from Toronto street to the new Gooderham Buildings, entrance 49 Wellington st. east. Any one who has seen these handsome premises will say that the general

agent of the company, Mr. Wickens, and the Toronto agents, Messrs. Blogg & Hargraff, are to be congratulated upon their new quarters. They are roomy and light, fitted with good taste and having apparently every modern convenience. The Montreal Plate Glass Insurance office is represented also by Messrs. Blogg & Hargraff.

—Buckingham, Que., has a Board of Trade. It was organized on March 22nd, with Mr. J. D. Thompson as President, and Mr. W. E. A. McCallum as secretary. The board promises to be of assistance to the business interests of the town.

### Wholesale Biscuit and Confectionery Manufacturing Business of 50 Years' Standing for Sale.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned until the 25th day of April, 1893, for the purchase as a going concern of the Wholesale Biscuit and Confectionery Manufacturing business, with the good will of same, of the late Zaccheus Pattison, at the City of Hamilton, consisting of the stock in trade, movable plant and machinery, horses, wagons, etc., and also for the purchase or lease for a term of years of the factory premises on Cannon street, in said city.

The present stock-in-trade amounts to about...\$8,000  
The movable plant, machinery, horses, wagons, to about..... 7,000

\$15,000

All of which with full inventory can be inspected on the premises.

The factory has a frontage of about 80 feet on Cannon street, with a depth of about 150 feet, and the buildings, which are of brick, are commodious and in every way suitable.


The business has been in continuous and successful operation for the past fifty years, and is well and favorably known throughout Ontario.

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Hamilton, April 13, 1893.



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