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### Sparkles.

For Chills and Sudden Colds, nothing is so good as Pain-Killer.

ISN'T strange that a rooster should crow and a crow should hawk, and a hawk should fly, and a fly should flee?

HAVE you seen the new Perfume, "Lotus of the Nile?" It is perfectly lovely.

OMAHA Courcilman (travelling in Europe): What's them bluffs? Native: Those, sir, are the Alps. "Humph! They need grading badly."

ALLEN'S LUNG BALSAM is warranted to cure the most distressing Cough.

ELDER JONES: Well, Brother Smith, how many have you in your new church? Elder Smith: O, 200 and some odd. How many have you? Elder Jones: 200 and all odd odd

CHILDREN like Campbell's Cathartic Compound, it is so pleasant to take, and acts without griping.

K STREET lady (to Mrs. Rongword): There's a cold wave coming. I saw the signal flag flying. Mrs. Rongword: Well, these weather predicaments of Gen. Greely are really wonderful.

An irate theological student in Eastern Ontario recently denounced in church a po-litical opponent as a "moral assasin," to which a newspaper gave the revised reading "a moral ass of sin."

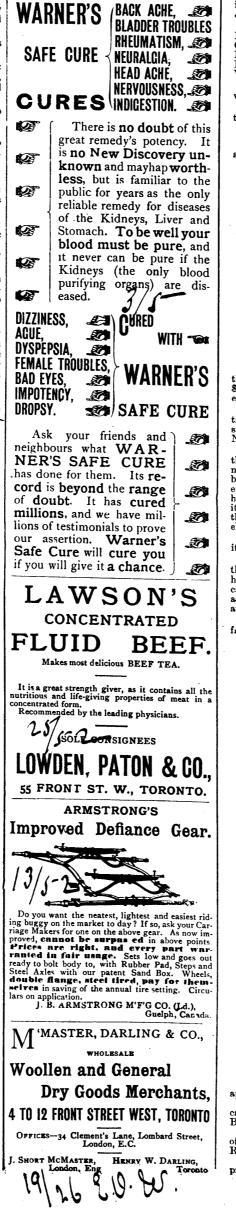
A SCHOOLBOY being asked by his teacher how he should flog him, replied : "If you please, sir, I should like to have it on the Italian system of penmanship—the heavy strokes upward and the downward ones light."

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Grand Excursions to California. The Burlington Route is the official route for the teachers bound for the National Holu-cational Meeting at San Francisco. Join the splendid official excursion parties from New York, Penysrivania, Brotklyn, New England, Ohio, Michigan and Indiana, leaving Chicago July 3, 5, 8, 9 and 10. Magnificent trains, tree chair cars, Pullman and tourist sleepers, etc. The public entit-led to one fare for this occasion. For fur-ther information write E. I. Swords, 317 ther information write E. J. Swords, 317 Broadway, New York City; H. D. Badg-ley, 306 Washington Street, Boston, Mass, or address P. S. EUSTIS, G. P. & T. A., C., B. & Q. R. R., Chicago, Illinois.



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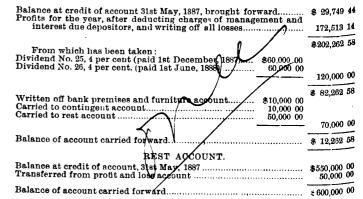
# IMPERIAL BANK OF CANADA.

The Thirteenth Annual General Meeting of the Imperial Bank of Canada was bet in pursuance of the terms of the charter, at the Banking House of the institution, June, 1888. There were present: Messrs. H. S. Howland, T. R. Merritt (St. Catharines), T. R. Wadsworth (Wester Robert Jaffray, Hugh Ryan, E. B. Osler, R. H. Ramsay, J. W. L. Forster, John Bank Q.C., S. Nordheimer, David Kidd (Hamilton), John Stuart, I. J. Gould (Uxbridge Rev. E. B. Lawler, George Robinson, W. T. Kiely, John K. Fisken, James Massa Robert Thompson, R. Wickens, G. M. Rose, Robt. Beaty, A. McFall (Bolton), D. Wilkie, etc., etc.

The chair was taken by the President, Mr. H. S. Howland, and Mr. D. R. William was requested to act as Secretary. The Secretary, at the request of the Chairman, read the report of the directors and the statement of affairs.

#### THE REPORT.

The directors beg to submit to the shareholders the thirteenth annual balance and statement of profits for the year ended 31st May, 1888:



The business of the Bank shows a steady and satisfactory growth, and the profits for the year have enabled your directors to pay the customary dividends and to plan \$50,000 to Rest account, which account now amounts to \$600,000, and represents equivalent of forty per cent. of the capital of the Bank.

equivalent of forty per cent. of the capital of the Bank. The last harvest in Manitoba exceeded in quantity and value the highest expecten-tions, and its results have compensated in a great measure for the deficiency for the same period in the crops in other provinces. The continued growth and prosperity of the North-west is both gratifying and encouraging. The proposed reduction by the Dominion Government of the rate of interest upon the deposits in the Post-office and Government Savings Banks, when carried into effect must prove very beneficial to all legitimate business enterprise in Canada. The payment by the Government of an abnormally high rate of interest upon deposits payable at eat entails by its attractiveness serious financial responsibility upon the country, involves a heavy unnecessary tax upon the public at large, tends to the withdrawal of capital from its natural channels, and places the agricultural, manufacturing and labour interests of the Dominion at a serious disadvantage in their competition with similar interests As may be observed by the agtestment the back sections to the labour program of the section of

As may be observed by the statement, the bank continues to hold a large proportion of its reserves in immediately available assets.

The present business and prospects of the Bank justify your directors in believing that a further addition to its capital may be in the near future in the interests of share holders, and a by-law will be presented for your approval, authorizing an increase in the capital of the Bank by any sum not exceeding \$500,000. This authority need not be acted upon, but will furnish your directors with the necessary power should they find any increase expedient.

The officers of the Bank continue to perform their respective duties to the satisfaction of the Board.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. S. HOWLAND, President.

### GENERAL STATEMENT.

## LIABILITIES. Notes of the bank in circulation Deposits bearing interest (including interest accrued to date)...... Deposits not beyring interest. Due to other banks in Canada \$1,063,621 00 4,419,459 02 1,194,150 60 2,393 85 \$6,709,624 47 1,500,000 00 21,637 13 60,000 00 779 52 12,262 58 Total liabilities to the public..... Capital stock paid up ..... Rest account ..... Rest account.... Contingent account.... Dividend No. 26, payable 1st June, 1888 (4 per cent.).... Former dividends unpaid Balance of profit and loss account carried forward..... \$8,904,303 70 Gold and silver coin current ... Dominiou Government ASSETS. 320,426 71 594,636 00 199,534 83 365,472 54 2 3,167 98 83,241 02 Gold and silver coin current Dominiou Government notes Notes of and cheques on other banks Relacce due from other banks in Canada Balance due from ngents in foreign countries Balance due from agents in United Kingdom Dominion of Canada Detentures #164,665 96 Province of Ontario securities 435,150 31 Municipal and other debentures 925.977 81 496,439 33 Loans on call, secured by debentures and other securities..... Total assets immediately available..... Total assets immediately available..... Loans, discounts or advances on current account to municipal and other corporations.... Other current loans, discounts and advances to the public..... Notes discounted overdue, unsecured (estimated loss provided for) Real estate, the property of the bank (other than bank premises) Mortgages on real estate sold by the bank... Bank premises, including safes, vaults and office furniture, at head office and branches.... Other assets, not included under foregoing head..... \$3,259,096 22 144,426 67 36,101 85 \$8,904 303 70

D. R. WILKIE, Cashier.

31st May, 1888.

The report was adopted. Messrs. R. S. Cassela and R. Beaty were appointed scrutineers. The by-law anthorizing an increase in the capital stock of the Bank by \$500,000 was approved of and adopted. The usual votes of thanks were passed to the president and directors, also to the cashier and other officers for their attention and zeal in promoting the interests of the Bank.

Bank. The ballot was then taken for the election of directors, which resulted in the election of the following shareholders, viz. : Messrs. H. S. Howland, T. R. Merritt, William Ramsay, T. R. Wadsworth, Hon. Alex. Morris, Robt. Jaffray, Hugh Ryan. At a subsequent meeting of the directors, Mr. Henry S. Howland was elected president and Mr. Thomas R. Merritt vice-president for the ensuing year.