SHIPPING NOTES

schooner Ella M. Storer, which was drive

The Manchester Liner Manchester Port sailed fro

The Board of Trade has decided to award the Liv seamen an increase in wages of ten shilling (\$2.50) per month.

The Longueuil ferry service was discontinued yes erday for the winter; last year the cross-river ser vice stopped on December 27th.

It is estimated that since beginning of war Ham burg-American and North German Lloyd lines hav losing at rate of \$250,000 a day.

and drifted aground on St. Helen's Island, near the lighthouse. She is reported to have three breaks in her hull. The torpedo boat destroyer Cushing, will be aunched at the yards of her builders at Quincy, Mass.

er Beaupre broke her mooring vesterday

ing, of Fredonia, N.Y. Charters: Schooner Robert H. McCurdy, 62 tons, from Boston to Barbados with empty barrels. p.t.; schooner Jacob M. Haskell 1,62 tons, from Tampa to

The boat will be christened by Miss slarie L. Cush

A protest against the proclamation permitting alien officers to command ships having American register has been lodged with President Wilson by officials of the American Association of Masters. Mates and Pil

Baltimore with phosphate rock, p.t

Another slide has occurred in the Culebra Cut of the Panama Canal, according to dispatches received by shipping interests in San Francisco and New York. The new slide, it is reported, will delay shipping about two days.

The Norwegian steamer Sigrun, which sailed from New York Nov. 9, is still detained at Newport, Eng. pending a search instituted by the British authorities for suspected contraband aboard. The vessel was taken into Newport, Dec. 2.

Furness, Withy & Co., Ltd., took possession of the new and commodious offices at 32 Broadway on Saturday. The change was necessitated by constantincreasing business, particularly since the company assured in the agency of the Lloyd Sabauda

bound in the upper stretches of the St. Mary's river ancial Chronicle:according to a wireless received here to-day. The boats were bound for Duluth where they were both to load grain and go into winter quarter

Demand for American vessels to carry cotton to Germany continues strong. Versels of every conceivable type are receiving consideration, and save for the position that marine underwriters have taken, it is said, small coastwise steamers would now be under charter in the trans-Atlantic cotton trade.

Hurled ashore by the gale that swept the Atlantic Coast last night, the British steamship Isle of Iona was stranded to-day two miles south of Hatteras Inlet, with eight feet of water in her engine-room. Life-savers in motor boats took off the Ican's crew

The Hamburg-American Line in order to secure free and efficient service, has been compelled to char-ter 10 additional steamers. The will be used in the service between Rotterdam and Boston, Philadelphia New Orleans and New York.

Delivery by the North-German Lloyd Kronprinzes sin Cecilie of o in gold at Cherbourg and \$1,would have been illegal, as it would have given and to enemies of Germany. North German Lloyd S.S. Co. declare in their ansv. to the libel brought by the National City Bank for reach of contract.

Captain C. H. Nicholson, manager of the G. T. P. steamers at Vancouver, B.C., states that the contract for re-building the company's dock at Seattle has awarded to Nettleton, Bruce & Eschbak, of Seat-Work will start on Wednesday and the new dock will cost about \$75,000. The dimensions are: length, 640 feet, width 112 feet.

The Luckenbach Steamship Co. is steadily expanding. It recently purchased the barge Shenan which together with the old Ward Liner Seneca which is being converted into a barge makes 21 barges, with a carrying capacity of 61,000 tons which the company and cargo carrying steamers.

S. S. Strathcona, belonging to the Quebec Wrecking Canadian Northern \$1,003,000, Illinois Central, \$849,-S. S. Strathcona, belonging to the Quebec Wrecking
Co., arrived in St. John, N.B., from the St. Lawrence.
When arranged in groups the gross earnings of the
When arranged in groups the gross earnings of the
There are several rumors concerning the boat. One There are several rumors concerning the boat. One is that she will be used as a natrol boat in the Bay. while other report says she will be used in con-

ement made by General Traffic Manager ne of the Great Northern Pacific Steamship Co. that the new steamer of the company, Great Northern, had averaged 24.7 knots on her recent trials in spite of rough weather. The vessel has been returned to Philaediphia, where she will be fitted up in prepara-Philaedlphia, where she will be interest to the Panama Canal to San tion for her voyage through the Panama Canal to San Hamilton, Ont., December 16.—Despite the fact that there has been a big decrease in the receipts of the there has been a big decrease in the receipts of the part leads. service between the latter city and Seattle.

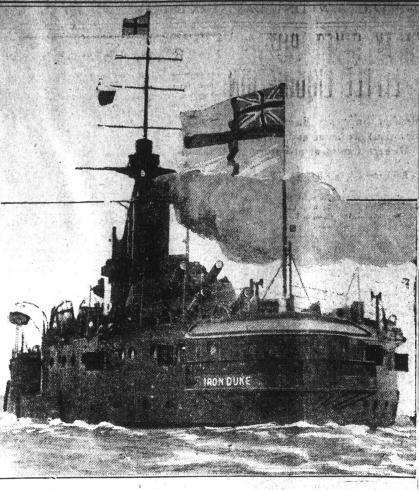
PURCHASE TWO STEAMERS.

Savannah, December 16.-A syndicate headed by superi nip line for foreign commerce with since then.

Savannah. Both ships will be giv
The only increase during the month of October wa. headquarters at Savannah. Both ships will be given American registration.

PORTO RICO IN NOVEMBER.

have begun forward movement from Fland-



EARNINGS OF FORTY-FIVE ROADS SHOW DROP OF 19.8 PER CENT

the steamers Lakeport and Lakeword of the Fort with the corresponding period of 1913, according to the war, declares he is in the steam-Huron and Duluth Steamship Company, are blizzard- the following figures published Saturday by the Fin- ship business again to stay, and that with his

	given.	preceding.	Increase.
1914	\$65,353,898	\$81,461,551	x\$16,107,653
1913		83,060,461	13,001
1912	79,457,311	71,015,980	8,441,331
1911		73,221,471	1,247,559
1910	69,828,448	68,138,393	1,690,055
1909	65,522,732	58,007,375	7,515.357
1908	59,940,539	61,744,772	x 1,804,233
1907	54,770,493	53,425,317	1,345,176
1996	87,119,750	83,250,084	3.869,666
1995	71,044.232	65,109.098	5.935 134
1904	63,636,601	57,818,885	5,717,716
1903	60,220,508	57,877,073	2,333,435
1902	62,023,087	57,983,250	4,039,837
1901	68,966,766	61,260,137	7,706,629
1900	59,169,448	57,853,427	1,316,021
1899	59,800,183	54,149,899	5,650,284
1898	47,777,989	45,833,778	1,944,211
1897	50,213.481	41,517,497	8,695,984
1896	39,415623	44,188,179	x 4,772,556
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1914					\$754.669.473	\$824.911,415	x\$70,241.94
1913					849,023,311	797,080,367	51,942,94
1912					775,171,527	712,244,329	62,927,19
:911					739,426,368	724,138,841	15,287,52
1910					717,209,180	644,249,456	72,959,72
-9.)					618,292,490	551,266,144	67,026,34
1998					575,231,637	622,099,137	x 86,867,50
1907					590,965,575	540,238,902	50,726,67
1906					900,355,234	794,728,647	105,626.58
1905				'	573,611,217	626,496,472	47,114,74
1904					613,553,405	606,552,863	7,000.5
1903					639,338,998	576,573,058	62,765,94
1902					623,776,463	576,882,954	46,893,50
1901					677,212,805	609,239,714	67,973,09
1900					595,487,645	542,700,820	52,786,82
1899					559,918,434	511,496,013	48.422,4
1898					461,937,617	424,007,183	37,930,43
1897					460,682,396	433,915,117	26,767,27
1896					411,624,390	404,636,777	6,987,61

Among the decrease reported by the individual In addition to this the Luckenbach fleet roads Canadian Pacific heads the list with a decrease includes four ocean going tugs and eleven passenger of \$5,357,000, or 40 per cent. Great Northern is secshows a decrease of \$1,266,000. Louisville, \$1,258,000, sea, and the result has been the ab-

Northwestern and Pacific Roads show a decrease of \$7,456,000, or 30 per cent.; those in Middle and Midtion with the wrecking plant located here by the Fed. dle Western States \$2,509,000, or 15 per cent.; in the ent. The boat is very powerful she has South \$3,787,000, or 19 per cent.; in the Southwest \$1,-136,000, or 7 per cent.

> WESTERN DRYDOCK CO. W. H. Wallace, manager of the Western Drydock and Shipbuilding Company of Fort William, Ont., has been in Montreal on business.

HAMILTON RAILWAY RECEIPTS

SHOW DECREASE OF 20 PER CENT. Hamilton street railway, the company has not laid any of the lines, according to George Waller, traffic

superintendent of the company.

While the receipts for the first six months of the George F. Armstrong, George P. Walker and Rob-ert W. Groves, has purchased the two British steamers, Harley and Harfleur, as the nucleus for months of last year, there has been a big falling off

> on the night cars, which showed an increase of 12 per cent, over October of last year.

AMERICAN LOCOMOTIVE CO.

WAR AGAINST SERVIA.

against Servia.

FOLLOWING BERMUDA VENTURE MORSE COVETS .. ORLO TRADE

New York, December 16.—Gross earnings of forty- New York, December 46.—Charles W. Morse new line to Bermuda as a starter he will go after business wherever he finds the opportunity. Mr. Morse said that there never was a better occasion for American shipping to regain its prestige and that, with a little help from the Government, ves-sels flying the Stars and Stripes would again scour the seven seas. a

had been rumored for some time that Mr, Mere was planning a new line for transatlantic service, but he refused yesterday to say whether this was part of his project. He did say, however, that in his judgment, American steamship on panies should go juto competition where the fit club at Winnipeg was attended by about 100 burg. If Mr. Morse is contemplating such a line his plans most likely hinge on the prospective acion of Congress, for he said that American shiption of Congress, for he said that American ship-ping, to be operated successfully, must have a subside in some form from the government ubsidy in some form from the government.

Bermuda has already subsidized the new Morse ne to that colony. Though the new company will perate the steamer Oceana under the American ag the Parliament has granted a subsidy of £1 or every passenger she brings to the islands durng the next six months up to a total of 6,000 pasengers. Mr. Morse took the contract to operate he vessel under that condition, knowing that at the end of six months he might be left with a Francisco which formerly operated in Massac teamship on his hands. He looks upon Bermuda lowever, as being only in the first period of its levelopment as a resort and expects, through givng service equal to that on transatlantic liners. o get such support from American tourists that, ubsidy or no subsidy, his ships will continue to arry the American flag into the harbor of Ham-bile acce ton. The Oceana will be the first American cas enger ship ever to have done this.

Mr. Morse continued, "we have a big problem to solve, but if we ever are to regain our position on afternoon, and five carloads of fruit suffered from water and smoke. The office of the Donnelly Wreckwe have been spending ours on land. Since about 1860, when wood was changed for iron in ship building, England has excelled because she could build and operate her ships so much more cheaply than we could. Our people found they could get better returns for their money on land than on the by foreign nations. England, Germany, France and Italy have assisted the companies that have helped (Exclusive Leased Wire to The Journal of Commerce.) pand our railroads. A small fraction of the money which the Government has given to railroads in market continues exceedingly buoyant with further the form of land or of guaranteed bonds would re-instate us on the sea." advances paid for grain carriers to Europena ports apply to

FOUR SEWERS COMPLETED.

Point Grey, B.C., December 16.—Representing an exbeen completed in this municipality.

LIQUIDATOR IS APPOINTED

Vancouver, B.C., December 16 .- Mr. A. C. Sterrett, tinues dull. manager of the General Administration Society and Credit Foncier, has been appointed at a meeting of quarters, from the Atlantic Range to West Coast ontributories to conduct the liquidation of the Dominion Trust Company.

ong the contributories are a number of shareholders who owe as high as 65 per cent, on their ters, from Philadelphia to a Scandinavian port, p.t.,

Altogether the shareholders are liable for contributions amounting to over \$180,000.

IS A LIVE ADVERTISER.

Live advertising is the middle name of the Marine National of Buffalo. The bank has taken the first fif-Porto Rico Railway's net earnings for November MERICAN LOCOMOTIVE CO.

AMERICAN LOCOMOTIVE CO.

New York December 16.—American Locomotive to names from The Financier's table of five-million-dollar National banks, campiled after the call of Oct.

Set, or 14.18 per cent. For the eleven months to December 1, gross earnings show a decrease of \$5,125, or 2.79

AMERICAN LOCOMOTIVE CO.

New York December 16.—American Locomotive to names from The Financier's table of five-million-dollar National banks, campiled after the call of Oct. St., and is running as an advertisement in the Buffalo The Port Miscellaneous—Steamer Robert M papers this list of "The Fifty Largest National Banks in the Utilited States." The Marine National's name is brought out in black type, as it may well be in view Steamer Medina, 3,470 tons, same. papers this list of "The Fifty Largest Flat and in the Urlited States." The Marine National's name is December-January.

Steamer Meding, 3,470 tons, sar brenight out in black type, as it may well be in view

Steamer Meding, 3,470 tons, sar ber 16.—Northern Albanian tribes have declared war against Servia.

Steamer El Mar. 3,539 tons, from Galveston to Bremen, or Gothenburg with cotton p.t. Decemberagainst Servia. of its high standing-No. 16-on the list, and its gain

RAILROAD NOTES

, is ill in a Balt

he authorities at Cardston to pass through the town

The Canadian Northern Railway has pro pay more attention to the transhipment or coar i the West. Some complaints had been made by patron

William Wheeler, for 12 years general western pas nger agent at Buffalo, has resigned to bec ral agent of the passenger department of the United ruit Co.

er service, the Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis has ndoned their use as the reduction in expense over the use of steam locomotives was not sufficient. Northern Pacific.'s recent passenger equipment or

After 18 months trial of motor cars in the passen

ler calls for 120 cars, at cost of approximately \$2,-100,000. Delivery will begin in March so that equipnent may be used for increased traffic expected from Pacific coast expositions.

The Public Service Utilities Commission of Misouri has asserted its right to compel an issuance of ommutation tickets and issued an order on that basis o the Kansas City, Clay County and St. Joseph, the asis to be one cent a mile.

Mr. Howard A. Ryan has been appointed Asst. Suerintendent of the Transcontinental section of I. C. lines. Superintendent H. B. Flemming's authority has been extended from Moncton to St. Jean Chrysos-

Missouri's Public Service Commission has begun an nquiry in response to a complaint acvesing the St. Paul and other roads with discrimination against St. Louis and showing undue preference to grain dealers who ship to the Chicago market.

The authorities at Moose Jaw, Sask., have aproached the management of the Grand Trunk Pacific on the question of terminals. The Dominion Railway Commission has ordered that plans of the terminals should be lodged and work in the construction started

Two more appointments on the Lehigh Valley are those of Stanley K. Weaver, to be division passenger GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY astern passenger agent in New York City. The ter for some time has been commissioner of the Association of Lake Lines.

Mr. Robert Holsworth, I.C.R. station agent at Shunacadie, if he lives until spring, will have been an even 50 years in the service of the Intercolonial. For Detroit 9.55 p.m., Chicago 8.00 a.m., da about forty years he has been located in Shubenaca-die. Recently Mr. Holsworth have been spending a die. Recently Mr. Holsworth have been spending a two weeks' holiday visiting friends in various parts of Detroit 1.45 p.m., Chicago 8.40 p.m.

The first annua Imeeting of the C. N. R. sick bene members. The club was organized about a year ago and during the interval about \$1,000 had been paid out to members in benefits. It had been decided to lay bership had now reached the total of 250. A. H. Williams, president, who presided, was re-elected to that position; the other officers, R. McAllister, vice-president, and F. L. Willies, secretary-treasurer, were also re-elected. A motion was adopted by which it was decided to set aside the sum of \$100 for death benefit

CALIFORNIA FIRE SEEKS READMISSION The California Fire Insurance Company of San has applied for readmission to that State.

Fire in the heart of the Atlanta's business district

Tuesday caused damage estimated at \$100,000 to the Eleya-Austelle Company, dealers in aut

FRUIT DAMAGED IN FIRE.

The Charter Market

New York, December 16.-The full cargo steamer

The demand for tonnage holds steady in the trans-Atlantic and other trades, but charterers find it difficult to cover their requirements, owing to the great Cook & Son, 530 St. Catherine West: W. H. Her enditure of \$558,000, four sewer contracts have just searcity of boats available for fairly prompt delivery. 286 St. James Street; Hone & Rivet, 9 St. Lawrence completed in this municipality. For sailing vessels the demand holds steady in sev- Boulevard. eral of the offshore trades, but thus far very little chartering has resulted. A large carrier was closed for a cargo of case oil to Japan for January loading FOR DOMINION TRUST COMPANY, but no other fixtures of consequence were reported. In the coastwise and West India trades business con-

> Charters: Grain-British steamer Longscar, '18,000 of Italy, 7s 6d, January-February. British steamer Ada, 24,000 quarters, same. Norwegian steamer Catherine Cuneo, 6,500 quar

prompt. British steamer Mimosa, 23,000 quarters, from the Gulf to West Coast of the United Kingdom, 6s 3d,

January. British steamer Silverdale, 25,000 quarters, s Petroleum-Ship Dirigo, 120,000 cases, from Phila-

delphia to Japan, p.t., January.

Coal-Schooner William C. May, 607 tons, from Philadelphia to Jucar, \$2.00, thence Morgan City to dend of 10 per cent, making a total of 20 p naid to stockholders this year.

Miscellaneous-Steamer Robert M. Thompson, 1,605 tons, from Savannah to Rotterdam with cotton, p.t.,

STREAMSHIPS

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"PRETORIAN," Friday, Feb. 5th. Sat. Feb.

GLASGOW and BOSTON From Boston. Thurs. December 24th Steamer.
"SARDINIAN"

§"OCEAN MONARCH" Tues. January "CARTHAGINIAN" Thursday Feb. 4th GLASGOW and PORTLAND

Steamer. §"VERDUN" From Portland Saturday, December POMERANIAN" Thursday, Jan. 14th St. John -- Havre -- London

S"SCOTTISH MONARCH" Wed. Dece Thurs., Dec "CORINTHIAN" Thurs., Jan. 14th. Sicilian sails London direc § These steamers do not carry passenge

For particulars of rates and all further info

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LACHINE LAND COMPANY. The Lachine Land Company has declar

\$7,500 FIRE IN TORONTO.

Seventy-five hundred dollars' damage yesterday by a fire in the apartment he Court, at the corner of Wilton ayonue street. Toronto.

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Two Senators Among Group With Sale of Fire Insurance

> Fake Companies IS HIDING IN CANADA

Now Indicted by U. S. Grand

ington, Del., December 16,-Indict f fire insurance in fake companies, chare, were found by the United Sta against ex-United States Senato both of Dover, Delaware; Frank W. Anthon lyn; his son, Claire Webster Anthony, Ne arry A. Woodcock, New York; R. Frederic of Brooklyn, and Benj. D. Jacobs, alias Berk obs. New York.

-named is said to be hiding in Ca The two Anthonys and Woodcock, through Kenney, their attorney, are alleged to have ese fake companies:

Home Fire Insurance Company, American Burance Company, Mercantile Fire and Ma ance Company, Equitable Fire Insurance (The latter had its offices here, the three headquarters at Dover. Dummy offic vere elected, says the indictmen ses will be called in January. The prom said, realized over \$100,000 by their operation Mr. J. L. Wood, chief of the complaint bures w York State Insurance Department; Dep ioner Thomas B. Donaldson, delphia and l'ost-Office Inspector Plummer city, and District Attorney Nields, of Delaware

ed up the cases. nen and the two Anthonys, it is sai Brennen and the Ching Sing and elsewhere for in and other frauds. Ex-Senator Kenney was trie n the Federal Court here in 1897 for allege city with William N. Boggs, paying teller onal Bank, Dover, Delaware, in t dement of \$107.000 of the bank's funds. T hen Kenney was senator. The jury disagreed both times, When the

s called the third time, it was nolle pressed. LOCAL FRUIT MERCHANT

FOUND DEAD IN S A. C. Gee, who conducted a fruit auction st 38 St. James street, was found dead there this . Close at hand was a .22 calibre rifle. The police are investigating and have not of hether it is a case of suicide or murder. The discovery of the dead body was made s

10.30 o'clock.

BUILDERS' EXCHANGES CONFERENCE ations have been issued for the third a ence of secretaries of Builders' Exchange ton, Ohio, on January 22 and 23, 1915. ship of the conference is made up of ries from all over the United States and C the specific purpose of advancing acquain parison of conditions, and consultation, and asus of opinion to bring about an imp if possible, in the operation of exchanges. able suggestions have been offered in the pa retaries, and because of their intimate

ance with the details it is expected great it will result from this conference.

ARCHITECTS WILL MEET. he annual general meeting of the Province bec Association of Architects, will be held in iation Rooms, 5 Beaver Hall Square, on Jar 1915, at 9 a.m. The examinations for admi the study of architecture or registration in will be held on January 25, 1915, and for

NULE COVERING STAMP TAX ACT IN N.Y. STATE REVERS

its, Brokers and Adjusters Are Not Liable Uncancelled Stamps Attached to Applications for license Renewals Will be Returned.

agents and adjuster led emergency stamp for 10 cents to the applications for newal of their State licences in New York, previ lings to the contrary notwithstanding. Mr. Fr. uck, superintendent of the New York Ins Department, has issued a ruling to the eff not only can applications be sent to the depart at Albany without stamps, but that all stan eady sent would be returned.

The following circular letter has been issued Under the ruling of the United States Commission # of Internal Revenue, issued December 11, upon 1 ation of the provisions of the internal reven at of October 22, 1914, to certificates issued by ority of the State government all certificates i by the superintendent of insurance, pursua the requirements of the insurance law, are not su act to the tax imposed by said act. Previous advice

department. All certificates executed by the Superintendent ance in his official capacity, will be issued with affixing any revenue stamp; and applicants of certificates need not enclose stamps as require revenue instructions. ous instructions. Stamps received pursuarinstructions will not be used, but will be rened to the senders unless permanently attached

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