ing of the bondholders and submit to them the present position, and probably it will be wise to have a small committee appointed on behalf of the bondholders to act in their interests, and determine as to the future policy. We enclose you memos from Mr. Brooks, Engineer of the C. and E. Ry., giving his statement as to the rolling stock required and work to be done on the road." The Chairman, G. Grinnel-Milne, said the arrangement between the C. and E. R. Co. and the C.P.R. Co. had been equally advantageous to the latter company, which had a large quantity of land to develop north and northwest of the and E. line, and that without this line the C.P.R. Co. would have to build a line for

itself. He also pointed out the Canadian Northern Ry. and the Great Northern Ry., U.S.A., as other strings to their bow. R. Harrison, B. Schlesinger and W. Trotter, of London, Eng., and Jas. Ross, of Montreal, were appointed a committee, with power to add to their number, to represent the debenture-holders and protect their interests and to endeavor to make arrangements for the future operation of the railway. The committee has since announced that Chaplin, Milne, Grenfell & Co., London, Eng., are prepared to receive, for the committee, the bonds and the certificates representing un-paid interest. The committee recommends the bondholders to deposit their securities

without delay, as it is in their interest that, in the negotiations for the future operation of the railway, the committee should have the combined support of all the bondholders.

The Secretary-Treasurer of the Canadian Roadmasters' Association has issued a circular to the members stating that on Oct. 15, the date fixed for the meeting at Hamilton, Ont., only three members were present. He requests each member to suggest a time and place for a meeting, and points out that about the middle of Dec., at Ottawa, might be convenient, but that that will be decided by the majority of replies received.



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AVBRAGE VIBLD. ACRES.
Wheat ... 2,011,835
Oats ... 689,951
Barley ... 191,009
Potatoes 24,429 25.1 bus. 50,502,085 bus. 40.3 " 27,796,588 " 34.2 " 6,536,155 " 196. " 4,797,433 "

STOCK.
Number of stock in the Province, July 1, 1901:
Horses 142,060 Sheep 22,060
Cattle. 263,168 Pigs 94,680
Value of Dairy Products \$926,314

18,875 FARM LABORERS

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