

—Huh! hit's mighty funny dat de sun shines so much hotter in de cornfiel' den on de baseball groun's.—*Texas Siftings.*

—The merchants of Montreal are indignant at the commercial tax imposed by the Quebec Government. We observe that among those who refuse to pay and have had actions entered against them for the payment of the commercial tax, are Messrs. S. Harris & Co., S. Davis & Sons, Robt. Reford & Co., Thomas May & Co., Tees & Co., Mackay Bros., and J. Aitken & Co.

—The English language is spoken at present by 115,000,000 people, distributed as follows: British Islands, 32,000,000; United States, 65,000,000; Canada (exclusive of French Canadians), 4,000,000; West Indies, British Guiana, etc., 1,500,000; Australasia, 4,000,000; South Africa, India, and other colonies, 2,500,000. This only includes those whose mother tongue is English.—*Chambers' Journal.*

THE SPREAD OF ENGLISH.

No other language of modern times has made such rapid progress as English, and the increase of English speakers may be calculated at 2,000,000 annually. Three hundred years ago, in the time of Queen Elizabeth, the language was spoken only by about 5,000,000 of people, nearly all of whom resided in the Brit-

DOMINION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

HEAD OFFICE, - - - Quebec Bank Chambers,  
2 Toronto, St., Toronto.

The Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Head Office on  
**Wednesday, July 11th, 1894,**  
at 12 O'CLOCK NOON

DIVIDEND NO. 72.

The guaranteed dividend, at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum upon the capital stock of the Company, for the quarter ended June 30, will be payable on  
**Monday, July 16th, 1894.**

The stock transfer books will be closed from July 3rd to 11th, both days inclusive.

By order,  
**FRED ROPER,**  
Toronto, June 30, 1894. Sec. & Treas.

Northern Assurance Company of London, Eng.

Branch Office for Canada, 1724 Notre Dame Street, Montreal. Income and Funds (1893): Capital and Accumulated Funds, \$36,465,000; Annual Revenue from Fire and Life Premiums and from interest upon Invested Funds, \$5,455,000; deposited with the Dominion Government for security of Canadian Policyholders, \$200,000.

C. E. MOBERLY, E. P. PEARSON, Agent.  
Inspector. Toronto.

ROBT. W. TYRE, Manager for Canada.

City of Victoria,  
BRITISH COLUMBIA.

TENDERS FOR DEBENTURES.

**SEALED TENDERS** endorsed "Tenders for Debentures," will be received at the office of the undersigned up to 4 p.m. on the First Day of August, 1894, for the purchase of Debentures of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B.C., amounting to \$35,000, or its sterling equivalent at the rate of \$4.86½ to the one pound sterling, in sums of \$1,000 or sterling equivalent as aforesaid, payable in fifty years from the First of August, 1894, and bearing interest from that date at the rate of 4½ per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly, with principal and interest payable as aforesaid at the office of the Bank of British North America either in London (Eng.), New York, U.S.A., or Montreal, Canada.

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The tenderer must state the price net at Victoria which he will pay.

In addition to the net price the purchaser will have to pay the Corporation the interest at 4½% from the First August, 1894, to whatever date the money is received by the City Treasurer.

The above Debentures are issued under authority of "The Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital Aid By-Law, 1894," with principal and interest secured by a rate on all rateable land and improvements in the City of Victoria.

The Corporation does not bind itself to accept any tender.

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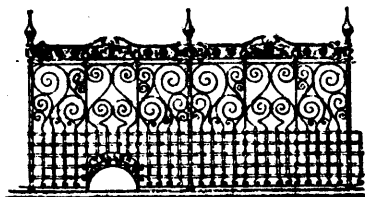
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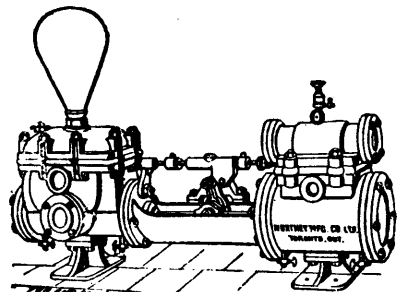
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