

THE efforts made to boom the stock of the Toronto Street Railway appear to be meeting with good success. It has got up from the seventies well into the eighties, considerable blocks selling yesterday at from 83½ to 84¾%.

THE Montreal Street Railway Company's earnings for the month of May amounted to \$100,579.63, against \$85,182.58 for the previous year, an increase of \$15,397.05. The total gross earnings from the 30th September, 1894, to May 31st, 1895, were \$647,274.90, against \$525,265.26 for the corresponding period of last year, an increase of \$122,009.64.

THE Catholic Order of Foresters, a fraternal life insurance organization, has a flat rate for all ages, which the younger men have begun to perceive is an injustice to them, and they have endeavored to secure a change so as to make assessments based upon the age of members. The older element proved the stronger in a recent meeting, however, and voted to keep on in the "good old way." If the order lasts long enough, the older members will find themselves shouldering all the burden, and will wish they had listened to the plea of "the boys."—*Investigator*.

THE directors of the Montreal Freehold Co. and the Consolidated Investment Co. of Toronto held a joint meeting in Montreal the other day to consider assimilation. Robert Jaffray, president of the Toronto company, and D. Morrice, of Montreal, vice-president, both resigned their respective positions. Then the directors practically agreed to unite the board, electing the following officers: D. Morrice, sr., president; Robert Jaffray, vice-president; directors, Robert Archer, F. J. Stewart, R. L. Gault, E. Kewin, S. H. Blake, John Burns, and Mr. McCuaig, general manager. It is hoped that the ultimate amalgamation of the companies will be realized at the next session of the legislature.

AFTER being in the dry goods and clothing trade in Peterboro more than twenty years, T. Dolan & Co. (T. Dolan being the sole owner) now finds himself involved. About ten years ago he was worth over \$20,000. But it is possible that his success, unusual in that line, may have caused his ruin. He gradually became somewhat irregular in his habits, and in 1892 he was obliged to mortgage his stock for \$7,000. This is foreclosed, and it is feared that outside creditors will receive but a small dividend. —Last November, Arthur J. Limin succeeded Rymal & Limin in grocery business in Hamil-

ton, and as he knew nothing about the business the bailiff has taken possession for rent. Now he assigns.—So does A. C. Overholtzer, manufacturer, Bloomingdale.—This week there are no failures to record in any of the provinces west of Ontario.

INSURANCE losses this season on the lakes have been unprecedentedly heavy. The aggregate, to May 15th, 1895, was \$520,000, as compared with losses last season up to the same date of \$136,000. The spring of 1893, which opened with a long list of disasters, cost the insurance companies only \$320,000. As insurance rates are lower this spring than they have ever been the outlook is decidedly blue.—*Chronicle*.

DEATH OF MR. H. D. CAMERON.

Some weeks ago Mr. H. D. Cameron, manager of the Hamilton Provident and Loan Society, left Hamilton for Winnipeg, and while in the latter city was stricken with paralysis. During his illness he had every attention that human aid could supply, but without avail. On Saturday evening his corpse reached his home in Hamilton, and on Monday last his funeral service was conducted by Rev. Dr. Samuel Lyle. The pall-bearers were the members of his board of directors: Messrs. George

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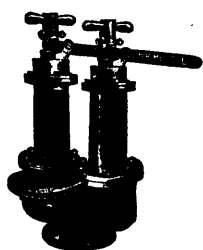
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The Land Mortgage Companies' Association, of which the deceased gentleman was vice-president, was represented at his burial by Messrs. J. Herbert Mason, president; R. H. Tomlinson, sec.-treas.; Walter S. Lee, and Andrew Rutherford, Toronto; William F. Bullen and George A. Somerville, London, and R. S. Schell, Brantford. In addition to these a large number of prominent business men were present, and general expressions of regret were heard at the loss of such a worthy citizen. At an early date we hope to be able to give a more lengthy notice of the deceased.

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