THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Throughout Canada and Over the Border.

Roliday Trade Is Brisk and the Outlook for the Future in Canada Is Bright.

Toronto, Dec. 20.-Bradstreet's trade review, weekly summary:

The holiday sales at Montreal have been large and the prospects for the spring trade are proportionately bright. Trade generally is in a sound and healthy condition. Values of staple goods continue firm. The payments are fair for this season.

Activity continues in business circles at Quebec. During the past week the sales are reported above the average, Shoe manufacturers are busy, and crders continue to come in. Collections for the season are reported fair. Business in wholesale circles at To-

ronto this week has been less active. Retailers are too busy with the holiday trade to take any interest in spring goods, and the sorting trade was not particularly active. The season has been a most successful one for the retail trade, and especially in the holiday goods. The outlook for spring trade is encouraging. Values are firm for most lines of staple goods. At Hamilton this week there has been some activity in holiday goods and quite a little demand for sorting parcels for the current requirements of retailers. Travelers have already placed some very good orders for the spring, and the outlook for that trade

is considered generally very good. There has been an improved demand for seasonable lines at Winnipeg, the cold weather having created increased inquiry for heavy wearing apparel, Collections are scarcely as good as expected. The blockade in the grain movement through scarcity of cars is doubtless to some extent re-

Trade at the Pacific coast is more active. The holiday trade is helping lines, and there is a renewal of activity throughout business circles. Payments are only fair.

There has been much activity in retail trade a: London this week, and the jobbing trade has been busy filling sorting orders for immediate ship-Cash sales have been large and the outlook for spring trade bright

At Ottawa this week there has been a high trade done in seasonable lines for the holidays, as well as in heavy goods for the winter. Reports indicate a healthy feeling in trade and a fair outlook for the future.

IN THE UNITED STATES. New York, Dec. 20 .- R. G. Dun & Co.'s review: Holiday trade reached its maximum this week, nearly all sections of the country reporting exceptional distribution. Transporting interests were just beginning to overcome congested conditions when severe storms made the situation more complicated than before. Bank ex-changes at New York exceeded those of the same week last year by 2.3 per cent and 1899 by 1.3 per cent, while at the other leading cities there was practically no condition.

Railroad earnings thus far available for December show gains of 6.2 per cent over last, year, and 20.1 per cent over 1899. Retarded shipping caused higher prices for prompt delivery of pig iron and steel products at western cities, but conservatism still marks the course of product arding con-

tracts for the full. Although the leading metal is enjoying exceptionally satisfactory conditions, it is very different with the ford, first vice-president; W. Lawson, metals, owing mainly to the fact that fictatious prices have been asked by the leading producers. Gen-retary-treasurer; C. Elliott, V.S., and eral reductions occurred during the T. H. Reed, V.S., auditors. Directors past week, copper now being quoted

IT IS IMPORTANT

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whether located in the head, throat or bronchial tubes, cannot be too strongly

The list of catarrh cures is as long as the moral law and the forms in which ther are administered, numerous and confusing, from sprays, inhalers, washes, ointments, and salves to powders, liquids and tablets.

The tablet form is undoubtedly the most convenient and the most effective, but with nearly all advertised catarrh remedies it is almost entirely a matter of guesswork as to what you are taking into your system, as the proprietors, while making all sorts of claims as to what their medicines will do, always keep it a close secret as to

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for full sized packages.

at 13, tin 23½ and lead 4 cents. The declines were heavy, but failed to produce activity, buyers looking for still

better terms. Footwear shops continue busy, large producers as a rule having good orders for spring lines, although smaller concerns are not all as fortunately situated. Firm prices prevail, and specialties command premiums. There is no accumulation of leather, and prices are decidedly firm, while no reaction has followed the recent advance in domestic hides, but foreign dry hides are

sustained with difficulty. In the textile industries new lines of woolen goods opened satisfactorily, and advances are paid for certain lines of worsted. In cotton goods there is much business offered but, sellers are unwilling to accept large contracts for future delivery, while the raw material market remains unsettled. Jobbing trade is quiet, but rail dealings are heavy. Print cloths are unchanged for regulars, with narrow orders firmer, and cotton yarns generally higher. Last week's gains in these lines are fully maintained.

the grain market wheat has fairly steady at some reac-from last week's exceptionally tion point, and there is still much evidence of a firm undertone. Severe weather stimulated the western demand for live stock feeding, and also interrupted receipts, which were only 4,624,650 bushels, against 6,742,949 in the preceding week and 4,802,779 a year ago.

High prices have at last affected the export movement, and instead of the usual splendid gain over last there was an outgo of only 3,646,843 bu-shels from the United States, flour included, against 4,380,300. Corn is also well sustained, western receipts for the week reaching only 2,519,851 bushels, against 5,871,805 a year ago. Atlantic exports-211.214 bushels, against 4.745.169 a year ago-indicate the foreign attitude toward current quotations. Cotton is little changed at about 2 cents be-

low the price of a year ago. Exports of merchandise scarcely fell below the phenomenal movement in the corresponding month of 1900, although conditions were then exceptionally favorable. Imports on the other hand were stimulated by heavy purchases abroad of materials of manufacture. Liabilities of commercial failures thus far reported for December aggregate \$5,158,628, of which \$1,999,589 were in manufacturing and \$2,561,328 in trading. Failures for the week numbered 265 in the United States, against 263 last year, and 27 in Canada, against 18

BANK CLEARINGS. New York, Dec.20.—The following are some of the weekly clearings, as compiled by Bradstreet's for the week ending Dec. 19, with percentages of in-crease and decrease, as compared with the corresponding week last year: New York, \$1,584,608,524; increase 7.0. Chl-cago, \$156,383,868; increase 8.9. Boston, \$135,126,873; decrease 4.7. Philadelphia, \$109,352,425; decrease 2.8. St. Louis, St. Louis. \$49,234,488; decrease 18.3. Pittsburg, \$37,-499,827; increase 4.3. Baltimore, \$24,244,-318. San Francisco, \$25,674,639; increase 13.5. Cincinnati, \$19,660,850; increase 15.1. Kansas City, \$19,125,700; decrease 4.9. Montreal, \$18,250,150; decrease 11.4. Toronto, \$15,016,448; increase, 33.6. Winnipeg, \$4,287,197; increase 69.1. Halifax, \$2,254,061; increase 48.6. Vancouver, B. C., \$854,321; decrease 12.2. Hamilton, \$834,875; decrease 7.7. St. John, N. B., \$784,848; increase 9.3. Victoria, B. C., \$518,865; decrease 2.6. Quebec, \$1,364,-

ONTARIO VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Meets in Annual Session-Excellent Papers Read and Officers Chesen.

Toronto, Dec. 21 .- The annual meeting of the Ontario Veterinary Medical Association was held in the lecture room of the Ontario Veterinary College yesterday. Many excellent papers were read and discussed, after which the election of officers for the ensuing year took place with the following result: Dr. J. H. Tennent, V.S., London, president; W. Steele, V.S., Strat-V.S., Dundas, second vice-president; C. H. Sweetapple, V.S., Toronto, sec-C. E. S. Brind, V.S., Woodstock, Ont., T. H. Engel, V.S., Milverton, Ont.; S. E. Boulton, V.S., Niagara Falls, Ont.; L. A. Wilson, V.S., Eglington, Ont.; T. H. George, V.S., Ingersoll; F. G. Hutton, V.S., Welland; T. D. Milne, Using starrh Medicin

Catarrh is the short route to consumption, and the importance of early and judicious treatment of catarrh, V.S., Ingerson, F. Daly, V.S., George Gena, Ont. Representatives to Industrial Exhibition—Prof. A. Smith, F.R.C., V.S., and Col. T. H. Lloyd, V.S. Representatives to Western Fair V.S., Ingersoll; F. Daly, V.S., Geor-Board-Dr. J. D. O'Neil, V.S., and Dr. J. H. Tennent, V.S., London, Ont. The following gentlemen passed their final exams.: W. A. Bisbee, Cleveland, Ohio; I. L. Faragher, Lorain, Ohio; Allan T. Ford. Neustadt. Ont.: Alex Doherty, Ellesmere, Ont.; A. P. Lubach, Boonton, N. J., U. S. A.; W. D. Mc-Mullen, Cheltem. Wis.; I. L. McCoy, Sussex, N. J.; A. E. Melhinsh, Toron-to, Ont.; A. J. Royce, Lincoln, Neb.; S. C. Neff, Long Glade, Va.; Robert Norton, Owen Sound, Ont. The board of examiners-C. Elliott, V.S., St Catharines, Ont.; Col. T. H. Loyd, V. S., Newmarket, Ont.; J. D. O'Neil, V. London, Ont.; Wm. Cowan, V.S., Prof. J. H. Reid, Guelph Ont.; W. Shaw, V.S., Dayton, Ohio, officiated, Dr. J. H. Tennent, V. S., assisted in the examinations.

BYRON.

Byron, Dec. 20.-The young men have

arranged a series of hops, to take place The Epworth League of this place is

preparing for a social to be held New

Miss Dora Kilbourne has been engaged as one of the teachers in the Byron school for the ensuing year. The scholars of Byron school have arranged for a grand concert and entertainment, to be held in the hall Friday evening, Dec. 20. A splendid programme has been prepared, and a

good time is expected. The Byron mill is running full time, and things about here are generally booming.

ST. LOUIS WORLD'S FAIR. St. Louis, Dec. 20.-The first public celebration in connection with the World's Fair to be opened in St. Louis in 1903, in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the Louis-iana purchase, was held today, when ground was broken on the site in For-

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At yesterday's meeting of the board of health the medical health officer presented the following report of the condition of herds and dairies in London and vicinity, and the quality of the milk supplied to the citizens: To the Chairman of the Board of

Health: Gentlemen,-I beg to submit the following report of the examination of herds, dairies, and the quality of milk supplied the city during the last six

months. The herds and dairies, as heretofore, are classified, A, B, and C, and the milk according to quality, 1, 2, 3.
One hundred and twenty-three per-

sons are engaged in supplying the city with milk. The number of quarts sold in the city daily, for the last six months, was 9,028, as compared with 9,-180, the previous six months. Three samples had cream added, two had cream partly removed. The deficiency in cream was probably accidental, for a second sample from one of these dairies came into the first class. There are now 21 herds and dairies in the first class; that is, 10 more have got into the first class since last inspection. There is also a decrease in the number of samples of the third class milk from 6 to 3. The herds and dairies of Wm. Stevenson, Joseph Barter, W. A. Sage, C. W. Hourd, Wm. Kettlewell, Andrew Hogg, John Rogers, Albert Higg and John O'Brien may be considered event of the first class but the first cla ered equal to the first class, but not having complied with all the requirements of the board of health are ne-

cessarily placed in the second class. The average percentage of all the milk sold in the city was 3.95. This quality has only been excelled in this district twice in twelve years. There is also a steady improvement from year to year in the condition of the herds and byres, and fewer unhealthy cows are found. The following is the list

according to merit:
A. Marshal, London township-A, 1; supplies Victoria Hospital. Kanes Bros. Westminster—A; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company. Smith Bros., Westminster-A. 1.

C. E. Willson, Westminster-A; solls to Sanitary Dairy Company. Wm. Bell, London township-A; sells to A. E. Hourd. J. L. Saul, Crumlin-A; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company.
Daniel Ferguson, Westminster—A;

sells to Smith Bros. W. J. Walker, Westminster—A, 1; Samuel Millson, Westminster—A; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company.

W. J. Saul, Crumlin,-A; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company. James Byers, Dorchester townline-A; supplies Wm. Phoenix. Alf. Comfort, Westminster-A; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company,

F. D. McClary, Nilestown-A; sells to F. McClary. Andrew Cornish, Westminster-A; supplies J. Marlenan.

C. H. Humner, Westminster-A; sells to Geo. Tupholm. George De Uptigrove, Delaware township-A; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company.

Elmer Routledge, Lambeth-A; sells to J. W. Jarvis. John W. Griffith, Westminster-A; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company. H. M. O'Dell, Westminster—A; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company.

Ferman White, Lambeth-A; sells to W. S. Evans. J. W. Routledge, Lambeth-A, 2; sells to W. S. Evans. Sanitary Dairy Company-1; third

sample, 1. Thos. Legg. London township-B, 1; Samuel Robb, London township-B, 1. Henry Ellwood-1. S. Anderson-1.

R. Windrim-1 Mrs. Knott, Nilestown-B; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company. John Courtes, Westminster-B, 1. Wm. Kettlewell, Westminster-B; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company. J. W. Jarvis-1; buys from E. Routledge and McArthur Bros.

Henry Mossop-1; Buys from W. A. Sage. A. Sutherland-1. D. L. De Hart, London township-B; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company. Chas. Dyer, London township-B; 1.

Albert Higg, London township-B; 1. Wm. Cooper-1. Ola Thomson, London township-B; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company. Joseph Barter, London township-B; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company.

A. Pack-1. S. S. Johnson-1; buys from W. Sum-A. Hogg, London township-B: sup-

plies J. Blaney. J. E. Wilkins, Westminster—B, 1. Caleb Millson, Westminster—B; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company. W. L. Brown, Westminster-B; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company.

Jas. Malloch, city-B, 1. R. Markham-1; cream added; supplied by A. Cornish. R. Sage—1. Foster Bros., London township—B, 1.

W. A. Sage, Nilestown-B; sells to Henry Mossop.
Wm. Halldane, Westminster—B; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company. Sam Sloan, London township—B; cells to Sanitary Dairy Company. Geo. H. Summers, London township

Wm. Gleadale, London township-B; sells to T. Beattie. W. W. Wilk. son, London township -B, 1. John Kay, Westminster-B, sells to

Geo. Hunt, Westminster -B, 1. McArthur Bros., Westminster—B; sell to J. W. Jarvis. H. F. McNiece, Westminster—B; H. F. McNiece, Westminster-B; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company

Wm. Stevenson, Nilestown-B; supplies Duncan Bros.
C. E. Wilkens, Westminster—B, 1. Jas. Yeo, Westminster-B, 1; sells to R. McCollough. Levi Crouse, Westminster—B, 1.

Jacob Dale, Westminster—B; sells to

John Tappuy. Mrs. W. M. Routledge-1. Hugh Dale, Westminster—B, 1. Mrs. Freeman, city—B, 1. George Tupholme-1; buys from C. H. Sumner and A. Copeland.

S. Edworth—1.

Job Cox, London township—B, 1.

A. E. Hourd—1.

Jas. Hill, Westminster—B; no sam-

Albert Copeland, Westminster-B; sells to George Tupholme. Wm. Player, Westminster-B, 1. Jos. O'Brien-1; buys from George Cushman.

Thomas Hill, Westminster-B, 1. Wm. Phoenix-1; supplied by James Byers. T. W. Sanborn-1; cream added. E. Poile-1.

Mrs. Lawrence, West London-B, 1.

Thomas Davidson, London township John Blanchard, Lobo township-B; supplies James Blanchard.
F. F. McMillan, London township-

B; no sample obtained. R. McCullough-1; supplied by Jas. Robert Brown, Westminster-B; sells to Thos. McCormick. Charles O'Hagan, London township-

B, 1. George Cushman, London township-B; sells to Jos. O'Brien.

Miss Redding, Grey street—B, 1,

J. Blaney, London township—B, 1. Webb Bros., London township—B, 1. Wm. Hill, London township—B; sells to A. Windrim. John O'Brien, London township-B; sells to Wm. O'Brien. Wm. O'Brien-1.

C. E. Wright, South London-1. Spettigue Bros.—B, 1.
C. W. Hourd, Westminster—B, 2.
John Clark, London township—B, 2.
Jos. Purvis, Ballymote—B, 2. Henry Horne, London township-B,2. Wm. Morden, London township

Carroll & Sons, Westminster F. J. Hackett, London township -B, 2 J. L. Wilkinson, London township-

B. 2 Thomas Beattie, London township-Mrs. G. Heard, Adelaide street—B, 2. A. Windrim—2.

John Tapping-2. F. J. Neeley, London township-B, 2. Hennessey-2. Catnach, Adelaide street-B, 2. James Blanchard-2.

Charles Rowlston, Dorchester — B; sells to Sanitary Dairy Company. P. F. McClary-2. John Coulter, city-2. E. Tanton, London township-B, 3. John Rodgers, Adelaide street-B, 3;

cream partly removed; second sam-Henry Webb, city—B, 3. Charles O'Brien—3. James Spence—3; cream partly removed; second sample, 1.

George Hawkins, Westminster-C, 1 W. Summers, London township-C; sells to S. S. Johnson. Wm. Murphy, North London-C, 2. T. V. HUTCHINSON, Medical Health Officer.

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