

for in two years after he also came to grief. Since the last failure Mrs. Brethour has been the nominal head of the firm, doing business as Brethour & Co. She is now taking stock with a view, it is said, of making an offer to the patient and over-confident creditors. The impression prevails, in some quarters, that she can pay 100 cents on the dollar.

MESSRS. CHAS. BOECK & SONS, the well known manufacturers of this city, have been awarded the high distinction of two silver medals at the Antwerp Exhibition, for their manufactures of brushes and brooms. In the latter goods their new process of manufacture and packing, covered by letters patent, effects a great reduction in freight and protection of condition, and promises, while revolutionizing the system of manufacture now in vogue, to open up a new and important prospect for export.

A MEETING of insurance agents from different parts of Ontario was held in this city on the 15th inst., when those present agreed to enrol themselves as a society to be called the Fire Insurance Agents' Association of Canada. A committee was appointed consisting of Messrs. Wm. Campbell and R. Radcliffe, Goderich; J. P. Secord, Orillia; John McCullough, Deseronto; James Martin, Hillsdale; Geo. Rutherford, Shelburne; B. Barnard, Bradford; F. A. Lett, Barrie; F. M. Clarke, Belleville; H. McKay, Uxbridge, and J. F. Marshall, Kenilworth, to adopt rules for the new society and report to a meeting to be held here on 10th November next.

THE latest novelty in advertising comes from our good friends the Italians. Like many another happy thought, it is so simple that the only wonder is why it was never thought of before. It is on the North Italy Railway that the idea has been developed, and it consists in providing the tickets with pockets and inserting in each pocket a little roll of paper with advertisements printed thereon. You buy your ticket from Milan to Venice, for instance, and on a thin piece of paper neatly inserted therein you find all the information you can want about the Venetian hotels and shops. The advertisement sheet in each ticket is divided into forty little spaces, twenty on each side of the paper, and the price of a space is 15 francs per 10,000 tickets. When all the spaces are let the company thus makes £24 on every 10,000 tickets.

CANADA has done fairly well at the Antwerp Exhibition. The list of awards occupies a column and a quarter of the Montreal Herald. Among them we observe the following:—GOLD MEDALS, Gooderham & Worts Mfg. Co., Toronto, B. N. A. Bank Note Co., Montreal, Massey Mfg. Co., implements, C. P. Railway Co.; SILVER MEDALS, Charles Boeckh & Co., Toronto, woodenware, James Goldie, the Guelph miller, Truro Condensed Milk Co., U. C. Furniture Co.; BRONZE MEDALS, M. Staunton & Co., wall papers, Colin McArthur & Co., ditto, Penman Mfg. Co., Paris, knitted goods, H. R. Ives & Co., hardware, Cosgrave Brewing Co.; DIPLOMAS OF HONOR, the Geological Survey, the Dominion Organ & Piano Co.; HONORABLE MENTION, the Rosamond Woollen Co., Berlin Felt Boot Co., Orford Copper & Sulphur Co., New Brunswick Land & Lumber Co., Ottawa School of Art & Science.

THE Montreal Herald, indignantly denying the sweeping statement made by the St. John Globe to the effect that "all of the principal managers, sub-managers and contractors of the C. P. R. are Americans and American supplies are furnished by hundreds of thousands of dollars worth, &c.," has the following: "Nine-tenths of the contractors and sub-contractors were and are Canadians. Necessarily,

nineteen-twentieths of its officials are Canadians." As for supplies from the U.S. the following is a memorandum of purchases of general supplies for the C. P. R.:

Year.	Total.	Bought in Canada.	Bought in U. S.
1882	\$2,646,628	\$1,941,108	\$705,470
1883	3,462,663	2,970,941	491,749
1884	3,289,924	3,181,206	108,518

Thus the share of supplies purchased for the road in the United States was about 27 per cent, in 1882, nearly 16 per cent. in 1883 and only say 3 per cent. in 1884.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. C. H.; City.—The paragraph you enclose contains an unfortunate error. The turn-out of the Gibson cotton mill is certainly not "three quarters of a million yards weekly," as the Gazette has it, but one tenth of that quantity. Our contemporary has been misled by the statement of a St. John paper that the present production of the Marysville mill was 70 bales, bales of 11,000 yds. each, whereas 1,100 yards each was meant.

READER; Ottawa.—We believe the Halifax Mercury, established 1752, was the first Canadian newspaper.

D. M.; Brandon.—The appointment was made in 1882 and approved 25th April that year, Mr. Hespeler has resided in Canada for at least twenty-five years.

SUBSCRIBER; Sheffield.—Do not know such a concern as the Ontario Mutual Benefit (or Aid) Association of Toronto.

W. I. P.; St. Catharines.—The United States Mutual Accident Assoc. of New York, has been in existence since 1877, but we are not aware that it is authorized to do business in Canada.

A. E. R.; St. Thomas.—Will write you. The issues of this journal dated 6th April, 1883, and 13th March, 1885, contained articles furnishing information in response to your third and fourth queries. Should think Hine's Insurance Year Book, or a similar publication by the Spectator Company would give what you want. Address, C. C. Hine, Insurance publisher, New York.

—Since the withdrawal of the fire insurance companies from New Hampshire, says the New York Chronicle, the commercial agencies have felt a hesitancy in quoting the financial standing of many of the citizens of that State. Merchants and manufacturers have been placed in most embarrassing positions by the idiotic performance of the Legislature, and are bound to suffer a serious money loss by the disturbance of credit.

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STOCKS.	Highest.	Lowest.	Total.	Sellers.	Buyers.	Average '84.
Montreal.....	271	200	293	201	200	189
Ontario.....	109	107	5	109	107	112
Peoples.....	77	75	1	77	75	43
Molson's.....	125	118	3	122	118	112
Toronto.....	187	185	25	187	185	176
Jac. Cartier.....	61	60	1	61	60	60
Merchants.....	116	114	111	115	115	112
Commerce.....	127	126	38	127	126	121
Union.....	65	57	1	65	50	50
Montreal Tel.....	129	126	165	126	126	111
Rich. and Ont.....	59	59	165	59	59	53
City Passenger.....	117	114	485	117	116	120
Gas.....	189	188	775	189	189	186
C. Pacific R. R.....	46	44	50	46	45	43
N. W. Land.....	45	39	1	45	39	49

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