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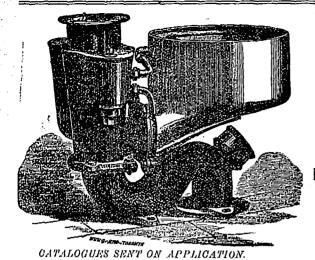
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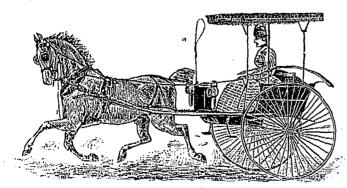
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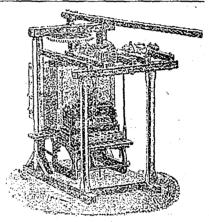
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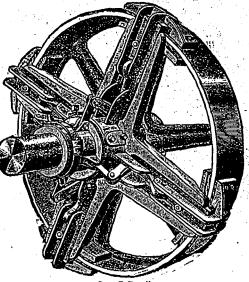
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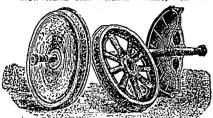
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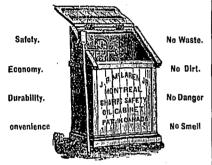
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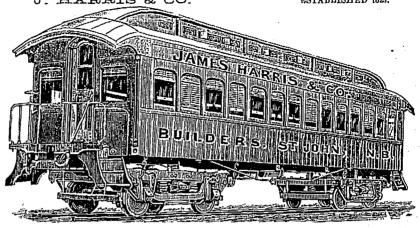
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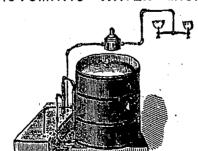


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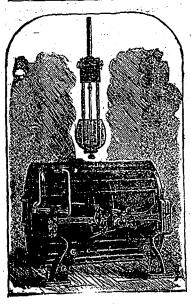
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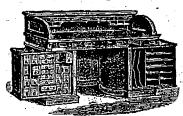
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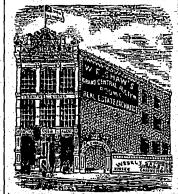
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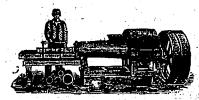
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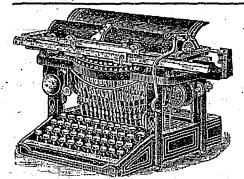
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Quite a number of spurious fifty cent pieces are in circulation. The imitation is so good it is difficult to detect them.

THE Argentine Republic exported 8,000,000 bushels of wheat in 1887, a large percentage going to the United Kingdom.

RECENT advices from Glasgow state that the North of Scotland Canadian Cattle Company is in process of reconstitution.

THE Treasury authorities at Washington are looking into the question of the circulation of Canadian currency in the States.

Upon a recent consignment of opium from Hong Kong to San Francisco, consisting of 8,200 pounds, the duty paid to the Government was \$82,000.

ADVICES from St. Pierre say the French merchants have laid in enormous supplies of frozen herring bait and the French fleet will begin operations a month earlier than usual.

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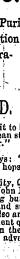
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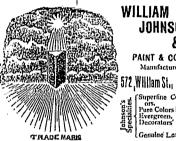
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TELEGRAMS say that McRae, agent of the Hudson Bay Company at West Lynne, Man., has absconded. He had been speculating in flax seed and, as a result, his accounts are \$300 short.

The creditors and shareholders of the Dominion Cattle company meet shortly to appoint a liquidator. This is a move on the part of the Eastern Townships bank, which is a heavy creditor.

S. S. Davis, general storekeeper of Frankville, Ont., is offering a compromise of 50 cents in the dollar, half cash, balance in 4 months secured Liabilities are \$2,700 and he shows assets of 1,800.

Tun failure of the Central bank and the liquidation of the Federal have had the result of causing many of the smaller holders of bank stock to sell out at a sacrifice and invest in Toronto real estate.

Notion is given of a special general meeting of the shareholders of the Federal Bank on the 20th March to confirm an agreement with assisting banks and to authorize the winding up of the affairs of the bank.

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THE firm of Pillow, Hersey & Co, of this city, has been incorporated as a joint stock company, with a capital of \$800,000. The firm will now be known as "The Pillow & Hersey Manufacturing Company."

J. MADELL, dry goods, of St. Mary's, Ont., has assigned. Liabilities are \$6,400 and he claims assets of \$7,700. He did a fair little business but has run behind this last year and accumulated too many book debts.

MR. HENRY MILES, who has occupied an important and responsible position in the house of Lyman, Sons & Co. for several years past, has been admitted a member of the firm. The name and style of the firm remains unchanged.

GEORGE GAGNON, small wares of Quebec. has assigned. Liabilities are \$4,500 with assets of nominally \$4,200. He commenced in the fall of 1886 with a few hundred dollars, but has always been slow in his payments and never got ahead.

MRS. A. GARIEFY has done a smail dressmaking business at Lachine to help out her husband who is a butcher. She is now endeavoring to effect a settlement with her creditors at thirty cents in the dollar, cash, on liabilities of \$2,200.

D. B. Viger & Co., tailors of this city, have assgned with liabilities of \$4,900. The firm was formerly Viger, Dubord, who dissolved in 1884. Since then they have made only slow progress in the face of severe competition and accumulating bad debts.

WESLEY O. KAIZAR, who keeps a small grocery in Halifax has given up the struggle and assigned,-Bartholomew Spain, the Toronto tailor who recently offered 50 cents in the dollar payable in 3, 6 and 12 months, secured, has also made an assignment.

H. Simon, clothier, of Stratford, Ont., is compromising at 50 cents in the dollar, secured, payable in one, two, four and six months on liabilities of \$5,000. Assets are only \$2,500 He was in trouble before, in December 1885 when he got a settlement at 25 cents.

THOMAS TAYLOR, was formerly a baker but for the past ten years has been in the dry goods business in Quebec. He called a meeting last December when he showed liabilities . of \$1,500 and asked an extension. This apparently has fallen through as we now hear of his assignment.

JOSEPH ST. DENIS, general storekeeper of St. Justin de Newton, Que., has effected a compromise with his unsecured creditors at 50 cents in the dollar, cash. Liabilities are \$4,000 and assets, nominally of course, equal in value. He has been dragging along for some fourteen years.

ALL the incoming fishing vessels report terrible weather on the banks. Seven American vessels are at Halifax for repairs, and one arrived at Liverpool to-day. The Gloucester. schooner Restless was abandoned on the George's banks. The crew were rescued and landed at Yarmouth.

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MISS L. St. MARIE, a city milliner, has effected a compromise with her creditors at 25 cents in the dollar, secured, payable in three months. As her total liabilities are only \$900 it is considered likely that she will borrow the money and pay cash. Assets are nominally worth \$500.

THEODORE MALO, dry goods merchant, of this city, has assigned with liabilities of \$4,200. He started in the spring of 1886 with about \$400 capital, and since then has done a bare living business, obtaining credit more on the ground of his personal character than on any financial responsibility.

THOMAS ADAMS, jeweller, of Drayton, Ont., has assigned. Liabilities are about \$2,500 with assets of \$1,000 less. He has only done a small business and enjoyed very little credit. W. H. Taylor, grocer, of Paris, Ont., has assigned. He did only a limited trade and had no financial standing.

JAMES LOCKHART, general storekeeper, of Newtonville, Ont., is offering 25 cents in the dollar to his creditors on liabilities of \$7,500 and assets of \$3,500. He compromised before in 1885 at 50 cents in the dollar on \$12,000 which he claims to have paid off, but has been losing ground for some time past.

In reference to the seizure which took place at the Dominion Dye Wood and Chemical Works, Toronto, the decision of the Minister of Customs is that Jno. Taylor & Co., the proprietors pay the duty-paid value of all the dye goods improperly entered, which amounts, it is understood, to about \$6,000.

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Ont., has assigned. He came from Midland late in 1887, where he had been doing business in his wife's name. He opened a branch store at Minden, as well as the one at Coboconk, but between the two his business career has only lasted some five months.

THE severe storms upon the plains this season are giving rise to some anxiety relative to the beef supply for the remainder of the year. Reports are to hand advising unusually heavy losses among the herds, and the belief is expressed that higher prices will be the result when reliable data is produced.

W. R. PHILLIPS & Co., who claimed to do the largest dry goods business in Brampton, Ont., have assigned. They moved thither from Toronto in April 1887, bringing their own stock with them. They were under heavy expense from the start and their ultimate success was never probable. Liabilities are \$19,000 against which they claim assets of about \$15,000.

J. E. A. RENAUD, a small grocer of this city, started in June, 1886. Since then he has rubbed along but has gradually lost ground until an assignment became necessary, Liabilities are about \$1,100 .- Charles Cyr, general storekeeper, of Quebec, has assigned, He was formerly of Carleton and has been hard up for a long time past.

JAMES SHIELDS & Co., grocers and liquor dealers, of Toronto, have assigned. They have not made any headway of late, have been slow pay and their account not sought for. The stock is old and poorly assorted. Of late one of the banks has pushed them for a

settlement, and they have consequently assigned with liabilities of about \$50,000.

THERE were 23,640,000 bushels of wheat imported into Antwerp in 1887, against 21,520,000 bushels in 1886. The quantity now on passage for that country, January 12, was 800,000 bushels, against 649,000 bushels the same time last year. The United Kingdom imported 18,729,400 bushels of flax seed in 1887 against 16,650,264 bushels in 1886.

J. H. STANLEY, dry goods dealer, of Port Colborne, Ont., has assigned. He succeeded Bull & Ross six years ago and carried on two stores, but it was evident that his expenses were too heavy for his trade and as he was believed to be a supply account to one Toronto house he had no credit outside of them .- E. A. Baker, a Toronto grocer, has assigned.

MR. JAMES S. SAUNDERS, formerly a wellknown traveller in the cigar line in this city, was accidentally killed by a lump of ice falling on his head from a steep roof and fracturing his skull. The deceased was formerly in the employ of Messrs. Fish, Hyman & Co., and was much liked and extensively known on the road between this city and Toronto.

DONALD Rose, general storekeeper, of Princeton, Ont., has assigned. He came from Thorold in the fall of 1885 and bought out E. Galbraith, paying 75 cents in the dollar for the stock, then valued at \$1,300. He was only in a very small way.-R. Wrigley, perfumer, of Toronto, has assigned, as has also George Ellwood, builder, of Yarmouth, Ont.

L. F. T. Busson, dry goods, of Three Rivers, Que., has assigned. He failed in 1886

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DAMASE BENOIT, tins, of Sherbrooke, has written to some of his creditors offering them twenty-five per cent. of their claims. He owes \$1,300 and has assets of \$800 only.—II. E. Empey, of Brockville, Ont., is another tin dealer who has assigned with liabilities of \$1,000. He claims assets of \$1,400 and it is said the estate will pay one hundred cents in the dollar.

J. S. Lillis, eigar manufacturer, of Hamilton, Ont., has assigned. He has been sick and unable to attend to business for some time past. A meeting of creditors was held last month when the estate was found to be in poor shape and it was agreed to let matters stand in the hope that he would recover and make some offer. Another meeting will be held on the 11th inst.

W.L. McKenzie, produce dealer, of Black Cape, Que., has assigned. His principal trade



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lay in taking beef and other produce to Campbellton for sale.—L. R. Brien, general storekeeper, of East Angus, has affected a settlement with his creditors at sixty cents on the dollar in two, five and eight months, secured on liabilities of \$2,900. Assets are valued at \$3,000, nominal.

The prosecution of the officials of the Traders' Bank has proved a fizzle. At the criminal assizes on the 4th it was announced that no bill had been found in the case of Alex. Manning, H. S. Strathy and R. Snelling, charged with having compounded a felony, and that a no bill had also been found in the case of Henry S Strathy, charged with a second offence of similar nature.

The experimental farm is just now the scene of considerable activity in testing the vitality of samples of seed wheat sent in by farmers for experiment. The practical benefit of this to a farmer is illustrated by the result of one test of frozen wheat, which he intended to use for seed purposes next year. The test established the fact that not more than 50 per cent. of it would ever have ripened.

FLATER & THOMPSON, clothing, etc., of Chatham, Ont., are offering 50 cents in the dollar to their creditors, which, it is believed, will be accepted. They did a fair business, but had to give long credit, and, having very little capital, have become embarrassed.—The

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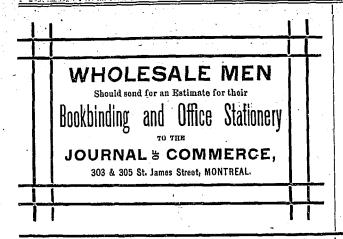
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failure of James Goodall, tailor, of the same town, is a very small affair. Probably the smallest thing about it are the assets.

An order-in-council has been passed amending the order-in-council of the 23rd June, 1883, establishing the tariff of tolls on the St. Lawrence canals under which iron was charged 15 cents per ton, while steel not being specially named came under the general clause, "all other articles not enumerated," and paid 20 cents per ton. The rate is now made uniform on both iron and steel at 15 cents per ton.

IT appears that the time made by the steamship Vancouver from Liverpool to Halifax, recorded after arrival was not, as stated, the fastest on record. As long ago as 1881 the Sarmation reached Halifax on Friday, January 14th, at 7.30 p.m.; the Circassian on the following Friday at 9 p.m., and again on Friday, March 4th, at 6.30 p.m. The now boats have still something to do to beat the old record.

BOURGEAU & HERRON, proprietors of the Trade Coffee and Spice Mills of this city, whose fine new premises were recently destroyed by fire, have purchased the spice mills of M. Lefebyre & Co. on College street.



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A SALE has been made of five million feet of lumber to a Montreal firm at about \$15 per thousand. The lumber is intended for shipment to South America. The price of lumber shows an upward tendency and a good export demand is expected in the spring. The cut this winter in the woods will probably be much larger than last year, and if the drive is successful there will be no scarcity of logs next summer and fall.

RAY & Co., dry goods merchants, of Lindsay, Ont., have assigned. Liabilities are about \$30,000 with assets nominally worth about \$25,000. Ray is described as a hardworking man who made a gallant struggle to succeed but the short crop prevented farmers paying their bills and a large bankrupt stock being slaughtered in the town completely swamped his trade. A leading Montreal firm are the principal creditors.

H. & H. A. McCullough, dry goods merchants of St. John, N. B., have assigned. The senior partner died in 1885 and the only part-

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ner left seems to lack that push which is so essential now-a-days. They hope to make such a statement as will procure them a settlement and permit of the firm's continuing in business, but they have been slow and nusatisfactory in the past and hence their prospects for the future are not encouraging.

The annual statement of the Penny Savings Bank has just been issued, and shows that the bank had at the end of last year on deposit in the Merchants Bank of Canada \$3,392.90, an increase of \$1,030.21 over the previous year. The number of open accounts have also increased. After paying all interest due on deposits and accounts, there remains a surplus of \$12.77. The gentlemen who devote so much time to the enterprise are deserving of the thanks of the citizens.

Insurance men seem to anticipate an ad vance in fire rates very shortly. The companies lost \$1,500,000 by fires in this city last year, which is two or three times as much as they received from premiums, and with the commercial corporation tax added it will be impossible to make ends meet without an increase in the rates. One company, is already closing up its business in this province, and it is not unlikely that one or two more will follow the example. The fires this year

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have not fallen heavily on the insurance companies.

It is reported that the Grand Trunk Railway is seeking for power to re-arrange its share capital; also for power to create and issue additional 4 per cent. consolidated debenture stock in order to purchase certain bonds, securities and liabilities then outstanding and bearing a higher rate of interest than four per cent, such Act to be subject to the approval of the proprietors. They also ask for powers to build a brauch from a point on their line at or near Glencoe to a point on their Sarnia branch east of Sarnia.

C. L. VAN WORMER, proprietor of the Grand Pacific Hotel and also of a weekly payment store in Toronto, has assigned. The liabilities are placed at \$45,000 and he claims his assets to be worth a surplus of some \$30,000. He had a line of \$40,000 at the Central and when that institution collapsed had a hard struggle to get along but succeeded in reducing his indebtedness about \$10,000. He made overtures for an extension, but as all the creditors would not agree he had no course open to him except an assignment.

It is said that the Barb Wire Manufacturers' Association at a recent meeting resolved to advance the price of their product to \$3.40 per hundred, to take effect at once. This is a



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was 340,846, an increase of 20,870. Of the total number 143,731 were mailed by the Government and 32,942 received. The deposits made in the city branch of the savings bank during the year amounted to \$636,855. The amount of money orders issued was \$178,940.-74; the amount realized by the sale of postage stamps was \$44,553.54.

The bonus system is still flourishing. An implement manufacturer in Paris, Ont., who employs a hundred men, has been offered \$20,000 in cash, a free site, free water and exemption from taxation for ten years as an inducement to locate in St. Thomas. A larger offer from Stratford will secure the industry for that city. A manufacturer in Stratford has been invited to remove to St. Thomas, and he has replied that "any proposition made will receive consideration." A Morrisburg manufacturer is also in communication with St. Thomas, and the manufacturer of a patent frog is also negotiating with that city.

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collapsed, and the result is that prices are unsettled and the market demoralized. There are sellers at New York of one-lb, tins at 80c, and two-lbs. are obtainable at \$1 35, though the majority are asking \$1.40. This is a ceut" of 5@10c from combination figures, and it is claimed by those who were interested in holding the market up that there is now a positive loss of 5c per dozen upon all sales made at the new quotations. The competition of Florida stock may have had something to do with the break, as liberal sales of Apalachicola goods have recently been made at 80c laid down in New York.

Apvices from North Sydney state that 418,528 tons of shipping arrived there last year, against 245,200 in 1879. Last year's arrivals included 300 ocean going steamers. The coal shipments from Sydney harbor last year were the largest on record, reaching 428,528 tons, compared with 128,061 tons in 1873. There has been a constant increase in the Cape Breton coal trade and the prospects of securing the Canadian market to a greater

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extent are promising. The coal shipments to the United States from Nova Scotia during the first eight years of reciprocity only increased 139,125 tons in 1854 to 192,-642 tons in 1862. It was only during the high war prices that our coal shipments assumed any considerable proportions. They declined again as the American market came back to its normal condition; while the Nova Scotia shipments to the upper provinces under the protective tariff show a steady increase from 83,710 tons in 1878 to nearly 700,000 tons in 1887.

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#### THE PRICE OF WHEAT.

In discussing the question of the steady fall in the value of wheat in Great Britain (the principal market for Canadian food producta), which has prevailed since 1877, it has been usual to lay most of the blame upon the increasing bulk of grain poured into that country. It has been reiterated again and again that the growing competition of India, Australia, the Argentine Republic, and even South Africa, have been the most potent factors in depressing prices, but a careful examination does not bear out this assertion in any way, and therefore it is necessary to dismiss what has really become a commonly received idea. from our minds and look in other directions for the real cause of this steady decrease in wheat values.

The fact that the total importations of wheat and its products in 1882, when the average price per quarter was 45s. 1d., and in 1883, when the average was 41s. 7d., were actually larger than in 1887, when the average was 32s. 6d. and four and a-half millions of quarters in excess of those of 1886, when the average was 31s., must effectually dispose of the assertion that the course of prices is in any way affected by the volume of importation. The following statistics show that the downward course of prices does not fluctuate in any perceptible ratio with the amount of wheat and its equivalent in flour poured into the English market. They compare thus:-

Year.	Quarters.	Average Price	
	·	s. d.	
1877	14,793,740	56 9	
1882		45 1	
1883		41 7	
1884		35 8	
1885		32 10	
1886		31 0	
1887	20,100,010	32 6	

These statistics show that 1886, the year of the smallest importation since 1879, was also the year of the lowest prices touched during the decade, and, if we compare the total importations of the first five years of the present decade with those of the last five years, we find that the fallacy of any reliance being placed upon the volume of imports as a guide to the probable course of prices is even more apparent. The total supply of wheat and its products, including imports and home supplies available for consumption for the first five years was 128,800,975 quarters, and for the second period, 130,418,697, thus showing an increase of only 12 million quarters, or about three-tenths of a million for each year. Now the population of Great Britain was nearly two millions of people greater in the second per od than in the first, and therefore, taking the received annual proportion of 5½ bushels of wheat per capita for consumption, it is evident that when the assumed increase in demand is taken into consideration the importations of the last five years are really lower than those of the first, and yet the average of price has fallen from 47 shillings per quarter to 34s. Sd.

It is therefore evident that we must look in some other direction for the true cause of the great fall in prices, and that the volume of importation must be regarded as an unimportant issue; consequently it becomes more and more evident that the real reason of the lower price for wheat is the cheaper cost of transportation and the fact that the buyer now reaps the entire advantage of the reduced rates of freight instead of the producer. The buyer feels perfectly confident in the strength of

his position. He knows that with all the quarters of the globe clamoring for his trade he need feel no anxiety as to his requirements being filled, and assuming that any increase in price would be followed by an increase in the wheat acreage, he has used the power thus granted to him to absorb little by little all the saving effected by the increased cheapness of transportation and even to trench upon the net profit of the agriculturalist. In a time of falling values the advantage is entirely upon the side of the buyer, and of late years he has used his advantage ruthlessly.

True, the continent continues to absorb a growing proportion of Indian wheat; the acreage in the United States and Canada is not increasing, while the home consumption of both countries must have grown commensurately with their population; in the Argentine Republic alone has the wheat acreage increased, and from that source only 100,0000 quarters was received out of the largest harvest ever reaped. But Burmah and South Africa are now both entering the market, and the knowledge that indefinite supplies may be expected from those quarters naturally depresses the market. Add to this the growing cheapness of freights, both ocean and inland, and it can easily be seen how the balance of power lies in favor of the buyer and against the producer. The more the question is examined and the more it becomes apparent that, for the present at all events, the era for high values for wheat is past, and that that cereal will soon touch prices at which it will be no longer profitable to the Ontario farmer.

#### THE WOOL TRADE.

The year just passed was a striking contrast to its predecessor so far as the wool market was concerned. Eighteen eighty-six was a year of rapid changes in values, but the twelve months just closed have been monotonous in their sameness and although fluctuations both up and down have been witnessed, they have been of limited extent and of very short duration.

The first series of wool sales in London opened at the end of January, with a large attendance of both home and foreign buyers. A brisk, hopeful spirit prevailed; extreme prices were realized for fine parcels; and the whole level of prices was raised from 7½ to 10 per cent above the level of the previous sales. This spirit continued until in the February issue of the Journal we reported "increased confidence and prices 10 to 15 per cent above December rates with a upward tendency." Soon, however, a change came over the market; disquieting war rumors discouraged continental buyers, and before the

close of the sales (some 243,000 bales) the advance had been gradually lost until at the close they were very little more than those ruling in the pravious December.

The second series began in London in the last week of March with a very languid feeling. Indeed had it not been for unfavorable weather, which by retarding cargoes reduced the quantity available to 240,000 bales, prices would doubtless have suffered a decline. Even this circumstance barely kept values on a par with closing rates at the first series and the course of business during May being very discouraging the third series opened on the 7th June with 360,000 bales offered under considerable uncertainty as to the future and consequently with a cautious and conservative tendency on the part of buyers. Prices naturally ruled lower, and yet no true weakness was observable. Medium wools fell at least a halfpenny and the most dispiriting feature was the depreciation in crossbreds which lost a full penny in value. Still good wools fully maintained their value and there was a very fair competition at the lower level of prices. Only faulty and second class wools were difficult of sale, and considering the drooping market for yarns it is singular that prices held as well as they did.

The fourth series opened in the first week of September and naturally prices were again weaker. Wool of good quality and in prime condition realized fully the prices of the previous sale but faulty wools fell away rapidly and the steady falling off of continental purchasers completely neutralized the bidding of home buyers and the sales closed with a decline of fully twopence from July rates visible. From that time until the opening of the fifth series business continued dull, and the tendency of prices drooping, so that it is little wonder that the last series commenced on the 22nd of November with a perceptibly gloomy feeling and at a decline from 2d to 1d from September rates. But the distinctly lower prices offered seemed to re-awaken confidence, and soon competition increased until the decline was fully recovered and some of the better kinds gained about &d upon the opening rates. Whether the then state of trade warranted such an advance however appears somewhat doubtful, and to many minds the sudden reaction from gloom to activity appeared ominous and only to be relied upon as resulting from the belief that the steady improvement in other staples would be certain to act favorably upon the future of wool also. Certainly the course of the market has been steadily downwards all through the year and therefore there cannot help but be a feeling that the brisker tendency of December was only a temporary spurt and that the next year will witness a continuance of low prices.

The movement of wool in Great Britain

during 1887 was as follow	8:	
	1886.	1886.
	Bules.	Bales.
On hand	32,000	18,000
Imports	350,000	1,355,000

1,382,000 1,373,000

1886.

Of this there was consumed as follows:-1887.

	isales.	15al-8.
England	608,000	613,000
Continent	763,900	728,000
Left over	10,000	32,000
But in this connection it	must be	remem-
bered that although (	he imp	ortations
amount in bulk to with	in 5,000	bales of
each other there were	ery cons	iderable
variations as to the loca	lities fro	m which
the supplies were derive	d. Tasm	ania in-
creased 21 per cent; Sy	van Rive	r, 8 per
cent.; New Zealand 7 pe	er cent.;	Queens-

land no less than 35 per cent; and the Cape Colonies 18 per cent. But South Australia decreased 25 per cent.; the River Plate 10 per cent., and Sydney 8 per cent., and altogether the importations for 1887 were fully 42,000 bales less than those of its

prodecessor.

The cheapness of wool has naturally been beneficial to Canadian woollen manufacturers and may be said to have enabled manufacturers to reap a profit where had they been compelled to pay the rates previously ruling, they must have made a loss. It has also improved the quality of Canadian tweed, since with wool comparatively as cheap as shoddy there is no advantage to be gained by lowering the goods. But from present indications a return to higher prices seems imminent. At the sales now progressing a very large attendance is reported, more especially from the continent. Competition is reported spirited and crossbreds have advanced 5 per cent in value. Australian, Cape and Natal are firm at last season's rates. Whatever change there is favors sellers, and although warlike rumors may possibly render continental buyers timid, at the moment the whole outlook is a bright one for the wool trade.

#### THE FISHERY SEASON.

Of course it is difficult to give with absolute accuracy the result of the past season's fishing on the coast of the Maritime Provinces before the Government returns are available. But since official statistics usually appear so long afterwards as to be only interesting as matters of history, it may perhaps be just as well to use the figures given by correspondents of the local press who, being on the spot, are well fitted to judge of results, and being unhampered by red tape are in a position to give the facts thus ascertained to the public at once instead of being compelled to wait for its publication in a blue book, for much comment. In spite of peaching,

appears until some months after public interest in the information it contains has completely died away.

So far as can be judged the general opinion seems to be that although the past season's catch in point of quantity has fallen behind that of 1886, the steady increase in the prices realized has caused its monetary value to approximate to that of the preceding year if indeed it does not exceed it. The official estimate of the catch of 1886 was \$8,415,000, while for the present year the estimates seem to vary from \$8,300,000 to \$8,500,000, the one generally received being made up as follows:

Cod family	\$1,412,000
Mnekerel	
Lobsters	
Herring	. 837,000
Fish oil	. 193, 00
Salmon	. 166(10)
Halibut	. 319,000
Squid and bait	. 218.0 0
Alewives	. 74,000
Eels	37.000
Smelts	. 27,014
Trout	. 15,00.
Shad	. 12:0
Other fish products	. 85,000
Total	\$8,380,000

When it is remembered that the average annual catch for the past ten years has been in round numbers about \$7,305,000. and that the largest ever recorded (that of 1884), was only about \$400,000 in excess of the present estimate, we must consider the year just past as a very favourable one for our fishing interests and therefore one that will exercise a beneficial effect upon the trade of the provinces it more directly affects.

If we go into details we find an apparent decrease of some 30,000 quintals in the catch of cod, but this is more than offset by the increased catch of pollock, hake and haddock. The mackerel catch too is somewhat smaller than in 1886 but still considerably above the average. statement that the mackerel have taken the Canadian side of the Fishery Question is singularly borne out by statistics, no less than nine-tenths of the entire catch having been taken within the three-mile limit; a significant fact, and one which American politicians of the Frye and Dingley stripe would do well to ponder over. The lobster fishery seems to have been practically fully up to the standard, and although the number of cans put up is half a million short of that of 1886 the difference has been fully made up by the heavy shipments in the shell made to American ports, in fact it looks as if the trade in fresh lobster is destined to be a growing one. The catch of herring shows marked improvement, being 180,000 barrels against 157,000 in 1886 and 154,000 in 1885. These figures do not cover those sold fresh or those smoked in boxes.

The river fisheries do not appear to call which under ordinary circumstances never, mill-dams, sawdest, etc., there seems to

be no retrogression apparent as yet. The salmon fishery has been the best since. 1885, the catch, excluding that of 500,000 lbs. at Labrador, reaching 776,090 lbs., and there seems to be good grounds for believing that (thanks to the building of fishways and artificial culture) this important industry is improving. The other fisheries, such as trout, bass, eels and smelt, are all in fair condition. Poaching of course exists, but still it is felt that the close seasons are better observed and that now that the fishermen are convinced that the fishing regulations are framed for their ultimate benefit, there seems to be a more general desire to comply with them. Altogether we cannot call the retrospect an unfavorable one in any respect and therefore we may look for an implovement in the general business condition of the fishing districts that will affect supplying centres favorably. With a good harvest in Manitoba and a fair fishing season in the Maritime Provinces, the short crop of Ontario should be neutralized to a great extent in its influence on commercial matters, and a strong point scored for an improvement in the general trade of the Dominion.

#### BEET SUGAR.

We have now arrived at that period of the year when it is possible to compare the estimates of the expected world's supply of beet sugar as put forward by the best authorities. We are now in a position to judge of the visible supply and the existing stocks, and to estimate the progress of consumntion, and hence to guage the possible requirements of the future. Although the statements of experts vary somewhat in detail, they agree upon the whole, and the outlook points to a very considerable shortage for the coming year; the figures being placed as high as 550,000 tons.

The two greatest authorities upon the beet sugar question are the Deutsche Zucker, the organ of the German beet sugar manufacturers, and M. Licht. Subjoined we give the estimates of these two experts which compare as follows:

	"Doutscho	,
	Zucker."	M. Licht.
1881-5	. 2,642,120	
1885-6	. 2,117,632	2,137,351
1846-7	2, 21,700	2,621,442

It must be premised that both these estimates are impugned by French experts who place the production of beet sugar in France at from 100,000 to 150,000 tons less than those given by the German authorities.

It next comes to estimate the supply, and, taking the statistics of beet sugar production for the past ten months, we find an increase of 56,000 tons. Imports to Europe and North America showed an increase of 41,000 tons, while stocks on hand on the 1st January, 1887, were 114,000 tons

larger than at the same period of the year before. But when we come to examine the statistics on October 31st, the end of the crop year, we find that the consumption had increased by 213,000 tons and consequently the excess in supply of 211,000 tons had entirely disappeared and that then stocks were smaller by 44,000 tons than they were at the same period of 1886.

The table we have given above shows that all authorities are agreed upon a shortage of about 200,000 tons in the production of 1887-8, and the statistics given of consumption show that we must take into consideration an increase of 200,000 tons in this direction. This alone would give a shortage of 400,000 tons, but this is not all. The total visible supply for Europe is only 615,000 tons, against 775,-000 tons last year, and 1,060,000 tons at the corresponding date two years ago. This shows a deficiency of 160,000 tons which, added to the shortage of 400,000 tons already shown, makes a total deficiency of 560,000 tons.

This is evidently a very strong statistical position, and one that only a large increase in the supply of cane sugar could in any way impugn. Unfortunately all authorities are agreed that there is more likely to be a shortage in the cane sugar crop than any probability of an increase. The most hopeful do not expect any more than last year's supply, and the fact that China is yearly taking more of Java's sugar and that both Cuba and the Pailippines show large deficiencies, has emboldened pessimists to predict a total shortage of at least 50,000 tons in the crop of cane sugar.

We are thus confronted with an expected shortage of 560,000 tons of beet sugar and say 40,000 tons of cane; a total of 600,000 tons in round figures. is a formidable showing and one that must strengthen the market very considerably. So far from any decline in consumption being probable that might tend to neutralize the diminution in supply, it is now nearly certain that the coming year will witness a still further increase in that direction and consequently a still larger drain upon the lessening supply. From these figures it is apparent that cheap sugar is hardly likely until another year be gone, and that should the present system of bounties be abrogated or reduced, and consequently the supply be still further curtailed; there are are prospects of still higher prices in the future.

#### COMING: STYLES.

The attention of the trade is now entirely directed towards spring styles, and the least indication by which the probable bent of popular caprice can be judged is

eagerly seized upon. We are now upon the turning point of the season and, thanks to the continued severity of the winter, customers are still interested in midwinter styles and the retail stores are having a good chance to thoroughly clear out their stocks. Trade, therefore, so far as this city is concerned, is in good shape, and the retailers entering the market for spring goods, have the satisfaction of knowing that they have very little of their winter's stock to carry over and that most of them will start with comparatively empty shelves upon the spring season.

So far as can be judged, the spring goods offered repeat, with a few additions, last spring's most popular and saleable styles. But it is too early yet to enter upon detailed descriptions, as many of the wholesale houses have hardly got their stocks into shape and are still receiving spring goods by every incoming steamer. In addition to this, if they have secured anything new or exclusive they are still keeping it dark for fear of imitation by their competitors until it is too late for rival houses to order it, and are only exhibiting it in confidence to reliable customers. Still, so far as can be judged, the coming season will not be marked by many novelties. New styles will be principally elaborations of existing ones, and there seems to be still some doubt as to what will really be the prevailing color for the coming spring.

So far as millinery is concerned, it is predicted that there will be a very strong feeling for green. Correspondents of millinery houses in Paris, commenting on local styles, refer almost entirely to the various shades of this hitherto unfashionable color. But the coming greens are by no means the vivid glaring colors to which we have been accustomed. Even myrtle green is deemed too crude, and deep shades, like serpent and ivy, will take its place. Mossgreen and reed-green still remain popular, but eucalyptus-green has too much grey in its composition to suit the public taste. Linden-green seems to be too harsh, and absinthe and nile-green are thought too light, consequently all three are neglected. Sea-weed green is a deep pearly shade, just tinged with green, and this bids fair to be the most popular shade of the color.

Of course these greens are to be used principally in ribbons, more especially for bonnet strings. All the new model bonnets for exportation have these appendages, and the stringless bonnet is a thing of the past. Soft shining faille and satin ribbons, quite plain, or faille with a narrow line of satin on the edge, will stand first in popular estimation. Both these ribbons are firm and stand up easily alone, a very necessary qualification for the style of bows now in vogue. The new satin striped

gauze ribbons used on evening dresses will also be much called for on spring hats.

These new greens, made in bows, harmonize beautifully with flowers, and; as is usual in the spring season, flowers will rule for the first months. But no more of the large unwieldy bunches of flowers will be seen. Delicate sprays of two or three kinds mixed together, are alone admissable, and as yet no particular blossom has distinguished itself from the rest as the popular fancy. More foliage, too, will be mixed with the flowers. Rose branches with small leaves and buds will be largely used, and small ivy garlands wreathed round hats and bonnets promise to be a special novelty. Pins and brooches have had their day, and, if used in millinery at all, are small and unobtrusive in their character.

#### THE NORTH AMERICAN LIFE.

The report of the annual meeting of the North American Life Assurance company, which will be found in tull in another portion of this issue, bears testimony to the steady progress of this company to the first rank amongst its competitors. The fact that it has been enabled during the past twelve months to add \$104,826 to its reserve fund and thus swell that important safeguard to the policyholder to the handsome figure of \$416,511, speaks volumes for the care and skill with which its business has been selected. The actual increase in the company's assets during the year has been no less than \$120,508, a sum largely in excess of that of any previous year, and this addition brings up the surplus to policyholders' account to the comfortable sum of \$362,149, and the total assets to \$547,661 of which no less than \$279,503 consists of first mortgages on real estate. This is really a splendid showing, and could only have been attained by the utmost energy and push on the part of the company's agents. It is evident that in spite of the severity of competition the North American is year by yearsecuring a larger share of new business, and therefore the president, the Hon. Alex. Mackenzie, has just cause to congratulate the shareholders upon the sixth annual report of the company he represents. In the managingdirector, Mr. Wm. McCabe, the North American possess one of the prominent insurancemen of the day, and the staff of agents, represented in this city by Dr. Charles Ault, is oneof the most energetic and efficient in Canada.

The case of Raphael vs. McFarlane is of some importance to the commercial community. The plaintiff, Mr. H. W. Raphael, is the tutor to a minor child of P. T. Gibb and claims the return to him of 40 shares of the stock of the Major Manufacturing Co. which Gibb transferred to McFarlane. Gibb's wife died in 1880 leaving the minor child as sole issue and by a marriage contract he had given certain property to his wife and her heirs.

Gibb was then the partner of E. J. Major in the firm of Major & Gibb and in the books of that firm there was an account of estate: Helen Gibb for \$1,300, made up of money Mrs. Gibb had put into her husband's business. In February, 1884, this firm and James McFarlane amalgamated into a joint stock company under the name of the Major Manufacturing Company. Mr. Gibb subscribed for 13 shares of \$100 each in his own name "in trust." He also subscribed for 27 shares in his own name without adding the words "in trust." A couple of months later he added the words "in trust" on the subscription sheet to the 27 shares as he considered part of themewas his only child's. In the capital stock ledger of the company his stock was entered in two accounts one being Estate Gibb \$1,300 and the other P. T. Gibb, in trust, \$2,700 In February, 1885. Gibb sold his stock to Macfarlane for 65 cents in the dollar, but did not sign the transfer "in trust." Some time after this McFarlane wrote a letter to Gibb that the transfer was irregular, and Gibb then added the words "in trust" to his signature on the transfer. The plaintiff contends that McFarlane from his connection with the Major Manufacturing Co. as managing director. and his knowledge of the books, knew that the stock was held by Gibb in trust for his minor child, that the books of the company disclosed a trust and that he took the stock with a notice and knowledge that Gibb was not the absolute owner. Mr. McFarlane contends he knew nothing about the stock being in trust until his attention was called to the form of the transfer after he had paid his money, when he wrote a letter to Gibb to amend the transfer. The case is somewhat similar to the case of the Bank of Montreal vs. Sweeney decided in the Privy Council a few months ago. In that case a person holding stock in trust had pledged it for his own private debt; but in this case the question is whether a person who held stock for a minor, and without having been appointed tutor, could make a valid sale of the minor's stock. Mr. F. S. Maclennan argued the case for the plaintiff.

THE local newspapers are full of the swindle perpetrated on the wholesale dry goods houses of Toronto, Hamilton and London, by the Rutherfords, of Belfast. We learn from the Lucknow Sentinel that they had branch establishments in Lanesville and Dungannon, and have succeeded in defrauding their creditors out of between \$18,000 and \$20,000. It appears one of them bought the goods and gave his note in payment thereof. The notes, however did not fall due till February 4, and in order to realize as much money as possible out of the goods, a series of auction sales were held and the stuff was sold off at whatever prices the people were willing to pay. The cost price of the goods was never consulted and many articles that were invoiced at from \$3 to \$4 were "knocked down to the highest bidder"

at 25 cents, while ladies' and gents' fur caps, usually sold at \$8 and \$9, were disposed at \$1 each. After the sales had been carried on fa this manner for some weeks, it is said the creditors were made aware of the facts, but were powerless to stop it. The notes they had taken for the stock were not yet due, and as the law now stands, no action could be taken by them till such times as the notes matured and payment of them was refused. But to avoid any possible doubt in this direction the goods were in the meantime sold to a brother, while the one who originally made the purchase left for the United States. This, of course, completely shut out any possible chance of the creditors ever realizing a cent out of the affair, and the balance of the stock was sold in bulk last week to parties in the village at less than one-quarter its value. This is not, we are informed, the first time these parties have failed, and yet for all that they succeeded in getting credit to the amount of \$18,000 or \$20,000 without a dollars worth of security except their own notes.

THE statistics of the salmon pack upon the Pacific coast are now to hand. They read as follows:—

Columbia. Sacramento Rogne. Shoalwater. Gray's Harbor. Puget Sound. Alaska. Other streams.	Cases, 373,800 36,600 17,400 23,700 31,300 13,400 190,200 109,600
British Columbia	795,900 201,990

This is an increase of 64,536 cases over last year, the figures for the previous years being 1886. 1885. 1884. Cases....... 933,354 835,715 985,295

This enormous output was scattered all over the habitable globe, the separate deliveries comparing as follows:—

	1887.	1886.
Great Britain	352,466	346,000
Australia		70,875
Canada and Eastern States	510,247	453,071
China	13,540	
Local	38,400	

The stock on hand remaining on the 25th January was 67,064 cases thus showing a total product and carry over of 1,039,879 cases, or an increase of 73,475 cases as compared with the year previous.

Normag is more remarkable than the growth of the demand for canned butter in England. This industry was originally started by three firms in Denmark on a small scale, but has now, through the care in packing and the excellence of the butter selected for the purpose, developed into a flourishing trade, about two million pounds of tinned butter having been in 1885 exported to Great Britain and to Germany for transhipment to hot climates. The annual report regarding the

Irish butter trade for 1887, just issued, shows that there has been a great development in tinned butter, large quantities of which have been shipped to many parts of the world, and, in order to avoid the heat of crossing the equator twice, arrangements have been made to considerably expand this trade from Ireland by shipment, via the Canadian Pacific Railway route, to China and Japan. Any difficulty in this respect would of course be obviated by the opening of a direct trade between Canada and Eastern Asia, the facilities for which are now abundant. This should give a good opportunity for pure Canadian butter being introduced in Great Britain in tins, as it will fetch as much money as the best print. Tins in 2, 4 and 6 lbs., at a reasonable figure and in an imperishable state, would indeed be a boon to families, hotels and institutions.

Our correspondent at the Ancient Capital sends in a budget of news from the merchants of Quebec .- F. X. Letourneau & Co. report a growing trade for their house in shelf and heavy hardware, bar iron, brick, etc., although they send out no travellers but rely exclusively upon judicious advertising.-Leclerc & Letellier, wholesale grocers, say their travellers are sending in better orders than a year ago and that fair crops, and prices have belped business very much.-Drolet & Poitras, flour and provisions, also report trade fairly good and remittances fair.-Rinfret & Marcotte have bought out the stock of Leger & Co. and are making a specialty of small and fancy wares.-Gauvreau, Pelletier & Co., wholesale dry goods, report their average orders for the past month larger than for the previous January .- A. A. Dechene, of Dechene & Gingras, will open a wholesale fur house, the first house in Quebec devoted solely to wholesale furs .- The Chinic hardware Company also report larger orders and fewer renewals than before.-The Canadian Shoe Company are working overtime to fill orders. -P. Garneau, Fils & Co., wholesale dry goods, report their December and January trade a decided improvement upon that of the same months last year. They also look upon the outlook as distinctly encouraging.

Our correspondent at Madawaska, N.B., sends us a welcome budget of intelligence from his district :- The Vanburen steam mill will commence sawing shingles next month, getting out shingle rift to be manufactured on the American side. These American mills are now thinning out our Canadian forests at a rate that will soon be severely felt. The scarcity of lumber is beginning to tell on lumber operators in many other places, but the favorable winter will help compensate for the scarcity. Edmunston has a promising future prospect ahead of it, and bids fair to be quite an inland town. If the Campbellton 35 and Grand Falls R. R. are built it will open at a up the finest lands for agriculture in the

province, or any country, and will add to the growth of Grand Falls and Campbeltown beyond imagination. It will be the shortest line from Montreal to the scaport. Winter has been cold, but most favorable for lumbering until now the snow is getting deep, but the principal work will be hauling off of yards, which are well supplied.

THE Cornwall mill operatives, who, to the number of several hundred, male and female, have been on strike for several days, show no desire to give way, so far as can be learned at present. The cause of the difference of opinion between the mills and the operatives is that the Stormont and Canada cotton mills posted a notice some days ago warning operatives of a reduction in their rate of pay. This the mill owners call an equalization of the pay, holding it to be a cut of no more than five to ten per cent.; in a few cases they claim the price given is actually increased. The mill operatives, on the other hand, assert that the alteration is tantamount to a reduction in their wages of at least twelve to fifteen per cent. Some claim that for the cut (a technical mill term) of cloth which they formerly received sixty-five cents for, they will now receive only fifty cents, a reduction of thirty per cent. This is an extreme case, however, and the probability is that fifteen per cent. is the average extent of the cut.

We are in receipt of an exquisite little volume of poems, entitled, "Fleur de Lys," from the pen of Mr. Arthur Weir of the Star staff. Many of these poems are already well known to the public, having appeared in that columns of our city dailies, and all of them are pretty and quaint enough to justify their reproduction in book form. In one or two, such as the "Captured Flag," the writer rises to descriptive and dramatic heights that bear strong testimony to his talents, and there is not one poem in the whole collection that is not above mediocrity. The fact that the writer is a newspaper man employed in that least poetical of all departments, the commercial branch, seems astonishing when the grace and polish of his verses is considered, and shows that it is possible to possess a true poetic spirit even though confined to chronicling the movements of produce or discussing the intricacies of the sugar question.

The Western Canada Loan and Savings Co.—The 25th annual meeting of this company, and the report read thereat, disclose a fairly prosperous year for this long established institution. The increase in the amount placed with the company by investors on deposit and in debentures proves the confidence displayed in it by the investing public, even in these days of timidity and caution, and the steady growth of its loans, secured by mortgage, has entailed an increase in the capital stock in order that the borrowing powers should not exceed the proportion to the capital

prescribed by law. With a reserve fund amounting to one-half the capital and a guarantee fund of \$101,000, it is little wonder that the Western Canada Loan & Savings has come to be looked upon as one of the safest investments to be found in the market, or that its stock is quoted at 163.

Work in the various mines in the province during the past year was brisk. The workmen, generally, had more regular employment than for a number of years back. This was especially tne case in a majority of the Cape Breton collieries. The output in the case of Spring Hill, Sydney Mines, Gowrie, Caledonia and Victoria was larger than in any previous year. The total by counties in round numbers were as below:

The total shipments are over a million and a half tons, the total increase being over 150,000 tons. There were 9,000 tons of coke made and sold at the Albion mines.

Dr. Hamilton Griffin, who at one time obtained considerable notoriety in this province and was arrested, tried and acquitted in Hamilton on a charge of working a confidence game, is once more in trouble. After leaving there he went to London, Ont., and subsequently to Los Angeles, Cal., where he opened a real estate and broker's office, and was reported to be doing a big business. His actions, however, have not been above suspicion while there, and a warrant was a short time ago sworn out for his arrest on a charge of embezzling \$1,700. He gave bail for his appearance when called for and was released. He was married to a London young lady of a respectable family while living in that city.

A DESPATCH from the South says heavy buyers of tobacco report great excitement in Kentucky. Every available foot of land is being engaged, and people are paying as high as \$90 per acre rent for good fields. A representative of a New York tobacco firm says Spain has recently bought four thousand hogshead of Lugs in New York, which leaves her 1,000 short of last year's requirements, with about 18,000 hogsheads for the wants of 1888. The New York warehouses are about empty. Louisville operators are making every effort to get all the dark grades in a few hands, and are credited with the purchase within a week of nearly all the stock in Paducah, Hopkinsville and Nashville.

EXCEPTIONALLY heavy fire losses are common over the continent, it would appear, and Montreal's late unfortunate experience has not been by any means singular. Figures gathered by the New York underwriters show a destruction of property in the United States in January of over sixteen million dollars in the same month of 1887, which was itself a

year remarkable for its heavy fire insurance losses. It is a known fact that a period of depressed trade is usually a period of prevalence for fires, but this can hardly be held to apply in the present case, when business is generally held to be on a moderately good basis. Probably carclessness has more to do with the matter than anything else.

We are informed that Mr. Alexander Paterson has been admitted a partner in the firm of Macdougall Bros., stock, grain and produce brokers of this city.

#### TARIFF CHANGES.

The following tariff decisions have been next approved of by the Minister of Customs during the month of January:—

Artotype engravings, rate of duty payable 20 per cent.

Alhambra colored cotton quilts (colors woven) 25 per cent.

Bagatelle balls, when imported separately, 35 per cent.

Billiard balls, papier mache, 20 per cent. Billiard balls, bone or ivory, 30 per cent. Billiard balls, celluloid, 20 per cent

Counterpanes or quilts, white with woven colored border, 25 per cent.

Carpenters' tool baskets, 10 cents each, and 30 per cent.

Composition buttons, 25 per cent.

Cocoanut, rice, tapioca, etc., 8 cents per lb. Coppered iron or steel wire, 15 guage or coarser, 30 per cent.

Copper sheet or plate, half inch thick, free, Corn flour, when found to contain all the properties of the corn or corn meal, less the bran and other parts removable by boiling only, and not capable of being used as starch without further change, 20 per cent.

Earthenware door knobs, 35 per cent.

Electric light apparatus, parts of, when imported separately and which cannot be used for any other purpose, i. e., lamps, carbons, etc., 25 per cent.

Fire brick for building or repairing furnaces for gas works free.

Finit tree seedlings grafted, irrespective of age or size, to be rated according to their kind under items No. 413 to 419.

Gluten flour and special diabetic food 20 per cent.

Hats and caps of linen or cotton cloth, 25 per cent.

Harness for cotton looms, manufactures of twine, 25 per cent.

Homoopathetic alcohol, \$1.75 per proof gallon.

Homocopathic tinctures, \$2 per imperial gallon and 30 per cent.

Lap dusters of cotton, with woven colored straps or borders, but not embroidered, 25 per cent.

Lap dusters entirely of linen, plain, 20 per cent.

Patterns of iron or brass, 30 per cent. Pressed paper in sheets 35 per cent.

Plant bed muslin, a low grade unbleached cotton, 1 cent per square yard and 15 per cent.

Raw hide pickers for cotton looms, 20 per cent.

Sapolio 3 cents per lb.
Sugar disks and globule, 14c per lb. and 35

Sugar of milk 20 per cent.

Sugar of milk tablets, not further sweetened, 20 per cent.

Suppota gum, a crude mastic gum, 20 per cent.

Steel discs for harrows, 35 per cent. Wheat meal as wheat flour, 50 cents per lb. Waggon and cart brusher, 35 per cent. Watch keys, steel or brass, 30 per cent.

From a reliable source we are enabled to furnish the following crop summary, coupling with it the spring prospect in the leading grain belt. The snow blockade in Minnesota and Dakota caused a very general cessation of business of every kind, and as a consequence the movement of spring wheat has been comparatively nothing. The same conditions have prevailed to a considerable exten: in Iowa, Wisconsin and Nebraska. Short crops with high prices have brought general prosperity to the Western farmers, the railroads being the only class to suffer. The spring outlook is being generally discussed and is very encouraging. The ground has been well frozen and well covered with snow in the corn and winter wheat belt. Reserves of winter wheat are small, and millers in the interior are paying nearly scaboard prices. Growing wheat is in fairly good condition, but a favorable February is needed to ensure an average crop, Corn has not increased at railroad stations, and the home demand is good with prices tending upwards. The reserve of oats are well exhausted and a large acreage tee coming season is probable.

Baron Hirsch's offer of \$10,000,000 to be expended by the czar of Russia in promoting the welfare of the Russian Jews has been accented. The money is to be paid into the Bank of England, and Baron Rothschild and Baron De Worms, who were appointed trustees, will receive the interest of the sum deposited. It is estimated that it will be possible to open 1,000 schools for 50,000 children with the money, other charities not being neglected in the meantime.

#### Correspondence.

To the Editor of the Journal of Commerce :-

DEAR SIR,-Your valuable journal of the 27th January contains a letter from a correspondent at Chatham, N.B., complaing of the action of the Local Government in raising the cost of stumpage on tumber cut on Crown Lands from 80 cents per thousand (the rate ruling in 1883) to \$1.25 per thousand.

No doubt your correspondent is more interested in the lumber trade than he is in the welfare of the country. I contend that if \$1.50 can be paid for lumber cut on wild lands held by monopolists, \$1.25 is little enough on Crown Lands per thousand. His argument that if the stumpage was reduced it would add to the revenus owing to the increase of the output, is incorrect, as facts show that our supply now overruns the demand too much to make the trade wholesome.

If \$1.25 had been charged years ago the province would now be just so much better off, and there would be fewer insolvent lumbermen and lumber merchants to record. The loss does not lay at the doors of high stumpage. It is not that causes the falling off of the output of lumber, it is the scarcity of it in a slaughtered forest. I can speak from experionce and on good authority, and will defy any man to point out a quantity of standing

lumber in New Brunswick that has not been visited with the lumberman's axe, cut and recut in most places. So the days to depend on our lumber to bolster up a revenue at 80 cents per thousand are gone by, and the sooner our lumber trade is reduced and the people turn their attention to farming, the better it will be for the country.

We want all the lumber that is left, manufactured near the stump where it grows, to help build up a wholesome emigration to the wild lands, and enlarge the agriculture of the country. To reduce the stumpage would only be offering a premium to slaughter still more our scanty forests. Our slaughter system wants an airing through the press, and the more it is canvassed the more convinced the public will be, that it a change is made it must be higher instead of lower stumpage in order to protect our forests. A man may travel from Charlotte County, Mirimachi, Waters, Restigouche, and all the branches of the River St. John to Madawaska, and he cannot find a tract of land for lumber worth noticing but what has been cut over. Our lumber trade is fast on the wane, and reducing the stumpage will not make lumber where there is none. Yours truly, P. O. BYRAM.

Madawaska, Feb. 2, 1888.

# Meetings, &c.

WESTERN CANADA LOAN AND SAVINGS

The 25th annual meeting of this Company took place last week at the Company's offices, No. 70 Church street, Toronto, the President in the chair. A large number of shareholders were present. The following financial report was read and adopted :--

The Directors have much pleasure in submitting to the Shareholders the twenty-fifth annual report of the Company's affairs.

The financial results of the year's business show that the profits, after deducting all charges, amount to \$153,782.42, out of which have been paid two half-yearly dividends at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, amounting, together with the income tax thereon, to \$133.199.40. The balance remaining, \$20,583.-02, has been carried to the Contingent Funds.

The amount placed with the Company by Investors, on Deposit and in Debentures, continues to increase-the Deposits now being \$1,292,807, and Debentures \$2,641,002; or a total of \$3,933,809, as against \$3,784,672 last

The amount of money loaned on mortgage security during the year is \$1,105,339.02; and there has been paid back by borrowers \$1,339,256.74, viz., in Manitoba, \$123,969.59, and in Ontario, \$1,215,287.15.

The increasing volume of the Company's business rendered it necessary, during the past year, to further increase the Capital Stock, in order that the limit of the Company's borrowing powers, in proportion to their. Capital, as prescribed by law, should not be exceeded.

The Directors therefore issued 10,000 new shares of Capital Stock, at a premium equal to the existing Reserve Fund, and upon which twenty per cent, was called in. The whole issue was taken up and the premium carried to the Reserve Fund.

Since the last annual meeting the Board has lost by death one of its oldest members, the late Mr. Samuel Platt, who for about

twenty years has been a valued and efficient director. The vacancy occasioned by Mr. Platt's death has been filled by the election of the Manager, Mr. Walter S. Lee, to be a member of the Board.

It having become necessary to make certain alterations in the Company's by-laws, in order to bring them into conformity with the Amendments to the Act of Incorporation, they have been carefully revised by the Board and are now submitted to the Shareholders for their approval and confirmation.

The Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account, together with the Auditors' Report, are submitted herewith.

G. W. ALLAN, President.

STATEMENT of Liabilities and Assets of the Western Canada Loan and Savings Company, 31st Dec., 1887:-

#### Liabilities.

#### TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Capital Stock...\$1,400,000 00 Reserve Fund ... 700,000 00 Contingent and Guarantee funds 101,252 09 Dividend, payable 8th Jan. 1888..

\$2,267,409 10

Deposits and

interest .....\$1,292,807 58 Debentures and

interest..... 2,641,002 16

Sundry accounts.....

Interest on mortgages.....

3.933,809 74 Sundry Accounts 853 22

\$6,202,072 06 Assets.

Loans, secured by mortgages.. \$5,907,995 23 Office premises..... 19,895 54 Cash in office..... 240 61 Cash in banks.... 244,044 00 Cash in bankers' hands in Great 29,426 92 Britain.....

\$6,202,072 06

469 76

Profit and Loss. Cost of management, including salaries.rent, inspection, valuation, office expenses, branch office, etc..... \$ 37,942 29 Directors' compensation ..... 3,690 00 Dividends and tax thereon .... 133,199 40 Interest on deposits..... 50,110 90 debentures ..... 121,610 90 Agents' commissions on loans and debentures..... 7,433 69 Carried to contingent and guarantee accounts..... 20,583 02 \$374,570 20

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WALTER S. LEE.

Managing Director.

JANUARY 30th, 1888.

To the Shareholders of the Western Canada Loan and Savings Company:

Gentlemen,—We beg to report that we have made a thorough examination of the books of the Western Canada Loan and Savings Company for the year ending 31st December, 1887, and have pleasure in certifying that the above Statements of Assets and Liabilities and Profit and Loss are correct, and show the true position of the Company's affairs.

Every Mortgage and Debenture or other

security, with the exception of those of the Manitoba Branch, which have been inspected by a special officer, have been compared with the books of the Company. They have been proved to be correct and to correspond with the totals, as set forth in the Schedules and Ledgers. The Bank Balances have been proved and we certify to their correctness.

W. R. HARRIS, FRED J. MENET, Auditors.

A ballot was held for election of Directors. and the retiring members of the Board were re-elected, viz :- The Hon. G. W. Allan, Sir David Macpherson, K.C.M.G., and Thomas H. Lee. These gentlemen and Messrs. George Gooderham, George W. Lewis, Alfred Gooder-ham, with Walter S. Lee as Managing Director, form the Board of Management.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board the Hon. George W. Allan and Mr. George Gooderham were re-elected President and

Vice-President respectively.

#### NORTH AMERICAN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

The annual meeting of the North American Life Assurance Company was held at the head office of the company, 22 to 28 King street west, Toronto, on Thursday, the 27th day of January, when the annual report was submitted as follows :-

In submitting their annual report the directors have much pleasure in stating that in every department tending to the company's substantial progress and prosperity, the year's operations have been most satisfactory.

During the year 1,578 applications for \$2,420,050 were received, upon which were issued 1,515 policies for \$2,294,550, the rest being unacceptable, and 7 policies for \$10,635, which had lapsed for non-payment of premium, were revived.

The accompanying revenue account and balance sheet show that the reserve fund has been increased by \$104,826 and that fund now amounts to the handsome sum or \$416,511.

The addition to the company's assets is largely in excess of that of any former year, amounting to \$120,508.89, being over fifty per cent. or the whole income of the year.

All the reserves and resources of the company are invested in Canada, throughout nearly all the provinces, and are thus utilized in building up and extending Canadian inter-

Dr. James Thorburn, the company's able and experienced medical director, has prepared his usual full report of the company's mortality experience, calling attention to the fact that over one-third of the year's losses arose from accidental causes.

Both the preliminary and full reports of the company's business for the year, including a detailed schedule of its mortgage securities, were mailed to the Government within a few hours after the close of business on the last day of the year.

The same minute and complete audit of the sources of income and expenditure and of the property of the company, has been continued by the auditors appointed by the annual meeting, and the usual examination has also been made by the auditing committee of the board. Their certificates are annexed to the balance

Every documentary security held by the company has been examined and verified in-

dependently by the auditors and the committe : of the board.

The directors have declared a dividend at the rate of 8 per cent, per annum to June 30th next, payable July 2nd to the guarantors, as interest upon the paid-up portion of the guar-

The services of the company's staff of officers. inspectors and agents again deserve favorable recognition.

The directors all retire, but are eligible for re-election.

ALEXANDER MACKENZIE.

President.

Toronto, January 26th, 1888.

REVENUE ACCOUNT OF THE NORTH AMERICAN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1887.

To Net ledger assets..... \$375.557 33 " Cash for premiums and annuity considerations ..... 216,074 12 " Cash for interest..... 23,718 72 \$615,350 17

By Expenses ..... .\$ 39,067 12 " Commissions and salaries to 31.724 67 agents ..... Re-insurances..... 11,510 20 Claims paid under policies ... 33,348 09 " Profits to policy-holders ...... 271 35 " Surrendered policies ....... 2.003 73 Annuities ...... 524 22 " Interest on guarantee fund.... 4,800 00

" Quebec government taxes .... 3,875 00

\$127,124.38 Balance net ledger assets ..... 488,225 79

\$615,350 17

#### BALANCE SHEET.

#### Liabilities.

To Guarantee fund...... \$ 60,000 00 " Assurance and annuity funds....\$435,910 00 Less for re-insurances ..... 19,399 00 416,511 00

" Contingent fund to provide for the collection of outstanding and deferred premiums and other charges accruing on year's business.....

" Death losses awaiting proofs .. " Surplus ..... For the security of policyholders

the company holds :-Assets (as per balance sheet) .... \$547,660 87 And in addition,

Uncalled guarantee fund ..... 240,000 00

\$787,660 87 From which deduct, Reserve (\$416,511 and death losses \$9,000, at Dec. 31,

us above).....\$425,511 00 Surplus on policyholders' account .\$362,149 87

\$547,660 87

6,575 00

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By First mortgages on re- estate	
" Debentures	65,705 00
" Loans on stocks, nearly all	on.
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".	Bills receivable	2,027	14
£¢.	Furniture	3,224	00
Æ,	Loans on policies	1,298	40
u	Fire premiums paid on acet.	7	::- it
•	Mortgrs	146	94
ŧť	Commuted commissions	5,000	00
и	Agents' balances	532	05
	Cash in head and branch offices	1,723	20
	Cash in banks	35,990	53
	Special cash deposit	140	
ŧŧ	Balance net ledger assets	\$488,225	79
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• {	Short date notes for premiums	27,765	14
	Premiums on existing policies		
	in Agents' hands, and in due	4.1	1. 45
	course of transmission	9,096	99
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	due subsequent to Dec. 31st,		1 3
	1887		72
	(Reserve on this and preceding	10,000	- 170
	items, included in liabilities.)		1.1
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\$547,660 87 WM. MCCABE. Managing Director and Actuary.

We have examined the books, documents and vouchers representing the foregoing revenue account, and also each of the securities for the property in the above balance sheet, and certify to their correctness.

JAMES CARLYLE, M.D., Auditors. W. G. CASSELS,

Toronto, January 3rd, 1888.

We concur in the foregoing certificate and have personally made an independent examination of said books quarterly, and also of each of the securities representing said property.

B. B. Hoghes. WM. GORDON. Auditing Com. of the Board.

The President then said, in moving the adoption of the report:

I have very great pleasure in making the usual formal motion to adopt the report, printed copies of which you have in your hands Year by year, since the commence-ment of this company, it has been my pleasing duty to take the chair at our annual general meeting, and to make some remarks on the position of the company and its progress, but never, in its history, have we had such a splendid showing as that for 1887 which has just been read. The statement is so full, clear and concise that it seems to me almost unnecessary to make any remarks thereon. It is said "nothing succeeds like success," and this may be the reason that, year by year, our success has increased until to-day we meet you and say that we can show a statement with over half a million of accumulated assets in the short period of a few years, together with a handsome surplus.

The actual increase in our assets during the past year has amounted to the large sum of \$120,508.89, while our Reserve Fund bas been increased by \$104,826, now reaching the

handsome sum of \$416,511.

These grand results have been accomplished mainly by hard, persistent work on the part of our active agents on the field. The splendid investment and the other plans of insurance offered by this company, all of which have stood the test of time, and have been endorsed by the highest authorities on this continent, have been widely approved by leading professional men and others desiring to protect themselves by the safe-guards of life insurance combined with an investment.

The applications of the year have been of an unusually good character. It is gratifying to observe that so many farmers, constituting as they do, the largest industrial interest in this country, are availing themselves so largely of the great advantages of life in-

The Government official reports show that, in the amount of our income, accumulated funds, new business, insurance in force and addition to assets, we are again considerably shead of our chief home competitors at the same period in their history, and what is of more importance, the cost of our business is still kept within reasonable limits Competition both from the American, and also from the British companies, was never keener than during the past year, and in many instances prices were paid for the business which we consider excessive, One word about the ex-cellent character of our assets. Our Finance Committee have been very careful in the selection of investments, and it is a great source of congratulation to know that so successful have they been in this respect, that there is not a single investment on the books about which we have the slightest anxiety that the company will lose a single cent. The interest has been wonderfully well paid, and the income from that source has now reached a very bandsome figure, being in cash \$23,-718.72, and due and accrued \$6,016.23, which would have more than paid the losses of the year in the general branch,

As you are aware it is a most important factor in a life insurance company, that full provision be made for every contract which will mature in the future, whether by death or by the termination of the endowment or investment period. This has been done and the security to policyholders is most ample. I think we were the pioneers in introducing here the prompt payment of death claims, and I believe the honest and straightforward manner in which all chims have been immediately mel by this company, abundant evidence of which we possess in letters we have received on this point, is perhaps one of the reasons that has established among the insuring public in this country the greatest confidence in our institution. If every one present will, as opportunity offers, put in a good word for our company, it will not only assist the agent in his canvass, but will be doing kindness to a friend in inducing him to take out a policy of life insurance. For various causes there has been a somewhat severe financial depression existing throughout Canada. This, to some extent, has affected life insurance as well as other kinds of business, and yet I am glad to be able to say that several of the Canadian companies in common with ours, have, I understand, been very successful during the past year.

Notwithstanding this depression, I know that, sooner or later, appreciation will set in, and those of you who have lived in this country and studied its history, know well its great natural resources, and will, like myself, have great confidence in its future; and although there may be a temporary cloud, yet shortly this will disappear and the sun will shine through, presaging a bright, grand future for the Dominion.

As regards our company, I feel the utmost confidence in recommending it to the consideration of every one contemplating insurance, as I fully believe there is no company doing business in Canada to-day that is better prepared or more able to meet its contracts than this company.

Hon Alexander Morris, vice-president, said:
I have much pleasure in seconding the motion of my old and tried friend, the president, for the adoption of the report.

· The able address of the president has left me very little to do. It is impossible for any one to read and study this report without feeling intensely gratified. Here is a home institution that trusted itself to the public, that endeavored to meet the wants of the people, and the people have nobly rallied round it. They have shown appreciation of the efforts of those who desire to make life insurance a home word and a home institution. They have shown that they believe in the benefits of life insurance, and the most gratifying feature of the report alluded to by the president, is that the farmers, upon whom everything in this country rests in so great a degree, have begun, to realize the benefits of life insurance, and are largely taking advantage of it, and of the opportunity afforded them of making provision for their families. It is very satisfactory to find that at the close of the brief period during which this company has been in operation, notwithstanding the partial depression which has prevailed throughout the country, owing to the short crops that have been realized in the province of Untario-the banner province of the Dominion-yet nearly \$2,500,000 of new and and specially good business has been secured by the company. The report shows a very large and handsome addition to our reserve fund and to the assets of nearly fifty per cent. of the whole income of the company for the year. I think that you find in it strong proofs of increasing public confidence, a large, growing and profitable business, increasing stability, and increased activity, and an adaptation by the company of its plans to the wants of the insuring public. Alive and active, the management has shown itself able to cope with anything that may arise. Attacks have not been made upon other companies, but the company has gone on in a steady, quiet way, and thus has realized increased public confi-

I would like to referabefore I sit down to one or two matters in connection with the company and its position, first as to the careful consideration of the risks accepted by the company. Every attention is given to the matter. We select the best medical advisers and we have a most thorough and accomplished chief medical officer, Dr. Thorburn who gives the utmost attention to the examination of all applications received, and we have the advantage, in addition, of the matured wisdom of the president, who I may state, is in daily attendance at the office, and gives all attention in his power to this business, and also one of the best life insurance men in Canada, your managing director, Mr. McCabe, and then you have the quiet energetic application and long and successful tinancial experience of a gentleman whose merits are not fully known to you; I refer to my colleague in the vice-presidency, Mr. Blaikie.

I had no intention to delay you so long, but as I look around the room I cannot help but remark on the good appearance of the company's agents.

I see a number of clear-headed, intelligent, active business men. Gentlemen, you have a record of a most successful business, you have most attractive and well-tested plans to offer to policyholders, and all I can say to you is to go ou, assert your rights, assail no other company, push the benefits of life insurance, and you will come out ahead at the end of the year.

What we want in this country is a spirit of deep patriotism, of intense devotion to our country and our soil, and what we want in all classes of the community is a determination to put our onergies to the test, and with the

accumulation which we have of these, no man ought to say that Canada has not before her agreat future, and that it will not develop into a strong British nationality; and in the shaping of that future every one of you has a power, and as the country grows, institutions like this will grow with it, and will share in the general prosperity. I take no stock in the cries of depreciation. I cannot bear the idea, as my Hon. friend, the president, once said, and I share in the idea, "that he never would live in sufferance on Canadian soil." We have a future, a brilliant future, and I have no doubt that the coming year will show that with brighter times, which I think are before us, the steady path of progress will be pursued, and those of us who are spared to meet here on another year, will have reason to congratulate ourselves on even greater success.

As a director. I thank the agents again for their efficient services in the past, and would simply say to you that the North American Life Assurance Company expect every man to do his duty as he has done in the past.

### Financial.

MONTREAL, Thursday Ev'g, Feb. 9, 1888.

The local money market is decidedly easier in tone and good borrowers have no difficulty in obtaining loans at the rates current last Commercial paper is still closely scrutinized and in the case of weak firms the quoted rates of 7@8 per cent are often exceeded. Call loans are easy and it is said that good houses have obtained money as low as 44 per cent, though the market still rules at 5@51 with brokers charging 7 per cent. Sterling exchange, sixties, rule at 8 15-16@ 9 1-16 between banks and 9\mathbb{3}@100ver the counter. Demand 91@3 and 95@4. Cables 101. Posted in New York 4.84 and 4.86; actual rates 4.831@3 and 4.851. Cables 4.853 604.86. New York funds are at 1-16001 between banks and &@l over the counter. The stock market is practically dead. Regular brokers are doing nothing and the market is at the mercy of the scalpers and consequently irregular and fluctuating. An order to buy results in an immediate advance and one to sell causes a corresponding decline. The only stock now being purchased for investment is Telegraph, which at 93 is looked upon as a cheap stock even if the dividend be reduced to 6 per cent.

Banks.	No. Shares.	Highest price.	Lowest Price.	Average same week 1887.
Commerce	215	111	1103	
Merchants	52	124.	123%.	.130}
Montreal	579	216ት	214	-2421
Peoples		103	102	101
Miscellaneous.				
Can. Pacific	752	57	653	62
Gas	995	212	2103	2223
L'n & M'tg'ge	33	107	107	108
Montreal S't R'y	10	223	223	251
Richelieu	2335	441	42	643
Telegraph	350	93	914	941

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Messas. Dun, Wiman & Co. have taken an action against Messas. Hurteau & Frere, lumber dealers, of this city. It is alleged that last winter the defendant asked for a special report concerning Octave Cossette, of Valleyfield. This was furnished, but proved to be incorrect, and Cossette sued the agency and obtained a judgment for \$2,000 and costs, which has been taken to appeal. The mercantile agency now sues the defendants for having disclosed the report, claiming that the agreement, which forbids a subscriber from revealing a report, has been violated.

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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.
THURSDAY Evg., Feb. 9, 1888.

The continued snowstorms and consequent

blocking of country roads have materially contributed to check business. Travellers on the road are sending in small orders but report an unusual amount of caution on the part of buyers. Remittances are slightly better and, although the number of failures recorded is still above the average, there is a general feeling of relief now that the fourth is past. Throughout the West an uneasy feeling pre-

vails, but there is a growing hopefulness of

better prospects in the near future.

BREADSTUFFS, ETC.—Business in the local grain market is quiet and no important change can be reported. Wheat is steady, and there has been a fair demand for oats at 41c@42c, A few cars of barley were sold for malting purposes at 65c@70c. We quote: Canada red winter wheat, 85c@87c; white winter, 85c@87c; Canada spring, 83c@84c; No 1 hard Manitoba, 86c@87c; No 2 do, 83c@84c;

No 1 Northern, 83c@84c; peas, 72c@73c per 56 lbs. in store; oats, 41c@42c 'per 34 lbs.; rye, 50c; barley, 65c@70c; corn, 70c@71c, duty paid, and 62c in bond. The demand for duty paid, and 63c in bond. flour has continued slow and the market quiet, with prices steady. There was a fair enquiry for Manitoba strong flour, and sales of two cars were made at \$4.10@\$4.25. Cables from British grain centres show a similar quiet feeling. Beerbehm's cable to-day says: Cargoes off coast, wheat, slow; corn, nothing offering. Cargoes on passage and for shipment, wheat, very dull; corn, quiet; French country markets, turn dearer. Liverpool spot, depressed; corn do., rather worse, Liverpoole red American spring wheat, 6s 8d. Wheat and flour in Paris firm. Liverpool mixed maize, 48 11d. Canadian peas, 5s 4d. Minnesota first bakers' flour, 24s. Mark Lane Euglish and foreign wheat American and Dazubian maize quieter. quiet. English and American flour quiet. Ameri. can mixed maize, ex ship, 24s 6d. Minueapolis straight flour, 23s 6d. Australian wheat, off coast, 33s 6d Chilian wheat, off coast, 32s 6d; present and following month, 33s. The amount of wheat and flour reduced to wheat affoat to Europe show an increase of 120,000 bushels, compared with a week ago, and a decrease of 10,096,000 bushels, compared with the same time last year. Flour is dull; country makes are depressed by the immense quantity of foreign products.

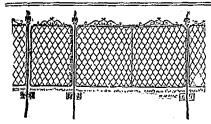
BUTTER AND CHEESE.—In this market a fair business has been done in butter but nothing to call for comment. Exportation is practically at a standstill and there are no features of interest to record. We quote Creamery 20@22½c, Townships 17½@21c, Morrisburg 17@20c, Brockville 16½@10½c and Western 15@18c. In cheese the market is dull and inactive with values unchanged. The cable is 59s. We quote fine t September and October 11½@12c, fine do. 11½@11½c, finest August 11@11½c, fine 10½@ 10¾c and medium at 9@9¾c.

Day Goods.—So far remittances have been more satisfactory and the dreaded fourth has been tided over better than was expected. Travellers now en route are sending in small orders but extreme caution upon the part of buyers is manifest. The city retail trade is not busier than usual but the suburban trade shows a decided increase over the average of former years.

Furs.—The following cable advices of the January sales have been received:—Raccoon 10 to 15 per cent higher than in June; skunk old skins, 5 per cent. do.; skunk fresh, 10 per do.; opossum 17½ per cent. do.; beaver 5 per cent. do.; muskrats 10 per cent. do.; lynx 20 per cent. lower than in June; gray fox same as in June; mink five per cent lower than in June; marten 12½ per cent. lower than last March; wolf 30 per cent. lower than last June. The advance obtained for raccon and rats was almost wholly on the unprime and small skins. The catch has come forward slowly thus far, and the demand runs ahead of the supply.

Fish.—Still continues active and stocks in first hands are about exhausted. Green Cod.

—The round lot of 90 brls and 30 drums large, referred to last week as being held at \$6 00, has been sold, and another lot has been sold to arrive at Lower Ports at \$6.00 for large in drums, and \$4.70 for No. 1. This was the last let of fish known to be held in Hallfax. What little large is now left in the market is held at \$6.50. No. 1, \$4.75@\$5,



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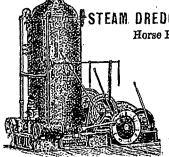
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and Draft at \$7. Labrador herring fairly active at \$4.25@\$4.50. Salmon, B C., \$12.50 @\$13.00.

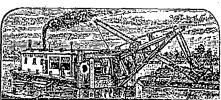
GREEN FRUITS .- The scarcity of good to choice Canadian apples continues in Liverpool and there is a brisk demand at full and better prices. In this market a fair trade has been done during the week, dealers, by the milder weather, being enabled to handle and ship to better advantage. Several car loads of apples have been exported lately and for home demand we quote them at \$2.50@\$3.50 for fair to choice. Oranges are in fair demand at \$1,25@\$4 50 for Valencias. Floridas are scarce at \$5 50@\$8.60 per box; Jaffa \$3 00@ \$3.50, and Jamaica \$6@\$6.50 per bbl. Messina and Palmero temons are selling at \$4@ \$4.50 per case and \$3@\$3.50 per boxes. Prime cramberries \$86.\$950 per bbl, with lower grades selling at \$46.57 per bbl. Dates range from 465c per lb. Figs 11613c. Bordeaux prunes 11612c. Filberts 10611c; almonds 146015c; Grenoble walnuts 1416015c, and pecans 15c per lb. Cocounuts \$670\$6 50 per 100. Spanish onions are \$3@\$3.50 per bbl. Aspinwall tananas are quoted at \$400

GROCKHES.—Continued snowstorms and bad roads throughout the country have restricted business in the grocery line. Only a backward demand exists and much caution is exhibited by purchasers. The demand from city retailers is fair, but still the distribution is a small one and wholesale stocks are still more full than is desirable. Sugars are un-

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changed, teas move out only slowly, and the same may be said of the other staples, with the exception of molasses and syrups, which rule very firm upon light supplies.

Hardware and Metals,—Business is moderate in all the departments during the weik, and though the outlook is reported good there has been no large movement with the exception of pig iron, which has been in fair demand. In the and copper the demand has been small, the high price ruling causing-dealers to buy with caution. Warrants in Glasgow are unchanged since last quoted. London, February 6.—Spot tin, £169; three months' futures £146; sales of spot, 50 tons; sales of futures, 10 tons; market quiet; G. O. B. Chili bars, £75 10s; sales of spot, 250 tons; sales of futures, 200 tons. Soft Spanish lead, £15 9s. Best selected copper, £80; soft English lead, £14 12s 6d; silesian spelter, £20 5s; Star antimony, £50; tipplates 15s.

HIMES AND SKINS.—Trade has been dull but prices are firmer and 50c per 100 lbs. higher than at last writing. Tanners are paying \$7.50 for firsts, \$6.50 for seconds and \$5.50 for thirds Sheepskins are at 80 to 85 cents and callskins at 7 cents.

LEATHER.—This branch of trade shows a slight improvement on the previous week. Manufacturers are fairly busy on spring orders but are not in a hurry to ship goods. Prices are fairly steady without change. English advices show a slight improvement in demand and prices are steadier.

LIVE STOCK—The receipts of milch cows have been fair and an active business has been done, as there were a good many choice milkers in the number, which were picked up quickly. Choice milkers sold at \$55; good at \$15; fair at \$35; common at \$25, and inferior at \$20 each. At the abattoir, there was a good demand for cattle, and butchers bought freely at steady prices. There were 500 head offered, of which fourteen cars, arrived by the Canadian Pacific. Choice beeves sold at \$40044c, good at \$20045, medium at

3c@3½c, common at 2½c@3c, and inferior at 2c@2½c per lb. live weight. Sheep were in good demand, and sold at 4½c@4½c per lb. live weight. The demand for calves was fair at from \$3@\$10 each as to quality.

PROVISIONS,-In the local market a fair jobbing trade has been done at steady prices. We quote Canada short cut \$17@\$17.50 per barrel; Western, \$17.50; mess pork, \$16.75; hams, city cured, 111@12c and green at 9c. A moderate business has been done in lard at-94c for Canadian and 94c for Western in pails. Bacon quiet at 101@ile with shoulders at 81c. Tallow dull and nominal at 410043c. Bucon in Liverpool was weaker and fell off 3d to 38s 9d@41s 6d. Pork was stendy at 67s 6d. lard at 39s 9d and tallow was weak and dropped 3d to 27s 3d. There was a weak feeling in the Chicago provision market and pork declined 20c, closing at \$14 25 May. Lard was also weaker and dropped 5@71c, closing \$7.70 March, \$7.821 May, \$7.90 June. The hog market was firm. The closing The hog market was firm. The closing quotations were: Light grades, \$5.0\$5.35; mixed packing, \$5.15.05.55; rough packing, \$5.15@\$5.30; heavy shipping, \$5.40@\$5.80.

SEEDS.—Advices from England report a steady enquiry for farm seeds. As regards red cloverseed foreign samples all round keep exceedingly firm; but English parcels can be bought for rather less money, home-grown cloverseed being indeed relatively higher than either Continental or American growths. Alsike keeps steady. There is no change in either white clover or Trefoil. For the small quantity of genuine imported Italian now obtainable holders demand full rates. Perennial ryegrasses are without quotable variation. Hempseed, on spot, an account of its scarcity is 1s per quarter dearer. Canaryseed exceedingly firm. In rapeseed the tendency is upwards.

Wool.—Cable advices from England state that at the London wool sales the attendance was large and the bidding active. Prices were very firm, especially for cross-bred merino and Cape of Good Hope and Natal.

ALVINSTON, ONT., February, 1887.

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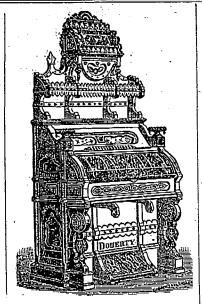
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TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS.

(Revised by Telegraph.)

TORONTO, Feb., 9 1888.

The wholesale trade remains quiet, with no perceptible increase in the volume of business. Payments fairly satisfactory. Commercial paper undergoes the strictest scrutiny; prime is discontinued at 7, and the general run at 71@8 per cent. Stocks have been dull and prices irregular. The following are the bids of to day as compared with last Thursday :-

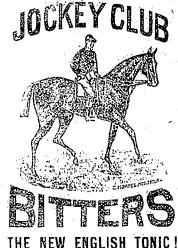
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BUTTER.-More enquiry for shipment, but chiefly for lower qualities. The best job at 20c@21c for dairy tub, and at 18c@19c for large rolls. Medium qualities 15c@17c, and inferior at 12c@13c. Eggs steady at 20c for fresh in case lots, and at 14½@15c for pickled. Cheese quiet and steady, the best selling 11½ @12c, and inferior at 10@10 c.

CLOVER SEED .- Red clover is quiet and unchanged at \$5/65.15. Alsike less active at \$4.25@\$4.50 for inferior, and at \$5@\$5 40 for

Hoes-Packers are taking a few small lots of heavy at \$6.80@\$6 90. Light are jobbing at \$7@\$7 25 for choice qualities.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.-Flour dull and unsatisfactory; no sales reported and prices purely nominal at \$3,75@\$3.80, for straight roller and at \$3.45@\$3.50 for extra. Patents are quoted at \$3 80@\$4.20, according to quality. Wheat dull and weaker; No. 2 spring is nominal at 79c and No. 2 full at 82c. No. 2 red winter is worth about 84c. Manitoba wheat scarce and firm at 90c for No. 1 and at 87c for No. 2. The buying is confined to millers. Barley is dull, without transactions; No. 1 is quoted at 80c, No. 2 at 77c, No. 3 extra at 73c@74c and No. 3 at 71c. Outs are easier, 73c@74c and No. 3 at 71c. with sales of heavy white at 44c, and of light mixed at 43c on track. Peas unchanged, with No. 2 quoted at equal to 60c for shipment.



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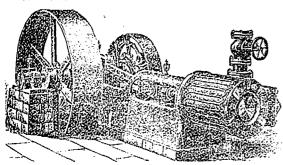
GROCERIES.-Market more active. Sugars are a shade easier at refineries and prices will be reduced here to-morrow. Fruits steady. Eish in fair demand. Frozen sea herring steady at \$1 25 per 100 in single barrels. Rice \$3 50 to 3 65. Teas and tobaccos firm,

HARDWARE.-Trade fair and prices firm. Tin is quoted at 38c@10c for ingot and at 39c@ 41c for bar. Copper, 19c@20c for ingot 25c @30c for sheet, and 28c@31c for bar. Iron unchanged at \$2 for ordinary bar. Tin plates I. C. coke \$4.25; 1. C. charcoal \$4.75.

HIDES AND SKINS .- Ther is no change in hides. Cured cow sell at 64c, No. 1 green is quoted at 6c and No. 2 at 5c.

LIVE STOCK .- Receipts of cattle moderate, and prices firm. Shippers are quoted at 41 to 41c. Bulls sell at 3cm4c per lb, and milch cows at \$25@\$40 a head. Butchers' cattle sell at 21c@31c per lb, and

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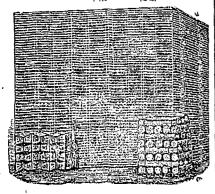
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Woor .- This market is quiet and prices unchanged. Selected fleece is quoted at 21c@ 22c, coarse 19c@20c, and Southdown at 25c@ 26c. Pulled supers 23c/@24c, and extras 27c @28c.

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Office of the Secretary, Montreal, January 2nd 1888.

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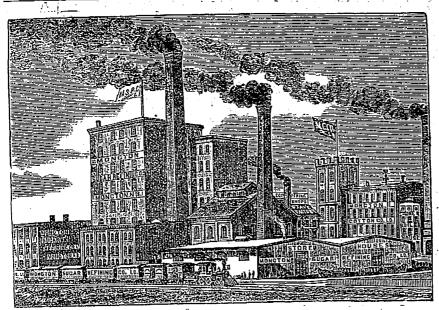
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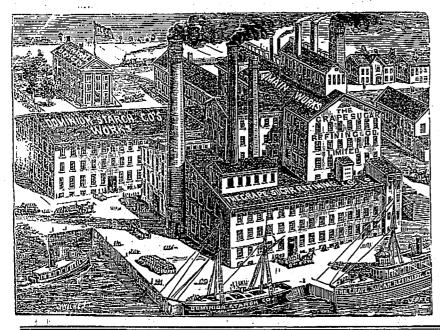
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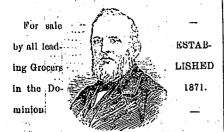
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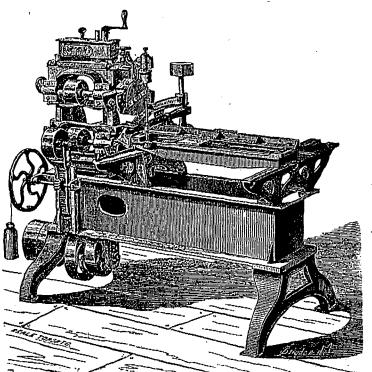
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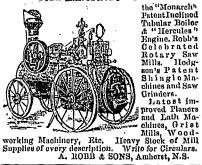
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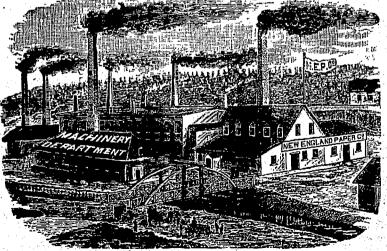
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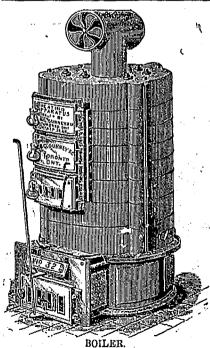
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Ontario Bags—  Extra Suporfine Suporfine City Strong Bakors [14] Ib. sks.] por 1% ibs. Oatmoni. standard bris. Oatmoni. granulated, bris. Oatmoni. granulated, bris. Fuel.  Coal. Stove Chestnut Egg Scotch Steam (ex ship). Cape Broton Pictou Lower Pts screen (retail Scotch Maple, 3ft 2in Birch. Buech, "	1 80 1 95 1 35 1 70 4 30 4 40 5 20 5 30 3 5 50 5 50 5 20 0 00 6 5 20 0 00 6 75 0 0 0 6 75 0 0 0 7 7 00 0 0 8 75 0 0 0 8 75 0 0 0 9 0 0 0 0	CanadaRed Winter Wheat "White Winter "Spring Hard Manitoba, No. 1 do No. 2 Oats Barley. Peas, per 66 lbs. Ryo. Corn, in bond  Grocorles.  7ca (HfChest & Cad.) Japan, com. to med. lb "good med. to fine "Inset to choicest. "Y. Hyson, com. to gd. "Sine to finest, lb, Gund. com to med. "Inset to finest. "Imperial med. to gd. "Inset to finest. "Imperial med. to gd. "Inset to finest. "Twankay, com. to gd. """ """ """ """ """ """ """ """ """ "	0 85 0 87 0 83 0 84 0 83 0 84 0	Molasses, (Barbados) im'g Porto Rico Antigua. Trinidad. Grape Sugar Ref. Co. Empress Drips Syrup Dom. Crystal A Glucose. B Dextrine Pout I London Layers, Malaga Lindon Sultanas per lb. Seedless. Valentia Eleme Currants. Prunes (French). Figs. Eleme. Sh. Almonds, bys. S. S. Tarragona. Almonds, paper shell Walnuts. Brazils, new Spices Cassia math Maco chest Cloves. Nutmegs. Jamaica Ginger, Bl.  "Trinidad. Grandon. "Grenoble." "Grenoble." "Grenoble." "Grenoble." "Grenoble." "Grenoble." "Grenoble." "Grenoble." "Brazils, new "Spices" Cassia math Maco chest Cloves. "Unbl	0 35 0 43 0 35 0 36 0 35 0 36 0 35 0 36 0 35 0 36 0	Orange Lemon Starch: Dom. White Laundry White Crystal Gloss. Snow Flake Dom. Rep. Corn Corn Starch Pure White.  Vinegar: Imp. Triple, 1 brl Cote D'or. Crystal Pickling. W. W. XXX W. W. XX W. W	0 16 1 0 17 0 15 0 17 0 0 0 17 0 0 0 17 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
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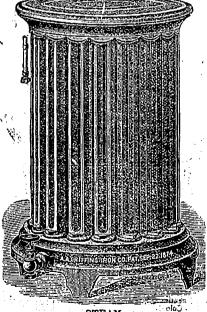
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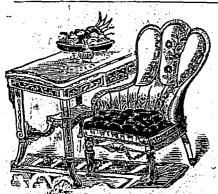
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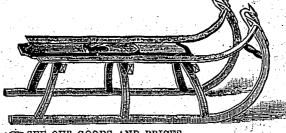
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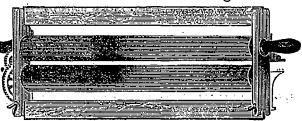
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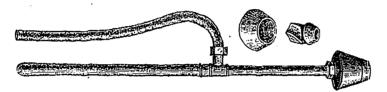
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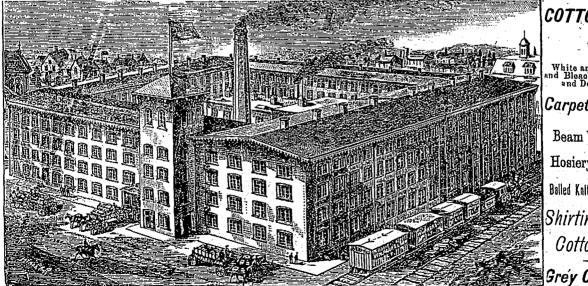
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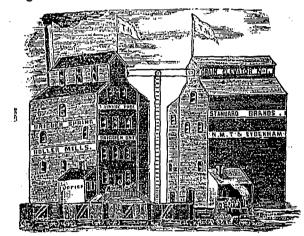
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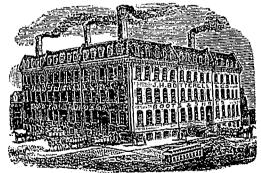
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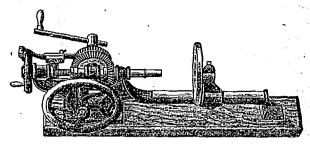
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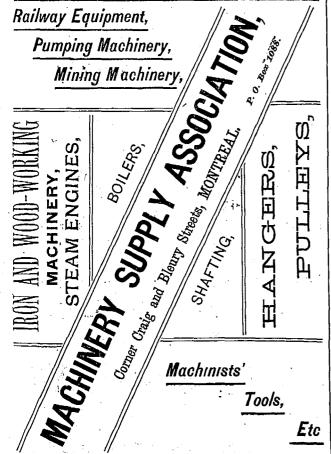
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