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--Canada last year took seventh place as a grain-producing country.

-The production of cotton in Russia in 1910 amounted to 900.000 bales of 500 lb. each.

—The present ordinary consumption of wheat by the bread-eaters of the world is 340 million quarters.

The August statement of British trade shows decreases of \$7,066,500 in imports, and \$11.680,500 in exports. The principal decrease in the imports was in raw material, while manufactured goods showed the main falling off in the exports, despite an increase of \$5,000,000 in cotton textiles.

—The Bank of Ottawa has taken out a permit for a twostorey cut stone office building, at the corner of Fairmount Street and Park Avenue. The cost is placed at \$29,000.

—The quantity of cotton imported into the United States during the six months ending February, 1911, was 68.369 910 lb, equivalent to 136740 bales of 500 lb, each, and valued at \$15.976.750.

—The quantity of raw silk used in the United States increased from 9,761,000 lb. in 1899 to 17,471,000 lb. in 1909, or 79 per cent, while the corresponding increase in the cost of this material was 66 per cent.

—Advices from London state: In consequence of the recent demands of the seamen and firemen for higher wages, the shipping companies engaged in Atlantic trade will demand a ten per cent increase in freight rates from this week.

—Silk shipments from Japan during the year ended June 30th, 1911, amounted to 147.713 bales, according to reports from the Japanese press. Of the total shipments, 42 771 bales were destined for Europe and 104.942 bales for America.

This year's cotton crop will be sold for fourteen cents during September and October and fifteen cents thereafter. This was the agreement reached last week by the cotton growers of the south, attending the National Farmers' Union at Seawnee, Okla.

-Great discoveries of oil are reported from the neighbour-hood of Taiyuenfu, says the Central China Post. Traces have been found in upward of forty places, but it is estimatel that it will require a capital of five or six million dollars to exploit them.

—Negotiations have been practically concluded for another great trust company merger in Wall Street, this one to bring t gether the Equitable Trust Company with deposits of \$44,000,000. and the Knickerbocker Trust Company, having deposits of \$38,000,000.

Figures furnished by the Montreal Harbour Commissioners show that from the opening of navigation until August 1, the commissioners' elevator handled 8,338,001 bushels of wheat. During the corresponding period of last year the wheat handled amounted to 7962,777 bushels.

-There are 80 silk mills in Switzerland, with 14,000 looms and about 25,000 operatives, the majority of whom are women. The wages paid range from 60 cents to \$1.20 per day. Warehouses, printing mills, dyeing establishments, raw silk businesses and kindred industries, are not included in these figures.

-A large American company, of which the name has not yet been given to the public, has written to the Publicity Commissioner at Ottawa making inquiry as to the prospects for locating in Ottawa a branch of its power generating machinery works and of raising \$1,000,000 capital there on account of such works.

-The succession duties collected in Ontario during the month of August amounted to \$44.041, as compared with \$51.973, collected during the same month in 1910. The receipts for the ten months ending August 31, 1911, however, amounted to \$891.294, as against \$540.488 during the same period of the last fiscal year.

-The U.S. Commercial Agent writes from Yokohama that "the silk corp of China this season is said to be 20 per cent larger than last year and while the colour is not so good the opinion is general that the quality of the cocoons is slightly better. Prices are somewhat lower. The market for buying silk cocoons opened at Wusich China, on June 1."

—Fifteen thousand peach trees in the Niagara district must be destroyed because of the disease known as the "little peach." This statement was made by P. W. Hodgetts, superintendent of horticulture for Ontario, after a day in that locality. The inspectors are at work, and this pest which became prevalent only recently, will need stern measures for its repression.

—From the commencement of the present year aviation has claimed no less than 50 martyrs to its cause—if martyrs they may all be called—and this toll of death has of late been increasing with startling rapidity, as aero meets have become more common, exhibition flights at state and provincial fairs more popular, and aeroplane manocuvres for manary purposes more of a seeming necessity.

—For the first half of 1911 the applications for new capital in Great Britain amounted to £134.513,998 compared with £169.658 174 in the first half of 1910. The greater amount in the preceding year is attributed to the more favourable state of the money market, owing to the delay in passing the budget which left funds available for investment that would otherwise have been used in the payment of taxes.

—Bank exchanges last week at all leading cities in the United States amount to \$2.148,123,934, a gain of 6.4 per cent as compared with the same week last year and a loss of only 1.6 per cent compared with the corresponding week in 1909. This is a much better exhibit than last week, when the gain over last year was only 1.9 per cent and a notable improvement over the loss of 22.9 per cent shown in the comparison with 1909.

—The Department of Trade and Commerce, in its weekly report, publishes a statement from W. A. Bedaoe trade commissioner in New Zealand. Mr. Beddoe says that the Marama sailed from Auckland on Aug. 4, inaugurating the new direct service between Canada and New Zealand, and carrying 130 carcases of lamb and mutton, 19 crates of poultry 5 cases of rabbits, 75 cases of jam and a quantity of hides and wool, destined for Vancouver.

—The New Orleans Cotton Exchange has issued the official call for a conference of cotton exchanges, boards of trade, bankers, exporters and others interested in the cotton trade of the South, to be held at New Orleans to take action relative to the Liverpool cotton bill of lading plan, which certain financial interests are endeavouring to put into effect at once-Monday September 18 is the date fixed upon for the conference. A big and general conference is expected.

—"No American cotton crop ever grown has sold for as much as the one just marketed, the total value, including the seed, having been \$1.030,000,000" according to a report of Colonel Henry G. Hester, sceretary of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange. With 1.700,000 bales less than contained in the bumper crop of 1908-09, the crop just market netted the South \$254,000,000 more. The 13,511,000 bale crop of 1906-07 brought \$222,000,000 less than the season ended September 1, 1911.

—Re-inforced concrete construction for industrial buildings costs 6.4 per cent less than fireproofed structural steel and 6.7 per cent more than mill construction according to J. P. H. Perry in a paper presented to the National Association of Cement Users. The figures are based on buildings of various sizes erected in different parts of the country. Cases are cited of steel buildings costing 10 to 13 per cent more than the concrete structures and of concrete buildings costing even 27 per cent more than mill construction.

-The United States Bureau of Statistics reports the value of imports of iron and steel into the United states in July, 1911. \$2.015.692. against \$3.656,395 in July, 1910. Imports for seven months ended with July, 1911, were \$17.944.044, against \$24.285.898 for corresponding period in 1910. The value of the exports of iron and steel was \$18.052,337 in July,

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The United States Geological Survey has given out the preliminary figures for iron ore production in the United States in 1910, the total being 56,889,734 gross tons, as compared with 51,155,437 tons in 1909 (the Survey report for 1903 gave the total as 51294,271 tons), an increase of 5,734,297 tons or 11.21 per cent. The figures include only iron ore used in blast furnaces, and not that used for fluxing precious metals in Montana, Nevada, New Mexico and Wyoming, or that used in the manufacture of metallic paint. The value of the production in 1910 was \$140.135,607, against \$109,964,903 in 1909.

-During the month of August, 1911 23 applications to organize U.S. National banks were received. Of the applications pending 13 were approved and 5 rejected. In the same month 15 banks, with total capital of \$945,000 were authorized to begin business, of which number 6, with capital of \$170,-000, had individual capital of less than \$50,000, and 9 with capital of \$775,000, individual capital of \$50,000 or over. On August 31, 1911, the total number of National banks organized was 10074, of which 2,756 had discontinued ousiness. leavmg in existence 7,318 banks, with authorized capital of \$1,032 -562.135, and circulation outstanding, secured by bonds, \$707,-The total amount of the National bank circulation outstanding was \$737,206 748, of which \$30,025.825 was covered by lawful money of a like amount deposited with the Treasurer of the United States on account of liquidating and insolvent National banks and associations which had reduced their circulation.

In the seven months ending with July the exports of iron and steel from Great Britain were 2673,436 gross tons against 2,797,009 tons in the first seven months of 1910. The values were £25 637,000 and £25,210,000 respectively. The July total fell 100,000 tons short of that for July, 1910, being 325,-688 tons against 426,370 tons. The imports of iron and steel products for the first seven months of this year were 1,059,173 tons against 782,218 tons in the corresponding period of 1910. The July returns showed that increases over the corresponding months of 1910 continue, the total being 127 827 tons against 102.010 tons in July, 1910. Semi-finished steel showed a noteworthy increase. The total of blooms, billets, slabs and sheet bars imported in July was 49,800 tons against 31,400 tons in July, 1910. British rail exports continue to fall off. They were 30.945 tons in July against 43,779 tons in July, 1910. For the seven-month periods in the two years they were 216.000 and 266.000 tons respectively.

An interesting suggestion is made in London in regard to the increased cost of living, which, like an earth wave, has sent a tremor throughout Europe, causing food riots in France an outery against the butchers in Belgium, and protests against dearer meat and milk in Germany, while it is largely responsible for the labour unrest in England. suggestion is that the enormous output of gold in recent years has upset the balance of prices and that the world has not yet shaken itself down to a true adjustment. Statistics show conclusively that in England, on the Continent, and in North America nearly all the commoner and most necessary articles of food have been steadily rising in price since the century opened. Meat, especially bacon, in England the poor man's favourite food; milk bread, and sugar an cost more. It is calculated that there is a 10 per cent increase in the weekly budget of household expenses in England. Prof. Chapman at the meeting of the British Association predicted that the next three years would be at era of strikes, dues to the fact that, whereas up to 1896 the cost of living had been falling it had since then been rising.

-Estimates of the probable showing in the matter of earnings of the Standard Oil properties after dissolution vary considerably. Wall Street heard last week that some of the officials believe that there will be little or no falling off from the earnings that have been made in past years by the companies as part of the one great organization. However, one director is of the opinion that the new conditions are going to cost about \$10,000,000 in profits. In other words, early estimates of a much heavier loss have been revised. In this connection a director was quoted as saying that the profits of the company in one year recently were over \$100,000,000. In 1906 they were reported at over \$80,000,000 and they have been supposed to have been running along at about that rate since. This statement that in one year they were over \$100,-000.000 throws a new light on the earning capacity of the company. The Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey, the holding company, which is left with control of about 30 companies aside from the business which it conducts itself, which showed nearly \$10,000,000 profit in 1906, will still be the largest unit in the new order. It is expected to show more than half the profits of all the companies.

-In a recent issue of the Journal officiel the population of France for 1910 was given as 39,252,245. There were 309,289 marriages, 13 049 divorces, 774,358 living children born, and a total of 763,777 deaths, not including those of stillborn children, which numbered 35,944. The net excess of births over deaths was therefore 70.581. In 1909 the excess of births over deaths was only 13,424, but the decided improvement shown in the figures for 1910 was largely due to a decrease of 52,768 in the deaths of that year. The portions of France in which the birth rate was most favourable last year were Brittany, the north and frontier Departments of the East, the ancient province of Limousin and Corsica, while in the vaileys of the Rhone and Garonne the death rate exceeded that of births. The excess of births over deaths in Paris and the Department of the Seine was 2,670, or 804 less than the excess of the Department of the Seine Inferieure, which contains the cities of Rouen and Havre. For the five-year period from 1901 to 1905, inclusive, the number of births per thousand of population in six leading countries of Europe was as follows: In Holland,, 165. in Germany 149; in Great Britain, 121; in Austria, 113; in Italy, 106; and in France, 18.

-Some interesting figures are given in the careful summary of the results of the London joint stock and private banks, compiled by H. W. Birks from the last han-yearly balance sheets. Taking the twenty-one principal institutions, it is seen that the proportion of cash call money and investments to liabilities works out at 52.35 per cent, the figures in detail showing 15.03 per cent for cash 15.56 per cent for call money and 21.76 per cent for inevstments. Differences in dates of publication and methods of drawing up accounts preclude a summarizing of the results of the whole group, but for seven concerns, comprising the London County and Westminster. National, London City" and Midland, Union and Smiths, South-Western, London and Provincial and Martins, there is a direct comparison. For this group the total paidup capital amounted to \$74,000,000 and reserve funds to over \$60.000,000. Deposits total \$1.241,500.000, and the working resources of capital reserves, deposits and acceptances amount to \$1,453 000 000. On the assets side the figures show that eash in hand and at the Bank of England amounts to \$183. 000.000, representing 13.87 per cent of deposits and acceptances, and cash at call to \$200,500,000, or 15.22 per cent. The total assets amount to \$1.461 000,000 and the net profit for the half-year to \$7,000,000. or 19.49 per cent of the paid-up capital, while the average dividend per annum paid was 15.98 per cent.

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Curiously enough time has swung the paper manufacturers back again to the use of wood pulp, which was the original source of supply. The builder wasps still establish their paper nests in the trees from wood ground up by their powerful mandibles, as they have built them from the beginning. Our manufacturers have tried fibres of all kinds, from grass to silk, and including hemp, cotton, cloth and linen rags. For many years ground wool has been employed, as an adulterant only. Naturally, prices ran up with the rapidly increasing use of paper until 35 years ago 9 cents a pound and over was paid for the cheapest news print. To-day paper made entirely from wood costs less than half that figure. At this very moment a Canadian farmer selling-pulp-wood gets \$7 for the amount of wood (1 1-3 cords) which will make a ton of paper. The paper is worth \$40 in Canada, or \$45 in the United States.

The paper industry is a natural one in Canada. Having forests, water-powers and labour, Canada should have a monopoly. The United States have nearly depleted their pulp-wood forests. American

newspapers spend \$55,000,000 a year, for paper. If they can get at the Canadian pulp forests they will save \$6,000,000 a year. These are the figures given by Mr. John Norris, chairman of the American Newspaper Publishers Association, who has assured Congress that the United States is completely dependent on outside, i.e.. Canadian, sources of supply.

A good deal of attention is being directed to this industry at the present moment, owing to a general claim that the trade proposals now before the Canadian electorate, were brought about mainly in the interests of some of the great newspaper Trusts in the United States. How bitter the feeling is against this part of the Treaty matter, may be judged in part from the follewing extracts from U.S. papers away from the large centres:-

"The Canadian 'reciprocity' measure will save W. R. Hearst a half a million or so in the cost of his print paper, but it will not save a cent for those who read his papers. It will save big money for a few manufacturers. but not a cent for the consumer. It will be a fine thing for the American farmer who has moved to Canada, but it will scorch the American farmer whose farm is in the United States. The Canadian reciprocity atrocity will reduce the cost of living for the man who owns a hundred-thousand-dollar yacht and a ninety-horse-power automobile, but it will place the burden of the reduction on the shoulders of the man

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"The parts of the Canadian reciprocity law which went into effect, directly the President signed it, without the action of the Canadian Parliament, include the admission of Canadian wood pulp and print paper free of duty. This delightful measure, which we have all along been assured by the big trust papers was to be for the best good of all the people of the United States lets in free what the big trust papers use to their great advantage, but doesn't reduce the price of paper to the 'common people'—the country newspapers or printers-a cent. Indeed, we are informed that there is liable to be an immediate advance in the price of print paper to the small consumer. The deeper one digs into the reciprocity fake the more infamous it becomes. Let's hurry up and turn the country over to the Democrats and have Free-Trade. The United States, it appears, must have its periodic attacks of Tariff-ripping mania, and four years of rest will doubtless put the voters in line for a return to Protective sanity and activity. Let's have the real goods, get over it, and get back to business as soon as possible. "-Colfax (Ia.) Clipper.

Divested of party rancour, this means that there is a pretty determined effort afoot, to secure Canadian pulpwood, that is, the raw material for paper, for United States manufacture. Ontario and Quebec have, however, both determined to prevent the free export of such wood from Crown lands, which still represents by far the greater part of the available supply.

The clause in the Fielding-Knox Agreement is intended, we are told, to force the Provinces to rescind this wise prehibition of the export of pulp-wood cut on Crown lands. The plan is that wood cut on private lands will be free, while paper men who draw their raw materials from Crown lands must pay a duty of \$5.75 a ton. So they will be siege the Provincial goven numerits to abrogate their regulations. The pressure, says Mr. Norris, will be irresistible. Mr. Norris part the case very frankly and forcibly before the United States Senate Committee on May 24 when he said: "This clause is intended to exert an economic pressure upon the Provincial authorities so that they will relax their restrictions."

This brutally blunt statement should not be forgotten at the present moment. It is a declaration of industrial war upon a friendly people. The spirit of Canadians is not what it was, if it frightens them at all. Our pulp wood market is well night the whole

world. The immense factories of the Harmsworths, the British publishers in Newfoundland, gives some inkling of the possibilites of the industry. has a right to derive all the benefit that accrues from converting raw material worth \$7.00 into finished products worth \$40.00. This is a right bestowed upon her naturally. It would be a sorry sort of statesmanship, which would rob the Dominion of its natural advantages to the advantage of an ambitious and overreaching business rival.

BUTTER.

According to the official figures for the last calendar year, the exports of animal products from Canada amounted in that time to a value of \$52,674,344. the prevoius year the value was \$53,040,391. The falling off is attributable to the decline in the volume of butter shipments. As will be seen from the totals, this decline is not due to increases in the exports of cheese. Nor, unfortunately has there been any exceptional catering to the bacon industry, which is not advancing as it might and should. There are some who have a kind of authority for their argument, that the Canadian farmer is, like every other producer, looking for the easiest manner of getting the most money, and is consequently neglecting his dairy. It would presage calamity, if this were really the case, for without stable fertilizers, the land of Canada would become impoverished and lose its fertility completely.

It is much more likely that Canada consumes much more butter every year, owing to its increasing town population. Manufacturing interests are the life of a country. The farmer has good reason to rejoice in the falling away of exports, provided his home market is steadily improving. Keeping the money and the goods as well in the country is good doctrine. Great Britain has prospered upon it in bygone days, though she has attained to another platform now.

Under present arrangements, Canada ships a great deal of cream into the United States, under a customs duty of 6 cents a gallon. This is manufactured in the States, affording employment on that side of the boundary, which might very well be kept for Canadians. For it should be noted by political economists, whose foundation principle is the export of fully manufactured goods only, which is the goal aimed at by every well governed country that Canada's imports of butter in 1909 amounted to 687,454 pounds, worth \$104,-301. These imports into Canada, with the rate of duty that had to be paid on coming into the country, were as follows :-

Great Britain		45,837	lbs.	\$11,5,3	B r. 1	Pre	f. 3	c pe i	r l b.
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Turkey		240	66	65	4c	66	44	-	
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To be more explicit, the rates of duty upon butter in the countries with which we are most concerned, are:—

Canada—Free from Favoured Nations and British Possessions, including Denmark, Russia, Australia, Sweden, New Zealand, Argentine Republic, Norway and United States; otherwise 4 cents per lb.

Australia-6 cents per pound.

New Zealand—General Tariff, 30 per cent ad valorem. British Preferential Tariff, 20 per cent ad valorem. (Canada is entitled to the B.P. Tariff.)

Denmark—In hermetically scaled vessels, 4 7-8c per lb.: otherwise, free.

Argentine Republic-42-5c per pound.

United States—From Canada, free; otherwise, 6c per lb.

Sweden-2 2-5c per 1b.

Norway—Minimum Tariff, 14-5c per Ib. Maximum Tariff, 3c per Ib.

Russia-17-100c per lb.

It will be noticed that our foreign trade in butter has little effect upon the ultimate cost to the consumer. In fact, the present electoral discussions are making it to be more evident that protection is more important to the farmer than to anyone else. It is due to it, that the prices of natural products are high, as at present.

This being the case, as is undoubtedly true, the midsummer madness, which has seized him, to ask for the abrogation of the National Policy may, perhaps, be considered as a skilful hit of engineering on the part of the politicians to give a cheaper table to city dwellers, and to punish the countrymen for the trouble the Grain Growers' Association and other malcontents have caused the present Dominion administration.

EGYPTIAN OCCUPATION.

From before the days of the Shepherd Kings, which catres as back to remote antiquity, the occupation of Egypt has been the most important of questions to the great nations of the world. Its postion at the outlet of the Mediterranean, and at the gateway to the Orient gave it importance, while its phenomenal fertility made it to be really the granary of the empires. other wheat growing lands, the annual over-flow of the Nile, prevented its farmers from destroying the richness of the soil by constant cropping of grain. It was the battlefield of the earth long centuries before the Saracens broke over it, and forcibly annexed it to the Turkish Empire. If inertia appeared to have settled upon it for many years, the cause was to be sought in the fatalism of the Mohammedan creed even more than in the native indolence, not infrequent under tropical and semi-tropical skies.

England's presence in Egypt was due as much to Napeleon's invasion of the country as to anything else. The Crimean war was in its inception not without reference to England's position at that end of the Mediterranean, and her proximity to Constantinople, the Sterminum ad queru" of Russian diplomacy.

It has lately been given out somewhat authoritative by that when, in 1856, Ferdinand de Lesseps submit-

ted his plans for the construction of the Suez Canal to Lord Palmerston, then Prime Minister, the latter vigorously opposed the project with all the weight that he could bring to bear against it, on the ground that if the scheme were successful Great Britain, as the Power principally interested in the trade between Europe and the Orient, would irresistibly be drawn into more and more direct interference in Egypt, with the inevitable result of ultimate annexation.

The first part of Lord Palmerston's prophecy was fulfilled when England, having spent several years in vain attempts to reorganize the Egyptian finances and to reform the Egyptian Government administration, in opposition to the wishes of the Egyptian people, was forced, in 1882, to bombard Alexandria, and to establish a military occupation of the land of the Pharaohs which has lasted ever since. That the second portion of this masterful and prescient statesman's prediction is on the eve of fulfilment is the conviction of most of those Englishmen and foreigners who have kept in touch with Egyptian affairs during the last thirty or forty years, and who have been associated in one way or another with the problem created in international politics by the opening of the Suez Canal.

This is the construction placed upon the appointment of Field-Marshal Lord Kitchener to the office of British Agent in Egypt, in succession to the late Sir Eldon Gorst, but with vastly increased powers—with authority superior even to that enjoyed by Lord Cromer since it embraces the supreme command of all the British forces in Egypt and of the Anglo-Egyptian troops in the Soudan.

In one word, Kitchener's nomination to the Pro-Consulship of Egypt foreshadows the early annexation of that country by Great Britain as part and parcel of her vast Empire, either as a vassal State, such as those of India, subject wholly to English control and entirely free from any foreign interference, or else—and this is the more likely of the two—to be governed as a mere colonial dependency of the British crown, much in the same way as Malta, Ceylon, or Singapore.

The attitude of another great statesman, Lord Beaconsfield, towards the Suez Canal, has had much to do with what is believed England's present decision. Experience has proved the absolute necessity to England, of retaining the control of the canal. It has been evident for some time to the commercial world, that England could not afford to let go her hold upon Egypt. Mercantile investments of considerable extent, have been made there as a consequence. Egyptian bonds are largely held in England, the proceeds of which have been wisely expended in the Assonan dam, and other great public works, which have given stability to the country's production income.

In spite of the acknowledged success of the British administration, since the Arabi Pasha affair gave it a free hand, the Khedive has been in a treacherous mood towards England for years past. The encouragement given to the national movement, which is really aimed at the British occupation, in favour of Turkish domination with all its old evils, has led to bloodshed and murder already. It is well to remember that the movement does not contemplate rehabilitating an Egyptian nationality. That is probably impossible

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No doubt the Moroccan affair was somewhat adroitly timed by Germany. Great Britain could hardly refuse to help that empire in its schemes for the acquisition of territory, when it is making the transfer to itself of Egypt. France would be willing to see it accomplished. So would Germany—for a consideration.

Thus it is that high diplomacy regulates affairs.

LOWERING THE WAGE RATE.

It is at least interesting to note that there is a widespread opinion among United States bankers that the notable liquidation of stocks on the New York market points to an approaching readjustment of the wages scale of the country, and consequent labour troubles on a large scale. At the present stage of the world's history it is useless to expect workmen to understand that their remuneration must ebb and flow in consonance with the current of actual business. This fact it is which militates against the spread of the co-operative movement. Men are willing enough to share in profit-taking, but are simply unable to participate in the losses incidental to bad times. Homes have to be maintained, food, rent, and clothing must be paid for all the time. The workmen simply cannot co-operate with owners in this respect. Nor can he easily accommodate himself to serious changes in the wage rate, since his living rate is on the whole a fixed one, not to be easily, or readily reduced.

No doubt the workingmen are learning these matters through the experience of strikes and lockouts. Though we are told by those who understand the situation as the United States Steel Corporation sees it that the workmen are anticipating trouble along those lines and are preparing to resist the proposed liquidation.

"The millmen of the Pittsburg district are not organized to a noticeable extent, but nevertheless, when a reduction in wages is ordered the unorganized are as resentful as those affiliated with labour unions. A conflict between employer and employee seems on the calendar of future events, but it will not have such a depressing effect as some of the bears predict. Workmen are better educated than at any time to the country's history, and they can readily see that they can not uphold wages when the country is going through a process of readjustment along all lines. The workmen realize that to liquidate wages will bring about a lowering of the prices of commodities, and this feature they are anxious to have materialize."

It will probably be some time, however, before the law laid down by Karl Marx, that the rate of living increases or decreases with the rate of wages, will be understood by the ordinary workmen.

There can be no doubting the fact that at present the high wages paid in the States is telling against the industrial prosperity of the nation. Great Britan's trade policy provides the cheaper scale of living for her labourers and her commerce thrives accordingly.

Germany by her low rate of cost of production is becoming one of the world's greatest exporters. If the foreign trade of the United States is to increase proportionately its production rate must decrease, according to the best authorities. Now that the earth has got back into a state of equilibrium after the Russo-Japanese war, and other catachysms, we are in the realm of strict competition once more. It appears to be inevitable that wages will fall, and equally clear that labour troubles will follow. Canada can hardly hope to escape all connection with the immediate results, for here also the wage rate is rather dangerously high. In all probability, bankers are right in preparing for such eventualities now. If they could only be made to understand it, workmen will really not suffer any real or great loss. The living rate will submissively follow the wage rate in declining. Workers will not handle quite as much money, but its purchasing power will increase, probably, proportionately. farmers may have to submit to lower prices, and probably after their long run of prosperity they can well afford to do so.

THE AUTOMOBILE NUISANCE

Something will have to be done about the automobile dust nuisance. It is intolerable that wayside property should be depreciated in value by the dust raised by passing strangers. Summer resorters know well the misery of having their lawns and gardens ruined, and all comfort driven from the front verandahs, and living rooms by the swift passage of these machines. Agricultural journals are now agitating the matter, and generally suggest increasing the taxation on motor vehicles, especially the high-power ones, and using the fund thus created to alleviate the nuisance, by dustproof construction in some cases, and special palliative treatment in others. A thoughtful letter is contributed by J. B. Spencer, of the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa. After describing the injury on the excellent roads constructed around Ottawa by the Improvement Commission, Mr. Spencer concludes that an annual tax of fifty dollars a year should not be considered excessive for cars propelled by motors of forty horse-power and upwards. Other writers name sums ranging from twenty-five to fifty dollars as a reasonable license fee for high-power cars. Practically all agree that the increase of taxation should be more than proportionate to the horse-power.

In all probability there is no hope of legislation affording direct compensation to owners of property affected by dust. But it is quite reasonable to insist upon some treatment of the roads that will prevent, or at least alleviate the dust nuisance, the burden of such treatment to be contributed, not by the property-owners themselves, but by the motorists, in the form of license fees. This is eminently fair. Indeed, the majority of automobile owners will acknowledge the justice of it.

The suggestion has been made that motor cars be restricted to a specified low rate of speed when the roads are dusty. Who would enforce such a law? The class of people who are now using automobiles is the very last to obey the law of the road, without com-

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pulsion. Their disregard for speed notices proves that. No one doubts that, as one journal puts it, the question is almost wholly of taxation, which, in all equity, should be high enough to cover every dollar's worth of injury done to roads, crops, and person. The distribution of the proceeds should aim at abating the dust nuisance and other ills for which their new form of locomotion is directly responsible.

Unless the State takes care of the roads they use, and destroy, they would not appear to be any especial justice about imposing a larger tax on automobiles than at present from the central authority. If County and Township Councils are responsible for the maintenance of roads, some power of imposing a tax upon these machines would at first sight appear to belong to them by right. But this would probably bring into use again the old highly objectionable toll bar system. No one wants that, and yet how otherwise could Township Councils collect money from automobiles for the repair of the roads?

Perhaps the matter goes a little deeper than appears at first sight. The present system seems to be quite incapable of giving good roads to the country. Canadian highways are, in general, among the very worst in the world at present. It is almost likely that the automobile is going to be a factor for good in this respect. It may lead to an enquiry into the principle of the matter, which shall end in doing away with the present slip-shod method, and give us a commission to build and care for roads, which shall make sure of their permanent construction, and among other things of their dust-proof material. Canada is well supplied with paving materials of various kinds. It is only a matter of utilizing them properly.

Ontario has some \$20,000,000 invested in automobiles already, this province perhaps about as much, everything considered. There are potentialities in these large sums, in connection with highway construction, which should receive legislative attention. The owners of automobiles will register no sections protest if the tax upon their machines is for the purpose of wisely attending to the roads upon which they travel.

INVESTMENTS IN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

In the early, development, days of a country, outside funds are necessary to its growth. Capital has to be brought in, as seed. If it is to become great without long delay, it must have money for its transportation service, its mines, its factories, and its municipalities. Other countries will ordinarily have to supply this need, for the new land will require all the local cash for its smaller, perhaps, more pressing needs. Just when a new country has become rich enough to take up its own bonds, and do its borrowing from its own citizens, importing no more capital than its commercial exchanges entitle it to, must be left for time to decide. Probable, close calculation could settle the question upon a safe percentage basis, calculated from population, bank reports, and natural resources. Certainly common experience shows that Canada is some distance yet from being able to dispense with the outside foreign investor.

The United States is evidently feeling its way in that direction, whether prematurely or not time alone The new postal savings banks are the vehicles whereby the new state of things is being introduced, and apparently the movement has escaped the observation of financial authorities on the other side of Bankers generally have opposed the the boundary. foundation of these institutions, which are common to the other nations of the world, on the ground that it means the intrusion of the State into their own especial domain. But the public appear to have adopted the idea very readily. A month ago, that is at the close of business August 18, the Treasurer of the United States had accepted from the depositors' banks as security for postal savings, deposits bonds aggregating \$9,103,288. The Treasurer had on hand bonds aggregating \$2,770,000, which were being mvestigated. In the first twelve days of their operation the four firstclass post offices designated as postal savings banks received in deposits aggregate sums as follows: New York City, \$53,028; Chicago, \$108,310; Boston, \$26,-722, and St. Louis, \$19,981.

The noticeable feature about the new system, which appears to go beyond popular expectation in its ultimate effect deserves attention. It is provided that no one depositor can have more than \$500 to his credit, but this limitation is practically set aside by the provison that if the \$500 is invested in Government bonds a new account may be opened. These bonds are issued in denominations of \$20, \$40, \$60, \$80, as well as \$100 and multiples of that sum up to \$500. In this way small amounts that formerly were not available for bond investments may now be utilized in this way.

In consequence of this new policy, a very large body of investors can obtain Government securities and so National bonds find their way into the hands of small buyers. It is the appearance of these investors in the bond market which has made the postal savings bank experiment an unexpected success. The desire to find a market for the Panama bonds was the main reason which prompted the Taft Administration to take up and deliberately adopt the postal savings bank idea, and the highest anticipations entertained in advance have been realized.

The borrowing from its own people on a large scale which is thus inaugurated, may mark the definite beginning in the States of the new order of things this article refers to. Great Britain's Consolidated Debt Funds, commonly designated as Consols, tapped the internal reservoirs of capital within the Kingdom, in somewhat similar manner. Possibly the revelation of the intrinsic wealth of the nation awaiting secure investment may work a revolution. United States Capital may be induced to remain at home. not need advertisement outside of the Republic itself. The dropping off of the exports of purely natural, or, to be more precise, agricultural products, warns of the approach of the day when exchange will not be so easily negotiated as at present. It is in fact altogether likely that the people of that country are, whether aware of it or not, ready for the opportunity to depend upon their own acquired capital, and to finance their own undertakings.

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part of the general public, will tend to draw together the several States into a closer more nationalistic bond. The dream of Washington was not of a Republic of independent loosely connected States. It was that of an imperial entity built up by a solid unity of feeling, and of aim. And it may yet come about through the the drawing power of finance, and the curious autocratic power the Presidential office has developed of late years.

LEVANTINE ROBBERY.

So much trickery has been played upon Canadians, as well as other merchants, by shippers of raw materials and foreign textiles from the Mediterranean, that the news of the identification of one set of the rascals will be received with great satisfaction. It is in carpets, cheap silks, embroideries and jute goods that Montrealers have been most commonly swindled. But the method is generally the same in all cases, depending upon the smoothness and wiliness of the oriental or southerner for their successful carrying out.

A leading textile trade paper tells us that: "The British Chamber of Commerce in Smyrna supplies the names of some of those distinguished rascals who prey on unsuspecting buyers of raw material. They have been heard of principally in relation with wool, and one of the latest and neatest of their exploits has been to induce a Barcelona firm to pay close on a thousand pounds for 'best white washed wool.' As usual, the wool on arrival proved to be inferior cow hair. The losses of Bradford, Dewsbury, Hull, and other wool firms, should sufficiently have warned the wool trade against any Levantine strangers; but it also behoves the cotton buyers to be on their guard. The method the Smyrna swindlers pursue is to quote cotton a little cheaper than any honest holder is likely to do, ship refuse, and draw cash against documents.

A Mr. Kevork Vemian, holder of a power of attorney from his father, Agop K. Vemian, was the illustrious leader of the original band; and with him were Assadur Garabetian, Yanco Ladopoulo, and Vassil Tara. All of them have seen the finside of a jail, and Vassil Tara (otherwise Antoine Tara Fils) is now the Ali Baba of the piece. Georges Papuzzakis and Co. and Antoine Gabelly, among others, play 'bonnet' to the arch-swindler by providing him with references. Posing as merchants and bankers, and signing their letters in fictitious names, these enterprising parties work up a quite respectable illusion. They have plenty of money for expenses; for according to local estimates, Mr. Tara is making at least £100 a week by his samples and offers."

In most civilized countries the discovery of such an unprincipled gang and of their nefarious operations would be followed by arrests. Apparently, however, the old piratical spirit of the corsairs has not yet passed away in that particular quarter of the world, and our merchants will only have the satisfaction of knowing that publicity is the best method available of fighting such cattle. This particular nest will be disturbed, and also well watched, for a time. It might be well, if those of our merchants who have suffered from similar trickery would communicate with the British Cham-

ber of Commerce at Smyrna, as well as with the British Board of Trade, with a view of turning all the glare possible upon their rookeries.

PARTNERSHIP INSURANCE.

Partnership insurance has come to stay. In five years there will be as much of this form of insurance written as all others combined. It is a necessity that a business concern cannot afford to be without. Business men protect their store, buildings stock and fixtures by fire insurance. They protect their losses by accident, through liabinty insurance. protect their losses through bad debts by credit insurance. Iney cannot overlook a certain loss-that is, the certain death of one or more of the members of the firm, and the natural actual loss the firm would sustain by the death of any of its managing partners, for each partner in a business is a part and parcel of that business and an actual necessityotherwise he would not be in the business and a great loss would come in the event of death. Oftentimes the death of a member of a business corporation or firm causes its dissolution for various reasons.

Some are that the firm cannot afford to settle with the estate of the deceased, and cannot afford to load the business with dead timbers; or the deceased member was the financial backbone of the business, the salesman or buyer and oftentimes on account of the death of one member, loans are called on the firm by their banks and a thousand other good reasons. How easy it is for a business firm, writes Loren B. Williamson in the N.Y. Insurance Press, to cover such an emergency, by protection through a partnership life insurance policy. If sufficient insurance is carried, the firm has, in event of death of any of its members, the cash to buy out the interest of the deceased member and a balance of cash on hand to meet other emergencies.

By taking policies with certain paid up cash privileges at stated periods, in the event no member of the firm dies during a given period, the money has been well and wisely invested, and the cost of carrying this protection for those years this policy has run, amounts to almost nil.

A business concern pays the premium on its fire policies, simply for the protection it affords to the business and it is good business to do so. That same firm can pay the premium on a partnership policy and if no death occurs among the partners a great portion of the money will be returned at stated periods name in the policies, or paid up policies are issued in lieu thereof.

It enhances the credit of the concern with their banks and their manufacturers, for the bank oftentimes believes in the honesty of its borrowers, but looks to the time of the death of one or more of its members and the natural result, the loss often sustained financially and other wise. The manufacturer cannot be other than pleased at the firm who, buying large bills of goods, are safeguarding its interest through this Partnership insurance could and will be carried even further-to the homes of the poor families as well as the rich. A life insurance company could well afford to issue a family policy, a contract covering the members of families of those up to and not beyond certain ages, so that in the event of death of any member of the family the policy would be payable to the survivors or to the surviving head of that family. Even the poor workingman could protect his family from financial loss in the event of the death of any one of them through this medium of protection.

Partnership insurance is now the real insurance that the business world is clamoring for, and it won't be long before all good companies will be issuing "Family Partnership" or "Home Partnership Insurance" as they may be pleased to style it. Time brings out the enlargement of all lines of industrial pursuits. The insurance business has a wider field, a better field for the lightening of the burdens of mankind than all other lines of business combined. To the business man "Protection" is the watchword, whether it be in business circles or around the family fireside.

PHILIPPINE SILK.

That the conditions for the cultivation of the sinkworm in the Philippines are very good is the opinion of U.S. Consulteneral George E anderson, writing in the daily consular and trade reports. He says:—

"Announcement is made by the Bureau of Science of the Government of the Philippines that the prospects for the successful curtivation of the silkworm in one Philippines are considered very satisfactory.

The matter has been under investigation for some time, not only as a prospective means of increasing the productive possibilities of the islands generally, but as a means of furnishing silk for use in connection with industries already well established. The Philippine Islands for many years have been famous for certain fabrics moved by the people from native fibers, among them, for example, being the well-known 'jusi,' or pineapply-fiber cloth. In the weaving of various forms of this cloth considerable silk is used for mixing fibers and for varying designs. The imports of silk into the Philippines in the fiscal year 1910 amounted to \$635,514, as compared with \$497.555 in the previous year and \$534,611 in the fiscal year 1908. Imports during the current fiscal year are running still greater. More than one-fourth of the total imports are in the form of varn and thread. About 95 per cent of this supply comes from China. Of the silk-piece goods imports Japan furnishes about one-third, the imports from that country amounting to \$128,369 in the last fiscal year. The rest of the business is divided among France, Germany, the United States and various other countries in the order named.

The experiments in silk culture in the Philippines by the bureau of science have been conducted under the direction of Dr. C. S. Banks, chief of the division of entomology. Experts from various countries who have looked into the matter, including an expert from Italy, have declared that the prospects of silk raising in the islands are brighter in some respects than those in any other country, even in those now producing the world's supply of silk. The experiments in the islands were first conducted with worms imported from Ceylon, where for several years a peculiar breed of worms has been produced, the cocoons of which are a bright golden yellow. These worms have been crossed with a Japanese breed, the cross producing a pure white cocoon and giving a crop nine times per year as compared with the usual two or three crops per year with the usual Japanese and Chinese breeds of worms.

There is no question but that many portions of the Philippines are especially adapted to silk culture from a climatic The Phinppine manner of living also suits the standpoint. needs of silk culture in all essential respects particularly in the fact that it renders possible the light work of women and children, so essential to the economical production of silk. It has been well known for many years among the Chinese that silk-growing possibilities in the Philippines are immense, but the introduction of the industry by Chinese has been prevented by the Chinese exclusion act to some extent and also by the fact that Chinese labour in the Philippines has been more valuable for other purposes than silk culture. The fact that a ready home market will take all silk produced for some time to come offers exceptional advantages to silk culture in the islands, and the possibilties of its future extension are practically without limit."

UNCHANGING MODE OF SILK CULTURE.

The culture of the silkworm is carried on by the Chinese in this section in much the same way as that employed by their ancestors a thousand years ago. Little attention has been paid to improving the cocoons, guarding against disease, or raising the standard of the recled product and it is a matter of wonder that working with the most primitive methods they succeed in producing as high a grade of silk as they do.

Récent years have heard repeated complaints from foreign manufacturers as to the quality of silk sold them but no attempt has been made by the silk producers of this section

to follow modern scientific methods in vogue in Japan and Europe. Until this is done there is little probability that any great advance in the local silk market will be experienced. There are two factors working against the introduction of foreign methods and machinery: The conservatism of the silk-growers and their nmited purchasing capacity. few up-to-date filatures which have been tried in the past, have only taught them caution for, through inexperience in handling and expensive management, these filatures have caused large losses to their owners, and hence the producers lend deaf ears to the argument that modern filatures, properly handled, would soon pay for the initial outlay by improving the quality and consequently increasing the value of the silk and in reducing the proportion of waste. Again, in the press and by imperial edicts, the people have been exhorted to pay the greatest heed to the silk industry, and provincial and local officials have been commanded to nourish it. but no other encouragement has been afforded by either the central or provincial governments

The most important factor in the Canton silk export trade is raw silk, classed as white, yellow, wild, and steam filature. In order to obtain a perspective for the year under review, it is necessary to turn back half a decade and trace the progress of the trade to date.

The following table gives the number of bales of raw silk exported to Europe and the United States between 1906 and 1909.—

Whither exported:	1906.	1907.	1908.	1909.
Europe	32.071	36,187	27,982	30 495
United States	9,852	8.097	15,146	12.553
Total	41,923	44 284	43,128	43,048

The average weight of a bale of raw silk is 80 catties (106 lb.) and the average price during 1910 was \$850 Mexican, which at 42.1 cents equals \$357.85 gold.

THE BRITISH STRIKES.

Considering the magnitude of the interests involved, it is little to be wondered at that the great strike in England was watched with anxiety the whole world over. The expeditiousness with which matters were finally arranged has excited a good deal of surprise among foreigners. For instance, a leading U.S. financiai journal says:—

"The British railway strike, which affected two hundred thousand railroad employees, was speedily settled in a way which ought to challenge imitation in the United States. Railroad and industrial concerns of all kinds are only fractions of the general business community, and neither they nor their employees have any right to provoke or continue labour disturbances which interfere with the general well-being. The English strike, like similar troubles in this country, upset everything and the distress thus occasioned was simply appalling.

It was consideration for the general welfare which induced the government to intervene and insist upon the submission of all the questions at issue to arbitration. If the committee before which the case of the men and the companies will be lieard fails to settle the difficulty, the government itself will assume the role of arbiter.

Strikes ought never to be permitted. Wherever there are differences between workmen and their employers there should be arbitration and not a strike. This arbitration should be compulsory, and not left to the ideas and wishes of the parties to the dispute. General business and the interests of a whole community or of a State should not be put in jeopardy by the act of any firm or corporation or of any body of workingmen.

Of necessity, this question is more complicated in the United States than it is in Great Britain.

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ffic inperishable food supplies which could not be delivered. As the trunk lines pass through many States, their operation cannot be regulated by State laws, while in England where there is but one central government dealing with strikes, the matter is more simple. Arbitration of labour troubles should be taken in hand by the Department of Commerce and Labour when the disturbance assumes an insterstate character, and by the State labour department, when the difficulties are local in effect. The lesson of the English strike ought not to be lost upon those who have the shaping of the labour policy of the Federal and State Governments on this side of the water."

INSURANCE NOTES.

--Mr. R. R. Martin, formerly on the Canadian head office staff of the Norwich Union Fire, Toronto, has been appointed inspector for Ontairo of the Atlas Assurance Company, in succession to Mr. C. E. Saunders.

-Another new law in New Jersey is likely to trouble the insurance companies—the life insurance companies this time. Here is a paragraph from section 16 of chapter 196 of the laws of 1911:- "Should there be, at the time of the application to the overseer for relief, or should thereafter be, any insurance written upon the life of any such applicant, the proceeds of such insurance shall be devoted, first toward the payment to the overseer or municipality of all such sums as may have been paid or incurred in the maintenance and reliet of such applicant before any part of such proceeds shall be paid to the person otherwise designated as beneficiary in the policy of insurance, but no action shall lie against any estate when it shall be shown to the satisfaction of the court that the estate is needed to prevent the widow or minor children of said pauper from becoming dependent." Officers of life insurance companies express the opinion that the law is likely to cause no end of trouble to the companies. In almost every case beneficiaries will not be aware that the insured at some time during his or her life receive assistance from a municipality and that such alms have become a first lien on any policy of insurance issued before or after the relief was given. A wide door for trouble may have been opened by this enactment .- N.Y. Insurance Press.

Fatal accidents have a bearing on mortality rates, we all know but it is an interesting surmise as to what extent. One of the American companies recently conducted a mortality investigation, and the result was to show that the greatest claimant of human life is tuberculosis following which accidents account for the next largest number of deaths. But that is in America, where it is quite a common incident of travel to pass the remains of a wrecked train, and where human life is generally regarded as "cheap." If, however, account could be taken of illnesses arising directly or indirectly from accidents trivial in themselves then some very remarkable returns would be compiled. That however, is not the basis of onis American company's figures, and we are not, says the London Review, inclined to regard them as other than local.

—L'Union Fire Insurance Co., of Paris, which recently took out a Dominion license, has now established an agency in Winnipeg. W. Sandford Evans and Co. have undertaken to represent this company. The L'Union Fire Insurance Co. was established in 1828, and is one of the strongest of the European companies. Its assets on December 31st, 1910, are shown as \$35,534,748; its net premium income for 1910 was \$4 651,840.

—The resignation of four directors of the Home-Life Assurance of Canada, and the filling of their places by four directors of the Union Life Assurance Company, would seem to indicate the transfer of the control of the former company to the latter. Those who resigned from the directorate of the Home-Life at a recent meeting were: Messrs. J. R. Stratton, president; D. W. Karn, Rolph and Burns. Their places were filled by Messrs. H. Pollman Evans, who will be president of the company: W. H. Carrie, H. Symons, K.C., and Dr. G. E. Millchamp, all of whom are also directors of the Union Life Assurance Company.

FIRE INSURANCE LOSSES IN MINNESOTA.

*A tabulation has been made of the premiums and losses for 1910 in Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluta, which helps account for the large number of retirements of fire insurance companies from that State. The premiums in Minneapolis last year were \$1,963,618 and the losses \$2,009,000. The loss ratio for 1911 will also be very unfavourable, owing to the heavy loss on the Syndicate block this year. In St. Paul the premiums were \$1,065,230 and the losses \$733,095, while in Duluth the premiums were \$605,234 and the losses \$545,492. In Minneapolis, where the loss ratio was the highest, some of the companies having loss ratios of approximately 100 per cent and over are as follows:—

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	Premaums.	Losses.	
Aetna	\$32,229	\$31,676	
American N.J	25,178	31,754	
American National	3 557	4.014	
Buffalo German	11.207	12,114	
Calumet	13,832	13,614	
Camden	13,722	23,735	
Citizens	14.675	17,875	
City of N.Y	6,734	7.745	
Concordia	4 902	5~615	
Connecticut	16,160	17,553	
County	14,526	20.804	
Dubuque	10,767	18,711	
Franklin	5,084	6,013	
Fidelity-Phenix	29 840	37,224	
Fire Association	27,501	30,690	
Fireman's Fund	22,494	46,819	
Franklin	12.251	17,263	
German-American	33,294	39.322	
Hartford	86.295	112 808	
Home	51,162	59,924	
Jefferson	4,135	10,475	
Mechanics and Traders	5,106	8.193	
National, Conn	39,610	47 817	
National Union	37.123	37,925	
New Hampshire	21,160	48,512	
Pennsylvania	8,765	9.816	
Springfield	31.977	32 534	
Caledonian	11,634	18.061	
Commercial Union	13 201	23,834	
London	8,076	12,325	
London and Lancashire	19.316	22,761	
Northern England	28,245	29,422	
Norwich Union	16 692	19,983	
Palatine	9,451	15,38a	
Phoenix, England		22.484	
Prussian National	19.725	52,437	
Royal.	39 093	41,514	
Sun, England	14,458	23,534	
Millers' Mutual, Ill	3,154	17,250	
Mill Owners' Mutual	1.831	13.000	
Ohio Millers' Mutual	3 156	19,000	
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In Duluth a majority of the companies had a loss ratio of over 100 per cent and a large number had a similar record in St. Paul.

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The time is coming, and perhaps is already here, when the world's yearly demand for manufacturers can be supplied for fifty weeks' work or less in the year by the producers. That is now the fact in the textile industry, and even more so in shoe manufacturing. In the former a shutdown for a week or two, or even for a longer period, is getting to be the rule, and in this State says the Curier Citizen of Lowell. Mass., all the shoes wanted are made in much less than a year's time. In some cities the factories are run only about half time, or two three-month seasons. The fact is that all over the world machinery has so increased and been so perfected that its output even on short time is sufficient for all wants. That means more loafing hours for the workers, rather more, indeed, than they care to enjoy.

DISCOVERY REGARDING OIL ADULTERATION.

A notable contribution to science based on a discovery of very considerable economic importance has been made by A. E. Outerbridge, Jr. Others like him have done likewise, but the instance of the successful outcome of the individual's persistence and study is one thing and the generosity of giving to all interested the opportunity to utilize the fruits of the labours is another and the circumstance well merits this special word. Mr. Outerbridge's discovery was given formal publicity in the shape of a paper read before the American Society for Testing Materials. It is that minute quantities of adulterants of high-priced animal or vegetable oils lend the property of fluorescence to the entire mass of the oil and that even the percentage of adulteration may be gauged by ocular inspection. It is not the first public service the discoverer has performed in his now over forty years' professional service. It is to him we owe our early knowledge, that the tumbling operation removes the internal stresses common in cast material, and if memory serves rightly, says the Iron Age, his name is closely linked with the use of ferro-

The point respecting the adulteration of high cost oils. like linseed, is not only that one is sometimes paying far more than the product is worth, but the resultant mixture does not really meet the requirements as wed as the pure product. This is particularly true with the use of treated linseed in core making in the foundry. An equipment of precise physical apparatus for diverting for use the invisible or actinic rays of sunlight is not necessary, but the reflected light of an enclosed are light in a room of otherwise diffused light serves to develop the fluorescence visible to the human eye. short the method is intensely suited to daily use in the industrial establishment, requiring neither chemical analysis nor highly skilled operatives. A boy with a bottle of a suspected sample may ascertain the amount of adulteration by comparing the degree of fluorescence with a row of sample bottles of known adulteration. From the scientific side Mr. Outerbridge has intimated that the investigation in fluoresence may open up the study of the question of the true origin of mineral oils. He pointed out that both mineral oils and resin oils are hydrocarbons, but the one has not yet been rendered saponifiable, a latent discovery of high monetary

WHY ARE WOOLLENS BETTER THAN WORSTEDS?

The above raises the very interesting question why woolmade fabrics are usually better than those made on the worsted principle. The reason is not far to seek. If a man wants show and effect in design then he can obtain that far better in a worsted frabric than in woollens; but if strength. then let him go to a wool-made fabric. Very seldom are worsted materials milled or felted; but the milling of woollen fabrics is an important operation in their manufacture. for the purpose of imparting strength. We cannot say offhand what has to be the strength of the khaki fabrics required by the British Government; but every piece, before being passed by the War Office, says the Textile Mercury, is put through a machine, and has to undergo a very heavy test for strength both warp and weft way, to withstand which the fabrics must be made out of the best and soundest merino and fine crossbred wool; no worsted cloth would stand the test. The specification that American grown wool has to be used in the production of these fabrics is also in favour of home-grown raw material, and on that account the present move is bound to meet with the approval of the runk and file, although it will hardly suit manufacturers who are especially equipped for the production of worsted cloths. The War Department has been paying something like 9s 6d per yard for a 22-ounce worsted 55 inches wide, and 5s 4d and upwards for a 13-ounce worsted cloth; and the change is expected to save from 2s to 3s 6d per yard.

WORLD'S COTTON CROP AND PRICES.

In our last week's issue attention was called to the fact that it is premature to quote low prices for cotton in the Southern States, in view of the deterioration of the crop in some parts of the world. News has reached us that "hold cotton for 13 cents" is the advice to be formally given to farmers' organizations by a committee consisting of Senators Williams, of Mississippi, and Owen, of Oklahoma, and Representative Burleson of Texas, representing a conference in Washington of Senators and Representatives from seven cotton growing States. A committee will urge the State banking associations to co-operate against the bearish movement of the speculators.

The committee issued a statement, which read:-

It seemed to be the opinion of all that there was a preconcerted effort being made, principally through the instrumentality of the speculative element of the New York Cotton Exchange, to break down the price of cotton. It was the opinion of all that the present statistical condition of cotton did not justify the lowness of present quotations and that the estimate of 15 000,000 bales was unjustified by any facts upon which a prediction could be sanely based, and that, moreover, even if a 15,000,000 bale crop were in sight the world's supplies still probably would fall short of the world's demand for cot ton to the extent of more than 1,000,000 bales because of the exhaustion of the present visible supply of carried over spot cotton

In other words, that with a 15000,000 bale American crop the world's crop for 1911 would sum up only 25.000,000 bales, with 140,000,000 of spindles creating an active demand for 26000,000 bales. This opinion was based upon the latest advices from Egypt. India. China and other cotton producing countries.

BRITISH TRADE OUTLOOK.

The London "Economist" of August 26 says: "It may perhaps be conceded that the outlook for general trade is not quite so sunny as it was then. Certainly the strikes have resulted in a good deal of loss and suffering. Several of the lig lines have lost very heavily. On the other hand, some important settlements have been achieved, and where is reason now to hope that the labour unrest in this country was gradually disappear. Most important of an, from the investor's point of view, are the details of the settlement, and here the shareholder, at any rate, has reason to be grateful to the Government. According to an official statement, the Government has given an assurance to the railway companies that they will propose to Parliament next session legislation providing that an increase in the cost of labour due to the improvement of conditions for the staff would be a valid justification for a reasonable general increase of charges within the legal maxima, if challenged, under the Act of 1894." Thus, for the first time it has at last been recognized that the railways are entitled to a fair yield on their capital, and that it by the intervention of the State their labour bill is increased they will be entitled, like other traders, to make an increase in charges. Looking at this proposition for the moment solely from the standpoint of the shareholders, we think there can be no doubt that it constitutes a guarantee of the utmost valee to home investors. Nor have they anything to fear from the movement, evidently inspired, which is being pressed in some ministerial newspapers in favour of the nationalization of the railways. Such a step would, in our opinion, be bad for the taxpayers, bad for politics and bad for the travelling public. But it would almost certainly be carried out on terms favourable to investors who would in future pocket a dividend guaranteed by the taxpayers, and need no longer entertain the smallest anxiety about the conditions of trade or the efficiency of the lines."

-The salmon pack of British Columbia for the year is estimated at 750 000 cases, which is a fair one.

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The Montreal Board of Trade's report upon shipments from the Port of Montreal, from the opening of navigation until the end of August shows considerable increase over the shipments for the corresponding period of last year. Wheat, peas, buckwheat and cheese are exceptions to the general rule. The figures are as follows:—

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	1911.	1910.
Wheat, bushels	8,873 325	10,314,880
Corn, bushels	4,361,350	691,800
Peas, bushels	. 9,566	17,138
Oats, bushels	4,751,920	3,168,553
Barley, bushels	35,227	342,121
Rye, bushels	$\mathbf{n}_{1}\mathbf{l}$	nil
Buckwheat, bushels	17,141	63,661
Flaxseed, bushels	940	\mathbf{nil}
Flour, sacks	1 011,553	*540,284
Meal, sacks	*56,025	*13,730
Pot and Pearl Ashes, brls	171	249
Eggs, cases	nil	nil
Butter, boxes	63,051	18,028
Cheese boxes	926,936	929,668
Pork, barrels	1,183	61
Lard, barrels	274,552	227,667
Hams, and Bacon, pkgs	15,226	16,396
Meats. pkgs	88,791	64,999
Apples, barrels	1,078	584
Hay, bales	415,912	299,295

^{*}Flour and meal were in barrels last year and sacks this year.

COTTON GROWING IN KOREA.

The cotton growing industry of Korea is one on which great hopes are set, and considerable efforts are being made to foster it. The "National Review" (Shanghai) states that the cotton-cultivation association formed under official auspices in 1905, devotes itself to encouraging the cultivation of the upland species of American cotton. It produced in 1909 about 400,000 lb. from 1,000 acres, and this year will own plantations covering 7,500 acres. The ground available for cotton in Korea is estimated at 1,300,000 acres, of which it is said that 600,000 acres will be planted with upland cotton by 1917.

Reports are now to hand of the proposed formation of another company for raising cotton in Korea, promoted by business men in Japan. and approved by the Government General. The capital will be about half a million sterling (one-quarter paid up at formation), and operations will commence with the purchase of 12.500 acres of cotton lands to be cultivated by tenants. Should anticipations be realized, Korea will before long be able to supply a good proportion of raw material to the Japanese mills. The cotton district will be served by the Honam Railway. We learn also, says the Textile Mercury, that owing to the discontinuance of the subsidy of the Japanese Government to sugar-beet growers in Korea most of the land in that country now devoted to beets will be used to grow cotton.

RAILROAD EARNINGS.

Gross earnings of all United States rancoads reporting to date for the month of August were practically the same as a year ago, the total amounting to \$37,706,395, a decrease of only \$2,289 as compared with the earnings of the same roads for the corresponding month last year. While the returns this month are not especially satisfactory, they make a more favourable comparison with a year ago than refer the preceding months, in July the same roads reporting a loss of \$102,908, or 0.3 per cent, in June \$549,424, or 1.5 per cent, and in May \$41,244 or 0.1 per cent. For the fourth week in August almost every system included in the statement report more or less decrease, but for the entire month the losses are not so general a number of leading roads reporting gains which were

about sufficient to offset the smaller returns in other directions. In the following table are given the earnings of all United States roads reporting to date for the month of August and the loss as compared with the earnings of the same roads for the corresponding period a year ago; also for practically the same roads in the two preceding months, together with the percentages of losses compared with last year:—

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					1911.			Cent.
August	 ٠.	 ٠.	 ٠.		\$37,706,395	Loss	\$2,289	0.0
July	 	 	 		35,562,383	Loss	549 424	1.5
June	 	 	 		37.099.275	Loss	41.244	. 0 1

Canadian Pacific Railway return of traffic earnings from September 1 to 7, 1911, \$2,230,000; 1910 \$1,958,000; increase, \$272,000.

TRANSVAAL DIAMOND OUTPUT.

The following is the official return of the diamond production of the Transvaal for the half year January to June, 1911. Number of concerns (excluding individual diggers and prospectors), which contributed to the output, 6; average monthly number of individual diggers who contributed to the output, 300; number of loads washed (inclusive of 16 692 loads tailings), 4,107.733; production, 852.719 carats; value, £659,968.

Statistical ye	ar—	Carats.	Value.
1902-3		33,572.57	£ 40 385
1903-4		497,917.14	685,720
1904-5		995,002.51	1,198,530
1905-6		768.406.21	968,229
1906-7		1,545 335.73	2,203,511
1907-8		2,184,490.32	1,879,551
1908-9		1.929,491.83	1,295,296
1909-10		2,098 527.71	1,317,479
1910, July-Dec.		942,288.71	607,024
1911, JanJune		852,719.07	659,968

From this statement it will be seen that the totals for the official year 1910-11 are 1,795,007.78 carats, value £1.206.992. The total number of carats is lower, therefore, than it has been since 1906-7 and the total value lower than since the period 1905-6. It will be noted, however, that for a smaller total weight in carats a greater price has been obtained than in the last half of 1910.

TRANSVAAL GOLD OUTPUT.

Transvaal gold output, as reported for the month of August, was 713.407 ounces, against 709,258 in July, and 649-269 in August, 1910. This August output is the highest monthly record in the Transvaal's history. It compares as follows, in sterling values, with other preceding months:—

	1911.	1910.	1909.
August	£ $3.024.845$	£2,757.919	£2,597.646
July	3,012,738	2,713,083	2,636.965
June	2,907,854	$2\ 655.602$	2,681,818
May		2,693,785	2,652.699
April	2836267	2.629,535	2.578,804
March	2.871.740	2.578,877	2,580,498
February	2.594.634	$2\ 445\ 088$	2.400,892
January	2.765.386	2.554,451	2,612,836

—Galt voters have carried a by-law to spend \$5,000 on extensions of the water works system, and \$5,000 in installing Hydro power at the station. The vote was small.

-Over 60,000 cotton employees have returned to work in the United States and most of the mills recently closed temporarily, are resuming operations.

FIRE RECORD.

The losses by fire in the United States and Canada during the month of August, as compiled by our New York namesake, aggregate \$12 662,650, as compared with \$21,570,550 for August last year, when forest fires contributed considerably to the total. The losses by fire since January 1 this year reach the sum of \$167,655,550, as against \$147,647,360 for the first eight months of 1910, an increase of over \$20,000. Ine following table gives a comparison by months for this and the two preceding years:—

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	1909.	1910.	1911.
January	. \$22,735.000	\$15,175,400	\$21,922,450
February		15,489,350	16,415.000
March		18,465,550	31,569.800
April	. 19.345300	18,091,800	17,670,550
May	. 17 360,400	18,823,200	21,422.000
June		13,183,600	20.691.950
July	7 = 000 000	26,847,900	25,301,150
August		$21,\!570,\!550$	12,662,650
Total 8 months	. \$136,056.900	\$147,647 350	, 167.655,550
September	. 15.043,000	11.700,000	
October		37,188,300	
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December	. 19.975,500	21,528,000	
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Total	. \$203,649,150	\$234,470,650	

The fires during August this year were widely scattered throughout the country, and there were no less than 256 which caused a property loss of \$10,000 or over in each instance. A detailed list of these fires in Canada are as follow: -South Porcupine Ont., general store, \$25,000; Montreal, Que., $dwellings,\ \$50,\!000\,;\ Lakeside,\ Que.,\ dwellings,\ \$20.000\,;\ Mont$ real, Que., funeral directors' office and dwelling, \$17 000; Florenceville, N.B., business block, \$40,000; Toronto, Ont., dwellings \$12,000; Charlottetown, P.E.I., condensed milk factory, \$50,000; Tupperville, Ont., hotel, \$30,000; Vancouver, B.C., store and dwellings, \$15,000; Ottawa, Ont., grocery warehouse and other. \$100,000; Vancouver, B.C., Chinatown, \$25, 000; Ottawa, residence \$15,000; Thurso, Que., convent. \$20,-000; West Toronto, ice house and cars, \$25.000; Salmon River, N.S., church, \$30,000; Montreal, planing mill sasn and door factory, \$67,000.

Fire Sept. 6 broke out in the wooden shapbuilding yard of Robert Morrill, Collingwood, Ont., and destroyed the large workshop containing the stock and machinery. The loss will be \$5,000, with \$2,000 insurance in the Montreal Canada Co.

The cheese box factory owned and operated by S. Vander-voort at Sidney, Ont., was destroyed by fire Sept. 2 with contents.

the frame barn of Geo. Ashley, at Belleville, Ont., was gutted by fire Sept. 6.

A fine barn on Mr. Edward Budd's property in Hamilton townships, about three miles from Cobourg. Ont., was destroyed by fire, Sept. 7. A valuable team of horses was gotten out but the building and contents including all of Mr. Budd's farm implements, fifteen tons of hay, a large quantity of fall wheat and oats, were burned. There is some insurance.

Fire Sept. 7 broke out in the big brick stable and storehouse at Roy's Brewery, Front Street, Belleville, Ont., which was gutted, and a large frame barn adjoining, also owned by Mr. Roy, was destroyed. Loss over \$2,500 covered by insurance.

Tramps are blamed for the burning of barns and outbuildings, with contents, of Joseph Winters, on Sarnia Road, near Hyde Park, Ont., Sunday. Loss \$3,000; partly covered by insurance.

The stable of L. H. Goulet 482 St. Denis Street, was gutted by fire Wednesday. A horse, 5 carriages, and 10 bales of hay were destroyed. Loss \$2,000.

Eight horses perished in a fire which broke out Tuesday in the horse barns of Hiram Walker and Sons, at Walkerville, Ont. Loss, \$3,000.

The large mills of the Howard Cooperage and Lumber Co.,

Ridgetown Ont., were destroyed by fire Tuesday. The plant has been closed for the past two or three years on account of the scarcity of timber, but was opened last spring by T. J. Johnstone, and the Leitch Brothers, and was employing a large number of hands. The entire plant was completely burned and the machinery ruined. The loss will be heavy.

The large barns of J. McCleod, one and a half miles from Milton, Ont., were struck by lightning Monday and burned, with all contents.

A large frame barn on a farm occupied by Mr. Charles Buskard, in the second concession of Thurlow Ont., was struck by lightning Monday and burned, with its contents, which included all this season's crop. The loss, amounting to several hundred dollars, is partially covered by insurance in the Liverpool, London and Globe.

In the township of Murray, just west of Trenton, Ont. a barn belonging to J. Little was burned Monday with its contents.

BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES

Failures in Canada last week were 15, against 22 the corresponding week last year of these only 4 were for amounts exceeding \$5,000. In the United States there were 174 failures, 67 of them being for more than \$5,000.

In Ontario the following have assigned:—Joseph Haley, baker. etc., Arthur; Alex. Lacroix. butcher, cochrane; A. E. Griffin, grocer, Jordan; A. J. McLean, merchant. Manitowaning; Mrs. Marguarite Chamonard, millinery. Ottawa; W. H. Paget wholesale stationery, Toronto; Tallow and Co., dry goods, etc., Cornwall; Sam. Cassidy, saloon keeper, etc., Ottawa; Union Bargain Co., clothes, etc., Prescott.

In Quebec, the following have also assigned:—H. Valliere, jr., carriages, etc., Arthabaska; L. C. Valliere, jeweller, Black Lake; Saucier and Gagnon, grocer, etc., La Tuque; Edouard Lesage, dry goods, Louisville; F. X. Faucher and Co., shoes, Grand Mere; Anthime Lecuyer, plumber, Montreal; William Steel, tinsmith, Waterville. A demand of assignment has been served upon the following: A. J. Scott, tins, etc., Magog; M. A. Soucey, tailor, Montreal; Josephson Nathan, dry goods, Montreal; Charles Gagnon, grocer, Lafayette, has made a voluntary assignment. A demand of assignment was served upon Archille Bergevin, broker, Montreal, but it has been settled.

The Corona Manufacturing Co. not incorporated (il. Aronson). Montreal, has assigned, after being served with a demand of assignment by M. Marcus for \$2.320. Liabilities are placed at \$15,440. Principal creditors being: H. Berstein and Co., M. Silver and Co., The Dominion Cord and Tassel Co., M. L. Morris and the Universal Import Co. This company was formerly composed of H. Aronson and Moses Silver, jr., in partnership, who started business October, 1939. This partnership was dissolved the next year, when Adolphe Aronson and Max. Aronson entered the firm with Henry Aronson. Last February these two withdrew, and Henry Aronson has since continued the business alone in his own name.

P. E. Cote, has been engaged in the general store business in St. Paschal, since 1878. Although he commenced with a very small capital he has gradually improved till he controlled the leading trade of the place. Of late his business has not appeared to be so successful, and his creditors caused a statement of his affairs to be prepared. In this statement his liabilities were placed at \$14000 and assets at \$23,000, bad and doubtful debts not being included. He made an offer of 75 cents on the dollar, which creditors will not accept, and a demand of assignment has been served on him.

In Alberta: J. J. Walter, men's furnishings, Bellevue, has assigned to Trusts and Guarantee Co., Calgary.

—Mr. J. G. Cuthbertson has been appointed manager of the Bank of Toronto Board of Trade branch in Montreal, succeeding Mr. J. Godfrey Bird, who resigned to accept the position of general manager of the new Bank Internationale. The Ca no possible many mist: change for been printe on the back ed across the

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FINANCIAL REVIEW.

Montreal, Thursday Afternoon, September 14, 1911.

European markets are still under the shadow of the war negotiations, though it is pretty evident that British bankers are inclined to a cheerful view of the future. Germany is no doubt depressed by the withdrawal of loose funds, with which France has been accustomed to keep Berlin bankers supplied more than by the war scare. For once in his life Emperor William, by his continued optimism, has been the unvarying friend of the conservative brokers. The condition of stock markets everywhere shows how intimately modern conditions bind the nations of the world together, so that disturbance anywhere means trouble everywhere.

Our local market has run a better course than those of some other centres. The big crop now fairly well harvested, and the condition of the banks, according to the reports, are sufficiently strong features to offset much adverse foreign news. We have our own domestic reasons in Montreal for some variations, of course, and it would be unnatural were there no declines to show, when all the world is depressed. But as a glance at the following tabulated report will show, we have good reason to be satisfied with the condition of quotations, considering that a momentous electioneering campaign is now on. Until that clears off, we need not expect clear skies, and good weather, for the stock market.

The annual general meeting of the Canadian Light and Power Co. will be held on Wednesday, the 20th inst. Books will be closed from September 9 to September 20, inclusive. Traders Bank has declared a quarterly dividend of 2 per cent payable Oct. 2, to shareholders of record Sept. 15.

The London Stock Exchange has listed \$13,500,000 Canada Cement common stock. The preferred stock and bonds were listed some time ago. The exchange has also listed £513,000 Algoma Eastern Railway 5's, £514,700 City of Calgary 4½'s, and £117,500 City of Victoria 4's.

The Toronto Street Railway have increased their dividend from 7 to 8 per cent.

The August output of new railroad and industrial securities in the United States is the lowest shown for any monun since the N. Y. Journal of Commerce began to compile these statistics. The grand total was only \$51,516,000, against \$129,912,000 in July and \$238,397,000 in June. Compared with a year ago, the decrease was \$11,936,539. The railroad offerings amounted to the abnormally small figure of \$14,345,000, or only half the corresponding total for 1910. The falling off is attributed to the collapse in the stock market, commined with the cessation of foreign and domestic demands for bonds and notes, which has caused offerings to be indefinitely postponed.

In New York: Money on call 2½ to 2½ per cent. Time loans, firmer; 60 days', 2¾ to 3 per cent; 90 days', 3¼ to 3½ per cent; six months', 3¾ to 4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4¾ per cent. Sterling exchange steady at 4.83.25 for 60-day bills, and at 4.86.10 to 4.86.15 for demand. Commercial bills, 4.82¾. Bar silver, 52. Mexican dollars, 45. U.S. Steel com., 67⅓; pfd. 115. Amal. Copper 55⅙, N. Y. C. & H. R. R. 101½.—In London: Bar silver 24⅓d per ounce. Money 1 to 1¼ per cent. Discount rates: Short bills 3 per cent; 3 months bills, 3⅓ per cent. Paris exchange on London 25 francs 20½ centimes. Berlin exchange 20 marks 47½ pfennigs.

The proportion of Bank of England's reserve to liability this week, 58.10 per cent; last week, 58.10.

Consols 77 5-16 for money and 77% for account.

The following is the comparative table of stock prices for the week ending September 14, 1911, as compiled from sheets furnished by Messrs. C. Meredith and Co., stockbrokers, Montreal:—

Montreal:					
STOCKS:	•	High-	Low-	Last	Year
BANKS:	Sales.	est.	est.	Sale.	ago.
Commerce	62	207	2061/2	207	1993/4
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		166	166	166	143
Merchants	27	192	191	192	187
Molsons	56	207	$206\frac{1}{2}$	$206\frac{3}{4}$	210
Montreal	36	260	258	258	250
Nova Scotia	14	281	2801/4	281	279
Quebec	20	137	137	137	
Royal	14	240	239	240	239
Toronto	4	203	203	203	
Union	35	151	150	150	
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MISCELLANEOUS:					
Asbestos com	25	4	4	×	14
Bell Telep. Co	8	148	148	148	143
Packers	60	61	603/4	603/4	
2			2.83		
	4130	2.90		2.84	
Cement, com	1140	$22\frac{1}{2}$	$21\frac{1}{2}$	22	21
Do. Pref	$501\frac{1}{2}$	821/2	$80\frac{1}{2}$	811/2	85
Can. Cottons, pref	175	64	$63\frac{1}{2}$	651/2	
Can. Convert	100	39	36	36	35
Can. Rubber	25	$92\frac{1}{2}$	$92\frac{1}{2}$	$92\frac{1}{2}$	90
Can. Pacific ,	3176	$226\frac{3}{8}$	2191/4	223	$188\frac{7}{8}$
Detroit	376	68	661/8	67	
Dom. Coal, pfd	7	113	112	112	106
Dom. Canners	200	631/4	62	623/4	
Dom. Iron & Steel, pref.	135	105	104	104	1061/2
Textile, pref	80	98	$96\frac{3}{4}$	971/2	98
Steel C. of C	25	$25\frac{1}{2}$	$25\frac{1}{2}$	251/2	
Do. Pref	10	891/2	891/2	891/2	
Lake of Woods	75	147	146	147.	130
Mont. Light. H. & Power	1101	1651/2	162	163	
					$142\frac{1}{2}$
Mont. Cotton	25	$154 \frac{1}{2}$	$154\frac{1}{2}$	$154\frac{1}{2}$	
Nor. Ohio	103	53	50	53	
Mont. St. Ry	190	$226\frac{1}{2}$	225	225	244
Toronto Ry. Rights	3738	7 1/2	6	6	
Do. Stock Bonus	1435	1301/2	126	126	
					150
Mont .Teleg. Co	18	146	144	146	150
N.S. Steel & Coal	209	$95\frac{1}{2}$	94	95	85
Ogilvie	382	126	125	125	129
Do. Pref	88	123	123	123	125
Ottawa L. & P	100	141	141	141	
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Do. Pref	75	$88 \frac{1}{2}$	$88\frac{1}{2}$	$88\frac{1}{2}$	
Penman's Ltd	4.5	56	55	55	$58\frac{1}{2}$
Do. Pref	100	831/2	831/2	$83\frac{1}{2}$	
Quebec Ry	25	581/2	581/2	581/2	441/2
Rich. & Ont. Nav. Co	248	117	115	115	891/2
Shawinigan	1159	114	$1111\frac{1}{2}$	113	104
Soo, com	330	131	128	128	
Toronto St	908	132	$1283/_{4}$	129	1211/2
Winnipeg Ry	210	2371/4	234	2371/4	1871/4
Steel Corp	2117	55	531/4	533/4	64
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Bonds;					
Bell Telep. Co	500	$103\frac{1}{2}$	1031/2	1031/2	
	7300				
Cement		$98\frac{1}{2}$	98	98	97 1/2
Dominion Coal 1		99	97	97	98
Dom. Cotton 19	9.000.	102	101	102	101
Dom. Iron & Steel	5000	941/4	94	94	$9.53/_{4}$
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Quebec Ry	6200	81	801/2	81	82
Steel C. of C	500	981/4	981/4	981/4	
	4000	95	95	95	
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Winnipeg Elec	4000	105	105	105	102

—Montreal bank clearings for week ending Sept. 14, 1911, \$42.986 428; 1910, \$38.547.983; 1909, \$34.664.072.

-Advices from Toronto state: A bomb has fallen into the old board of directors of the Soverign Bank in the shape of a Court of Appeal judgment holding four of them liable for \$178.794. Others are liable for sums totalling in all \$400,000. W. E. Stavert, curator of the Sovereign Bank, brought action against the directors upon the collapse of the bank in 1906. He sued on promissory notes given to nominally cover the purchase of stock which was held by the bank itself. Chancellor Boyd dismissed his action and from this decision the curator appealed. The directors will appeal in turn and the case will probably go to the Privy Council. The directors and the amounts for which they are held liable are as follows:-Donald McMillan and James McPhee, \$26 488; Donald D. McMillan \$33,110; Donald McMillan and Donald D. Mc-Millan \$33,110; D. A. Campbell, \$59,598; James McPhee, \$26,488 The directors brought in the bank as third party, in an endeavour to recover against the bank, but this claim is dismissed.

-The Lowe Bros. Co., of Dayton, Ohio, has absorbed the paint and dry-colour manufacturing plant of James Robertson and Co., Ltd., Toronto.

-There are in Russia 20.717 factories, which employ 1.671.-087 people, of whom 399,906 are engaged in the textile trades.

—A flow of gas having a pressure of over 100 pounds to the square inch has been struck at Estevan. Saskatchewan.

—An estimate from 220 districts in Saskatchewan and Manitoba places the flax crop this year at 8 201,700 bushels.

The Merchants Bank has opened a branch at Chauvin Alta .

MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Montreal, Thursday, September 14th, 1911.

There has been comparatively slight variation in trade conditions this week. Export trade in grain is slow for the season, and in consequence, freight rates, both ocean and inland are low. Groceries show a steady distribution with yet another advance in sugar. Hardware and metals are moving well. The demand for hides is improving and lamb skins show a decided advance. The leather business is comparatively quiet although the expected improvement is said to be near at hand. Manufacturers of underwear and knitted goods, owing to the season are busier. Milifeed has advanced \$1 per ton all round on account of the available supply being very small just now. So far this year exports of both butter and cheese are on the increase. Trade in the local cattle market during the past week has been fairly active, prices for cattle being high although hogs and small meats declined.

APPLES. More vareities of apples are coming into the market every week, of which the quality is exceptionally good. Prices are keeping very high. We quote: No. 1, Duchess and Astrachan \$3.50; No. 2, \$2.50; Wealthy No. 1, per barrel, \$3.00; Alexandria, per barrel, \$3.50.

BACON AND HAMS. Again we have to report another decline for Canadian bacon in London, No. 1 grades having declined 1s, and lower grades 2s to 3s. In the local market, however, prices rule steady, owing to supplies being so small and demands so large. Our quotations are as follows: Hams, extra large sizes, 2s to 45 pounds, 13c; large sizes, 20 to 2s lbs., 16c; medium sizes, selected, weights, 15 to 19 lbs., 18½c; extra small sizes, 12 to 14 lbs., 18½c; hams, bone out, rolled, large, 16 to 25 lbs., 18c; hams, bone out, rolled, small, 9 to 12 lbs., 20c; breakfast bacon, bone less (selected), 18c; English breakfast bacon (boneless), 17c; Windsor bacon skinned (backs), 18c; spiced roll bacon, boneless, small 13c; pienic hams, 10 to 14 lbs., 12½c; Wiltshire bacon, 18c; cottage rolls, small, about 4 lbs., each, 17½c.

BEANS.—Prices continue very high, beans that used to sell at \$1.75 are now quoted at \$2.25. Western farmers refused to sell till reciprocity is settled. Car lots of three-pound pickers are selling at \$1.90 to \$2.25 per bushel, extrack

BRAN AND FEED GRAIN.—This market rules steady, with demand very strong and supplies limited. Prices are firmly maintained. We quote as follows: Ontario middling, \$25 to \$26; Manitoba bran \$23.00; Manitoba shorts, \$25.00; pure grain moullie, \$31.00 to \$32.00; mixed moullie \$26.00 to \$29.00.

BUTTER.—A firm feeling prevails in the local market, and a fair business at unchanged prices is reported. Choice Eastern Townships creamery is quoted at 26c to $26\frac{1}{2}c$; seconds at $25\frac{1}{2}c$ to $25\frac{1}{2}c$.

—Total receipts since May 1st were 346,730 packages, as against 303 915 for the corresponding period of last year.

CHEESE.—The local market is steadier in tone and prices have advanced slightly. Finest western is quoted at 14c to 14½c, and eastern at 13½c to 13¾c; fine at 13c to 13½c.

-Total receipts since May 1st were 1.224.136 boxes, as against 1.224.024 for the same period a year ago.

COOKED MEATS.—The market for cooked meats remains strong under a good demand and light receipts. We quote:
—Bored hum, small, skinned boneless, per 10. 30c; New England pressed ham, per 1b., 14c; head cheese per 1b., 10c; English brawn, per 1b., 12½c. Cooked pickled pigs feet in vinegar, kits, 20 lbs., per 1b., 7c; jellied hocks "lb tins. per tin, 75 cents.

DRY GOODS.—The outlook for next season is most promising, and the different buyers report a good demand for all kinds of dry goods. Collections of late have been most satisfying. Cottons are still unchanged and dealers are booking orders for next season on the old basis. The authorities say that long coats will be much worn this year, and that narrow skirts will still be fashionable. The print goods buyers have just returned from the other side, and reports that prices for prints keep very firm. In the United States there has been a sharp revision by the leading gingham mills, and staple ginghams are down 3/4c a yard, and wide dress ginghams 1/6c per yard from the opening spring prices. New York's latest prices are as follows:--Cotton mid-uplands, spot, N.Y., 12.00c; print cloths, 28-inch, 64x64s, 31/2c; print cloths, 28-inch, $64x60s,\ 31\!/\!_4e$ to 3 5-16e; gray goods, $381\!/\!_2\text{-inch}$ stand., $45\!/\!_8e$; gray goods 39 inch, 68x72s, 5 3-16c; brown sheetings South., stand., 8c; brown sheetings, 3-yard, 71/2c; denims, 9 ounces, 13% e to 17c; tickings 8 ounces, 131/2c; standard prints, 4%c; standard staple ginghams 61/4c; dress ginghams, 7c to 91/4c;

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kid-finished cambrics, $3\frac{3}{4}c$ to 4c; brown drills, standard, 8c.

—The curtailment at Fall River, Mass., for the week has been the largest in some time, the number of pieces kept from the market amounting to three hundred and twenty-five trousand. This large amount is due to the fact that eleven corporations were shut down wholly last week and all the mills were closed Labor Day.

—The new wash goods lines are prettiest that have ever been shown in this country. Moreover, they include more domestic novelties that have ever been seen. The voile ground is the popular cloth for the time being and all sorts of variations in patterns and colours have been worked out on it in sample lines. Voiles can be had all the way up from 7½ c a yard to \$2.32 a wholesale, the latter being the fine hand embroidered goods in wide widths and sold by the stitch. Kimona silks and reversible satins in plain and striped effects are in good demand, while velvets, velveteens and corduroys continue to increase in popularity. In laces the demand for extreme novelties is exceptional.

—In men's hosiery blacks are selling best; in ladies' tans are very good owing to the popularity of tan shoes. Sales of silk hosiery, especially the low priced qualities, continue to increase in some cases at the expense of other materials. Aviation caps in attractive colourings are in big demand, and ladies' sweater coats made with sailor collars and in middy styles are extremely popular. Ribbons, especially black velvets, fancies and satin-finished styles are very big this season-

passing at steady prices. We quote: No. 1 stock, at 20c in round lots, No. 1 stock, single cases, 22c; selected stock in round lots at 24c and in single cases at 26c per dozen; straight receipts, round lots, 19c; straight receipts, single cases, 19½c.

-Total receipts since May 1st were 166687 cases, as against 154.112 for the same period a year ago.

-Receipts for the week were 4.479 cases, as compared with 8.876 for the same week last year.

FISH .- Cooler weather has put some activity into the fresh fish business. Oyster season is opening, and they are in good demand. Trade in salted and pickled fish is improving. Herrings are of excellent quality this season and are selling well. Real cod iish is rather scarce and expensive this year. Salmon and fresh mackerel are ot over plentiful either. We quote as follows:-Fresh: Haddock, lb., 5c; steak cod. 5c to 6c; dore, 10c to 12c; dressed pike, 7c; Gaspe salmon, lb., 18c to 20c; B.C. salmon, 15c to 16c per lb.; western halibut. lle to 12e; white halibut, case lots, per lb., 10c to 12c; whitefish, 11c to 12c per lb.; late trout, 9c to 11c; flounders, per lb., 5c; mackerel, a-piece, 22c; pickerel, 12c; pike, 7c to 8c; perch 6c; cart, 7c; fresh herrings 4c to 5c.-Pickled Labrador salmon. \$16 to \$17 per brl., No. 1. B.C. salmon blood red, brls., \$14. No. 2 N.S. herrings. per brl.. \$5. No. 1 Labrador do., brls., \$6.50. Gaspe herrings, medium, brl., \$5. Codfish tongues and sounds, lbs.. 4c. Scotch herrings. brl., \$14; do. mediums, \$13. Holland, do., brl., \$10.50. Sea trout \$12 per brl.; half brl.. \$6.50.—Green and Salted: No. 1 white nape N.S.G., cod, \$9.00; No. 2, ao., \$7; No. 1 green codfish. large, per brl., \$10: No. 1 do., N.S., per brl. of 200 lbs., \$9.50; do. Gaspe, per brl. of 200 lbs., \$9.50; No. 2 do., \$8.00; No. 1 green hake, per brl. of 200 lbs., \$6.60; No. 1 green pollock, per brl., \$7.00; No. 1 round eels, per lb., 9c; No. 1 green or salted haddock, per brl. of 200 lbs., \$7.00. Dried: Codfish in 100 lb. drums, \$7.00; do. bundles

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(large) \$6.00; mediums \$6.00; do. dressed or skuless. per 100 lb. case, \$6.25. Prepared boneless cod fish in blocks, 8c per lb. Haddies, Niobe brand, 9c; Yarmouth bloaters \$1 to \$1.10; kippers, \$1.10 to \$1.20. Live lobsters, 33c to 35c. Oysters, per gallon, imperial measure, \$1.40 to \$1.60.

FLOUR.—There is a good demand from both local and foreign buyers, and a fair amount of trading is being done at steady prices. We quote as follows: Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.40; do., seconds, \$4.90; choice wanter wheat patents, \$4.75; Manitoba strong bakers, \$4.70; straight rollers, 90 per cents. \$4.25; straight rollers in bags, \$1.85 to \$2; extras, \$1.60 to \$1.65.

GRAIN.—The fact that only 1,298,000 bushels of wheat was added to the world's available supply, during the past week, while 9,311,000 was added the corresponding week last year, has helped to strengthen the market for that grain at Chicago and a net advance of 1/8c to 1/4c is reported. Corn has also advanced 1/sc to 1/4c, and oats 1/8c to 3/8c. In the Winnipeg markets wheat grades show a decided improvement, and cash prices resulted as follows:-Wheat: No. 1 northern, \$1.003/4; No. 2 northern, 99c; No. 3 northern 961/4c; No. 4, 93c; No. 5, 87½c; No. 6, 80½c; feed, 70c. Oats: No. 2 C.W. 42¾c; No. 3. C.W., 41%e; extra No. 1 feed, 42e; No. 1 feed, 41%e; No. 2 feed. 371/2e. Fluctuations in the Winnipeg wheat market are: - Opening, Oct. 991/4, Dec. 97%, May \$1.025%; highest Oct. 99%. Dec. 98, May \$1.02%; lowest. Oct. 98%, Dec. 971/2, May \$1.021/4; closing, Oct. 993/8 Dec. 977/8. May \$1.023/4. In the local market a firm feeling prevails for oats, and prices are higher in sympathy with the prices in the Winnipeg market. We quote prices in car lots, ex-store, as follows: -Oats. No. 2 Canadian western, 47c; oats, extra No. 1 feed, 461/2c; oats, No. 3 Canadian western 46c.

GREEN FRUITS.—This market continues strong and prices are keeping up well. A fair business is passing in all lines. We quote: Oranges, Jamaicas, \$2.50 to \$2.75; late Valencias, crate, \$4.50 to \$5.00. Lemons, extra Fancy, 300 size (something out of the ordinary), \$4.50. Cocoanuts, 100's per bag,

\$4.50. Dates: Hallowii, lb., 5c; in packages, 7c. Figs, 8 crown, per lb., 9c. Glove boxes, per lb., 7c. Bananas, Jamaicas, packed crated, \$1.75 to \$2.00 green and loose, per bunch, \$1.50 to \$1.75. Peaches, per crate, \$2.00 to \$2.75. Plums, \$2; large blue plums, \$2.25; red and green plums, \$2. Grapes, Malagas, per crate, \$2.50; Tokays, per crate, \$3.00. Pears, per box, \$2.75. Blueberries, large boxes, 18 qts., per box, \$2.25. Grape fruit, 46 and 54 size, \$4.50. Watermelons (10c extra for packing) each 60c. Canadian fruits: Peaches, per basket, \$1.00 to \$1.50; plums, 40c to 60c; pears, per basket, 50c to 60c. Grapes, per basket, 25c to 30c. Limes, per box, \$1.25.

—Not for years has the blueberry crop been so good, and tasted so long as in the season just past.

GROCERIES.—Considering the time and interest that the coming elections are taking up, business is very fair, and collections nothing to complain about. Sugar is advancing steadily, now being quoted at \$5.90 per barrel with every prospect of going still higher. Advices from the other side say, that everything containing sugar, as jam, biscuits, candy, etc., will advance also. New York quotations are: Centrifugal, 96 degrees test, \$5.75; muscovado, 89 degrees test, \$5.25; molasses sugar; 89 degrees test, \$5.00. London reports: Raw sugar centrifugal. 17s 9d: muscovado. 16s 9d. Beet sugar, Sept., 18s 3d. New York quotes domestic refined, in barrels:-Crys. Dom. \$9.05; Eagle tab., \$8.00; cut loaf, \$7.50; crushed, \$7.40; mould A., \$7.05; cubes, \$6.95; Diamond A., \$6.70; Conf. A., \$6.55; XXXX powdered, \$6.85; powdered, \$6.80; fruit powdered., \$6.70; Con. gran., \$6.95; coarse gran. \$6.80; rruit powder gran., \$6.70; fine gran, \$6.70; standard gran, \$6.75. Wellinformed circles say that sales of future Cubas by planters is good policy even at a price a cent below European parity. They point out that though there may be 2000,000 tons less beets than last year, the resultant total, 6,100,000 tons, would still compare favourably with previous years. Louisiana will have at least 50,000 tons increase this fall .with probably as much more for domestic beets. Moreover, the next Cuban yield, unless the unexpected happens, will be possibly 500,000 tons greater than this year. Wholesalers are still awaiting the price list for cunned tomatoes and corn.

Prices on evaporated apples are declining. This decline seems to be principally from the fact that the demand for green apples is very limited, and on this account evaporators are getting a much larger supply of green apples than ordinarily.

HAY. A good trade continues to be done in baled hay at steady prices. The farmers report an unusually large crop of hay this year. We quote: \$14.50 to \$15.00 for No. 1 hay; \$12.00 to \$13.00 for No. 2 extra good; \$10.00 to \$10.50 for No. 2 ordinary: \$9.00 to \$9.50 for No. 3 hay; \$8.50 to \$9.00 for clover mixed.

HIDES. A fair business is being done in hides, and lambskins have advanced 30c. Our quotations are as follows:—10c per lb. for inspected; 8c per lb. for No. 3, and 9c per lb. for No. 2, and 10 to 11c for No. 1, and for calf-skins No. 1, 15c; No. 2, 13c. Sheep skins \$1.00 each. Spring lamb skins are 50c each, and horse hides \$1.75 for No. 2 and \$2.50 for No. 1. Tallow, 1½c to 3c for rough, and 6c to 6½c for refined.

HONEY.—Demand is still very limited, with no prospect of improvement. We quote as follows:—Clover white honey lle to 12c; dark grades, 8c to 10c; white extracted, 7c to 8c; buckwheat, 6c to 7c.

IRON AND HARDWARE.—No perceptible improvement is noticeable in the metal markets. The Canadian demand in this, as in most other lines shares the unsettling effect of the electoral unrest. There is no apprehension that any result at the polls is likely to affect the operating plants to any serious degree, but nervousness prevails as a general rule, until uncertainty is removed, and until both the railways and the building trade can see with some degree of definiteness

how they can assimilate themselves and their respective interests to any new conditions that may arise.

—New York reports: Standard copper weak; spot, Sept., Oct., and Nov., \$11.95 to \$12.10. London, quiet; spot, £55 13s 9d; futures. £56 7s 6d. Lake copper, \$12.62½ to \$12.75; electrolytic, \$12.37½ to \$12.62½; casting \$12.12½ to \$12.37½. —Tin: Weak; spot, \$40.50 to \$41.50; Sept., \$40.37½ to \$41; Oct., \$40.25 to \$40.75; Nov., \$40 to \$40.50. London, firm; spot, £184 15s; futures, £182.—Lead: Dull; \$4.45 to \$4.55, New York; \$4.35 to \$4.45, East St. Louis. London, £14 8s 9d.—Spelter: Dull, \$5.90 to \$6.00, New York; \$5.80 to \$5.90, East St. Louis. London. £27 15s.—Iron: Cleveland warrants, 46s 6d, in London. Locally iron was unsettled; No. 1 foundry northern, \$15.25 to \$15.75; No. 2, \$15.25 to \$15.50; No. 1 southern and No. 1 southern soft, \$15 to \$15.50.

MAPLE PRODUCTS.—Business continues dull. We quote: Maple syrup, 70c to 80c per tin, as to size, and in wood, 7c to 7½c per lb. Maple sugar at 9½c to 10½c per lb., as to quality.

LEATHER.—Trade among the boot and shoe factories shows no improvement so far, and stocks continue to accumulate. Prices are firmly held. We quote as follows:—No. 1, 24c; No. 2, 23c; jobbing leather. No. 1, 27c, No. 2, 25½c. Oak, from 30 to 35 according to quality. Oak backs, 23c to 40c. No. 1, B.A. sole, 24c to 25c; No. 2, B.A., 23c to 24c; Splits. light and medium, 20c to 23c; Splits heavy, 19c to 20c; Splits, small, 15c to 18c; pebble grain, 14c to 16c; russetts, No. 2, 25c to 30c; Dongola, ordinary, 10c to 16c.

LIVE STOCK.—Owing to the small supply of stock, especially of choice, prices in the local cattle market advanced from 30c to 35c per 100 lbs., during the past week. Demand from all sources was fair and a large amount of trading was done at the advanced prices. A few old steers sold as high as 61/4c, but most of the selling in choice stock was done at 6c, good at 51/2c to 53/4c, fairly good at 5c to 51/4c, fair at 41/2c to 43/4c, and common at 4c to 41/4c. Cows brought from 31/2c to $4\frac{3}{4}c$ and bulls from $2\frac{1}{2}c$ to $3\frac{1}{4}c$ per lb as to quality. Although the hog market opened very strong, as high as \$7.75 to \$8.00 per 100 lb. being asked for selected stock, before the close, prices were down again, sales being made at \$7.50 to \$7.65 per 100 lbs., weighed off cars. Lamb prices declined 1/2c to 3/4c per lb., which was due to the fact that supplies were greatly in excess of requirements. A fair trade was done at this reduction and sales were made at 51/4c to 51/2c per lb. Sheep prices were also $\frac{1}{4}c$ to $\frac{1}{2}c$ per lb. lower, $3\frac{1}{2}c$ per lb.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

Canadian General Electric Co., Ltd.

COMMON STOCK.

NOTICE is hereby given that a quarterly dividend of 13/4 Per Cent for the Three Months ending the Thirtieth of September. 1911, being at the rate of 7 Per Cent per Annum, has been declared on the Common Stock of the Company.

PREFERENCE STOCK.

NOTICE is also given that a Half-Yearly Dividend of 31/2 Per Cent for the Six Months ending the Thirtieth of September, 1911, being at the rate of 7 Per Cent per Annum, has been declared on the Preference Stock of the Company.

The above dividends are payable on the Second Day of October, 1911. The transfer books of the Company will be closed from the Fifteenth to the Thirtieth Day of September, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board.

J. J. ASHWORTH,

Secretary.

Toronto, September 6, 1911.

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being the selling price. Calves were in good demand, and sales were made at from \$3.00 to \$10.00 each, as to quality. The total export of live stock from the port of Montreal for last week amounted to 990 head.

-Chicago reports: Cattle market, steady; beeves \$5 to \$8.10; Texas steers, \$4.40 to \$6.40; western steers, \$4 to \$7; stockers and feeders \$3.00 to \$5.50; cows and herfers, \$2.25 to \$6.30; calves, \$6.25 to \$9.00.—Hogs: Market weak; early advance lost; light, \$6.95 to \$7.55; mixed, \$6.90 to \$1.55; heavy, \$6.75 to \$7.45; rough, \$6.75 to \$6.95; good to choice hogs, \$6.95 to \$7.45; pigs \$4.75 to \$7.30; bulk of sales, \$6.90 to \$7.30.—Sheep: Market, weak; native. \$2.25 to \$4; western, \$2.50 to \$4; yearlings, \$3.90 to \$4.70; lambs, native \$3.75to \$5.75; western, \$4.25 to \$5.75.

-Messrs. Price and Coughlan's cable from Liverpool quoted Canadian cattle at 131/2c to 14c, and their cable from London quoted American cattle at 131/4c to 133/4c per lb.-D. A. Campbell's cable from Liverpool also quoted Canadian cattle at 131/se to 14e per lb.

OIL AND NAVAL STORES .- Linseed oil is fluctuating from day to day. All other lines are unchanged. we quote:-Linseed, boiled, 99c to \$1.00; raw, 96c to 97c; cod oil, car load lots, 45c to 50c. Turpentine 74c to 78c per barrel. Steam refined pale seal oil, 621/2c to 65c. Whale oil, 50c to 60c. Cod liver oil, Newfoundland \$1.50 to \$1.65; do. Norway process, \$1.60 to \$1.75; do. Norwegian, \$1.60 to \$1.75. Straw seal, 55c.

-Liverpool quotes: Tallow, prime city, 31s 3d; Australian in London, 35s 6d. Turpentine spirits, 38s td. Rosin, common, 15s. Petroleum, refined, 61/2d. Linseed on 44s 3d.

-London: Calcutta linseed, Sept.-Oct., 73s 3a. Linseed oil, 42s 6d. Sperm oil. £34 10s. Petroleum, American refined, 51/sd; do. spirits, 61/4d. Turpentine spirits, 38s vd. American strained 15s 6d; do. fine, 18s 11/2d.

-Savannah, Ga.: Turpentine firm, 50% to 51c; sales, 523; receipts, 652: shipments, 1.640; stocks, 34,218. sales, 2.700; receipts, 2,380; shipments, 12.295; stocks, 87,913. Prices: B \$5.95 to \$6; D, \$6.30 to \$6.35; K, \$6.55 to \$6.65; M. \$6.65 to \$6.70; E, \$6.45 to \$6.65; F ., \$6.50 o \$6.65; H, \$6.55 to \$6.65; I. $\$6.52\frac{1}{2}$ to \$6.65; N. \$6.75 to \$6.80; WG, \$7.10 to \$7.15; WW, \$7.30 to \$7.35.

PROVISIONS.—There is a strong undertone to the local market, and an active trade is being done with prices firm. Abattoir fresh-killed uressed hogs are selling at \$10.50 to \$10.75 per 100 pounds. Our quotations are as follows:-Pork: Heavy Canada short cut mess pork, 35 to 55 pieces bris., \$23.50; half bris., Canada short cut mess pork, \$13.00; Canada short cut back pork, 45 to 55 pieces, brls., \$23.00; brown brand neavy, boneless pork (all fat), brls., 40 to 50 pieces, \$22.00; heavy clear fat backs, brls., 40 to 50 pieces, \$23.60.—Beef: Extra Plate beef, half brls., 100 lbs., \$7.50; brls., 200 lbs., \$14.50; tierces, 300 lbs., \$21.50.—Lard compound: Tierces, 375 lbs., 91/4c; boxes, 50 lbs.. net (parchment lined), 9%c; tubs, 50 lbs., net, grained (2 handles), $9\frac{1}{2}c$; pails, wood, 20 lbs.. net $9\frac{3}{4}c$; tin pails, 20 lbs., gross, 91/8c; 10 lbs. tins, 60 lbs., in case 93/4c; brick compound lard 1-lb. packets, 60 lbs., in case, 10½c.—Extra pure: Tierces, 375 lbs., 111/4c; boxes, 50 lbs., net (parchment fined), 11%c; tubs, 50 lbs., net grained (2 handles), 11%c; pails, wood. 20 lbs., net (parchment lined), 113/4c; tin pails. 20 lbs. gross, $11\frac{1}{8}c$; case, 10 lbs. tins, 60 lbs. in case, $11\frac{3}{4}c$; brick lard. 1-lb. packets, 60 lbs., in case, 121/4c.

VEGETABLES.—Vegetables of all kinds are becoming very plentiful. Potatoes are in very poor supply, and are selling at unusually high prices for this time of the year. We quote: Spanish onions, in large cases, \$3.50 to \$4.00 per case. Cucumbers, doz., 60c. Tomatoes, Montreal, per box 60c. Montreal corn, per doz., 20c. Montreal cabbage, per doz. 75c. Peppers. per basket, 45c; egg plants, 60c. Potatoes, in bags, of 75 lbs., \$1.30 per bag.

WOOL.-Although a feeling of dullness has prevailed in the Boston wool market for the past two or three weeks, prices are generally maintained on a steady basis, the only change noted being a drop in the asking price for Missouri quarter bloods from 25c to 24c. The shipments of wool from Boston from January 1st to September 7th were 141,641,497 pounds, against 145,941,167 for the same period last year.

-The New South Wales shearing season has now started, and a fair number of sheds in the early districts are at work, while each week will see a wide extension of operations. Fixtures are very forward this year, and an early shearing will be possible, provided fine weather prevaus.



Department of Railways and Canals

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

MONCTON YARD AND CUT-OFF.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for Moncton Yard and Cut-Off," will be received at this office until sixteen o'clock on Monday, October 2nd, 1911.

Plans. profiles, specification and form of contract to be entered into can be seen on and after the 4th of September at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways and Canals. Ottawa, and at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Intercolonial Railway, Moneton.

Parties tendering will be required to accept the fair wages schedule prepared or to be prepared by the Department of Labour , which schedule will form part of the contract.

Contractors are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered unless made stricly in accordance with the printed forms, and in the case of firms, unless there are attached the actual signature, the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the firm.

An accepted bank cheque for the sum of \$40,000.00 made payable to the order of the Minister of Railways and Canals must accompany each tender, which sum will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work, at the rates stated in the offer submitted.

The cheque thus sent in will be returned to the respective contractors whose tenders are not accepted.

The cheque of the successful tenderer wil be held as security, or part security, for the due fulfilment of the contract to be entered into.

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By order,

L. K. JUNES Secretary.

Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, September 7th, 1911.

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BRITISH CHEMICALS.

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are firm, but there is not much busi-A circular from S. W. Royse of Man- ness, buyers thinking it better to wait chester dated August 25, says: - August as the production will soon commence to is one of the quieter months on account increase. Solvent naphtha is depressed. of holidays and business has been fur- the long spell of dry weather having ther very much hampered by the recent caused a considerable decrease in consumption. Toluole continues steady. Crude carbolic acid is very firm; makers settlement of some of the serious labour are wanting higher prices, but consumers are holding back. Crystals also are mal course. Markets appear to be in firm. Liquid has advanced strongly. Creosote continues firm, but buyers are slow in coming up to sellers' ideas. Sul-

production on present figures. Benzoles

ment to expect a good run of trade during the next few months. Business in phate of ammonia is strong in all positions; high prices are paid, and many sulphate of copper is latterly quieter, and prices are 7s 6d lower during the makers are delaying selling. In heavy alkalies there is no change in values; exmonth. For forward delivery a fair preports in July last were considerably less mium is asked, and the market is firm. than in July, 1910.

OIL FIELDS OF JAPAN.

firm, with the improved position of the metal. Nitrate of lead has more en-According to an official Japanese pubquiry. White sugar of lead is moving lication, "Mining in Japan, Past and Present" the oil fields extend from the western coast of Sachalin in the north, through the western part of the central The low prices reached have highlands of Hokkaido, and along the attracted consumers, and some good concoast of the Sea of Japan, then traverse the provinces of Mutsu, Ugo, Utzen, Echigo, and Shinano, and reach the coast of the Pacific Ocean in the provine of Totomi in the south. The annual output of crude petroleum has increased enormously in twenty years; in 1888 it was only 45,000 barrels and increas d gradually to 1727.300 barrels in 1907. Each barrel contains 42 sellons. This rapid development is chiefly due to the introduction of the American method of boring in 1890. The province of Echigo produces about 99 per cent of the total output, and more than 90 per cent of the Echigo output comes from the three oil fields of Higashiyama, Nishiyama and Niitsu. Recently the oil industry has been concentrated among a few large companies and individuals. The oil deposits are found exclusively in the tertiary formation, and the strata consists of an upper layer of loam and clay, sandstone and conglomerates : a middle laver disposed to sell some of their forward of sand loam mixed with sandstone; and

a lower layer, consisting mostly of sandstone and conglomerates; a middle layer at the bottom. The oil bearing strata consist of sandstone and tufa between layers of clay, and sometimes of clay only. The usual depth of the borings is from 600 to 1,200 feet. The oil is transported from the wells to the refineries mainly by pipe lines, though some producers still use carts or boats.



Department of Railways and Canals.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

BADDECK BRANCH LINE.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for Alba-Baddeck Branch, will be received at this office until sixteen o'clock on Thursday, October 12th, 1911, for the construction of branch line of railway from a point on the Intercolonial Railway near Alba to the town of Baddeck, a distance of 22.7 mucs.

Plans, specifications and form of contract to be entered into may be seen, and full information obtained on, and after 15th inst. at the office of the Chief Engineer, of the Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa and at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Intercolonial Railway at Moneton, N.B.

Parties tendering will be required to accept the fair wages schedule prepared or to be prepared by the Department of Labour, which schedule will form part of the contract.

Contractors are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and in the case of firms, unless there are attached the actual signature, the nature of the occupation, and place of residence of each member of the firm.

An accepted bank cheque for the sum of \$30,000.00, made payable to the order of the Minister of Railways and Canals must accompany each tender. which sum will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work, at the rates stated in the offer submitted

The cheque thus sent in will be returned to the respective contractors whose tenders are not accepted.

The cheque of the successful tenderer will be held as security, or part security. for the due fulfilment of the contract to be entered into.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. By order.

L. K. JONES. Secretary.

Department of Railways and Canals. Ottawa, September 9th. 1911.

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SILK INDUSTRY IN BURMA.

The U.S. Consul, M. K. Moorhead gives the following interesting account of the silk industry in Burma:

"Notwithstanding the aimost universal use of silk by the Burmese, the cultivation and manufacture of silk have not been a financial success in Barma. Raw silk could be more extensively produced in Burma were it not for the fact that the Burmese population, being Buddhists, dislike to undertake the cultivation of the silk worm, because the pupae ing before the recling of silk from the a-

imported from China and Japan. Small woven by hand. , About five days and quantities of native raw silk are, however, produced within the province This silk which is of dull yellow colour. is boiled in water about six hours until it becomes white. While still moist, the silk is spun onto wooden wheels, from which after drying, it is transferred to the dyeing vats, where it is steeped and boiled again for another hoar. Germin anilin dyes are used. An alkaline substance call d sopaya (soap) is boiled with the dye. After drying in the sun, the silk is recled again. It is then marryof the insects have to be killed by boil elled onto a hexagonal frame, supported coms. Kaw silk is, therefore, mostly which it is transferred to the form and

taken to prepare the silk from the raw state for the loom. The silk is woven into paseos (men's cloths) or loongies (women's cloths);

"The spinning and weaving are done in the homes of the natives. Often the weaving is performed in the yard or along the road andr a thatched sired. The weavers usually work for themserves, producing the fablic as it pleases them and sell it at the rates named. Sometimes however, weavers are hired by Chinese or Burmesse brokers at \$3.73 on six unrights, called a "kva" from per 54 yards. There are no fixed hours of working, weaving semetimes proceedTABLES F

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STERLING EXCHANGE.

TABLES FOR COMPUTING CURRENCY INTO STERLING MONEY at the PAR of EXCHANGE (91/2 per cent Premium).

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TABLE OF DAYS FOR COMPUTING INTEREST.

To Find the Number of Days from any Day of any one Month to the same Day of any other Month.

From:	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	Мау	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec,
To Jan	365	334	306	275	245	214	184	153	122	92	61	
Feb .	31	365	337	306	276	245	215	184	153	123	92	62
Mar .	5 9	28	365	334	304	273	243	212	181	151	120	90
April .	90	59	31	365	335	304	274	243	212	182	151	121
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June .	151	120	92	61	31	365	335	304	273	243	212	182
July .	181	150	122	91	61	30	365	334	303	273	242	212
Aug .	212	181	153	122	92	61	31	365	334	304	273	2+3
Sept	243	212	184	153	123	92	62	31	365	335	304	274
Oct	273	242	214	183	153	122	92	61	30	365	334	304
Nov	304	273	245	214	184	153	123	92	61	31	365	335
Dec	334	303	275	244	214	183	153	122	91	61	30	365

N.B.—In leap year, if the last day of February comes between, add one day to the number in the table.

EXAMPLE: -How many days from May 10th to Sept. 13th? From the above table we get 123; add 3 for difference between 10 and 13, and we get 126. the number of days required.

ing all day, and part of the night, more THE MONTREAL CITY & DISTRICT usually for only a few hourse of the day. There is no system or steady applica-

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By order of the Board.

A. P. LESPERANCE.

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Statistics recently compiled by the National Fire Protection Association, says the Iron Age, show that of 11 257 fires in buildings equipped with automatic sprinklers the protection was successful in 95.01 per cent, or 10.095 instances. In these cases the sprinklers either extinguished the incipient blaze or held it in check, the operation of a single sprinkler head being sufficient in 3286 fires. In 6,146 blazes two or three heads put out the fire before a larger number were opened by the hear. Approxi-Manager. mately 59 per cent of the fires occurred

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DRUGS & CHEMICALS-			8	c.	8	c,
Acid, Carbolic. Cryst. medi	٠.		0	30	0	35
Aloes, Cape	• •		9	16	0	18
Alum			1	50	1	75
Borax, xtls			0	044	0	06
Brom. Potass			0	35		45
Camphor, Ref. Rings			0	80	0	9
Camphor, Ref. oz. ck			0	90	0	95
Citric Acid			0	37		45
Citrate Magnesia, lb			0	25	0	44
Cocaine Hyd. oz			3			50
Copperas, per 100 lbs				75		80
Cream Tartar				22		25
Epsora Salts			1		1	75
Glycerine			0	00		
Gum Arabic, per lb				15		40
Gum Trag				50	1	00
Insect Powder, lb			0	35		
Insect Powder, per keg. lb				24		41
				50		30
Morphia				75	4	00
Oil Peppermint, lb				10	3	
Oil, Lemon				00	2	90
Opium			6	00		00 50
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S EALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Ice Pier in River L'Achigan, near l'Assomption Que.," will be received until 4.00 p.m., on Wednesday, September 27, 1911, for the construction of an Ice Pier in River L'Achigan, near l'Assomption, l'Assomption County, Que.

Plans, specification and form of contract can be seen and forms of tender obtained at the offices of J. L. Michaud, Esq.. District Engineer, Merchants Bank Building. St. James Street, Montreal, and on application to the Postmaster at l'Assomption, Que.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signature, stating their occupations, and places of residence. In the case of firms, the actual signature, the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the firm must be given.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works equal to ten per cent (10 p.c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be rorfeited if the person tendering decline to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, of fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order.

R. C. DESROCHERS.

Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, September 6, 1911.

Newspapers will not be paid for this advertisement if they insert it without authority from the Department.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

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Name of Article.	WI	ol	esal e .
HEAVY CHEMICALS:-	8	c.	8 c
Bleaching Powder Blue Vitriol Brimstone Caustic Soda Soda Ash Soda Bicarb Sal. Soda Concentrated.	0 2 2 1 1 0	50 05 00 25 50 75 80 50	2 50
DYESTUFFS—			
Archil, con. Cutch Ex. Logwood Chip Logwood Ineigo (Bengal) Indigo (Madras) Gambier Madder Sumac Tin Crystals	1 1 0	75 50 70	0 81 0 08 2 50 1 75 1 00
Gambier	0 0 0	00 09 80 30	0 00 1 80 0 90 0 50
New Haddies, boxes, per lb Labrador Herrings Labrador Herrings. half bris.	0 5 0	00 00 00	0 09 6 50 4 00 18 00 0 00
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FLOUR—			
Choice Spring Wheat Patents. Seconds Manitoba Strong Bakers Winter Wheat Patents Straight Roller Straight bags Extras Rolled Oats Cornmeal, brl. Bran, in bags Shorts, in bags Mouillie Mixed Grades	0 0 0 4 1 1 .0 3 28 25 81 26	00 00 00 50 00 75 80 00 00 00 00	5 40 4 90 4 70 4 70 4 10 1 75 2 00 5 25 3 20 24 00 32 00 29 00
Butter—			
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Potatoes, per bag	0	30 11 07	1 40 0 12 0 08
Beans— Prime Best hand-picked GROCERIES—	0	00 90	0 00 2 25
Sugars— Standard Granulated, barrels Bags, 100 lbs. Ex. Ground, in barrels Ex. Ground in boxes Powdered, in boxes Powdered, in boxes Paris Lumps, in barrels Paris Lumps in half barrels Branded Yellows Molasses, in puncheons, Moutt Molasses, in balf barrels Evaporated Apples	0	000 29 32 34	5 30 5 75 6 20 6 40 6 10 5 40 6 55 6 65 4 20 0 32 0 85 0 87

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Rice-

Standard B. . . . Grade C. Patna, per 100 Pet Barley, la Tapioca. . Corn, 2 lb tin Peas, 2 lb. tir Salmon, 4 dor Tomatoes, per String Beans

Salt—

Windsor 1 lb.
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Pure Jamaica
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Fancy Rio...
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Figs, new layers	0 48	0 18 0 C9
Rice—	··	
Standard B	0 00	3 00
Grade C	0 00	2 90 4 25
Pet Barley, bag 98 lbs Pearl Barley, per Ib	- 2 00 - 0 00	4 25 2 25 0 054
Tapioca, pearl, per lb	•• 0 05	0 06
Corn, 2 lb tins	· 0 00 · 1 25	1 00 1 75
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String Beans Salt—	•• 0 80	0 97
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Windsor 1 lb., bags gross Windsor 3 lb. 100 bags in brl Windsor 5 lb. 60 bags	••	3 00 2 90
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Coarse delivered Montreal 1 bag Coarse delivered Montreal 5 bags	••	9 60 9 57 ₁
Butter Salt, bag, 200 lbs Butter Salt, brls., 280 lbs	••	1 55 2 10
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Coffees-		
1 lb. cans	••	0 32 0 33
Pure Mocho	••	0 31 0 24
Pure Jamaica	••	0 18 0 17‡
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Tin. Block, L. and E. per lb	••	0 48 0 00
	0 18	0 49
Cut Nail Schedule—		
Base price, per keg	2 40	Base
Extras—over and above 80d Coil Chain—No. 6	••	0 098
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Bright, 11/2 to 11/4	••	2 85
Galvanized Iron— Queen's Head, or equal gauge 28 Comet, do., 28 gauge	4 20 8 95	4 45 4 20
Iron Horse Shoes— No. 2 and larger	1.8 229 22 24 86 88	8 65 8 90 1 85 2 10 2 45 2 45 2 55 2 75 2 50 2 25 1 85



Department of Railways and Canals, Canada.

HUDSON BAY RAILWAY.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS for the following supplies addressed to the undersigned and endorsed Tender for track materials for the Hudson Bay Railway,' will be received at this office until 16 o'clock on Monday, the 16th day of October, 1911.

30,000 gross tons steel rails 80 lbs. per yard.

1700 gross tons splice bars.

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Specifications, drawings, forms of tender, and form of contract to be entered into can be seen on and after Tuesday, August 22nd, at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways and Canais, Ottawa, and at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Hudson Bay Railway Winnipeg, at which places forms of tender may be obtained.

Contractors are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered. unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and in the case of firms, unless there are attached the actual signature, the nature of the occupation, and place of residence of each member of the firm.

An accepted bank cheque equal to 5% of the tender made payable to the order of the Minister of Railways and Canals must accompany each tender, which sum will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work at the rates stated in the offer submitted.

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	Bales.	Bales.
Scotland	1.200,000	1,000,000
England	23,000	23,000
Ireland	20,000	20,000
U. K	1,243,000	1,043.000
Continent	2,300.000	2,200 000
America	600,000	600.000
Japan:	15,000	15,000
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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST.

HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.

Any even-numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section of 160 acres more or less

Application for entry must be made in person by the applicant at a Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for the district in which the land is situate. Entry by proxy may, however, be made at any Agency, on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader.

DUTIES:—(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.

(2) A homesteader may, if he so desires, perform the required residence duties by living on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of his homestead. He may also do so by living with father or mother, on certain conditions. Joint ownership in land will not meet this requirement.

(3) A homesteader intending to perform his residence duties in accordance with th above while living with parents or on farming land owned by himself must notify the Agent for the district of such intention.

W. W. CORY,

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Name of Article.	Whol	esa'e.
Glue	\$ c.	P 0.
Domestic Broken Sheet	0 00	0 15 0 10 14 0 00
French Casks French, barrels American White, barrels Coopers' Glue Brunswick Green French Imperial Green No. 1 Furniture Varnish, per gal. a Furniture Varnish, per gal.	0 19 0 04 0 12	0 20 0 10 0 16 0 90 0 80 0 90
Brown Tonon	0 85	
Orange Shellac, No. 1 Orange Shellac, No. 1 Orange Shellac, pure White Shellac Putty, bulk, 100 lb. barrel Putty, in bladders Walesming 5 lb. pkgs.	2 10 2 10	0 85 2 20 2 25 2 40
Putty, bulk, 100 lb. barrel	1 65	1 42 1 67 0 11
Paris Green, f.o.b. Montreal— Brls. 600 lbs		0 174 0 19 0 21
100 lb. lots Tins, 1 lb		0 22 0 18
WOOL-		
Canadian Washed Fleece	0 00 0 25	0 21 0 00 0 40 0 20
Natal, greasy	0 18 0 00	0 20 0 00
WINES, LIQUORS, ETC.—		
English. qts	1 50	2 70 1 70 1 50
Porter-		
Dublin Stout, qts	2 40 1 60	2 70 1 70
Lager, Canadian	1 60 1 60 1 25 0 80	70 1 65 1 40 1 40
Spirits, Canadian—per gal.—		
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Perts-		
Tarragona		6 00 5 00
Diez Hermanos		4 00
Clarets—	0 85	5 00
Medoe	2 25 4 00	
Piper Heidsieck	28 00 12 50	34 00 14 50
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Richard, gal	3 7 5	7 00 16 00 14 50 12 25
		9 00
Scotch Whiskeys— Bullock Lade, G.L	10.05	10.50
Kilmarnock	9 50	9 50
Mitchells Glenogle, 12 qts do Special Reserve 12 qts	9 25	8 00
do Extra Special, 12 qts do Finest Old Scotch, 12 qts		9 00 9 5 0 12
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Bushmill's Burke's	9 50 1	10.50
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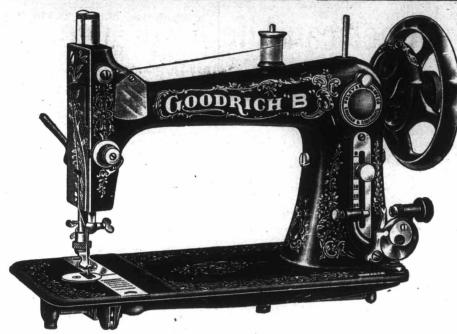
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British American Fire and Marine Canada Life	10,000	31-6 mos. 4-6 mos. 71-6 mos. 5-6 mos. 2-3 mos.	350 400 100 40 50	350 400 10 20 50	97 160 277 80 160

BRITISH AND FOREIGN INSURANCE COMPANIES .-Quotations on the London Market. Market value per pound.

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Shares	Dividend	NAME	Share	Paid	c	losing Prices
250,000	12s. per sh.	Alliance Assur	. 20	2 1-5	l Z	12#
450,000	12s. per sh.	Do. (New)	1	1	134	18
220,000	6s.	Atlas Fire & Life	10	24s	5₫	61
100,000	171/2	British Law Fire, Life	10	1	31	4 4
295,000	75	Commercial Union	10	1	194	20
100,000	11s.	Employers' Liability	10	2	141	14
10,000	28	Equity & Law	100	6	28	29
179,996	121/2	Gen. Accident, Fire & Life	5	11/4	1 2	2
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200,000	10	Guardian	10	5	97	101
67,000	16 2-3	Indemnity Mar	. 15	3	8	8
150,000	6s 6d per sh.	Law Union & Rock	. 10	128	54	5∦
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245,640 £	110	Liverpool, London & Globe	. 10	1	22	23
35,862	20	London	2	25 121/2	49	61
105,650	36	London & Lancashire Fire	. 25	21/2	251	264
20,000	15	London and Lancashire Life	5	1	24	8
10,000	40s. per sh.	Marine	. 25	41/2	40	41
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Can. Central 6 p.c. M. Bos. Inv. guar. by Govt	102 104 105	236 108 106 106
Algoma 5 p.c. bonds	112	114
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