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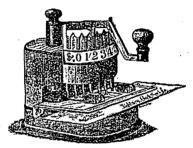
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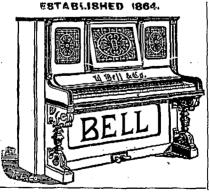
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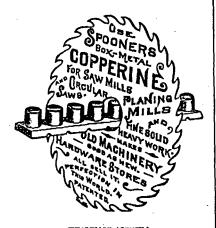
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L. D. MARLATT of Marlatt & Spears, grocers, has disposed of his interest in the business to Mr. Young of London. The new firm will be known as Spears & Young.

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A Winnier despatch reports the assignment of Strang & Co., wholesale grocers and liquors. The firm has been in existence six or seven years and A. Strang is the sole partner.

A RESOLUTION, affirming the desirability of legislative union of the Maritime Provinces, was moved in the House of Assembly on 17th by Mr. Burchall of Northumberland, seconded by Mr. McKeown, of St. John, and carried after two hours' debate without division.

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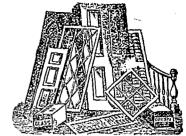
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REPORTS from Dalhousie are promising for an active business. New mills are going up and old ones are being enlarged. Messrs. Moffatt & Co., Reid & Son, A. T. Alexander and A. J. Wallace, are preparing for active work, and anticipate a lively season, with a good demand for shingles, deals, etc.

Our Aylmer correspondent supplies the following news: Mrs. Mary Faulds, fancy goods, commenced business eighteen months ago on little or no capital and without experience, with the result that a bailiff is now in possession and stock advertised. The liabilities outside of the chattel mortgage and rent are small.

THE Ingersoll Board of Trade, lately received from the Evans Bros. Piano Co., a proposal to establish an organ factory in connection with the piano factory if the town would loan the company \$10,000 for ten years at six per cent, and make no increase in their taxes. The Board recommended the proposition to the town council.

The exodus of cheese exporters this week includes Messrs. A. A. Ayer, of Ayer & Co., D. A. MacPherson, Jas. Alexander going to England, and Messrs. T. W. Ware, of W. Ware & Son, and A. J. Brice, who are going as far as New York. The following shippers are already in England: Messrs. W. Nivin, F. War. rington, J. T. Warrington, G. Hodge, of Duckett, Hodge & Co.; D. Muir, of D. Muir & Co., and the Messrs. Hodgson.

At the half-yearly meeting of the directors of the Bank of England it was announced that the present liabilities of Baring Bros. due the bank were £6,500,000. The proposal to relieve the bank by transferring the unrealized assets of the Barings to a new trust which would raise funds to repay the £6 500,000 advance by the bank for the liquidation of the Barings' affairs was pronounced inopportune until the balance was reduced.

THE Chicago Times declares the acquisition of Alaska by the

States was an act of folly. Regarding the seal fishery dispute it declares, "the idea of going to war for sealskin capes is revolting. The pretext that the national honor is at stake is too absurb to merit attention. The right of this nation to draw an imaginary line across the northern seas beyond which it shall be unlawful for any person to sail in quest of seals is the edict of barbarism. If there is need of war with any country for the protection of this industry let them fight and pay the bills who are vitally interested."

JUDGING from local items in the Woodstock Sentinel Review, the practice of dehorning cattle is likely to become general. The process is declared not cruel, but a writer in that paper says it (s) Makes the cattle gentle to one another. (b) Makes the handling of cattle easier and safer. (c) Makes the farmer feel easier in knowing that no injury can result from cattle goring each other, either by being loose in the stable, round the water trough, or in a shed. (d) Allows the weaker ones to secure a full proportion of outside feed, shade, water, etc., etc. (e) Makes it impossible for cattle to gore sheep, horses or pigs. (f.) Affords extra protection to human life-very important matter,

AT A recent meeting of the creditors of the Burland Lithographic Company, ltd., held at the court house, a list of creditors was produced the principal of whom were G. B. Burland, \$80,-612, part secured, Toronto Paper Co., \$3.930, E. E. Sabel, London, Eug. \$1,747, Henry Earl, secured \$3,928, Dominion Paper Co., \$785, Alex, McArthur & Co. \$728, A. Buntin & Son \$560, P. D. Dods & Co. \$237, Canada Printing Ink Co. \$458, Granger Foundry Machine Co. \$233, F. W. Evans, secured \$165, G. & J. Esplin \$195. Mr. F. W. Evans also has a claim of \$13,473, under virtue of an unexpired lease. Messrs. Geo. Hyde and J. M. M. Duff were nominated for the position of liquidator and the latter received the greatest support and is likely to be appointed.

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Advices from Nova Scotia report that Lewis Feldman, trader, Halifax; Antony Stephens, lumber, Aylesford; Daniel McIntyre, general store, Boissdale; Crockett & Co, provisions, Halifax; Jos. Wentzell, trader, Ritcey's Cove and R. S. Murray, dry goods, Truro, have all assigned .- New Brunswick furnishes the following failures :- Prescott & McDougall, commission, Brockville; Northup & Parlee, store, Belleisle Creek and John E. Hickey, trader, Sackville.

THE following trade embarrassments are reported in this Province: P. E. Roy, dry goods and shoes, Coaticook, has assigned with liabilities of \$17,000. His troubles were largely brought about by outside speculation. -A. E. Hall & Co., general store, Grenville, are offering to compromise at 40c on the dollar 3 and 6 months secured; liabilities \$3,000.—Demers & Co., dealers in Indian curiosities, etc., city, are asking an extension spread over 3, 6, 9 and 12 months. Their property was recently placed under seizure; liabilities small.-H. Dessurault & Co., traders, St. Narcisse, recently reported as in trouble, have assigned. The liabilities do not exceed \$600.-J. E. Desgagner & Son, general store, Les Eboulements, are asking an extension.— Jos. Poirier, general store, Metapedia, has assigned.—A demand of assignment has been made on D. N. Germain & Co., hardware, city. The liabilities must be light, probably \$2,000 to \$3, 000.-A. Currigan, saloon, city, has obtained an extension extending over 3, 6, 9 and 12 months.—Jos. Pelletier, general store, St. Jean Port Joli, has assigned for a moderate amount.—Charron & Racicot, general store, Windsor Mills, are asking an extension

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A MODERATE number of small failures, etc., are reported from Ontario this week .- H. A. Goyette, dry goods, Cornwall, referred to last week, is offering 30c on the dollar, 3, 6, and 9 months .-Three more builders and contractors have come to grief in Toronto, viz., Thos. Brown, Geo. Davie and R. Ough.-Wm. Weir, agent, Ottawa, has assigned.-Timms & Co., printers, Toronto, have compromised at 30c on the dollar on time. Their liabilities are \$9,000 and their stock and other assets are nominally valued at the same sum.—The dry goods stock of McKeown & Co., To. ronto, has been sold to a Brampton firm at 68c on the dollar .-Geo. Grube, manufacturer of cigars in a small way at Walkerton. has assigned .- Other assignments in Ontario about which few particulars have been received are :- Long Bros., manufacturers spring mattresses, Brantford; R. Sawyer, furniture, Coldwater; Robt. Beatty, agent, Dundalk; Aldons & Co., furniture, Georgetown; Hugh H. Stevenson, grocer, Hamilton; Thos. B. Rosenaro, manufacturer, Olinda; Arthur Gauthier, baker, Ottawa; Mary Latremouille, saloon, Ottawa; Hugh Ward, cigars, St. Thomas; Jas. Cunningham, grocer, Toronto and Wm. Mitchell, carpenter, Toronto.-The sheriff is in possession of the Eureka knitting company, Toronto, Frank L. Wilson, proprietor.—Adair Bros. & Co., wholesale fancy goods and woodenware, Toronto, have been sold out by the sheriff.—The estate R. Harper, dry goods, Morrisburg, has assigned.—A telegraph messoge from

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CURRENT NOTES .- Buffalo is elated over a new elevator to be built, which, we beg to say, will not surpass what Canada can show.-Will some one get out a new map of the North West, the new towns named in that region are bewildering.-Official enquiry into the finances of Victoria, B.C., has brought out nothing beyond technical irregularities arising from a too sanguine spirit.—Seals are reported on the highest authority to be increasing largely, hence the restrictions on fishing under the modus vivendi of last year are needless .- The prospectus has been issued of the Vancouver Wine Brewing and Malting Company, with a capital of \$1,000,000.-The Imperial Government has granted \$50,000 towards the English exhibit at the World's Fair-Toronto Board of Trade declines to move against municipal bonusing of factories, although disapproving of the practice. A number of Fredericton citizens have been swindled by the Ohio Beneficiary Society, one of the endowment class .- Owen Sound is trying to get a Post Office and Custom House building erected by the Government.-A bill to incorporate the Ontario ship railway project has passed the Ontario Legislature, but this century, nor is it probable that next, will see ships carted across Ontario.-The Minister of Education, Ontario, said in the House on a debate respecting Agricultural Colleges: "The fact that farmers' sons were leaving the rural districts in a greater ratio than formerely, as far as he was concerned, had no special significance. It simply showed that in a country where there were such a large number of occupants to choose from, there

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THE Hamilton Board of Trade held a meeting on 3rd inst. President Bristol was in the chair. There were present: W. Hendrie, Senator Sanford, T. H. Stinson, R. Thompson, A. T. Freed, C. J. Williams, W. B. Robson, H. F. Gardiner, C. A. Murray, John Weatherstone, R. B. Morgan, J. C. Taylor, John Knox, A. T. Wood, Alex. Turner, James Watson, Mayor Blaicher, Ald. Griffith, St. C. Balfour, Robert Duncan, F. C. Bruce, George Roach, B. Mackay, R. B. Skinner, Major Moore, F. W. Gates, Ald. Van Allen, J. E. Browne, James Ferres, A. E. Carpenter, J. J. Mason, T. H. Pratt, F. Squibb, Capt. Fairgrieve, A. Rutherford, W. A. Robinson, Henry New, J. J. Morison, John Proctor, Stuart Strathy, William Bowman. A resolution moved by Mr. Morgan and seconded by Mr. Roach favored a modus vivendi being established with Newfoundland pending a permanent settlement, and Mr. Robson was appointed a delegate to talk to the Ottawa government about this sensible proposal. A resolution

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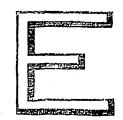
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moved by Mr. Knox and seconded by Mr. Hendrie appointed the following as a committee to consider the question of a bankruptcy bill, viz.: Messrs. George E. Bristol, Alex. Turner, W. F. Findlay, T. H. Macpherson, J. J. Mason, John Knox, Senator Sanford, M. Leggat and J. Turnbull. The point to be kept in view is some mode of equitably distributing the assets of insolvview is some mode or equitably distributing the assets of insolvent estate. A third highly sensible resolution was moved by Mr. Gardiner, seconded by Msjor Moore, "That this Board of Trade recommends that all boards of trade in Ontario be asked to co operate with this board in obtaining legislation to prevent any municipality from granting bonus to manufacturers."

The creditors have taken over what remains of the estate of the Dominion teastore, Bleury street, city. The man in charge came here about a year ago and was always in a small way. There was a woman in the case and reports say he did not depart unaccompanied.

ARNOLDI GAGNON carrying on business as a dry goods merchant in this city, under the firm name of Arnoldi Gagnon & Co., has called a meeting of his creditors. He carries a fair stock and has been in business several years. He failed some time ago when he effected a compromise.

The large retail store, known as the bazar, corner St. Catherine and St. Lawrence streets, reported to carry a stock of some \$150,000 was on fire at writing and damage done to the extent of over \$50,000. Two divisions of the brigade had the fire under control after a two hours struggle. A proportion of the stock not burnt was damaged by smoke and water.

not burnt was damaged by smoke and water.

In obedience to a demand made by A. Cohen & Co., New York, L. O. Grothe & Co., cigar manufacturers, city, have assigned. L. O. Grothe who is the sole partner started some 8 years ago with a trifling capital and by cless attention built up a large business, probably becoming the second largest manufacturer in Canada. Want of sufficient capital and hard times has brought about the present trouble. The claims filed to date show that the liabilities mount up to \$97,000 and the chief creditors are the Hochelaga bank (secured) \$38,000; A. Cohen & Co., \$32,000, Dufresne & Mongenais \$3,500; J. M. Fortier, \$7,320; T. A. Grothe \$1,250 and Grothe Bros. \$1,517.—Another failure in this line is that of the Montreal cigar association of which Chas. A.

Smith is the registered owner. The business is run in the interests of a brother, Wm. F. Smith, who is said to be steady and hard working but embarrassed for want of capital. He came from the States and has been in business since '84. The liabilities are, direct \$10,000 and indirect \$15,000 to \$20,000.

CROWDED OUT.

The stock list of Citizens' Insurance Company, showing alterations in holding during the past year, which we had prepared for this issue, is crowded out for want of space. The detailed bank ststement is also held over from same cause,

THE MUTUAL LIFE

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RICHARD A McC RDY, President. Statement for the year ending December 31, 1891 ASSETS. \$159,507,138.68

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I have carefully examined the foregoing statement, and find the same to be correct.

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MONTREAL, MARCH 25TH, 1892.

THE BUDGET SPEECH.

Budget Speeches seldom rise above a monotonous, "everlasting flood" of financial details that usually have no novelty beyond their grouping. The one delivered on the 22nd stands however a better chance than most of its predecessors of being memorable. Not however for its presentation of the country's P.O. Box 2081. | financial record in the past year, or forecasting of our

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future from a Budget standpoint, but owing to the remarkable step taken by the Finance Minister in using the opportunity to inform the country as to the results of the recent Conference held by himself and colleagues, with the representatives of the Government at Washington.

The revenue for the past year was stated to have fallen \$279,391 below \$38,858,701 as estimated; a close approximation. The articles imported upon which the decreases were greatest were breadstuffs, iron and steel manufactures, provisions, spirits and wines, and wool and its manufactured products. Increases extended over 22 articles, chiefly in sugar, coal and coke, brass and copper and their manufactures, hats, caps, and bonnets, drugs, oils, tobacco, etc. In excisable articles the per capita consumption in spirits, wine, and tobacco fell below that of previous year, but in beer the increase was large. The gross increase in expenditure over estimates was \$343,562, of which \$252,134 was incurred by the Census. Some advantage was secured by replacing stock bearing interest at 6, 5 and 4 per cent for loans at 31. The net result of the year's financial operations left a surplus on the Consolidated Fund of \$2,235,792. This sum is not however a clear surplus, as expenditures on capital account absorbed it. The gross outlay for public works and other "Capital" items reached \$4,381,569, which is \$1,349,785 below the outlay on capital account in 1889-90. The Finance Minister claims to have applied \$1,938,078 to sinking fund, which is practically a reduction of the debt, and to have come out with a result of only adding \$275,817 to the net debt. A passage that is of considerable interest refers to the debt as having stood at the same figures for three years, viz. \$237,000,000. On this there has been a steady decrease for interest charges. The net interest per head paid for this burthen, under revised figures necessitated by the censur, is now \$1.76.

It is estimated that the current year's revenue will be \$36,655,000, and expenditures are expected to absorb the whole of these receipts. Mr. Foster showed that the diminution in the Savings Banks was not any indication of there being less savings laid up by the people by stating that the deposits at the post office banks, in the Dominion banks, in the chartered banks, in the District and Savings banks and in the Caise d'Economie on May 31, 1890, amounted to \$176,703,-258. On May 31, 1891, they had increased to \$190,441,-789, and between May 31, 1891, and February 29, 1892, they had increased again to \$203,968,719. The infer-

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ence being that the withdrawals from the government offices were paid into other institutions.

After making a point of the total deposits of the people having increased \$27,265,461 in the last two years, Mr. Foster turned to a criticism of Sir Richard Cartwright's letter to the London Economist. That letter, as is well known, was an effort to impress the trade views of the Opposition, and their estimate of the commercial and financial condition of Canada upon the people and financiers of England. That it was highly injudicious for a Canadian statesman to disparage his country by ultra pessimistic statements is the general opinion in England. The press there passed some caustic strictures on an advocate of Free Trade coquetting with the States, and seeking thereby to place Canada under fiscal conditions even more antagonistic to Free Trade than those created by her present tariff. Mr. Foster's attack on his antagonist was a somewhat novel feature in a Budget speech, but his invective relieved the tedium attaching to such deliverances, and "brought down the House."

After this exciting epi-ode attention was drawn to the large exports of last year, the largest since Confederation with one exception, and \$8,000,000 over the yearly average since then. A still greater advance, up to 12 millions, was prognosticated for the current year. The prospects of a fast Atlantic mail service were said to be not bright.

Mr. Foster then surprised the House by entering into a full statement of what had passed in regard to Reciprocity at Washington. Our space will not admit of the details. But the result was precisely what we have again and again affirmed would occur when the negotiations were entered into directly and seriously. Mr. Blaine would not entertain any proposal based on reciprocity of natural products, nor listen to any scheme which did not discriminate againt England, nor approve any arrangement other than the acceptance by Canada of a tariff and internal revenue taxes uniform with those of the United States. "So," concluded Mr. Foster, "as long as the present party remains in power in the United States no trade relations with that country can be secured except on the above lines laid down by Mr. Blaine." The speech was wound up by a hopeful picture of the trade prospects of the country, especially in respect to the great markets open to our. products in Great Britain. No intimations were given of any changes in the tariff; these, it is understood. will not be made until later in the session.

WHAT THE RIOTS IN GERMANY FORE-SHADOW.

However much we may condemn the resort to violence on the part of mobs, we may be sure of this, that, as where there is smoke there is fire, there must be something beyond mere political zeal inspiring a crowd that resorts to physical force. The disturbances at Berlin and at Vienna, read to us more like bread riots than ebullitions of political zeal. It is highly probable, though it is dreadfully unromantic, that, if those who menaced the palace at Berlin were assured of a good square meal daily and a fair supply of tobacco and beer, they would settle down to be great respectors of law and order. The political demands of the Berliners are, from a Canadian standpoint, not very They demand the direct participation of the people in legislation; election of public officials; free speech and a free press; no State church; secret voting; universal suffrage; a national militia to replace the standing army. These may be revolutionary in Germany, but on this continent they are so very common place as to be indeed rather stale propositions. If the people of Germany are not to be trusted with such franchises, they are not as well educated as they boast of being. If the present dynasty would be menaced by such concessions, it has not that hold on the affections of the people that a reigning family must have for the throne to be safe.

The social condition of Germany presents a very difficult problem. How so intelligent, so generally well read a people, can rest calmly under the army system that prevails there,—a system of absolutism as severely tyrannous as ever existed in the Roman Empire, is indeed anomalous. The socialistic, anarchical movements in Germany are results flowing from its military system, and the existence of social conditions in regard to caste prejudices and privileges that are survivals of a state of society that was scotched, but not killed by the French Revolution.

Indeed in reading the accounts of the riots at Berlin and Vienna we cannot fail to be struck with the remarkable parallel those disturbances present to the agitations in Paris in the early summer of 1789, and those by which England was disturbed prior to, and during the corn law agitation.

In England during the ten years prior to the political disturbances of 1848, the price of wheat had averaged \$1.90 per bushel. The average during the last ten years has been about \$1.12 per bushel. In 1847 wheat in England rose to \$2.16 per bushel; trade was seriously depressed; work was scarce; and Ireland was famine stricken. As a natural consequence of these conditions political agitation caused national alarm, for distress has ever been the mother of social and political upheavals. In Paris, in the year referred to, as now in the two great capitals of Germany, there was no labor, no wages; among the pale day laborers who paraded the streets, "were few who had not children at home crying for hunger,"

The most eloquent historian of that period tells us, that, "the cry then uttered by the people was not that of poverty. On the very doors of the bakers' shops, where only an avaricious and murderous food was kept for them,"—an allusion to the sour meal, and bitter bread which caused inflammation of the throat and stomach—"they talked of the constitution to be made, the slaves of famine claimed the freedom of the mind." So in Germany to-day the cry of the starving is for secret voting; universal suffrage; a free press; and free

speech. It was to some extent the same in England. In days when bread was at famine prices; when pauperism hung like a funeral pall over the land; the chief cry of the people was for an enlarged franchise and for such other features of political freedom as England now enjoys.

But happily the parallel so far as England goes extends no further, nor is any further one possible. We believe, that Eastern Europe, Germany in the largest sense, is passing through a period of unrest that presages either a revolution by violence, which may any day be provoked by such threats of military interference as were lately used, or, as great a revolution by wise constitutional reforms which will break up the bureaucratic and military regime in Germany, as effectively as the privileges of feudalism were destroyed in France, as the immediate result of the famine of 1789.

It is an old saying that, "hunger breaks through stone walls." It was hunger that broke down the Bastile, there would have been no 12th of July in Paris had work and food been plentiful. Low living is said to favor high thinking. Certainly the despotic rulers of Germany and of Russia might study with profit the meaning of their starved people crying out for political freedom. It is the murmur of a rising storm, that sooner or later will wreck the system which makes Europe an armed camp; keeps her ploughshares at work earning the means to buy swords; oppresses all her industrial life with the burden of military taxes; and disturbs her commercial and financial interests by the everlasting anxieties produced by international disputes. Such conditions are too irrational to continue much longer.

The Emperor of Germany used recently a phrase that will become historic; it was insolent to his people, but there was in it more wisdom than he or his critics realise. He told those who were discontented to shake the dust of Germany off their feet. If he will only let his people go, and not seek to be a modern Pharach, there will be a vast exodus from Eastern Europe to the waiting lands of this continent.

THE WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

Official papers were laid before the House on 16th inst., relating to the recent negotiations at Washington. These documents show that the extended reports which appeared in a number of papers at the time those proceedings were in progress, were as pure fiction as "Jack and the bean stalk." Our readers will remember the caution we gave against placing any reliance on any such statements.

The business of the Conference, as set forth in the official documents published, was confined to the discussion of topics that are not ordinarily regarded as covered by a scheme for Reciprocity. letter dated 29th Sept., 1891, is one from the English Minister at Washington expressing Mr. Blaine's desire to postpone the conference on reciprocal trade relations to a later date, which was assented to by the Canadian government. The next step was a private letter from Mr. Blaine stating his readiness to receive "the Canadian gentlemen." but requesting that the discussion be "private and informal" and the Secretary " begs that it may not become a public affair as before." We believe that request for secrecy is the key to the somewhat hasty manner in which the proceedings were brought to a close last year. It was not then agreeable to the president and his friends to have the negotiations for reciprocity with Canada commented upon by the American press, as any "looking to Ottawa,"-to transpose a common phrase—was not favored by the people of the States. This desire for secrecy being found agreeable to the Canadian authorities, with a reservation that the business done would have to be disclosed when our Parliament met, the Ministers went to Washington and had "an important meeting."

The official papers consist of four proposals by Canada, and four propositions and agreements by the United States. The first relates to the boundary line between Alaska and Canada, the proposal being to submit the whole question to an impartial tribunal, to be assisted by four experts, whose recommendations should be submitted to the governments of both coun-The second proposal was that two experts be appointed to report on the following subjects:

1st.—The prevention of purse-seining in the territorial waters of the United States and Canada respectively, and also in waters outside the territorial limits of either country.

2nd,-The prevention of other destructive modes of fishing in inland waters contiguous to the United States and Canada.

3rd.—The prevention of the polluting and obstructing of such contiguous waters to the detriment of the fisheries and navigation. 4th.—The close seasons which should be enforced and observed in such contiguous waters by the inhabitants of both countries, and, 5th.-On the subject of re-stocking and replenishing such waters with fish ova and the means by which fish life may be therein preserved and increased.

The:next relates to wrecking and salvage, to carry out which a bill is now before the Parliament.

The last is by far the most important, the only one indeed which has any hearing upon reciprocity. It reads:

"It is proposed by the United States and Canada that all duties shall be removed from fish of all kinds (except fish preserved in oil) and from fish oil, whale oil, seal oil and other, products of fish being the produce of fisheries carried on by the fishermen of the United States and Canada, as well as from the casks, barrels, kegs, cans and other usual and necessary coverings containing all or any of the products above mentioned; and that while the aforesaid articles are allowed to be brought into the United States without duty by British subjects, the privilege of entering the ports, bays and harbors of the coast of Canada shall be accorded to United States fishing vessels by annual licenses, free of charge, for the following purposes, namely, (1) the purchase of provisions, bait, ice, seines, lines and all other supplies and outfits; (2) transhipment of catch for transport by any means of conveyance; (3) shipping of crews; the like privileges to be given to fishing vessels of Canada on the Atlantic coasts of the United States, while the aforesaid articles are allowed to be brought into Canada without duty by American

It will be noted that the above proposal is one to establish free trade in all fish, fish products, and all the necessary materials for storing and packing such fish and fish products, with the one exception of fish preserved in oil. If this proposal were accepted by the States it would be tantamount to a repeal of the whole of schedule B. of the Canadian Customs Tariff, with the exception stated of "fish preserved in oil," on which the duty is 30 per cent ad valorem. The proposed exchange of privileges embodied in above schedule will give rise to very divergent views as to their respective values. The conditions do not allow of any exact appraisement on either side. The importations of fish from the United States amount to about \$430,-000 per annum, from which Canada derives duties close upon \$60,000. The imports of fisheries are over 86,000 in value, yielding a customs revenue of about \$1,200. On the other hand Canada exports to the States about three million dollars worth of fish, and

over twenty-two thousand dollars worth of fish oils. So far then as mere fish and fish products go this country would sacrifice a revenue of say \$61,000 yearly to secure the free entrance of the same articles into the States. The probability of loss by the unrestricted competition of American fish and fish products is, we believe, not an important factor in this question. There would be a large increase of American oysters, which constitute the bulk of our fish imports from the These goods, however, have practically no competitor in our native products, and a reduction in their price would be a distinct gain to our people and a large gain also to the American merchants. On the other hand the U.S. would sacrifice whatever customs revenue that country derives from imports of over three million dollars worth of Canadian fish and fish products. To compensate the Americans for this loss of direct revenue, their fishermen would be granted certain specified privileges of entering our ports, bays and harbors, free of charge to buy bait, provisions and other supplies, as well as to tranship their fish cargoes and to ship crows, which are now denied to American fishermen. The same privileges would be granted to our fishermen on the coasts of the Atlantic owned by the States.

As the men of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick are more enterprising and expert fishermen than those of the States, it is probable that they would find no small advantage from being able to push their trade more freely near to American waters, from whence they could sail into American ports for bait, provisions and other supplies as provided by the schedule. That the privileges proposed to be granted to American fishermen would be exceedingly valuable to them, is notorious; they have admitted this by their determined efforts made to secure such privileges. This concession would remove a long standing grievance of American fishermen, and a constant source of irritation between the two conntries.

The first American proposal relates only to measures for fixing the international boundary. The next suggests a commission of four experts to report on the following subjects:

lsi.—The prevention of destructive methods of fishing in the territorial and contiguous waters of the United States and Canada respectively, and also in the waters outside the territorial limits of either country.

2nd.—The prevention of pollution and obstruction of such contiguous waters to the detriment of the fisheries and navigation.

3rd.—The close season which should be enforced and observ. ed in such waters by the inhabitants of both countries; and,

4th.—On the subject of re-stocking and replenishing such contiguous waters with fish ova and the means by which fish life may be therein preserved and increased,

Regarding this there needs be no difficulty, as the advantages proposed to be secured are essentially re-The next proposal relates to "wrecking privileges," which are in course of friendly settlement. The last proposal differs from the rest in that it reads "it was agreed," the agreement being that steps be taken for "more accurately marking the boundary line between the two countries in the waters of Passamaquoddy Bay, in front of and adjacent to Eastport. in the State of Maine, and to place buoys or fix such other boundary marks as they may determine to be. necessary."

The above subjects relate only to those that become so far practicle as to be expressed in writing. The verbal discussion on Reciprocity, in the larger sense, is alluded to elsewhere.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN-GREETING.

The question has been arked, "whether the manager of a company who is negotiating for its amalgamation, who has become thereby possessed of private and confidential information as to its future position, is justified in acting upon that information by buying out the stock of shareholders who sell it in entire ignorance of such negotiations?"

It is affirmed that while proceedings were in progress which led up to the recent sale of a weak company to a stronger one, the manager of the former company purchased shares from those who were wholly in the dark as to the change which he knew was about to take place. It is also stated that the proprietor of a journal which has attained a most unsavoury notoriety—the only thing it has attained,—"stood in " with the manager in these transactions. Such a question contains its own answer. If such manager did use his official knowledge, gained so confidentially, gained without any chance at the time of its being shared by the whole body of stockholders, in order to secure some of their shares, when their true value was only known to himself and a few friends, he committed a gross fraud. If this cap fits it will be in order for an explanation to be offered. Any person who sold him shares under such circumstances could compel him to make restitution thereof by re-transfer- If it could be established in a court of law that the manager in question and the unsavoury journalist worked this disre putable racket in concert, they could both be punished for conspiring to commit an unlawful act, in plain words for scheming to rob the shareholders.

It is significant of the want of confidence existing in regard to the recent change alluded to, that a general suspicion exists that it was made use of to feather the nest of one of its chief promoters in this dishonorable way, and that he secured an advocate by giving him information which was at the time so confidential that it was only known to a few of the shareholders.

Some bar-room talk has found its way into the columns of a paper that finds amusement in yelping like a mangy cur at this journal. The charge is made that a certain stand we took was inspired by chaggin at not securing some paltry patronage, which no doubt was of vital importance to our accuser,—helped him possibly to clear out the sheriff. It is said that "a corporation has no soul;" but that some organizations are very benevolent is demonstrated by their paying such apologies for a newspaper, hard money for advertisements, which go little beyond the printers and the office boy, except when some special edition is ordered which is made interesting by abuse of a reputable and powerful journal.

In our issue of 7th Feb., 1890, is a letter from one of the most honorable and prominent merchants in this eity. He distinctly shows that the proprietor of the paper in question offered a certain service to an insurance manager who on his proposed advertisement being declined as worthless, instantly commenced an abusive attack on that manager and his company.

It is quite natural for one who does business in that way to judge others by his own base standard. It is also very natural for one who resents our investigations into certain irregularities by which he may be compromised, to throw dust in the eyes of the public by charges against us which are only saved from being slanderous by their absurdity.

THE BANK STATEMENTS.

The Bank statements for February usually indicate the correspondence between nature and business at this season. A change in circulation during a whole month of only \$5,615 is no more than the ripple that the slightest breath of air makes on stagnant water; such a change occurs in busy times daily in many banks. The advance of \$2,517.963 in deposits after they had declined in January by \$1,901,393, was simply caused by the removal of temporary obstructions to their inflow incidental to the engagements of January. The deposits at close of February were \$20,275,-058 in excess of those held at same date last year. The division made in the bank returns of these funds as, "Deposits payable on demand," and, "Deposits payable after notice, or on a fixed day," is a merely conventional distinction which would be better obliterated from the official sheets. When depositors want their money from a bank they expect it to be paid, they pay no respect to any such stipulations as "payable after notice, or on a fixed day," and bankers find it their wisest policy to stand on no ceremonies in this matter, but pay on demand what their depositors ask. The increased liability to bank or agencies in England of \$383,779 is mainly caused by the change in that item in Bank of British Columbia return which increased \$238,096, the other changes being for trifling sums. In Assets the amount of notes and cheques on other banks increased \$1,298,260, which is spread equally over the whole of the Ontario and Quebec banks; manifestly of no significance. Call loans and railway securities were extended in February \$597,080, principally the latter, and mainly by the Bank of Montreal. Discounts expanded \$2,081,918 last month, this item, like deposits, having recovered from the decline in January, and gone back to the figures of December.

The banking world outside Canada has been a good deal agitated over two foreign financial firms. Murietta & Co. of London, have been known since the fall of the Barings to be in a shaky condition, and their collapse removes a distorting element, as apprehension in some such cases often does more mischief than the crash which is feared. The failure of J. E. Guenzburg of St. Petersburg was not wholly a surprise. The consequences of his failure were greatly exaggerated, probably for speculative reasons, as they seem to have been only slight, and confined to Berlin. The Governor of the Bank of England recently stated that the balance due on the Baring estate was \$32,500,000. In regard to a proposal to transer the assets covering this balance to a committee, the Bank Governor declared it impracticable at present, as the securities still remained difficult of sale. The government of Austria will require, it is now stated, \$200,000,000 gold, to enable it to resume specie payments, as this is double the amount first announced, there has been considerable speculation as to the sources of this supply and its effect on the money market. The amount of bullion in the principal European banks at the close of last week was about 77 millions of dollars less than was held at same date in 1891, so that if Austria has to secure what she needs to rehabilitate her currency, there will have to be a gold movement of some importance. The exports of gold from New York between 1st January and middle of March were close upon ten millions, and imports of three and a third millions. The receipts were nearly all from France, and out of the total exports over one third were for the West Indies, and the balance divided between England and Germany.

The Budget Speech will fall very flat, there is nothing in it to agitate business circles, and the revelation made by the Finance Minister as to the Conference at Washington, will be generally received with a quiet "of course." The situation was discounted.

The usual comparative table will be found on a later page.

SOME PROPOSED TARIFF CHANGES.

A further advance seems likely to be made in protecting our farm products against the existing injurious competition of American articles. A strong presentation of the claims of farmers and produce dealers was made to the government on the 18th. The movement acquires no little strength from the Minister of Agriculture having in his recent speeches, dwelt so much upon the hog raising industry, especially by his urging that certain cereals could be grown to more advantage in the Northwest if afterwards converted into pork, than transported as such, for shipment, owing to the cost of freight.

The increase in production of native pork has doubled within a short period, and importations have declined proportionately. The terms, however, of the present tariff are found to be less restrictive than they were intended to be, or desirable in the interests of It is said that "a coach and six " can be this trade. driven through any Act of Parliament; it turns out that a whole hog can root its way through the Custom House on paying 12 cents per lb., when only certain portions of the animal of a certain kind, were supposed to have the right of entry, at that rate. Mr. Fearman of Hamilton told the Ministers that "last session, after seeing the government, they left with the understanding that mess pork required by the lumbermen of this country should be admitted at a less rate of duty than other kinds; but they were surprised to find that under the tariff as printed, other kinds of pork could be imported at the same rate of duty as mess pork. The fact that other grades of pork could be brought into the country under the duty of 12 cents was most injurious to the farmers and packers. Hon. Mr. Foster asked is it the same species of pork? to which Mr. Fearman replied it is the same species of pork, but differently cut. You can take a hog and divide it in two. One half pays three cents a pound, and the other half, 12 cents." The idea of the foreign shipper evidently is, to "go the whole hog" in attacking the Canadian tariff fence; which will have to be closed up more securely.

The proposal of the trade delegates was to place an additional one and a half cents per lb. on the foreign article. Mr. Flavelle, a Toronto packer, stated his convictions to be that "the farmers of this country could not only raise pork for home consumption, but he was convinced that in a few years they would be raising it for export." Others in this business endorsed these views. There seems then no just cause for withholding from the farmers of Canada the protection necessary to justify their taking up this industry on a large scale; it would add another string to their bow, and doubtless prove a profitable addition to their resources. The agriculturalists of this Provluce who are sadly too much given to reliance on one crop, might, we believe, with much advantage go into hog raising.

The deputation drew attention also to the need for a higher duty on American eggs. While our eggs are practically prohibited from entering the States, this

article is now being imported from there into Canada. This demands prompt action; in fact reciprocity is a necessity for us, the reciprocity which would be ensured by treating American exporters of eggs to Canada precisely on the same terms as the Canadian ex-Reciprocity acporter of eggs to the United States. cording to a high authority, being action "done by each to each," and by its very philological structure implying that what is done by one of two parties to the other, should be also done to the other party. That an American is allowed to pass eggs into this country free while a Canadian is practically forbidden to sell eggs in the States is not only most unjust to our own This also applies to lard people—it is an absurdity. oil; we have to pay a very heavy duty on this important product on its entering the U.S., whereas our duty The above changes suggested by the is very light. deputation will in all probability be effected in the next revision of the tariff. We trust, also that in some other cases duties will be removed that will cheapen certain articles now heavily taxed which are not produced, nor are ever likely to be made in Canada, but which enter into the manufacture of goods which we sell abroad in competition with Americans.

GETTING BACK PROMISSORY NOTES,

There is reason to believe that great carelessness prevails in regard to securing possession by the makers of promissary notes and acceptances after they have been paid by cash, or renewal. We say "paid by renewal," because so far as any note or acceptance is concerned, if it is replaced by another note or acceptance covering the same debt, it is just as legally cancelled as though it had been paid in cash. The holder of a note which is renewed, when the renewal note is taken by him as a renewal, forfeits all claim upon the first document; his lien on it is absolutely cancelled by his receipt of the new note. Of course if there is any variation in the conditions of the note tendered as a renewal from those of the original, as, for instance, the withdrawal of an endorser, which variation can be regarded as lessening the value of the renewal, the holder may retain the original as a security collateral to such renewal. In any such case it is more prudent for the holder to make it a condition of extending a loan protected by what he regards as desirable conditions, that in the renewal document the same valuable conditions must be continued. If a note bearing a responsible endorser is sought to be renewed without that name, there is significant evidence that the endorser apprehends danger from his liability, which he has learnt grounds for since he gave his name to the document. No sensible banker, or discounter, would be blind to what is indicated by a note being sought to be renewed from which one of the responsible parties wishes to withdraw. There have been such transactions, but the record is not favorable to the security of renewed loans being further weakened. "Further weakened," we say, as the very fact of a trade note not having been paid at maturity, has brought that note down in merchantable value. It is like a horse that has once dropped on its knees, which is thereby reduced in value, as it might repeat the performance at the expense of its owner's broken neck. But while a note may be renewed with less secure conditions, the discounter or holder may justly and legally decline to hand over the old note, so long as he regards it as of any value as a collateral. Should, however, he accept a new

note as being in the fullest sense a renewal of the original, and so voluntararily release some endorser from his obligation, he ought not to retain the document, as its recovery is necessary to the protection of such endorser, as well as of the maker. Cases have been known of bankers suspending action against an original endorser, whose name has not been given to a renewal note, until the renewal was dishonored. Grave wrong has been done by such postponement, as this delay has led the person so liable, into entering into other engagements which he would not have done had he not regarded the renewal to have discharged him from his liability.

Endorsers under such circumstances, who refuse to be parties to renewals, should take prompt steps to protect themselves by insisting upon the absolute cancellation of the documents they have endorsed. Most especially should they refuse point blank to commit themselves to a new note until they have either secured the old one, or seen it rendered useless. The same precaution should be taken by makers of promissory notes, or acceptors of acceptances. There is a custom of paying cash on account and renewing for the balance. In all such cases the notes so withdrawn, should be secured by the makers. This is not only a wicked world but a world of risky contingencies. Notes given, partly paid, and then renewed by other notes, may be well understood by two living traders, but if one dies, say the holder, his executors may be unable to accept the explanation given by the maker as to how the affair stands, and, finding a dishonored promissory note amongst the deceased's vouchers, they may regard it as an asset which they must collect. Such a difficulty has occurred. Some years we were asked to unravel a highly complicated tangle of note transactions extending over some years. One party claimed that about \$25,000 was due to him, the other asserted that there was no balance, beyond a trifling sum. Notes had been given by each to the other for accommodation, one had carefully got possession of all those he had made on each renewal, and as carelessly the other had neglected so to guard his own interests. Neither had kept a bill book, and it was found impossible to straighten the dispute even after a law suit. Our retail traders are often most careless in this regard. The banks too in some cases do not give up notes over which they have no longer any lien. Many wholesalers have piles of past due promissory notes, partly paid, and partially renewed. Large numbers of these documents represent no value to them, but they do represent a possible risk to their customers. They should not hold such paper one day after they have accepted part payment and renewal for balance. Retailers not only sign notes too freely, but treat them too lightly at maturity and after. Whoever has made a promissoay note should insist upon getting back every note to which by payment or renewal he is legally entitled, and others whose endorsements appear on such paper, should keep track of these engagements, and see that, whenever their liability ceases, the document on which they were liable is effectively cancelled.

ELECTRICITY RISKS.

The fire insurance companies may make up their minds to there being a risk in electrical appliances which they hitherto have not fully realised. The number of buildings through which electric wires are run

has been so small that the fires resulting therefrom have been so few as to excite little attention.

The possibility of ignition by contact with such wires has indeed been strenuously denied. A disastrous fire that occurred a few years ago, in a Canadian city, by which a noble building was severely damaged was a great mystery. The structure was new, was built with especial care to avoid risks of fire; the "rats" theory, which is often so very convenient, was inadmissable; there was no fire nearer than that under a boiler several storeys below where the fire broke out, there were no lamps in use; nor were any kind of combustibles stored; yet, suddenly, a mass of flame burst out, and many thousand of dollars went up in smoke and flame in a very short time.

This would have ranked as one of the most mysterious fires on record had it not been possible to be explained by there being in the part of the building where the mischief begun, a number of electric wires connected with a telephone service. Of course the possibility of these having caused the fire was denied, and is yet denied by some. But the possibility of wires throwing off sparks or flame, hot enough to ignite wood work, was not as well known as it is to-day. Those who, in this city, recently witnessed the fire work display made by some wires on Peter St., had a vivid object lesson which taught them that a wire may become a torch under certain conditions favorable for the escape of what, for want of a better term, is called the electric "fluid." Happily as these wires were all in the open air, no damage was done, but had they passed into a building there can be no doubt that a Only a few weeks ago a fire would have resulted. very costly fire occurred in this city which yet remains a mystery, which is only explicable on the theory that the wood work through which electric wires were run was ignited by the "fluid" flashing out into flames in some place where the wires were concealed from sight.

We are inclined to think that there is yet much ignorance as to the destructive as well as in regard to the economical possibilities of electricity. The heating capacity of this agent is being experimentally investigated with surprising results. It is now known that "if a current passing through a wire heats it to a certain degree, a current of double strength will heat it four times as much, the heat developed being directly proportional to the square of the current." The Hardware Trade Journal,-which we take this opportunity of saying is always full of highly interesting and valuable matter relating to metal manufactures, - has a review of the Crystal Palace Electrical Exhibition from which we learn that 'electricity is coming into use for the reduction, or smelting of refractory metals, as well as for brazing and welding. One exhibit shows that electricity has the power to bore a hole through a glass plate. So that these wires are not quite so incapable of mischief as they are usually thought.

One of the problems now seriously puzzling electrical experts is the discovery of some metallic compound for wires that will carry the electric current when of a certain strength, but which will fuse if the current exceeds what is needed for the operation desired. This will convey a graphic idea as to the heat accompanying a current of electricity, and the other fact, as shown on one of our own streets, that even a telephone wire, or one for conveying power to an electric lamp, may evolve flashes of flame, combine to prove that wherever electricity is conveyed inside a building the

wires ought to be carefully insulated from contact with inflammable material.

The N.Y. Commercial Bulletin recently declared that "many of the most disastrous fires have been directly traced, or attributed to electric wires." This paper goes on to remark that:

"The losses in this class have been so serious during the two year period as to cause a net loss in the fire underwriting business, and the year 1892 has started in at a pace even eclipsing either of the years 1890 or 1891. Underwriters who, a few months ago, were inclined to charge these losses to moral hazard, now quote electricity as the leading cause for this rapid increase in the number and extent of costly blazes. Inasmuch as many of the fires in large mercantile risks have been practically proven to be electric light fires, it is safe to assume that many other fires whose origin has never been learned would, if the facts were known, come in the same category."

This is regarded by the Chronicle as "one of the first public expressions of the panicky feeling concerning the electric hazard just now afflicting fire underwriters, which it is easier to help on than to allay." "Whether," it adds, "fire underwriters are right or wrong in their views, or just, or unjust to electricity, their experience has already been sufficient to show them very clearly the necessity for guarding them selves, at every point, when they have electric currents to deal with." This "panicky feeling" would, we submit, at present be far better helped on than allayed, until decisive measures are taken by underwriters to compel the wiring of buildings to be so done as to remove all risks incident to carelessly placed electrical appliances. There is not the slightest difficulty in securing absolute immunity from this danger, less so indeed than in putting in gas pipes so as to avoid certain defects connected with that service, which have caused innumerable fires, explosions, and the slow poisoning of families. Indeed the electrical service in dwellings, offices, warerooms and factories is chiefly valuable because of its freedom from the dangers and damages necessarily incident to gas.

A writer in the N.Y. Sun ably discussed this problem, and concludes that the steady progress of electric lighting and heating shows that, "during the years of the immediate future, progress lies in bringing to every man's door the Proteus, which is light, motive power, heat or chemical energy, as its master wills." The subject demands thorough examination by the fire insurance companies. Upon them and their patrons fall the losses arising from imperfect, careless or ignorantly arranged electric "fixings,"-especially from concealed wires passing through walls, floors, and the wooden partitions necessary in some ware-The sooner therefore the companies realise how rapidly their risks are increasing from this source the better it will be for their interests, as well as for the electric supply companies, whose enterprise is now injured by the "panicky feeling" which naturally has arisen from recent fires caused by badly insulated electric wires.

FREIGHT RATES ON LIVE STOCK.

The high rates charged for carriege of live stock over Canadian lines in comparison with those prevailing in the States has long been complained of by shippers, who have again and again sought more equitable terms. From a report in a recent Gazette there seems to have been some concessions at last made, but even these do not place the rates in Canada on the same level as those charged on American lines. At an interview reported by our contemporary of the executive committee of the Dominion Live Stock Association, with the freight agents of the

C.P.R. and G.T.R. lines it was pointed out to them how unfair are the rates to this port, which may be judged by the tollowing table, the figures given being supplemented by us in order to show the disproportion more clearly:

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	Distance.	Rate.	miles.	
Chicago to Boston	1,100	30c.	. \$2.73c.	
" New York	1.000	28c.	280c.	
" Buffalo	500	161c.	3.30c.	
" Philadelphia	, 900.	26c.	2 88c.	
" Pittsburg	. 550	164c.	3.00c.	
" Detroit	. 300	12c.	4.00c.	
Ailsa Craig to Montreal	. 460	29c.	6 30c.	
Toronto to "		221c.	6.76c.	
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The above shows that the rates charged between American shipping points is less than half of those imposed by Canadian Not only are the rates over routes exclusively Canadian so enormously in excess of those on American lines, but "it was also shown that the present Canadian rates gave Boston an advantage over Montreal. The rate from Ailsa Craig, in western Ontario, to Boston (a distance of 800 miles), is only 271c per 100 pounds, while the rate to Montreal is 29c. The difference in the rate between Toronto and Boston and Toronto and Montreal is only 5c, notwithstanding the fact that the distance is almost double." The railway officials agreed to make a reduction of \$5 per car from all points west of Montreal to Montreal and a reduction of 10 per cent from points east of Bowmanville to this port. "The new rates, it is understood, will go into effect on the 4th of April. The rate from Ailsa Craig will be 261c instead of 29c, from Toronto 20c instead of 221c, and from Bowmanville 18c instead of 20c." This is "half a loaf" which being better than "no bread," may be accepted with thanks for the But the cattle shippers will not regard this concespresent. sion as final, as it still leaves the American cattle shippers in the enjoyment of better freight rates than themselves. Messrs. Frankland, Dunn & Thompson, who interviewed the agents, will now endeaver to secure a removal or reduction of certain local charges at this port, which are much complained of. The growing importance of this trade to the farming community, now that cattie raising is coming more into favor, renders it of national concern that our railways should extend all possible aid to shippers.

ST. JOHN BOARD OF TRADE ON BANKRUPTCY.

The committee of the Board of Trade, St. John, N.B., does not approve of the views of the Board of this city as to bankruptcy legislation. They propose that the official assignee and no other shall liquidate the estate under inspectors; that the remuneration of inspectors shall be fixed by creditors. That the time for liquidation of estates should be limited to twelve months from the date of assignment with powers to the judge in insolvency to extend the time on the application of the assignee and the inspectors, such extension not to exceed three months at any one time. That when an estate pays 50 cents on the dollar the insolvents may obtain a discharge, provided a majority of the creditors representing two thirds of his liabilities consent thereto, but when an estate realizes less than 50 cents on the dollar it shall be necessary in order to secure the discharge of the insolvent that three fourths of the creditors both in number and amount consent thereto. The committee also recommend that a new provision be added to the act, viz.: "Composition by arrangement," as provided for in the English bankruptcy act of 1883, whereby an insolvent may effect a compromise to creditors without the expense and delay of making on assignment and going into bankruptcy.

DISCRIMINATING AGAINST CANADA.

"Canadian trade with France says the Telegraph of St. John, N.B., is not very large, and increases slowly if at all. In 1873 we imported from that country \$2,023,288 worth, and in 1891 our imports were of a value of \$2,310,143. In the same period our exports to France fell off from \$631,907 to \$253,734. At least one half of this small amount of our exports was lumber. The new French tariff, which went into operation a few weeks ago, discriminates in favor of Baltic lumber and against Canada. On sawn lumber the tariff ranges from 26.20 france to 65.38 france per standard. On Canadian deals the duty is equivalent

to \$9 per standard, while on similar lumber imported from the Baltic, or even from England, the duty is approximately \$6.50 per standard. In this case Canada, though a British country, is not placed on the same footing as the mother land. The matter is of especial importance to New Brunswick and Quebec as the lumber producing provinces principally interested in the French market." This is just one of those matters that should be attended to by Sir Charles Tupper. There is every probability that there was no intention to make such a discrimination against Canadian lumber. England exports none to France direct, what we ship to England can be re-shipped if needs be to France and be entered as from England to secure passage under the lower duty. But a little timely diplomacy would probably enable us to ship to France direct on same terms as England.

WHAT CAUSES THE INCREASED FIRE WASTE?

"Why this great loss? Is it general stringency in money, that is with those who never have any of their own, even while there is plethora of it in banks, and with those who always have more of it than they need, or is it increasing want of confidence, or that prevailing impossibility for some men, or rather many men, to raise money for their necessities other than through their insurance policies? Or does this increase in loss show an incendiarism that proves general increasing demoralization, and is it a debatable question that we may be inspiring damage greater than the legitimate loss we should indemnify? Or, to be more practical, is it not well to consider in connection with this subject, the importance of adopting rules in regard to buildings generally, especially to consider the defective buildings in our leading towns and cities, which have, from want of proper construction, yielded to and even added to the burnings rather than furnished that resistance that we have calculated on in limiting loss? Recent heavy losses in a number of our cities enforce the importance of such laws."

The questions and answers above were asked and given by the President of the S. E. tarriff association at a meeting referred to elsewhere. No one cause is enough to cover the enormous fires of last year, though their generality of occurrence does point to something more than particular instances of carelessness. That something is more likely to be the growing spirit of recklessness in regard to property which is especially pervading those who erect buildings, who have charge of them, whose work is carried on in them. The respect for property as property is nearly extinct. A group of workmen, looking at a large warehouse recently burnt in this city, were heard to express great satisfaction at the ruins, as one said, "That's a good job o' work for lots of us next spring."

INSURANCE IN OHIO LAST YEAR,

The reports of fire insurance business in the different States are now being published, and a melancholy exhibit they will make when all are grouped into one table. Rough Notes gives the following statement of U.S. branch of foreign insurance companies:

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Receipts	Losses	Receipts	Losses
1891.	1891.	1890.	1890.
British Amer. Ass., Toronto\$35,103	\$29,049	\$34,982	\$19,456
Caledonian Fire, Edinburgh 26,038	32,308	9,615	9,691
Commercial Union Ass., Lon. 98,410	89,466	90.686	45,890
Guardian F. & L. Ass., London 79.962	76,023	245,607	25,095
Imperial Fire, London 24.244	13.762	22,064	23,709
Lancashire, Manchester 58,726	64,388		35.084
Lion Fire, London 21,755	19,688		10,039
Liverpool & London & Globe,	,	,	-,
Liverpoòl138,995	115,113	122,140	53.720
London Ass. Corp., London., 61,127	52,119	59,226	46,488
London and Lancashire Fire,	•	,	,
Liverpool 84,580	75.809	74,754	47,653
Manchester 46,804	22,339	*******	********
N. Brit. & Merc., Lon. & Edin.110,657	100,599	104,786	62,718
Northern Ass., London107,598	93,108		40,494
Norwich Union Fire, Norwich 46.944	45,361	44,020	42.646
Phonix Ass, London 46,759	33,894	43,968	26,156
Queen, Liverpool	******	95.091	67,795
Royal, Liverpool453,460	314,234		208,976
Scottish Union & Nat'l, Edin. 63,128	47,430		10,813
Sun Fire Office, London 92,689	75,217	75.520	50,483
Western Ass., Toronto 49,961	29,611	43,663	25,308

Totals\$1,647,109 \$1,349,509 \$1,590,964 852,222

The figures for one company are only given for 1890 and for another company for 1891. Taking these out altogether the

totals show that while the receipts in Ohio in 1891 were only \$84,342 in excess of those in 1890, the losses in 1891 went beyond those of 1890 by \$542,714.

INSURANCE RATES ON THE UP GRADE.

At a meeting of the Southeastern Tariff Association at Washington on 16th inst., President Mines is reported by the Chronicle to have said, "that rates must go up is sheer justice and common sense. But we must have also decided advance in rates on unprofitable classes of property. We must arouse ourselves from a chronic indisposition to advance rates which for years has been gradually possessing us. The local agents favor reduction. The special and general agents, as a rule, oppose ad-Every device and plan and experiment is urged and practiced, even in full view and acknowledgment of loss to companies, rather than do that which is plain and practicable, but, I think, mistakenly supposed to be unpopular-advance rates. The influence of the great majority of towns and agencies where business is at least not unprofitable as must always be the case, and of the hundred insured parties who pay premiums and have no losses, to the hundredth unfortunate who does, makes up an almost irresistible force in opposition to such advances as are ofttimes necessary all along the line, to pay the small minorities that have loss sufficient to consume the contributions of the many. It is the law of average—the underlying principle of insurance—that the towns that have no extraordinary losses must make up a fund to pay the few that do, and that the great mass of insurers having no losses must contribute the amount necessary to pay the few who have, and that when aggregate losses amount to more than aggregate premiums assessment must be I will not dismiss this subject, however, without levied on all. declaring my sympathy for those who pay the premiums and who must bear the burden of any advance in rates. I am sure, though, that when they see this matter aright, and I think most of them have taken note of the still increasing fire waste in this country, and when they properly consider the statistics which justify such action, they will, as sensible men, readily yield to your action." With an aggregate fire loss last year of \$140,000, 000 spread in fair proportion over the whole country, there is we fear too much reason to make a rise in rates necessary.

OUR MERCHANTABLE WOODS.

On the evening of the 17th inst, a lecture was delivered by Hon. J. K. Ward in the Natural History rooms on the merchantable timber of Canada. No man in this country could bring to the treatment of this subject so much of personal experience and information, trained as he was in the business from his youth up to a successful and vigorous middle age. Mr. Ward is one who could stand alongside Adam Bede in the workshop and beside our hardiest pioneer in the forest primeval, who knows the tree from its place in the back woods to its hewn condition in the raft or in 12 or 20 foot logs in the saw mill, or as planed boards, doors, sashes, blinds, clapboards or in the shape of office fittings, furniture, etc., in domestic or business buildings. To all who take an interest in this, our greatest natural economic product, Mr. Ward's lecture was interesting in the highest degree. We have too little of such practical educational addresses. The series delivered at the Young Men's Association rooms a few years ago is still remembered, and it is to be hoped some of those who favored us then-Mr. E. F. Ames in the shoe trade, and others-may be induced to repeat their addresses at an early day. Instruction of this kind is not obtainable in our schools; it can only be imparted by those who learnt it in the thorough manner obtaining in the middle years of the century,

Now is the time when the sportsman occasionally thinks of overhauling his outfit, and when the habitant who is tired of hibernating dreams of the unconsumed delicacies of the camp. Those who want the "best of its kind," and most sportsmen do, will consult their interests by noting the list of articles for sale by Fraser & Viger of this city—as catalogued in these columns.

Mr. John Dungan, one of our millionaire merchants, died on the 23rd inst. Mr. Dungan came to Montreal from Hamilton in 1866 and has been doing a large tea trade under the style of Dungan & Co. Deceased was a director of the Merchants Bank, He was unmarried, but leaves a sister and a large circle of reatives. Melissa.—The original and only reliable porous rainproof cloth in the world. Imitation is the sincerest flattery, but some imitation rainproof cloths now on the market, although very flattering to Melissa, will prove anything but satisfactory to the wearers. We have placed in the hands of leading wholesale dry goods, millinery and woollen houses a beautiful range of Melissa cloths suitable for ladies' cloakings and men's wraps, which are now being shown by their travellers. In future genuine Melissa cloths can only be obtained through the above mentioned channels. Men's rainproof garments will, as heretofore, be sold only through J. W. Mackedie & Co., Montreal. See trade mark elsewhere.

THE fire in the wholesale dry goods warehouse of Thibaudeau Bros., city, is estimated to have caused damage to the extent of \$50.000.

MACDONALD VS. THE CANADA JUTE COMPANY.

The trial of the case of John Macdonald vs. the Canada Jute Co. began before a jury this morning. Mr. Macdonald was employed by the defendants for some time as auditor to discover certain irregularities in their books, and the action is brought to recover salary to the amount of \$140. The defendants set up an incidental demand allering that they have suffered damages from the incompetent manner in which Macdonald did his work and the latter replies to this that he was hindered for a time from discovering the suspected frauds through a conspiracy which, he alleges, existed between Mr. Edwards, the secretary treasurer of the Company, and Alex. Shaw the embezzling accountant.—Montreal Star.

ANSWER TO CORRESPONDENTS.

SUBSORIBER, Hay, P.O., Ont.—We believe you amply protected against a demand for such purposes under the Ontario Insurance Act, chap. 167, sec. 124, which reads as follows:—

"All premium notes.....belonging to the company shall be assessed......at such intervals from their respective dates for such sums as the directors may determine, and for such turther sums as they think necessary and as are authorized by this Act for losses, expenses and reserve, during the currency of the policies for which said notes or undertakings were given and in respect to which they are liable to assessments and every member of the company, or person who has given a premium, note or undertaking, shall pay the sums from time to time payable by him-to the company during the continuance of his policy etc."

L. F. R. M.—Lynden.—That St. Thomas concern can scarcely be recommended. The Manufacturers' should be able to carry out their contract. The Waterloo company is all right. You mean the Fire Insurance Co.

MERCHANT, St. Thomas, Ont.—The Ontario Mutual Fire Ins. Co., of London has had its license cancelled, and is being wound up.

Correspondence.

GOVERNMENT AID TO RAILWAYS.

To the Editor Journal of Commerce.

Sin,—It would tend to the welfare of the Province, and help to correct many extravagancies and abuses, were the government to be parties to the construction and equipment of all future railway lines. They are only parties now in so far as inspection of the roadbed by their engineers is concerned, but the writer would propose active representation on the Board of Direction so that contracts and general expenditure during construction should be under control throughout

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The granting of charter rights is as a rule, evidence of the utility of the railway project so far as it affects the sections of country through which the railway is to run, but it is for our legislators to see that, in fair measure, it is intended to be a benefit to its terminal points, and a gain to the whole Province as well. I should propose, as an elementary principle, to grant under closer scruliny of all applications for charter, financial and by government to all provincial railway projects—not aid of the present kind that can be squandered, or misapplied or simply go to feed contractors and promoters, but such as should be entirely used for construction and equipment purposes. Railway projects could still be in their initiation, and later on in their ordinary administration, matters of individual enterprise. If we yield the principle of financial aid to every bona fide project, then the present legislative farce of granting wild lands

If we yield the principle of financial aid to every bona fide project, then the present legislative farce of granting wild lands by way of bonus, taking them back and converting them into cash at so many cents per acre could cease, as it is a practice which has led to much abuse, and at best promotes speculation.

Let the Provincial Government have as an active appanage of the Board, its non-political head of the railway department, and then grant money aid in every case, not by way of bonus but Greatest circulation during month.....

by way of loan. The presence and oversight of the government official would conduce to make the bonds a more desirable investment, and of readier sale, and when a sale had been completed all advances for aid could then be recouped to the governments and its representation, at the Board cease. These repayments while testing the bona fides of the railway company, by requiring a small payment on capital stock to meet them, would not in the end diminish the speculative profits of the promoters for the reason that the better prices obtained for the bonds, and the savings on construction account, would enable the repayments to be made so as really to enhance those profits, while saving the country the immense sums now wasted annually under the bonus or subsidy system.

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Should the bonds relate to roads passing through sections of country not well known to, or appreciated by the investing public, the statutes are alive which give the railway the right to apply for, and receive, in the interest of prospective bond-holders the government's guarantee for the interest payable on the

bonds.

This guarantee, let it be undersood, is not a burden on the country, but on the other hand a gain, as it places in the hands of the government a capitalized sum retained out of the proceeds of the sale of the bonds representing the interest to acque during the whole term of the guarantee.

This sum instead of finding its way for a long term of years into foreign coffers could, by a very slight legislative effort be retained in the country. Under the writer's proposals we would have:—

lst. A wholesome security on which our banks could advance for construction purposes.

2nd. An ultimate security in which our own corporations, and rich capitalists could invest with confidence.

3rd, A positive assurance to honest contractors that their

3rd, A positive assurance to honest contractors that their outlays would be repaid, and to laborers that they would get their wages when earned.

4th. The florting of our railway bonds on healthier and better terms—and in Canada.

The building of a railway should not be the precarious, and often times over reaching, victimizing scheme it is, but rather a clean-handed, solid, and complete undertaking from first to last, and all our efforts should be given to make it so.

Your obedient servant,

Montreal, 18th March, 1892

PROGRESS.

BANK STATEMENTS.

•	Jan., 1892.	Feby., 1892. F	
Capital authorized	\$75,759,665	\$75,904.665	875.0 18.665
Capital subscribed	62,717 432	62,368.332	61,254,732
Capital paid up	61,345,171	£1,500,±66	60,111,028
Amount of Rest	23,123,254	23,947,508	22,036,022
LIABILI	cies.		
Notes in Circulation	32,705,400	82,711,015	31,925,749
Balance due Dom. Govt. after deduct-	0 007 500	0 647 630	0 001 100
ing advances for credits, pay lists, etc.	2,607,596 3,441 101	2,647,602 3,363.016	2,891,120 3,677.676
Balance due to Provincial Goves	53,636,771	60 120 023	50,843,338
Pub ic deposits on demand	92,261,422	93,394,247	82, 40,751
Loans from other bks. in Can'da sec'red	60,.00	110,000	194,000
Deposits payable on dem'd, after notice			
or on a fixed day by other Can. banks.	2,891,644	2,842,871	1,755,789
Balances due to other banks in Canada	100 /01	127 /10	
in daily exchanges	120,421	137,410	*********
Balances due to agencies of bank or to other banks or agencies in foreign		000 010	100 110
_ countries	128,925	209,246	160,143
Balances due to agencies of the bank			
or to other banks or agencies in the United Kingdom	1,301,982	1,685,76)	1,926,358
Other liabilities	479,382	853,512	207,266
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Total liabilities	194,645,730	197,489,682	176,021,783
ASSET	8.		
Specie	5,926,998	6,998,998	6.730,485
Dominion notest	10,405,734	10,638,883	10,262,050
Deposits with Government for security	0.40.000	040 007	* 4
of circulation	843,075	7 180 447	0 000 000
Notes and cheques on other banks	5,834,187 60,000	110 000	6,223,666
Loans to other aks. in Canada secured.	00,000	120,000	
Deposits payable on demand or after notice or on a fixed day in other bks.	0.000.001	0.113:407	0.017.404
in Canada	8,358,991	8,113,497	8,217,424
Balances due from other banks in Can-			
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Balances due from other banks or agencies in foreign countries	17 653 740	17 619 709	10 (80 020
aganoies in foreign countries	17,650,742	17,612,793	12,159,238
Balances due from banks or agencies	5,091,959	4,693 633	8 563 835
Dom G vt. Debenture Stocks	3,058,802	8,059,034	3 543,835 2,462,371
Con Munisipal Securities and British.	-,		
Possion Despinated or Colonial nub-		0.110.000	- 480 040
lic securities (other than Dominion)	6,538,942	6,449,879	6,179,210
Canadian, British and other railway	E 907 CC0	5,842.569	5 2 4 Z
SOCUTIVIES	5,397,662 14 568 049	14 720.223	13,781,052
Call Loans on bonds and stocks Ourrent Loans and Disgounts	184.034.993	186 116,911	177.107.502
Loons to the Govt. of Canada	1,966,6:6	1,944,66	626,535
to Provincial Govts	152 570	191,514	1.455.272
Overdue debts	2,770,319	891,8ç.	8,160,424
Real estate, other than bank premises,	1 147 044	1 1/0 070	3.044.070
the property of the bank	1,147,044	1,149,973 779 913	1,044,073
Mortg's on real estate sold by the bk.	755,770 4,491,847	4,487 2 4	760.522 4,2 4 781
Bank promises	1.611.6 6	1,837,215	2,373 (55
CAWA MINNE LALLE			
Total Assets	275,953,236	279,547,605	257,480,841
Aggregate of loans to directors and to	6,127,129	6.191,604	7 894 984
firms in which they are partners	5,838,917	5,987,213	
Average specie for month.	10.212,090		
Average Dom. notes for month Greatest circulation during month	35,374,621		
AVANABLA ATTANDESSA			

SPECIAL NOTICE:

DECARBONIZED IRON COMPANY.

Letters of Incorporation under the "Canada Joint Stock Companies' Act," have been granted, incorporating the "Taylor Decarbonized Iron and Manufacturing Company, Limited," carrying on operation throughout the Dominion of Canada. The Incoiporators are well known citizens of Montreal, to wit, Frank Gilbert, of the Gilbert Dredging and Blasting Company, Fred. Workman, Hardware Agent; Jas. R. Walker, Merchant and Manufacturer; Wm. T. Costigan, Merchant; Frs. D. Taylor, M. E and G. H. Patterson, Financial Agent.

This Company is formed for the purpose of acquiring and working a new process for decarbonizing Iron as it comes from the cupola of the ordinary foundry, which is the result of many years of careful study and work, on the part of Mr. F. D. Taylor (one of the Incorporators) and for the manufacture of articles in Iron of various kinds. The importance of this new departure is not conceivable to the ordinary mortal, but to those who are, like Tubal Cain, makers in Iron, etc, it has created great interest, in that it supplies a material of great strength, at a comparatively small cost, and fulfils what, in many cases, is now done by malleab's or steel castings. The process consists in the use of a compound material which is put with the molten Iron, after being drawn from the Cupola, either in the ladle before pouring into the moulds, or in a receiver for larger quantities the size of the casting making no difference—the effect being to expel the Scoria and excess of Carbon contained in the Pig and Scrap, there-by producing a purer, more compact and denser Iron, partaking of the nature of a mild steel, the strength, both tensile and transverse, being immensely increased. Whilst the Company do not claim to convert the ordinary casting into Wrought Iron or Steel, it does produce, through the decarbonization of the iron, a casting that faillis all the requirements of Malleable or Steel castings, which cost nearly double what this other does.

The old proverb that the "Proof of the Padding is in the eating," is quite apropos here, as it has been carried beyond the initial or experimental stage, and for several months has been produced at one of the City foundries in filling orders for important parts of machinery of the City foundries in filing orders for important parts of manuacry, hitherto thought out of the reach of the ordinary foundry cast; and this too, continuously, and uniformly of excellent quality, free of "blow holes," the Iron working under the Machinist's tools in a soft, easy manner, without affecting them more than Wronght Iron would do. It has given entire satisfaction wherever used, so that to-day the

orders are increasing so fast, not only from this city, but from other places, for castings, that the Company are arranging for a foundry of their own, to supply the demand for plain and flushed castings, and to manufacture for Steamfitters, couplers, elbows, etc., etc., and a host of other articles too namerous to mention. Among the more prominent other articles too numerous to mention. Among the more prominent of the patrons of this Iron are Messrs. Laurie & Bro., the well known Machinists who built the magnificent engine for the Merchants' Menufacturing Co. here, using this decarbonized Iron in the crosshead, weighing about 900 pounds, and which "turned up" like polished steel; the Ingersoil Bock Drill Co., Montreal Rolling Mills, Peck, Benny & Co., Nail Works and Rolling Mills; Abbott Rolling Mills, Frothingham & Workman, and many others. It has also been tested in "gear wheels," where the severest strain could be made; and on a dredging machine, the result has been that the one made of this Iron has been in use for several months and is still good, whilst some on a dreaging machine, the result has been that the one made of this fron has been in use for several months and is still good, whilst some made from 'steel castings' only lasted two weeks. For Railroad Bake Shoes," a most important part of railroad equipment, it has been tested for nearly nine months, and is still working like a charm. It holds the wheel without cutting it; there is no "skidding," and the lasting qualities make it of great value for railroad purposes of all kinds. It can be used to immense advantage in the manufacture of "Water Pipes," From the closeness of its texture, and the increased attrapert, pipes can be reduced in weight whilst the resistance is strength, pipes can be reduced in weight, whilst the resistance is nearly doubled.

We were shown the official certificate of a test made at the U.S. Arsenal, at Watertown, Massachussets, which speaks for itself, and we give it as follows: "Tests by Tension of F. D. Taylor's Decarwe give it as follows: "Tests by Tension of F. D. Taylor's Decarbonized Iro1. Specimen turned down from a piece about \$\frac{1}{2}\$ in. square "Diameter. \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 64, sectional area, 25; tensile strength, \$6980.=27,920 lbs. "per square inch; appearance of fracture, fine granular. A Cast Iron Pulley and a Cast Iron Elbow were subjected to Lithe working. A "hole was bored through the Pulley and a thread cut in the Ribow, "the Iron working well in the Lithe, taking a good hole and good "thread." Signed by the commanding officier, W. A. Marye, and superintendent J. E Howard. This Iron was made \$\frac{1}{2}\$ Eglington Pig, and \$\frac{1}{2}\$ common Sorap. Ordinarily, we are chary about saying much on new "processes," but this seems such a departure from the general run, which usually make such claims for making Steel, etc., as to be doubtful; whereas the present is simply a revolution on the Foundry, not hitherto attempted, that we deem it of sufficient importance to reter to it. Curiously enough, the efforts previously made have been in all directions; but the plain, ordinary foundry, which seems to have in all directions; but the plain, ordinary foundry, which seems to have remained in its old matter-of-fact style of castings since the days of the Patriarch aforesaid, and now that this has been advanced to the fore front of utility in Iron making, the advantages and immense usefulness of such a process is not easy to estimate.

For full particulars in regard to this work in the United States, communicate with G. H. Patterson, 37 and 39 West-14th Street, N.Y.

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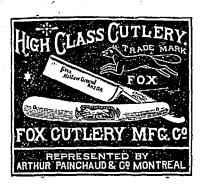
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An American census bulletin recently issued shows that 26,109,074 people, 41.69 per cent-of the total population of the United States, live in 3,715 cities, towns and villages having a population of 1,000 or more. The inhabitants of the 1,522 places having a population of 2,500 and upward number 22,717,465 or 36.28 per cent. of the whole. There are 905 cities and towns with 4,000 or more inhabitants, and these contain 20,799,296 people or nearly one-third of the population. At this point a comparison can be made with the urban population of 1880. At that time the towns and cities of 4,000 and more obtained 12,936,110 people, 25.79 per cent, of the whole The urban population has therefore grown in the decade nearly 8,000.000, nearly twice as large an increase as is shown in the rural and village population, and the higher we get the greater is the proportionate increase. Places of 8,000 and over in 1880 numbered 286, and contained 11,318,547; in 1890 they were 448, with a combined population of 18,284,385; an increase of nearly 7,000,000. In 1880 there were 77 cities having a population of 25,000 or more, and containing together 8,605,193; in 1890 there were 124 more of each places. in 1890 there were 124 more of such places, with a combined population of 13,989,568,-

The statement of R. J. Skinner, B. C. Timber Inspector, says that there are now in the Province 57 saw mills, built or in course of construction 64 timber leases, comprising 273,-428 acres, yielding an annual rental of \$20,-404.23. During the past year the amount of timber cut by or for the different saw mills, as per statements rendered them, has been: From Orown lands, 16,13,011 ft; timber leaseholds, 33,765,137 ft.; timber limits, 15, 974,355 ft.; private property, 17,238,832 ft. The revenue received from the timber royalty is \$31,479,08. Some expansion has takent place in number of small saw-mills constructed.

METROPOLITAN MEAT MARKET.

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The new French tariff; is a veritable Mc-Kinley bill, and presses particularly hard on the products which have hitherto been imported from England, Germany, Italy, Switzerland and Belguim. A tariff combination again t France is being agitated in many of the other countries of Europe, where there is a very bitter feeling towards that country.

Financial.

MONTREAL, Thursday Evening,

March 24th, 1892

The sterling market is strong, but there is not much doing. The Dominion government is reported to be a buyer. Sixty days sight 9%@7-16 and 91@%; demand 93@13-16 and 91@10; cables 101@1. New York funds 1-32 discount to par and 101 prem. Money quiet at 4 per cent on call. On the stock exchange Pacific led in activity, sales being 10.620 shares. Under the influence of the strike prices declined to 861, but at closing recovered to 881. Telegraph has been in demand and fluctuated between 1354 and 1374, sales being large. Provided the dividend is secure the stock is looked upon as cheap. Different views are still held about the retirement of Mr. Wiman from the Great Northwestern. Commercial cable after falling to 150} is firmer at 154. The annual report of the company for 1891 showed that it had earned over 14 per cent, and that the surplus earnings had been used to pay off \$600,000 of the companys 6 per cent, bonds, the original issue of which was three millions, now reduced to one million. With such a record for a duli season like '91 even better results are looked for in the future. Richelieu suffered a depression during the week, but closed better around 653. There was little doing in other stocks, but generally speaking there was a rally at the close, due to the settlement of the railway troubles, and prices closed at about the highest point. The following is the record for the week prepared by Clouston & Co., stock brokers :--

Banks.	No.	Highest price.	Lowest price.	Average this week last year.
Montreal	54	223	222	2241
Ontario	52	113	113	
Peoples	9.	110	103]	961
Merchants	57	151	151	143]
Commerce	76	136	135	
Ville Marle	25	¥ 90	89	
Quebec	25	" 124]	124}	
Union	1	~ 91 ¯	91	
Miscellaneous.		}		
Mont, Telegraph	4401	1374	135}	1061
Com, Cable		154	150	
Richelieu	1696	66	63	591
Pacific	10620	881	861	
Gas	~ 303	210	206	2127
New Gas	. 98	200	193	
Passenger	817	1901	187	1891
New Passenger	185	190Å		
Telephone	315	165	162	
Royal Electric				
Dom Cot	.114		142	
Mont. Cotton Co.	. 75	106		
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AMERICAN MARKETS.

BOSTON.

Butter.—Firm. New York and Vermont dairy, good to choice, 23c.@25c.; East creamery, good to choice, 25c.@28c. Fgga.—Downward. Eastern extras, 15c.; Western firsts, 143c.@15c.; Southern choice, 143. Poultry.—Firm.:Northern fresh choice, 18c.@20c.; fowls 15c.@16c.; dry packed turkeye, choice, 16c.@17c.; fair to good, 12c.@15c.; chickens 16c.@17c.; chickens 16c.; frozen turkeys, 16c.@17c.; chickens 16c.; frozen turkeys, 16c.@17c.; chickens 16c.; fowls 14c.@15c. ducks, 15c.@16c. Peas.—Quiet, Canada choice, \$1@\$1.05; common, 80c.@90c.; Western \$1.35@\$1.40; Northern \$1.10.@\$1.25. Hay—Offerings are large with demand quiet. Ohoice \$18@\$19; fair to good, \$15@\$1.750; East, fiue, \$12@\$14; poor to ordinary, \$11.@\$14; East Swale, \$8@\$9. Potatots.—Ohoice \$1.373. @\$1 50; rose, 45c.; Hebrons, 43c.@45c.; Dakota reds, 38c.; Houlton Hebrons, 50c.; rose, 60c.@62c.

New York

Wheat:— No 2 red 96 to @ 97 to store and elevator; March 96 to, April 960, May 93 to, June 91 to, July 92 to, Avgust 91c. Rye quiet and week, Western 9100 91 to. Berley dull No. 2 470.047 to. elevator, 480048 tourgraded mixed, 46 to timer options quiet and firmer; March. 33 to.; April. 34 to.; May, 33 to.; No 2 spot, 34 to. 35 to.; mixed Western, 340.035 to.; white do., 36:.0410. Sugar granulated 4 to. 04 to. 250 to. 250 to. 310.00140.

CHICAGO.

Cash quotations:—No 2 spring wheat 80 gc No. 2 red 74 gc, No. 2 corn 37 gc, No. 2 oats 27 gc, No. 2 rpe 80c, No 2 Barley, 560 gc, mess pork \$10@\$10.02 gc, lard, \$6 15@\$6 17 gc, short ribs sides \$5.50@5.52 gc, dry salted shoulders \$4.50@\$5, short clear sides \$6.10.

MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS

Monteral, Thursday Evening, March 24th 1892.

The strike on the Canadian Pacific, and fears of trouble on the Grand Trunk, adversely affected general trade and shipments; west ward, but the difficulty now seems to be over. The usual spring reduction in rail rates on the lat prox, will greatly augment the distribution of goods. After an unusually cold spell for the time of year milder weather has again set in and the roads are in a bad state. Many traders are now! delaying orders as much as possible, until the opening of navigation. The probability; of

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changes in the tariff has been discussed by business men and semi official announcements that few alterations are likely is causing more confidence in trade ventures. The shipping trade is promising. Four steamers are loading with fruit in the Mediterranean for Montreal and a number of sugar ships are en route from distant ports. More outside steamers are likely to ply here this spring in view of development in the cattle trade and large supply of Canadian grain to go forward.

BUTTER, CHEESE AND EGGS .- There is a fair jobbing demand for butter. Creamery ranges from 20c@22c and good cairy from 18c@20c. The Liverpool cable for cheese has advanced to 57s 6d. Advices by mail report a firm cheese market in Liverpool with some holders asking 60s@62s for finest fall make. Night skims were in good demand at 40s@48s. Demand for butter in England has been good. Continental improved in price and arrivals were all cleared. Receipts from America practically nil. A steamer was about due from New Zealand and Australia with a large quantity of butter on board. Owing to the mild weather the egg market is weaker and prices are irregular.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS,-In drugs there is a moderate business, about the average for the season. Quotations are little changed, but glycerine may be quoted at 17c@23c. Freight rates from England on chemicals are about the same as last spring rates. Concentrated soda is scarce and firm. Dyestuffs unchanged. Potash bichromate can be bought in cask lots as low as 8c, but we quote 10c@13c for jobbing. Phosphorus 60c@80c.

DRY Goors.-Travellers as a rule are again out on their respective routes and the orders sent in since our last have given encouragement. Indications of a good spring trade seem to multiply as the mouth wears away. Remittances while quite sati-factory in the early part of March, have not continued so; egain it may be presumed traders are preparing for the first to the fourth of the ensuing month. Manufacturers are engaged in the execution of prospective trade. The prevent policy is the true one and long may it continue. Firmness in prices the universal report and while, here and there, there is daing ahead, prices appear to be maintained. European buyers are now about on their respective grouphs and it is too. about on their respective grounds and it is too early to hear news from them of the European markets which outside reports make un-settled owing to political complications on the continent and in Russia.

FLOUR AND GRAIN .- The demand for flour locally has continued to be of a jobbing character. Oatmeal is easy and could probably be bought a shade under \$2. Feed is feed, as supplies on spot are light. We quote bran at \$16, shorts at \$17 and moullie at \$23 \$\alpha\$\$\$\$24. Grain is dull. Wheat is nominally unchanged at quotations, Peas are quiet at 72c/a74c and o ts at 31c for Quebec and 34c for Ontario. Feed barley 42c@43c. The British markets are slow for both wheat and Spring wheat in Liverpool 7s 10d; red winter 7s 9d; No. 1 California 7s 10d, Australian wheat off coast 37s 6d. In Chicago and the west wheat has yielded sharply to the influence of stocks reported by government to be a band at the headinging of the month. on hand at the beginning of the month. This far more than counterbalanced the official deduction of 16 million bushels for shortage in weight from the commercial standing of 60 lbs., and even rendered in flect-ive the receipt of many reports of damage to growing wheat by the cold weather of the last few days preceding the equinox. The loss on wheat left for the winter in fields in the North-west is said to be also large. There is, however, an increasing visible supply, with a greater flow from the North-west, owing to open communication temporarily closed by bad weather. Reports of bank failures in Paris and Autwerp naturally caused some additional unrasiness, as it is known some operators have lost heavily thereby, holding too long, wheat that was bought near the top a few months ago. It is

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Our Old Reserve Port at \$2 per bottle, \$9.50 per Our Old Reserve Fort at \$2 per bottle, \$9.00 per gallon \$2. per dosen.
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NACH.

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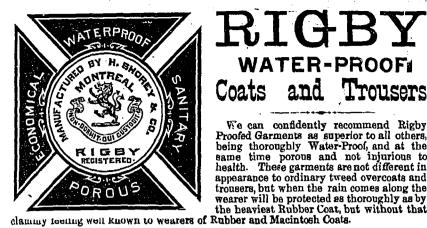
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pointed out that the world's crop of rye is 400 million bushels short and the 'bulla' think this should be considered in connection with the figures for wheat. The prospects for the next harvest are thus summarized by Dorn-busch:—In America the yield is expected to be below the average, but a full breadth has been sown; India is a fair crop, but decidedly inferior to 1891; Hungary, unfavorable promise in several districts; France, many fields winter killed that cannot be resown this month; United Kingdom, backward and irregular crop on short area; Spain and Italy, moderate yield; Germany, fair promise for wheat, but poor of rye; Bussia, poor crop. There is plenty of corn and both buyers and sellers are well aware of the fact. No matter how much Europe may want from the States in the next seven months there will still be abundance for the supply of home needs.

FISH AND OILS,-There is scarcely any demand for pickled fish and buyers are able to make their own terms. Fresh refrigerator B. O. salmon in 500 lb cases is being offered at 5c. In oils, cod oil is nominally unchanged at the advance recorded last week. The seal fishery off Newfoundland has been extremely successful this year and seal oil is likely to be cheap. Telegrams from St John's report one vessel after another as arriving there loaded with seals.



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GREEN FRUITS, ETC .- Trade has ruled dull. Apples, \$3.@\$4. in jobbing and car lots; single brls \$3.50@\$4. Valencia oranges \$3.50 @\$4 50 a caso; Floridas \$4@\$5. per box; Jamaica \$6.50@\$7. per brl.; Messina lemons Jamaica \$6.50/2\$7. per bri.; Messina lemons \$3.00@\$3.50 per box. Messina oranges, boxes, \$2.75@\$3.50. Grape fruit \$3.75@\$4 per box. Cranberries \$5.00@\$6.00 per bri. Malaga grapes \$12.50@\$15 per keg, as to qua ity. Almonds 13c@13½c; Grenoble walnuts 13½c; peanuts 8c.@9c. Dates 5½c. Brazil nuts 12c. Coccon nuts \$4.75 per 100. Sweet potatoes \$3.75@\$4.00 per bri. Pineapples 25c@40c. each; tomatoes Florida \$1@\$1.25 per box. Bananas \$3.03.50 bunch.

GROURIES.-The jobbing houses are only doing moderately, as the roads are breaking up and traders will endeavor to tide over large requirements until the opening of navigation. Sugars are steady with a fair movement at the reasonable prices ruling. Refiners maintain former quotations and the guild has made no recent move. Some cargoes of raw sugar are on the way here from the Phillipine islands and Cuba, but quantity and prices are uncertain. In molasses there have been offers of Barbadoes at 13c, at the islands Teas over 18c are scarce and firm here, but Teas over 18c are scarce and firm here, our lower grades continue pientiful. Transactions cover about 1,200 packages low grade Japans at 9c up to 13c. It is reported that 1,000 pkgs, of low grade Japans were sold on account of New York parties at 9c@10c. In canned goods the sale is reported of 5,000 cases '92 pack corn at 90c, which is looked upon as a low price.

IRON AND HARDWARE ... General trade is quiet There is little doing in heavy metals, The spring trade in shelf goods has been fair. In bar iron prices are maintained at \$2. by wholeorders for steel rails, one of 8,000 and another of 14,000 tons have been closed on this market. Builders and roofers materials are likely to be in lessened demand. There are many vacant houses both here and in Toronto and the prosperts for house building are not bright. Out-side of the Board of Trade building here, there are few, if any public buildings contemplated.

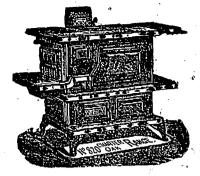
LEATHER AND SHOPS.-Account sales of buff and plits received from England have given the usual results but the demand there is improving stocks being light. Larger shipments will be made at opening of navigation. There is no change in the position of the sole leather market or of shipments. The boot and shoe factories continue busy on orders already booked. They are reported to be shipping out supplies to customers more freely.

LIVE STOCK,-The British markets are still duli and the outlook for spring shipments is not encouraging. Several cargoes of American cattle have recently been shipped and although they were bought cheap, are not athough they were bought cheap, are not likely to net the owners much, if any profit. A large number of Canadian fat cattle have been bought up to go forward when navigation opens here. Some outside steamers have been chartered for May and June, at 55s. The regular lines are acking 70s.

MAPLE PRODUCTS .- Receipts of syrup limited so far. Some stock of new has been sold at \$1@\$1.10. New sugar is quoted at 9c, and old at about 7c.@8c.

NAVAL STORES .- Dealers are preparing for the spring trade which promises to be fair. Turpentine steady and our quotations are revised. Coal tar is firm and held at \$4. Lower grade resins have advanced in the south and are firmer here; we quote \$2@4.50 as to brand. Cotton waste \$10, for colored as to frame. Conton water 540, for for frame and 64c.@10c. for white; oakum 54c.@74c-and cotton cakum 10c.@124c. Cordeye steady. Sisal 94c@4 for 7-16 and upwards and 15c. for deep sea line; pure manilla 134c. for 7-16 and upwards and 144c. for smaller sizes.

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Provisions.—The recent deal in mess pork by which some thousands of barrels were acquired by a syndicate is now said to have been in anticipation of an increase in the duty and togovernment action favorable to the Canadian product in large contracts such as North-west supplies for the police Indians etc. It is also supposed that the government will not be favorable to projects to give lumbermen a chance to bring in American pork. Of late the syndicate has stopped buying, althought it has not acquired all the stock and changes in the tariff now appear uncertain. Locally there is little stir Canada short cut pork is worth \$16.50%\$17, and western \$17.25 while western mess is quoted at \$160\$1650. Hims 101c @11c. and bacon 90. @10c. Lard 81c. @9c. for Canadian in pai's and 71c. @8c. for common refined. In the west, provisions have ruled heavy in sym athy with grain. Buyers abroad are paying more attention to the market as prices at Chicago look low. The smaller supply of hogs than a year ago and the size of the reack are both favorable factors in the situation.

BAW FUBS .- The London sales are now going on and will extended over the next two weeks. Reports received so far are meagre and we expect to give full details in our next. It is expected that the Hudson Bay catalogue will be sold out during the present week. The sales began on Monday with otter and martin followed by red, silver and cross fox, fisher, lyux, bear, musk ox, skunk, wolf and badger. We quote Bear, large prime, \$25.00; large

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TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE,

(Revised by Telegraph.)

TORONTO, March 24th, 1892.

Business is fairly active in wholesale circles and the feeling generally is one of confidence. Travellers are out with fall samples of dry goods, and a good sorting-up trade is also reported. Sugars are fairly active and firm, and there is also a good demand for teas. Remittances are fair, and money easy, with call leans quoted at 4@4½ per cent. Time leans rule at 5 per cent. Speculation quiet this week. Bink shares firm. Dominion declared a dividend of 5 per cent, with a bonus of 1 per cent for the current six months. C. P. B. active and irregular. Cable is firmer, Following are the closing bids as compared with last Thursday:—

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BUTTER,—Receipts are more liberal and prices a trifle easier. Large rolls rather scarce. The best tub jobs at 18c@19c, and pound-rolls at 22c@23c. Large rolls 13c@16c. Eggs are lower at 11c per dozen in

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case lots, demand rather slack. Cheese 12c@ 124c.

DRESSED Hogs.—Offerings small this week, with no change in values. Car lots of good packers sold at \$6.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—Demand limited for flour and prices easy. Straight rollers nominal at \$4 and extras at \$3.85. Patents sell at \$4.30 \$(3)\$4.60. Bran is firm at \$14.50 \$(3)\$15. Oatmeal dull at \$3.75. Wheat steady with demand limited to millers' requirement. Standard fall is quoted outside at 84c and straight at 85c and spring 85c \$(3)\$8c on Midland. No. 1 fall is worth 95c here and No. 2 93c. No. 1 Manitoba hard sold at \$1.05 North Bay and No. 2 is quoted at 98c. No. 3 hard at 88c North Bay. No. 1 regular is nominal at 78c and No. 2 regular at 68c. Barley weaker with sales of No. 2 outside at 45c, and No. 3 extra at 42c Oats quiet, mixed selling at 32½c on track, and at 23½c \$(3)\$20 outside. Peas sold at 60@ 61c outside. Ryo offers at 80c outside and buckwheat is quoted at 50c.

GROUBERS.—Trade fair and values generally steady. Granulated sugars firm at 48c@42c and yellows at 32c@42c. Teas and coffees in demand and firm. Canned goods unchanged.

HARDWARE.—Business quiet, with prices steady. Ordinary bar iron \$2.10\(\omega\$\)2 15. Canada plate \$2.90\(\omega\$\)3. Ingot copper 14\(\omega\$\)015\(\omega\$c.

HIDES AND SKINS — Market quiet and steady. Sales of cured hides at 5c, and green unchanged, with dealers paying 4½c for No. 1, 3½c for No. 2, and 2½c for No. 3. Sheepskins firm at \$1.20@\$1.30 each, and calfakins 5c@7c. Tallow sells at 6c.

LIVE STOOK—Receipts of cattle small, and prices firmer. Sales of sleers at 4½ @4½c, the latter for choice which were shipped to Montreal. Good butchers' 40, medium 3½c@3½c and inferior at2½c@2½c. Cows \$30@\$40 a head Lambs are quoted at 4½c@50 per 1b and sheep at;3½c@4c. Hogs firm at 4½@5½c per 1b. the latter for choice heavy.

Provisions. — There is a quiet trade at unchanged prices. Long clear bacon 74,08c, bellies and backs 101,011c, and rolls 81c per lb. Lard 91c,0101c and smoked hams 11c. American mess pork \$13.750\$14. and new Canadian \$15. Potatoes 30c,033c per bag on track. Beans in lots \$10\$1.10 per bushel. Hops 18,022c.

Woot.—Sales of ordinary fleece at 18c1. A few lots of pulled supers sold during the week at 2210 and extras at 261c.

MONTREAL WHOLESALE PRICES OURRENT,-THURSDAY, MAR. 24, 1892.

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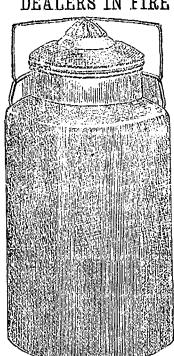
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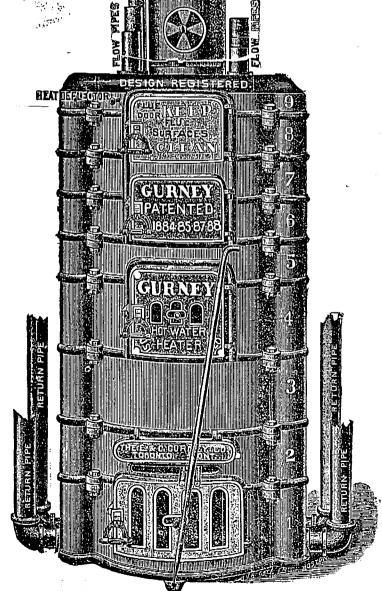




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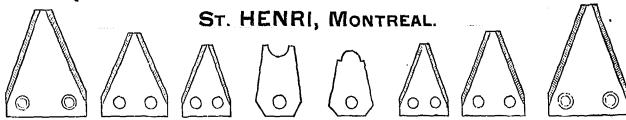
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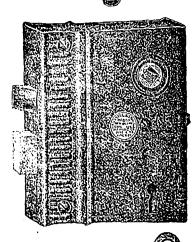
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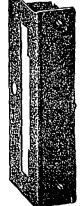
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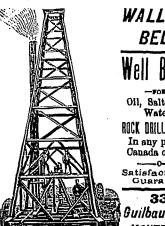
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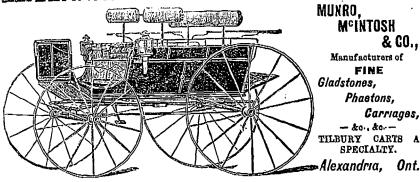
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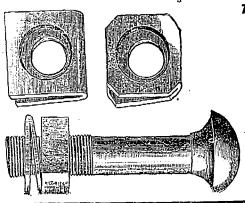
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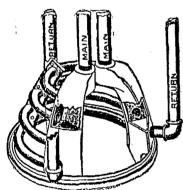
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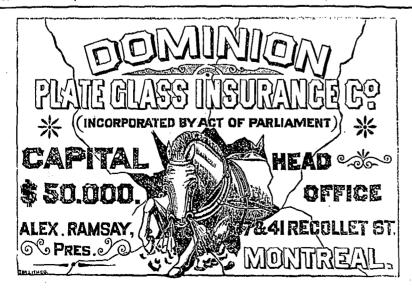
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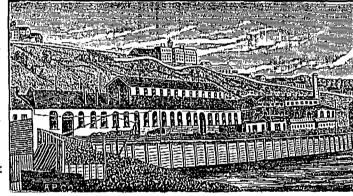
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