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	Capital subscribed		Capital		Dividend	CLOSI	NG PRICES
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British North America	£50	4,866,666	4,866,666	1,216,000	24		
Canadian Bank of Commerce	850	6,000,000	6,000,000	1,000,000		1144 XI	57-37
Consolidated	100	4,000,000	3,465,910	232,000		77 7	
Du Peuple	50	1,600,000	1,600,000	267,196	3 !		,0.25
Eastern Townships	50	1,500,000	1,330,151	300,000	4		•••
Exchange Bank	100	1,000,000	1,000,000		á l		
Hamilton	100	1,000.000	669,930	50,000	4	100	
Imperial	100	910,000	862,402	50,000	4	1044 10	105 00
Jacques Cartier	50	2,000,000	1,953,920				
Mechanics' Bank	50	582,200	195,014				
Merchants' Bank of Canada	100	8,697,200	8,196,883	1,000,000		623 6	63.25
Metropolitan	100	1,000,000	675,226	80,000			
Molson's Bank	50	2,000,000	1,996,715	400,000	4		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Montreal	200	12,000,000	11,008,400		6	158\$ 16	320.00
Maritime	100	1,000,000	627,170				
Nationale	50	2,000,000	2,000,000				
Dominion Bank	50	1,000,000	970,250			120 12	28 61.25
Ontario Bank	40	3,000,000	2,006,180			921 9	
Quebec Bank	100	2,500,000	2,500,000			3-4 3	39.44
Standard	50	507,750	507,750		3	78 7	84 39.25
Toronto	100	2,000,000		1,000,000	4	13	
Union Bank	100	2,000,000			3		
Ville Marie	100	1,000,000	810.580		3		
Federal Bank		1,000,000	974 110		34	102 10	3 103.00
Bank Ottawa		571,000	543,486				
London & Can. Loan & Agency Co		3,066,650	396,665			1344 13	7 68.50
Canada Landed Credit Company		1,430,000	583,320			134 13	
Canada Loan and Savings Company	50	2,000,000	2,000,000			1784 18	
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Ontario Savings & Invest. Society	50	1,000,000	718,018		5	128	64.00
Farmers' Loan and Savings Company	50	450,000	448,576			1128	56.25
Freehold Loan and Savings Company		600,000	600,000	180,000		147	147.00
The Hamilton Provident & Loan Soc.	100	950,000	879,414	87,000	4		42 114.75
Huron & Erie Savings & Loan Society	50	000,000,1	977,522	220,000		1342	67.37
Montreal Telegraph Co	40	2,000,000	2,000,000		34		
Montreal City Gas Co	60	1,440,000	1,400,000	ol 	. 5		
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Richelieu Navigation Co	100	750,000	750,000		4		
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Imperial Building Society		662,500	366,200				21 56.12
Building and Loan Association	25	750,000	713,97			118 11	
Toronto Consumers' Gas Co. (old)	50	600,000	1	.1			69.75
Union Permanent Building Society		400,000	360,000			135	67.50
Western Canada Loan & Savings Co.		1,000,000		315,500		147	73.50
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Effercantile Summary.

THE harbor of Montreal is fast filling with vessels.

M. G. Mountain, wholesale grocer, of Quebec, is offering his creditors a composition of forty cents in the dollar, on liabilities of about \$00,000.

SEVENTY-FIVE bales of grass for paper making purposes, brought from Lake Superior by the Canada Paper Co., was burned at Sherbrooke last week. Loss some \$500.

A FARMER of very free and easy ideas, who lived on a farm of the Pomroy estate, near Compton, Que, decamped the other day owing the estate \$500, having sold his stock and implements to a neighbor for cash.

SEVENTY teams laden with phosphate of lime were counted in one day driving into Kingston from the nothern townships. This is now a steady article of commerce, and of great value for our farmers' use, as well as for export.

MR. ROBT. CROSBY, store keeper, of Sterling, Ont., is in difficulty and endeavoring to settle with his creditors. He owes about \$2,500, and has assets representing about an equal amount.

THE Chatham Chief of Police found a lot of light weight prints of butter on that market a few days since. They were nominally one pound prints of choice quality; the Chief confiscated some seventy pounds.

A DEMAND of assignment has been served on Allard & Larivien of St. Hyacinthe, by a Montreal creditor. The liabilities of the firm amount to about \$10,000, and assets about \$12,000

MR. WM. LEE, a prominent tailor in Quebec, who has been in business many years, but with very indifferent success, was put into Insolvency on the second instant, being the third time in about ten years. His liabilities will amount to about \$8000.

THE inducements of cheap rates offered the business people along the Great Western and Grand Trunk Railways are reported to have been satisfactory to the wholesale trade of London, which city had a large increase in the number of buyers who usually go there. The larger portion of them came from the north and west.

MR. E. M. Colford, tobacconist, Halifax, has absconded after having "by hook or crook" realized all the money he could out of his stock and debts. Some of our Toronto friends have reason to remember this man. Colford failed, in 1873, and many of his transactions in connection with that failure were highly discreditable to him. His stock is covered by a bill of sale to Almon & Mackintosh, so that there is nothing left for other creditors who have been foolish enough to trust him.

SUNDRY small failures are reported from Halifax, viz., MacKasey & Co., ship chandlers whose liabilities are about \$3000, and assets nominally about \$4000. G. W. Stuart, produce dealer, liabilities about \$4000 and assets \$5000. J. B. Neilly & Co., grocers, who are trying to effect a compromise at 25c, have assigned.

THE farmers of Lucknow, Ont, have resolved to establish a butter factory, similar to the one in the adjoining village of Teeswater. At a meeting held for this purpose, it was shown that a good factory could be established for about \$1.000-that it takes 22 pounds of milk to make one pound of butter-that the farmer selling milk at 8c. per gallon receives exactly 18c. per pound for his butter, and is at no trouble or expense in either its manufacture or sale—that he receives cash for the product of his dairy monthly or quarterly. Arrangements are also nearly completed for the establishment of a creamery at St. Jacobs. The milk of 400 cows is to be guaranteed and the farmers are promised eight cents a gallon for their milk. The product is to be shipped to England, where it is supposed that extra high prices will be obtained. There will be a cheese factory in connection, which will make cheese of the skim milk variety.

ACCORDING to a plain suggested for running the State Government, books of coupons would be sold by the Mississippi State Auditors to all liquor dealers. When the drink is sold, the consumer receives a coupon which, entitles him to receive from the State in payment of his taxes one cent. If two drinks are to be paid for, he receives an orange colored coupon good for two cents. If five drinks a blue paper, good for five cents. This plan of taxing thirsty people for the benefit of those who do not thirst is one of the strangest vagaries of legislation. The principle says the Philadelphia Record may be indefinitely extended, but it is certainly inequitable.

THE Strathroy Knitting Company Works have been closed on account of financial difficulties. This concern started with a bonus of \$10,-000; and \$15,000 was expended in putting the mill in working order. Its assets are now small and the liabilities are over \$100,000.

Among the smaller traders there is a disposition to sometimes complain of harsh treatment from the wholesale houses. English firm calls our attention to the extraordinary conduct of Mr. W. F. Ross, jeweller of this city, who has no reason to complain on this ground, as he found at a meeting of his creditors held some time ago, that an offer of 15 cents was

to make a considerable advance on this sum, and relieve him of his impoverished estate. After the bids were increased several times, the insolvent offered 55 cents, which was accepted. To put it mildly, this was certainly a very unbusiness like proceeding, on the part of the insolvent, and the query is how did the estate increase in value so rapidly.

THE bill introduced by Mr. Bourassa to extend the provisions of the Insolvent Act to farmers. was properly rejected, by a narrow majority, on on its second reading.

L. N. CASTONGUAY, a general dealer of some ten years standing in St. Jerome, Que., is in difficulty; and although, having as he claims more than sufficient assets to pay all he owes, is unable to meet pressing claims, owing to his inability to collect. At a meeting of his creditors held in Montreal, on the 2nd inst., he presented a very favourable statement, showing \$29,000 of indebtedness, a large portion of which it will doubtless be impossible to collect; his stock on hand being not more than \$2,000. He made an offer of fifty cents in the dollar which creditors did not see fit to accept, and unless he will come forward more handsomely the estate will be put into insolvency.

A WRIT of attachment has been served on Messrs. A. Benn & Co., of Lachute, a firm which was started some six or seven years ago under the name of Fetherstone & Benn, and since then has undergone several transformations evidently without improving its circumstances. Mr. Benn has struggled hard to gain popularity in this thriving little village; but his efforts have not been crowned with success. His slackness in meeting payments for some time back, has no doubt been due to his being unable to collect. This firm's liabilities amount to about \$14,000, distributed among about forty creditors.

IT is sensibly said by the Shoe and Leather Reporter of N. Y., that " It is a self-evident proposition that, for a great while past, there has been an over-production or an under consumption of leather. Whichever it may be, the fact remains that the misfortunnes entailed by the disparity falls exclusively upon the producers. There are ninety and nine cases of commercial calamity arising from overdoing, to every one that has had its origin in underdoing. It would be well if this historical truth were more generally remembered and profited by."

NEW ZEALAND is not to be represented at the Paris Exposition because she cannot afford the outlay. She is preparing to borrow £5,000,000 more. These British Colonies in the Pacific have mostly heavy debts, heavy certainly, when it is remembered that there are but 2,500,000 people in all Australasia.

THE ingredients of the common cigar used by the smokers of the United Kingdom, who are above sporting a pipe, are found to be curiously varied. The filling has been found to consist of cotton, wood, bread, cocoa nut fibre, small seeds, lime leaves, wheat and oat husks, yarn and tonquin bean. To make the materials ad-

and amidine. The coloring is achieved by means of yellow ochre, red sandalwood, logwood, lampblack, venetian red; the flavor, by essential oils according to the varied taste to be pleased, and by saccharine matter, especially treacle. For those who like a decided taste, liquorice, salt, logwood, glycerine, and aniseed are used. It is in Dublin that the latter ingredient is most fashionable, while Edinburgh is fondest of treacle and sugar, and East London is addicted to licquorice.

A DEMAND of assignment has been made on F. X. Panneton, of Three Rivers, who was some years in trade as Panneton & Rocheleau. Business in this town has been so cut up and collections so backward, for some time past that he is unable to realize upon his assets. Liabilities will amount to about \$8,000.

MESSRS. Murray & Moffatt, general store keepers, of Hawkesbury, who have not yet been n business two years, have recently dissolved, and Mr. Morrow who continued the business, finding himself unable to provide for maturing indebtedness, although showing a nominal surplus, is offering his creditors a composition of fifty cents in the dollar. Liabilities \$2,500.

MR. W. G. HAY, of Listowel, who has hitherto held the title of superintendent of local Granges thereabout, has resigned the office. He considers a contract to deliver of 20,000 railway ties to the Credit Valley road to be rather "better business."

THE Grand Trunk traffic receipts for the week ending 30th of March, were \$164,531, being an increase of \$1,094 over the corresponding week of 1877. The receipts of the Toronto, Grey & Bruce were \$6,802.78 for the week ending 30th March, being an increase of \$1,759.82 over the same week last year. The Midland shows an increase of \$5,815.85 to the 21st March, over its receipts of the previous year to same date, The Toronto & Nipissing receipts for the same week were \$3,724.53. The receipts of the Whitby, Port Perry & Lindsay, for week ending 30th March, were \$1,125.37, an increase of \$782.97 over same week last year, and a total increase of \$12570.

On Saturday last the Police Magistrate of Montreal condemned one Beriau, at the suit of Mr. Dunbar Browne. Collector of Inland Revenue. to pay \$100 and costs, with the alternative of imprisonment, for refusing to give, when asked, a sample of butter to the officers of the Department for analysis. This is the first prosecution in that district under the Adulteration of Food Act, and should act as a warning to other dealers there or elsewhere.

Combinations and "pools" appear to have a fascination for the American mind, and the effort is constantly being made to influence prices by means of them. The vessel-owners on the western lakes, in Council at Chicago, are seeking to combine and so increase freight rates. The Tribuns of that city, notices that grain freights " are opening low, and will no doubt reach those of 1876, when the average rate on wheat was 2.9c, the lowest since 1861. The listened to with some favor, until a party was found hesive, use is made of gum arabic, glycerine. average rate on corn in May, 1876, was 2.7c, and wheat 3c. The figures this season at the opening are about the same." And concludes that to force craft, by pooling, on a market where the cut-throat policy is sure to be adopted is worse policy than to keep them laid up till wanted.

THERE were 315 fires in Boston last year. of which fifty, or say fifteen per cent., were in brick, and 106, or 33 per cent., in frame buildings. The causes of fire were unknown in 57 cases. Of the remainder, the causes were as follows: Incendiary, 37; defective flues, 35; matches, 40; rats and matches, 4; spontaneous combustion, 26; carlessness, 33; sparks, 23; kerosene, 22; gas, 11; over-heated stoves, 12; steam-pipes, 3; spittoons, 3; friction, 2.

THE following remarks which we find in the Bruce Reporter, will apply to various other Canadian counties than Bruce. That journal says, "that there are good butter makkers in this county we know; but we must confess that the majority of butter makers do not use either skill or cleanliness in the manufacture of butter." And it advises the farmers of that section to lose no time in establishing creameries or butter factories. It alludes to the harm done the reputation of Canadian butter abroad by dealers who brand inferior American as Canadian, as well as the folly shown by our store keepers who pay as much for poor as they do for really good (which leads to carelessness in the dairy) and mix both together; concluding that no grade but factory made Canadian butter will bring a good price in foreign markets. And now the merchant cannot find a market for his butter unless it be all first class, or put at about half its former price. And this is certainly an injury to the careful dairyman. Now this could be avoided if our butter makers would use greater skill and cleanliness in the manufacture-and the butter merchant greater care and judgment in the packing of it. But the most certain road to the regaining of our soiled reputation, in this particular, and the securing of the highest possible figure for this production of the dairy is the establishment of creameries. And to our mind the farmers themselves are the ones who should take the matter in hand, under individual or corporate management.

MARINE AND FISHERIES.

The report for 1877, of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries embraces a great variety of details, and shows progress in important directions. The Lighthouse Service has now reached very large dimensions. In 1868 there were 198 lighthouse stations; in 1877, 416. The number of lights shown at the former date was 227; at the latter 500. In 1868 there were only two fog whistles, and in 1877, there are 25.

During the year, sixty new steamers were added to the list of Canada's steam marine, while fifteen were broken up or put out of service. The chief increase has been in the Ontario and in the Lower Province divisions. The number of merchant ships on the register books of the Dominion on the 31st of December last, was 7,362, measuring 1,310,468 tons regis-

ter tonnage -an increase over the previous year of 170 vessels and 49,575 tons.

The registered tonnage of the whole British Empire, including all the Colonies, was 7,677,-024 tons. Canada has thus over one-sixth of the registered shipping of the British Empire. The United States had at the same time 2,564,-980 tons, not including the shipping of the lakes and rivers. Norway ranks next, with 1,391,877 tons; then Italy, with 1,360,425 tons. Canada is next, showing that she occupies the fifth place among the nations of the world in reference to the extent of her mercantile marine. France has not very much more than half the tonnage of Canada.

OIL MATTERS IN PETROLIA.

Petrolia, April 2, 1878.

Matters here are slightly improved. There are some few wells going down. Mr. Cattalan has a good show in a new well in the northwest; the shipments are slightly improved being for the week ending 28th March: Crude 1746 bbls.; Refined 56 bbls. Crude still held at \$2.08 per bbl.; refined 13½c per gallon w. m. From 1st January 1878 to 19th March 1878, the United States have exported 9,200,000 barrels. From 1st January 1877 to 19th March 1877 they exported 9,107,590 barrels. Business generally in all its branches quiet. The small Refiners in London are forming an association of their own.

> STOCKS IN MONTREAL. 3.15 o'clock, April 3, 1878.

STOCES.	Lowest Point in Week.	Highest Point In Week.	Transact'ne in Week	Buyers.	Sellers.
Montreal	1 5 9	161 921	445 240	159 92	1593 924
Consolidated			16	77	77 1 8ນ
Molsons		90	62	90	
Toronto		135	50	130	135
Jacques Cartier	471	48		481	48
Merchants	62	6	554	62	622
Commerce	114	115	165	1142	115
Metropolitan		· · · · · · · · ·			•••••
Maritime		• • • • •			
Exchange				76	80
Hamilton		ļ			63
Union Mon. Tel	122	123	1377	123	123
Dominion Telegraph		84	55	84	1238
Gas	148			1474	1481
City Pass	1404	140		-7/1	-4-4
R.C. Insurance	82	82	122	82	821
Sterling Exchange				100	109
Gold	101			101	101
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FINANCES OF NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA.

From the budget speech of the Treasurer of New Brunswick we learn something about the finances of Nova Scotia as well as of the Province with which he had more especially to deal. After Ontario the Province whose finances are in the best condition is New Brunswick. The receipts in New Brunswick last year were \$601,849, and the expenditure was \$621,324.62. Though the balance which stood at the credit of the Province, at the end of the previous fiscal year, has been reduced by \$32,000, it still amounts to \$96,000. The expenditure exceeded the estimates by about \$26,000. One speaker puts the gross over-expenditure-not, it would seem, without authority of law-at \$48,000, an amount equal to one-sixth of the whole appropriation. This, if there be no mistake in the figures, is not a satisfactory state of things. The estimated receipts for the present year are \$592,600, of which \$430,000 are a subsidy from the Dominion Government. The casual and territorial revenue is expected to produce \$125,000, a source of income which will last many years, but which must eventually vanish. Something more than half the public lands have been sold, but there still remain 8,000,000 acres. The Dominion subsidy will finally reach \$520,000, but here it will stop. The present sources of revenue, when that time comes, may at first suffice; but in the large area of unsettled public lands New Brunswick will ultimately have the means of sustaining a greatly increased population. As population increases with the progress of settlement, so must the casual and territorial revenue decline. But if the proceeds of the sales of public lands could be capitalized, a permanent source of revenue, which will be much needed in the future, would be found. It is surely worth while to consider whether it be not possible to fund these receipts.

As the public lands form the chief source of revenue, over and above the Dominion subsidy, it is desirable to see what the

amount derived from timber is. The receipts from "lumber sales," apart from timber lands, have been:

1872	\$45,776
1873	41,000
1874	25,000
1875	52,000
1876	66,000
1877	94,000
1878 estimate	125,000

Down to the year 1874 sales were made of the right to cut timber at an upset price of \$8 per square mile. In that year the policy of exacting a stumpage tax was adopted; it is unpopular with the lumberers, but, as the figures show, has been successful as a means of raising revenue. A tax of 80 cents per M. feet may well be severely felt. and must tend to make the exportation of lumber to the United States additionally difficult. And yet, the Provincial Secretary avers, lumbering operations on the River St. John are on a more extensive scale than they have been for ten years before. The number of square miles covered by timber licenses last year was 3,403, an increase of fifty per cent. since 1875. After the lumberer follows the settler, though timber lands are not always valuable for settlement. There are some eighteen free grant settlements in the Province, in which 3,168 persons have placed under cultivation 5,592 acres of land, 7,446 acres being chopped and cleared. These free grants attest a sound policy in a Province which has still remaining so large a proportion of waste lands. It seems that, in some parts of the State of Maine, lumberers pay as high as \$1.50 to \$2.50 for the raw material. The Treasurer contends that, on the whole, the lumber trade yields a profit. Mr. Burns, who is himself engaged in lumbering, denies this. He says: "The capital of those who owned mills could not be allowed to remain idle and the mills to rust; the employés of mill owners could not starve, and those interested in the trade could not stand idly by and see their capital wasting away. They had to go on. He was prepared to maintain that the industry was depressed, and that there had been a loss in the lumber trade of the Province." We can understand the operating of existing machinery, when no profit is to be made; but the erection of new mills, when there is a general loss on the whole trade, is not to be explained on any principle on which business operations are usually conducted.

New Brunswick, like Ontario, still has a surplus; but it is now considerably less than it was. The amount of the surplus, in the several years mentioned, was as follows:

1868		\$213,000
		113,000
1870		83,000
1871		95,000
1872		123,000
1873	•••••	151,000
1874	about	150,000
1875		81,000
1876		128,000
1877		96,000

The amount has probably been varied, in some years, by deferring payments till after the close of the fiscal year. In 1871 the sum of \$45,000 was received from the Dominion Government in payment for old railway iron; and in this way the next year's surplus was increased. But the largest windfall which fell to the Province was the sum of \$150,000 paid by the Dominion, in consideration of which the collection of export duties on lumber passing down the River St. John was foregone. Of this special subsidy \$31,500 was received in 1876; and as this was the last instalment, the revenue of 1877 was not increased from this source. But without this aid it is satisfactory to find the Government able to boast that it can "provide for all the public services of the Province as liberally and generously as at any time during the past ten years." It is satisfactory to know that, on the whole, the expenditure is kept so well within the income; but it must be remembered that nearly \$200,000 of the surplus has come from the extraordinary sources already mentioned; and if these amounts, the payment of which will not recur, had not been received, and the expenditure had not been curtailed, there would now be a deficiency of \$100,000 instead of the remnant of a surplus balance of \$96,000. But this balance is not all in the shape of cash in the Treasury. It consists in part of School Fund loans to counties; under which head the estimated refund last year was \$20,000, but only a little more than \$5,000 was actually received. This is another proof that government loans to municipalities or counties are very tardily repaid, and that they cannot be considered either safe or desirable investments. The great fire in St. John may readily be accepted as a valid reason why \$8,000 of this amount was not repaid; but other counties, which had no such excuse. failed to pay.

The provincial debt, represented by debentures, is \$480,0000; and there are obligations in the shape of promised subsidies and uncompleted contracts, which will considerably increase the amount; which one Opposition speaker contended will bring it up to \$800,000.

The Treasurer gives some fiscal details connected with the proposed union with Nova Scotia. He shows that, in the item

of lands, the latter province has only one quarter the acreage of the former; and he claims that before Nova Scotia can show a position of equal financial strength with New Brunswick she would have to reduce her expenditure \$136,000. This might not be easy to do, since that Province has already been obliged to make large reductions in the appropriations for the public service. The finances of Nova Scotia is represented by the Provincial Secretary of the sister Province as much embarrassed. After the next census the Dominion subsidy will be increased to \$380,000, but still the discrepancy pointed out in the future revenue of the two Provinces is a difficulty to be got over in the adjustment of the terms of union.

EXEMPTIONS.

The Court of Appeal has unanimously decided that the local legislature of Ontario has no right to authorize the municipal councils to tax the salaries of officers of the Dominion government. The ground taken by the Court may be strong enough to support the decision, but it does not appear to be particularly solid. The purport of the judgment is that the local legislature has no authority, directly or indirectly, to lessen the amount of the remuneration which the Dominion government allocates to its officers. Whether a general tax, which falls on the incomes of all classes similarly situated, can be said to have that effect may be open to argument; but the precedents shown from United States decisions, in similar cases, are said to support the decision of the Court. The officers of the Dominion government are also citizens; and they are to be exempted from burthens which fall on them as citizens. As the Court was unanimous, it is probable that the judgment will stand, though there may be an appeal to the Supreme Court, or even to the Privy Council, the latter course having been determined on by the Ontario government, in the case of brewers' licenses.

It begins to be apparent that the movement looking to the removal of all exemptions will not carry us very far at present. The 47th clause of the British North American Act is decisive as to government property. It reads: "No lands or property belonging to the general or local governments shall be liable to taxation." This clause is specially introduced to limit the powers of the local legislatures, and it completely covers the ground. If there were any general authority to tax government property, the wild lands of the Crown, solvency. M. Barthe saw in the number whenever situated in an organized munici- of failures a reason for the repeal of the Cash Policies is nearly double that under

pality, would be liable to be taxed: and the tax would in fact be a gift of the Crown to the municipalities. There would be no reason in this; but it would be only equitable if government property in cities bore its share of municipal burthens. Charitable institutions of a public character might reasonably be excepted; though it would be different if they were denominational in character.

The prospect of removing the absolute exemption which church property enjoys does not seem very bright. The truth is that, in the whole of North America, Ontario has taken the lead on this question. Everywhere, in the States and Canada, churches are exempt from taxation; and the leader of the forlorn hope must be content to meet a rebuff, perhaps several, before success can be commanded.

These checks to the increase of the area of municipal taxation, though regretable, are not an unmixed evil. Something was necessary to teach the municipalities the lesson that their powers of taxation cannot be indefinitely extended. The rapidity and success of their encroachments gave them an audacity which none of the other tax enforcing powers have shown. They were constantly seeking amendments of the assessment law, and always with the same object, the increase of the burthens of the people. Public attention has, by slow degrees, been attracted to the subject, and the time has come when the breaks will have to be put on.

THE BANKRUPT LAW.

The Dominion Board of Trade, at its last meeting, opposed the repeal of the bankrupt law by a vote of twenty-five against seven. And now the House of Commons has followed suit by a vote of ninety-nine against fifty-five. The question was brought up, on a motion for the second reading of a bill, introduced by Mr. Barthe, for the repeal of the Act. All question of the repeal of the law will probably be set at rest for the present. There are two ways of looking at the bankrupt law; one is, to regard it as a means of winding up, as it was intended to be, insolvent estates in an equitable manner, and giving the debtor a free discharge, if he were deserving of it; another is, to regard it as a means of increasing the number of insolvencies. There is some truth in both these views. The chief cause of insolvency is a glut in the market; and the bankrupt law may be perverted so as to make traders less careful of entering into transactions which lead to in-

law; a number which he stated at 7,554, since 1873, with aggregate liabilities to the amount of \$100,000,000. In other words. every third trader had failed. But in the absence of a bankrupt law, there would certainly have been a large crop of insolvencies, though it would probably have been less than it has been. But there would have been great difficulty in winding up the insolvent estates, and it would have been done in a far less equitable manner. A permanent repeal of the bankrupt law is out of the question, though we are not certain that it might not occasionally be suspended, for a time, with advantage.

MUTUAL INSURANCE RETURNS.

We referred last week to such of the Mutual Fire Insurance Companies as are local in their operations, and pointed out briefly their advantages as well as some of their weak points.

We now proceed to consider the returns made to the Local Government, of companies whose field of operations is more extended, and in the working and standing of which the general public is more particularly interested. We need say very little about such of these as are conducted purely on the Mutual principle, such as the Wellington Mutual and the Home District Mutual, which confine their business within a very limited range. Their security, so far, has proved ample, and they have uniformly given cheap insurance to those who patronize them. The Manufacturers' and Merchants' Mutual of Hamilton also is, we understand, doing business exclusively on the Mutual plan, but its business is more extended and general than those above named. company has now nearly \$300,000 at risk. showing, on the return, a liability of only \$6,315 11, while its assets are put down at \$30,372 05.

There are other companies doing a mixed cash and premium note business, the principal of these being the Waterloo, Gore District and Canada Farmer's Mutual. We note that last year's cash premiums in the last named company, is very much in excess of the income from premium notes. The amount at risk under the former system is also much greater than that under the latter. This state of matters we trust will be speedily remedied under the new management. This is also the case with the Ontario Mutual, of London, and the Perth Mutual. Stratford, though to a much less extent. We note also that while returns shows the cash premiums of the Gore Mutual to be a shade less than the assessment revenue from Premium Notes, the amount at risk under

Premium Note Policies. This would seem to indicate that non-hazardous property is principally insured on the Cash system, and hazardous on the Premium Note system. In this connection we think the classification of Risks required by the Government returns of 1876 and not required by those of 1877 might with much propriety be asked for, in future returns; by which it would be seen, at a glance, the kind of business done by each company, and the amount of liability under hazardous and nonhazardous property. This would necessitate the classifying of Risks by companies, and thus afford them an opportunity of testing the profitableness or the reverse of each particular class of Risk.

We fear there are some of the companies named in the Return now before us, conducted by men who know very little if any thing of the first principles of underwriting. Of the forty-four companies named in the Returns, there are not more than ten that take any notice whatever of a re-insurance liability, of unearned premiums. The directions given in the foot notes in the Government returns are simple and easily understood; but notwithstanding this, a number of companies, having hundreds of thousands at Risk, have returned no liability under this head.

We may explain what we mean by reference to one company—the Dominion Grange Mutual—which is by no means the only one. Under the head of Cash at the head office or in banks, or in agent's hands, we find the blank not filled in, an omission which means that the company has no cash on hand. The amount at Risk is said to be \$1,139,304, but the liability under the head of amount of money required to re-insure all outstanding Risks on the cash system, is nil. We do not mean for a moment to say that the company is not solvent, for it holds Premium Note assets to the sum of \$5,326,a sum not sufficient to provide a re-insurance fund. But after all that was prophesied by the Manager in his speech in Port Hope, in June last, the amount of new business obtained must be rather disappointing, especially to himself. We may have something to say, in a future issue, on the particular mode in which the business of this and some other new companies is conducted. A perusal of the returns made by the Mutual Insurance Companies, will satisfy every man, conversant with insurance business, of the necessity that exists of a competent person, conversant with the Mutual system of insurance, to make a thorough inspection of the working and standing of these institutions, which do no inconsiderable part of the insurance business of Ontario. Some of these companies have gone under, within the past few when the "compulsory proceedings" were

years, and others may follow. The Hastings Mutual has already given notice of closing. Under these circumstances, some circumspection, in addition to these annual returns. appears to us to be much needed.

BUILDING AND LOAN SOCIETIES' RETURNS.

This week, we make room for the tabular statement of Loan Companies, as published by the Treasurer of Ontario, with the exception of two small societies, the Orangeville and the Hastings. It is to be regretted that all those institutions not working under the general Act are exempt from the obligation to make any report to the government. The returns made are quite incomplete, with out the operations of the Trust and Loan, and other foreign companies. The London and Canadian, and the Canada Landed Credit Companies, are similarly exempted. The law should be so amended as to include the working of all societies, whether home or foreign; then, with an extra column at the end of the table, showing the total of all the business in Ontario, the return would be almost complete; those interested could readily see at a glance the extent of the business, and there would be less difficulty in analizing the statement.

Among the changes are these: the Ottawa Building has ceased operations; The City of Toronto Permanent has transferred its stock to the North British Canadian, and the British Canadian has assumed the business of the Provincial. Three new companies, the London Loan, the Landed Banking, and the Hastings, report this year for the first time. This makes an addition of two, being thirty nine against thirty-seven for the year 1876. The increase in paid up capital will be seen from the following figures:

30 Ontario Companies 1875.... \$9,408,0001876.... 9,983,0511877.... 11,818,344

Increase over 1876..... \$1,835,293 Two companies do not appear to have paid any dividend, the effect being to bring the average down to a fraction less than 8 per cent. The Canada pays the largest dividend, 12 per cent., which is due to its having a large rest; five paid nine, and sixteen paid eight; the remainder, with one exception. paid seven per cent. The total sum absorbed in the payment of dividends was \$1,084,103.

The items showing the number of mortgages and the aggregate amount on which compulsory proceedings have been taken, during the year, is somewhat indefinite, and conveys but little idea of the class of borrowers, or whether any company is inclined to be litigious or not, from the fact that the time

set on foot and completed is uncertain. The practice of some companies is to consider that nothing compulsory has taken place until the property is actually offered for sale; others not till the property has really been sold by the Sheriff. Others again, who appear to have more definite idea as to what is a compulsory proceeding, say that, when the writ is issued, compulsory proceedings have really taken place. So the amounts that appear, under this head, are very uncertain in their present shape.

The managers of companies would do well to pay more attention to the items in the statement that is intended to show the rate at which future repayments of mortgages are discounted, to ascertain their present cash value. The Imperial Loan, for instance, says from 8 to 12 per cent., another company $6\frac{1}{2}$ to 7, and another 7 to 12. This is a wide margin and certainly very indefinite. The Act requires that all mortgages are to be valued at the rate they were originally estimated to yield.

The following figures show the increase in the total liabilities of the companies including capital, accumulating shares, and reserve funds for the following years :-

1873 \$ 9,620,090 1874...... 14,080,000 16,911,000 30 companies..... 1875 21,780,000 37 do 1876 26,502,069 do 1877 39

The deposits show a considerable increase in amount. Taking into account the tendency to reduce the rate of interest. deposits for the year amounted to \$6,627,029 against \$5,604,852, or a gain of over one million dollars, the previous year showed a corresponding increase over its predecessor.

The amount of capital obtained from Britain is increasing every year. Ten companies issued debentures \$1,999,095 in 1877. Last year twelve companies borrowed \$3,568,217; of this sum about 45 per cent was obtained by the Canada. Debentures to the amount of nearly \$153,000 are payable in the Dominion. The Western has nearly two-thirds of this sum.

The reserve funds are rapidly increasing: in 1875 the amount was \$1,480,377; the following year the figures were \$1,869,187, and last year the amount divided between 27 companies swelled up to the handsome sum The contingent funds on of \$2,285,198. hand have more than doubled last year, and now amounts to \$137,383; this added to the reserve fund is about twenty per cent. on the paid capital.

We have not space to further deal with this matter, and sufficient has been said to show the importance of these institutions and the steady growth they are making in this Province. We shall be glad to know. in future years, that they have all carefully invested their money. Thus far they have escaped without much loss, a fact which goes to show that the management have exercised a great deal of prudence.

INSURANCE MEETINGS.

The experience of the Sun Mutual Life Insurance Company of the past year, as appears from its report, has been very encouraging, especially as it has occurred in a season which has proved especially trying for institutions of the kind. The new business of the year was represented by \$1,264,000 in risks taken, a decided increase over the previous year, and representing a steady growth of the business over former years. The losses have been heavy, but still the business shows a very marked gain. It is noticeable that the amounts of policies are smaller than in previous years; an indication that money is scarcer, and that the company's agents have been active. At the first quinquennial division of profits, last year, the sum of \$55,000 was available (reserve made at 41 per cent.) for distribution amongst policy holders; and \$37,000 of it was so distributed, some \$10,000 of it being reserved against the possible contingency of an increased death rate. Besides this, the bonus accruing to shareholders was applied to increasing the paid-up capital. These steps evince caution in the management, and tend to improve the future condition of the company. A somewhat unusual expenditure is occasioned by the extension of the company's operations to the maritime provinces and Newfoundland, with a local board at Halifax. Increased business is expected from this step. The Accident branch is continued. We commend to general attention that paragraph in the report which treats of the causes of death. Drainage and ventilation are subjects of great import to all, whether insured or not, while of the subject of drinking habits we treat elsewhere.

The change of management which took place in the Mutual Life Association of Canada about a year ago has, we are glad to see, remedied some of the defects we pointed out about that time. The amount of policies in force is \$1,331,396; they have been carefully valued, and the reserve is shown to be \$94,111. There is an increase in the assets of about \$10,000, and a decrease in the amount of expenses of nearly \$5,000. This is an important reduction, considering the necessary changes that have taken place under the new arrange-The expenses are still quite large enough, but it is not impossible to err even in the way of reduction.

If the expenses were reduced so low as to to result in a talling off in new business, the percentage of expenses to premium receipts might possibly prove to be larger than they now appear. At the same time, it is well to bear in mind that new business, bought by great exertions, may cost too much. However, it may be unnecessary to warn the company of this danger, as the new business is not unduly large, the entire receipts being \$35,869.63. Applications to the amount of \$32,500 were rejected as unsuitable. The death claims were \$11,033; over \$8,000 of this sum belonged to previous years. Unsettled claims to the amount of \$150 remained unpaid at the end of the year. The business of the company is now in a settled shape, and it is not unreasonable to expect a continued improvement.

THE LAMB & CROSS INSOLVENCY.

This insolvent firm, sometime ago, got a com position deed signed by the requisite majorities in number and value of their creditors, and then applied to the Court for an order confirming the discharge thereby granted. This application was opposed by one of the creditors on the ground, among others, that the deed was informal and bad since it did not make any provision for composition to the creditors of individual members of the firm. This objection was held fatal and the discharge refused. The insolvents then waited until after the expiration of a year, and applied to His Honor Judge Mc-Kenzie, for a discharge under section sixty-four of the Insolvent Act. In this application they were opposed by the same creditor and another. Among the objections taken was that there was on the files of Court a deed of composition apparently executed by the required proportions in numbers and value of the creditors of the insolvents, and that while it so remained on the files, the Court could not entertain an application under section sixtyfour. The insolvents thereupon applied to be allowed to take this deed, which was the one for confirmation of which they had sought in vain, off the files. This application the opposing creditors resisted, alleging that his Honor had no jurisdiction to make the order asked. The learned Judge, however, decided that he had jurisdiction, and ordered the deed to be removed from the files of the Court, at the same times reflecting rather severely on the conduct of the creditor who had prevented confirmation of the deed, on the ground that it was void as not making the same provision for all creditors and now sought to avail himself of the existence of this instrument to prevent the insolvents from obtaining their discharge in the only other way open to them.

It was also objected against the insolvent Lamb that he had been mixed up in dealings with certain claims against the corporation of the City of Toronto, to the prejudice of his creditors, after his insolvency. The Judge, however, found

that Mr. Lamb had acted without any bad faith in these dealings, and that any blame arising out of them attached rather to those who had the management of the estate than to him. There were also other grounds of opposition, all of which were over-ruled. His Honor remarked in conclusion that he considered the opposition so unfounded, that if it were in his power, he would order the opposing creditors to pay the costs.

Referring to the repeated change of assignees of the estate, the learned Judge took occasion to remark on the questionable propriety of taking estates out of the hands of those who had been constituted by the law their regular custodians, and who by their experience and responsible position were generally the most likely persons to preform properly the important functions of an assignee in insolvency. The very protracted examinations of the insolvents and other persons were also condemned in no measured terms, the Court considering that the small dividend that creditors were likely to receive should he attributed rather to the manner in which the estate had been managed than to any fault on the part of the insolvents themselves. We are so accustomed to blame insolvents for dividends being small that it is perhaps well that we are compelled occasionally to look at another side of the picture. No doubt there have been many estates in which expenses have been unnecessarily heaped up and among other ways by what the Court calls "fishing" examinations of the insolvents friends.

INSURANCE LICENSES .- The Minister of Finance, in reply to some questions respecting the renewal of insurance companies licenses, is reported to have stated that the companies that had given notice of their intention to avail themselves of the provisions of sub-section 2 and section 7 of the Act of 1877, were the London and Lancashire, North British and Mercantile. Reliance, Royal, and Standard, all British companies and the Ætna Life, the Equitable, the Travellers, and the Union Mutual, United States. The Life Association of Scotland had also taken advantage of that proviso in case of its resuming business, and also the Union Mutual of Maine. Sub-section 2, he remarked in passing, enables them to require that the policies issued previous to the 31st March, 1877, were not to be affected by the Act which in no respect interfered with their future business. As to the second part of the question, he stated that before the passing of the Act the following life companies had ceased to do new business in Canada: The Briton Medical, the Positive, the Scottish Provident, the Scottish Provincial, and the United States. Those which had given notice under the seventeenth section of discontinuing business after the 31st March, 1878, were: The Edinburgh Life, the Life Association of Scotland, the Scottish Amicable, the National of the United States, the New York, the North Western of Milwaukee, and the Phoenix of Hartford. The Atlantic Mutual was in the hands of a receiver, and of course had not received a renewal of its license.

BUSINESS ARCHITECTURE.

The character of a city is very apt to be judged by its commercial, no less than its public buildings. A stranger, passing along business streets, derives his notions of the community very often from the style of their premises. And business men visiting the wholesale markets, are especially apt to judge a city by the style of its warehouses for the reason that they seldom see any other portion of the town.

Among the handsome buildings erected during the past season for business purposes, one cannot fail to be struck with the dry goods warehouse of Messrs. Bryce, McMurrich & Co., on Yonge Street, erected on the site of the plain and substantial building which that firm occupied for so many years. A comely front of four stories of Ohio grey stone relieved by small panels of New Brunswick granite in the intervals, and enriched with chaste carvings; it is the finest wholesale front upon the street.

The new Insurance Chambers on Church street, next the Bank of Toronto, now completed, are an ornament to the locality. Three stories and a Mansard roof gives accommodation to the various companies represented here; the Queen City, the Hand-in-Hand, and the Anchor Marine, the Erglish and Scottish Investment Company of Canada (limited), while leaving a number of rooms to be let for offices and lodgings. The front of the building is of grey free stone, with panels of white marble. A feature in the elevation is the shield of the first named office, (in which the figures are of life size in stone), and the heads or busts of the various officers and directors of the group of companies represented.

It is pleasant to see the improvement effected in the structure itself and in the general appearance of Toronto street, through the refitting of the Nordheimer block by its new owner, the Canada Permanent Loan & Savings Company. Of the elegant interior fitting of the building we have already spoken. But the advantage derived by the exterior of the building-one of the most graceful fronts in Canada, we have always thought-from the cleaning of the stone by a new process, suggests that it might well be done to other of our buildings. The city authorities, for example, might do well to treat the facade of the St. Lawrence Hall to such a washing. it is well worthy: And the owner of the ornate Romain building on King street would find his own sense of the beautiful refreshed by doing the like for that rich front.

The new building of the Dominion Bank will shortly adorn the south west corner of Yonge and King streets. The corner of Bay and King will presently boast of a new building; while the corresponding corner of Church and King has been torn down to make room for a taller brick block. The new gas office in grey stone with granite pillars, does very much to assist the architectural improvement of Toronto street. On Adelaide street, corner of Victoria, have arisen the Equity Chambers, of vari-colored brick with stone carvings and granite pillars in the several stories. It is at least a striking lection being by rotation. When ships are ready for sea, a pilot will refuse to take them out, alleging want of water, which want is, however, not discovered by other officers. He also considers that deprivation of his license is inadequate punishment for the carelessness of a pilot through whose fault a heavy loss may be caused. Pilots are careless now, he alleges, about affording facility for despatch, for their inaction no longer affects their pockets. His remedies for the evils he alleges to exist are, that Masters should have the

building with a strong ecclesiastical leaning in its style.

These, with other new buildings described from time to time in our columns, form land-marks of the progress of this city in architectural taste. And with the minor improvements constantly going on in the alteration or re-decoration of fronts, the appearance of our business streets is steadily growing more creditable.

REPORT OF THE POSTMASTER GEN ERAL FOR 1877.

The number of letters carried last year was somewhat less than in 1876, and the gross revenue was rather less than in 1875. The number of letters carried was 41,510,000; postal cards, 5,450,000; registered letters, 1. 842,000; free letters, 1,096,000; newspapers and periodicals, 39,000,000; books and miscellaneous articles, 4,638,000; and 90,000 parcels. The income for the year was \$1,501,134, and the expenditure \$2,075,618. Nearly seven millions of dollars passed through the money order office in the course of the year. The free delivery in the cities has been a success. The weekly average in the delivery of these letters was in 1877, 202,268, against 163,302 in 1876. Eight cities now enjoy the privilege of free delivery. Of all letters registered during the year only 64 miscarried, and in most of these cases the enclosures were either recovered or the amounts made good. The number of letters passing through the Dead Letter Office was large, amounting to 563,384, or over eighteen hundred per day.

-A member of the Quebec Board of Trade, Mr. Hagens, writes to the Chronicle of that city somewhat complainingly upon the subject of pilots on the St. Lawrence, and adversely to their incorporation as a body, holding that before the present system of equal payment was adopted the emulation which existed insured instant attention to the wants of shipmasters. He says that ships approaching a pilot station and indicating by a flag that they are in need of a pilot, now often lose a whole day for want of one while that functionary's boat is perhaps lying in some snug harbor in place of being on the look out. Serious damages occur, he says, in the port of Quebec from the incapacity of pilots, their selection being by rotation. When ships are ready for sea, a pilot will refuse to take them out, alleging want of water, which want is. however, not discovered by other officers. He also considers that deprivation of his license is inadequate punishment for the carelessness of a pilot through whose fault a heavy loss may be caused. Pilots are careless now, he alleges, about affording facility for despatch, for their inaction no longer affects their pockets. His remedies for the evils he alleges to exist are, that Masters should have the

every pilot shall have liberty to pilot all the vessels he can, and receive pay for what he does, subject to such assessments as the Pilotage Board of Quebec may institute for the widows and orphans funds. That any old and infirm pilot wishing to retire should be at liberty to do so, and be pensioned.

-Before the Immigration and Colonization Committee at Ottawa last week, Mr. Henry Simpson, formerly editor of the Liverpool Daily Pos!, stated, as to the meat and food question. that in Liverpool and Cardiff there was a very large and growing trade, but that what had to be guarded against was the American agents labelling their spoiled pieces as Canadian. In one case which the witness had personally investigated, a Liverpool butterman named Kelly had been arraigned, and it turned out that a mixture of lard and oil was sworn to be "Canadian butter," That was the name given to the lowest class of butters. It was found upon investigation that none of the component parts of the so-called Canadian butter had come from Canada at all. Before the same committee. Mr. Barnard, of the Journal d'Agriculture Quebec, gave evidence to the effect that it would be a good thing to establish the manufacture of sugar from beet-root in Canada. It was quite practicable, and was a thing which ought at once to be taken into the hands of the Govern-

S. S.-We recommend you to procure one of the pamphlets, issued by the Dominion Grange, which fully explains the purposes of the order. We believe the officers are: the Master; the Overseer: the Lecturer; the Chaplain; the Treasurer; the Secretary and the Gate Keeper. We do not know whether the duties of the last named official are anything more than nominal, but we believe the lecturer has real work to do in expanding the functions, ideal and real, of the order. The lady officials to wit, Mrs. CERES and POMONA, and Miss. FLORA, are so named respectively after the goddesses of grain, of fruit, and of flowers in the heathen mythology. Never having seen these lady officers with their "singing-robes and garlands on," we do not know how they dress on meeting nights.

—The new Premier of Quebec takes the ground that the alternative of direct taxation is economy, by the practice of which he will be able to dispense with the new taxes proposed by the late administration. Time will tell.

In 1857, the revenue of the city of Charlotte-town, PEI., was \$6,319, and the expenditure \$6,453. In 1876, the figures were respectively \$43,111, and \$46,621, of which latter \$4,466 was for the redemption of debt. The liabilities of the city at close of last year were \$72,088, while the assets are placed at \$97,804. The expenditure for the year exceeds the revenue, but energetic measures have been adopted under the new mayor, Mr. Carvell, to improve the administration, the keeping of accounts, &c.

STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS OF PERMANENT BUILDING

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Meetings.

THE SUN MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MONTREAL.

The adjourned annual meeting of the shareholders of this company was held at the offices, No. 164 St. James' Street, Montreal, 27th March, 1878. Present—Messrs. T. M. Bryson, George S. Brush, W. B. Cumming, Wm. Clendinning, Thos. Craig, M. H. Gault, A. Frederick Gault, Leslie H. Gault, Thomas Gilroy, Chas. H. Gould, Joseph Mackay, Frederick Wheeler, J. M. Deles Derniers, H. M. McKenzie, Hugh McLennan, Edward Mackay, John McLennan, D. McFarlane, R. Macaulay, A. W. Ogilvie, W. O'Brien, Joseph Richards, Thomas Workman, &c. Thomas Workman, M. P. occupied the chair. The meeting being called to order, the chairman then proceeded to read the following highly satisfactory annual Report of the direct. ors for the year ending 31st December, 1877.

Report.

The directors have much satisfaction in submitting, for the approval of the shareholders, the following synopsis of the transactions of the company for the past year. The progress and success evidenced in all departments have been very gratifying. The new business, both in number and amount of proposals, has greatly exceeded the experience of any previous year. To the investments, a handsome addition has been made; new and important agency branches, with local boards, have been opened; participating members have expressed unqualified satisfaction at the surplus distributed early in the year, and the mortality experience continues to be unexpectedly low. The directors, therefore, confidently submit that, in the present condition of the Company, there is every reason for satisfaction and unbounded confidence among all its friends.

These very favourable results have, however, been attained in the face of great difficulties and causes for discouragement. The long-continued financial depression has prevented the completion of many risks. and curtailed the amount of not a few. It has, also, been the cause of a good number of lapsed and surrendered policies. It is earnestly hoped that the expected improvement in general business may not be much longer delayed. At this point, we wish to strong ly impress upon all our members and others, the great need and advantage of life Insurance in times such as we are passing through. If at all possible, those who are insured should keep up their policies, and persons not insured should at once join a good company. While so much other property is being lost, diminished in amount and of uncertain value, there can be no doubts as to the real benefits of life insurance. In a sound company, it certainly offers to every head of a family the very best provision for those depending upon him.

During the past year, the minds of some, even During the past year, the minus of country, in this country, have been disturbed by the trouble has not extended to Canada, and it should always be borne in mind that it has arisen through fault-not in the principles of the system, but in the management of the particular offices. Every possible safeguard is now thrown around our Canadian companies, and recent experience teaches that they are undoubtedly the best for Canadian insurers. Every one will admit it is natural and right for us to build up our own institutions.

Special attention has been bestowed on the extension of our agencies. A branch, with a local board, was organized at Halifax, having control of the maritime provinces. Throughout New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward

under consideration. Necessarily, a considerable expenditure had to be incurred. In most companies, this would have been distributed over a series of years; but we have written off the whole to the year's expenses, which are thereby rendered somewhat more than usual. Large results are looked for, and doubtless will follow from this enlargement of the field in which the Company is now operating.

Before entering upon the details of the year, it should be mentioned that the books were closed a fortnight earlier than was usual, which very materially affected the aggregate results, and, if possible, in future the attempt will be

made to close yet earlier.

In the life department there were submitted for consideration of the board during the year, 1003 applications for \$1,413,342.03, yielding an annual revenue of \$41,829 25, and policies issued for \$1,264,342.02. Some were withdrawn or not completed, but the greater part of the remainder were declined as not eligible for insurance. The progressive character of the business is well shown by comparison with former years:-

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The greatest improvement is, it will be noticed in the number of applications—the gain over last year being 45 per cent., while the gain in amount is only 22 per cent. Had money been easier so as to have secured the same average per policy as that of the previous year, the assurances of last year would have been about \$1,676.013. The real work done has, therefore, to be estimated in this case by the number of applications, and not by the aggregate assurances, for the lack in amount is attributable to

hard times and over competition.

The accident branch has steadily improved. We insured in new policies and renewals, \$1,974,700, yielding an annual premium income of \$9,507.07. The Commercial Travellers' Association of Canada has contributed a fair proportion of this amount, and we are glad to be able to report that by dealing in a prompt and honorable manner with the association we have secured a continuance of their patronage. After deducting all claims and expenses against this branch, there remains a handsome balance at its credit.

The question of expected tabular mortality has received careful attention, and your directors are happy to report that our experience in actual death claims continue to be unusually favorable. By strict investigation into the number of lives exposed and the amount at risk during the year, our death claims by tabular expectation should have been \$27,744.42; whereas the actual claims for the year as per mortality register, were only \$12,560 showing again to the company of \$15,214.42. Too much importance cannot be attached to a judicious selection

In this connection, it may be well to remark that recent medical research into modern life assurance statistics reveals some very important facts, which examiners and boards of directors would do well to heed. Liability to death by consumption was thought to culminate about the age of 35 years, and the attainment of 40 or 45 years is still deemed by many medical men and others, of sufficient significance to all but exempt an applicant from prejudice from that source. That position is now conclusively disproved. Relatively to the number exposed to risk, deaths by consumption are as numerous at high as at low ages. The sanitary condition of the country is also of vital importance to life insurance. Bad ventilation and insufficient drainage lead to so many cases of diptheria and

have to be paid. Another crying evil against which the voice of life insurance should be raised is intemperance. The mortality experience of all companies alike show conclusively that very many of the early deaths have been accelerated. if not actually produced by alcohol. Agents and examiners ought to be ever on their guard to suspect the possible existence in applicants for assurance, not only of hereditary diseases, but of personal habits of intemperance, either past or present, and to faithfully report the same to head office. The insurance contract should be viewed by all interested therein as a bond of honor and good faith, equally binding on both contracting parties. The directors of this company continue to exercise the utmost vigilance over the admission of applicants. Those whose prospects of longevity have become impaired are scrupulously avoided. This is the only answer that can be given to the numerous complaints of agents about risks being declined.

The distribution of profits last year was an important event in the history of the company. The results of the quinquennial investigation and division of surplus were very gratifying to the directors, as proving the exceptionally sound condition of the company. Many of the assured have expressed their entire satisfaction with the award made to their policies. The following are cited in illustration:-

Sum assured. Bonus addition Life Policy. \$10,000 \$620 588 48. 10,000 84. 10,000 581

After setting aside the full rest ascertained by applying the severe test of the government standard of reserves at 4½ per cent.—the full amount of paid-up capital—and providing for all unpaid claims, there remained the very handsome surplus of \$55,299.51. Certainly an ample testimony to the sound and economical management of the directors, and as amply sustaining the claims of the company to take first rank

among successful companies.

The conservative policy of the directors was very conspicuous in the manner in which the surplus was disposed of. Instead of following in the lead of some prominent companies and writing away the whole of the \$55,299.51, we divided only \$37,586. Nearly \$10,000 of the net surplus was reserved, to act, if needed, as a guarantee fund against any possible depreciation in the value of securities invested in, or excess in the death rate. If not so required, it will apply towards increasing the profit rate of surviving insurants in the first quinquennium. Besides, the entire bonus which accrued to the shareholders, although largely made up from the non-participating business, was not paid away as dividend but applied towards increasing the paid-up capital, which now stands at \$62,500.00. These precautionary measures of the directors it is firmly believed will command the approval of all concerned, while commending the company to the public as thoroughly reliable and safe. The chief object of the executive has been and ever will continue to be, to make the name of the Sun Mutual a synonym for security and honorable dealing.

The investments, as a special and very important department, have been placed under the immediate supervision of a committee of directors, whose members have had long and intimate personal experience in such matters. During the year they invested in first mortgages on real estate, \$47,826.65, and in other first class securities, \$7,762.50, thus making for the year a solid addition to the company's assets of \$55,

The whole position of the company was so thoroughly scrutinized last year by the most eminent authority, and seeing that the next division of surplus will not be made for several Island and Newfoundland, we now have active representation, and other distant points are many otherwise preventible premature claims expense and trouble of a valuation this year. years, we did not deem it necessary to incur the

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To the Directors of the Sun Mutual ance Company:	Life Insur	

Gentlemen,-I have to advise you of the completion of the yearly audit of the books of your Company, having carefully compared the vouchers, postings and additions, and verified the entries in the Cash Book, Bank Book and General and Agency Ledgers.

The statements of income and expenditure and also the assets, have been examined and found to be correct.

I have much pleasure in again saying that the Company's system of book keeping is good, and carried out in a careful and correct manner.

I am, gentlemen, Yours respectfully, PHILLIP S. Ross, Auditor.

Montreal, 27th March, 1878.

The President, Mr. Thos. Workman, M. P., in moving the adoption of the report, referred to the favorable results of the past year. proved the Company to be under good management. Much attention is given by the Directors to the selection of the lives. None but healthy, temperate men are insured. Great care also is used ic making the investments. The closest attention is given to this branch by a Committee of He thought a home company, the Directors. like the Sun Mutual, the best for our people to insure in. Insurers might depend upon every safeguard being provided by the Directors, who are all anxious for the advancement of the true interests of the Company.

The motion for the adoption of the report was

unanimously carried. Referring to a vote of thanks to the Board of Directors, Mr. M. H. Gault, Managing Director, returned his thanks for the kind consideration of the Shareholders. It had always been his wish and effort to make this a good home company. He was glad to say it is in a very sound position, and has every prospect of doing well in the future. The results of last year, he believed, would be very gratifying—alike to the Share-holders and the Policyholders. The large new holders and the Policyholders. business, light death claims, and the substantial addition of \$55,000.00 to the investments, were meeting was brought to a close.

the best evidences of prudent management and The people now understand more progress. fully the benefits of life insurance. He would say there has never been more urgent need of it than at present. It certainly is the best property a man can secure to his family. Present members should, by all means, continue their policies. Others should become insured as early as possible. Everything possible would be done for our members, and he thought no company could present a better prospect for advantage to insur-He believed that all connected with the Company would do their utmost to promote its welfare. The business would continue to be managed with energy, prudence, and economy.

The Secretary, Mr. Macaulay, in returning thanks in reply to a complimenary resolution to himself and brother officers, said that, in the early years of every new enterprise, there unavoidably attaches a degree of uncertainty as to its future career. The same uncertainty attaches to life companies. The deeply interesting question comes up in the history of each one: Has it attained that point where its friends can claim that it is no longer a venture, but has become an established institution? He instanced the case of a joint stock and banking house showing, at the end of five and a half years, results equal to the "Sun's" exhibit of last year, and asked if it would be thought a success? What bank had done as well in the same time? The Company's stock is not to be bought for love or money. The mortality experienced was shown to be less than one-quarter that of many other companies, and the expenditure amazingly low, in view of the progressive character of the business and the energy shown in extending the field of the Company's operations. The agency staff is now extensive and efficient. A deservedly high compliment was paid to the Inspector, Mr. Deles Derniers, for his valuable services in organizing agencies, as well as in swelling the volume of new business. He predicted a bright future for the Company

The amount of new life business obtained already for 1878 is \$278,705, as against \$122,292 for the same period in last year.

Mr. DelesDerniers, in returning thanks for the high compliment paid him, expressed the firm conviction that large results may be expected from the provinces, Mr. Fraser, the Manager at Halifax, being a very popular man, and one well calculated to extend the Company's interests there. He spoke very hopefully of the prospects of the Company for the current and future years.

Mr. Gilroy alluded briefly to the prospects of The business is the Company in the country. well established there, as well as under able management at the head office. Greater headway is being made than at any previous time. all sections, there is abundance of In good business to be done. There is a general and growing feeling that Canadian life companies are the ones to insure in. With the growth of the country and the extension of information as to life insurance, there must always be a large and increasing field for operations. With these advantages in its favor, the Company certainly has first class prospects. In the future, it no doubt will be one of the

largest and best institutions in Canada. Mr. Fred. Wheeler, one of the general agents, referred to the work in the city of Montreal. He had been away in England for some time, but had become connected with the Company again, and was now prepared to serve it with his best ability. United, constant, work was wanted from all in its service, and then the in-terests of the Company would be sure to prosper. He was determined that good progress

should be made in Montreal. Messrs. James Hutton, A. F. Gault and John McLennan were elected Directors.

After a vote of thanks to the Chairman, the

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. Thos. Workman, M. P., was re-elected President, and Mr. T. James Claxton, Vice-President.

THE MUTUAL LIFE ASSOCIATION OF CANADA.

The annual meeting of the policy-holders of this Company was held at the Home offices Hamilton, on Tuesday the 2nd of April, 1878.

Among those present were Messrs. James Turner, Alexander Harvey, H. T. Ridley, M. D., J. M. Buchan, Donald McInnes, Alexander Turner, D. B. Chisholm, J. M. Williams, M.P. P., John Harvey, E. Vernon, M. D., A. Wolvertown, M.D., J. M. Gibson, W. H. Gillard, C. S. Chittenden, H. B. Burkholder, A. H. Hope, W. E. Brown, J. C. McKeand, Chas. Smith, A. McKeand, Rev. H. Holland, St. Catharines; G. M. Rae, Toronto; W. Boulter, Demorestville, A. Sutherland, Barrie, W. McSendden, Bourter, Demorestville, A. Sutherland, Barrier, W. McSendden, Bourter, Demorestville, Bourter, Demorestville, M. St. Catharines, G. M. St. Catharine, B. C. Catharine, B. C. Catharine, C. C. Cathar A. Sutherland, Barrie; W. McSpadden, Bow-manville; J. Higham, Guelph; James Joyce, Waterford, and a number of other influential policy-holders from outside districts.

The Manager read the following

To the Policyholders of the Mutual Life Association of Canada:

The annual report of your Board of Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1877, is submitted herewith:

The assets of the Company have increased, as may be seen by the subjoined statement, nearly \$10,000 during the financial year, while the concurrent expenses of management have been materially reduced. The results of the changes made would be more apparent but for the immediate and unavoidable outlay incurred in making such new arrangements as the Directors considered indispensable.

The claims by death paid to representatives of deceased members during the past year amounted to \$11,032.90. Of this sum only \$3,000 was occasioned through deaths occurring in 1877, the balance being for unsettled claims of previous years, whereas the unsettled claims in course of maturity at the close of 1877 amounted to only \$150.

The new business of the year consisted of 272 applications for \$382,500.00 of insurance. Of this amount 21 applications, representing \$32,500,00, were rejected as undesirable risks; the balance, representing 251 policies for \$350,-000.00 of insurance, was accepted.

The business in force at the close of the year amounted to 1,126 policies covering \$1,331,396 of insurance. The Reserve Fund on same, by actuarial computation, as included in the liabilities, amounted to \$94,111.00.

The debentures now held by the Association, a considerable portion of which have been purchased during the past year, yield an average rate of interest of 64 per cent. per annum.

Your Directors confidently anticipate that the new arrangements above referred to, will result in both an increase in the receipts, and a diminution in the proportionate disbursements of the Association during the present year.

In accordance with the terms of the Act of Incorporation, the present Board of Directors all retire, but are eligible for re-election.

All of which is respectfully submitted. JAMES TURNER,

President.

Hamilton, 2nd April, 1878.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Amount of Assets, 31st Dec., 1876...\$117,247 36 Revenue Account.

Premiums..... \$35,869 63

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Death Claims Surrender Values, In- terest, and Re-Insur-	\$11,032	90			
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Assets, 31st December, 1877

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JAMES TURNER, President. DAVID BURKE, Manager.

\$150,00

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AUDITORS' REPORT.

The President and Directors of the Mutual Life Association of Canada.

GENTLEMEN, -We beg to advise the completion of the audit of the affairs of your Association for the period ending 31st December last past, and have much pleasure in verifying the correctness of the annexed statements.

The books, vouchers, etc.,, have undergone a very careful examination, and we are pleased to be able to certify to their usual neatness and thorough accuracy.

The securities have also been compared with the statements and found correct.

In conclusion we have only to add that every assistance has been kindly afforded by your Manager and staff.

Respectfully submitted,

H. STEPHENS. S. E. TOWNSEND, Auditors.

dent and carried), said he was glad to see so large an attendance of policy-holders, as a keen interest in the affairs of a life insurance company by the individual members was the best augury for its success. The annual valuation of the outstanding policies had not been made so early in the year as was intended on account of the attention of the entire staff of management being so closely engaged in re-organizing the business of the Association. He would urge that in future, an annual valuation of all their policies in force should be made, either by the government superintendent of insurance, as provided in the General Insurance Act of last year, or by some actuary of recognised reputation. This he was confident would be more satisfactory to all interested in the welfare of the Association than the quinquennial valuation called for by the charter of the Company. He was glad to say that their efforts to improve the financial position of the Association had been successful, as the increased assets of the Company would show. It was not the intention of the Directors to recommend a payment of a dividend as they thought the interest of the Asso-ciation would be best served by referring such action to a future year which, in the meantime, would, in the interests of the policy holders, strengthen the Reserve Fund of the Association. He and his co-directors had the fullest confidence in the mutual principle upon which this Association is based. The directors and officers of the Company were now prepared to devote their energies to securing new business, which would still further reduce the ratio of expense to incone, and he doubted not but the recurrence of prosperous times would fully realize the most ardent expectations of the friends of the Association.

Moved by J. M. Gibson, M. A., seconded by G. M. Rae, Esq., of Toronto, and carried. That the retiring Board of Directors be allotted the usual fees for attendance during the past year.

Moved by J. M. Buchan, M. A., seconded by H. T. Ridley, M. D., and carried, that the thanks of this meeting be accorded the officers and agents of the Association, to which suitable replies were made.

Moved by John Harvey, seconded by Watson, and carried, that Messrs. W. H. Gillard, and G. M. Rae be appointed scrutineers to take votes for the election of Directors for the ensuing year.

The vote having been taken, the following gentlemen were declared elected as Directors for the ensuing year:

James Turner, of James Turner & Co.; Alexander Harvey, of A. Harvey & Co; Plummer Dewar; Donald McInnes, President Bank of Hamilton; Anthony Copp, of Copp Bros.; D. B. Chisholm, barrister, President Standard Fire Insurance Company; Henry T. Ridley, M. D.,; J. M. Williams, M. P. P., manufacturer; John Harvey, of John Harvey & Co.,; John Turner, of John Turner & Co., Toronto; J. M. Buchan, M. A., Inspector of High Schools and Collegiate Institutes; Daniel McKenzie, merchant, Sarnia. At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. James Turner was re-elected President, and Mr. Alex. Harvey, Vice-President.

-Having last year succeeded in spending less, by \$65,000, than had been appropriated, the Montreal City Council are this year attempting still further economies. A system of reducing the salaries of officials is to be ins ituted; each case is, however, to be considered upon its merits, and an arbitrary reduction of all was voted down. The amount of revenue expected The President, in moving the adoption of the report (which was seconded by the Vice-Presided property of the city is \$77,500,000. for 1878 is\$1,500,000, and the value of the assess-

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MONTREAL MARKETS.

(From our own Correspondent.)

MONTREAL, April 2nd, 1878.

The weather in the early part of the week was cold, wet, and disagreeable, since Sunday it has been fine and spring like, and snow about all gone. The ice still hangs on to the south side of the river, which keeps the ferry boats from running, they have arrived up, along with some schooners, and will begin their regular trips as soon as the ice will allow them. Business has not improved much if any since the date of our last report, but great hopes are entertained that with the opening of navigation new life will be infused into business. Almost all branches of the wholesale trade are complaining that remittances are not what they should be; nor what they might be, taking into consideration the depressed state of trade. The wholesale grocers are not going to sell sugar at longer date than sixty days, and some will only sell for cash allowing a liberal discount. The Eastern question keeps the flour market unsettled, but prices now show an advance on last Tuesday's quotations. We give this week the stocks in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 1st inst., with comparative figures for 1877.

Ashes.—Pots.—Receipts this week were not large, consequently sales have been moder-Firsts, pretty steady all week at \$3.85 to 3.90; seconds, \$3.40; thirds continue nominal. Pearls, none coming in as quotations in the absence of sales are nominal. The ashes in the absence of sales are nominal. market at the close was quiet but firm. The stocks at present in store are Pots, 3147 brls,;

Pearls, 586 brls.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—The demand is im proving, orders are coming in to a fair extent, prices as a rule are firm with upward tendency, stocks here are by no means heavy, our altera tions in prices this week are not very important. We quote Bi Carb Soda, \$3.40 to 3.50 per lb. 112 keg, scarce; Soda Ath, 1½ to 1½c per lb Cudbar, 11 to 20c per lb.; Arrow root, 13 to 45c per lb.; Borax, 10 to 11c per lb.; Cream Tartar Crystals, 25c per lb; do Ground, 28 to 29; Caustic Soda, \$3 to 3.121 per 100 lbs.; East India Senna, 11 to 15c per lb.; Sugar of Lead, 12 to 14c per lb.; Bleaching Powder, 13 to 18c per lb.; Madder, 8 to 9c per lb.; Alum, 12 to 2c per lb.; Copperas, 1 to 11c per lb.; Sulphur, 31 to 31c per lb.; Brimstone, 21c per lb. Epsom Salts, \$2 to 2.25 per 100 lbs.; Sal Soda, \$1.15 to 1.20 per 100 lbs.; Saltpetre, held at \$8.50 to \$9.00 per 112 lb. keg; Blue Vitriol, 51 to 6c per lb.

DRY Goods .- Although business has not been so brisk as during the previous week still considering the state of the weather a fair business has been transacted. The trade s em pretty well satisfied with the amount of business done so far, but there are very general, com-plaints that remittances are far behind what they should be, a good sorting up trade is looked for as many buyers will come to the city by the

next cheap trip.

FISH.—There has been less demand for fish this season than ever before, either for home consumption or for the American market, the wholesale dealers attribute this in a great measure to the cheap rate at which beef can be had this season. Our quotations are nominal, Dry Cod \$4.00 to 4.50; Green Cod \$3.00 to 4.00; Labrador Herrings, \$4.50 to 4.75.

Furs.-We have no change to report g prices here, a few Rat skins are coming in but not so many as is usual at this time. London prices still continue to show a decline on last years figures. We continue to quote Beaver, per lb., \$1.00 to 1.30; Otter, \$4.00 to 5.00; Fisher, \$4.00 to 6.00; Mink, dark prime, \$1.25 to 1.50;

ditto pale, 75; Martin, 75c; Large black Bear, \$6 to 8; Small ditto, \$3.00; Red Fox, 75c to \$1; Cross Fox, \$1.50 to 2.50; Silver Fox, \$20; Spring Muskrat, 12\frac{1}{2}c; Lynx, \\$1 to 1.40; Skunk, dark prime, 30 to 60c; Raccoon, 30 to 60c.

FLOUR.—The stocks in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 1st inst., were 68,363 barrels against 63,004 barrels on the 15th ulto., and 64,741 barrels on the 1st, of April 1877. Receipts during the past week 10,085 barrels; total receipts from 1st, January to date 110,081 barrels; shipments during the week 1700 barrels; total shipments 29,252 brls., The flour market this week has been rather unsettled fluctuating according as the Eastern news were pacific or warlike. A slight advance has been obtained on our closing quotations of this day week. There has been rather more in-quiry for flour during the past few days, and some round lots of spring extra have found buyers. At the close the market was firm with upward tendency, but not quotably higher than yesterday. Superior extra, \$6.00 to 6 10; Extra, \$5.75 to 0.00; Fancy, \$5.30 to 5.35; Strong bakers flour, \$5.20 to \$5.35; Spring extra, \$5.20 to 0.00 ! Super, \$4.60 to 4.70 ; Fine, \$4.15 to 4.25; Pollards, \$3.00 to 3.50; Middlings, \$4.00 to 0.00; Oatmeal \$4.50 to 4.60.

GRAIN.-Wheat.-The stock in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 1st inst., was 395,096 bushels, against 396,292 bushels on the 15th ult., and 61,574 bushels on the 1st of April, 1877. This market is still perfectly stagnant. We do not as yet hear of any enquiry for May delivery. In the absence of transactions quotations are still nominal.

GROCERIES.—The market during the past week has been quiet and business has been most of a jobbing character, little improvement is looked for till the steamers have taken their places again. Teas .- Japans are in fair supply, and the demand for medium grades at say from 25 to 35c is moderate; one considerable lot was placed within our range. High priced Japs are little asked for. There is also enquiry for cheap Young Hyson at 25 to 3oc. Blacks are neglected. Coffee.-About the usual demand exists for small parcels for local consumption, prices are in buyers favor-Maracaibo, 20 to 22c; Java, 26 to 30c; Singapore and Ceylon, 23 to 26c; very little of the latter in stock; Mocha, 32 to 33c. Sugar.—The advance in England and the States has stiffened the market here, and rather better prices are obtainable, as stocks are nor excessive these quotations are likely to be maintained even if no further advance takes place Yellow refined was placed at 71 to 81c, according to brightness. American granulated, 91 to 92c; Extra C, 81 to 82c; Dry crushed, 10c; Molasses -Stocks are full and although there is not much demand the market is moderately firm. We quote Barbadoes, 421 to 44c; Muscovado, 35 to 40c; Trinidad,35 to 36; Sugar House, 28 to 30c. syrups in fair consumptive demand at 50 to 53c for amber. Rice.—Stocks are low and although an advance is reported in the English market, it has made very little change here; sales are reported. Spices.—There is only a small local demand experienced from the retail trade for articles in this line, prices continue moderately steady as quoted: Black pepper, 9g to 9gc; White pepper, 18 to 19c; Nutmegs, 65 to 95c; Cassia, 15 to 18c; Cloves, 40 to 45c; Maces, 75 to 8o; Jamaica Ginger, 18 to 2oc; Fruit of all kinds are hard to place, but fortunately stocks are are nard to piace, but iortunately stocks are not large: Layer raisins, \$1.55 to 1.65; Valincias, 4½ to 5½c; Sultanas, 6½ to 8c; Currants, 6 to 7c; Turkey figs, 10 to 12c; Almonds, 11 to 15c; Walnuts, 7 to 10c. according to quality; Filberts, 7½ to 8½; Brazil nuts, 6 to 7c. Salt in light demand at 60 to 65 for coarse and \$1.00 to 1.10 for factory filled.

HIDES AND PELTS .- The advance noted last week has been maintained at which there is a

moderate demand, we continue to quote No. 1, hides \$7.00, No. 2, ditto \$6 00, No. 3. ditto \$5.00; Calfskins 8 to 10c; Lambskins 10 to 15c. LEATHER .- Business has been a little more active the past few days, but the prices realized have not been very satisfactory to dealers, stocks are ample, and prices will continue weak until a more healthy demand sets in. We quote Hemlock Spanish sole. No. 1, B. A., 23 to 24c; ditto, No. 2 B. A., 20½ to 21c; Zanzibar, ordinary No. 1, 20½ to 21c ditto, No. 2, 18 to 19c; Buffalo sole, No. 1, 20 to 21c; ditto, No. 2, 18 to 19c; Hemlock slaughter, No. 1. 24 to 26c; Waxed Upper, light and medium, 32 to 38c; ditto, heavy 31 to 36c; Grained, 34 to 36c; Splits. large, 26 to 30c; ditto, small, 21 to 27c; Calfskins, 27 to 36 lbs., 55 to 65c; ditto, 18 to 26 lbs., 50 to 60c; Sheepskin linings, 20 to 28c; Harness, 24 to 28c; Buffed cow, 14 to 151c; Enamelled cow, 16 to 18c; Patent cow, 16 to 18c; Pebbled cow. 12 to 151c; Rough Leather, 22 to 24c

PROVISIONS .- Butter .- Receipts 1319 pkgs., shipments 3490 pkgs., market inactive and prices favor buyers; really prime butter is scarce and would command full prices from the local trade. We give the range this week as 9 to 19c. according to quality being under the closing prices of this day week. Cheese.—Receipts during the week 121 boxes; shipments 2818 boxes; sales to the local trade at 14 to 151c; Pork.—Receipts 1621 brls; shipments 431 brls., mess \$13.50 to 13.75: thin mess \$11.50 to 12.00 and small sales transpiring at our quotations;

Lard sells at 8½ to 9½c; Tallow 7½ to 7½c.

Wool.—The nominal price for Canadian wool

in this market is 25 to 27c; only very small sales are taking place, buyers of large quantities would have the making of their own prices in the present state of the market.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, April 4th, 1878.

There has been a growing activity in trade during the past week. The dry-goods merchants and dealers in fancy goods have been unusually busy, in consequence of the large number of buyers from Provincial towns visiting the city. The result has been to impart life to other branches, which for some time past have lain in a stagnant condition; among these may be named lumber, which now seems to be grad u ally "looking up." In groceries and provisions trade has been uniformly quiet, and in flour and and grain buyers and sellers have been too widely apart to admit of much business being done. Holders remain firm, and seem prepared to take their chances, at the opening of navigation, anticipating the war prices, wheat, especially, is being held on speculation throughout the country. From the same cause, there has been visible excitement in the cattle trade

LIVE STOCK.—There has been some excitement during the week among our cattle dealers, in competing for prime stock for shipment immediately to Great Britain. This was greatly due to the prospect of a declaration of war, and prices consequently ruled firm. Reports by cable state that the large shipments which arrived in Liverpool the latter part of last week were all in first-class condition, and good paying prices were realized. A Toronto firm will ship 200 head of cattle, and 600 sheep to Liverpool and London next Monday, The arrival of cattle during the week were about 600 head; choice animals have sold at \$4.75 to 5.25 live weight, and first class have ranged from \$4.50 to 4.63, second from \$4. to 4.25, and third from \$3.50 to 3.75. Several sales were made at these

quotations, live weight. Sheep.—The week's arrivals numbered 600 head; prices remained steady; first-class \$7.00 to 8.00 each, second at \$5.00 to 6.00, and third \$3.00 to 4.00. One lot of 600 head averaging 180 lbs. each, were bought at an outside point for exportation at 41c. per lb. live weight. Lambs.—Yearlings scarce and in demand. One lot of 450 head for exportation, sold at 5c. The range is \$5 to 6.00 for first class, \$4 to 4.50 for second, and \$3. to 3.50 for third, Spring Lambs.—First-\$3.50 for third, spring Lamos.—First-class brought \$5, second \$4, and third-class, \$2.50 to 3.50. Calves have been in good supply; choice were taken at \$12.00 to 14.00 second class at \$6 to \$8,00, and third class of which there was apparently any number to be found at \$3 to \$4,00- Hogs.—One lot of 1000 live hogs purchased at 4½ to 4½c; live weight is to be shipped by a Toronto firm to Liverpool during this month. The venture is the first of the kind known to have been made from this

FLOUR.—Stocks in store 32,010 bbls, against 30,075 bbls, last week, and 8,405 bbls, on like date last year. Prices have advanced considerably since our last issue, spring extras being quoted fully 30c per bbl. higher; superior extra quotable at \$5.65, extra at \$5.55 to 5.60, fancy at \$5.10, and spring extra at \$4.75 to 4.80. The market closes active for leading grades, and today round lots of spring extra sold at \$4.80. and at equal to that figure; sales yesterday of choice extra at \$5.60 f. o. c., and strong baker's at \$4.00. Holders firm, and as might be ex-

pected the offerings light.

GRAIN.-Wheat.-Fall, stocks in store 126,oor bushels against 124,611 bushels last week and 82,516 bushels on like date last year. Holders have been firmer, this week, and stocks were withdrawn for several days, awaiting developments in the Eastern trouble. Prices for fall grades therefore underwent scarcely any change; cars of No. 2. grade have sold within the last two days at \$1.24 to 1.25 f.o.c., and four cars No. 3 sold in the beginning of the week at \$1.20 f.o.c. Wheat, Spring.—Stocks in store 383,506 bush., against 380,541 bush. last week, and 162,209 bush. on like date last year. Towards the close the market for spring grades has been more active, and prices are 6 to 7c per bushel higher than last week at this time. Sales to-day of round lots No. 2 at \$1.10 f.o.c., and for No. 1 at lake ports outside \$1.15 f.o.b. was asked. but the demand was limited and no sales resulted. Barley.—Stocks in store, 165,788 bush., against 174.414 bush last week, and 176,208 bush on like date last year, market continues very flat, and large stocks will likely be carried over till next season. Two cars No. 2 sold today at 50c on track, which constitute about the only transactions during the week. Peas.-Stocks in store, 21,496 bush., against 23,022 bush. last week, and 52,743 on like date last year. Supplies small, with an active demand. Car lots No. 2 sold to-day at 67c f.o.c., and 66c on track. No. 1 grade would realize 68c for cars, and 70c for round lots. Oats.-Stocks in store, 13,892 bush. against 7,833 bush. last week, and 27,819 on like date last year. Market steady all week, with a fair demand; sales of American, on track at 35½c, here reported yesterday. Corn.-Not much enquiry, and three cars yesterday at 46c on the track, were the only reported sales.

the store at \$4.00 to 4.10, but no large lots moving. Timothy quiet, and prices rather higher, from \$1.75 to 1.85 per 48 lbs. Cars of baled hay on track sells at \$15 per ton.

GROCERIES.—Trade on the whole reported quiet, but large parcels of sugars have been changing hands at 7% to 8% for Scotch refined yellow to bright. Prices for sugars have advanced i to ic since last week, and the tendency is still upward. White sugars again ad-

vanced ic in American markets this morning. Teas inactive, and prices unchanged; no job lots selling. Fruit has been dull and quotations reported steady; some lots of this year's currants have been moving off at 51 to 6c. Coffees quiet, no change to note since our last reference. Fish quiet also, no lots moving off, and Tobaccos and Liquors altogether nominal. There is but an ordinary trade in all other articles.

PROVISIONS.—Business has been quiet all week, and prices rule very steady. Butter.—A steady demand for best qualities, but no large sales in these; a couple of cars of low grades have been purchased by shippers for export, for which they paid about 6c. Cheese continues firm; a small jobbing busines in the best qualities has been done. Medium and ordinary qualities neglected. Pork.—No movement in mess, but long clear and Cumberland cut have been moving off in ton lots at quotations. No round lots reported sold. Hams.—The demand for smoked continues good, and numerous orders for small lots have been filled, at current prices. Lard. -Nothing doing in round lots; a fair demand from retailers at quotations. Eggs.—A plentifully supply and trade quiet; no change in prices. Nothing whatever doing in hops, and quotations are only maintained.

HIDES AND SKINS .- The stocks of hides in hands are small, and prices are firm. Cured No. 1, are scarce, and readily bring 71c. Calfskins have advanced; dealers now pay, 11c for No. 1, and 9c, for No. 2 inspected. Sheepskins not plentiful, and all offering are readily taken at firm prices. On the whole there is a little

more animation in trade.

LEATHER.-Trade quiet during the week, and there is nothing special to note. Prices remain unaltered. Good harness leather in fair request and light upper also in good demand, but heavy is not wanted. A Toronto firm have made large sales of all kinds for shipment to Manitoba per the first boat.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—Trade reported even quieter than last week, spring goods have been somewhat in demand, and a few orders were filled at former quotations.

Wool.-Market continues steady and unchanged; a fair demand experienced for small lots of supers, but there is no sale except for present wants. A sale of 10,000 of broken fleece was reported.

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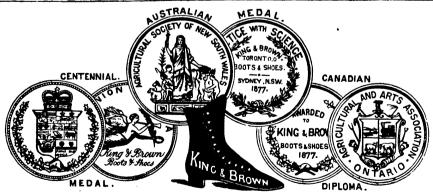
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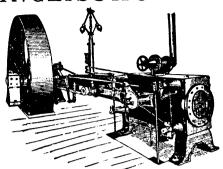
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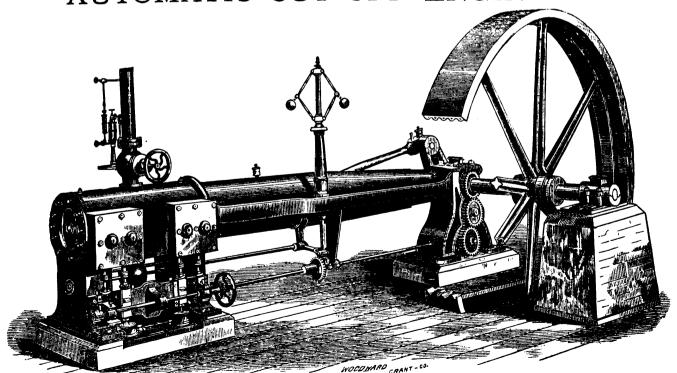
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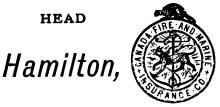
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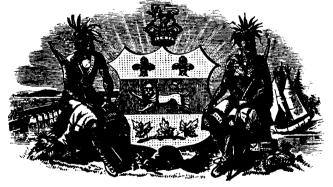
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