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## Monday, the Second Day of November Next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the arst to the $3^{1 s t}$ October next, both days inclusive.

> By order of the Board, T. G. BROUGH,

Toronto, September 26 th, 1903.
General Manager.

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## Dividend No, 95.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of FIVE PER CENT. for the current half-year, upon the Paid-up Capital of the Bank, has this day been declared, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after

## Tuesday, the 1st day of December next

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16 th to the 30 th days of November, both days inclusive

The Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Banking House of the Institution on Wednesday, the Thirteenth day of January next. The chair to be taken at noon. By order of the Board,
Bank of Toronto, Toronto,
28th October, 1903.
D. COULSON General Manager

## Imperial Bank of Canada

## Dividend No, 57.

Notice is herebv given that a dividend of FIVE PER CENT. for the half year ending 30th of November, 1903, upon the Capital Stock of this Institution, has this day been declared, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after

## Tuesday, the First Day of December next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to 30 th of November, both days inclusive. By order of the Board.
D. R. WILKIE, General Manager.

Toronto, October 27th, 1903.

## The Ontario Bank.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of 3 per cent. for the current half year, has been declared upon the Capital Stock of this Institution, and that the same will be paid at the Bank and its Branches on and after TUESDAY, the FIRST DAY of DECEMBER next

The transfer books will be closed from the 17 th to the 30 th November, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,

## C. MeGILL, General Manager.

Toronto, 22nd October, 1903

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 DIVIDEND No. 55.Notice is hereby given that a dividend of FOUR AND ONE HALF declared for the upon the paid-up Capital Stock of this Bank has been he Bank" and its Branch year, and that the same will be payable at DAY OF DECEMBER NEXT
The transfer books will be closed from the sixteenth to the thirtieth Thember next, both days inclusive.
the Banking Anal General Meeting of the Shareholders, will be held at er next, the House in this City, on Wednesday, the 9th Day of Decem-别

Ottawa, October 20th, 1903

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Dividend No, 74.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of Seven per Cent. per annum on the paid-up Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the current half year, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after

## Tuesday, the First Day of December Next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 3oth of November, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
G. H. BALFOUR,

Acting Gen.-Manager.
Quebec, Oct. 20th, 1903.

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## The Traders Bank of Canada. <br> Dividend No. 36.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Three and One-half per Cent. upon the Paid-up Capital Stock of the Bank has been declared for the current halfyear, being at the rate of Seven per Cent. per annum, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branch Offices, on and after

## Tuesday, the First Day of December next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 3 oth of November, both days inclusive.
The Traders Bank of Canada
H. S. STRATHY,

Toronto, 27 th October, 1903. General Manager.

## The Merchants Bank of Canada

## Notice is herehy given

That a dividend of $3 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. for the current half year, being at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum upon the Paid-up Capital Stock of this Institution, has been declared, and that the same will be payable at its Banking House in this city, on and after

TUESDAY, THE 1st DAY OF DECEMBER NEXT.
The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 3oth day of November next, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
THOS. FYSHE,
General Manager.
Montreal, 20th Oct., 1903.

## The WESTERN BANK

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Monday, the 16th Day of November next.
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D. M. STEWART,

Montreal 15th October, 1903.
General Manager.

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## The 1st Day of December next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 3oth of November, both inclusive.

By order of the Board,
J. TURNBULL, General Manager.
Hamilton, 26th Octcber, 1903.

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By order of the Board of Directors.
P. LAFRANCE, Manager.

Quebec, 22nd September, 1903.
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A strong movement is on foot in the West in favor of holding a Dominion Exhibition in Winnipeg in 1905, and committees of the Exhibition Board are being appointed to look into the question of changing the present site, and other matters.
W. F. Dever \& Company, a Toronto stockbroking firm, which makes a specialty of dealing in Canadian securities, have been awarded the contract for $\$ \mathrm{ro}, 000$ debentures of the town of Durham, Ont.
The Montreal Street Railway has expended during the last few months, the sum of $\$ 125,000$ in new closed cars. They are each fitted with air-brakes, and with four motors, of 40 horse-power each. Heavier cars mean heavier equipment generally, and whereas a few years ago a 72 -pound rail was the heaviest in use, now all the rails being laid are 96 pounds to the yard. This year the city will receive to per cent. of the railway company's gross receipts.

## Mercantile Summary

The Big Bend Lumber Company, Limited, is building a sawmill at Arrowhead, B.C., with a capacity of $25,000,000$ feet of lumber per year.
Lewis Wigle, buyer for the Empire Tobacco Co., purchased the great bulk of the leaf tobacco in the township of Colchester, Essex, says the Amherstburg Echo. Price paid to to $101 / 2$ cents per pound.
Alex. McNeil, and other Halifax, N.S. capitalists, are organizing a com pany to make silicate brick in that city. It is a material formed largely of sand and lime united by chemical action into a hard sort of stone.
A Prince Edward Island paper says that oyster fishermen ought to reap a good harvest this year. The price is $\$ 5.50$ for common oysters, and $\$ 6.75$ for hand-picked. The shipments this season so far are only about half what they were this time last year.
W. J. Finlay's paper mills at Strathcona, Ont., formerly known as the Napanee mills, were on Sunday last, destroyed by fire. The buiiding was insured for $\$ 8,000$, which will only partially cover the loss; while an insurance of $\$ 3,000$ on the stock was only recently cancelled.
The Granby Consolidated Smelter Company's production for the year just closed amounted to $12,551,000$ pounds of copper, 277,574 ounces of silver, 35,121 ounces of gold. Receipts from real estate amounted to $\$ 38,511$, making total receipts $\$ 2,271,252$. Expenses were $\$ 1,-$ 974,954, net profits $\$ 291,298$, previous surplus $\$ 398,000$, total surplus $\$ 694,298$.
Liquidators have been appointed in the matter of the Howard Trust and Investment Company, St. Adolphe, county of Argenteuil. On motion being made by Mr . Prevost, representing the Molsons Bank, and agreed to by the other counsel, Messrs. Gagnon and Caron, accountants, Montreal, were appointed liquidators. Messrs. F. E. Gilman, K.C., Edward C. Pratt, manager Molsons Bank, Montreal; C. L. Demartigny, advocate; and L. E. Parent, manager Ste. Agathe sawmill, were named inspectors.
A startling story of a big mine's closing comes from Butte, Montana. By the shut-down of the Amalgamated Copper Company, a payroll of ovar $\$ 50,000$ a day is cut off in Butte. Representatives of the company declare that by the decision rendered by Judge Clancy last Friday, the company named, is practically wiped out of existence, and cannot do business in Montana. Its stockholders are prevented from receiving dividends, they say, although \$3,000,000 is tied up and awaiting distribution. All the mines and smelters of the company have been ordered closed, and 15,000 workmen are thrown out of work. How long the shut-down will continue is a matter of doubt. It may take nine or ten months before the company can get a hearing before the Supreme Court.

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The Williams Iron Mines' Company, has received an Ontario charter. The authorized capital is given at $\$ 3,000,000$, and the chief promoter is John McKay, of Sault Ste. Marie. We have not heard what the actual capital is to be.
E. R. Moffatt, grocer, North Sydney, N.S., who was reported some weeks ago as offering 35 per cent. on liabilities of $\$ 14,000$, has assigned, having been unable to complete the arrangement. Robert Bond, a builder and contractor, of Bridgetown, in the same province, has also assigned, his liabilities being mainly local.
The Canada Funiture Company's sawmill at Wiarton, Ont., was on the 22nd October, destroyed by fire, at a loss of about $\$ 60,000$, including several hundred thousand feet of lumber, Partially covered by insurance. On the same date, one of the Flavelle Milling Company's elevators at Lindsay, Ont., took fire, and was damaged to the amount of some thousands of dollars, Insured.
Eugene Galarneau, grocer, etc., at Pont Rouge, Que., a recent insolvent, has arranged a compromise at 25 cents on the dollar, on liabilities of about $\$ 6$,500. -W. Lebel, harness making at Three Rivers, Que., since the spring of 1901, is seeking compromise indulgence from his creditors.-L. P. Beauchemin, in the dry goods line at Nicolet, Que., has assigned, and a meeting of creditors is called for the 3oth inst.
Eucalyptus Trees.-Ans interesting article appears in "The Scientific American" on the subject of the world's fuel. The impending wood famine predicted by publicists and foreigners may, after all, be prevented by the planting of eucalyptus forests. Large areas in every continent are now being planted with this tree, owing to the energy of the late Baron Ferdinand von Mueller, Government Botanist of Victoria, Australia, who declared that "eucalypts are destined to play a prominent part for all time to come in the sylvan culture of the vast tracts of the globe." In America the experiments have proved so successful that already scientists maintain that the eucalypt has served more aesthetic and utilitarian purposes than all other forest trees. Moreover, it is reported that eucalypts will revolutionize sylviculture in France, Algeria, Italy, Spain, Corsica, Portugal, Cape Colony, and the Transvaal. It is claimed for the tree that, apart from its sanitary properties, it is unrivalled for giving forest cover and as a source of timber, fuel, oil, and honey.


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Preparations are being made for an early beginning with construction work on the North Fork line, a branch of the Kettle Valley Railroad, in British Columbia. A bonus of $\$ 5,000$ per mile has been granted to it by the Dominion Government besides a subsidy from the Province. The line will bring Grand Forks into touch with the Franklin Camp, and several other rich mining districts, besides opening up a large coal field recently discovered about fifty miles from the former place.

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Rock Island is trying to secure the location in its midst of a branch the Fairbanks Scale Company intends establishing in Canada.

Mr. W. D. Fraser, manager of the Eastern Townships Bank at Magog, has been promoted, says a Townships paper, to the Waterloo branch, in succession to Mr. W. I. Briggs, resigned, on account of ill-health.

The Montreal Rolling Mills are about to construct a new wire nail plant, with an output of 100,000 kegs per year, extend the 12 -inch and 18 -inch nail mills to double their present capacity, erect cooperage and keg shops, and build larger office buildings.

The Avenue Realty Company, headquarters at Montreal, has been granted a charter by the Dominion Government to deal in real estate, to erect buildings, to borrow money, and secure the same by mortgage, debentures, or otherwise, and to deal in all rights and privileges convenient for such purposes, E. S. C Desbarats and D. C. MacCallum, of Montreal, are among the charter members.
No new failures are reported in Montreal for the week. The liabilities in the matter of D. Parizeau, lumber merchant, whose case we referred to last week, amount to $\$ 35,100$, and the estate will likely be closed out._Miss P. Decary, and P. A. Morin, in the millinery line, both recently reported as insolvent, are offering 35 cents and 60 cents respectively.-J. H. Girouard, tailor, lately failed, has compromised at 50 cents.

Ridley College senior school, at St. Catharines, Ont., was on the 25 th inst., completely destroyed by fire. Eighty people were sleeping in the building at the time the fire was discovered, and many of them had difficulty in escaping without injury. Practically all their clothing was burned. The loss on the building and contents, apart from personal effects is placed at $\$ 42,000$, while the insurance is about $\$ 20,000$. The college may be re-constructed on another site.
From Charlottetown, P.E.I., we learn of the embarrassment of the firm of Mark Wright \& Co., Limited, manufacturers of and dealers in furniture. The company, which is one of some years' standing, has been reported as leaning prettily heavily of late on the bankers, in whose favor confession of judgment was recorded several weeks ago for $\$ 30,403$. The stock of $\$ 27,000$ was sold under this judgment, realizing $\$ 20,000$. The directors now are offering. general creditors 30 cents on the dollar. Here is a case where ordinary creditors have a good right to be angry.

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It is related by the Halifax Chronicle that the schooner "Indepndence," that arrived at Gloucester from a salt codfishing trip, weighed off 318,000 pounds from which a stock of $\$ 12,900$ was realized. The crew shared for the trip \$333.33 each.

According to the G:zette, it is the intention of Messrs. Sarauel, May \& Co., billiard supply manufacturers, and the Alward Cash Register Manufacturing Company, both Toronto firms, to open branches presently in Montreal. Each house will employ in the neighborhood of fifty hands, it is said.
The Sturgeon Falls, Ont., Pulp Company have begun operations at their paper mills, which have been in course of construction for the past six years. The company owns some 36 squara miles of pulpwood lands, with sufficient spruce, it is said, to keep the works in operation for fifty years. The output, we believe, has been mostly bespoken for United States newspapers. For the present, 50 tons of paper will be manufactured daily, and about 400 hands employed.
At a meeting of the creditors of P . Therien \& Co., general merchants at St. Remi, Que., held in Montreal, on the $22 n$ d inst., Mr. Therien made an offer of 50 cents, cash, which his creditors were not disposed to accept, and the meeting adjourned, to allow him to amend his offer to 60 cents. Mr. Therien has been prominently in business, off and on, at St. Remi for a good many years, but not always successfully. Last spring he got behind and arranged an extension with his principal creditors, which he has not been able to complete. His liabilities then were about $\$ 16,000$.

The entire aluminum industry of the United States seemingly was involved in a case recently settled in New York. The suit was one brought by the Electric Smelting \& Aluminum Company, of Cleveland, against the Pittsburg Reduction Company, which is, we believe, the only concern making aluminum in the United States, with plants at Niagara Falls and Massena, N.Y. The court granted the Cleveland company an injunction restraining the Pittsburg Reduction Company from the use of the processes at present employed, and ordered an accounting of profits for the time that it has been manufacturing aluminum in infringement of the Bradley patent, some twelve years. The Bradley patents, sustained by the court, were taken out by Charles S. Bradley in 1891 and 1892. The Pittsburg Reduction Company has been operating under the so-called Hall patent, taken out by Charles H. Hall, its vice-president.

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## SAM PARKS' TRIAL.

On Monday last, the case of Sam Parks, the venal walking delegate, was called before Judge Newberger, in New York, the charge being extortion. Parks' lawyer, Mr. Osborne, moved for a postponement on the ground that he believed his client could not obtain a fair and impartial trial; that the case should not be called until the Court of Appeals had rendered a decision on a certificate of reasonable doubt, the issuance of which released Parks from Sing Sing, where he was confined, and that the health of the defendant is such that counsel could not properly consult with him. Mr. Osborne produced affidavits from prominent physicians to the effect that Parks is suffering from chronic tuberculosis of both lungs. Judge Newberger, however, denied the motion for a continuance, and asked Assistant District Attorney Rand on which indictment he intended to proceed. Mr. Rand named the indictment known as the "Tiffany Studio Indictment," in which Parks is accused of having extorted $\$ 500$ from Louis Schmidt, president of the "Tiffany Studio Company," as the price of calling off a strike on a new building which that company was having constructed The army of counsel which Parks has secured for his defence caused a good deal of comment in the corridors.

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Mrs. Black received the check. That evening Mr. Black asked, not without sarcasm, if she had succeeded in indorsing it properly.
"Oh, yes," returned Mrs. Black cheerfully.
"How many bills did you pay?"
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## THE VALUE OF A COMMA.

The Beatty will case, involving the omission from the instrument of a comma, which, had it been inserted, would have been worth $\$ 45,000$ to John Beatty, has been decided against the latter by Judge Hord, of Columbus, Ind., says an exchange. The will is that of Joseph Beatty, who made it in ungrammatical fashion, and the construction of it has caused much trouble in the courts. The court termed it the case of a $\$ 45,000$ comma, as it was merely the insertion of a comma that would make the will clear. The plaintiff asserted that this property was bequeathed to Emma Beatty during her natural life and not in fee simple, and that, at her death, the

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property, should go to him and Mary Brown. The court said that a comma necessary to the easy construction of the will had been omitted, that, had it been placed in the will, would have settled the intention of the instrument, and his ruling was made on the presumption that the comma was omitted or rather that the intention of the testator was that the comma should be left out.

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## FINANCIAL REVIEW

It is quite apparent that the business of moving the crops, at any rate, is not proceeding as actively as it was last year or even the year previous. The increase in the circulation during the month of September is an infallible indication of the activity with which the movement of the crop is being carried on. Now last year the increase during September was $\$ 5,930,000$, while this year it is only $\$ 3,327,000$. Even in 190I the increase was $\$ 4,675,000$, and we must go back to the year 1900 to get so small an increase as we find in the present year. The large decrease of course is in the Northwest, and although as we have before opined the total value of the crop of all kinds may for the whole year be fully equal to the amount realized last year, the trade has not commenced with the same activity. For one reason the variations in the quality of the crop are very marked, making it more difficult to conduct the actual buying and selling of the wheat satisfactorily. Then the price is considerably higher, a very satisfactory thing for the grower, but not so satisfactory for the merchant, for when the price is higher there is room for a fall. The quantity of wheat shipped out of the country by the Canadian Pacific Railway is several millions less than
the figures of last year. Still the trade will go on, the crop will be moved and its results will be reached, although it may proceed more gradually through the various months of the year.

Deposits, however, still go on increasing with remarkable steadiness, the increase this month over last being no less than $\$ 7,700,000$. The total deposits of the banks now amount to $\$ 439,000,000$, which is an increase of no less than $\$ 30,000,000$ for the year, and of $\$ 73,000,000$ since September, 190I. Indeed if we go back only as far as the month of February, 1901, we shall find the astonishing increase of \$1oo,000,000 in the bank deposits during the last two years and a half. During the same period the increase in money placed in the savings banks of various kinds amounted to $\$ 12,000,000$; this is in addition to the former figures. The total deposits of the country in the chartered banks, Government savings banks, and other savings banks, amount to no less than \$543,000,000 . When the figure of $£ 100,000,000$ sterling for the whole country was reached some years ago, we thought it possible that any subsequent increase might be at a smaller ratio, and slow. But instead of that it has proceeded faster than ever, and is now nearly $\$ 60,000,000$ above the $£ 100,000,000$. The country is evidently increasing its available wealth at a very rapid rate. This, however, is no reason why there may not be a set-back or reverse at some future time, and that perhaps at no distant date. There are signs already of reaction in the United States; reaction that is in some great lines of industry, and the profit of manufacturing enterprises, and if this reaction proceeds and develops into a course of steady depression it will almost certainly extend to Canada within a year afterwards.

To what extent depression may reach, will all depend upon monetary conditions. Indeed, all commercial depressions finally resolve themselves, so far as their intensity is concerned, into scarcity of money. Now, scarcity of money, or otherwise, is dependent very largely on the amount of production, and the saleableness of what is produced. The United States and Canada are both in the satisfactory position with regard to their chief productions that the articles produced are in universal demand. A manufacturer may produce goods which he cannot sell; but what a farmer produces is always saleable. The great crops of wheat, corn, and cotton are universally in demand. No farmer or wheat merchant need be afraid that he cannot sell at some price the staple produce he raises. The same may be said of dairy products and cattle; still more of gold. So long, therefore, as these great staple productions of Canada and the United States continue to be abundant, money cannot be scarce; unless, indeed, there is a wild outbreak of extravagance in the way of importing goods on credit, which extravagance will result in such a demand for money as will offset the advantage of abundant crops. This, however, is a very unlikely contingency.

Following out these conclusions it may be assumed as certain that money will continue to be abundant for trade purposes, at any rate, until the next harvest. And in Canada, at any rate, there is likely to be a continuance of business activity from
the large influx of a good class of settlers that is going on. Nearly all these people are of a class that have great consuming power. They will want lumber to build houses and all sorts of hardware in connection with it. They will be good customers for dry goods of all descriptions, and of groceries, too. They will be in want of boots and shoes, and, in fact, of almost everything included in the staple wholesale trades of the country, such as is consumed by our farmers generally. Whether they will be able to pay for all these things, will depend on the crops they raise. Good crops mean the power to purchase and to discharge debts; bad crops mean running into debt and difficulty of getting out again, diminution of purchasing power and stagnation of business. The eyes, therefore, of bankers, merchants, and manufacturers will need to be fixed for some time, first upon our products and the price we get for them; next, upon our imports, whether they are upon a reasonable scale or not, and third, upon the influx of desirable settlers into the country.

## THE BANK STATEMENT.

We present below a condensation of the monthly statement of Canadian banks for September, 1903. It is compared with the bank statement for the previous month, and shows capital, reserve, assets and liabilities; average holding of specie and Dominion notes, etc.

Canadian Bank Statement. liabilitigs.


Total liabilities.
Sept. $19{ }^{3} 3$
Capital authorized
Capital paid up...
\$97,c46,666

$\begin{array}{rr}\text { Aug, } 190 \\ \$ 97,06,606 & 897,046,66 \\ 78,057,190 & 78,689.88\end{array}$ | $48,897,498$ | $77,617,88$ |
| :--- | :--- | $\underline{\underline{48.897,498}} \xlongequal{48.289 .78}$ Dominion and Provincial Government public deposits on demand in Canada... Public deposits at notice

Bank loans or deposits from other banks secured
\$63,741,270
6,886,296 116,701,296 6,122,116 275,081,497 111,735.920 $\begin{array}{ll}275,081,027 & 273,770,645\end{array}$ 35.391,668 34,709,511

| 515,428 | 474,534 |
| ---: | ---: |
| $4,553,233$ | $4,591,695$ |
| $3,863,586$ | $5,887,935$ |
| $1,423,83$ | $1,386,563$ |
| $10,732,913$ | $10,960,702$ |

$\overline{\$ 518,890,806} \$ 510,054,432$ assets.
Specie ...........
Dominion notes ...........................
Deposits to secure note circulation.
Notes and cheques on other banks .

| \$14,717,111 | 814,232,456 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 30,330,480 | 29.289,503 |
| 3,130,844 | 3,130,844 |
| 18,069.250 | 16,993,887 |
| 515.428 | 474.534 |
| 5,727,632 | 5,321,131 |
| 5.936,832 | 3,818,961 |
| 18,240,336 | 16,414,017 |
| 11,142,682 | 11,498,222 |
| 52,562,189 | 51,914,053 |
| $41.650,056$ | 41,424,670 |
| 36,538,040 | 38,942,855 |
| \$238,560,880 | 233,455,133 |
| 373,633.072 | 368,641,999 |
| 24,118,210 | 22 450,523 |
| 1,471,990 | 1,265,950 |
| 2,042,238 | 2.163.506 |
| 787,154 | 836,722 |
| 717.954 | 725.372 |
| 8,625,443 | $8,43^{8.438}$ |
| 6.747,406 | 8.663 .097 |
| \$656.704.532 | \$646,640,915 |

Average amount of specie held juring
the month . ............................
Average Dominion notes held during the
month.......................................
during month . . .................... . 65,089,73
Loans to directors or their firms
The present is a good time to compare some prominent features of the present Bank Statement with those of a year ago, as well as with that of the previous month. It is observabie, for example, that current loans are enormously increased, while call loans are greatly lessened. We compare September, 1903, with September, 1902:

| Paid capital | bilities. <br> Sept., 1903. <br> \$78,057,190 | Sept., 1902. \$71,084,350 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reserve | 48,897,498 | 41,130,286 |
| Circulation | $63,741,270$ | 60,965,801 |
| Deposits | 444,416,548 | 403,384,270 |
| Other liabilities | 10,732,913 | 12,453,860 |
| Total liabilities | \$518,890,806 | \$488,112,270 |

## PRINCIPAL ASSETS.

| Specie of Dom, notes | \$45,047,591 | \$35,647,717 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Due from bank agencies | 24,177,168 | 21,648,739 |
| Securities held | 63,706,871 | 59,963,990 |
| Call loans | 78,188,096 | IOI,993,914 |
| Current loans | 397,751,282 | 339,390,266 |
| Other assets | 47,833,524 | 52,283,198 |
| Total assets | \$656,704,532 | \$610,927,824 |

An increase of $\$ 14,740,000$ is shown in shareholders' paid capital and reserve funds during the twelve months, and of no less than $\$ 41,000,000$ in total deposits, the whole obligations of the banks, to their shareholders and the public are thirty millions greater than they were a year ago, but in that period their assets have increased by forty-six millions. It is true that the increase in current loans (from $\$ 339,000,000$ to $\$ 397,000,000$ ), is much greater in proportion than that of other assets. But this is a concomitant of a remarkable growth in business of all kinds, manufacturing, merchandising and transportation; and that there is no reason to suppose this business expansion is unhealthy is indicated by the small amount of over-due debts, real estate or mortgages among the assets. Call loans on bonds and stocks are very much reduced, being twenty-four millions less than they were a year ago.

ABSTRACT OF BANK RETURNS.

| Description. | Sept. 3oth, 1902 | Sept. 30th, 1903. | In Month 1903. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Capital paid up | \$71,n84,000 | \$78,057,000 | $\text { In. } \$ 440,000$ |
| Circulation . | 60.965,000 | 63,741,000 | $\begin{aligned} & 3,327,000 \\ & 77 \cdot 6 \end{aligned}$ |
| Deposits. | 409,162,000 | 439,127,000 | " 7,726,000 |
| Loans, Discounts and Investments | 45.63 ),000 | 465,482,000 | 7,078,000 |
| Cash, Foreign Balances, Net \& Call Loans. | 180,273,000 | 169,051,n00 | 7,761,000 |
| Legals. | 23,145,000 | 30330,000 | 1,041,000 |
| Specie. | 12,511,000 | 14,717,000 |  |
| Call Loa | 101,992,000 | 78,188,000 | Dec. 2, 178,000 |
| Investments | 59,963,000 | 63,703,000 | In. 292,000 |



## MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S CAMPAIGN.

It really seems as it Mr . Chamberlain, unable to get opposition politicians to admit that fiscal affairs the world over have undergone any change in the last fifty years, is yet making an impression upon the mind of the British working man. At Liverpool on Wednesday, he was listened to by many thousands, who were evidently moved by the way he dealt with statistics of food prices. He declared, in combating the statements of Lord Goschen, that the extra prices to the consumer bore no real proportion to the amount of the taxes. "Figures are only the illustrations of an argument, and I have been looking at the figures and have come to a totally different conclusion. I appeal to the past, beyond Sir Michael Hicks-Beach. Sir William Vernon Harcourt and Mr. Ritchie, to a Chancellor of the Exchequer who was greater than all, namely, Gladstone, who said: 'If you want to do the working classes the maximum amount of good you should operate upon the articles which give them the maximum employment.'" At the second meeting before the Conservative Workingmen's Association Mr . Chamberlain asked of what use is it that a weaver of Halifax should nominally receive a high rate of wages, when there is actually no work for three days in the week; what use is it that a Lancashire operative should be credited on paper with higher wages than fell to the lot of the German or French millhand when long periods of short time occur, and raw materials are rendered unprocurable by the market manipulations of American speculators? Free trade is responsible for the failure of the raw cotton supply. Had Britain learnt wisdom from the events of the famine of forty years ago she would have taken steps for the encouragement of the cotton industry in India or the West Indies. There has been too much trusting to luck with the British Empire and its industries.

He reminded the audience that an experiment in protection can do no great harm. Other States have proved that protection does not mean disaster. British exports, not German or American, have declined under foreign protection, and protected industry can undersell free trade, or how else can we explain that American manufactured exports to Britain rose between 1890 and 1902 from $£ 10,200,000$ to $£ 21,000,000$, while British manufactured exports to the United States fell from £29,000,000 to £ 19,467,000 ? The time must come when the cycle of bad trade and the things he dreaded will be concentrated upon them. With the influence of the working classes he hoped to seize the first opportunity to alter the system under which this was possible.

The doctrine that a tax for revenue was justifiable, but must be condemned if it benefited the whole country and advanced Imperial ideals was preposterous.

## INDUSTRIAL PROBLEMS.

A letter from one of our travelling representatives, which we print to-day, contains a striking report upon the extraordinary condition of activity which he found to prevail in a score of industrial establishments in half a dozen Ontario cities or towns. There is not a single exception to the uniform condition; every one was working all hands full time, some working over-time. The experience of the editor of this journal, lately home from a trip to the Pacific Coast, tells of a condition of general business activity, the result of a good harvest. Our Montreal correspondent says: "Business is very active here this month. Foundries, factories, mills, wholesale warehouses, forwarders, all seem to have the same story to tell, of unusual activity in demand for merchandise of every sort." As to Toronto, and the great recent additions to the number of its industries, a curious circumstance will illustrate their activity. When the stoppage of the Sault Ste. Marie works came, a "Toronto manufacturer, hearing of the many men thrown out of employment by that step, and desiring to secure for his factory, fifty Scandinavians, he directed one of his men to go up to the Sault for that purpose. The man cautiously suggested that, as most of the hands wanted were married men, it would be a wise thing to find out if they could be accommodated in Toronto. Messengers were accordingly sent out, and it was found impossible to get house-room for ten families, to say nothing of fifty, within a mile radius from the factory. The fifty men were accordingly not sent for There is a suggestion here for our capitalists and builders. Building is exceedingly active in this city at present, new dwellings are going up and other new buildings are rising in all directions. But this is only half of what might have been going on at this moment but for the folly of the strike in the building trades. Real estate men and contractors have given us instance after instance where strikes of men, breaches of faith consequent upon them, and scarcity of building materials have caused the abandonment or postponement of many structures that might ere now have arisen.

In all estimates for the future, in the outlook for financial and industrial conditions, the threatening feature of the uncertainty of labor must be considered. Busy as we are, prosperous as many of our factories may be, we have only to look around us on this continent to see how menacing is the environment of many employers. Here are a few facts: The Chicago labor troubles led the Allis-Chalmers Company to move their purchasing and traffic departments to their new works at West Allis, near Milwaukee. W. J. Chalmers declares as follows: "We are compelled to make the change on account of labor trouble here in Chicago. It is impossible for us to secure protection, and there is no other alternative but to go
elsewhere. During the recent strike, which lasted for thirteen months, and cost us $\$ 350,000$, we were unable to get police protection, and consequently we lost heavily."

The Pennsylvania Railroad dismissed last week between 6,000 and 7,000 of its men, in response to their demand for shorter hours, which demand the company considered unreasonable. Such a step ought to admonish the labor unions that they cannot afford to make ill-judged demands.

On Saturday last, at Indianapolis, Mr. Parry, of the National Manufacturers' Association insisted, in a pamphlet then issued in reply to the Central Labor Union of that place, that while men have a right to quit their employment when they see fit, they have no right to interfere with their former employer or with the men he hires to take their places.

This is now an established principle of law, being steadily reduced to practice. And the declaration that labor unions can be proceeded against for damages must cause a halt in their arrogant proceedings. The short-sighted walking delegate or labor union leader, who usually terrorizes the laborer or mechanic, still thinks he can compel the employer to accede to union terms. But he forgets that, as in the case cited above, the manufacturer can leave a place where he is unable to get just treatment, and can remove his works to another place. True, it will cost him a lot of money to do it, but there are, in this free country as well as in the United States and elsewhere, people who will not be brow-beaten or deprived of their rights by any sort of combinations. There has already been too much concession to labor union demands.

We would urge our employers of labor, as already suggested above, to take every reasonable heed of the labor situation, of which unrest has been so long a characteristic. And further, the less experienced among our manufacturers may be the better of a reminder that, busy as they are, and rosy as things appear to them from the present activity of demand, it is well not to be caught with too much sail spread if a squall should come. Everything is not quite blissful in the United States at present, either industrially or financially; and we cannot afford to forget that a panic or an industrial reaction over there would affect Canada.

## LIFE ASSURANCE.

In selecting speakers before the International Congress of Actuaries, the managers showed good judgment in the choice of Mr. Cortelyou, secretary of the United States Department of Commerce and Labor. This gentleman well deserves the distinction he has attained. He has been through nearly all the grades of commercial education in that great country ; he has served his employers well, from a humble office to the high and important office of President's secretary; and he has shown his ability and willingness to learn from his surroundings, in whatever position he held for the time. No greater instance of deserved promotion can be pointed to of late years than his.

In addressing that important body of actuaries,

Mr. Cortelyou showed an admirable appreciation of the real status of an actuary, and an understanding of the real signincance of life assurance. Said he, to these gentlemen: "You stand for things that make stability. You are the architects of firm foundations upon which rise institutions whose helpfulness is farreaching and incalculable. Your study is life, and the extent of your influence is only equaled by its beneficence." To encourage thrift, to develop habits of foresight and economy, to recognize the obligations resting on parents and others to provide for dependent ones-these are motives which it is the part of life insurance men to awaken and stimulate. And in so doing the members of that profession may dignify themselves and their office.

He paid a tribute to the high aims and the weighty responsibilities of actuaries, and the plane of impartiality on which they stand, in saying that "You recognize in the broadest sphere of your calculations. gentlemen, " neither race, nor class, nor creed; you encourage thrift; you are the friend of the toiler as well as of those in high places of power and affluence; you carry light and cheer and comfort and hope into the earth's dark places." Those who exemplify life assurance and explain it to the average man should never lose sight of the honorable nature of the business, the necessity for keeping it clean. No narrow or petty personal advantage should ever induce a life assurance canvasser or manager to forget that he is a representative of a righteous and beneficent plan, that he is safeguarding great interests, and that a stain upon his honor is a blemish upon the whole profession of which he is a member.

## THE ROOT OF THE TROUBLE.

It is by no means improbable that an explanation will be forthcoming as to Lord Alverstone's apparent sacrifice of Canada's rights in the Alaska boundary question sufficiently plausible to make anything but its open acceptance an insult to all those ideas of the stainlessness of British justice and the impartiality of the British judiciary which Canada has always shared with the rest of the Empire. The longersighted among Canadians, too, will be found not lacking in sympathy with the idea that it is essential sometimes to sacrifice the immediate interests of one portion of the Empire for the good of the whole.

But a perception of these facts, while no doubt it will do much to raise a body of conservative opinion in opposition to the loud-mouthed expressions of the more rabid part of our population, should not blind us to the significant truth that, underlying all the froth and excitement produced by the disappointing award, there is a deep-seated conviction in this country that Great Britain's diplomacy becomes weakkneed, when it has to deal with the United States. The reasons from which this popular fancy has been evolved may be explained away, but the conviction remains as strong as ever, the result, perhaps, not so much of reasoning as intuition. That it is something deeper-seated than the mere ebullience of a youthful nation contemptuous of a mother country's age is proved by the fact that it is held largely by the most
imperialistic amongst us, by British born residents in Canada, by descendants of the staunchest U.E. Loyalists. It may be shown hereafter that Lord Alverstone acted from a strictly judicial standpoint; it may even be realized that the Canadian commissioners were no less biassed than the American; the fact remains that the great majority of Canadians firmly believe that the claims and preferences of the United States rank higher in the parent-nation's eyes than their own. And Canadians, who live next door to him, believe they understand Uncle Sam much better than John Bull can possibly do !

Now, Canada's lack of confidence in the perspicacity of Great Britain may be rightly or wrongly based; but it cannot fail, unless remedied, to work disastrously in the future relations between the two countries. Therefore, let us implore the motherland to learn to know us better, and at closer range, to understand our feelings and aspirations, to mix with us more in our play and in our work. Then will be the day when the average Briton's knowledge of the colonies shall have become no longer a word for laughter or contempt.

## NEW FORESTATION POLICY.

It is pleasing to know that the Ontario Government has learned the lesson of nature taught through other countries' folly in the matter of wastefulness of their timber resources. One of the most prodigal causes of the destruction of standing timber, which, in some years grows to alarming proportions, is the carelessness of new settlers in clearing their lands by burning or in making camp fires, as often-times the little blaze which they allow to creep out unnoticed grows until millions of feet of valuable wood have been ruined, sometimes indeed reduced to ashes, To make matters worse, these settlers have been allowed in the past to locate on lands either partially or wholly unadapted to farming operations, so that the timber interests have suffered not even in a good cause. For some time past, it has been growing more evident that the only way to limit this destruction was to prohibit the opening up of certain districts by farmers altogether. The Temagami region is one which was thus reserved for forest purposes two years ago, and this is a course which will be adopted by the Government in a larger measure in the future.

Not only this, but in many cases a scientific system of reforestation is to be put into force. It has been found that especially in Northern Ontario large tracts of wooded land exist, which are naturally so rocky and thin-soiled that they depend upon a forest covering to obviate becoming practically desert, for as soon as the surface of the ground becomes exposed to summer heats and wintry gales, its protecting litter of dead leaves and shallow layer of rotting vegetation become scattered to the four winds, making the attempt to grow anything, even new trees thereon, almost useless. The idea, therefore, is to cut the timber, mature at a certain age, so as to allow a perpetual new growth to take its place. Lumbermen have been accustomed in their own interests to
clear away the lumber as completely as possible; but this is suicidal so far as the future well-being of the country is concerned; and it does not require much thinking to come to the conclusion that the best interests of the lumbermen themselves are conserved by the new methods. These may be said to be experimental only so far as this country is concerned; Germany and some other European countries have been obliged to call in the aid of science for forestry purposes; and the United States already regrets it did not do the same long ago.

## THE FARMER-STOREKEEPER.

We have asked the question more than once, how is the large proportion of Canadian farmers who try storekeeping to be accounted for ? And we are as yet without a satisfying answer. Another thing that adds to one's wonder is that a very considerable number of those who wish to be merchants are farmers in the province of Quebec. How are we to account for this when we have been told, for a hundred years, how conservative is the French Canadian habitant-the meaning of habitant is a small rural proprietor or farmerhow happy in his surroundings, how little desiring change ! It used to be said that the Montreal and Quebec commercial travellers of a generation ago coaxed many a habitant to become a shop-keeper, flattering him with the ease of the occupation, with visions of wealth thereby to be gained, and flattering his wife that she might become the Lady Bountiful of the parish. Rarely was the vision fulfilled. Rarely did the simple-minded farmer become a successful merchant. He lacked knowledge of merchandise, knowledge of accounts, knowledge of human nature. Most often he made an ignominious failure, and was saddled with debt for many a day.

Here are some specimens of the farmer storekeeper:

Having formerly been peddlers among the farmers of that section, Price Bros. opened a regular store business at Iberville, east of Montreal, in the spring of 1902. They have been sued on several recent occasions, and made an offer to their creditors last week of 25 cents on the dollar, which they have since amended to 35 cents.
L. Lacombe, formerly a farmer, and who began storekeeping at St. Victor de Tring, a little more than a year ago, has arranged to pay his creditors 50 per cent. of their claims. It is to be hoped he will quit storekeeping.
A. Chouinard, a farmer and fisherman at L'Anse au Gresfonds, on the Gaspe Coast, who has also been doing a limited store business for several years, is unable to pay in full, and proposes a compromise.

The assignment is noted of Joseph Pigeon, general retail dealer, at Beloeil, Que. This is another case of the farmer storekeeper with the usual results. In 1890 he engaged in business as one of the firm of Archambault \& Pigeon, who became embarrassed and compromised at 90 cents in January, 1901. In March following the firm dissolved, Pigeon continuing alone, but he has done no better. About ten days ago a seizure was put in on a past due claim, and he has now put his affairs in the hands of an assignee.
-It is announced by the Royal Bank of Canada that Mr. C. E. Neill, supervisor of the British Columbia branches of the bank, and manager at Vancouver, has been promoted to the chief inspectorship, with headquarters at Montreal. He is to be succeeded at Vancouver by Mr. C. A. Crosbie, the bank's secretary, of the head office, Halifax.

## CANADIAN MANUFACTURERS' EXCURSION.

Describing to a wholesale man on my return to Ontario the improvement of winnipeg and the somewnat grandiloquent views of Manitoba men, as to the future of our Northwest, the wholesale man replied: "Oh, yes; that is the way they nearly always talk. Those Western fellows are bright and hopeful, but they want the earth and all the fullness thereof." He had not, I think, ever seen Winnipeg. Probably I had better here transcribe some brief notes made on our outward journey, which speak for themselves as to the progress of the province: "Said a Winnipeg branch bank manager to me: "When I came to take charge of this office three years ago, there were thirteen clerks. To-day I have thirty, and have to work at night. The building we are in is being enlarged.'" Another illustration, noted the same day, is the following: A member of the excursion, a stove manufacturer near Toronto, told me of going, on 22nd Sept., to call on his Winnipeg traveller, who had secured storage space in a building behind the market. He found not only the stock exhausted, but orders 450 stoves behind! The wires to Toronto were "hot with hurrying words" that night.

A prominent and long-established merchant, Mr. J. H. Ashdown, was so good as to show a party of us through his wholesale premises. This warehouse measures 130 by I35 feet, four stories in height, and has been doubled in size this year. The view of the city of Winnipeg from the top of the building was impressive. The great size and great variety of stock carried here surprised us at first, but the explanation is not difficult. The distañe -of Eastern markets and the length of the winters compel merchants to keep heavy stocks on the spot. Mr. Ashdown, who is not a man to waste many words, told us some pregnant things about the comparative value of goods which our manufacturers would do well to remember. Referring to one piece of machinery in his warehouse, he said: "This one is of American make; we have used it six or seven years without a fault. That other is Canadian, put in this year when our addition was built. It sticks every now and then, and we have to get an expert. We try," he added, "to buy everything in Canada that we can buy to advantage, but the American maker beats the Canadian in not a few directions."

Another interesting warehouse we visited on the same street, was that of the Cockshutt Plow Company. These were admirable new brick premises of slow-burning construction. For light, and air, and convenient interior arrangement, they are hard to surpass. The company sell, besides their own goods, Canadian and American field and other implements. The great extent of their business and its rapid growth will be gathered when we say that after ten years' business in Winnipeg, their turnover, which at first was $\$ 30,000$, amounted to $\$ 500,000$ last year. Wonder being expressed at the amount of building going on in the city, a Winnipegger responded: "Building in Winnipeg to-day is only limited by men and material-both of which are hard to get."

At Strathcona (formerly South Edmonton), in 1902 farmers were paid for No. I and No. 2 wheat 55 to 62 cents. This year they are talking of paying 60 cents for wheat; it is not likely there will be any No. I to speak of, because of the wet weather and a touch of frost. Oats are worth 25 cents (this was on 26 th September). In the year 1901 there was a million bushels of oats shipped from this point and from Wetaskiwin; they brought 32 cents per bushel at Strathcona, and were sent all the way to South Africa from Vancouver round the Horn.

Many of the travellers asked the meaning of the two or more parallel furrows ploughed along each side of the railway track on the prairies at a distance of twenty to forty feet, and were told that it is a "fire-break." It was explained that in case of a prairie fire sweeping from north or south, which might burn the sleepers and telegraph poles, this strip of ploughed land, a break in the area of prairie grass, might stop the sweep of the fire.

Statements by Mayor Hall, and Mr. Nation, president of the Board of Trade, at Brandon: "This was the first point to ship $1,000,000$ bushels of Western Canada grain."
"Nearly 75 per cent, of the produce of Manitoba is produced within a radius of sixty miles from Brandon." Mr. Nation "hoped to see the industries of the country fostered and cared for." At this point the extension of the station terminals of the C.P.R., at a cost of some $\$ 300,000$, is a marked and suggestive feature. Such shops as Nation and Shewan's, at Brandon, are extensive and admirably kept.

I think I have already mentioned the quantity of literature with which the excursion party was favored describing the claims of this, that, and the other town or locality to public notice, every one believing that its district is the especial favorite of Heaven. Some of the pamphlets were of exceeding interest. It would be impossible to quote onetenth of those showered upon us, but I will take one as a specimen. Red Deer, Alberta, which is on the Calgary and Edmonton railway. It is thus described:
"The town of Red Deer is beautifully situated on the Red Deer River, half way between Calgary and Edmonton. Possessing as it does every natural advantage, it is bound to become an important centre. It is now the commercial, judicial, railway and manufacturing centre between Northern and Southern Alberta. As a location for manufacturing industries, it affords superior advantages to any town in the Territories, having splendid water power, abundance of cheap fuel, and direct communication with British Columbia mining country. . . There is a good opening for several leading industries at the present time. Plans are drawn for a large courthouse, also a town hall. The streets are wide, the buildings creditable, and altogether an air of prosperity pervades the place. Many who are familiar with the West believe that we have here the beginning of one of the greatest centres of trade and commerce on the eastern slopes of the Rockies."
Other localities are described whose advantages we may take opportunity later to present briefly. They are many and lie far apart. "What a tremendous distance we have already travelled," said a man in Car No. 3, as he looked at the wall map of the C.P.R. and saw the tremendous stretch of territory from the shores of Lake Ontario to Red Deer, Alta., where we then were.
things great and small to be noted en route.
The contrast a New Canada town or village makes with one of Older Canada consists in part in the newer styles and more substantial materials of the dwellings. The people out West want the newest and the best of everything-and they get it.

Note a distinction between "prairies" and "plains," which Mr. C. N. Bell drew for us, and illustrated as we left Assiniboia and got into Alberta. The prairie is practically a dead level, nearly treeless, with such depressions as buffalowallows and small reedy lakes. But the plains are diversified with rolling land, belts of timber, occasional rocky-looking gulches.
"Butte" means a low hill.
"Prairie" means burnt-over land.
A "belt" of timber is a different thing from clumps of timber

Douglas fir is the same as Oregon pine.
The plentiful supply of elevators at every prairie town was manifest. In this respect, the contrast with a dozen years ago is very great.

A farmer in the Far West says: "I have seen the sort of implements the Dakota and Iowa farmer uses, and I want them. But they are made in the States; and because I prefer them to Canadian ones I am taxed 30 per cent. which is intended to force me to buy your Eastern Canadian goods. I would buy Canadian goods if they suited me as well."

As a good illustration of direct business over a great distance, there was lying on the railway station, at Souris, piles of grain-bags, the name stencilled on which was McDonald \& Robb, millers, Valleyfield, Que. These people send every year scores of bales of such bags for No. I hard grain of this district.
"Friday night, October 9th, at Crystal City to meet Hon. Thomas Greenway, who had driven miles to see us.

It was dark and chill, and there was only time for a shake of the hand instead of the drive about his model farm, as we had hoped."

## WHEAT IN WINNIPEG.

Wheat is abnormally high-priced in Winnipeg this year, higher than is warranted by the conditions, says the "Commercial" of that city. On that market it is quoted I to 3 c . higher than in other centres, and (referring to the end of last week), ranged between 77 and 78 c ., whereas bids received from Liverpool and Glasgow for No. 2 Northern would be equal to about 75 c . Bids from Ontario millers, too, have been generally half a cent or more below the net cost of Manitoba wheat, delivered at Fort William. In spite of the high price, however, Western farmers seem disposed to hold out for higher prices. They have been helped in their attitude by the recent purchase of large blocks of high grade wheat by the big milling companies, who feared there might be a shortage of such. They have shown little demand for the lower qualities, and this no doubt has accentuated the differences in values between the grades, and has helped to keep the market above an export basis.

## THE APPLE CROP.

Shipments of apples from Canada to Great Britain this year have been extraordinarily large, but prices for good qualities continue to be very fair. For the week ending Oct. 24 th, the number of barrels which left the port of Montreal was 59,354 , of which 24,265 went to Liverpool. All the others went to British or Scotch ports except a few to Antwerp. Most of these came from Ontario, where the crop, while not so large as that of last year, is astonishingly good for an "off" year. The Nova Scotia crop, fit for export, is estimated at 500,000 barrels, of which about 155,000 have already gone, and it is calculated that the amount of cash which orchardists, mainly in the counties of King's and Annapolis, will receive, is not far short of a million and a half dollars. A study of the estimates for the apple crop in various parts of the United States, as prepared by the International Apple Shippers' Association, leads one to the conclusion that while the aggregate is not so good, in comparison, as that of this year's Canadian crop, yet it is not by any means a small one, being probably about $46,600,000$ barrels, only a million short of last year. In some states the crop is described as poor, as in Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, and Kansas, while in others it is good, as in Maine, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and in the far Western States.

## ONTARIO MANUFACTURING TOWNS.

Your correspondent last week took a trip to several of the manufacturing towns near by Toronto, and was pleased as well as surprised to discover signs all along the line of unusual activity. Busy workshops were the rule. In fact, I do not remember an exception.

The first place touched was Guelph, where close by the station is the Bell Organ and Piano Co., Limited; found this extensive place busy in the extreme. Although during the past year much additional factory room has been provided, still the factory is taxed to its utmost. The instruments of the Bell Company are shipped to all parts of the world, and the prospects for a continuance of present good conditions were considered bright indeed. The J. B. Armstrong Mfg. Co., which is directly across the street, I found in much the same position, so far as work was concerned. This concern, it may be remembered, made a most creditable showing at the recent Exhibition, their carriages eliciting much admiration. At present they are busy filling orders for cutters, etc., for the coming winter.

Preston, famous among other things for its mineral waters, was the next stopping place. This town, though much smaller than the city I had just left, presented as much business activity to the square inch as the Royal City; there
was not one of its various factories that was not busy. Frank Moss, of the Preston Furniture Co., reported a st ady demand for roll-top desks, as made in Preston. This factory makes nothing but roll-top desks, turning them out at the rate of about twelve per day. A special teature with this firm is its export trade which is considerable. The Metal Shingle and Siding Co., of which Mr. C. Dolph is manager, was in much the same box as the others. He expressed himself as at his wits' end to know how to keep up with the orders. Clare Bros., the stove manufacturers, I found exceptionally busy. From all reports this seems to have been a banner year for most of the stove men, and judging by the bustle which characterized this plant, Prest,n-made stoves are going to give cheer to many homes throughout our Dominion during the coming winter months. Some time ago, The Canadian Office and School Furniture Co., of Preston, tried to dispose of their old factory Lailding, their intention being to erect an entirely new place at some point more valuable so far as transportation facilities were concerned. However, they were unable to find a purchaser, and decided to stay where they were, but to add a new part to the plant. This was begun, and when this addition is completed they will have just double the apacity they now possess. While here, your representative ran across a new firm, which is quietly engaged in the manulacture of mechanical piano-players. The name of this firm is Werlich Bros. \& Co. Two of the brothers have had several years of practical experience in the building of pianoplayers. Although it is only a few months ago since they opened up, there is at present one of their instruments on the ocean, bound for South Africa, having been shipped the day before I called.

To the solid town of Galt I was only able to say, "How do you do," being there but an hour or two. It was possible, however, in that time to detect the same general air of active prosperity about its people, observed in Guelph and Preston. I found the extensive Goldie \& McCulloch plant taxed to an unusual degree, the four hundred or more employees finding it hard to keep pace with the orders for their great variety of output. In several departments overtime was being worked. The firm reports an unusual demand for bank safes, due in some measure at least to the large number of branch banks being opened in various parts of the country.

At London most of the factories were Dusy. An exceedingly interesting shop to visit is that of the Dennis Wire and Iron Co., Limited. This firm makes ornamental iron work, which finds its way into all parts of Canada. There seems to be no limit to the variety of work done here in that direction. As Mr. Dennis put it, when asked what his specialty was: "Everything the other fellow can't make." At present the company are making two very fine pieces of work, one for the Bank of Toronto branch at London, the other for the new Bank of Hamilton building at the corner of Queen St. and Spadina Ave., in Toronto. This firm, like most of those I had visited, experienced great difficulty in securing skilled labor; the dearth of such help, coupled with numerous orders, produced not unnaturally a disturbing condition in the matter of delivery and the keeping of a firm's promises. The Electrical Construction Co. of Canada was very busy, too. When asked as to their experience in securing desirable workmen, they replied they had little or no trouble. Desiring to know why this should be so in view of the difficulty other firms had, it was explained that most men nowadays are anxious to get an insight into electrical work especially the construction of dynamos and motors, which work is an important feature with this company. For this reason men were always more or less willing to come to them.

Stopping off at Woodstock for an hour or more. I made a call at the Karn Organ and Piano works. Here again I was confronted by an unusually prosperous condition of affairs. This immense factory is running overtime in many of the departments. While there, I had the pleasure of seeing an organ of imposing size which is being built for the Metropolitan Methodist Church, Toronto. One cannot realize how much work there is upon an in-
strument of such proportions, until it can be seen on the inside. Another large instrument in process by this firm and just about ready for delivery is that for St. Paul's church, Toronto. Having made a visit to their works, Mr. Watson, of the Woodstock Wind-Motor Co., informed me that the demand for their windmills during the past year had been unprecedented. He was quite optimistic as to the future; in fact the same remark can be justly applied to almost all of the manufacturers I called upon during my journeyings.

I next made Brantford. This is truly, a busy place. It was Saturday morning and the market-place was at its busiest. I have been in market-places in sume of the older cities across the ocean, but for genuine quaintness and animation, Brantford market-place would be hard to beat. Here I called at a few of the factories. The Waterous Engine Co.'s works were, as usual, throbbing with action, and evidently were feeling the effects of the good times. The demand for their field engines and fire engines seems endless. Gould, Shapley \& Muir were turning out windmills, gas engines and their other commodities just as fast as their 260 hands were able. This concern is running all night in some of its departments, and even then is away behind in filling orders. I do not see how it would be possible for them to use any more men even if they could get them. Every shop seemed so full of men. Too often it is a case where we cannot see men for machines-here one could hardly see machines for men.

As I went about on my almost flying visits, it was a real pleasure to find on every hand the unmistakeable evidences of good times and the almost unanimous optimism of proprietors and men alike.
J. J. S.

## CANADIAN LIFE INSURANCE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION.

At the October meeting of the Association, which was held in the rooms of the Toronto Insurance Institute, Toronto, the following members were present: Messrs. D. Dexter, Federal, president, in the chair; J. F. Junkin, Manufacturers; J. K. Macdonald, Confederation; F. Sanderson, Canada; F. Sparling, National; G. B. Wood, Continental; B. Hal. Brown, London \& Lancashire: John Milne, Northern; E. Marshall, Excelsior; R. Junkin, Manufacturers; T. Bradshaw, Imperial; D. Burke, Royal Victoria.

The advisability of the Association encouraging the formation of a Life Insurance Agents' Association in Canada was discussed and action left over until the next meeting in November. The subject of competitive literature was considered, with the object of an agreement being arrived at between the companies which are members of the Association, to refrain from publishing, circulating, or in any way treating with literature of a competitive character. The subject is being further considered by the Executive.

The Executive Committee pointed out the undesirable features contained in the recent Act passed by the Legislature of Nova Scotia entitled, "An Act respecting Life and Accident Insurance." The Act contains a provision to the effect that the age of the assured shall in all cases be determined within three years from the time the oolicy of assurance is effected, otherwise the age mentioned in such policy shall be conclusive proof of such age. An effort will be made to bring about a modification of this provision at the next meeting of the Legislature of the province of Nova
Scotia. Scotia.

The annual meeting of the Association will take place on the 19th November, and is altogether likely to be a very
important gathering.

## ANGLO-AMERICAN "FRIENDSHIP."

To the Editor, Monetary Times,-
$\mathrm{Sir},-$ Truth certainly has her abiding-place at the bottom of a very deep well, so far as the governmental Briton's idea of American character is concerned; he has a long way to go in order to arrive at a true understanding thereof. The simile of a deep well is applicable also to another phase
of the subject; the pit into which he seems desirous of casting sacrifice after sacrifice in order to gain that problematic reward of American friendship is a bottomless one. Or, to use still another simile, that mythical friendship is likely only to prove a sort of Frankenstein, growing with each gift more ravenous of greater, until at length it shall devour its creator. We speak this way of the recently published award of the Alaska Boundary Commission, because there seems to be only one way of looking at it, and that is in the light of a desire on the part of Great Britain to stand well with the United States at any cost. Alas, the folly of it! But even if the result of the conference be satisfactorily explained by Lord Alverstone, we think these few remarks will apply. While recognizing its idleness, one cannot restrain the wish for something to teach British legislators the truth about American friendship. Not protestations of friendship, for the Americans are not hypocrites; and they have made no particular claims to friendship for Britain or for Canada. But the trouble is that the Briton has not only become possessed of the idea that American friendship is a thing worth having, which is true; but that it is something which can be gained by a series of graceful yieldings on his own side, than which no greater error could be made. The American is a man who, in his national dealings, looks after his own interests first, last, and all the time; a cession from his opponent he looks upon as a suggestion for a bigger claim next time; when repeated, he regards it not as a "guarantee of good faith," but as a mark of truckling for which he has nothing but contempt. The last thing that John Bull wants, no doubt, is a reputation for toadying for American favor, but it is a bare statement of facts to say that that is precisely the reputation he is gaining all over this continent..

Benjamin Franklin had a good deal to say about paying too much for one's whistle. Putting this matter on the lowest of political grounds, it is not too much to say that the day may come when the good feeling, the unshaken loyalty of Canada, comparatively weak though she is now, will be worth a hundred times more to the Mother Country than all the unwillingly bought "friendship" of the United States. We do not blame the Americans; but it is Canadian interests that are being turned into a shuttlecock.

October 27th, 1903.
W. P. F.

## COMMERCIAL BANK OF MANITOBA.

The Commercial Bank of Manitoba was established in 1885, and had several branches. It was in existence in Winnipeg for about nine years, and closed its doors in July, 1893. Since then its liquidation has been going on. Mr. Hunter Cooper, who has just returned from the Old Country, tells the Winnipeg Free Press that he is on the point of closing up the bank's affairs. The outcome of the wind-ing-up is that every creditor of the bank has been paid in full. Mr. Cooper doubts whether if the assets had been forced and the bank wound up in the ordinary way, the creditors would have been paid the full amount of their claims." As it is, they have received every dollar due them with interest, and the shareholders have, up to the present time, received $\$ 36$ a share on account of their stock. In addition to this, I hope to pay a final dividend of from $\$ 7$ to $\$ 9$ a share." The bank had been holding a lot of lands under doubtful title, but by taking time and trouble many thousands of dollars were realized from those lands.

## CONSUMERS' GAS COMPANY:

The annual meeting of the Consumers' Gas Company was held in Toronto on Monday last. The chief feature of the situation, so far as this city is concerned, is the large increase of consumption of gas. The output of gas during the year ending September 30th was $1,126,527,000$ cubic feet, or $199,778,000$ more than that of the previous year, an increase of over 21 per cent. The net receipts for the year were $\$ 332,669.16$. Of this amount $\$ 176,630.07$ was paid in
dividends, $\$ 16,223.80$ in interest, and $\$ 139,815.29$ placed to profit and loss account. The net profits for the year were $\$_{139,815}$, or about $\$ 14,000$ less than last year, which is due to the reduction in the price of gas, and the increase in the cost of coal. It is stated by the officers of the company that with a to per cent. increase during each of the next two years, the capacity of the present works will be reached. During the twelve months ended with September, 2,599 new services were put in and nine and one-half miles of new mains laid, making a total of over 277 miles. The following gentlemen were elected directors: Mesrs. A. W. Austin, J. L. Blaikie, Henry Cawthra, G. R. R. Cockburn, George Gooderham, James Henderson, Thomas Long, E. B. Osler, Andrew Smith, L. W. Smith, A. J. Somerville and Thomas R. Wood. At a meeting of the board of directors held subsequently, Dr. L. W. Smith and Mr. G. R. R. Cockburn were unanimously re-elected president and vice-president, respectively.

## TRADE OPPORTUNITIES.

Canadian Offices, London, I6th October.-A wholesale provision merchånt in the North of England makes enquiry respecting regular supplies of split peas from Canada. A Canadian maker of washing machines would like to correspond with English importers of them.

## INSURANCE MATTERS.

The big aerial truck at Lombard street fire station, Toronto, has been sent to Walkerville to be fitted with a quick-hoisting device, by which the 85 -foot ladder can be raised by one man instead of requiring ten or a dozen. The Waterous engine at Bay street station has lately been returned from Brantford, where it underwent extensive repairs.

The various companies transacting fire business in London, in 1901, covered risks for $£ 975,014,285$. Now municipal mutual insurance is started, and fifteen London authorities propose to take it in hand. We note that not more than $£_{5,000}$ will be retained on any one risk; it is stated that arrangements have been made for the rest to be underwritten, so the municipal authorities will have to fall back on either the fire offices or Lloyd's somehow. The School Board of London prudently declines to carry any special hazardssuch, for instance, as schools which are near to timber yards. These risks the fire offices are benevolently allowed to retain themselves. Altogether the experiment is a curious one.-London Review.

After an examination of the affairs of the Mutual Life Company of New York, asked for by the company, which occupied the entire examining force of the New York Department from January 2nd to September 21st, 1903, every dollar of the hundreds of millions handled by the company from January ist, 1898, to January 1st, 1903, was checked and found accounted for in strict accordance with the laws of the State. In his official sanction of the findings of the examiners, the Superintendent of Insurance says: "I think it fitting to note the unusual extent and thoroughness of this examination and the evidence which it bears to the conscientious and careful management of this large institution."

Yale College has established a course of insurance instruction; a lecture on insurance subjects has been arranged for each week of the college year. The first was given by an officer of the Phoenix Life last month; the next by the actuary of the Prudential; then came Mr. Walter S. Nichols, of the Insurance Monitor, who lectured on Fraternal Insurance; closing with a lecture by a vice-president of the Travelers. The lectures of the second term are to be devoted to fire insurance, the lecturers chosen being Mr . Bissel, of Hartford; Mr. Raven, of the Atlantic Marine, and Mr. Allen, of the Steam Boiler Co. Next will come Employers' Liability and Accident Assurance. The course is to be limited to senior students. Members of the lower classes will be permitted to attend, but will not receive
marks therefor. The lectures will also be open to the public.

## AN AMERICAN VIEW OF CANADA.

Canada need not be down-hearted, even under such a solar plexus blow as the Alaska Boundary decision. Hear what the Insurance Advocate says: Canada has found herself. She has struck a Lou Dillon gait and licked creation in the rate of export trade increase during the last ten years, Japan following a close second, and the United States away behind Japan. With a population of some thousands less than the State of Pennsylvania, Canada's per capita export trade now exceeds that of any other country with the exception of the Netherlands. The yielding ripeness of her virgin breast has been tickled, and gods, men, and all Flanders, may now the life-giving office long engage. Her pastures glow beyond even Nature warm; the mine, the quarry teem with human form. For long years her modesty has been as candle to her merit; she lay, as it were, in the gloomy calm of idle vacancy, glancing the while to Captains of Industry, otherwise wheedled, the bashful virgin's sidelong looks of love. They came, they saw, they conquered; they wooed her as the lion wooes his bride. They fired each art, reproved each dull delay; and now the land of skies bluer than Italy, the land where at once the snowflake reposes and grapes as of Eschol fruiten in their season, is marching on. Peace: that leaven which leavens the whole lump-the Scotch-the sanest government under heaven, and over all, the smile of God, will, ere the present generation of babes and sucklings taste of death, place Canada regnant among the nations. To quote Edmund Burke: "She has that action and counteraction which, in the natural and in the political world, from the reciprocal struggle of discordant powers draws out the harmony of the universe."

## DRY GOODS NOTES.

The neckwear manufacturers complain that as over 95 per cent. of the silk suitable for their business comes from Germany, they have to pay 40 per cent. upon their raw material, whereas the same silk goes into Great Britain free, and is there made into neckties which are imported into Canada with a duty of only 23 x-3 per cent. At the time that the surtax was first proposed, it was suggested that manufactured goods coming from Great Britain of which more than 50 per cent. of the value was created in Germany, should also bear the extra impost. But this clause seems to be evaded in the plea that the silk is Austrian or Swiss, or that 50 per cent. of the value is created in England, which cannot be the case. The Montreal branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association is taking up the matter.

A cable from London stated that at the sale of sheepskins in Mincing Lane, last week, 4, 180 bales were offered. Coarse crossbreds were in animated demand at unchanged prices to an advance of 5 per cent., and better conditions prevailed. Merinos and fine crossbreds sold readily at unchanged rates, inferior merinos were irregular. Following are the sales and prices obtained for clothing and combings: New South Wales, 144 bales, at $5^{1 / 2} \mathrm{~d}$. to $73 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$.; Victoria, 664 bales, at $4 \frac{1}{2}$ d. to $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$.; South Australia, 395 bales, at $51 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$. to 8 d .; West Australia, 534 bales, at $81 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$. to $81 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$.; Tasmania, 543 bales, at 5 d. to 8 d.; New Zealand, 804 bales, at $4^{1 / 2} \mathrm{~d}$. to $73 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$.; Punta Arenas, 884 bales, at $5 \frac{8}{8} \mathrm{~d}$. to $7^{1 / 8 \mathrm{~d}}$.; Falkland Islands, 87 bales, at $4^{7} / 4 \mathrm{~d}$. to 7 d.; Canada, 38 bales, at $7 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{~d}$.; Buenos Ayres, 25 bales, at $4^{7 / 4} \mathrm{~d}$. to $63 / 8 \mathrm{~d}$.

A paragra : in the Fashion column of the Drapers' Record reads as follows: The extraordinary partiality for green, which has been developing for a number of seasons now, continues to find new outlets for its expression, and the ribbon department is now feeling it strongly. All sorts of ribbons in all sorts of greens are in demand, and makers incline to think that the color which has been in so long will favor their department for at least another season, and they hope to be in a better position to cope with the movement in the spring. Plain navy ribbons may also be men-
tioned as a prominent demand. Feather hats of new descriptions are popular. An abundance of birds is noticeable, and is spoken of with entire confidence. Feather ruches of a new character are to be seen placed all round the hats, and the feathers are other than ostrich. This is a feature which may, perhaps, be made the nucleus of a fresh start in millinery developments.

Further concessions in Japan silks have stimulated buying somewhat, and there has been a later accession of firmness that has temporarily checked trading. In Cantons there have been but moderate transactions, owing to advancing exchange. In Shanghai the same factor and still greater firmness of prices have prevented any increase in sales. In Europe the market remains as at last report with buyers operating in a cautious way and with prices unchangedly firm. Although in the local market the majority of importers are holding stocks firmly, and are simply following fluctuations in foreign prices, some are commencing to anticipate a future decline in Japans and Cantons, and are selling "short" for January and later delivery. The majority of manufacturers feel more confident than ever before this season that prices on coarse sizes, at least, will decline and are not inclined to anticipate such an event except at marked concessions.-Dry Goods Economist.

## FOR GROCERS AND PROVISION DEALERS.

There is again an unsettled feeling in the Brazilian coffee market, owing to adverse reports about the crop. The tendency in both New York and European markets is towards better prices.

A prominent New York dealer in Florida fruits and vegetables says that the acreage in tomatoes on the east coast during the coming season is not likely to be so large as usual, owing to the damage caused by floods last year. Prospects for a heavy planting of pineapples, however, are very good, but fruit from these would not come into market until the summer after next.

A company, has been formed in Berlin, Germany, to purchase meat in the vast country opened up by the great Siberian railroad. For this purpose salted meat will be packed in 4 -kilogram ( 8,8 -pound) packages and transported in carlots of 10,000 kilograms ( 22,000 pounds), and then brought for sale to the great central meat market of Berlin. Only the better cattle will be slaughtered for the company, representatives of which start on the journey to make arrangements in a few days. The expenses for transport duty and other outlays are placed at 3,500 marks $(\$ 833)$ for a carload of 10,000 kilograms ( 22,000 pounds). The imports are expected to begin in the spring.

Neither Indian nor Ceylon tea circles appear to think they will suffer much harm through Russia's action in raising the duty on British-grown teas, says an English exchange. Ceylon and India have come to fill a place in the Russian tea market from which they cannot be displaced, principally because the intrinsic qualities of Ceylon tea have made themselves indispensable for blending and other purposes for which it is now recognized that China teas are too weak and are growing more so. It is thought in Colombo that the increased duty will affect the London trade, as the tea buyers will now prefer to buy in Colombo and Calcutta, and ship through Chinese ports, i.e., Dalny, Port Arthur, etc., and across the Chinese frontier, where the duty remains the same. Orders for despatch by this route have, in fact, already commenced to flow.
-One of the causes of the labor troubles in the shoe trade at Quebec, says the Montreal Gazette, is a rule of the union which subjects a member to a penalty if he does more than a fixed amount of work in a week. "It is a rule' that robs both the employer and the good man, and one that neither the good man nor the employer should have to submit to. The prize of success is not won by loafing, whether such loafing is voluntary or enforced."
-The opening of several new branches by the Bank of Montreal is announced from head office. The branch at Brandon will be in charge of Mr . J. W. G. Watson, as manager, and at Indian Head, Assa., Mr. R. M. Napier will be manager. A branch has also been opened at Gretna, Manitoba, under the charge of Mr. S. J. Jarvis.
-The Halifax grain elevator, belonging jointly to the city council and the Dominion Government, will be put into operation next month. It looks as though a large export trade in grain may this coming season be carried on through Halifax. The St. John trade is also expected to be larger than usual this year.
-A well known man in both Peterboro and Toronto, Mr. Dalton Ulyott, died last Saturday at the former place. He was born in Yorkshire, England, in the year 1823. He lived in Montreal for some years, later going to Port Hope, and Fenelon Falls. Mr. Ulyott was a large shareholder in several important concerns, and was for years a director of the Ontario Bank.
-About the middle of October, some seven hundred carpenters in Winnipeg went out on strike. On Tuesday last some 640 of them went to work again. While the strike has not been declared off in the usual sense of the word, the men have accepted the suggestion as made to them by the Deputy Minister of Labor. Union men, it appears, will not be permitted to work for those contractors who do not see fit to meet the men's demands, which looks very much as if the men had won the day. Building in Winnipeg is extremely active.
-Bowmanville, Cobourg, Oshawa, Whitby, and other places in that part of this province, north of Lake Ontario, are asking the C.P.R. to change the route of the main line of that road from Springbrook, near Havelock, westward to Toronto, so as to connect them with the general system. The business of the above-named towns, and of several other municipalities in their vicinity has shown during the last few years a rapid increase, both in passenger and freight traffic, and a strong effort will be made to secure improved transportation facilities in the direction indicated.
-The Dominion Government is arranging to offer the same tariff preference, as that enjoyed by Great Britain, namely, 33 1-3 per cent. to the colonies composing the South African Customs Union, in return for trade concessions from them. The preference given by South Africa to Britain is nominally 25 per cent., but is somewhat variable in its action owing to the ordinary tariff being divided into several classes, each of which calls for a separate schedule. It will be remembered that the present Canadian tariff law includes a clause to provide for the extension of the preference to any British possession whose tariff is favorable to Canada.
-The new vault of the Royal Trust Company, in the Bank of Montreal Building. St. James street. Montreal, is one of the strongest of the kind on this continent. All the security of construction that human ingenury has invented has been utilized. The vault itself is a solid steel box from 4 to 5 inches thick with double doors, protecting the entrance, also of solid steel, and each weighs several tons. The vault will accommodate from two to three thousand safes. The makers of the vaults are Messrs. J. \& J. Taylor, of the Toronto Sale Works, who have carried out the designs of Mr. J. L. Mossman, of New York.
-A New York despatch of last Saturday says that Henry Farley, a co-worker of Samuel Parks, has confessed. The walking delegate who is on the eve of trial for perjury, by which he tried to save Parks from the stripes, has told a startling story to District Attorney Jerome. It was a
midnight confession. Farley says a prominent lawyer advised Parks and himself to concoct a lie. He says that the walking delegates blackmailed W. E. D. Stokes for $\$ 50$,--ooo, and gives the details of scores of other hold-ups. The main points of Farley's confession have been corroborated. Parks, it is said, can be sent to gaol for a long period.
-The City of Toronto has purchased from the Domin1on Government, for $\$ 200,000$, the large tract of land adjoining the Exhibition grounds, known as Garrison Commons. It has a magnificent situation along the the shore of Lake Ontario, and will be developed into a fine park. The old Fort is included in the property bought, and this, we are told, is to be restored and maintained as one of the historic spots of Upper Canada. It would be pleasant to think that this acquisition is the beginning of a systematic development of Toronto from a "beauty" point of view. Perhaps no city on the continent would better repay for such a work; and regard for true business economy says, "begin the work now."

- A paragraph in the St. John's, Newfoundland, Daily News of 22nd October, gives it as the statement of a Government member of the Island House of Assembly, that "the claim of the Reid Nfld. Co., for compensation under the telegraph clause of the Bond Railway deal, was filed with the Colonial Secretary last week, and that the claim amounts to three and a half million dollars." There is something very artificial about this surely. Our understanding of the matter is that the amount claimed is purely nominal and the award may not exceed one hundred thousand dollars. The telegraph lines were handed over to R. G. Reid, along with the railway, by the 1898 contract, and were taken back by the Government in 1901, the price not being specified; hence the arbitration.
-The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company was held in New Haven, Conn., on the 26th inst., over 329,000 shares of stock being represented. It was explained to those present that the condition of the company was fully covered by President Shields' report last May, and that no financial report could be presented yet owing to the inadequate office staff at present existing. It was deemed advisable, the company being in the hands of a receiver, to re-elect the old board, as in the event of reorganization, a new election will be necessary in any case. The following is the board: Gordon Abbott, E. J. Berwind, F. H. Clergue, Cornelius Shields, Lynde Harrison, Horatio G. Lloyd, H. K. McHarg, Charles Macclonald, Charles E. Orvis, George Philler, S. M. Prevost, Samuel Rea, T. C. Search, James Swartz and Charles Tweed. The meeting adjourned to November 24th.
-There is a very lively difference on foot between harnessmakers and their employers in Montreal. The firm of Hector Lamontagne \& Co., Limited, refused to recognize the International Harnessmakers' Union, and this resulted in fifty hands quitting work on Monday last. The trouble has been growing for a long time, but it was not until Monday that it culminated, the firm notifying the men that belonged to the union that their services would have to discontinue after eight days. The consequence was that the men quit at once. The story of the locked-out men, as told to the Herald on Tuesday by Mr. R. P. O'Donahue, late secretary-treasurer of the local unions, is as follows: "Early last week several of our members were discharged by the firm, the reason given being that the firm would not recognize the International Union, and did not desire to employ any of its members. On Wednesday a deputation waited upon the firm and asked that the men previously discharged be reinstated. Their request was refused and they also were informed that their services were no longer required."


## TORONTO STOCK TRANSACTIONS.

Not much change has taken place in the local stock situation, and while it cannot be said that there has been any greatly increased activity, or any considerable upward movement, yet it may be counted for something that no further slump has taken place. It may be said, indeed, that the undertone to the market has shown a distinct improvement during the last week or two. The following summary will serve to show the general trend of prices, for the more important stocks, based upon those realized yesterday: C.P.R., 120; Twin City, $863 / 4-87 \frac{1}{2}$; Toronto Rail., $961 / 2$; Sao Paulo, 2 at 82; Toronto Electric, I28; Can. Gen. Electric, 140-141; Richelieu \& Ontario Nav., $76 \frac{1}{2}$; North. Nav., 102½; Consumers' Gas, 206; Dominion Stéel, $9-91 / 2$; Dominion Coal, $72^{1 / 1 / 4}-72^{1} / 2 ;$ N. S. Steel, $74^{T} / 2-75$.

## CLEARING HOUSE FIGURES.

The following are the figures for Canadian Clearing House for the week ended with Thursday, October 29th, 1903, compared with those of the previous week

| Cities | Oct. 29th, 1903. | Oct. 22 nd , 1903. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Montreal | 21,072,173 | 25,521,493 |
| Toronto | 14,895,643 | 17,747,859 |
| Winnipeg | 6,398,360 | 6,680,702 |
| Halifax | 1.659.315 | 2,n13,968 |
| Hamilton | 1,036,344 | 1290,673 |
| St, John | 1.124,589 | 1,157,953 |
| Vancouver |  |  |
| Victoria | 1,597,052 |  |
| Quebec | 1,548,016 | 2, 47,093 |
| Ottawa | 1,814,854 |  |
| Lnndon | 769,628 | 851,813 |
|  | \$52,525,717 |  |

## Peterborouah "The Water Power City"

An American milling concern recently erected in Peterborough a Canadian branch factory-having a capacity of ten million bushels of grain per annum.

THE FOLLOWING LETTER, addressed to the
"Peterborough Examiner" gives the reason why.
'We notice in your issue of Saturday, September 27th, 1902, a " statement by Mr. at the meeting of the Peterborough Board of "Trade, that we were induced to locate here through the influence of - one man.
"Please permit us to state that Mr. __ is incorrect in making "a statement of this kind, privately or publicly, and evidently speaks " without full knowledge, or, in fact, without any knowledge whatever " on the matter, and in correcting this mis-statement permit us to " assure you and the public that our Company came here on account of the natural advantages of Peter' borough, which are the geographical location, railways, the water power, and the Trent Canal, which, " we were assured would be shortly completed, and which, when " finished and in operation, will in our opinion secure to Peterborough "all the industries that your city can comfortably take care of."

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| STATEMENT OF BANKS acting under Dominion Gov't charter, for the month ending Sept. 31, 1903. |  | CAPITAL |  |  |  | LIABILITIES |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Capital authorized | Capital Subscribed. | Capital paid up | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Amount of } \\ & \text { Rest or Reserve } \\ & \text { Fund. } \end{aligned}$ | Rate per cent. of last Dividend declared. | Notes in circulation. | Bal. due to Dom. Gov. after deducting advances. |
| 123456789 | Bank of Montreai | \$14,000,000 | \$14,000,000 | \$13,952,540 | \$9,000,000 | 10 | \$8,796,683 | \$2,494,633 |
|  | Bank of New Brunswick | 500,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 750,000 | 12 | 475,669 | 40,234 |
|  | Quebec Bank | 3,000,000 | 2,500,000 | 2,500,000 | 900,000 | 6 | 1,853,899 | 13,923 |
|  | Bank of Nova Scotia | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 10 | 1,874,076 | 291,077 |
|  | St. Stephen's Bank . . . . . | 200,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 45,000 | 5 | 142,100 | 8,239 |
|  | Bank of British North Am | 4,866,666 | 4,866,666 | 4,866,666 | 1,898,000 | 6 | 3,090,308 | 10,827 |
|  | Bank of Toronto | 4,000,000 | 2,942,200 | 2,913,570 | 3,013,570 | 10 | 2,772,071 | 41,374 |
|  | Molsons Bank . . . | $5,000,000$ | 2,926,100 | 2,856,420 | 2,720,778 | 9 | 2,721,781 | 34,144 |
|  | Eastern Townships Bank | $3,000,000$ | 2,485,900 | 2,412,020 | 1,318,442 | 7 | 1,943,785 | 12,470 |
| 11 | Union Bank of Halifax | $3,000,000$ | 1,338,850 | 1,313,580 | 894,992 | 7 | 1,199,601 | 10,754 |
|  | Ontario Bank | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 | 500,000 | 6 | 1,434,766 | 10,397 |
|  | Banque Nationale | 2,000,000 | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 | 400,000 |  | 1,466,819 | 16,272 |
| 11131515 | Merchants' Bank of Canada | 6,000,000 | 6,000,000 | 6,000,000 | 2,900,000 | 7 | 4,495,705 | 319,169 |
|  | Banque Provinciale du Canada | 1,000,000 | -871,537 | 822,423 | Nil. | 3 | 784,984 | 17,067 |
| 16 | People's Bank of Halifax ..... | 1,500,000 | 950,880 | 942,644 | 397,065 | 6 | 901,263 | 15,397 |
|  | People's Bank of New Brunswick | 180,000 | 180,000 | 180,000 | 165,000 | 8 | 143,148 | 18,543 |
|  | Bank of Yarmouth ... | 300,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 50,000 | 5 | 80,159 | 4,047 |
| 19 | Union Bank of Canada | 4,000,000 | 2,499,300 | 2,493,910 | 1,000,000 | 7 | 2,459,265 | 6,099 |
|  | Canadian Bank of Commerce | 10,000,000 | 8,700,000 | $8,700,000$ | $3,000,000$ | 7 | 7,427,601 | 586,299 |
|  | Royal Bank of Canada | $4,000,000$ | 2,980,200 | 2,887,870 | 2,916,655 |  | 2,260,747 | 105,989 |
| 21 | Dominion Bank | 4,000,000 | $3,000,000$ | 2,995,566 | 2,995,566 | 10 | 2,879,283 | 25,918 |
| 24 | Merchants' Bank of Prince Edward Island | 500,000 | 332,523 | 331,702 | 227,529 |  | 263,131 |  |
|  | Bank of Hamilton ... | 2,500,000 | 2,235,000 | 2,195,631 | 1,866,286 | 10 | 2,057,986 | 25,863 |
|  | Standard Bank of Cana | 2,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 925,000 | 10 | 916,805 | 18,737 |
| 25 | Banque de St. Jean. | $1,000,000$ | 500,200 | 265,379 | 10,000 | 6 | 148,133 |  |
|  | Banque d'Hochelaga | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | 1,050,000 | 7 | 1,952,028 | 19,245 |
| 282930 | Banque de St. Hyacinthe | 1,000,000 | 504,600 | 329,515 | 75,00) | 6 | 280,145 |  |
|  | Bank of Ottawa | $3,000,000$ | 2,492,100 | 2,459,700 | 2,278,730 | 9 |  |  |
|  | Imperial Bank of Canada | 4,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 2,989,029 | 2,650,000 | 10 | 2,761,416 | 23,423 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 31 \\ & 32 \\ & 33 \end{aligned}$ | Western Bank of Canada | 1,000,000 | 500,000 | 434,889 | 175,000 | 7 | 367,155 |  |
|  | Traders Bank of Canada | 2,000,000 | 1,992,600 | 1,914,611 | 450,000 | 7 | 1,830,795 |  |
|  | Sovereign Bank of Canada Metropolitan Bank. | 2,000,000 | 1,300,000 | 1,299,525 | 324,885 | 5 | 1,141,685 |  |
|  | Metropolitan Bank. | 2,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | Nil. | 468,287 |  |
|  | Tota | 97,046,666 | 79,098,656 | 78,057,190 | 48,897,498 . |  | 63,741,270 | 4,198,123 |


| ASSETS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| BANK |  | cie. | Dominion Notes. | Deposits with Dom. Dov, security senrity of note circula- tion. |  | Loans to other banks Canada secured. | Demand deposits notice or on a fixed day with Banks in Canada. | Balance due from agents of Bank or from banks, etc., in United Kingdom | Balance due from agents of the B'k or from other Banks or agencies abroad. | Dominion Government debenstocks. | Public and Munic. securities no Canadian. | Can- adian, British and other Railway securi. ties. |
|  | 1 Bank of Montreal | 3,532,607 | 4,288,621 | 454,634 | 2,157,996 |  | 20,977 | 3,194,984 | 5,815,377 | 435,697 | 315,445 | 7,266,091 |
|  | 2 Bk. of New Bruns'ck | 139,910 | 210,108 | 25,000 | 2,140,210 |  | 177,579 | 3,194,984 | 243,499 | 172,201 | 84,158 | 184,791 |
|  | Quebec Bank ...... | 301,821 | 546,742 | 97,060 | 429,773 | 169,104 | 177,364 |  | 491,505 | 201,060 | 127,655 | 589,047 |
|  | 4 Bank of Nova Scotia. | 1,385,571 | 1,660,346 | 101,126 | 1,163,146 |  | 9,953 | 268,704 | 1,563,889 | 293,340 | 868,949 | 2,487,730 |
|  | 5 St. Stephen's Bank. | 16,051 | 14,182 | 10,242 | 1, 13,61] |  | 19,631 | 268,759 | 17,713 |  |  |  |
|  | 6 Bk. of Br, N. America | 875,149 | 1,550,154 | 146,276 | 758,951 |  | 18,802 | 80,707 | 365,377 | 1,061,012 | 1,419,256 | 332,555 |
|  | Bank of Toronto | 622,091 | 1,225,877 | 122,000 | 630,067 |  | 919 | 178,306 | 522,239 | 235,895 | 33,075 | 2,395,505 |
|  | 8 M Molsons Bank ...... | 493,236 153,476 | 1,170,637 | 124,000 | 962,474 |  | 262,517 | 380,961 | 586,591 | 323,244 | 1,033,402 | 1,433,863 |
|  | 9 E. Townships Bank.. | 153,476 | 417,270 | 85,000 | 230,687 |  | 415,807 | 225,136 | 845,774 | 180,073 | 282,398 | 87,262 |
| 10 | 0 Union Bk. of Halifax | 163,206 | 400,392 | 67,124 | 255,778 |  | 133,056 |  | 32,612 | 645,937 | 280,047 | 169,000 |
| 11 | 1 Ontario Bank | 122,923 | 344,457 | 70,000 | 391,125 |  | 289,419 |  | 138,107 | 50,000 | 143,424 | 1,082,952 |
| 12 | Banque Nationale... | 83,206 | 415,941 | 75,000 | 391,894 |  | 38,197 |  | 193,435 | 35,000 |  |  |
| 13 | 3 Mer . Bk. of Canada. . | 510,207 | 2,310,119 | 236,000 | 1,423,203 | 346,324 | 2,368 |  |  | 977,450 | 788,186 |  |
| 14 | 4 Bk. Prov. du Canada | 11,732 | 46,364 | 40,987 | 1, 91,748 |  | 124,808 | 8,007 | 41,040 |  | 342,573 | $223,115$ |
| 15 | Peop's Bk. of Halifax | 80,079 | 222,564 | 40,000 | 141,085 |  | 70,080 |  | 68,892 | 119,895 | 67,423 |  |
| 16 | 6 People's Bk. of N.B.- | 7,234 | 26,086 | 9,000 | 7,012 |  | 108,692 | 1,036 | 21,513 | 36,327 | 5,000 | 2,300 |
| 17 | Bank of Yarmouth . | 21,809 248,845 | 19,513 | 4,315 | 7,296 |  | 11,423. |  | 5,020 | 39,400 |  | 14,250 |
| 18 | Canadian Bk. of Com. | 248,845 | 824,947 | 112,000 | 497,321 |  | 98,854 |  | 119,241 |  | 43,771 | 57,642 |
| 19 | Royal Bk. of Canada | 1,704,733 | 3,134,239 | 391,400 | 2,850,949 |  | 30,560 |  | 1,596,620 | 1,997,904 | 411,150 | 4,318,367 |
| 21 | 1 Dominion Bank...... | 1,055,744 | 1,177,979 | 101,844 | 900,901 |  | 117,609 |  | 836,569 | 400,000 | 980,026 | 3,005,949 |
| 22 | Mer. Bk of P. E. I. . | 34,257 | 2,35,984 | 14,000 | 20,229 |  | 275,034 53,205 | 6 | $1,783,404$ 4,719 |  | 671,159 |  |
| 23 | Bank of Hamilton .. | 366,279 | 1,342,232 | 100,000 | 604,203 |  | 347,251 |  | 336,270 | 129,311 | 1,774,277 | 499,082 |
| 24 | 4 Standard Bk. of Can. | 223,275 | 499,555 | 50,000 | 268,739 |  | 339,562 |  | 260,781 | 579,654 | 1,690,758 | 734,023 |
| 25 | Banque de St. Jean.. | 9,017 | 15,176 | 7,136 | 4,847 |  | 43,568 |  | 15,516 |  |  |  |
| 26 | Banque d'Hochelaga | 161,667 | 667,306 | 85,000 | 607,863 |  | 113,421 | 196,146 | 628,546 | 767,958 | 260,125 | 303,000 |
| 27 | Ban, de St. Hyacinthe | 13,603 | 52,361 | 16,260 | 10,462 |  | 41,671 |  | 55,701 |  |  |  |
| 28 | Bank of Ottawa ... | 621,372 | 1,168,515 | 125,000 | 467,756 |  | 538,584 | 124,215 | 591,671 | 464,252 | 1,117,980 | 692,271 |
| 29 | Im. Bk. of Canada .. | 726,515 | 2,715,713 | 140,000 | 958,218 |  | 536,157 | 816,495 | 781,469 | $1,062,307$ | $1,459,712$ | 1,120,530 |
| 30 | W. Bk. of Canada .. | 27,222 | 21,753 | 21,655 | 40,890 |  | 821,574 |  | 36,901 | $160,120$ | $499,770$ | 219,948 |
| 32 | Traders Bk. of Can. . | 192,817 | 1,064,967 | 75,000 | 304,491 |  | 292,472 |  | 111,089 | 680,349 | 4,644 | 1,301,900 |
|  | Metropolitan Bank. | 51,008 41,676 | 222, 279 | 37,749 | 231,424 |  | 33,434 |  | 109,880 |  |  | $708,229$ |
|  | Total |  | 122,578 | 6,036 | 30,190 |  | 163,084 |  | 19,376 |  |  |  |
|  |  | 14,717,111 | 30,330,480 | 3,130,844 | 18,069,250 | 515,428 | 5,727,632 | 5,936,832 | 18,240,336 | 1,142,682 | 14,704,363 | 7,857,826 |



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## FINANCES IN THE STATES.

Henry Clews \& Co., New York, write as follows in their weekly circular dated October 24th, 1903: A better undertone is gradually developing on the stock exchange. This is demonstrated by the steady hardening of values in the face of bank failures and other unfavorable disclosures. In this respect the market is simply acting as usual under similar circumstances; that is, to recover from extreme depression as soon as the worst becomes publicly known. Those with foresight as to what must happen had already anticipated events, while the unfortunates obliged to liquidate were, of course, removed out of the way as elements of weakness. Thus it happened that in spite of unfavorable news, prices showed a general advance, stimulated more or less by purchases from the short interest, which had become considerably extended by recent events. The impression is growing that the decline of the last nine months has been rather too severe and in the case of good securities much more than justified. Beyond financial precincts, the outlook, though conflicting, is not discouraging. Everyone is familiar with the fact that agriculture, the backbone of the nation, has just secured another profitable harvest. The mercantile classes are also in good shape. There has been little if any overtrading of importance; our merchants having escaped the speculative frenzy which so nearly overwhelmed Wall Street. The least satisfactory feature in the outlook is the industrial situation, which is suffering from the consequences of the trust mania and labor agitation. Both capital and labor have been aiming at monopoly; both have been defying natural laws; both have been working on lines op-
posed to the strongest impulses in human nature, and both must pay the penalty Capital has already taken considerable of its punishment, and labor is beginning to see the inexorable consequences of unwise leadership. Now that the iron boom is over the inflation based upon those phenomena is rapidly passing away. It must not be forgotten that we are just leaving behind the most extraordinary movement in iron the world ever saw, its chief source being the practical rebuilding of American railways during the last five years. This being acomplished the iron trade must subside to normal conditions. Possibly this may mean a period of temporary prostration; but with lower prices other demands will develop, and the export trade is open as a safety valve. Other industries are in much better shape than the iron trade, and there are few signs of overproduction, the only restraint upon business being the high prices induced by high costs, of production. Nevertheless, outside of the above drawbacks, the out look is for at least another six months of good business. Railroad traffic continues undiminished, and there are no signs of reaction in either the West or South. The Wall Street collapse is likely to exercise a restraining influence all through the country; it is even conceivable that in some districts a slight falling off may be experienced, but the business situation, as a whole, affords no good reason for discouragement. When the inevitable readjustment is more complete, the outlook will be still brighter

Renfrew, Ont., town council has selected a site, which is to be given to the inauguration of a new enantelling factory project.
-" Is your son Josh doing wall in the city?"
'I should say he is," answered Farmer Corntossel. "He bought a gold brick the first day he was there an' come home an' sold it to me for twice what it cost him. I tell you that boy's got enterprise."-Washington Star.
-A London schoolmaster, having requested each of his class of lads to bring in three items of information about the Thames that they could prove to be facts, received from one bright boy the following:
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## MONTREAL MARKETS

Montreal, Oct. 28th, 1903.
Ashes.-The improvement in English enquiry, usually noticeable towards the close of navigation, is not being experienced this year so far, and the volume of business continues of a very restricted character. Offerings are still extremely light, notwithstanding the high prices for first pots, namely, $\$ 5.90^{\circ}$ to $\$ 5.95$. Second pots are quoted at about $\$ 5.50$; pearls nominal at $\$ 6$ to $\$ 6.25$.
Dairy Products.-Cheese shipments of late have not been so free as earlier in the season, and last week's shipments were $\mathbf{7 2 , 9 5 8}$ boxes, as against 125,102 boxes for the corresponding period of 1902, but the aggregate for the season is materially ahead of the figures at same date a year ago, being $2,132,693$ boxes, as against $\mathrm{I}, 8 \mathrm{f} 6, \mathrm{I} 35$ boxes at this date in 1902. Shipments of butter last week were only 8, ris packages, as compared with 44,262 packages for the same period twelve months ago. Cheese quotations have undergone some further revision since a week ago, and are about a quarter of a cent lower, fine Ontarios being now quoted at $1 I^{1 / 8}$ to $1 I^{1} / 4$ c.; Townships, ro $7 / 8$ to IIc., and Quebecs at $101 / 2$ to $105 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. Butter values are not much altered, fine Townships' creameries

THE MONETARY TIMES

## Toronto Prices Current．

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being quoted at about $211 / 4$ c.; good, at about $201 / 2 \mathrm{c}$, and Western dairy at 16 c . Dry Goods.-The colder and more seasonable weather of the last few days is just what is wanted, city retailers say, and they report good sales. Judging, also, from the increasing number of letter orders coming to hand, business in the country is also improving. Travellers are now mainly selling spring goods, such as prints, ginghams, an 1 cotton goods generally, with some moderate proportion of sorting goods. Remittances, except from the Northwest, are coming in well, much better than in August and September. In the district above named, the backwardness in threshing operations has caused some delay in farmers' settlements with store keepers.
Hides.-No changes are reported this week, but lambskins are expected to advance the usual 5 to roc. at the beginning of the month. Beef hides are coming in freely, but are still readily bought on the basis of 9 c . for No. I, and the demand from tanners is reported good.
Leather.-Most of the boot and shoe travellers are now out with spring samples, and quite fair orders are already being booked, with a certain proportion of sorting business also being done. The factories are not doing any large amount of cutting as yet, and the local demand for leather is just moderate, apart from a pretty fair enquiry for jobbing sole, which cannot be entirely satisfied, owing to lightness of supplies in this line. Export business in sole is reported particularly good. Prices generally are steady to firm at late quota tions.

Groceries.-The week has developed little of special interest in this line. Raw sugars are firmer, cane being quoted 3 d. higher, and beet $2 T / 2 d$. higher, but New York refineries have not made any revision of prices, and consequently the local quotations are unaltered at $\$ 4$.10 for standard granulated, and $\$ 3.40$ the lowest for yellows. The demand at present is reported as rather quiet. In teas the only feature of special interest is the report that the export bounty on Ceylon teas-5 cents Ceylon currency per pound equal to about $I^{1 / 2}$ c. Canadian currency-will expire December 3rst, which will doubtless result in higher prices for these goods, and probably divert more attention to Japans, which, of late, have been displayed by Ceylons to some extent. The canners' combination are finding their orders for corn and tomatoes much better than was anticipated; and, it is said, will carry out their orders in full. Salmon rules very high, and some local jobbers are said to have cleared out their stocks, in round lots, at 50 to 60 c . a case profit.
Metals and Hardware.-The general quotation for Summerlee No. 2, selected, in ordinary lots, is about $\$ 20$, but it is reported some sales of round lots have been made as low as $\$$ in; English iron is quoted at about $\$ 17.75$ to $\$ 18$, with

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## TORONTO MARKETS.

## Toronto, Oct. 29th, 1903.

Chemicals, Drugs, Etc.-Nothing new has developed in the local drug line. A fairly good business is going on and
prices keep steady. Opium is weaker in the primary market, owing to the break-up of the drouth. There is a very good jobbing demand for quinine in the New York market. Nitrate of silver has gone down in sympathy with the decline in the metal.
Dry Goods.-The spell of wintry weather did considerable to give a rush to the seasonable dry goods business, which needed slightly some such fillip. All staple goods show great activity. Prices remain as before with a strong feeling in some lines of an upward tendency. Some difficulty is still found in getting deliveries of such goods as blankets and other heavy woolens, the mills having more than they can do in keeping up with orders.
Flour and Grain.-Three dollars and ten cents continues to be about the price quoted for ninety per cent. patents, middle or east freights, in buyers' bags. Manitoba is steady. Millfeed and oatmeal are both steady. Wheat is unchanged from last week's quotations. Barley is ic. higher. Rye is higher by a cent. Oats are nominally unchanged. No business is passing.
Fruits.-While there are still a few late peaches on the market, the bulk of the domestic fruit now on the market consists of grapes and pears, both of which, especially now the latter, are fairly plentiful. Quotations are as follows: Grapes, Concords, 30 to 35 c . per basket; Niagara, 35 to 40 c .; pears, 25 to 35 c .; peaches, 30 to 6 oc.; Almeria grapes, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 6$ per keg; cranberries, per barrel, $\$ 9$ for Cape Cod; $\$ 8$ for Jersey; oranges, Jamaica, $\$ 2.75$ per box; Sorrento, $\$ 2$; lemons, Verdelli, $\$ 3$ to $\$ 4$; bananas, $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.25$; celery, 30 to 35 c . per dozen; egg plant, 20c. per basket; tomatoes, 20 to 30 c .; peppers, 35 to 45 c .; sweet potatoes, fancy, \$3 per barrel; onions, Canadian, $\$$ rito per bag; Spanish, 8oc. per small case; beans, white, $\$ 1.75$ per bushel; Lima, 6c. per pound; apples, fall, $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 2.25$; winter, $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.25$.
Groceries.-An active business is being done in general groceries. Sugar remains unchanged, except that of beet granulated; the prices now asked range from $\$ 4.03$ to $\$ 4.08$. Empire tobaccos, two grades, have gone up 5c. The price of shelled almonds has been placed at 25 to 30 c ., while for Jumbo's, 35 c . is asked. In teas, a not very large business is passing at the moment, though prices keep very high. The position of molasses is very strong, and Barbados cannot be obtained for much below 40c. Other West Indian molasses range between 30 and $50 c$., while for special lines of New Orleans, used in confectionery, 50c. is asked.
Hides and Skins-The hide market is very easy in sympathy with the heavy decline in Chicago, but there is expected to be a drop by next Saturday. Offerings of sheepskins are fair, and there is a good demand at 65 c . Calfskins are steady, Tallow is dull.
Live Stock.-At the cattle, market this
week, cattle were in laıge supply, especially those of medium to poor quality, and some easiness in prices developed, though not enough to affect actual prices. Nearly all the export cattle offered was sold. In butchers' cattle, the market was pretty well cleaned out, though it dragged considerably towards the close. The demand is falling off tor stockers and feeders.
Provisions.-The quantity of really choice dairy butter coming forward is only fair. They sell well at good prices. The demand for cheese keeps up well at steady prices. Eggs continue high and are in good demand. The demand for poultry has improved with the cool weather. A quiet market prevails for Canadian hops. In hog products the market is in a very healthy condition, and the demand is gond.
Wool.-No export enquiry has set in to any extent, and everythịng in the wool business is very dull. Holders of fleece are firm, however. For pulled wools there is a good demand which keeps the market about steady.

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