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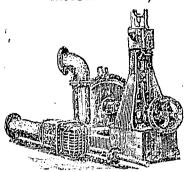
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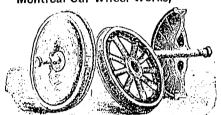
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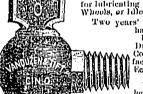
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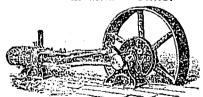
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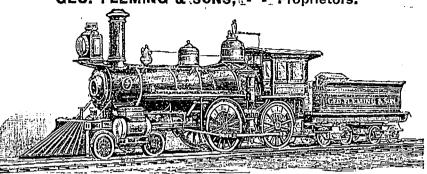


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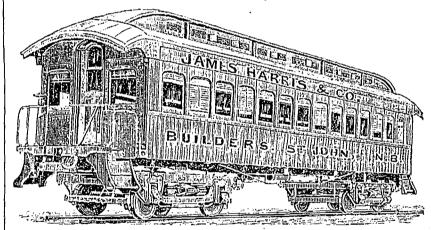
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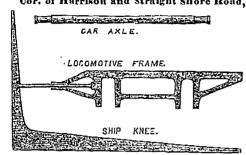
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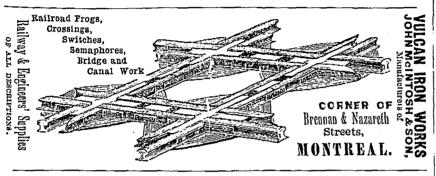
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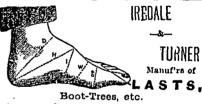
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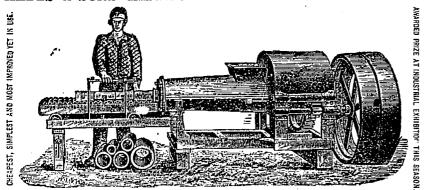
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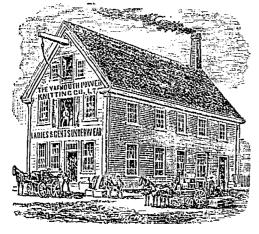
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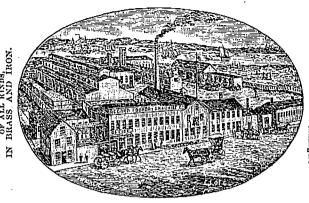
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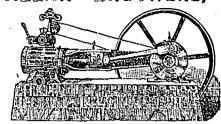
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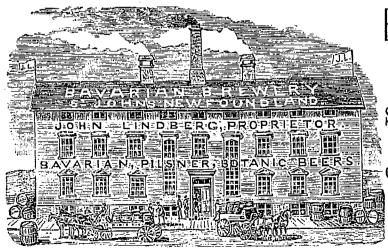
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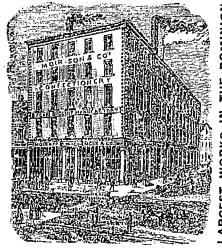
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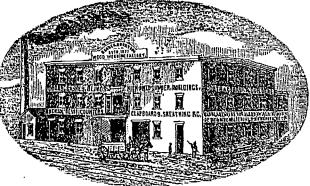
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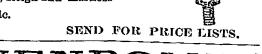
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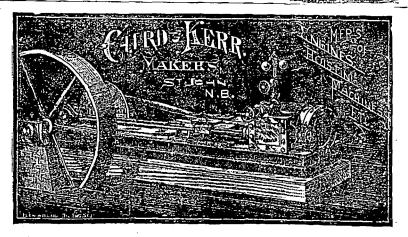
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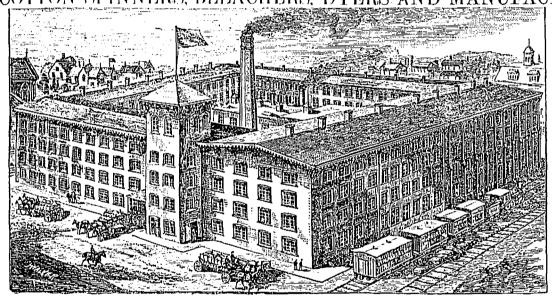
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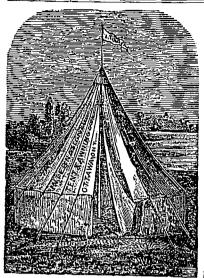
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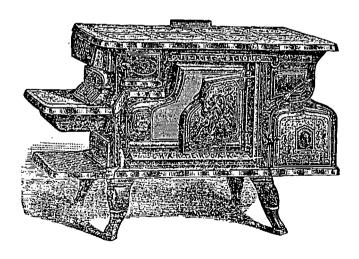
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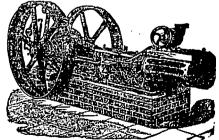
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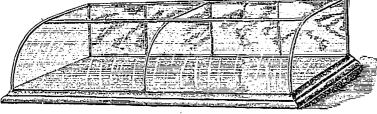
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Commercial Summary.

THE Standard Bank of Canada has opened a branch office in Brantford, Ont.

J. R. Hugnes, who keeps a general store at Aurora, has assigned, with liabilities of \$5,000 and assets placed nominally at \$6,000.

THE failures of Wm. English, storekeeper, St. John's, Nfld., and S. A. Parsons, trader of Burgeo, in the same colony, are reported.

Mrs. W. Adams, milliner, Three Rivers, ha effected a compromise with her creditors at 15 cents in the dollar.

NARCISSE CHOUINARD, a Point Levi baker in a small way, has given up trying to make both ends meet, and has assigned.

The business carried on by Hughes & Co. at Prince Albert and Duck Lake, N.W.T., is to be continued by W. Stobart & Co.

HALLMAN Bros., storekeepers, Mount Elgin Ont., have assigned in trust, owing about \$3,500. Their career has been of the briefest, dating only from August last.

C. J. PRITCHARD has shaken the snow of the "ambitious city" from off his gaiters. But, few of the makers or dealers recently referred to had a large stake in the country.

Mr. W. S. Hongins, superintendent of the Ontario Mutual Life, has been in town for

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some days arranging for a general agency of the company for the Province of Quebec.

A DESPATCH from Ottawa states that Parliament will be summoned for the desputch of business on the 25th February. The Manitoba Legislature meets about the middle of February.

John L. WESS, shoe dealer, Point Edward, near Sarnia, began business there about 21/2 years ago with a capital of about \$500. That he was not good even for small lines is proved by his recent assignment.

MARTIN Werlick, keeper of a small tinware stock at St. Thomas, Ont., recently brought his affairs to a period by an assignment.-The stock of J. H. Rex, grocer, Winnipeg, was sold by sheriff on the 14th ult,

The jewellery firm of G. H. Martin & Son, St. John, N.B., has suspended. No statement was prepared at last accounts, but Mr. Martin estimates his debts at \$4,000. This is his second or third trouble at intervals of some yents.

This mail steamer Sarnia, long overdue, lately spoken at sea with steering gear disabled, is anxiously awaited by several Halifax firms who have considerable tea on board which they are importing in anticipation of an imposition of duty.

Messas, Pointer & Co., dry goods merchants of Notre Dame street, have assigned, liabilities \$25,000, assets nominally the same. The senior partner, Mr. Poitier, died some few weeks ago, and his affairs are being wound up.

CHARLES PAGE, formerly chief clerk of Glover & Brais, fancy goods importers, this city, who recently disappeared, is alleged to have been defrauding both the firm and the customs for Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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some time past. The investigation into his books is still in progress.

The Heap's Patent Earth and Ashes Closet Co., which has been in existence for some years in Ontario, may, it is thought, extend its operations here, or be represented in Montreal by a company which will undertake to work the patents controlled by it.

Some \$3,000 worth of printing materials, purchased by Mr. James Stewart of this city at the recent auction sale of his insolvent estate, are again advertised to be sold, the purchaser having failed to arrange satisfac. tory terms of payment, although he deposited a cheque for \$500 the day of the sale.

ZEPHIR SIMARD, general store-keeper, Rimouski, who effected a compromise with his ereditors lastFebruary at 75 cents in the dollar, payable in four, eight, and twelve months, has failed to meet the composition notes, and now is compelled to assign.

T. MUNRO & Co., dry goods merchants, Belleville, Out, have assigned, with liabilities of \$13,000 and assets estimated at \$10,000. The stock has been offered for sale by the creditors, and it is estimated the estate will pay about 40 cents in the dollar.

THE City Council of Three Rivers, Que., has agreed to pay to Mr. G. B. Hall of Quebec a bonus of \$15,000, and exemption from taxes for ten years, on condition that he remove his mills to that city from Grand Piles, and establish a box factory to give employment to 150

Or the total of 497,341 tons of rails exported from Great Britain in 1885, only 14,262 tons were iron rails. This forcibly illustrates how

nearly extinct the iron rail industry has become. It now remains to be seen whether or not the iron nail, which is fast losing ground, will meet the same fate.

HENRY Fixen of Carleton, N.B., carrying on business as Finch & Andrews, manufacturer of confectionery in a small way, has assigned. -Thos. A. Margeson, butcher, etc., Waterville, N.S., has assigned. His wife conducts a small millinery. He gave a bill of sale last July covering furniture, effects, etc.

RORT, PIPER, dealer in desks, Toronto, had the bailiff in possession recently .-- John Hamilton, a Stratford confectioner and baker. assigned on the 20th inst, owing \$1,300, with assets about \$900. He was previously a farmer; his present course dates only from last spring.

THE Joseph Hall Machine Company of Oshawa, of whose difficulties some account was given in these columns last week, have called a meeting of their creditors, to be held at the Rossin House, Toronto, on the 10th inst., to consider what is most desirable to be done under the circumstances.

L. Cadieux, grocer, of Berthier is in difficulties. A statement of his affairs has been prepared, and an offer of composition at 40 cents in the dollar is now under consideration by his creditors. Joseph Christin, ready-made clothing, of this city, has affected a settlement with his creditors at 40 cents in the dollar.

Mus. O. Duchaine, of St. Thomas de Pierreville, has effected a settlement with her creditors at 60 cents in the dollar, secured. LiaLeading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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bilities \$2,400, assets probably \$200 or \$300 less. Mrs. Désiré Laurin, dry goods, of this city, has obtained a composition at 75 cents in the dollar, payable in three, six, nine and twelve months. Liabilities \$10,000.

J. S. Romboron, a grocer in a small way, in Aultsville, has assigned. Liabilities about \$19-00, while assets, composed of stock and formely a book debts, will only reach \$900. Mr. Rombough started business about fifteen months ago with a very small capital, and has gradually run down till he finds himself unable to meet his engagements.

EDMOND Jetté, successor to Desmarais & Jette, dry goods merchants, this city, is in difficulties. Liabilities are placed at \$8,500, while the assets, so far as known, will show a deficiency of about \$500. Mr. Jetté commenced with little or no capital, and his heavy business expenses, and the duliness of trade last summer, proved too much for his finances.

M. C. CAREY, dry goods retailer, Cornwall, has assigned, with liabilities of \$5,000 and assets valued at \$4,000. There is said to be a chattel mortgage too for \$1,500, which will materially reduce the assets if it is pushed. The cause of failure is said to be the poor state of trade coupled with the fact that her slender capital has been enten into for living expenses.

n Mu. J. Genvais, of Lavrochetière, Que., has assigned, with liabilities of \$1,700 and assets nominally \$1100. He began business last spring.

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\$3,700 and assets \$2,600. Both partners are young men and had very little capital.

C. VALENTINE & Son, leather and findings, Three Rivers, Que., are endeavoring to effect a settlement at 50 cents in the dollar. Liabilities are placed at \$8,700, assets nominally \$6,000 to \$7,000. Most of the creditors have expressed their willingness to accept 60 cents at three and six mouths.

Mr. FAIRALL, of St. John, proprietor of a woollen mill there, proposes to remove his establishment to Woodstock, making large additions to its plant and capacity under the influence of the bonus offered. He met the council recently and the action of that body was such as we believe was satisfactory to

A COMBINATION has been formed in Toronto by the consolidation of the firm of A. R. Mc-Master & Brother with that of H. W. Darling & Co. The new organization will be carried on under the name of McMaster, Darling & Co., and Mr. H. W. Darling, who is also president of the Board of Trade, will take charge of the new firm's interests.

MESSES, McIntosii & Knapton, of Huntingdon, have assigned after a career of about four months, in which they contrived to make a deficit of \$885. The liabilities are \$26.48 and the assets are estimated at \$1,763. Mr. McIntosh was formerly agent for the Huntingdon Organ Co., while Mr. Knapton was a sewing machine agent. They had little experience and less capital.

J. B. PAGNUELO, tinware dealer of St. Hyacinthe, has assigned. The liabilities, which Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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are mostly of long standing, are between \$3,-000 and \$4,000, while his assets are only estimated at \$500 or \$600, and consist of tools and a stock of tinware. There are also some book debts, but many of these are outlawed, and the remainder can only be classed as doubtful. Mr. Pagnuelo has been running down gradually for some time, and his failure takes no one by surprise.

NORBERT LECLAIRE, horse dealer and trader of Contreceur, has assigned, with liabilities of \$2,500. Messrs. Israel Dumais and Charles Potvin, both of Roberval, are in difficulties. Mr. Dumais obtained an extension from his creditors last April; his liabilities were then \$12,000 and his assets were supposed to be a little in excess. Since then he has failed to meet his notes and now assigns. Mr. Potvin endeavored to effect a compromise last fall, but was unsuccessful. His liabilities are said to be between \$2,000 and \$3,000.

THE Supreme Court has confirmed the sentence of six months' imprisonment passed upon G. R. Johnson, of the bankrupt firm of Ramsay, Johnson & Co. It will be remembered that the firm failed for \$60,000 immediately after obtaining \$10,000 worth of goods from Montreal houses. In his statement he showed his mother as a preferred creditor for \$14,000. and so manipulated the tenders for his estate that none of his other creditors ever received a cent. The court reflected on his conduct in the severest terms.

A sentence of fourteen years' imprisonment has been passed at Kingston, Ont., on a prisoner named II. Horsey convicted of setting fire to the premises of Robertson Bros. a few

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days ago. Counsel for the accused pleaded that his client was under the influence of iquor when the crime was committed, and that his connection with other incendiary fires in the vicinity had not been established. It appears that the damage done at this particular fire was triffing. Horsey received his sentence unmoved, merely remarking to the magistrate, "Thank you, sir."

A SOMEWHAT strange proceeding is thus related by the St. John Globe:-Reference was made yesterday to an occurrence at the bank of British North America building, which eaused quite a sensation. Michael Coughlan, of the market, was presenting a cheque of \$1,300 for payment. As he was passing it to the teller, a young man named Jackson grabbed the cheque. Coughlan seized Jackson by the throat and pushed him against the wall, meantime demanding the surrender of the paper. Several others came to the assistance of Jackson, who claims to have been acting under the authority of the sheriff, and Coughlan was compelled to release his grasp. The cheque was passed by Jackson into the hands of another party, whose name we have not heard, who presented it for payment, but was refused. Jackson's action was in the interest of Charles Peters, to whom Coughtan is said to be indebted. Coughlan intends taking legal action against the parties interested.

1. J. Allux, oil and coal merchant, Galt Ont, held a meeting on the 25th ult, and offered to compromise at 70 cents in the dollar on time. The statement presented showed liabilities of about \$27,000 and assets nominally

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of \$25,000. The business has been carried on in the wife's name for some years.—Alex. Ireland, liquors, Toronto, is reported to be in difficulties.

ANNA E. LAZIER and E. W. Meyers, brother and sister, who commenced business in Belleville in 1882, under the firm name of Lazier & Meyers, have been compelled to assign, with liabilities of \$11,000 and assets nominally the same. The firm commenced business in 1882 with \$6,000 capital in cash, but has been carrying too large a stock for their means and the depreciation on this, coupled with severe competition has brought them into difficulties.

ONE of the most compact and complete motors in the city is the Philadelphia Gas Eugine recently erected in the premises of Messrs. Morton, Phillips & Bulmer, of this city, the well-known printers and stationers. The firm, with their usual courtesy, do not forbid even strangers to examine the new engine, which yields 7 horse power at a daily consumption of about 1,000 feet of gas. The legend, "Feet OR," is not intended for visitors.

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Allan, George A. Drummond, Hugh McLennan, the Hon. John Hamilton, E. S. Clouston and H. Montagu Allan. Mr. Watson was reelected president and managing director, and Mr. Andrew Allan vice-president.

The shareholders of the Picton Bank, Picton, N.S., have authorized the directors to apply to Parliament to reduce the paid-up capital from \$250,000 to \$200,000, the \$50,000 written off to go to a reserve fund to abide result of realization of assets. It is also understood that the directors will make a call of \$50,000 to replace the amount written off. The following were elected directors: Messrs. McColl, Iludson, Fisher, Fraser, and Charles McLellan.

Messus. Methot & St. Johne, general storekeepers, of Riviere du Loup (en bas), are endeavoring to effect a settlement with their creditors on the basis of 50 cents in the dollar. The liabilities are placed at \$4,500 while the assets consist of stock valued at \$4,000 and book debts, etc., of some \$800 more. It is understood that the pressure of large Quebec creditors, who are now winding up their affairs, rendered this compromise necessary.

J. O. NORMAND & Co., hatters and furriers, this city, have assigned. Liabilities \$3,000,

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assets about the same. The failure is the result of the assignment of Mr. Michael Lightstore, noticed in these columns last week; Mr. Normand had a large account there, and the loss of this accommodation crippled his resources. The firm have been about four years in business, but assigned about 2½ years ago,-when they owed very little,-in order to protect their creditors from some accommodation paper signed by them for outside parties.

PARTICULARS of the failure of Wm. Moody & Co., of Halifax, which was noted in these columns last week, are now to hand, from which it appears that the liabilities are estimated at \$50,000. The assets are placed at a similar figure, and consist of stock valued at \$40,000 and book debts amounting to \$10,000 Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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more; there is also some town property, but this is said to be mortgaged for its full value. The firm assigned to the bookkeeper of Messrs. C. & W. Anderson, wholesale grocers of Halifax, who, it is said, hold some \$15,000 worth of preferred claims; there are also \$10,000 more of preferred claims held by other parties, so that, after these are paid, the ordinary creditors will realize but little.

THE firm of Brouillet & Co., Moutreal, which started in the retail dry goods business last September, is already in difficulties. On an examination by the creditors it was discovcred that one Amboise Tellier, who keeps a small saloon on Dalhousie street, was registered as sole partner, Mr. Brouillet filling the position of manager only. Mr. Brouillet's

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THE SUGAR TRADE.

Reports from Russia to the effect that in order to find a foreign outlet for refined beetroot sugar, the authorities purpose following the policy of Germany, Austria and France and pay a bonus upon all exportations of refined sugar, have called attention to the position of the British refiners as such a project, if put into operation, could not fail to make sugar cheaper in Englands than it is even now. Some of the United States trade journals show how that country has also recently contributed to cheapen sugar in England. One of these says :-

"It is estimated that last year 100,000 tons of refined sugar were sent from the United States to England. Ostensibly, the Government pays to the refiners a drawback equivalent to the duty paid by these same refiners on raw imported sugars. But, in consequence of the difficulty in determining exact valuation, it is estimated that the drawback in our case has amounted to a bonus of about one-quarter of a cent per pound, and thus, out of the taxes of the American people, \$500,000 was paid last year for the purpose of making refined sugar cheaper for the English people than it might otherwise have been.

It may be said that in this way employment

was given to a large number of those engaged in the work of refining; but, if the business was carried on at a loss, it is questionable whether the country was the gainer by the operation. If, instead of a bonus of \$500,000, the Government had paid a bonus of \$50,000,000, the English might have obtained their refined sugar for nothing; and, although work would have been given to some thousands of American mechanics and laborers, these men would have been just as usefully employed if they had been engaged in the task of loading cannon and shooting them into the air."

Another feature of the trade which is being ventilated by the American press is the fact that while England and Canada permit manufacturers to import jute and jute butts from the East Indies free of duty the United States Government exacts \$15 per ton on jute and \$5 per ton on jute butts. This is of some importance, as the planters of Cuba and Porto Rico have recently substituted gunny bags for barrels in which to ship their product and it is impossible for Americans to sell gunny bags at the English price. Formerly a vessel chartered for a round trip to Cuba and back could be supplied with freight in both directions, and the expense of the outward and homeward trip could thus be equalized. But, in the absence of an outward cargo, the expense of the entire trip falls upon the cargo that is brought on the homeward voyage, thus increasing to the American refiner the cost of his raw sugars.

Notwithstanding the disabilities mentioned the trade in sugar in the United States has shown wonderful expansion as the following will prove:—

SUPPLY AND EXPORTS OF SUGAR IN POUNDS.

	min on its or be.	
Fiscal yrs.	Imports.	Production.
1885	2,717,884,653	225,962,240
1884	2,756,416,896	287,712,230
1883	2,137,667,865	303,006,258
1882	1,990,152,374	159,874,950
1881	1,946,745,205	272,982,899
1880	1,829,291,684	198,962,278
1879	1,834,365,836	239,478,753
1878	1,537,451,934	147,101,941
1877	1,654,556,831	190,672,570
187G	1,493,977,472	163,418,070
1875	1,797,509,990	134,504,691
1874	1,701,297,869	103,241,119
1873	1 508,304,592	125,346,493
1872	1,509,185,674	146,906,120
1871	1,277,473,653	168,878,592
1870	1,196,773,569	99,452,940
1869	1,247,833,480	95,051,225
Fiscal yrs.	Total supply.	Exports.
1885	2,943,846,893	258,159,657
1884	3,044,129,126	85,532,916
1883	2,440,734,123	30,550,506
1882	2,150,027,324	19,436,376
1881	2,219,728,104	31,980,791
1880	2,028,253,962	40,640,206

1879	2,073,844,589	82,741,564
1878	1,684,553,875	50,109,065
1877	1,845,229,401	42,872,675
1876	1,657,395,542	67,730,198
1875	1,932,014,681	35,350,785
1874	1,804,538,988	29,442,710
1873	1,693,651,085	34,010,402
1872	1,656,091,799	16,598,822
1871	1,446,352,245	14,203,714
1870	1,296,226,509	22,760,904
1869	1,342,884,655	20,995,911

Commenting on these figures the N.Y. Bulletin says :- The first point which strikes the observer is the enormous recent increase in the quantity exported. The great part of this increase has been in exports to Great Britain. The British official statistics did not separately give the quantities of refined sugar received from the United States before January, 1885, though it had risen in 1884 far higher than ever before, but it has since appeared from the comparative tables published that it rose from 2,400 cwt. in January of 1884 to 197,779 cwt in June, and then gradually declined, while in 1885 it rose from 62,000 in January to 483,000 in June, and has since been smaller. The aggregate for 12 months of 1885 was 257,443,-760 lbs., and for the year ending June 30, 1885, about 230,000,000 Hrs., or substantially nine-tenths of our entire exports. Great Britain used to get more from Germany, more from France and more from Holland than from the United States, but now the receipts are 2,298,605 cwt. from the United States, 1,277,-092 from Holland, 977,097 from Germany, 494,935 from France, and only 290,321 from all other countries, for the calendar year 1885. The operation of the American drawback law, especially since the change of tariff in 1883, is denounced by British refiners as if it were equally sinful to sell these goods to Englishmen free of duty or to put a duty on British goods imported for our consumption. Considering the great efforts made by Germany to build up a foreign trade in sugar, and to control the world's markets, it is worth noticing that British imports of refined sugar from the United States are now nearly 30 per cent of the entire quantity of sugar imported from Germany, raw and refined, in 1885, though the receipts from this country were practically nothing in 1883.

The average consumption of sugar per capita in the United States during the past 35 years has been figured out and the following summary is interesting. From 1850 to 1860 was the period of greatest general prosperity before the war, when labor was well employed and, on the whole, better rewarded than ever before in the history of the country. In this period, the consumption per capita rose from less than 20 to 35 lbs. in 1859, and 33 in 1860. The second period began after the readjustment of industries following the war, and the consumption rose from about 26 lbs. in 1867, to about 43 lbs. n 1875. The third period appears to have

begun with the resumption of specie payments and the consumption rose from less than 35 lbs. in 1878 to 52 lbs. in 1884, and 46½ in 1885.

For 1869 and the subsequent years, the quantity is reached by deducting the exports from the total of imports and production in the above table, and for previous years by similar reckoning upon figures given in tables officially published. In the second column is given the average comsumption per capita, reckoned upon the mean population for each fiscal year.

CONSUMPTION OF SUGAR.

Fiscal		Per	Average
years.	Consumption.	capita.	2 years.
1850	445,474,361	19,66	20,13
1860	1,040,867,520	33.52	34.45
1861	922,096,000	28.96	31.24
1862	1,082,379,200	33,66	31,31
1863	762,720,000	31.84	32,75
1864	628,320,000	24.44	28.14
1865	922,880,000	32.38	28.41
1866	990,110,209	29.24	30.81
1867	875,362,142	25.11	27.17
1877	1,802,356,726	39.21	37,32
1878	1,634,444,810	34.76	36.98
1879	1,991,103,025	41.38	38.07
1880	1,987,613,756	40.22	40.80
1881	2,187,747,313	42.00	41.56
1882	2,130,590,948	40.39	41.64
1883	2,410,183,617	44.23	42.31
1884	2,958,593,210	52.69	48.46
1885	2,685,687,236	46.53	49.61

PETROLEUM.

Some weeks ago, under this heading, we gave a brief account of the inception and rise of the oil trade in the United States; and as the petroleum industry is one of the largest, if not the largest, industries of Western Canada, a short sketch of the Canadian Oil Trade may not prove uninteresting to our readers.

The area of the oil-bearing strata of Canada, so far as at present discovered, is exceedingly limited; in fact it is confined to a spot less than eight miles square in the Township of Enniskillen, County of Lambton; recently some excitement has been caused amongst oilmen by the report that petroleum has been struck in the vicinity of Parkhill, Ont., at a depth of 175 feet from the surface, but this report lacks confirmation.

Although the area is so circumscribed it is perforated by several thousand wells producing each from one to fifty barrels of crude petroleum daily; the output last year was over 500,000 barrels, and has increased steadily since the inception of the Canadian Oil Trade in 1862. The wells are all pumping wells, of an average depth of 490 feet from the surface, the era_of flowing wells

being past, and the smaller wells are usually pumped in groups, fone engine pumping several wells.

Canadian oil differs somewhat in its character and composition from the American article, as it contains more lubricating and less burning oil than its American rival, and, consequently, owing to the improvements effected in our refineries and the natural character of the crude petroleum, no country turns out safer oil than this for illuminating purposes, lamp explosions occuring but rarely, and being usually traced to the use of other than Canadian oil.

The principal centre of the Canadian oil industry is the town of Petrolia, which has gradually absorbed all the refineries previously scattered over the Province of Ontario, and which may, figuratively speaking, be said to be saturated with petroleum both morally and physically. The town now contains about 6,000 inhabitants, and is served by two lines of railway, the Michigan Central and the Grand Trunk.

In this connection may be noticed the comprehensive exhibit of Canadian oil products which is being prepared, with commendable enterprise, for the Colonial exhibition of London by Mr. Isaac Waterman of the Imperial Oil Co. Mr. Waterman is no novice at exhibiting, as, besides numerous Provincial medals, he gained the gold medal and cross of the legion of honor for his exhibit at the Paris Exhibition of 1878, and the present exhibit will doubtless add another prize to his already large collection.

A short account of the products shown may not be out of place, as some of them are of great importance and will probably be of as much value to the householder as they are to the manufacturer or engineer. Besides the crude product, no less than thirty-five kinds of illuminating oil are shown, of all grades and fire tests from 110 to 300 degrees Fahrenheit; paraffine oils, both unpressed and pressed, in gravities from 9.50 to 8.64 or, to use the old scale, from 220 to 320 Beamé; compound lubricating oils from the finest spindle oil, for use on the lightest sewing machine, to the heaviest cylinder oil for the most powerful machinery, and fit for any climate from the hottest Indian summer to the arctic winter of our own Northwest, and also a large variety of the so-called black oils, for railroad journals, saw mills, and other kindred purposes. Amongst others may be noticed the greenish oil now so extensively used in the manufacture of gas, paint oils, and the neutral "bloomless" oil, which is largely used as an adulterant for high-class expensive oils.

One of the most useful articles obtained from petroleum is undoubtedly paraffin, wax, which is used for an almost endless variety of purposes, from the softer sorts used by confectioners in the manufacture of "pure" camby to the hardest varieties demanded by the candlemaker or the chemist. This wax forms the most artistic portion of the exhibit, as it is shown in all grades of melting points up to as high as 400 Fahr, the finer waxes being equal in color and sound to the purest Parian marble, and being shown manfactured into a variety of fancy articles, such as drinking goblets, snuff boxes, etc., which would deceive any but the most practiced eye as to the material of which they are composed.

Manufacturers and householders will be particularly interested in the fuel oils, and also in the exhibit of petroleum coke, which is shown prepared both from crude oil and from petroleum tar, that from the crude being used for steam-raising purposes, while the coke from tar, being very clean and, owing to its consisting practically of pure carbon, giving but little ash, will commend itself to the ladies for household purposes.

As is probably well-known, Canadian coal oil owes much of its safety and quality to the rigid inspection it is compelled to undergo, before it leaves the refinery, at the hands of the Government officials appointed for that purpose; no oil of which the firepoint is less than 95° degrees on the new instrument (equal to about 115 ° Fahr.) being allowed to leave the premises. The gravity is fixed at 8.05 or 4519 Beaumé, and is marked on each package, the refiner paying the sum! of 10 cents per barrel for this inspection. According to the Tables of Trade and Navigation 3,148,920 gallons of kerosene or coal oil, naphtha and benzole were imported into this Dominion, in addition to which the imports of petroleum products amounted to 349,267 gallons more. During the same period 325,461 gallons of crude and 2,102 gallons of refined petroleum were exported to the European continent. The amount of duty collected in 1884 on the imports of petroleum and its products, according to the same authority, amounted to no less than \$252,665, a valuable addition to the customs revenues of the country.

THE BOURGUIGNON CASE.

For an insurance company to dispute a claim, however groundless, made by a policy holder requires not a little degree of moral courage on the part of its directors and management, as but few companies care for the disagreeable advertising thereby entailed and the unfavorable comments on its action invariably made by the public when reading accounts of legal proceedings in an insurance case. Indeed, many institutions prefer to pay any claim, even if not strictly equitable, rather than run the risk of being

credited with the character of a litigious company, and thus reducing its chances of doing business, in these days of severe competition. Still there are cases where the duty of the directors to their shareholders imperatively demands that they shall incur this risk in the interests of commercial morality, and in the case to which we refer the decision of the Court of Appeal justifies the Company in its action in this respect.

In 1876 Mr. Bourguignon, who kept a stationery store in St. Johns, Que., was burnt out. It was understood that he was insured, as the day after the fire an application, duly signed, was received at the Laneashire Insurance Company's office, forwarded by the agents of that company at St. Johns (who were also agents for the Citizens' Insurance Co.), in which it was distinctly stated that there was no other insurance on the stock. The damage was estimated by the Lancashire's inspector at \$800, and was duly paid. The Citizens also, to their astonishment, had a claim filed on them for \$1000, Bourguignon asserting that the agents of the company had given him an interim receipt of the company for that sum about three months before the fire; he admitted that he had never paid any premium, but stated that he had placed the amount of the premium against an account owed to him for stationery by the agents.

The Company at once resisted the claim, on the ground—that they had received no application for insurance, that no policy had ever been issued, that Bourguignon—had expressly stated in his application to the Lancashire Fire Insurance—Co. that there was no other insurance on his stock, and that, further, the agents at St. Johns had no right to issue an interim policy without receipts of any premium, or to pledge—the resources of the Company to satisfy their private debts. After long and tedious—litigation, the Court of Appeal has reversed—the decision of the Court below and has decided in favor of the Company on all these points.

TRADE WITH GREAT BRITAIN.

The British Board of Trade returns for December have been received by the last mail, and we are enabled to present a review of the export and import trade letween Great Britain and Canada, covering not only that month but the whole of the year 1885.

The total value of the exports from the United Kingdom to Canada was £173,414 last month, showing a decrease of £94,728, or 35 per cent, compared with the corresponding period of 1884, while for the entire year the falling off amounted to £403,965, equal to 7.9 per cent, the total for the past year having been £4,680,856 as against £5,

084,821 during 1884. Cotton piece goods showed a decrease for the month of £27,769, but in the year there was an increase of £51,023. The value of woollen fabrics exported to the Dominion exhibited a reduction for the month of £9,267 and for the year of £84,803, and worsted fabrics of £20,088 and £37,048 respectively.

As regards iron there was £21,206 less of railroad material shipped in December, but for the year an increase of £73,651 was displayed. Of tin plates there was £6,856 less exported in the month, making the decrease for the year £63,521. Apart from steamengines, the machinery exported to Canada amounted to £3,846 last month, as against £3,218 in December, 1884, and to £37,724 for the past year, compared with £79,449 in 1884. The exports of haberdashery showed a diminution of £10,380 for the month, and £189,587 for the twelve months. Articles of food and drink fell off £389 in the month, while the contraction for the twelve months was £44,466, almost entirely in sugar.

Turning to the imports from the Dominion to the United Kingdom, an increase of £64,-977 or 22.7 per cent is shown for the month. while for the year the falling off was comparatively moderate, being only £441,667, equal to 51 per cent. The aggregate of the animals received from Canada during the month was £6,683 less than in the same period of 1884, but for the entire year an increase of £26,883 was shown. The value of oxen and bulls reached the large total in the twelve months of £1,292,535, being £32,-070 in excess of 1884. The amount of the imports of food was £18,973 less for the month, while for the year the decrease amounted to £693,734, of which £329,363 was in wheat and wheat flour, and £267,029 in cheese. Great activity was again exhibited in the lumber trade, the imports of hewn wood showing an increase of £12,437 and £103,613 respectively for the month and year, and sawn timber of £75,196 and £120,-

449.	Year ended	Doc
EXPORTS.	1884.	1885.
Animals—Horses	£72,723	£73,710
Articles of Food and		,
Drink-		
	48,553	54,479
Salt, Rock and White.	•	•
Spirits	48,402	45,717
Sugar	59,972	12,305
Raw Materials-Wood.	15,579	36,958
Articles wholly and		
partly manufac-		
tured		
Cotton Piece Goods	578,172	629,185
Linen Piece Goods	157,791	145,287
Silk Broadstuffs	20,564	24,186
" Ribbons	10,142	10,485
" Articles partly of	97,948	63,928
Woollen Fabrics	737,150	642,347
Worsted Fabrics	502,868	465,820
Carpets		183,979
Hardware and Cutler		115,963

Iron-		
Pig	117,494	120,096
Bar, etc	157,494	165,276
Railroad	328,117	401,768
Hoops, Sheets, etc	152,800	148,966
Tin Plates	291,573	228,052
Cast, Wrought, etc	151,766	104,703
Machinery-		
Steam Engines	21,474	6,472
Other Descriptions	79,449	37,724
Apparel, etc.—	·	,
Apparel and Slops	225,008	243,463
Haberdashery	696,804	597,217
Earthen and China		
Ware	97,332	108,317
Oil, Seed	54,605	63,517
Stationery	50,950	40,955
£	5,084,821	£4,680,856
IMPORTS.	Ĺ	Ľ
Animals—		
Oxen and Bulls	1,260,465	1,202,535
Cows	40,351	80,898
Calves	122	248
Sheep and Lambs	125,841	80,130
Swine	149	
Articles of Food & Drink		
Wheat	753,587	716,829
Wheat Flour	457,469	164,864
Cheese	1,496,599	1,229,570
Fish, cured or salt	464,466	367,124
Metals-Copper Ore	9,000	10,122
Raw Materials—		
WoodHewn	1,005,216	1,108,829
" Sawn	2,317,180	2,437,629
£	7,930,445	£7,488,778

TERMINAL CHARGES AT MONT-REAL.

The terminal charges levied on produce reaching this city have long borne heavily on our commerce, and notably on the flour trade, so much so that these burdens, along with railway rates of transportation, are said in the annual report of the Montreal Corn Exchange Association to have mainly been the cause of the diminishing traffic in bread-stuffs.

The matter was deemed of sufficient importance to engage the attention, not only of the committee of management of the Exchange but also of a special committee, the views of the joint committee being embodied in a communication to the traffic managers of the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific railways, substantially as follows:—

(1) That as Boston gives 60 (sixty) days' free storage on flour for export, New York an unlimited time, and Halifax 30 (thirty) days,—and as the rate of freight on flour shipped from the West on through bills of lading includes the charges for storage, cartage and wharfage,—Montreal merchants are placed at a great disadvantage by the absence of like storage privileges and inclusive charges; and the trade via this port is seriously restricted. The Committee therefore respectfully asks that your Company take steps to place the flour trade of Mentreal on the same footing

as regards export stuff as the merchants o St. Louis, Chicago, and Detroit, or any other western port; all that is required being that the rate of freight on flour billed to Montreal for export shall include all terminal charges, that is f.o.b. the vessel at Montreal.

(2) As regards the local trade, it is believed that were the railways to concede 10 (ten) days' free storage on all flour and meal arriving therefor, western millers would thereby be induced to ship this way much more freely than at present, thus giving you more of the carrying trade and dealers here more stuff to handle. Under present arrangements, the miller is afraid to ship a barrel to Montreal unless it is previously sold, for storage and other charges are incurred immediately on arrival; whereas, were ten days' free storage allowed, ample time would be afforded for the sale and delivery of the goods, and the freight and commission be the only charges that would have to be reckoned on.

Montreal ought undoubtedly to be a large depot for flour, and the Committee and those most concerned think that it needs but slight encouragement on the part of the railway companies and the warehousemen to make it so.

As the railways have not, at present, their own sheds for the storage of flour it would be necessary that the accommodation afforded by the storage warehouses should continue to be used, and the Committee have procured from the principal warehousemen quotations of reduced rates of storage, in order that you may be enabled to determine if the Committee's request can be granted. The rates are as follows:—

	ontreal Per brl.	housing Co. Per bag up to	James William - son Authony Force, Per brl.
Forty-eight hours	1 c	1 c	
Ten days	. 2c	13c	2e
One month		2 c	3c
Succeeding months	. 2c	1 ½ c	2c

(3.) With regard to through shipments of flour to the Townships and other points East, a grievance much felt by the trade here is that Montreal is discriminated against in the matter of through freight rates given to the western shippers. For example, the Ontario miller can ship his flour, say to Sherbrooke, at 15c per barrel over Montreal rate, whereas, if it were brought here and sold to the same place the Montreal merchant would have to pay 24c

It is understood, too, that the Ontario miller can bring wheat to his mill, grind it, and reship the flour made therefrom to any point on a through rate from the place the wheat was purchased to the destination of the flour. The Committee consider that the trade here should enjoy a similar privilege in the re-shipment of flour.

The railway companies promised to fully consider the question, but so far have held out no prospects of relief.

COTTON STATISTICS.

The subjoined figures, taken from the annual review of Messrs. C. L. Green & Co., show that, from the data now to hand, the apparent surplus of cotton this year will be about 355,000 bales, as against 735,000 in 1885:

WORLD'S SUPPLY AMERICAN COTTON, SEPT. IST. 1885. 1884.

Visible supply 782 000 850,000

Mill Stock-		
United States	15,000	15,000
Great Britain	35,000	36,000
Continent	105,000	114,000
Crop	6,900,000	5,669,000
Supply	•7,837,000	6,634,000
Consumption	*6,000,000	5,711,000
Average price Mid.		• •
Uplands, N.Y Spindles America		10 11-16c
and Europe	79,000,000	78,850,000
· ·		
 Estimated. 		
	1883.	1882.
Visible supply	1,000,000	542,000
Mill stocks-	, ,	•
United States	104,000	61,000
Great Britain	37,000	55,000
Continent	235,000	116,000
Crop	5,714,000	6,992,000
Supply	7,157,000	7,766,000
Consumption	6,142,000	6,323,000
Average price Mid.	• •	• •
Uplands, N. Y	10 15-16c	10 19-320
Spindles, America		
and Europe	77,160,000	74,855,000
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United States Canada & Mexico	·	1,900,000
Europe		4.200.000

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Total Our crop estimate	6,165,000 6,900,000
Apparent surplus	735,000
1886.	
United States	1,900,000 65,000
Europe:	4,200,000
Total	6,165,000
Average of crop est	6,520,000
Apparent surplus	355,000

In this connection, the following synopsis of the exports of textile fabrics from the United Kingdom for the eleven months ending November 26, 1885, may prove interesting. The figures for 1884 are also given for purposes of comparison:

EXPORTS—BRITISH AND BRISH 1884.

Wool, sheep and lambs, lbs	17,040,900
Cotton yarn, lbs	248,866,800
Cotton piece goods, yds	4,065,054,000
Jute piece goods, yds	221,691,000
Linen yarn, lbs	18,082,000
Linen piece goods, yds	143,813,200
Silk manufactures	£2,044,447
Woollen and twisted yarn, ths	36,991,000
Wool fabries, yds	87,205,900
Worsted fabrics, yds	154,722,400
Flannels, yds	8,385,300
Carpets, yds	10,759,900
Blankets, pairs	1,058,438
Jute yarns, lbs	24,887,300
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Wool, sheep and lambs, lbs Cotton yarn, lbs Cotton piece goods, yds Jute piece goods, yds	21,027,800 225,365,000 4,001,014,300 198,912,900
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Linen yarn, lbs	15,204,500
Linen piece goods, yds	136,975,700
Silk manufactures	£1,813,576
Woollen and twisted yarn lbs	39,704,200
Wool fabrics, yds	79,292,700
Worsted fabrics, yds	145,309,200
Flannels, yds	9,494,760
Carpets, yds	10,388,700
Blankets, pairs	1,013,713
Jute yarns, lbs	27,963,500

An examination of these figures will show hat there has been a considerable falling off in the quantities of all staple manufactured lines during the past year, with the exception of flannels, while the exports of raw wool and jute, woolen and worsted yarns, has increased moderately. The table shows conclusively that the steady increase of manufacturing on this continent, to which attention has been so frequently drawn in these columns, has produced a serious effect on the textile exports of the United Kingdom, and the steadily increasing export of raw and partially manufactured material proves the growing scope and efficiency of our manufacturers, and the gradual substitution of home-made fabrics for those of entirely foreign make.

THE NORTH AMERICAN LIFE.

It must afford no little satisfaction to the gentlemen who, scarcely half-a-dozen years ago, combined to launch this new Canadian life insurance company to find that their theories in the main have stood so well the test of practical application. This is well seen by the report which is given elsewhere. The statement signed by the worthy president of the company speaks for itself, and we need only refer to the liberal character of the company's policy contract, its reputation for prompt settlement in the payment of death claimsand in this respect to the fortunate circumstance that no claim arising under any of its matured policies has ever been disputedto prove that the anticipations of its friends were not too hopeful. The progress of the company is no less gratifying, as shown by the amount of business done, the increase in assets, its income including interest, and its surplus, in all of which it keeps firm and steady pace proportionately with prominent companies of the Dominion. We cannot finish these few remarks more aptly than by quoting that portion of Hon. Mr. MacKenzie's speech in which he dwells with patriotic pride on the growth of our noble inheritance:

"Personally I have the greatest faith in the reenperative power of our country, and the ability of our people to overcome transient troubles. The country is a vast one; its resources are enormous and varied in character. We may look for vast results in a few years from the completion of the great railway through our fertile, Northwest Territories. I have the strongest faith in the coming strength and early development of productive power in that enormous territory. Ministers will come and go, its expansion may be retarded or facilitated by wise or unwise administrations, but generally speaking, settlement will proceed, population will crowd in, and business of all kinds will feel the stimulus. Our company has had in the meantime, in its youth, to struggle with unfavorable circumstances, but has succeeded in continuously maintaining the success which marked the first year."

Any notice of the North American Life Assurance Company would be incomplete which did not include some reference to its general agent for this Province, Dr. Charles Ault, who, by his energy and tact, has succeeded in working up a large amount of business of a character which is highly creditable to himself and to the company. Mr. McCabe has the knack of securing and maintaining an efficient staff of agents, the men on whose well-directed efforts must largely depend the character, progress and vitality of any company, especially in life insurance.

AT HOME AND ABROAD.

During the past week Canadian affairs have gone on with their usual quiet regularity at this time of the year. Somewhat better demand for money is reported by the banks, mainly for the 4th of February payments. There have been a good many failures of late, especially in this vicinity, and mostly in the dry goods trade. In many cases liabilities are heavy and assets small. The Ryan failure in Toronto is apparently not involving so many people as, owing to the fact that he made a business of endorsing for various parties, was at first feared, but full developments may not have been reached yet. If the reports that are current are true the Oshawa business in which he was interested was of very moderate dimensions. The liabilities as reported are about \$50,-000, chiefly to the bankers of the company, and covered by notes for machinery sold.

The money market in England is still in an anomalous position. The bank rate is 3 per cent, while business is done freely in the open market at 1½ per cent. At the same time the reserves of the bank are not so strong as they ought to be.

The *Economist* continues its analysis of the Board of Trade returns, from which we note that the stated value of goods exported in 1885 was only about 5 per cent less on the average than in 1884. A much larger diminution than this would have been looked for.

Quietness in trade and a decided bill in speculation have combined to make financial affairs very dull in New York, with decreased rates for money. The surplus reserves of the banks are steadily increasing, and in consequence the competition for

good loans in increasing also. The market for sterling is dull and high; why the latter is hard to say, since the fall in the value of money in England has lessened the profit to be derived from holding sterling, and the exports, though diminished in volume, are much in excess of the imports. A movement of American stocks homewards, which may possibly be going on under the influence of the silver question on the foreign bourses, would account for the present position.

The first practical compromise brought forward in connection with this silver question is the Bill introduced by Senator Sherman of Ohio last week. Of course as a compromise it cannot do more than postpone the evil day; but short of a clean repeal of the Bland Act this seems to be as useful a measure as is likely to pass. It provides for the discontinuance of the coinage of silver dollars, and authorizes the Treasury to purchase from two to four million dollars' worth of silver each month, and to issue in payment therefor silver certificates of the usual kind, but representing the cost of the bullion. These certificates are to be receivable for all debts due the Government and to be redeemable in coin. So far the bill somewhat resembles that known as the Warner compromise, but the latter provided for the enforced re-issue of all silver certificates paid in to the Treasury, which would ensure inflation as an absolute certainty, and seriously affect the silver market. The Sherman Bill provides that the certificates may be reissued, and if it passes in this permissive form the Treasurer may be able to keep matters on an even keel by selling silver on the market and cancelling certificates, when they accumulate in his hands. There seems to be some misapprehension as to the possible effect of the Bill, so high an authority as the Financial Chronicle being evidently astray in describing it as an attempt to give a dollar's worth of bullion for a dollar certifi-

The only way, however, in which the Act provides for the certificates getting into the hands of the Government (i.e., for the public getting value for them) is through the customs, etc., where they will count as equivalent to gold or legal tenders, or by redemption in coin, which may be standard silver dollars, by the Assistant Treasurers.

The general business reports are not as hopeful as they were some weeks ago. Produce exports are still very meagre, trade is quiet, and the exceptional weather is affecting traffic returns.

THE NOVA SCOTIA SUGAR REFINERY.

The announcement, not altogether unexproted, has been made that the above concern is hopelessly pankrupt. At the annual meeting held this week, it was shown that the refinery owed the Merchants' Bank of Halifax and the Government the sum of \$550,000, which, with the subscribed capital, made the total liabilities \$905,000. Against this stood the refinery plant, costing \$500,000, sugar on hand, \$185,000, and other assets about \$50,000. The whole capital is lost and, besides, the refinery is about \$300,000 in debt.

A very lively discussion ensued. The present position was charged: (1) to the disastrous declines in the price of sugar last year; (2) to undervaluation of sugar in Montreal, and the consequent unfair advantage of Montreal refiners over Halifax; (3) to discriminating freights over the Intercolonial against Halifax and in favor of Moneton and Montreal refineries, etc. It was alleged that Halifax importers paid twenty cents per 100 pounds higher duty on some sugars than Montreal importers did on the same sugars. Messrs. A. G. Jones, John S. MacLean, A. W. West, Mayor MacIntosh and Dr. Lewis were appointed a committee to co-operate with the directors in devising means for continuing the refinery. It is proposed to issue preferential stock, as to sell the property would be ruinous just now. Prompt action was urged, as the company are paying over \$100 per day interest to the banks. Mr. Kenny mentioned that English capitalists were ready to purchase the refinery. It is understood that the Merchants Bank of Halifax is interested for no less than \$200,000, and the immediate cause of the collapse was the refusal of the Bank to make further advances.

It is the opinion of parties in the trade here that the reasons above given for the failure might have been backed up by more potent ones. As to the first reason, it is stated that despite the decline in sugar referred to, the refineries in this city have during last year made money instead of losing any. Secondly, it is alleged that sugar has been undervalued in Montreal, which assertion, on good authority, appears to lack confirmation. In the third place the alleged discrimination in freights over the Intercolonial seems to be against Montreal, instead of vice versa. "There has been no discrimination in freights," said a a gentlemen competent to speak, "they got them fixed in Ottawa themselves and the Intercolonial rates on a car-load of raw are the same as on a car of refined." It is the rule of transportation companies to carry the cheaper goods, and generally the bulkier goods, also, at cheaper rates than more valuable freight, one reason being that in case of damage the loss would be smaller, but here is is an exception which we are facetiously told is a valuable discrimination on behalf of Montreal. It is also well understood in the trade that sugar is shipped by rail from Halifax to Toronto, Winnipeg and other points at a cheaper proportionate rate than from this city, so that this third clause of the indictment appears to be unfounded in every particular. · here is a heavy differential duty of 21 per cent on raw sugar imported here from New York or Boston, this impost being established for the protection of the direct Canadian route, both winter and summer. It certainly should be sufficient for the purpose, but occasionally a low rate of freight via United States ports enables the Montreal importer to do better than via Halifax, and this has also been a source of grievance to the refiners of the Lower Provinces. The superior position of Montreal as a distributing centre and the size of her refineries give her an advantage over the smaller refineries of the Lower Provinces, but, on the other hand, the latter are close to open water all the year round, and cannot find it necessary to carry the heavy stocks held here at times. It seems hard to understand, under the circumstances, why the sugar industry should not flourish, though perhaps on a smaller scale, equally as well in Halifax as in Montreal, but in this line, more than in many others, capable and energetic men of ripe experience are a first necessity. And here we may call attention to another point, namely, the inferior qualities of the sugar made by this company. The trade, both here and in the West, have had occasion to make frequent complaints about their yellow refined product. In some instances it has been found necessary to empty the barrels on the upper floors of warehouses and allow the sugar to remain exposed several days to dry, and it was frequently so lumpy and hard that it had to be broken with heavy mallets. Such a state of things must have contributed not a little to the present unfortunate position of this ill-fated enterprise. There are more than rumors that the supply of raw sugar was not always purchased to the best advantage, owing to the circumstances of the case; also that there was more or less want of harmony in the management.

The Halifax Sugar Refinery, whose announcement appears elsewhere, is not to be confounded with the above institution.

THE case of Alderman J. H. Mooney, wool dealer and leather manufacturer, versus the Imperial Insurance Company is now being tried before a special jury, and excites considerable interest. It will be remembered that the alleged cause for contesting this claim is that Mr. Mooney had, in their opinion, exceeded his risk by admitting to his drying-room a quantity of raw cotton, which had been wetted by automatic sprinklers during a fire at the Hudon Cotton Company's premises. several insurance companies, all save the Royal, which paid-up, contend that this was an act which voided the policy, on the grounds of alteration in the use of premises, and the supposed greater risk incurred in view of the wellknown inflammability of raw cotton; while on his part Alderman Mooney contends that the fire did not originate in the drying room, but in quite another portion of the works, and that no extra risk has been incurred by the company. The drying of the cotton was done

gratuitously, and evidently without regard to its effect upon the insured; it was doubtless consented to as a neighborly act, and not a commercial transaction. The total amount involved is between \$30,000 and \$40,000; it is understood that this will be considered a test case, and that the other companies interested will acquiesce in the decision, whatever it may be.

Soing a Guarantee Co .- A suit has been instituted by the Montreal Commercial Mutual Building Society against the London Guarantee and Accident Co., Mr. A. T. McCord, manager, Toronto, represented in Montreal by Mr. G. H. Patterson, for the sum of \$2,000, the amount of a surety bond in favor of Peter Fulton issued by the latter company. Mr. Fulton, it will be remembered, was secretary of the Building Society, and employed part of its funds to meet the notes of the St. Henri Carriage Leather Co. of which he was managing partner. Being unable to replace the money he fled across the border, leaving a deficiency of \$2,800 in his accounts; the Building Society now sues for the amount of his surety bond, which the London Guarantee and Accident Co. refuse to pay, on the ground alleged that some of the technical terms of the application form were not complied with... The manager and sub-manager of the company, who are both experienced insurance men, have doubtless self-satisfying reasons for refusing to pay up.

A TANGLED WEE .- A statement has made the rounds of the press to the effect that a suit for the enormous [sum of \$1,500,000 had been commenced by Dame Georgiana Hall, wife of Mr. Smith of Portland, and one of the heirs of the Patterson estate, against the Union Bank of Lower Canada. Since then Mr. Thomson, president of the bank, has sent a letter to the press, to the effect that no such action has yet been served on the bank; still the matter appears to have assumed such a form that a meeting of shareholders was held on February 1st, in Quebec, to discuss the question of opposing the suit. Should the suit be instituted it will undoubtedly place the bank at a disadvantage before Parliament when applying for the proposed reduction of 25 per cent in its capital. In view of the enormous losses of between \$300,000 and \$400,000 made by the Union in the Northwest, where they should never have ventured, and considering that the stock is now rated at 44; so small a reduction as 25 per cent can only afford temporary relief, and even a reduction of 50 per cent would not bring it to par at that rate.

The annual general meeting of the Guelph Township Mutual Fire Insurance Company was held the 29th utt, in Guelph. The report showed that during the past year property to the amount of \$149,890 was insured, the premiums amounting to \$7,029 of which \$203

were paid in cash. The total of all property insured on the 31st December was \$459,3400 and the amount of premium notes \$21,109. The financial statement showed that the total disbursements amounted to \$96, of which \$45 was paid to the secretary and directors for attendance fees. The new Insurance Act of Ontario provides that all Mutual Fire Insurance Companies shall have six, nine, twelve or fifteen directors, but, in view of the fact that the expenses of the directors fees amounted to nearly 50 per cent of the year's disbursements, we think that the business of the Guelph Township Mutual could be adequately managed by the secretary and a boy.

A necision of some importance has just been decided in the Court of Review. Mr. W. J. Ingram, for a while manager of the Federal Bank's late branch in this city, and whose doings while among us were more or less the "Talk of the town," gave a promissory note for \$1,000 to A. Somerville, of Huntingdon, who, through his lawyers, took action against him under the name of Warren P. Leet, of Danville. Mr. Ingram's lawyers resisted. on the ground that Leet was not the real owner of the note, and had no interest or stake in it whatever. The Court of Review in giving judgment states that, provided no prejudice is shown to the defendant, it is immaterial who enters suit upon a note, and therefore decides against Mr. Ingram.

WE are glad to be able to inform our readers that there is good authority for believing that the firm of Chas. Robin & Co., whose assignment was referred to editorially some weeks ago have been enabled to effect an arrangement with their creditors, and will resume operations within a month. As the firm in question employed nearly 10,000 fishermen and their families in their large curing establishments their resumption becomes a matter of almost national importance. We regret to learn that their great competitors, the firm of Le Bouthillier Bros., whose establishments are second only in extent and importance to those of the Robins, are also said to be in financial difficulties.

We regret to announce the death, at the early age of 31, of Mr. Henry E. Coristine, a brother of the partners in the firm of Messrs. James Coristine & Co., of this city, which took place at his father's residence, Edgehill Avenue, after a long and painful illness.—Joseph Doutre, Q.C., for many years one of the leading members of the bar of this Province, died at his residence in this city on Wednesday last at the age of 61. Mr. Doutre leaves a wife and six children, one of them married.—Jacob Rynders, a well-known attache of the St. Lawrence Hall for the last quarter of a century, died last Friday at the advanced age of 84.

THE Westbrook correspondent of the Amherst, N.B., Gazette communicates the following spicy item :-Our lumbering enterprise is booming. Messrs. Tucker, Killam, Webster, and Jamieson, each, has a company logging in the Canaan woods, Lumbering operations are going on, in our country on a magnificentscale, but do not employ 18,000 men to "cut timber," as did Solomon-the greatest lumber king. The Mediterranean was his driving stream and he had the timber drawn 25 miles across the country by ox-teams to Jerusalem Lumbermen say the jays are so tame this win ter they will take bread and meat from their hands; and they have to hide their dinner baskets from the hungry birds.

THE Ganadian Manufacturers' Association rently held its annual meeting at Toronto when it was decided to direct the attention of the Government to the necessity of Canadian manufacturers and exporters generally being afforded facilities more nearly approaching those enjoyed by their competitors in neutral markets and that the association was of opinion that this end can best be attained by the appointment of "commercial agents" resident at foreign ports, with duties similar to those performed by the commercial agents of the United States.

The Scottish Union and National Ins. Co. shows a still better record in its Canadian business for 1885. The net premium income is about \$60,000 or \$10,000 more than in the former year. The net losses were \$18,000 or about 30 per cent. When it is seen that the losses are only about \$100 more than in 1885, or in all about 20 per cent of premium income and that of the \$60,000 income, \$35,000 appertains to Montreal, with a proportionate share of losses and expenses, it goes without saying that the company have the right man in the right place here.

The following dividends have been declared for the past half-year by the Banking Companies of Halifax: The Union Bank of Halifax, 2½ per cent, People's Bank, 2½ per cent, the Halifax Banking Company, 3 per cent, the Merchants Bank of Halifax, 3 per cent, and the Bank of Nova Scotia, 3½ per cent. The Picton Bank decided, at the annual meeting, held on the 27th_ultimo, to reduce its capital stock from \$250,000 to \$200,000 and the directors were instructed to obtain the necessary legislation.

MR. FRED. Cole, of this city, the well known general agent of the Commercial Union Assurance Company has been presented by his staff with a valuable marble clock and an illuminated address expressive of their goodwill and kindly feelings toward him. Mr Cole has been connected with the Commercial Union for over twenty years, and it is needless to say holds first rank as a successful underwriter.

The funerals of Mr. James Ralston of the firm of Lightbound, Ralston & Co., and of Mr. Peter D. Dods, paint and oil merchant and formely a member of the firm of Ramsay, Drake & Dods, took place on Saturday last. There was a large attendance of prominent business men desirous of testifying to the respect in which the deceased gentlemen were held by the commercial community of this city.

Mr. G. A. Grier of Montreal, and Mr. Stewart, of London, Eng., have purchased the real and personal estate of the late Levi Young, which estate included some limits on the Gatineau in which Bronsons & Weston held an undivided interest. This statement is deemed necessary to correct any possible wrong inference from our recent article, "Lumbering on the Gatineau."

The Minister of Marine, in view of representations made to him by some of the leading shippers and merchants, has ordered reports to be wired daily from the Bird Rocks, Anticosti and Cape Ray. By this means interesting information regarding the breaking and formation of ice, previously unknown, will be acquired, and reliable data as to the state of the Gulf, prospects of navigation, etc., can be obtained.

Ir is stated that the Sydney and Victoria mines will raise and bank coal during the winter, thus giving employment to the men connected with these mines.—The people of Little Bras d'Or, Cape Breton, made some large hauls of herring during the past two weeks. The herring were so plentiful that the nets sank to the bottom. The Little Bras d'Or lakes are tecming with fish.

OTTAWA lumber merchants are reported to be looking forward to a flourishing trade next season. Prices, it is said, promise to be stiff, and large sales are expected to be made within the next month or so. Advices from Amprior state McLachan Bros., lumber merchants of that place, have sold their entire mill cut of next season for a figure in the vicinity of half a million dollars.

The Boston market for crude rubber is in a peculiar position, prices being lower than in England or South America. Fine Para is quoted there at 60c to 61c, and the market has been exceptionally quiet and weak; but the English market is strong at 31d to 31½d and the South American market is also firm at a price equivalent to 63c.

IRON TRADE REVIEW.—As these columns have lately contained a full account of the present position and prospects of the iron and steel trade only a cursory glance can be taken at a summary just issued by a leading Liverpool firm. The following will be read with interest:

—We commence the new year with prices lower than ever known since 1844, and, as any further shrinkage of moment is considered al-

most impossible, there is a greater certainty of safety for future operations. The enormous stocks of pig iron hang like an incubus over the trade, amounting as they do to 1,500,000 tons in Scotland and 500,000 tons in Cleveland, an excess of about 485,000 tons on the year. Some very drastic measure will have to be enforced to remedy this, though it must not be overlooked that some of the beaviest advances in this material have taken place with maximum stocks. The stock of Hematite pig iron has been materially reduced, owing to the heavy purchases on American account (100,000 tons it is reported), and prices have recovered from 3s to 4s per ton from the lowest point. Steel is displacing irou more rapidly than ever for constructive purposes, such as ship, bridge and waggon building, fifty per cent of the vessels launched this year being of this material, against something like ten per cent five years ago. How far the falling off in shipbuilding consequent on the fall freights and the way this business was overdone in 1882 and 1883 has affected the iron and steel trades can be en in the fact that the tonnage launched this year amounted to only 540,000 tous, or 210,000 tons less than 1884 and 710,000 less than 1883, the best year on record. There has been considerable trouble lately, owing to the mysterious Lehavior of steel, boilers having cracked while in a state of rest after some two years and a half service, and plates used in constructive work showed the same result after rivetting up, though every possible test was applied to the plates both before and after with the most favorable results. A decrease of £40,000,000 in our total exports and import, in comparison with the previous year, is the reverse of encouraging, though the excess is asmuch owing to the shrinkage in value as to diminution in bulk and tonnage, our total foreign trade of £622,000,000 being still in excess of any previous year, 1880 to 1885 excepted. The working population have so far, at any rate, no great cause of complaint. Taking it all round, they have been better employed than the same class in any other manufacturing country, and the decrease in pauperism and the increase in the sums deposited in the Savings Banks certainly confirm this. They have, however, been paid more out of capital than profit, manufacturers preferring to run their establishments at some loss until the revival takes place, rather than incur the greater loss consequent upon deterioration of machinery, dispersal of employes and loss of clients, that would accompany their closing up, but the time is coming when labor will have to take its fair share of the burden, not only in reduced remuneration, but in longer hours, the week's work of artisans employed in machine factories representing 52 hours, or 15 per cent less than similar workmen in Germany or the United States, while in textile factories it is 28 per cent less than the former, and 8 per cent less than the latter. With this and heavier railway rates than those of any other country, the extra expenses incurred consequent upon our Mines Act, Factories Act, and other remedial class legislature, we are heavily and exceptionally handicapped, while, on the other hand, the accumulation of capital our special advantages in raw material, our closeness to the sea, our maritime supremacy, and the low prices of food, clothing, rent, etc., are to some extent offsets.

THE FISHERY QUESTION .- The decision of the Gloucester (Mass.) fishermen to join the " Knights of Labor" in order to have that organization apply the boycott to the small tradesmen, merchants and "statesmen" who may in any way oppose the resistance of the fishing-smack owners to the competition with Canadian fish is commented upon by the New York Commercial Bulletin as follows: " Possibly, this curious proceeding may alarm the 'destreek' politicians or cause some uneasiness among the small tradesmen in some sections of the country; but no one will believe that the 'Knights' will be instrumental in having a tax placed upon one of the necessities of life, thus adding another burthen to those which press so severely upon the laboring classes. As the case stands, there is a tax of \$1 per barrel on herring that cost only \$1.50 on the Canadian shore. This product comes into competition with the cheaper grades of mackerel and places the latter within the reach of all. But prohibit the importation of Canadian fish, and it is morally certain the smack owners straight-way will run up the prices of fish, and the advance, unless experience goes for nothing, will be followed by even a greater one on the part of retailers; all of which will certainly come out of the pockets of the workingmen whom the Knights profess to be championing. Unless the smack owners thus secure a rise in prices, there will be no compensation for the loss of the export trade, which is already being felt; and without an advance their position will certainly be no better financially than it was under the recently expired treaty."

Goderich, according to our correspondent, is agitating the question of improved water works, as it is felt that, in case of a severe fire, the present tanks would be wholly inadequate, besides, with the clear, pure take water at their doors, the present system of depending on surface wells for domestic purposes is manifestly absurd. Our correspondent adds a postcript to his letter to the following effect:—
"Perhaps you will permit me to say that having read with care your excellent paper now for years, I should, although not a commercial man, miss it very much. Everybody is interested in the larger commercial questions, and nowhere that I know of are these treated in a fairer and more judicial spirit than in the Journal of Commerce."

For the benefit of those interested in the copper and iron products of this continent the following particulars of the price of coke suitable for smelting, delivered at the works, is giving by one of the leading smelters of Swansea.

Sydney, C. B.,	per ton.	٠	•			. \$1	50
Swansen, Eng.			٠		 	. 2	00
New York	" .	٠		•	 •	. 3	50
Newfoundland,	per ton					\$0	50
Arizona	"					15	
Montana	"					18	00

The world's copper production in 1884 was about 200,000 tons of refined metal of which the United States and Canada furnished 64,-000 tons, Spain 42,000, and Chili 41,000 tons.

Accommon to the Parliamentary returns of the United Kingdom, there were in 1856, 5,117 factories in operation employing 682,000 persons; in 1884 the figures were 7,294 factories with 1,005,000 work people, while in 1885 there were 7,465 factories employing 1,034,000 persons. Of this number, the cotton manufactories claimed in 1856, 2,210 factories, 379,000 employes; in 1874, 2,655 factories, 479,000 employes; and in 1885, 2,635 factories, 504,000 employes, or nearly half of the total figures.

THE NEW FRANCHISE ACT.

The Dominion Franchise Act, which comes into force this year, makes such a number of changes that a condensed summary of its provisions cannot but prove of interest.

Those entitled to be placed on the voters' list are: all male persons of 21 years, British subjects by birth or naturalization, possessing some one of the following qualifications:—

Every owner of real property of the value of \$300 in cities, and \$200 in towns, having the same in his own right or in the right of his wife.

Every person who has been a tenant of real property for one year previous to the 1st January, 1886, and paying rent therefor as follows, viz.: Two dollars per month, six dollars per quarter, twelve dollars per half year, or twenty dollars per annum. And if these sums are continuously paid, a change of tenancy from one property to another within the same electoral district does not qualify him from being registered as a voter, if such change of tenancy is without intermission; and if in any case the rent is not stated, and the fact is that the property is of the value of \$300 in cities and \$200 in towns, he is entitled to be registered as a voter.

Every person who has been the bona fide occupant in his own right, or in the right of his wife, in any other than as owner or tenant of real property, whether such occupation he under a license of occupation or agreement to purchase from the crown, or from any other person or corporation in cities to the value of \$300 and in towns to the value of \$200, and who has been occupying it for one year previous to the 1st January, 1886.

Every person who has been a resident within a city or town for one year previous to the 1st day of January, 1886, and has an income from his earnings or from some trade, calling, office or profession, or from some investment in Canada, of not less than \$300 annually.

Sons of any owner of real property not otherwise entitled to vote, who have lived upon such property with their father, grandfather, stepfather or father-in-law, while living, and after their death, respectively, then with their mother, stepmother or mother-in-law, for one year previous to the 1st day of Jannary, 1886, are entitled to be registered as voters as the sons of an owner in the following order, that is to say: First, the sons, grandsons, step-sons or son-in-law, as the case may be, according to seniority, as the value of the real property will qualify at the rate of, for cities \$300, and for towns \$200, for each, provided always the occasional absence for not more than in all six months in the year, shall not disquality such son as a voter; and provided, also, that time spent as a student, lisherman or mariner, or to any educational institution, shall be considered as spent at home.

Every fisherman who is the owner of real property and boats, nets, fishing gear and

tackle, which to him together are the value of \$150, shall be entitled to be registered as a voter.

Under the clause enabling sons of farmers or sons of other property owners to vote, the owner and one or more of his sons may vote on the same property, provided that it is of sufficient value. Thus, the individual qualifications in country districts being \$150, a farm or other property valued at \$300 would qualify the owner and one son; a property valued at \$450 would qualify the owner and two sons, and so on.

MONTREAL CORN EXCHANGE,—The annual report just issued states that the balance at the credit of the association is \$567.03 and there are 138 members in good standing. Statistics of our trade, given at length in this report, have already been published in these columns, but we annex the following summary showing aggregate receipts and shipments of grain, flour and meal:—

Receipts, 1884 18,579,079 bushels. " 1885 17,219,265 "

Decrease.... 1,368,814 or 7.37 per cent. Shipments, 1884...14,775,655 bushels.
" 1885...15,266,781 "

Increase... 491,126 or 3.32 per cent. The report reviews the fisheries question, the proposed trade union with Jamaica, the canal tolls and free navigation agitation, etc. Since the above was written the annual meeting has been held, and the following officers elected:—President, Mr. W.W. Ogilvie; treasurer, Mr. D. Robertson; committee of management, Messrs. John Baird, Chas. Drummond, R. M. Esdaile, E. Judge, H. Labelle, John Ogilvie and A. G. McBean; Board of Review, Messrs. Chas. H. Gould (chairman), G. M. Kinghorn, J. E. Kirkpatrick, J. O. Lafreniere, D. J. Rees and Robt. Simms.

Meetings, &c.

NORTH-AMERICAN LIFE ASSURANCE CO.

The annual meeting of this company was held in the Company's Head Office, Toronto, on the 26th alt. The Hon. A. Mackenzie, M. P., president, occupied the chair, and Mr. McGabe, managing-director, acted as secretary The meeting was a large and influential one. The annual report, revenue account, balance sheet, and report of auditors were read as follows:—

REPORT.

Notwithstanding the long-continued and widespread depression in general business the directors are glad to be able to report that the company's business for 1885 has been a most successful one.

During the year 977 applications for \$2,-112,500 were received, upon which were issued 935 policies for \$1,079,500, the rest being unacceptable or uncompleted, and 5 policies for \$7,000 were revived.

This is a volume of new business, not only in excess of that done by the company in any previous year, but very much in excess of that secured by any other home company during the same year from its organization.

Such results show how completely the directors were justified in their anticipation of a large and extending business.

Much of the company's unequalled success as a home institution is to be attributed chiefly to the hard work and business capacity of the Managing-Director to the influential and friendly support of its Honorary and Provincial Directors, to its efficient staff of agents, its very liberal and varied forms of insurance, combined with its liberal principles and practices, and especially to its prompt payment of all just and approved claims upon maturity and completion of proofs, a practice introduced here by your Directors, which has continued to afford the representatives of deceased policy-holders the greatest satisfaction

Being at all times anxious to meet the wants of the insuring public, in any way that experience, and caution recommend as desirable, the Directors are much gratified to find that the Company's commercial plan, as improved during the latter part of the year, has been largely appreciated and adopted by insurers.

From the commencement of business by the Company a complete audit of its affairs has been made quarterly by gentlemen of large experience appointed as auditors by the annual meeting, and in addition the standing committee of the board has also examined and verified in like manner the accounts and securities of the Company.

The reports of the auditors and the standing committee are given with the balance sheet.

On the recommendation of the Managing-Director, the board thought well, at the end of the first quinquenninn, to still further strengthen the Company's claims for public support, by having a valuation of all its obligations by a distinguished consulting actuary of eminence and experience, whose independent examination and valuation would command increased confidence.

Wm. T. Standen, Esq., of New York whose name is well-known in Canada, has made such a scratim valuation. In his letter transmitting it he makes the following remarks:—

"It is an evidence of careful and conservative management that you can point to such a handsome surplus at the end of your first quinquennial period. Having had occasion in my professional capacity to examine the reports of other Canadian companies, I find that in volume of new insurances, amount at risk premium income and reserve held for the secuzity of policy holders, your Company is largely in excess of any of them during the same period in its history."

From the undivided surplus contributed by policies in the general class dividends will be declared available on the settlement of this year's premium to ordinary participating policies. From the undivided surplus contributed by Tontine, Semi-Tontine and reduced endowment policies, the amount applicable to such policies will be carried in the surplus until apportioned, as provided in such policies. The directors recommend that a dividend at the rate of 8 percent per annum to June 30th next, payable on July 2nd, be paid to the guarantors as interest for the use of the Guarantee Fund paid up by them.

Of this dividend six per cent has been earned by the Guarantee Fund, which, with the profits from non-participating policies gives the policy-holders the benefit of that fund at a nominal cost.

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

ALEXANDER MACKENZIE,

President.

TORONTO, Jan. 26th, 1886.

Income for the year 1885.........\$165,697 25 Exp enditure (including death claims, \$33,939.50)........... 99,222 20 Assets (including uncalled Guar-

Assets (including uncalled Guarantee Fund)................... 586,890 95
Liabilities to policy-holders...... 241,890 00

Surplus for security of policyholders.....\$345,000 95

WILLIAM McCABE, Managing Director and Actuary.

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

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

Toroxto, Jan. 2nd, 1886.

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

E. A. MEREDITH, LL.D., WM. GORDON,

Auditing Committee of the Board.

The report of Mr. Standen, consulting

catuary, was also read.

The PRESIDENT, in moving the adoption of the report, revenue account and balance sheet, owing to the state of his voice requested the Hon. Mr. Morris, vice-president, to read the following statement for him, being as he said the first speech he had ever written out.

The Hon. Mr. Morris on rising alluded to the warm friendship that had always existed between himself and the President during the long period of their political career—the President as Prime Minister and he as Lieut-Governor of Manitoba, and said that the same had lasted up to the present moment.

Mr. Morris then read the President's state-

ment, as follows :--

"It is with much satisfaction that I move the formal adoption of the fifth annual report I trust that the facts presented will prove satis; factory to our guarantors and policy-holders, and show them that the company has in an eminent degree the essential elements of prosperity. The year has been characterized by a general depression in trade, and low prices have prevailed for the general products of the country; under such circumstances life insurance business is usually dull.

Personally I have the greatest faith in the recuperative power of our country, and the ability of our people to overcome transient troubles. The country is a vast one; its resources are enormous and varied in character. We may look for vast results in a few years from the completion of the great railway through our fertile North-West Territories. I have the strongest faith in the coming strength and early development of productive power in that enormous territory. Ministers will come and go, its expansion may be retarded or facilitated by wise or unwise administrations, but, generally speaking, settlement will proceed, population will crowd in, and business of all kinds will feel the stimulus.

Our Company has had in the meantime, in its youth, to struggle with unfavorable circumstances, but has succeeded in continuously maintaining the success which marked the first year. It is not my intention to criticise in a hostile spirit any of our rival companies, but I propose to contrast our position with that of some of the home companies by quoting from published or official statements in a fair legitimate application of the figures.

I bespeak your close attention to these statements:

Policies issued during the fifth year of our

Company, \$1,986,500; Confederation Life, \$1.506,746; Sun Life, \$952,594; Canada Life, \$398,206.

The premium income of the same companes for the fifth year of their existence was as follows:—North American Life, \$151,318.15; Sun Life, \$95,737.99; Canada Life, \$37,892; Confederation Life, \$119,652.57.

In other words, our premium income for our fifth year is \$35,766 larger than that of the most successful of our competitors in its fifth

vear.

Another material element of success is the amount of business in force. We are able to refer with pardonable pride to our position in that respect. At the end of the fifth year it was as follows:

 North American Life
 \$4,849,287

 Confederation Life
 4,004,089

 Sun Life
 2,414,063

 Canada Life
 1,306,304

I propose now to show that in the matter of assets, our position is an exceptionally strong one as compared with these companies, as the

following figures will prove:-

Amount of assets at end of fifth year North American Life, \$346,890.95; Confederation Life, \$289,202.19; Sun Life, \$265,944.64; Ontario Mutual, \$33.721.00; Canada Life, \$95.623.00.

It will be doubtless be gratifying to our guarantors and policy-holders to know that in our fifth year, just concluded, our ratio of expenses to income compares favorably with that of our most active competitors, as the following figures will show:—Ratio of expense to income of North American in 5th year 26.62; Sun Life Co., 10th year, 28.27; Chtario Mutual in 11th year, 30.92; Confederation in 6th year, 26.46.

In respect of terminations the North American occupies a good position, as the following statement will show:—Ratio of terminations to new business, North American during 5th year, 40.21; Confederation Life during 13th year, 70.02; Etna Life on its whole business for 1884, 105.58; and on its Canadian business, 1884, 52.59.

This Company has been able to show an amount of new business for the past year of nearly half a million in excess of the business done by the most successful of our competitors during the fifth year of their history.

I need not quote the figures presented in the the annual report, as you have all heard it read, and will have an opportunity of perusing it at your leisure. Suffice it to say, that I believe more than ever before in a prosperous future for the Company. I cannot say too much of the zeal and thoroughness of Mr. McCabe, the able manager of the Company. He stands in the first rank of his profession, and is possessed of those qualities which constitute him a good business man and make him easily accessible to all.

I should also ill discharge my duty did I not bear testimony to his hard work and devotion to the Company's interests. It gives me equal pleasure to say that Mr. Goldman, the secretary of the Company, has labored with an unselfishness and success which command my entire approval. He has great abilities, and has zealously devoted them to assist in working up the business to its present state. The Company is much indebted to an able corps of agents, than whom no company has a more efficient and respectable body of gentlemen in its service.

The Hon. Mr. Morris in seconding the resolution congratulated the meeting on the evidences the report bore of the stronghold the Company had secured with the insuring public. It was a most gratifying fact that our home companies were doing so largely our life insur-

ance business. He believed the growth of such institutions was a mark of our national development, and that there was a growing feeling towards the support of our own institutions. There were many advantages to insurers in dealing with a home company, controlled by our own people. Their doing so enables us to retain here money to aid in building up and extending Canadian interests, the greater part of which would otherwise be sent abroad. They had the most ample grounds for feeling extreme satisfaction with the very favorable report of the consulting actuary and the unequalled success of the Company. Mr. Morris would in conclusion urge upon his hearers that a Company such as this had two aspects, that of a commercial enterprise and of a beneficent one. Life insurance enabled men in all positions of life to make some provision for their families in case of death, and had proved a great boon to the community. He mentioned a recent case of an old soldier who joined the Buttleford Guards, only a few days before the engagement under Col. Otter with the Indians in the North-West, and was the first to full on the field, and whose widow with three children would, but for a life policy of \$1,000, which was paid without any delay, have been left with no means of support except the pension she was entitled to from the Government. The instances are innumerable of like benefits being conferred on families by life insurance. The motion was adopted unani-

Hon. O. Mowat, Premier of Ontario, in rising to move the thanks of the meeting to the President, Vice-President, Directors and members of the Local and Provincial Boards for their attention to the Company's business, said, that however he and his friend, Mr. Morris, might differ "on some subjects, they heartily agreed in support of such home institutions as this Company. He congratulated the gentlemen named for the efficient manner in which they had attended to the affairs of the Company. The report was most certainly a favorable one. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gordon, and carried unanimously.

Dr. James Thorburn, Medical Director, read a very full report of the monetary statistics of the Company for the last year, and also for the last five years, and pointed out how large a part of last year's losses arose from accident. His report was received and adopted.

dent. His report was received and adopted. On the motion of Hon. G. W. Allan, Senator, seconded by Mr. E. A. Meredith, it was unanimously resolved that as a recognition of the valuable services of the president, vice-president, and chairman of the Finance and Executive Committees a sum of money be placed to their credit. Senator Allan said he could not speak too highly of the great services of the President to the Company. His name was a tower of strength to it, as few are better known or more highly esteemed throughout Canada.

On motion of A. H. Campbell, Esq., Pres. Brit. Can. Loan Co., seconded by Dr. Smith, the by-law for the application of the Company's surplus was passed.

Mr. Gampbell concurred in every word that Senator Allan had uttered respecting the great advantage the Company had derived from having Mr. Mackenzie at its head. His prudent supervision and sound judgment had contributed largely to the handsome results the Company had attained—results which he had shown compared so favorably with those of any of our home companies. The most satisfactory thing next to making a good surplus was to distribute it, and that was the object of the by-law.

On the motion of J. K. Kerr, Q. C., seconded by Mr. Jaffray, Dr. James Carlyle and Mr. W. G. Cassels were appointed auditors. On the motion of Dr. Smith, seconded by Jas. Scott, thanks were tendered the Medical Director, Managing Director, Secretary, inspectors and agents of the Company for the satisfactory discharge of their respective duties.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Mowat, seconded by Mr. Morison it was resolved, that this meeting deeply regrets the severe illness of Mr. J. L. Blaikie, Vice-President, which has prevented his filling his usual place at this meeting, and that the chairman be requested to convey to Mr. Blaikie our deepest sympathy and our earnest wish for his speedy recovery.

Mr. Meredith, LL.D., and Mr. Lake were appointed scrutineers, whereupon the poll was opened.

opened.
The scrutineers reported the old board reelected, with the addition of A. Desjardins, M.P., President of the Jacques Carter Bank.

The meeting then adjourned, whereupon the new board met and re-elected the officers of last year.

FOREIGN INSURANCE COMPANIES AND GOVERNMENT RESERVES.

[COMMUNICATED.]

o The Briton Medical and General Life Assurance Company (Limited), with a capital of £750,000, has suspended payment." Such is the news by cable from London under date of January 21st, referred to in the JOURNAL OF COMMERCE of last week, and the natural thing to do on reading such news is to turn to the Report of the Superintendent of Insurance for the Dominion of Canada, where we find that this company has for years past given a statement of their assets in Canada, but not of their liabilities, the words "no return" apparently being either quite satisfactory to the authorities of the Insurance Department, or all they can demand under the statutes made, for the protection of the Canadian policyholders, for the Superintendent makes no remarks on the fact of the company having made "No Return" and the customary valuation of policies in force is omitted.

If the Canadian Government accepts the H. M. 41 table of the standard for valuing the reserves on policies and then is satisfied with a simple deposit of \$100,000, no matter what the required amount for reserves on policies in force in Canada may amount to. It would be interesting to watch the means adopted by Canadian policyholders in trying to collect the reserve value of their policies, or their success in procuring re-insurance in the event of a similar paragraph as that at the head of this article being published in connection with some companies doing a large business in this country, such for instance as the Equitable of the United States, whose total assets in Canada are less than one-third of the required reserve on Canadian policies, and the whole of whose accumulations are managed by stockholders only.

But in regard to the question of Reserve the Equitable is in much the same position as some other foreign companies doing business in Canada, as may be seen from the following figures, taken from the last Report of the Superintendent of Insurance for Canada:

Comparison of position of Insurance Companies in Canada, as regards their Canadian policyholders.

· Sect 99731LAABAANA		holders.	****		
AMERICAN. Total.					
Name of Company.	Linbilities.	Assets.	Reserve for Ins. in force	Government Deposit.	Valuation Table.
†Ætna	No return	725,000	No return	100,000	
*Connecticut Mutual	978,000	100,000	975,000	100,000	Comb'd 4 p.c
Equitable	1,126,440	265,000	1,124,940	365,000	Am. 4½ p.c.
Metropolitan	57,895	100,000	42,895	100,000	"
*National	107,637	122,875	106,137	100,000	u
New York Life	924,670	100,000	909,672	100,000	Н. М. 4½ р.с
*North Western Mutual	139,456	100,000	138,456	100,000	Acts. 4 p.c.
• Phenix	643,899	105,000	629,157	105,000	к
Travellers	704,445	159,615	698,033	145,000	แ 4วู้ แ
Union Mutual	555,340	174,691	547,576	170,000	Am. 41 p.c.
United States	25,273	100,000	25,273	100,000	u
			BRITISH.	1	1
British Empire Mutual	88,004	604,923	102,749	100,000	H. M. 41 p.c
Briton Life	12,318	54,993	12,318	54,993	"
Briton Medical and General.	No return	111,924	No return	103,370	
Commercial Union	163,384	120,311	160,333	213,647 Fire	H. M. 41 "
*Edinburgh Life	176,617	164,813	174,183	Life & Marine	
*Life Association of Scotl'd	731,830	214,018	680,030	154,760	16
Liverpoot & London & Globe	67, 706	Included in fire st'nt	65,406	170,333 F.& L	
London & Lancashire	380,371	431,071	377,361	118,551	"
London Assurance	5,429	Included in fire st'nt		167,000 F.&L.	"
N. British & Mercantile	No return	Do	No return	175,000 "	16
Queen	85,284	Do	84,473	182,473 "	"
Reffance Mutual	No return	117,463	No return	110,277	14
Royal	294,857	Included in fire stat.	279,511	689,533 "	"
'Scottish Amicable	No return	150,415	No return	1	
· ." Provident	73,530	708,685	1	100,000	II. M. 4 p.c.
• " Provincial	No return	150,863	No return	147,780	
Standard	1,016,725	1,858,675	972,972	352,000	7
Star	No return	97,333	No return	97,333	·
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	CANADIA	<u> </u>	1
Canada	5,155,955	6,315,451	5,102,186	1 60,000	H. M. 4½ p.
Citizens	185,202	189,491	182,413	55,840	11. M. 45 p.
Confederation	1,138,221	1,406,957	1,118,041	83,855	
Federal	45,713	87,452	44,501	54,638	
North American	197,072	278,986	191,761	54,840	" "
Ontario Mutual	601,713	648,937	588,130	101,977	"
Sun	726,260	836,897	703,183	56,000	"
t Under date of 10th July 18		<u> </u>	1	1 20,000	

[†] Under date of 10th July, 1885, the Receiver General acknowledges a deposit of \$100,000, in the statement of account to 31st December, 1884, there would appear to be \$825,000 deposited by this company.

* Ceased to transact new business in Canada.

Now the companies doing the least business would appear to be the best off, if we were to take the Government deposit against the liabilities, as sometimes is done by a company having made the Government deposit of \$100,-000, but whose business in Canada has been small, and the deposit is in consequence quite enough for the insurance in force. In these statements, however, the total assets are put against the total liabilities, and the necessary reserve on Canadian policies, against the amount deposited with the Receiver General for the security of Canadian policyholders. It will be observed that the total assets of the American companies in nearly every instance is composed of the market value of the Government Deposit only, there being no investments made in this country. Now if the deposit with the Receiver General means anything, it is "security to the Canadian policyholders," and unless the necessary reserve be deposited or available in Canada there is no security given worth the expense of maintaining an insurance department, that appears not to have the least control over a company when once it has withdrawn from the Dominion, vide the Government report re the following companies which have not given a statement of their affairs in Canada:

Briton Medical and General.
Reliance Mutual.
Scottish Amicable.
Scottish Provincial.
Star.

So we appear to have an insurance department for the purpose of granting licenses to such companies as make a limited deposit of bonds, and for inspecting the accounts of such as feel disposed to submit statements of their affairs. It of course would be objected that if companies were called on to place the full reserve in the hands of the Government, they would not be able to make profitable investments, and too much would be locked up in bonds paying a low rate of interest. To these objections we would reply that an insurance company is not, nor should it be a speculative concern seeking big interest; but, rather, big security, and that since the rate fixed on to calculate the reserve is acknowledged by all companies to be liberal, almost too much so, it can be no hardship for any company having the necessary reserves to deposit them yearly with the Receiver General, since the income therefrom is paid the company so long as it continues to do business in Canada, and the company that at the present time looks for investments paying over 41 per cent, will likely hereafter mourn the loss of principal. Of course on good mortgages, such as an insurance company can touch, 5 to $6\frac{1}{2}$ per cent can occasionally be got, but these are not so numerous that they would have to be refused on account of the money being required to purchase bonds acceptable to the Receiver General to cover reserve necessary.

So far, however, as Canadian and British companies are concerned, there could easily be some allowance made, since they have large investments in the Dominion which are held in trust for Canadian policyholders, and the British companies, as a rule, invest here not only what they collect in the country, but large sums from the head offices in Great Britain, hence it could be permitted that all companies having investments in Canada and available as assets for the Canadian policyholders might not be obliged to deposit bonds for more than half the full reserve, calculated on the H. M. 41 table, on the insurance in force in Canada, provided the amount of these assets were 50 pe cent over their total Canadian liabilities, and for every addition surplus of 10 per cent should reduce the Government deposit a further 5 per cent until the reserve on policies in force in Canada and deposited with the Receiver General stood at 25 per cent of the full amount of reserve necessary, which should be the minimum held by the Government. This plan would give absolute security and compel companies doing business in Canada to invest here, or at any rate keep a deposit such as would prevent any loss to the country in the event of any foreign company becoming insolvent, and would be rather a good card just now in the reciprocity question between the Governments of Canada and the United States, for that | very large sums are annually drawn from the Dominion by American Life Insurance Companies there is no doubt, and the magnitude of these sums for years past can easily be got at if required to force the argument in favor of reserves being deposited in full by non-investing companies.

But in connection with the suspension of the Briton Medical and General, another question suggests itself to assurers generally, and that is, Stock versus Mutual Life Insurance Companies. The Canadian Government report gives the authorized and subscribed capital as £200,000, of which £66,730 18s 4d is paid up or about one-third of the capital.

During a period when no dividends were given to policyholders the sum of £22,373 was paid as dividend to stockholders, how much more was drawn out of the concern prior to 1872 we are unable to state, as the "Post Magazine Almanac'85," the authority quoted, gives figures since that date only; but that large sums earned on money paid in by the policyholders, and presumedly their property, are constantly being allotted to stockholders there is no doubt, and one has not to go far to find examples.

The payments to stockholders of the Canada Life have been enormous when one considers the ridiculously small sum paid into the company for the possession of stock, and this paid up capital has been returned over and over again and still the stockholders go on drawing sums of money earned on premiums, which alone would suffice to give all the Reserve on insurance in force, instead of the very small

sum named in the list of Government Deposits which is less than 1-80 of the full reserve requisite and another Canadian company, the Confederation, has paid over from 1878 to 1884 the sum of \$74,572.13 to its stockholders, who of course, like any other stockholders, own all the other assets, as well as the stock.

The intention is not to convey the idea that either of these companies cannot afford to pay dividends to their stockholders, but rather to further impress an opinion so ably expressed in an old number of Chambers' Journal which states:

"That after a careful examination of the two plans (Stock and Mutual) we do not besitate to declare our conviction that the Mutual system is the only one which the public at large are concerned to support.

Of the Stock system the same author remarks that "in one instance under our immediate notice £10,000 of paid-up capital now stands, after seventeen years' business, at the value of £70,000 in the stock market, being 600 per cent of premium."

"What is it that has so much increased its value? Only those surplusages of payments by the public which in a Mutual office would all come back to the assured."

In fine, the system of Mutual assurance "pure and undefiled," is that which the public should for its own sake, and partly for the sake of morality also, support."

To bring this more pointedly before us, let us suppose that the policy-holders of that fine old company, the Standard of Edinburgh, had a vote in the management of its affairs, which they have not and seeing that they are, and have been for years, in the habit of paying their stockholders £25,000 yearly on a paid up capital of £120,000 which stands in the stock market at a present value of £500,000, and let us presume, further, that these policyholders vote that they will possess themselves of their accumulations, amounting to £6,203,297.2s. 3d, by purchasing the stock at its market value out of the funds in hand, it would just amount to this, that the policyholders could get the same dividend right along for 15 years, probably more, and the dividend now paid to stockholders, if capitalized at 41 per cent, would in that time have more than recouped the policyholders their purchase money, and of course the company would become the property of and valuable to the many instead of the few, for every policyholder would get his full proportion of profits, and, if possible, be more safely insured than under the present Stock system, for there would be no further drain on the concern by parties whose interests are antagonistic to those of the policyholders. That the company would be as well managed under one system as under the other there can be no doubt, for the largest, best and most prosperous companies on the continents of Europe, America and Australia are the purely Mutual, while the very company whose suspension - has drawn forth these remarks, is a Stock company of £200,000 capital and established in 1854.

Of all the companies named in the list given there appears to be only one that fulfills all the requirements so advisable and so much to be desired for by the insuring public, and that is the British Empire. First, because it is a purely Mutual company, managed by the policy-holders for the policy-holders, each of whom is entitled to one vote and they yearly appoint their own Directors and their own special accountant to audit the company's accounts; second, because it deposits yearly with the Receiver General the full Reserve on all Canadian policies; and, thirdly, because in addition to this, it has assets in Canada largely in access of its liabilities, which are available for the protection of the Canadian policyholders.

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MONTREAL, 2 Feby., 1886.

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FIRE RECORD.

ONTARIO .- Belleville, Jan. 21 .- Dwelling occupied by Mrs. Kelly. Brussets, 22 .- J. Bennett's furniture factory and planing mill; loss \$12,000; insured for 2,000. Gall, 22 .-Middlemiss & Robertson's store; loss \$7,000; insurance \$6,000. Christie & Wilkinson's stock damaged, loss covered by insurance in Waterloo Mutual, Gore District and Phenix of Brooklyn. Martin & McLean's stock damaged; insured in the Glasgow and London, Phenix of Brooklyn, Phenix of London, and Gore District. Wm. Wilkins' loss on building \$3,000, insured for \$1,000 Gore Districte Kingston, 24.-11. Skinner & Co.'s wholesal. drug store, loss \$24,000; covered by insurance. Wesleyan Methodist church, loss \$25,-000; insurance, \$6,000 in Glasgow and London, \$4,000 in Western. Owen Sound, 25,-Benner & Sons woollen mill; insurance \$1,-000 Waterloo Mutual on machinery; \$800 in Gore District on building. Toronto, 25.—Mrs. Correll's millinery store; loss \$300. J. Mrs. Correit's milinery store; toss \$300. J. Bolton's paint shop; loss \$200, covered by insurance. Port Dathonsie, 25.—Capt. R. Read's dwelling; loss \$1,300, covered by insurance. Maxwell, 27.—J. Winter's barn; loss partially covered by insurance. Toronto, Jan. 29.—Toronto Lend and Color Co., loss on stack \$20,000; insurance in the Citizons for on stock \$20,000; insured in the Citizens for \$2,200 ; Attna for \$2,200,Hope\$2,000,Commercial Union \$1,100, Quebec \$1,100; insurance on building \$1,000 in Phoenix. Blenheim, Jan. 29.—Two frame stores, owned by J. Snobblen and occupied by B. F. Sutherland & Co.'s tailoring shop and D. Baird, photographer, loss on building \$600; insured for \$400 in Western; Sutherland's loss, \$1700, insured for \$400 in Western; Baird's loss \$500, insured for \$200 in city of London. Carleton Place, Feb. 1—Crane & Munro's wood-pulling mill; building insured for \$2,000, no insurance on stock. Owen Sound, 1.—W. H. Paulin's tinsmith shop Other Sound, 1.—W. H. Paulin's mismin snop W. A. Grier's grocery store, Woolon's butcher shop, M. J. Hannah's fancy goods store, Mrs. Malone's fancy goods store, and B. Wilcox's sewing machine store; loss \$20,000, insurance as follows; W. H. Paulin \$1,000 in British America, W. A. Grier \$2,000 in British America, W. Wooton \$500 in Gore Mutual, W. J. Hannah \$500 in Waterloo and \$500 in Mercantile, Mrs. Malone, \$1,000 in Waterloo B. Wilcox \$2,400 in Glasgow & London and Commercial Union Toronto, Feb. 3.—James Park & Sons, provision merchants, store; oss \$1,500, covered by incurance.

Quenec-Montreal, Jan. 20.—H. Dagenais crockery store; loss \$800, covered by insurance. St. Raymond, 21.—E. Rouleau's drug store and building occupied by Mr. Plamondon, and Mr. P. Allan; total loss \$4,000. No insurance. 23-Bushnell & Co.'s store; loss \$5,000, covered by insurance. Mathieu Bros. stock damaged, loss \$1,500, covered by insurance in the Western and Queen's. Cole St. Paul, Jan. 29-O. L. Clarke & Co.'s bell factory, loss \$8,000, insured for \$3,000 in the Ætna Co. Montreal, 29 .- Canadian Pacific Railway depot damaged ; loss between \$3,000 and \$4,000, insured for \$17,500 in North British & Mercantile Ins. Co. 29-J. Bolton's restaurant; loss \$700, covered by insurance In the City of London. Feb. 2—Conture & Deganne's barber shop, H. C. Cox & Co., engravers, London & Lancashire Ins. Co's office, W. Dunham, restaurant, damaged. Conture & Deganne, loss \$500, covered by insurance, H. C. Cox \$500, covered by insurance, London & Lancashire Ins. Co.'s office covered by insurance in their own office. W. Dunham covered by insurance in the Scottish Union. Building owned by Estate Judah, fully insured in Royal. Montreal, Feb. 3-Dupuis Frere's dry goods store; loss \$5,000 covered by insurance in the Royal, Com-mercial Union, Citizens, and London & Globe Insurance Co.

New Brunswick.—McAdam, 21.—Carpenter shop and store house of the N. B. Railway partially covered by insurance. Botsford, 16.—Wm. Johnson's dwelling house; insured for \$100.

MANITORA—Winnipeg, 21—Stores of Brydon & McIntosh, J. Aglow and J. Cameron; loss \$15,000.

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THURSDAY EVG., FEB. 4, 1886.

The Bank of England rate is unchanged; street rate in London, 1 per cent. Consols 100 9-16 money. Money loaned here at 3 to 4 per cent on call. Sterling 60-days' sight 9 7-16 to 9 9-16 and 98; demand 98 to 10 and 101 to 101; cables 101; N.Y. funds, 1-32 discount to 1-16 premium and 1 to 1. Posted in New York 4.871 and 4.891; actual 4.863 to 4 87 and 4.884; cables 4.89 to 4.894. The local stock market has been quiet, closing firm. Bank of Montreal sold to-day at 206, 2061 and 2061 and Northwest at 80s, 81s, 81s 3d and 82s. Telegraph has declined considerably, in consequence of the inauguration of the Canadian Pacific commercial service. The full list of stock quotations will be found elsewhere. The following were the total sales and highest and lowest prices of active stocks for the week :-

Banks. Commerce East Townships Merchauts Molsons Montreal Peoples Toronto	294 10 296 179 363 24 50	Highest price. 121½ 110 118 124 206½ 80 188½	Lowest price. 121 110 117½ 125 205½ 78 188½
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Miscellaneous. Can. Cotton Co Can. Cotton Bds Can. Pacific Ry Chumpl'n Junc.Bds Dundas Cotton	29	75 <u>1</u>	75
	\$20,000	101	101
	2345	66	64
	\$11,000	90	89
	70	69	66
Gas Mon. Tel. Co N. W. Ld Passenger R. & O. Nav. Co Do Ex-Div. St. Paul M. and M Western Union	495	193	192
	2900	118 1	113½
	4962	84	80
	232	124 <u>1</u>	122
	75	61 <u>4</u>	61¾
	60	584	58¾
	800	116	114½
	275	734	72

MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

THURSDAY EVG., FEB. 4, 1886.

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There has been no material change during the week. On the whole, recent payments have been met much better than was expected; some losses have been made by small traders, but these were generally encumbered by liabilities of long standing, and their collapse furnishes no index to the trade situation. A feature of the week has been the receipt of repeat orders for winter wear caused by the continued cold weather. The volume of business in most departments is fully up to the average for this season of the year.

Ashes.—Receipts continue very light. Pots have been steady for the past two weeks at \$3.40 for Firsts and \$3.00 for Seconds, the latterly being scarce, no thirds offering. Pearls are purely nominal, no transactions reported for six weeks. Receipts since 1st January, 230 Pots, 13 Pearls. Deliveries, 113 Pots, 3 Pearls. Stock in store at six o'clock on Wednesday evening, 1,469 Pots, 151 Pearls.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—The state of this important industry continues satisfactory, a fair volume of fresh orders have been received, and the number of repeats shows that country merchants had allowed their stocks to run down to a low ebb, and are now anxious to replenish. In the States the boot and shoe market remains rather quiet, and orders are coming along very moderately, and manufacturers do not act as though they were very busy; this is probably because there was more than the usual rush to get goods made upearly this spring in order to avoid labor troubles. It seems to be assured that a higher price must be obtained on some lines of leather, and wages remain at the present high figure,

Canned Goods.—The demand has been well sustained at former values. Canned peas \$1.76 to \$1.80; tomatoes \$1.40 to \$1.45 per doz; lobsters, \$1.45 to \$1.50; mackerel, \$1.75; sardines, fine \$10.50 to \$11, ordinary at \$6.25 to \$9; salmon \$1.45 to \$1.50; spiced salmon, \$3.50; finnan haddies, \$1.25; Hoegg roast beef \$1.95 per 2-lb. tins; pigs' feel, \$3.40; peas, \$1.80; pie peaches, \$1.90; table 3-lb tins, \$3.30; corn, \$1.40 to \$2; strawberries, \$2; raspberries, \$1.80; cherries, \$1.75; Bartlett pears, \$2 to \$2.25; plums, \$1.72\$.

COAL AND WOOD.—There has been a steady demand. American anthracite in ordinary distributing lots, stove, \$6.50 to \$6.75; chestnut, \$6.25 to \$6.50; egg and furnace,

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\$6 to \$6.25. Lower Ports steam \$4.50 to \$4.75; grate \$5.50 to \$6; Scotch steam, \$5.25; grate \$6. Cordwood—Yard prices per long cord (cartage 50c extra) are as follow: Maple, \$6; birch, \$5.50; beech, \$5.50; tamarac, \$5; hemlock, \$4.50. Coke \$2.50 per chaldron of 36 bushels; crushed coke (stove or egg size) \$3.30 delivered.

DAIRY PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS .- The usual jobbing trade is reported in butter, the export business being at a standstill. In cheese there is nothing new at this point. Mail advices indicate a fair trade in the principal foreign markets. Provisions in moderate demand, and pork firm in sympathy with the West. Dressed hogs are higher; two cars of choice sold at \$5.75 and we quote \$5.60 to S5.70 per 100 lbs. The egg market was quiet and unchanged, with a moderate demand at former prices. We quote limed 16c to 20c as to quality, and fresh 21c to 23c. Canadian We quote limed 16c to 20c as limed in New York are at 18c. Poultry had a quiet market, owing to light offerings. We quote:—Turkeys, 10c to 11c; ducks, 9c to 10c; chickens and geese, 5c to 7c per lb.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Business in drugs has continued fair; quinine is depressed and iodide potass easy, but other lines are steady, Spring orders for heavy chemicals are increasing; bleaching powder is firmer, and there has been an advance of 12s 6:1 in caustic soda. Dye stuffs, steady. Sumac, \$90 to \$100 per ton for prime brands; extract of logwood, 7\frac{1}{3}c; chip logwood, 1\frac{1}{3}c to 2c; archib 27c to 30c per lb for concentrated; gambier, 5\frac{1}{3}c to 6\frac{3}{3}c; indigo, \$1.50 to \$1.75; cochineal, 38c to 40c; cutch, 7\frac{1}{2}c to 8c.

DRY Goods .- The extremely cold weather which has prevailed lately has materially helped country storekeepers to clear off their winter stocks, and some repeat orders for heavy goods are reported. Stock-taking is now nearly over in the West and orders for spring goods are coming in freely. The accident to the "Sarnia" has caused a good deal of annoyance to the dry goods trade, some houses having nearly all their spring goods on board her, while nearly every firm had a few cases or invoices in her cargo; in fact, it will throw the trade of some firms a month later than usual. A number of small failures are reported, though remittances are said to be improving, but this week's payments will be looked for with some anxiety by many wholesalers. In the States the market is slightly more active and a better tone is generally noticeable. This is largely due to the improvement in cottons, the advance in print cloths, and the general opening of cassimeres and worsteds at an advance over last year's prices. Jobbers find local trade rather quiet, but the orders from the West are satisfactory and the general movement of goods up to date is slightly in advance of last year. Collections continue satisfactory.

Fish and Ohls.—There is more jobbing demand for dried and salt fish, and fresh fish have been in demand. Haddock firm at 4½c, cod lower at 3c to 3½c, and tommy-cods firmer at \$1.25 to \$1.30 per barrel. The supply of Labrador herrings is placed at 9,000 bris, and \$2.90 is about the best bid for round lots Salmon is firm. The fish oil market has ruled.

quiet. Linseed oil is depressed and the London market is cabled at £19 12s 6d to £19 15s.

FLOUR AND GRAIN .- The movement of grain has again been confined to small car-load lots . on track prices of wheat have been shaded slightly, but, generally speaking, the market is steady. Ungraded Canada barley has sold in New York at 78c. Quotations elsewhere are little changed from last week. Flour has been easier, although receipts have been light. Extra has sold down to \$3.90 and fine to \$3.20 Three cars of Manitoba strong bakers' sold at \$4.80. A lot of 125 brls. choice superior sold at \$4.25 and \$1.25 do at \$4.25. The Western markets have ruled weak. A despatch from Chicago says :- The market had grown considerably long during the past few days, and large professional operators sold it to-day. The latter forced the market from the opening, and this afternoon made an irresistible on-slaught, scaring out all classes of local longs as well as a good many outside holders. seems now to be at the mercy of the bear clique, who can easily work a further break.
The exports at the scaboard were 24 loads. Provisions held comparatively steady, but corn weakened a half cent in sympathy. Beerbohm reported the Liverpool wheat market weaker at lower quotations, viz., standard weaker at lower quotations, viz., standard California, including club white, at 6s 7d to 6s 10d, fair average red winter at 7s 1d, and white Michigan at 7s 1d. Corn was firm at 4s 2d. The Parisian markets were firm. The imports of breadstuffs into the United Kingdom last week show a decrease of 65,000 quarters wheat, a decrease of 75,000 quarters corn, and an increase of 50,000 barrels flour compared with the previous week, and a decrease of 150,000 quarters wheat, a decrease of 40,000 quarters corn, and a decrease of 105,000 barrels flour compared with the same date last

Furs .- Additional private cables received referring to the London fur sales report a better demand and generally higher prices than prevailed at the last series. The results of the beaver and muskrat sales have been recorded, and now skunk, mink and raccoon are reported. Best skunk sold at an advance of 15 per cent. Mink was in brisk demand and sold well, a sharp advance taking place in some lots of selected, while raccoon sold at about the same price as last year. In this market the effect of the advance on mink is shown by a similar improvement, prime skins being now worth 75c, with the range from that down to 40c. Skunk also are firmer at \$1.10 for black, 75c for half, 50c for narrow, and 25c for white per skin. Receipts of raw furs have been unusually light for some raw furs have been unusually light for some days. We quote strictly prime skins as follows:—Beaver per lb., \$2.25 to \$2.75; bear, large, per skin \$8 to \$12; bear, small, per skin, \$5 to \$7; bear cub, per skin, \$3 to \$6; fisher, per skin, \$2.50 to \$4; otter, per skin, \$8 to \$10; lynx, per skin, \$2 to \$3; mink, per skin, 40c to 70c; marten, per skin, 50c; skunk, \$1.10 for black, 75c for half, 50c for warrow and 25c for white: raccoon per for narrow and 25c for white; raccoon, per skin, 25c to 50c. Red fox 75c to \$1. Muskrat, winter, 8c; kits, 3c.

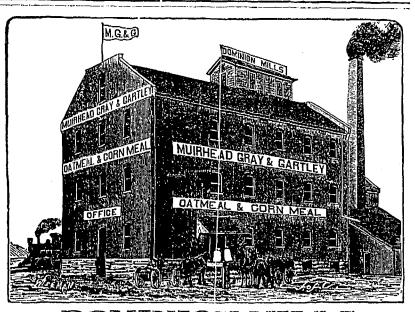
GROCERIES.—In most lines there has been a good turn-over, and the tendency is towards improvement. Tea is firm, with stocks well

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under control but the demand has been scarcely so brisk this week. Coffee fairly active, with sales of several hundred bags. Sugar slow; prices have been shaded to induce business. Round lots of granulated have sold at 6 tc, with smaller lots at 69c. Molasses active with a stronger feeling, which has advanced prices Ic to 2c since a week ago. During the week sales of about 600 puncheous have been made, including lots of Barbadoes at 31c, and holders now ask 32c. Trinidad has been offered at 29c, but that seems a relatively high figure. Fruit.—Currants have advanced, and best grades are now held at 7c, with indifferent sellers. Raisins remain firm. Almonds and nuts have sold at steady prices, while the value of dates has been reduced. Figs have been in fair request. Spices and Rice.—Black pepper has ruled strong at an advance of 14c. Sales have been made at 181c, which is now an inside figure. Stocks are light. White is firm but unchanged. Owing to an advance in London and New York on account of cropdamage reports from Zanzibar, cloves have manifested a firmer tone, and since are obtainable at under 15c. The rice market has been quiet and unchanged at \$3.30 to \$3.75-

HAY, STRAW AND FEED .- There was a fair demand for hav, but the receipts were light. Choice timothy sold at \$12, with inferior at \$10 per 100 bundles. Pressed hay was fairly enquired for at \$16 for No. 1 and \$15 for No. 2 per ton. The receipts of straw were light and prices firm at \$4 to \$6 per 100 bundles as to quality. The demand for pressed straw was quiet at \$10 per ton. Moulie was quiet but higher, at \$24 to \$26 per ton as to quality. There was a good demand for bran at \$14 to-\$16 per ton. Shorts were quiet at \$16.50 to-\$17.50 per ton.

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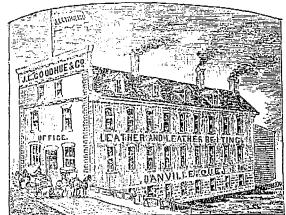
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HIDES AND TALLOW.—A moderate demand has existed at our revised prices of last week. Western stock has followed the decline here.

IRON AND HARDWARE .- The position of affairs has not materially changed since last writing. Customers are ordering in small quantities and interior stocks are generally reported to be limited. Local makers and importers do not look for large shipments until freights are lower. In the nail trade, buyers seem content to buy a few kegs to sort up with. Demand for horse-shoes flat and prices low; horse nails in good demand. Advices by last mail report finished iron dull and unchanged. A further decline has occurred in lower grade of tin and terne plates, and the tendency is still downwards. The number of cheap sellers is limited, and of these a considerable number cannot deliver before middle to end of February, so that the position is not wanting in elements of strength. A considerable business in copper, and tendency to higher prices. An English firm writes :- "While the association for controlling the production of steel rails has had a beneficial effect in stopping the downward course of prices and fixing values, that any way cover cost of production, a similar endeavor on the part of Cleveland pig iron makers, though successful for a short time, failed completely in the end, and the much vaunted attempt a few months back in the same direction by the South Wales tin plate makers has fallen very short of expectation. It was intended to entirely stop production one week in every four for some months, yet in face of this and heavy shipments stocks have not been reduced, and prices are below the figures at this time last year. Having a monopoly of the trade of the world this business is conducted in a manner that brings no profit to the maker, or satisfaction to any one handling the goods, while the transition from charcoal to steel, the numerous new brands that have sprung up, and the rapidly decreasing quantity of tin used in surfacing, have surrounded the trade with an amount of uncertainty perplexing to both buyer and seller. There are, of course, brands as faithfully representing their value as the figures on a bank note, and the only remedy is for consumers to insist upon these brands alone being supplied, and not to be tempted away by lower-priced plates, which show no saving but cause everybody concerned annoyance and loss. It would also materially simplify business if importers would furnish shippers with a classified list of brands best suited to the requirements of their market and their individual wants, and wide enough in its range to afford sufficient margin for ensuring the lowest price being obtained, consistent with the quality and tinning, and outside of which they should not be allowed to go. One of the most characteristic features of the year's trading has been the un-due prominence given to the lowest-priced goods, price and not quality determining the business in the majority of cases." It is said the Siemens factory has sold considerable iron to Western consumers at prices \$1 to \$2 per ton below what Scotch brands could be delivered at, notwithstanding the low prices current in Scotland, where warrants have de-clined to 39s 7d. Tinplates are cabled lower. Latest London cables are:—Tin, spot, at £92 15s; three months' futures at £93. Market firm; G. O. B. Chili bars, £40; best relected copper at £44; soft Spanish lead at £12 58; soft English lend at £12 15s; Silesian spelter

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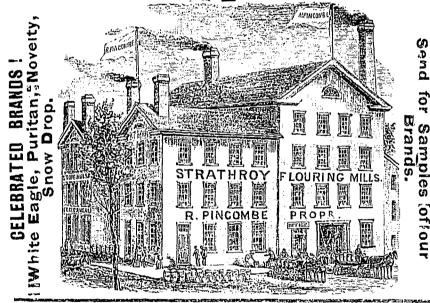
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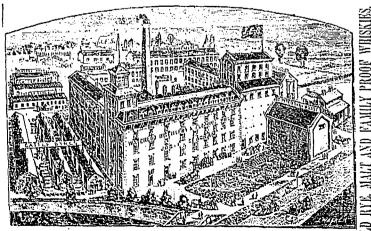
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at £15; Hallett's antimony at £35 10s; tin plates at 13s. It is reported that Canadian buyers have been operating in Glasgow warrants to the extent of over 20,000 tons.

LEATHER .- There is rather more doing in the leather market than last week, but still the volume of trade hardly equals the expectations of the more sanguine dealers. No quotable change in prices has occurred but in view of the accumulation of stock prices are hardly so firm, and dealers are disposed to make slight concessions. Sales are reported of 700 sides light No. 1 sole at 243 cents and some large lots of American leather have changed hands at prices kept secret. We also hear of sales of 2500 sides at fair figures, including No. 2 Spanish B. A. at 23 cents, No. 1 China 223 cents, and No. 1 slaughter at 261c. In the States a moderate volume of business has been done, but there is no go in the market. Affairs are much as they were last fall; there is no disposition to buy ahead, and it is doubtful if any small concessions would benefit trade.

LIVE STOCK,-In shipping cattle business has been quiet, but sellers are steady in their views at 4c to 41c per 1b., live weight. There was a fair enquiry from butchers who bought more freely. Sales were made at from 3c to te per lb. as to quality. There was also a fair demand for sheep at better prices, the range of transactions being from 3c to 4c per Ib., tive weight. Lambs were in fair request and casy at 3½c to 4c. Live hogs were in light supply, but easy under a slow demand at 4c to 4½c per lb. Calves sold at 86 to \$10 each, as to quality. Late cables are—London, refrigerated beef 4s for hind-quarters and 3s for forequarters per 8 lbs., by the carcase. Liverpool—refrigerated beef 6½df for hind-quarters and 4½d for forequarters per lb.

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Wook .- There'is really nothing new or interesting to report in the wool market this week. Manufacturers are only purchasing as their immediate needs make necessary, and full prices are generally paid, in fact, the market may be reported as steady, with a firm tone prevailing. In the States the market continues very steady and although the feeling of uncasiness, which, rather than weakness, has characterized the tone of business during January, has in a measure passed away, manufacturers, for the most part are not eager purchasers just at present, although lower prices for wool are at present highly improbable. Until the close of next week it will be exceedingly difficult for buyers to tell from orders received for goods just what grade of wool they desire and for another week certainly a quiet market should excite no surprise.

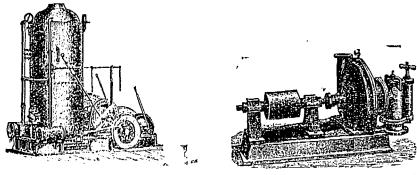
TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS. (Revised by Telegraph.)

TORONTO, Feb. 4, 1886.

The wholesale markets this week are without much change. In some branches there is said to be a better enquiry, and the feeling altogether is of a hopeful character. While there is a good deal of caution displayed, confidence is increasing, and a good trade anticipated. Stocks in the country are comparatively small, and prices are likely to be steady. Dry goods, millinery and drugs each report a fair volume of business for the season of the year. The money market is quiet and rates easy. Call loans are quoted at 41 to 51 on bank stocks and at 31 to 4 on debentures and first-class miscellaneous shares. Time loans 5 to 51 per cent. Commercial paper in fair offer; A1 is discounted at 6 per cent, and good at 7. Sterling Exchange firm; 60-day bills between banks are quoted at 1091 to 1095, and demand bills at 1097 to 110. New York drafts are par to 1-10 premium between banks. The stock market has been quiet, with but slight changes in quotations. During the past few days there have been sales of Montreal at 2064, Ontario at 1094 to 110, Merchants at 1173 to 118, Commerce at 1214, Imperial at 133, Federal at 103, Dominion at 2043, Standard at 1213, Freehold Loan at 1671, Dominion Savings at 1133, Building and Loan at 108, Imperial Savings at 114, and Hamilton Provident at 127. Following are prices bid to-day as compared with those of last Thursday.

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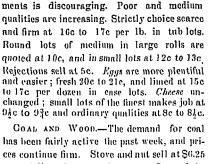
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Coal Oil.—Burning oils are in fair request, and prices are steady. Single barrel lots of Canadian refined sells at 184c a gallon, and five

and prices are steady. Single barrel lots of Canadian refined sells at 18½ a gallon, and five to ten barrel lots at 18c. Carbon safety 20c. American oils unchanged at 24c for prime and 27c for water white. Crude is unchanged at 88c to 88½ in Petrolea, and refined is quoted at 14½ a gallon in car lots.

DRESSED Hogs.—Offerings are small for the season of the year, and we have to quote still higher prices. There were sales yesterday of car lots of heavy at \$5.50 to \$5.60, and small lots are selling at \$5.70 to \$5.85, the latter for averages of about 125 lbs.

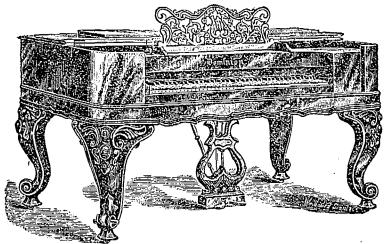
Davas.—Business is better this week, and prices are firm all round. Turpentine 65c to 70c a gallon; alcohol at \$3.27 per gallon; castor oil at 10c to 12c; opium at \$3.80 to \$4.00; glycerine, steady at 16c; quinine, 90c to \$1.00; morphia, \$1.80 to \$2. Gentian root, 12c to 15c; tartaric acid, 55c to 60c per 1b.; linseed oils 66c for raw, and 68c for hoiled. Dutch madder 12\frac{3}{2}c to 14c. Beeswax 40c to 45c per 1b.

FLOUR AND GRAIN .- The demand for flour has been very limited this week, but, as offerings are not as liberal as they were, prices have been maintained. There were several sales of superior extra at \$3.60; extra are quoted at \$3.50, and spring extras at \$3.45. Patents rule at \$4.10 to \$4.65, according to quality. Stock in store 1375 barrels as against 1,125 barrels last week and 2500 barrels at the corresponding period of last year. Wheat has been dull and prices close easy. The demand is restricted, but offerings are not large. No. 2 fall sold on Wednesday at 81c on track, and for May delivery this grade is nominal at 86c to 87c. No. 2 red winter is nominal at 82c and No. 2 spring at 82c to 83c. No. 2 Manitoba frosted 70c to 75c, and No. 3 frosted 55e to 60e. Stock in store 347,470 bushels as against 259,956 bushels at the corresponding period of last year and 82,077 bushels in 1884. Barley has been quiet and prices steady. No. 1 is quoted at 92c to 93c, No. 2 sold at 81c, No. 3 extra at 71c to 72c. No. 3 choice at 64c and No 3 at 57c to 59c. Stock in store 198,846 bushels as against 203,196 bushels last week, and 157,959 bushels at the corresponding period of last year. Oats quiet and firmer, with sales of ear lots at 33c

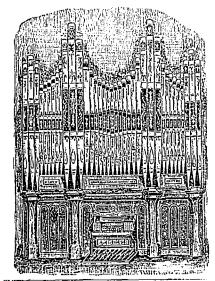
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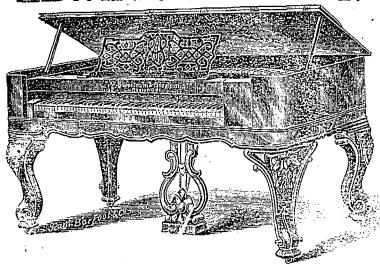
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to 334c on track. Stock in store 1884 bush as against 2000 bushels at the corresponding period of last year. Peas steady with sale of two cars on Tuesday at 59c; stock 15,528 bushels as against 18,855 bush at the corresponding period of last year. Rye purely nominal in price; no stock in store. Outmeat is steady at \$3.75 to \$3.85 for ordinary cars on track. Bran in moderate demand and steady; car lots are quoted at \$12.50 to \$13 on track.

GROCERIES .- A fair business is reported for the week, and prices are not materially changed. Dried fruits are firm, currants searce, and selling at 61c to 63c. Valencias 9c to 9]c. Sugars are steady; granulated is quoted at 6ge to 7c. Teas continue in fair demand and prices are firm. Rio Coffee sells at 97c to 10c. There is a moderate movement in syrups at unchanged prices.

HARDWARE .- Trade is fair and prices steady. Lead is a trille firmer at 33c to 41c for pig, and at 41c and 51c for sheet. Bar iron, \$1.70; pig iron, Summerlee \$19 to \$19.50; Carmbroe, \$18 to \$18.50. Glass, \$1.80. Nails steady. Ingot tin, 23c to 24c; bar, 26c to 27c. Tin plates, I. C. coke, \$4.10 to \$4.25; I. C. charcoal, \$4.50 to \$4.75; D. C. do \$3.75 to

HIDES AND SKINS .- Hides in moderate demand and prices unchanged; green bring 9c for No. 1 steers and 81c for No. 1 cows. Calfskins are nominally unchanged; none offering. Sheepskins are in good demand, and prices are firmer. Country receipts are fair, and prices from 80c to 90c; the best bring \$1.10 to \$1.25. Tallow dull and easy at 51c to 53c for rendered and 24c for rough.

LEATHER.-There is a moderate trade and prices are firm. Heavy slaughter sole is quoted at 28c to 30c; light do, at 26c to 28c; Hemlock harness, 28c to 33c; uppers, heavy, 29c to 33e; do light to medium, 36e to 40e; French kip skins, 76e to 95e; Chicago slaughter kip, 65e to 75e; buil 16e to 18e; pebble, 14c to 18c.

LIVE STOCK .- The receipts of cattle this week show a large decrease, but they were fully up to requirements. The demand was light, and prices continue about steady. Choice export steers are quoted at 44c, but very few offered. First class butchers' cattle sold at 3½c to 3%c; fair to medium sold at 3c to 34c, and inferior at 24c. Milch cows brought from \$30 to \$45 a head. Sheep firm at 31c to 33c per lb. for shippers. Lambs brought \$3.50 to \$4.25 for choice and \$3 for ordinary. Hogs are steady at 31c to 41c, the latter for choice light weights. Calves range from \$5 to \$12 a head, according to size and quality.

Provisions .- There is a very limited trade and prices show few changes. A car of long clear bacon sold a few days ago at 62c, and small lots job at 6%c to 7c. Cumberland Cut is quoted at 61c. Hams are steady at 11c to 114c for smoked and at 91c to 10c for sweet pickled. Small lots of lard sell at 9c to 9le. Hops unchanged, small lots being quoted at 8c. Polatoes firm at 55c to 58c for car lots, and at 70c to 75c per bag for small lots. Beans unchanged at \$1 a bushel for country lots and at \$1.25 to \$1.30 for small lots of handpicked.

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THE AMERICAN MARKETS.

Bostos, Feb. 4.—Flour, steady but quiet market, sales confined to small lots. Spring patents quoted \$5.25 to \$5.75, and winter wheats \$5.15 to \$5.50. Superfine sold at \$3.10 to \$3.35; medium extras \$3.90 to \$4.15; choice extras \$4.19 to \$4.25. Comment unchanged at \$2.25. Outment at \$1.50 to \$4.75 fine, \$5 to \$5.25 cut. Hay, quiet but easy market, sales at \$19 to \$20 for choice, \$15 to \$18 medium. Butter, choice in good demand and firm, sales of Northern creamery 27e to 28c, choice 24c to 26c, and good to choice 18c to Cheese quiet but firm, extra quoted 10c to 101c, good to choice 9c to 94c, common to good be to 8c. Eggs dull and easy sales of fancy 24c to 25c, extras 22c to 23c. Canada Peas selling in small lots at 85c to \$1.

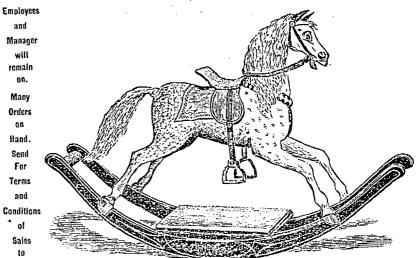
SPECIAL NOTICES.

The name of E. B. Eddy, Hull, Que., became prominent some years ago in connection with the manufacture of woodenware and matches, and to-day it is said that his establishment is one of the largest of the kind in existence. In the woodenware department of his extensive premises the yearly caput of pails averages 600,000, 75,000 tubs, and about 80,000 washboards. The facilities in this branch of the business are large enough to double the above figures, but the demand for these articles is not large enough at present to justify running at full capacity. There is also a large sash and door factory connected with this business, in which all classes of builders' supplies are turned out, together with packing boxes, box shooks, etc. Upwards of \$10,000 per week is paid out in wages, and the annual output amounts to \$1,500,000 on an average. Employment is given to about 2,500 persons, besides about 500 or 600 men are at work in the woods. Mr. Eddy owns extensive "limits" a tract of land of about 500 square miles in extent, the greater part of which is forest, and a growing village called Fort Eddy. force employed in driving the mills is derived from the unlimited water power of the Ottawa, assisted by mechanical agencies of modern invention, and is equal to about 600 horse power. The extensive new buildings, erected since the great fire of three years ago, cover many acres of land, and are too numerous to allow of a description here. At present three saw mills are in operation, the principal one located at Hull, being claimed as the finest as regards its equipment and capacity in America. regards its equipment and capacity in America. Seventy million feet of lumber have been turned out yearly for the past lifteen years, and in the mills and factories 500,000 logs are annually consumed. The match factory consists of a range of buildings containing two machine rooms, two dipping rooms, two large packing rooms, a warehouse, and shipping office, besides engine house, drying rooms, etc. This factory gives employment to about 50 men and boys and about 150 girls. The total output of matches foots up to 400,000 gross per year.

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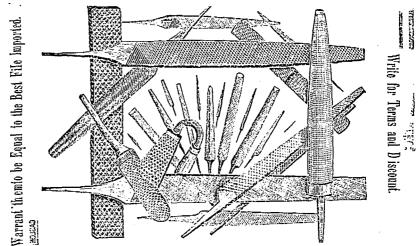
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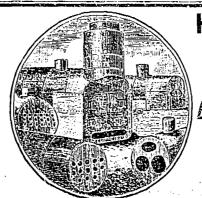
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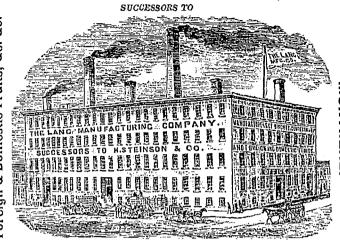
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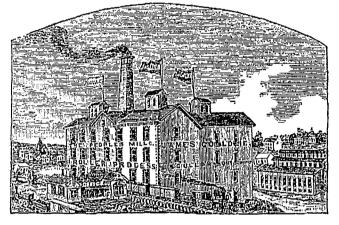
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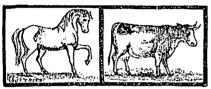
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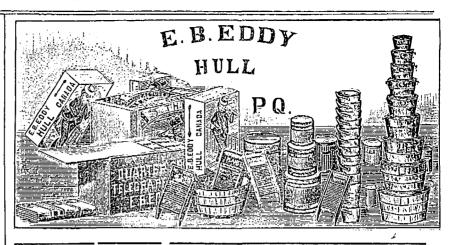
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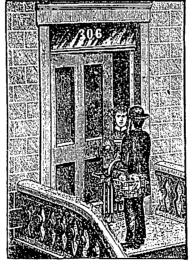


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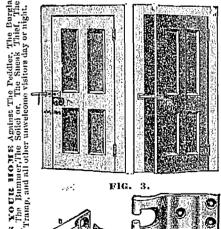
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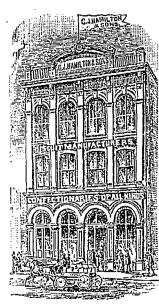
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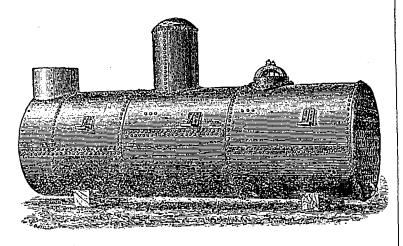


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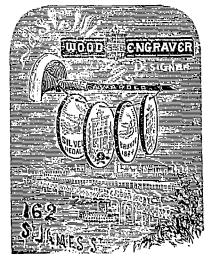
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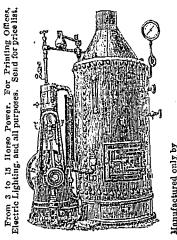
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Maritime	100	321,900	321 900	60,000	3	2 July 2 Jan 2 June 1 Dec	110	110 00
Merchants' Bk, Can.	100	5,798,267	5.726,090	1,375,000	35	2 June 1 Dec		117 75
Merchants', Halifax	100	1,000,000 2,000,000	2,000,000 2,000,000	200,000 675,000		I Aug. 1 Feby. 1 April 1 Oct.	100 123	100 00 61 50
Merchants' Bk, Can. Merchants', Halifax Molsons Bank Montreal	50 200	12,000,000	12,000,000	6,000,000		1 June 1 Dec	208	412 00
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New Brunswick	160	1,000,0 0	1,000,000	300,000	4	10 A pril 10 Otc.	1214	121 50
Nova Scotia	100	1 114,300	1,114,300	340,000	31	<u></u>	1274	127 50
Ontario Bank	100	1,500,000	1.500,000	485,000		2 June 1 Dec	1091	109 50
People's of Halifax	100 20	1,000,000	1,000,000 600,000	210,000 35,000	3‡ 25	1 June 1 Dec Feby. Aug.	118 98	116 00 19 60
People's Bank, N. B.	50	0.0,000	150,000			1 coj. 250g.	100	50 00
Pictou Bank	50	500,000	250,000		3		70	35 00
Quebec Bank	100	500,000 2,500,000	2.500.000	325,000	3	1 April 1 Oct	10)	100 00
St. Stephen's Bank	100	200,000 803,700	200,000[25,000	4.	<u>.</u>		
Standard	50	803,700	803,700	220.000		2 Jan 2 July	117	58 75
Toronto	100	2,000,000 5 00,000	200,000 803,700 2,000,000 187,420	1,150,000	4 (2 June 1 Dec	188	188 00
Traders Bank of Can. UnionBank,(Halifax)	50	1,0,0,000	500,000	40,000	3		59	49 50
Union Bank of L.C	100	2,000,000	2 000,000		l	2 Jan 2 July	44	44 00
Ville Marie	100	500,000	464,300	20,000	31	2 June 1 Dec	81	81 00
\ Western of Canada		500,000	258,960	15,00	••••		********	*****
Agric Con and Francisco	100	400 000 600,000	390,870) 578,313	30,000) 67,000	3		1923	122 5 ₀ 59 25
Agrie, Say, and Loan Co Brant, Loan and Say, Co.	50 50	130,000	121,000	6,000	31		1184 106]	53 25
Brit. Can. Loan & Inv. Co.	100	1,859,000	267,066	27,000	3	1 Jan 1 July	164	118 00
Brit. Mortg. Loan Co	100	450,000	223,771	30,000	31		106	106 00
Brit, Morig, Loan Co Building and Loan Assoc.	25	750,000	750,000	90,000		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	107	26 75
Canada Cotton Co	100 50	750,000 1,500,000	697,900 663,990	125,000	0 4	2 Jan 2 July	75 124	75 00 62 00
Canada Landed Credit Co. Can. Perm. Loan and Sav.	60	3,000,000	2,200,000	1,100,000		1 Jan 1 Jely	205	102 50
Can, Sav. and Loan Co	50	700,000	650,410	120,000	4			60 00
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Dominion Telegraph Co	50	1,000,000	1,000,600		3	15 Jan and Qtly	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	44 00
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Farmer's Loan and Sav. Co Freehold Loan and Sav. Co	100	1,876,000	1,000,000	445,000		1 June 1 Dec	16684	166 75
Hamilton Prov. and Loau.	100	1,500,000	1,100,000	125,000		2 Jan 2 July	125	125 50
Home Sav. and Loan Co	100	1,000,000	100,000]	40,000	37			
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Huron & Erle Loan Soc	50	1,500,000	1,100,150	391,000 32,000	5 4	t Jan 1 July	158	72 00
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Landed Banking and Loan		700,000	424,604	40,000	3	2 Jan 2 July		
Lond. & Can. Loan and Ag.	50	400,000	500,000	260,000	5 1	15 Mch 15 Sept	152	76 00
London Loan Co	50	665,000	550,000	57,000l	4	31 Dec. 30 Junel	116 118	58 00
Lond, and Ont. Inv. Co	100	2,250,000	460,000	80,000	31	2 Jun 2 July	117	117 CO
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Montreal Building Assoc.	50	300,000	00,000	100 000	8, [18 Mai 18 0	854	35 50
Montreal Loan and Mortg. National Investment Co	100	1,700,000	32,812 418,000	106,000 22,500	31	15 Mcb 15 Sept 31 Dec 30 June	89 100	44 50
N. S. Sugar Refinery	100	350,000	50,000	. 	21	2 Jan 2 July	100	100 00
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Ont, Inv. Assoc	50	6,650,000	650,000	500,000	4		117	58 50
Ont. Loan and Deb. Co	50	2,000,000	1,200,000	285,000	4	l Jan - 1 July	125	62 50
People's Loan and Dep. Co Real Est. Loan and Deb. Co	50 50	500 000) 500,000	467,048 346,213	42,000	31 3	1 Jan 1 July	105 30	52 50
Richelleu and Out Nav. Co	100	1,610,000	1,619,000		3	9 Feb 15 Sept	581	15 00 58 50
Royal Loan and Say, Co	50	500,000	410,615	24,000	4	Jan July	116f	58 124
Starr M'fg Co., Halifax	100	200,000	200,000		4.	March	90	90 00
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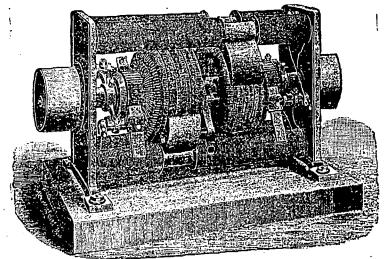
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Dairy Produce. Creamery, good to choice. yearly makes Townships, finest fair to good. Brockyille, choice. Western bairy Cheese, line fall. Earlier makes. Drugs and Chemicals. Acid Carbolic Cryst. Medic finest makes. Drugs and Chemicals. Acid Carbolic Cryst. Medic finest makes. Drugs and Chemicals. Acid Carbolic Cryst. Medic finest makes. Drugs and Chemicals. Acid Carbolic Cryst. Medic finest makes. Bleaching Powder. Blue Vitrol. Brimstone. Brom. Potass. Camphor, Eng Ref. Ann. Ref Castor Oil. Cantstle Soila. Citric Acid. Copperas, por 100 lbs Cream Tartar Epsom Saits. Extract Logwood, best. finest conditions Gun Arable, per lb. Traj. Indigo, Madrass Morphia. Madder, best. fordinary. Optum. Oyalic Acid Phosphorus Potash Bichromate Potash Soida Strychuline. Tartaric Acid FISH. Labrador Herrings, No. 1 finest acid f	0 20 0 21 0 10 0 10 0 10 0 10 0 10 0 10	Japan, com. to med., ib good med. to fine innest to choleest Nagasaki Y. Ilyson, com. to gd. inte to finest, ib Gunpd, fair to med., if good to fine intest. interting to finest interting	3 95 4 00 4 27 4 40 4 80 6 00 0 3 80	Pinento. "Pipepor, Black. "White. "Mustard, 4 lb., per jar 1 lb. "Rice: p. 100 lb "Patha per lb Tapioca, Pearl "Flake "Gelatine, Favorite, (Poliwka's) 1 lb. can "1 qt. pk (Cox's) 4's. "1 qt. pk (Cox's) 4's. "4 gt. gx (Cox's) 4's. "4 gt. gx (Cox's) 4's. "5 Surenicelli. Macaroni. Starch: Boxes, 28 to 42 lbs No. 1 White. Canada Laundry No. 1 Blue. Silver Gloss. Satin. Canada Com. Benson's Prepared. Vinegar; Imp. Triple. Cote D'or Crystal Pickling.	0 23 0 243 0 16 0 173 2 83 3 90 4 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9	Finishing Nails: 1 in, to 1 p. 100 lb, keg 1 in, to 1 q. '' '' 2 ln, and up ''' '' Tibbacco Hox Nutls: 1 in, & 1 q. p. 1, 0 lb, keg 1 q. '' '' '' 2 q. '' '' 2 l' '' '' Clinch and Heavy Clinch 3 in, and up	0 25 0 00 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

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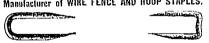
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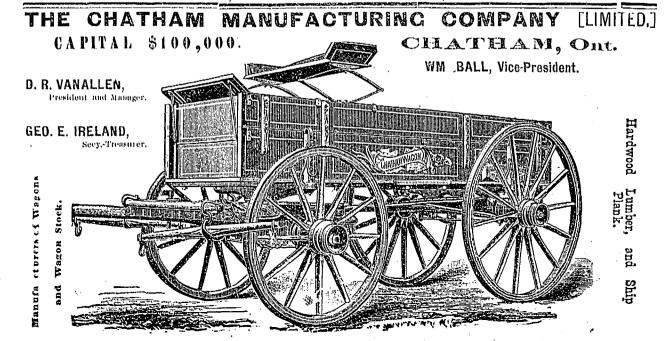
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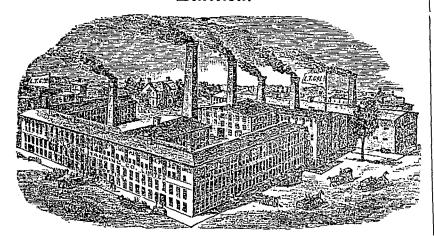
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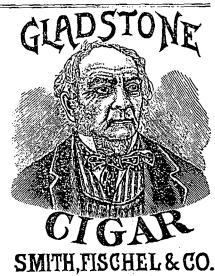
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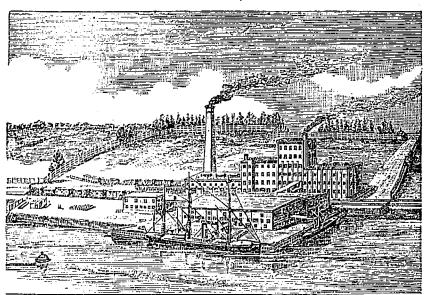
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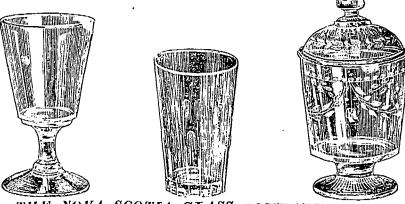


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C. DRINKWATER, Office of the Secretary.

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The works, throughout, will be let in Sections Maps of the several localities, together with plans and descriptive specifications, can be seen at this office on and after MONDAY, the 11th day of JANIARY next (1886), where printed forms of tender can be obtained. A like class of information clutive to the works north of Alambarg will be furnished at the Resident Engineer's Cilice, Thorold; and for works south of Allambarg specifications, &c., may be seen at the Resident Engineer's Office. Welland

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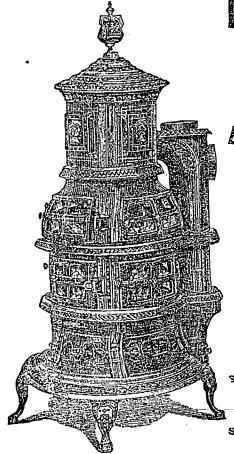
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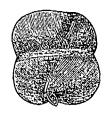
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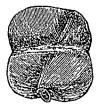
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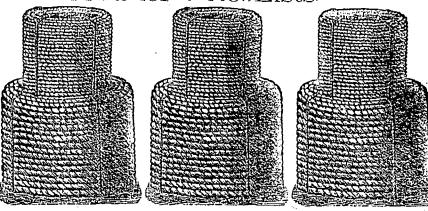
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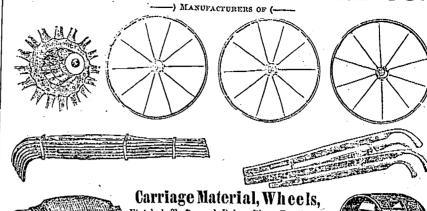
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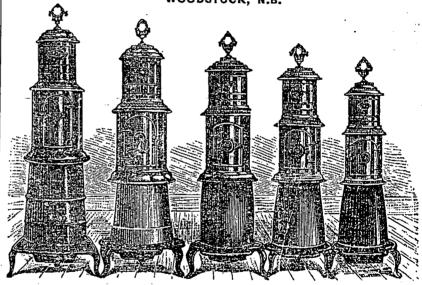




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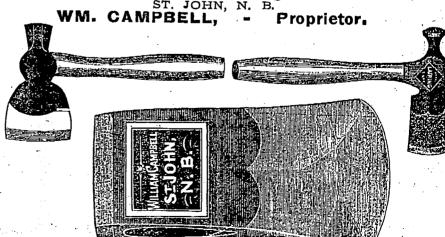
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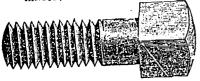


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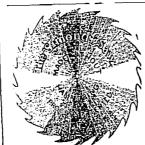
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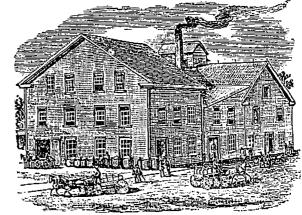
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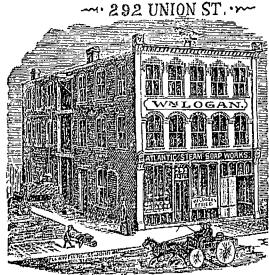


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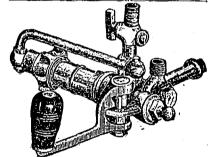
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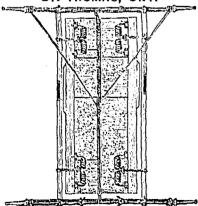
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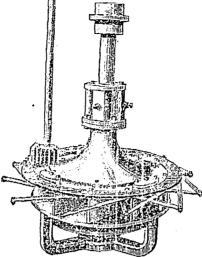
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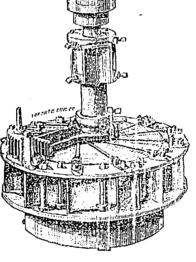
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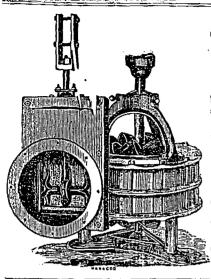
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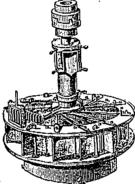
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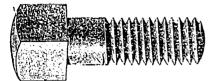
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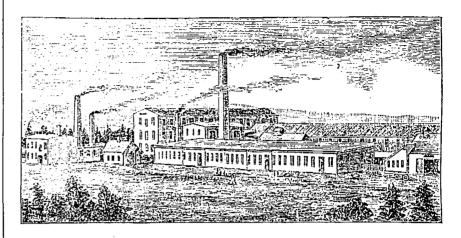
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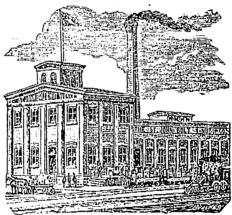
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British and Foreign Marine	50,000	50	20	Í 4	£221 £22 7-8
Calcdonian					£2234 £12
Commercial Union Fire, Life & Marine	50.000	30	50	5	£15(* £15)
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mperial Fireancashire Fire	12,700	30	20	20	£153 £158
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life Association of Scotlard	10,000	15	40	.83	£321
ondon Assurance Corporation	35,962	48	25	12]	£15 £47
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North British & Mercantile Fire & Life	2. 40,000	56	50	61	£34 £34½
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loyal Insurance Fire & Life	100,000	60	20	3	£33¼
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