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	400,000
Savings Bank Deposits	70,000
I come made on from	300,000
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	l si				Dividend	CLOSING	PRICES
NAME.	Shares	Capital Capital Subscribed paid-	Capital paid-up.	Rest.	last 6 Months.	Toronto, Sep. 12.	Cash value per share.
	strlg.		8		70 ct.		
British North America	£50	4,866,666	4,866,666	1,216,000	2 1		
Canadian Bank of Commerce	\$50	6,000,000	6,000,000	1.400,000	4	1134 1134	56.75
Consolidated	100	4,000,000	3,467,352			75 76	75.00
Du Peuple	50	1,600,000	1,600,000				
Eastern Townships	50	1,500,000	1,370,748				
Exchange Bank	100	1,000,000	1,000,000				
Federal Bank	100	1,000,000	1,000,000			104	104.50
	100	1,000,000	707,950			99 991	99.50
Hamilton	100	010.000	878,855		7	103 104	51.50
Imperial		2.000.000			•	103 104	
Jacques Cartier	50	582,200	1,953,920				
Mechanics' Bank	50		195.014			94 951	94.50
Merchants' Bank of Canada	100	8,697,200	5,461,790			94 938	34.30
Metropolitan	100	1,000,000	675,226		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•••••	
Molson's Bank	50	2,000,000	1,996,715	400,000	6	1704 1714	341.00
Montreal	200	12,000,000	11,998,400			1104 1714	341.00
Maritime	100	1,000,000	627,170	• • • • • • • •	3	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
Nationale	50	2,000,000	2,000,000		3		
Dominion Bank	50	1,000,000	970,250		4	117, 117	58.50
Ontario Bank	40	3,000,000	2,996,156			821 83	33.00
Quebec Bank	100	2,500,000	2,500,000	475,000			
Standard	50	507,750			3	80 <del>1</del> 83	40.13
Toronto	100	2,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000		138 140	138.co
Union Bank	100	2,000,000	1,992,490		2		
Ville Marie	100	1,000,000	1,000,000	130,000			
Bank Ottawa		571,000	543,486	16,000	3 4		
London & Can. Loan & Agency Co		4,000,000	400,000	103,000	5	144 148	74.00
Canada Landed Credit Company		1,430,000	583,320	83,500	4 4	138 139	69.00
Canada Perm. Loan and Savings Co		2,000,000	2,000,000		6	181 181	90 50
Dominion Sav. & Inv. Soc	50	800,000	502,625		. 5	125	62.5●
Ontario Savings & Invest. Society	50	1,000,000	718,018			1333 135	66.68
Farmers' Loan and Savings Company		450,000	448,576			113	56.50
Freehold Loan and Savings Company		600,000	600,000			1511	151.50
Hamilton Provident & Loan Soc		950,000	775,883			114	114.00
Huron & Erie Savings & Loan Society		1,000,000	977,622			137	68.50
Montreal Telegraph Co	40	2,000,000	2,000,000		34	-3/	
Montreal City Gas Co.	60	1,440,000	1,400,000		5		
Montreal City Passenger Railway Co		600,000	400,000				
Richelieu Navigation Co		750,000			4	1	1
Dominion Telegraph Company		75.1.000	011,820		3	801 82	40.13
Imperial Loan Society	50	600,000	544,800			114	57.00
Building and Loan Association	25	750,000	713,971			1 1101	29.81
Toronto Consumers' Gas Co. (old)		600,000	/13,9/1	90,000	24 p.c. 3 m		70.75
Union Permanent Building Society		400,000	360,000	60,000			
Western Canada Loan & Savings Co	50	1,000,000	990,862			1394	69.75
AL DOLCH CHINGS TORILOR DEALINES CO.	. 50	1,000,000	990,002	1 2,2,200	5	150	75.00

SECURITIES.   Canadian Government Debentures, 6 ♥ ct. stg	991	Montresi.
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### Mercantile Summary.

THE Michigan State Fair, at Detroit, 16th to 20th September.

THE Great Central at Hamilton, on 18t, 2nd, 3rd and 4th October.

THE Central Exhibition at Guelph, on 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th September.

THE Western at London, on 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th October. \$12,000 in prizes.

THE Provincial Exhibition at Toronto, 23rd to 28th September. \$18,000 in prizes offered.

THE date of the Provincial Dairy Fair at Ingersoll has been changed from Sept. 16 and 17, to Sept. 13 and 14.

THE collections for the Inland Revenue Division of Windsor for the month of August amounted to \$47,921.72.

THE exports from Richibucto for the month of August, 1878, reached \$70,027, viz: produce of the forest, \$45,775; do fisheries, \$24,252.

THE exports from Chatham, N.B., for August, 1878, were: Produce of the forest, \$105,-644; do fisheries, \$5,616; total, \$111,260.

THE amount of Customs duties collected at Belleville during August was \$3,553, being an increase of \$201 over the same month last year.

An American schooner arrived at Port Mulgrave, C.B., last week, with 800 barrels of mackerel. This is the largest catch heard of this season in Nova Scotia.

THE proceedings at the New York Produce Exchange were enlivened on Monday last by a sudden "rough-and-tumble" encounter between two of the brokers, on the floor of the Exchange. MR. E. O. BICKFORD, of Toronto, has con-

tracted to complete the Grand Junction Railway to Campbellford this season, to Hastings by August, 1879, and to Peterboro by January 18t, 1880.

THE imports and exports for the port of Ottawa for August were: Value of free goods imported, \$33,552; dutiable goods, \$89,400; dutiable goods entered for consumption, \$102,840; duty collected, \$21,795.29. Value of goods exported, \$169,821.

In the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec, on Saturday last, judgment was given holding the steamer "Lake Champlain," of the Canada Shipping Cos., line, liable for collision with the schooner "Walters," damages \$5000. Appeal to England has been taken.

MR. H. McLennan has been re-elected for another term as representative to the Montreal Harbor Trust for the Board of Trade. The revenue of that port to date is in excess of the corresponding period last year by \$15,117; tonnege 64,297 tons, and number of ships 61. It was unanimously resolved by the Board of Commissioners to go on with the work of deepening the channel and harbor.

THE following are the latest patents granted in Ontario: D. A. Fiske, churn: H. Pullock. sewing thread cutter; A. Newbury, paper folding case; A. H. Stitt, et al., piston rod packing; A. T. Hill, nut lock; N. J. Alexander, paper bag; J. A. Forden, wagon top; J. S. Murray, et al., grain distributor; J. Burford, bed bottom; Wm. Hankin, sr., saw frame.

THERE is an outcry for railway communication with the "Upper Corner" of Sussex Vale, New Brunswick. Among the articles of freight which come thence are exportations of manganese, which of itself is quite an item.

On Wednesday last ten car loads of cattle were shipped from Toronto to England via Montreal, by Messrs. Govenlock & Davis, of Clinton. The Agent for the Montreal export firm also bought about 300 head, for which he paid \$65.00 per head, and two Toronto firms purchased respectively 300 and 500 head, for which they paid respectively \$60.00 and \$70.00 per head.

AT a meeting of the new board of directors of the Canada Mutual Building Society, held in Montreal, the following officers were elected:-Messrs. C. E. Saunderson, President; D. Newton, Vice-President; C. C. Dezouche, George Lulham, David Guthrie, Trustees; J. B. Hutcheson, Sec.-Treasurer; D. R. McCord, Solicitor; J. J. Brown, Valuator.

THE announcement of the failure of Messrs. Geo. Offord & Co., long established in the boot and shoe manufacture in Kingston, was somewhat unexpected, though for some time past they had not been as satisfactory in payments as formerly. A meeting of their creditors was called for the 12th inst., prior to which, however, Mr. Riddell was sent up in the interest of Montreal creditors to examine the affairs, and finding a deficiency, a writ of attachment was issued. The estate, so far as we can learn, shows liabilities of \$67,650, and assets \$56,790.

THE changes which have transpired in business circles during the past week embrace ten attachments, seven by Ontario traders :- E. Battrick, general store, Barrie; Heffernan Bros., dry goods, Guelph; William Mulvaney, auctioneer, Port Elgin; John Jeffs, grocer, Toronto; Wm. Frame, saddler, Walkerton; John McKellar, general store, Aylmer, and Charles F. Labadie, tailor, Windsor. Two in Quebec

Scotia, Jno. K. Marshall, liquors, Baddeck. Two assignments have been made in Ontario-Henry A. Scott, furniture, Bracebridge, and Thomas Brown, tins, Port Perry. New Brunswick-J. J. Ward, grocer, Fredericton, and J. S. G. VanWort, dry goods, Woodstock. One in Nova Scotia, W. D. Creighton, grocer, Halifax, and the same number in Quebec, F. Cantin, lumber, Ouebec City. Nine dissolutions have taken place, six of these have occurred in Ontario. The wholesale drug firm of Jos. Stratford & Bro., Brantford, is now being continued by Jos. Stratford; Scott, Yorke & Co., Pork Packers, Aylmer, J. & S. Clarke, tailors, Cobourg; Thomson & Burns, wholesale hardware dealers, Toronto; Henderson & Co., stationers, Ottawa; Laughlin & Heath, furniture, Wallaceburg; W. & D. Gillespie, dry goods, Kincardine; and Matson & Law, insurance agents-R. H. Matson continues the agencies-Taylor & Dockrill, grocers, St. John, N.B. Henry & Wilson, tailors, and Villeneuve & Lacoille, grocers, Montreal. Those selling or have sold out are Robert Wade, druggist, Angus; A. H. Summerselt, tavern, Stayner; Hunt & Webb, confectioners, St. Thomas; H. V. Waldman, watches, P. Grant, tavern, Wallaceburg; Jas. Stretton, hotel, Brussels, and Glover & Dickson, mills, Colborne, all in Ontario. New Brunswick, D. A. Duffy, Moncton. The post master at Nictaux, N.S., Jas. Hearn, of J. & S. Hearn, St. John, Nfd., and Timothy Scanlon, grocer, Montreal, are dead. The grist mill of Jno. McGill, Dunedin, Ont., and Jno. Thom's general store at Port Sidney, Ont., have been closed by creditors.

MERCHANTS have been, for some time back, consoling themselves with the belief that heavy failures were almost a thing of the past. We have however this week something to dispel this thought in recording the failure of T. H. Cox, wholesale grocer of Montreal, who has been in business many years, and bore the repute of being a substantial man, which certainly he was at one time; but of late years he has become so involved in lumber operations as to have entirely swamped himself. At present he is the only partner in Huron Lum. Co., and recently bought a limit on Spanish River, costing about \$24,000, about half of which has been paid, and it is an asset that is almost valuless at present to creditors. He is also the owner of considerable city real estate; but so heavily mortgaged that it is not available as an asset at all. It is also said that his losses since the 1st of January amount to \$21,000. At a meeting of creditors on the 10th inst., his statement showed lialilities direct \$41,576; indirect about \$30,000, with assets of \$76,174 80. He offered Afty cents in the dollar without security, which was not accepted, creditors demanding security. But little sympathy is felt for Mr. Cox in his trouble. He was in a well to do way, and had he stuck to his grocery business, would no doubt have been in a different position to-day.

IT is a mistake to suppose that our City Province—F. Gerikin, St. Lawrence Hall, and Council is composed entirely of men who know T. H. Cox, grocer, Montreal. One in Nova nothing of business; but judging by the at- of dealing with tramps which is reported very

tempts made to take advantage of it, there are evidently persons who think some of its members are either very simple or thoroughly dishonest. Messrs. Snarr must have been of this opinion when they tendered for the supply of coal a few days ago, or they would not have tendered as they did, the prices of the various grades being entered in writing and in figures both, but the amounts in one case were less than in the other. Read one way the tender was the lowest, but the other way it was not. Mr. Snarr. it is stated, was close at hand watching the result, and when questioned as to what he intended explained that his clerk had make a mistake; but the error being too glaring, the tender was rejected. This is not by any means the first attempt to take advantage of the supposed innocence of our city fathers.

THERE is evidently a ring endeavoring to control the cheese market at Ingersoll. Within the past fortnight cheese has been sold there for August and the remainder of season at 10c. per pound. This is an advance on the price paid at other distant points. The stocks in the English markets are unusually heavy for this season of the year and prices are declining. Merchants here have been advised by cable to cease buying.

IT appears that an organized attempt has been made to plunder the Grand Trunk sheds at Montreal. A number of cases, of all classes of goods, valued at from \$2,000 to \$3,000 have been recovered, and a man who gave his name as Felix Murphy has been arrested.

WE are credibly informed that a large wholesale dry goods house, on Yonge street, has opened a branch retail store in Bradford. Ont. This we think is a great injustice to the retail trade of that town, and were we to judge by the history of branch stores generally, this one will be an exception if it proves satisfactory to its proprietors. Surely there were plenty of men in that town to do all the legitimate trade of that locality.

ABOUT thirty cars were filled with passengers who took advantage of the cheap trip from this city to Montreal on Tuesday last. The excursionists were mostly pleasure seekers, and any purchases that were made, in Montreal, with few exceptions, were of a retail character. This was a cause of some disappointment to the wholesale trade, who expected a considerable influx of country dealers from along the lines of railway leading to that city.

An Englishman, Mr. J. H. Bell, of London, has five lobster-packing factories on the coast of New Brunswick about Buctouche Bay, and will pack this season for English and French markets, some 300,000 lbs. Mr. O'Leary will pack 15,000 boxes, or 750,000 lbs., besides 16,000 lbs. spiced salmon. Mr. Noble, of St. John, packs 130,000 lbs. of lobsters, besides salmon and mackerel. The establishments mentioned are almost all on the coast of Kent County, N.B.

successful. In cases where vagabondage is professional the culprits are chained together and set at work breaking stones upon the streets. The simplicity of this treatment is only equalled by its effectiveness. It cures confirmed cases, and vagrants no longer linger by the lakeside.

THE Napanee gas works, it is stated in a local paper, have been sold to the Banque du Peuple, for \$5,000. A little over a year ago the works were constructed at a cost of nearly \$15,000.

-A very dangerous counterfeit of the five dollar issue of the Canadian Bank of Commerce has been detected in Montreal. It is a most cleverly executed bill and requires the keen eye of an expert to detect it. Among the most prominent defects are the indistinctness of the ring on the finger of Her Majesty, which in the original is well brought out; there is also a misspelling, the word Note in "Canada Bank note", being spelled with a final 'o' instead of 'e.' There must be a number of them in circulation, and the uninitiated should be careful in taking bills of this denomination.

-The branch at Brussels of the Exchange Bank of Canada, was opened last week for busi-

#### RAILWAY RECEIPTS.

	Week ending	Total earnings.	Like period 1877.	Increase or decrease
G. T. R G. W. R	Aug. 30	\$189,293 89,089		≩10963D. 595I.
I. C. R N. R. R Midland		20,915 4,764	28 561 5.517	2,615D 753D.
T. G. &. B T. & N	" 17 " 31	4 343 5,359	5.211 5,473	868 D.
W. P. & L	••	••••		•••••

THE FINANCES OF EGYPT .-- Untill the report of the Commission of Inquiry into the finances of Egypt has been published, it is impossible to say what are likely to be the immediate results to the bondholders of the adoption by the Khedive of its recommendations. But that in the end the change of system now inaugnrated must greatly benefit the creditors of Egypt, cannot be doubted. The significance of the change lies in the fact that the Khedive has been forced to submit himself to European control. In future Egypt will be governed according to Western ideas of finance. Forced labor is now to be abolished; no taxes are to be imposed until a law specially authorizing them has been promulgated; efficient control is to be established over the tax collectors; vexatious taxes are to be removed; and a special jurisdiction is to be established, to which the natives can appeal on all questions affecting the assessment and the collection of the taxes. The same power which has compelled the Khedive to institute these reforms may be trusted to ensure their due execution; and governed upon such principles, Egypt may eventually attain to a much higher level of material prosperity, than it has yet reached, Of the political aspect of the change we have spoken elsewhere. - Econo-

-Messrs. Appleton of New York, have lately published a work on "American Navigation; with some Account of its Former Prosperity and Present Decline." The author, Mr. Henry Hall in discussing the decay of the American merchant marine, shows that he is a supporter of the

fallacious views which have obtained such universal currency in the States. He can see that among the principal causes of the decline of American shipping are the transfer of trade in large measure from sailing-ships, wherein American builders have always excelled, to steamers, of which England controls an enormous majority: and again that iron rather than timber being the favourite material of the age, the advantage which America derived from her unlimited supply of forest trees is superceded by the advantage which England enjoys in the possession of cheap er coal and iron; and yet he believes that navigation laws and subsides to national lines would repair the loss and restore to America her former share of the ocean-carrying trade of the world. -British Trade Yournal

-The Editor of an American paper\_recently insisted that poets must be brief. The very next day he received a composition entitled, "The Ballad of the Merchant," consisting of the following sententious stanza: "Trust-

-The papermakers held last week a convention at Saratoga, to consider the best means of ensuring stability to the business, now seriously demoralized. About 70 firms and companies were represented. A plan was discussed to decrease the production by 20 or 25 per cent., to stop a further break in price.

- The annual convention of the American and Canadian Railroad Conductors' Life Insurance Association is to be held in this city early in October.

-Thomas Jessop, of Sheffield, England, head of the famous firm of steel manufacturers, has handed over to trustees, for the use of the public, a magnificent building to be hereafter used as a women's hospital. It cost \$150,000.

-F. X. Beaudry, one of the largest property owners in Montreal, has been fined \$200, with the option of six months' imprisonment, for renting his houses for immoral purposes. Notice was given of appeal on the ground that such matters are beyond the jurisdiction of the Local Legislature.

-Incipient communism, is what the Halifax Herald calls the strike of the 'bus drivers in St.

-" The only place," says Secretary Sherman, "the idle can look to for support is the country around the farms, where labor is demanded and cannot be had."

-The Supreme Court of Ohio has decided that no county, or township, or city in that State can build a part of a railroad. A municipality can only build a whole road, as a public work. It cannot become part builder or part owner.

-About 170,000 vine stalks in the Malaga grape district in Spain has been attacked by that pest, the phylloxera.

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#### ABOLITION OF THE AMERICAN BANKRUPT LAW.

The third bankrupt law enacted since the birth of the American Republic, has, after a course of eleven years and two months, gone out of existence. During by far the greater part of the life-time of that nation, no bankrupt law has been in force. A bankrupt law can be passed only by the national Congress; the separate State being prohibited from passing any law impairing the obligation of contracts. But the State legislatures con pass laws dealing with insolvent estates, provided they do not undertake to release debtors from their obligations. Hence, a somewhat artificial distinction has arisen in the States between insolvent laws and bankrupt laws.

It is not surprising that a larger number of persons than at any previous time sought relief under the expiring law. It was the last ship on which they could go into the port of bankruptcy; the population was greater than at any previous time, transactions were more numerous and amounts at risk larger. If the law had been invoked only for the purpose for which it was enacted—the relief of honest but unfortunate debtors-it would still have been in existence: the abuse of it by rogues led to its repeal. The cost of working the law was enormous, and the delays in winding up estates helped to eat up the assets. Collusion, fraud, bribery, perjury and favoritism are charged against some of the officials engaged in carrying out the law. So little chance did creditors see of protection in the bankrupt court that they dreaded the idea of entering it. Swindlers put their property out of sight, and showed millions of liabilities with scarcely any assets. When they got through the court, they paraded their stolen wealth, figured in "good society," and aspired to the highest offices of trust. The abolition of a law nder which such things were done, takes place with the hearty consent of all honest

ery, under the guise of honest trade, will tween debtors and creditors for a winding Minister of Commerce and Agriculture."

cease? This is precisely what there is great reason to doubt. Men who could use a bankrupt court as a cover for fraud, will hardly be at a loss to contrive means of swindling creditors, when that court has closed its doors. The effort may cause them more trouble, but they will be equal to it. Instead of setting up business a second time, after failure, they will use the names of other parties; and in the name of others their ill-gotten gains will stand. Still the absence of a bankrupt law will lessen the facilities for successful fraud. The liability of the debtor, when not voluntarily cancelled by creditors, will remain. and whatever he has or becomes possessed of will be liable to seizure.

But here, in a peculiar degree, the innocent will suffer with the guilty. For years past, under the influence of a falling market, large masses of capital have been swept out of existence, involving in ruin those on whom the loss fell. These persons could no more control the course of prices than the course of the stars. Within a year, ending last May, all the great staples of the United States suffered a decline in price of some seventeen per cent. The total depreciation of many lines of goods, within a few years, was probably not much less than one-third. The losses necessarily declared themselves through bankruptcies. A glut in the market inevitably leads to loss. That loss may manifest itself in different forms, but it is sure to appear. Original holders of excessive stocks may sell at a large reduction with a chance of getting paid. In this case, the loss is seen in the lessening of the price, or they may sell on credit at nearly the old prices, in which case the excess of supply over demand forces down prices in the hands of wholesale and retail merchants. and the loss they make prevent many of them paying the stipulated price. These are the economic laws on which one class of bankruptcies depend-the class which is the victim of circumstances-and these laws will always be operative in spite of the edicts of the legislators. It is very hard that this class of bankrupts should be compelled to suffer for the thievish class; but this is what the repeal of the American bankrupt law means.

It was probably well, all things considered, to abolish, for a while, a law under which so many frauds had been committed, even though the innocent may suffer with the guilty. We have no idea that a country in the position of the United States can permanently get along without a bankrupt law. In the meantime, the effect will be But does it follow that successful knav- requently to substitute composition be-

up of estates; and to these compositions the State courts have power to give effect. A winding up in bankruptcy would prove a severe ordeal to many persons who are accounted solvent and even wealthy. If done under a falling market, there is not only the decline in the market price of the goods, but the further and perhaps still greater decline arising from forced sales. Compositions, often so objectionable, are justifiable when they save from this second loss with all its injurious consequences to the regular trade. It might happen that this saving would only be a transference of the loss to some other point. If the goods remained unsold in the hands of manufacturers, the capital of the weaker among them might become exhausted; and on their failure, sacrifice sales would have to be made. Indeed, in spite of all the improvident sales that have been made, that condition of things has now been reached. The Times states that the accumulation of stocks of cottons in Manchester must compel the small manufacturers to succumb.

In Canada, the recent mutterings of dissatisfaction with the bankrupt law have been mingled with expressions of a desire to amend it. So far, the currents which ran counter to the bankrupt laws of the two countries, were parallel. But here the parallel ends. Official corruption in connection with bankrupt estates in Canada is not charged, except to a very small extent, and it has never involved the judges. Confidence in the legal machinery for carrying out the law has not been destroyed. It does not, therefore, follow that we shall copy the example of the States in this respect; for though many favor a temporary suspension of the bankrupt law, a very large majority of the House of Commons, voted, last Session, to retain it on the Statute book.

#### A PROPOSED MINISTRY OF COM-MERCE.

At the meeting of the English Associated Chambers of Commerce, which opened at Sneffield on the 27th ult., a proposal of rather an important character was adopted. It was brought forward by Mr. Behrens, of Bradford, in the following resolution :-"That the interests of commerce and industry in all branches of shipping and agriculture are not sufficiently considered in legislation and administration for want of a responsible representative of these interests in the Cabinet, and that a deputation wait upon the Prime Minister to urge upon him the necessity of the appointment of a The mover said he hoped that commercial interests would now receive more of the attention of the public, of Parliament, and of the Government, and that the half promise made that the proposal would receive favorable consideration would be redeemed by a prompt and full concession of its demands. The opinion having been expressed that the duties which the interests of commerce would require would be more than any single man could be expected to perform, a member explained that at the present time those duties were being done by a mere clerk in the Foreign Office, at comparatively a small remuneration. It was high time, he added, " to speak out lustily in the matter." The resolution was supported by Mr. Lankaster, of the British Chamber of Commerce in Paris, who stated that if in England they had the means available in France for getting commercial statistics, it would be a great step in the interests of commerce.

There are two reasons why this movement is a significant one in England. In the first place English public bodies, Chambers of Commerce iucluded, are of a very conservative character generally, and slow to favor changes of any kind, except for good cause shown. And in the second place, the theory of laissez faire—the idea that the best thing the Government of any country can do for trade is to let it alonehas taken so strong a hold of the public mind in England that it seems a marvel to see the representatives of the nation's commerce asking the Government to do anything. Doubtless the most pressing reason of all for asking the change was the present depressed condition of the country's foreign trade, which formed the subject of an important discussion at the same sitting at which the resolution we have quoted was adopted. A motion asking for a Royal Commission or a Select Committee of the House to inquire into the present condition of trade, and the causes of the decline of British exports, was presented and was debated at considerable length. It was carried by a vote of 27 to 23, but the President said the majority was so small that the Chambers would not be justified in taking public action thereupon. The manner of taking the vote was by Chambers, twentyseven local Chambers of Commerce voting for the motion and twenty-three against. It was presented by the Sheffield Chamber, one which has specially good reason to know just now the effects of foreign compe-Those who opposed the motion appeared to do so mainly upon the belief that it was in a manner an acknowledgement that Free Trade was proving a failure, and that England could not afford to stul- has since that time been commonly put the importance of establishing creameries

tify herself before the world by making such an admission. If she receded an inch from her position that Free Trade was better than Protection for any country, no matter which of the two systems, or what compromise between them, other countries might adopt, her mission of converting the world to Free Trade was at an end, and her preaching of it would no more avail-this was evidently the determining reason with those who opposed the motion. Still, it was supported by such uncompromising Free Traders as Mr. Mundella, M.P. for Sheffield; Mr. Norwood, M.P. for Hull, and others, who denied that it involved any departure at all from the principles of Free Trade. The opposition to the appointment of a Commission or Committee throws into all the stronger relief the ready assent of the Associated Chambers to the motion asking for a responsible representative of commercial interests in the Cabinet. At the same sitting, another resolution was adopted, recommending the utmost vigilance on the part of the Foreign Office with respect to commercial treaties and the promotion of Free Trade. People, who at every little pinch, cry out for Government aid, and who would have the Government deal with the country's business as if its business men were children, require to be reminded that Providence helps those that help themselves, and to have told over to them the old fable of Hercules and the waggoner. We can see, however. that in England, where exaggerated ideas of what Government aid can do for trade are at a discount, public opinion nevertheless favours the doing by Government of what it can do, within reasonable limits.

It is remarkable, too, to observe that the proposal for a Ministry of Commerce is very generally supported by the English press. The Times says that there is something anomalous in the non-existence of such a department, the place of which is but very partially filled by the Board of Trade. Admitting that perhaps public opinion is not yet ripe for the creation of a new Government department, the leading journal still thinks that the movement must succeed at last, and says:-" The real Ministry of Commerce for a nation of shopkeepers is to be discovered installed in an obscure room in his (the Foreign Secretary's) multifarious office. When the present official machinery was constituted difficulty might have been experienced in finding any one conversant with trade in the classes which in old days monopolized office. The curious theory that trade, because meddling hampers it, can therefore need no help at the hands of a Government

as an answer to the demand the Associated Chambers of Commerce have persistently made. Some day or other the request will be complied with, and thenceforward the only surprise will be how the country could have acquiesced to so long in the present condition of things." And the Leeds Mercury expresses its convictions that, with good adhesion and organizations on the part of the Chambers, the request for a Minister of Commerce cannot long be refused. The action taken in the Mother Country in this matter may possibly raise a similar question here, and may suggest that perhaps the expanding trade interests of the Dominion, could before long furnish ample employment for a separate department or sub-department, devoted to these interests alone.

#### BUTTER AND BARTER.

The old adage that "the shoemaker should stick to his last" applies with much force to a number of country merchants who have been operating in butter this season. Some of them have been taught such a severe lesson that it will not be forgotten for many a day. We are quite within the mark when we state that four out of five of those who carried butter over from last season will find that their operations have resulted unfavorably. Farmers, we know, are too often obliged to sell their butter as fast as it can be made in order to get little articles for household use. Indeed, many farmer's wives have the proceeds of this article as a sort of perquisite to buy their summer clothing, fancy goods, groceries, etc. But it is just here where trouble begins with the storekeeper. Many of them feel that they cannot afford to offend their customers by paying only the exact value of the article offered. To do so would, they fear, give offence and possibly drive the vendor elsewhere. For this reason they too often pay a good price for an inferior quality of butter.

We know that it is difficult to get rid of this old system of barter, for it is nothing else, and if there were an equal exchange of commodities there would not be room to complain. But this is not the case. The merchant too often finds that after a little coaxing by his fair customers he has parted with his goods and has sometimes in his possession a lot of grease that is much less saleable than either old fashioned dry goods or stale groceries. Let us here suggest something to benefit both parties; and as we have not the ear of our rural friends, let the country merchant, through the local press and in every possible manner, urge

next Spring. At no time this season has there been any difficulty in getting a fair price for really choice butter, and in this quality a slight advance in price has recently been made. We know of one establishment which has disposed of its entire product of the season at twenty-three cents per pound. This is a round price, when we consider that large quantities of what ought to have been good butter have been disposed of as low as five cents.

We again urge that the country merchants should at once set vigorously to work educating the farmers on this subject. They would find it profitable employment; would be saved a great deal of annoyance; and ultimately this wretched system of barter with farmers, who usually get the best of it, would by this means be helped out of existence.

#### INSURANCE LUCK.

That it is quite possible to make the business of Fire Assurance as remunerative as any other legitimate business the evidence is not wanting. Nor need we go out of Canada to prove the assertion, nor even out of Toronto. But this success has not been the result of luck. Luck no more favors fire than it does life insurance companies. In either, when success has been attained, good management has been the cause of it. It is not generally correct to say of a company that it has had a lucky year; and though an exceptionally great fire may roughly be called ill-luck, even it is a contingency that ought to be provided against. Implied in the remark is, that more to luck than good management is to be attributed its immunity from loss. Luck may win at Whist, but a knowledge of the game can alone ensure success in the long run.

A gentleman, intimately connected with the management of an insurance company which became insolvent, was heard to say that one-eighth of one per cent. on the sums insured during the last three years of its existence would have saved it from insolvency. But other causes tended to precipitate the crisis: accumulated risks, specials at low rates, negligent or criminal agents, and unchecked expenditure, completed the ruin which a year's run of luck only retarded.

What stories of disaster could be told about Canadian fire insurance companies, from the inception of the Ontario Fire and Marine to the collapse of the Canada Agricultural, we all know. But it is not too much to say that to the utter ignorance and inexperience of the managing power may be attributed their ultimate ruin.

Had there been an intelligent watchfulness of the business of these companies, as profit.

ordinary as that which characterizes the management of any mercantile enterprise which has succeeded, ruin need not have been chronicled. But intelligence in the management of a fire insurance company is as much the result of experience and education as is intelligence in the management of a merchant's business. Too often has a large capital been sunk in a business which has been undertaken with the sublimest ignorance of its details. And too often has the business of fire insurance, and the management of companies of considerable wealth, been bestowed upon men whose only recommendation has been success in canvassing for shareholders, or for the personal friendship of members of the Directorate.

What is needed is education to the business-not only such education as the office of a company can supply—but a theoretical education as well; and without the possession of this no one should expect promotion to the higher positions in the management of a fire insurance company. With this prerequisite it would advance the business to a profession, and secure for it competent management and a prosperous history. But care should be taken that good positions should be restricted to those whose thorough knowledge of the business entitles them to promotion; and thus discourage men from entering the profession who have proved to be a failure in everything they have undertaken.

### THE RE-LOANER'S BORROWING RATE OF INTEREST.

The London Loan Company of Canada has been offering \$10,000 of seven per cent. debentures. This is an enormus rate of interest for a loan company to pay for money. Other companies borrow at 5, 5½ and 6 per cent. Seven per cent. does not leave any assured margin of profit, and it is more than any company ought to undertake to pay. Toronto loan companies have recently found it necessary to make loans of considerable amounts as low as 7½ per cent. These loans are no doubt somewhat exceptional and below the regular market rate. But no young company can borrow money at seven per cent. for the purpose of re-loaning, and hope to compete with wealthy and old established companies, whose expenses are smaller in proportion to the business they do. This London company also proposes to pay six per cent. for deposits left for a definite time, and six for call loans. When expenses, which must be about one per cent., are added, these rates leave too little margin for

The practice of Canadian loan companies borrowing money on debentures has not until recently been general, and care should be taken in contracting obligations of this kind, which are to mature at a distant future rate, that allowance is made for a possible fall in the rate of interest. We do not allow Life Assurance companies to estimate the average rate of interest on the accumulated tunds at more than  $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. What reason can there be for expecting that loan societies can continue to be able to pay seven per cent. for money to re-loan? It is true some of the profferred debentures are drawn at one year's date, but here another difficulty presents itself. Loans secured on land are seldom for so short a period as one year; and if debentures were drawn at one year's date, a great temptation would be offered to loan societies to make an improper use of their funds by lending on the security of bank and other stocks. The practice is not altogether unknown; but it ought absolutely to

#### THE MIDLAND RAILWAY.

Mr. Percy, the new general manager of the Midland Railway, has issued a circular stating the embarrasing condition of the company, on his assumption of office, and indicating, in some degree, what course will be pursued under the new management. The difficulties which the relief act of last Session was intended to overcome have been intensified, while the benefits expected from it continue to be unavailable. The time for dealing with the old debts has to be further postponed. The application of revenue to the purpose of construction, which only capital can accomplish, is a cause, though not the only cause, of the financial difficulties which beset this undertaking. As a result, wages remain unpaid and working expenses are in arrear. The new Board, we are told, " will authorize such representations as cannot fail to cause the Bondholders to realize the perilous position in which their property is placed." They have hitherto been more or less deluded, and to tell the truth the majority of them seemed rather to like the deception practiced upon them. They will now wake from a sleep which trickily administered narcotics caused them to fall When funds for extension to the Georgian Bay are provided, the work will be resumed; till then it will be simply impossible. Strict economy is promised, in all departments, and prompt collections are threatened, but not without a flavor of "necessary forbearance."

This circular points to the virulent nature of the disease, but it shrouds the remedy in

mystery. Mr. Percy says he has "a proposition to make, the adoption of which is calculated to afford immediate relief, and to secure the gradual liquidation of the arrears in a very short time;" but he does not say what it is. Six weeks entire earnings of the road would not more than pay the wages in arrear; though it would be impossible to apply them all to any one purpose. We can easily understand, therefore, that the liquidation of the debts will be "gradual;" but it seems something of a contradiction to say that they can be liquidated "in a short time."

The new management will have the hearty support of all well wishers of the enterprise in their endeavors to rescue it from the slough into which Mr. Hugel has plunged it.

THE CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE CGM-PANY.—The business of this company, it would appear from its annual report, which to pay: we publish in another part of this paper, has not been affected by depressed trade. Indeed it would almost seem that the reverse was true, for we find no diminution in the year's operations but a considerable increase over any previous year. This may be accounted for on the principle that large bodies attract smaller ones, for we find the company steadily assuming enormous proportions, and in no other country does any company enjoy so large a share of the entire business. Its annual income is now in round numbers over \$700,000 and its existing business exceeds \$17,500,000. The assets have been increased \$450,000 and now amount to \$3,320,391. We are glad to notice that the reserve this year has been estimated upon the standard rate of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. as adopted by the Government. After paying its usual dividend of 15 per cent. and providing for all liability a profit surplus of \$99,000 remains. In the selection of its lives the management have been very careful, for the provision for death claims were over \$80,000 in excess of what was required. This care in the selection of its insurers, with the cautious investment of its assets and the maintainence of the proper ratio of income to expenditure has given it an impetus that it will no doubt continue to maintain and thus attract a larger share of new business at the end of the present year. In the entire success of the company the shareholders and policy-holders must feel grateful to the management.

### GRAIN SHIPMENT AT HALIFAX.

The people of Halifax are wisely keeping before the minds of Canadians the claims of

direct dollars and cents advantage she possesses over other Atlantic ports in the way of cheaper port charges, &c.. is set forth in a recent article of the Maritime. The "Port Charges of the World" gives the following figures of aggregate expenses of a 600-ton vessel at the cities named. These comprise pilotage, tonnage, wharfage (where charged), fees for shipping crews, custom house and stevedore charges, bags, bins, &c. :-

DISCHARGING GENERAL CARGO AND LOADING GRAIN.

#### Winter Rate.

Baltimore	Dis.	Load.	Total.
	\$792	\$1,417	\$2,209
Boston	589	1,071	1,650
New York	959	1,397	2,266
	852	1,375	2,247
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#### Summer Rate.

Baltimore	Dis. \$742	Load. \$1,367	Total. \$2,100
Boston	576	1,071	1,647
Philadelphia	735	1,108	1,843
New York	728	1,321	2,040

The like vessel going to Halifax would have

Pilotage, tonnage, customs and all other fees in and out ..... \$ No wharfage charge at railway .... Discharging general cargo, 800 tons.

160 00

49 00

Loading Grain, 4,000 quarters:

Elevator charge (vessel could lie under the road track and take grain direct much less, but we assume the rate of elevator) 1c per bush, or 8c per gr. One-third of cargo has to be bagged so that we must estimate rent of these, etc. :

Say 1,333 qrs. in 3,555 bags, 4c... Filling and sewing, per qr., 6c.... Lining stuff is at least saleable for its cost on the other side, so we estimate labor of lining.....

Cost of a 600 ton vessel at Halifax... Add to this sum the freight, River du Loup to Halifax 4,000 qrs. at 15.6 142 20

320 00

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The difference in favor of Halifax, it is thus contended, would be in winter as against New York \$832. With the advantage of a cargo awaiting them at this cheap port, vessels on the

other side would make favorable rates for goods coming to Canada and the Western States, and the current of traffic would be opened through

CANADIAN CATTLE EXPORT TRAFFIC .- The statistics published by the Danish government for the Paris Exposition, show that Denmark possesses fewer cattle by 150,000 head than she did ten years ago. That country now possesses 1,153,000 head. Now it is pretty well known that for some years Denmark and the United States have supplied the markets of Great Britain with the bulk of her imported cattle, but the experience of the past two or three years has proved that there is a steady demand for first-class Canadian bred cattle and sheep. The fact that a leading Montreal firm has within the past month appointed an agent in Toronto

a noteworthy one to the farmers and other stock raisers. The supply of good animals has been frequently insufficient for export requirements, and exporters tell us that England will take all the first-class stock that Canada can now raise; such assurances, coupled with the good prices realized, the recent reduction in insurance rates. the vessel improvements for safe carriage, without loss, and the favourable footing upon which Canada has been placed with the United States, should stimulate a lively and united interest in this traffic. There seems to be no doubt of its proving profitable in every sense, inasmuch as it tends not only to aid agriculture, but to help the carring trade and other interests. The only shipments that have been reported unprofitable were those of inferior animals, which are too plentiful, and command therefore very low prices. If pressure were brought to bear, possibly the government could be induced to extend their present policy of granting prizes to agricultural societies, so as to foster in our midst a stronger competition in raising choice grade cattle and improved live stock generally. There is abundance of available land and capital for carrying on this trade, and, as has been before stated, with judicious work Toronto will before long become a large contributor to the British

No TIME TO READ.—The following from the San Francisco Grocer, applies to quite a numerous class of business people in the Dominion as well as to those in California. Men who are constantly watching and worrying over minor details that should be entrusted to an honest boy, must necessarily neglect matters of vital importance. Indeed it seems almost incomprehensible, and yet it is true, that men who pretend to be merchants are frequently heard to say: "I have no time to read," and this too, when the subject brought to their notice may be one of vital importance to their trade. "The man who has no time to read, who makes of himself a mere machine, to be wound up once each day, to perform a certain amount of mechanical drudgery, has no right to be named a merchant, and ought at once to retire from the business as he has but little prospect of solving the problem of success. It is this ignorance and stupidity with which the business world has to contend, and until it can to some extent be overcome, and active intelligence is made one of the qualifications of the business man, there is no reason for believing that mercantile experience will greatly improve its record of results."

TORONTO, GREY AND BRUCE RAILWAY .- The annual meeting of this company was held in its offices in this city on Wednesday last. The report submitted showed that the traffic receipts were \$323,700, being a reduction of 7.08 per cent. on the previous year. There was also a slight reduction in the expenditure, making a decrease in the net revenue of \$5.29 per cent. their city to consideration as a winterport. The to purchase stock for the European markets, is This decrease was in the amount of freight. In

consequence of this the company could not pay the interest on their bonds maturing in July last. An effort is being made to have the gauge changed to the standard of competing lines. This once accomplished, it is contended that the rolling stock would be employed most of the year. In order to carry out this arrangement it is intended that the municipalities interested should exchange their debentures for an equal amount of second mortgage bonds. The road is now bonded to only \$10,000 per mile, and if this scheme was carried out the total bonded debt would not, it is stated, exceed \$13,000 per mile.

—Before we again go to press the political aspect of the Government, we presume, will probably be settled for some time to come. For this we are glad and ought to be thankful. The partizan press discuss little else than election matters, from this source the public, to a greater or less extent, form their opinion. The result is that business in every town and village is almost suspended, and little knots of politicians are to be seen all over discussing the prospects of their respective parties. When this constant din of politics has ceased, whichever side may win, we shall breathe more freely, and business may assume its normal conditions.

—The successor to the late Judge V. P. W. Dorion, of the Quebec Supreme Court, has been appointed in the person of Mr. Louis Amable Jette, a well-known Montreal Advocate, and hitherto M.P. for the eastern division of the city.

—Something over a year ago the Canadian Mutual Fire Insurance Company undertook to levy a special rate of ten per cent. upon its policy-holders for the purpose of creating a reserve fund. This action of the directors was resisted by a number of policy-holders, and the County Judge decided that it was illegal. The object being to release the directors from a liability they had assumed. As this suit was intended to test this question his Honor advised the company to bring the matter before the Queen's Bench, where it would be settled.

Concerning the system of Fidelity Guarantee, and apropos of the new Guarantee Society just launched in New York, for assuring the fidelity of trustees, or persons in position of trust, after the model of our Canadian and British offices, a friend in that city writes us. "The company is a novelty here as yet, and I doubt if its objects are generally understood; we do not hear much of it except through the papers. There is a good field for it, judging from the crop of rascalities ripening in this country every day. Its style of security is somewhat different from what we are accustomed to. It is not uncommon, over here, when those who have became security for others get "caught," the mess was none of his making, and he got

for them to transfer all their real property and evade the debt. If in Pennsylvania, the way to do is to give a friend a judgment note, he then kindly steps in and "scoops up" all the assets out of harm's way. This is regarded by the security as quite legitimate; as he will argue, clear of it the best way he could. After having done this, it has been usual to offer legitimate creditors a compromise of so much in the dollar, because it would not be right that they should suffer to the extent of their whole claims. This is no unfair sample of the sort of business morality practised by a very large class in the Union."

-The city of Quebec has been strikingly unfortunate in her municipal administration of late years. It is not long since the defalcation of one of her officers for a heavy sum, and now we hear that a subordinate in one of the city departments is a defaulter. Furthermore, the officers of the City Corporation have unearthed a system of swindling which there is every reason to believe has existed for many years past, and \$50,000 per annum is the estimate given by the mayor of the annual loss by such We quote from the Chronicle:-It appears that with a view of evading payment of assessments, there are various parties in the city who have resorted to the most disgraceful tactics, some having become parties to the making of fraudulent deeds, in order to exercise deception with reference to the annual value of rents of property, which is the basis of Corporation taxes and water rates. The modus operandi of these dishonest tax-payers is said to be as follows: In renting a property, an understanding is arrived at between the proprietor and tenant, to defraud the Corporation. The lease of the property is there-fore drawn up, in order to convince the assessors, should they appear to be doubtful about its annual value, that a less rental is paid than is actually the case. Thus when \$500 rent annually is charged, it has been ascertained that in some instances the lease has been so made as to appear as if but \$300 was paid; the balance of \$200 being either settled for in cash or by note, when the lease is made.

### Meetings.

#### CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE CO.

The thirty-first annual meeting of the Shareholders of this Company took place in its office in Hamilton on Wednesday, 10th inst. There were present: Messrs. A. G. Ramsay, President; F. W. Gates, Vice President; R. Hill, Secretary; Rev. G. M. Innes, MA.; James Osborne, Adam Brown, John Riddle, R. P. Street, D. McInnes, J. H. Mills, D. Moore, W. Hendrie, J. D. Henderson, Toronto; W. S. Champ, Alexander Bruce, Edward Martin, W. F. Finlay and Judge Sinclair. The following are the annual statements and

Report.

papers. There is a good field for it, judging from the crop of rascalities ripening in this country every day. Its style of security is somewhat different from what we are accustomed to. It is not uncommon, over here, when those who have became security for others get "caught," the mess was none of his making, and he got

ceeded that of any previous year, and of any other Company, well indicates the public confidence and satisfaction which the Canada Life continues to enjoy, and warrants the anticipation that as the improvement now happily apparent in the general trade of the country becomes fully realized, the long established and sound financial position of the Canada Life will still further attract to it the larger share of the best class of life assurance business in Canada.

Applications to the number of 1,892 for assurances of \$3.315,038.50 were offered to the Company during the past year, but of these 124 for \$221,700 were not in the judgment of the Directors, such as the Company should accept. The number of policies actually issued was 1,642 for \$2,908,238.50, an amount only exceeded last year in Great Britain, by a very few of the strongest British Companies, which confined their operations solely to that country. The new premium income was \$76,497.97, and the total premium receipts of the year were \$512,561.37, making with the interest income of \$188,651.92, a total years revenue of \$701,213.29.

The number of policies in existence at 30th April 1878, was 10,605 (upon 8,988 lives) for assurances and Bonuses, amounting to \$17,655,-907.22.

Claims by death for \$245,179 were expected and provided for during the year, but as only 83 deaths for \$163.567 actually occurred, it will be seen how largely the caution and judgment exercised in the selection of lives add to the profit and stability of the Company.

The safety, and the prudent and profitable investment of the Funds and Assets, which now amount to to \$3,320,371.38, continue at all times to receive the most anxious and careful consideration of the Directors; and the auditor's report along with that of the Committee certifying to the safe custody of the Company's securitier, is herewith submitted.

Upon an investigation of the position of the Company last year, and a calculation of its reserves upon a standard of future interest at the rate of 4½ per cent. per annum, the Company had over and above that, and its capital and every liability, a profit surplus of \$99,285; and the Directors are much gratified to be able to add that upon a careful computation as at 30th April last, that profit surplus has been so greatly increased as to warrant the anticipation that the profits to be divided in 1880 will not fall short of the liberal average rate which the Company has hitherto given to its policy-holders.

The usual dividend at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum upon the paid up capital stock has been paid, leaving the proprietors' account at 30th April last, the reserve of \$96,064 23.

In accordance with the charter of the Company, the following Directors retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election:—Mr. John Silver, Halifax; the Hon. Mr. Justice Burton, Toronto; Messrs. C. S. Gzowski, Toronto; N. Merritt, St. Catharines; and T. W. Ritchie, Montreal.

(Signed) A. G. RAMSAY,
President.

R. HILLS, Secretary.

The Canada Life Assurance Co., Hamilton, Ont., 26th August, 1878.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS OF THE CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, FOR THE 31ST YEAR, ENDING 30TH APRIL, 1878.

Receipts.

To Balance as at 30th April, 1877, \$2,859,146 85
Deduct premiums,

etc., in Agents' and other hands for collection, but unpaid at 30th April, 1877.....\$127,694 44

Deduct secured interest on deben-

tures mortgages		
tures, mortgages, etc., but unpaid		
at 30th April,1877 26,500 32		ی
	- 154,194	76
m	\$2,704.952	09
To premiums received on new po icies and renewals	1- • 511,605	72
To extra risks	955	64
To fines	. 328	73
and profit on sales of deber		
tures, etc	. 188,323	19
_	\$3,406,165	38
Payments.  By Expense Account	\$ 107,620	6=
By Liens on Half-Credit Policies	• 107,020	ر
suspended, written off By Re-Assurance Premiums	9,298 2,730	
By Claims by Death	132,462	
By Cancelled (purchased) Policies By Annuities	16,773	69
By profits of mutual branch :	648	00
-"Bonus" \$11,601 30 -"Cash" 6,103 49		
-" Cash" 0,103 49		
Premiums " 25,867 04		•
By Dividends on Stock	43,571 18,750	83
By Balance of Assets as per Gen-	-0,750	-
eral Abstract of Assets and Liabilities	3,074,110	2 T
2		<u> </u>
	\$3,406,165	-
GENERAL ABSTRACT OF THE ASSET ITIES OF THE CANADA LIFE AS		
PANY, AS AT APRIL 30TH, 1878.		
Assets.		
Cash on hand \$608.51, and in Banks \$29,279.13	\$29,887	6.1
Mortgages on real estate (value in	_	
Account  Debentures, value in account :—	589,355	69
City\$349,517 85		
Town 392,224 14 County 359,860 44		
Township 358,706 50		
Village 151,613 47 Harbour of Montr'l 113,273 43		1
	1,725,285	
Bank Stock (Montreal) Loans on policies	34,000 169,681	00
Loans on stocks, etc	76,030	
Ground rents (present value) Real estate—Hamilton, Montreal	25,104	19
and Toronto properties	180,000	00
Liens on half-credit policies in force	241,643	12
Office furniture	2,583	
Suspense account	539	05
	\$3,074,110	31
Other Assets.  Cash in Agents' and		
other hands, includ-		
ing Receipts held		
by them for Pre- miums, which have		
since been accoun-		
ted for \$126,306 07 Half-yearly and Quar-		1
terly Premiums, se-		
cured on Policies, and payable within		
nine months 94,653 29		
Deduct 10 per cent. 220,959 36		
for cost of collect-		
	198,863	36
Accrued Interest on Debentures, &c		
	47,397	7 I

Liabilities.		
Capital Stock paid up	125,000	00
Proprietors' account	96,064	
Assurance funds		
Note.—From this falls to		
be deducted \$46,697 18 as it is		
paid for claims not fully due, or		
for which claimants had not		
presented valid discharges at		
30th April, 1878, nearly all since paid,		
Annuity funds	6,259	77
Declared profits upon Mutual	0,239	//
Assurances	487,291	67
Note.—From this falls to be	1-77-3-	•
deducted \$6,954 21 as it is paid		
for vested profits on the above		
unpaid claims, and "cash" and		
"diminution" profits unpaid		
at 30th April, 1878.		_
Reserve profits on Mutual policies	29,791	98
•	3,074,110	31
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(Signed) A. G. RAMSAY,
President,
R. HILLS,
Secretary.

Audited and approved,
(Signed) J. Sydney Crocker,

Auditor.
THE CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE Co., Hamilton, 24th Aug. 1878.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS.

We hereby certify that we have carefully examined and passed in detail the several securities specified in the "General Abstract of Assets and Liabilities to 30th April last," we find the same to be correct, and have also verified the balance of cash on hand and in bank.

(Signed)

F. W. GATES.

James Osborne.

Dennis Moore.

CANADA LIFE BUILDINGS, Hamilton, 26th Aug. 1878.

AUDITORS' REPORT. 1878.

To the President and Directors of the Canada Life Assurance Company:

Gentlemen,—I have completed the Audit of the books of account of the Canada Life Assurance Company for the year ending 30th April, 1878, and find them to agree with the vouchers and the banker's balance (after deducting outstanding cheques), and to be in all respects correct and satisfactory.

The debentures, mortgages and other securities, held by the Company, have been examined by me in detail, compared with the several schedules herewith submitted, and verified by the investment Funds as represented in the ledger accounts to the above date.

The statements of receipts and payments, assets and liabilities, to the 30th April last, also submitted, have been examined with the ledger balances, and are certified as correct.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
(Signed) JAS. SYDNEY CROCKER.

Canada Life Offices, Hamilton, 24th August, 1878.

\$3,320,371 38

In moving the adoption of the report, the President said:

Auditor.

Gentlemen,—The reports of the Directors, the Committee upon Investments, and of the Auditors, as well as the financial statements in reference to the Company, in your hands, are each so clear and explicit, and contain so full an account of the company's position and progress, that while there is perhaps little occasion for much remark by me here as to them, I shall be

much gratified to give such further information or explanation as it may be cared to ask for. It will have been observed that the business has again exceeded all previous years in the company's history, and a glance at the table attached to the printed report in your hands will prove the remarkable prominence held by our company. It will again be noticed also that the Canada Life transacted last year nearly twice as much new business as the largest amount obtained by any other company in Canada, and, as is mentioned in the report, among all the great British companies, which confine their business solely to Great Britain, with its population of thirty-four millions, there were but four of them—the Scottish Widows' Fund, the Scottish Provident, the Edinburgh Life, and the United Kingdom Temperance and General Company-which exceeded the new business done by the Canada Life in Canada, with a population of about four millions. That, I think, is a very fair indication of the activity and zeal of your officers and agents, and of the large increase of public confidence which the company enjoys. The total existing business of the Canada is over seventeen million and a half dollars, or more than twice as much as that of the largest other company in Canada. The assets, or funds, were increased during the year by about \$450,000, and the year's average rate of interest was largely over the 4½ per cent. upon which the "Law Regulating Life Companies" requires their reserve to be based. This large interest margin upon the investments of the company, now amounting to considerably over three million dollars, the favorable mortality attained by your directors' prudent care in the acceptance of lives offering for assurance, and the moderate percentage of expenses of management, enable us to anticipate the continued favorable allocation of profits, such as have already added so much to the satisfaction of policyholders and shareholders, and to the popularity of the company; and that it may be known that there is no halt nor cessation of such success and popularity, I may mention that up to to-day during the now current year, since 1st May last, the death claims have been but one-half of what they were on the same day last year, and the business is again larger than in any previous year during the thirty-one years of the company's business. Such facts will. I am sure, be as gratifying to the meeting as they are to the directors, officers and agents. As is mentioned in the report of the directors, a careful computation of the position of the company at the 30th April last was made upon the basis of the rate of mortality known as that of the Hm. Institute of Actuaries' (English) experience, and interest at 41 per cent. per annum, as prescribed by the Insurance Act of 1877, and the result of that test of the condition of the company indicates the rapid and large increase of the surplus of profit over and above the reserve required upon the basis referred to, and over and above other full provision for every liability. A large amount of the past few years' business has been on the "minimum system" of assurance, which, it will be remembered, the company adopted years ago. The very moderate and low rates of premiums by which assurances can now be effected upon that system have proved admirably suited to the hard times through which Canada, like every other country, has unfortunately been passing, and the adoption of the system at such a time by this company is one of the many evidences which have from time to time been given of the constant readiness and ability of the directors to adopt every really useful and beneficial improvement or modification upon the company's terms and practice. While alluding to the "minimum system," I take the opportunity of saying that I entertain no doubt whatever but that at the division of the profits two years

hence, the policyholders upon that system will then be gratified by either very considerable profits in addition to their policies, or by still further reductions of their already very moderate

premiums, as they may have selected.

It is now over thirty-one years since the Company began business, and during that time it met with such difficulties and dangers in its earlier youth as probably all new and young companies will find it difficult if not impossible to avoid or overcome, but the Canada, having for so many years successfully surmounted all the difficulties and dangers, its future prosperity and stability are as assured as those of any human institution can be, and as the practice of Life Assurance becomes still more general, so that no head of a family, and no man having others depending on him, will neglect the important duty of assuring his life. The business portant duty of assuring his life. The business of this Company will, I have no doubt, go on in increasing volume and with ever increased prosperity. As I have before suggested, I shall gladly answer any question and give any information as to the Company's affairs, for the Board and myself feel that the more that these affairs are known and understood the more satisfactory will they prove. I beg to move the adoption of the report of the Directors.

Mr. F. W. Gates seconded the adoption in complimentery terms, passing a high eulogium on the President, to whose exertions the posi-

tion of the Company was due.

The report was adopted. Moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. W. S. Champ, That the thanks of the shareholders be given to the directors for their attention to the interests of the Company during the past

Mr. E. Martin moved, seconded by Mr. D. McInnes, that the thanks of the shareholders be given to Mr. Ramsay and the other officers the Company for the zeal, attention and faithful services rendered to the Company.

Mr. Wm. Hendrie moved, seconded by Mr. D. Moore, The appointment of Messrs. Riddell and Gates as scrutineers of votes for the election of Directors in room of the five retiring, and that the poll now be opened, and be closed upon five minutes elapsing without a vote.

The scrutineers reported the retiring Direc-

tors unanimously re-elected.

On motion of Mr. Findlay, seconded by Mr. James Osborne, the President left the chair, which was taken by Mr. F. W. Gates.

A cordial vote of thanks to the President was then moved by Mr. A. Bruce, and seconded by Rev. Canon Innes.

This was suitably acknowledged.

The meeting then adjourned.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. A. G. Ramsay was elected President, and Mr. F. W. Gates Vice-President.

#### Insurance.

#### INSURANCE NOTES.

Windsor offers her steam fire engine for sale for \$2,000.

The Brussels fire company rejoices in having 1500 feet of the best rubber hose. The town has built a derrick for it.

The municipality of St. Cunegonde, at the west end of Montreal, has unanimously agreed to raise \$60,000, to bring a supply of water into that village.

The Supreme Court of the United States has decided that insurance companies are bound by the acts of their agents, though performed after the agency had been terminated, unless notice of such termination has been given to parties who have previously dealt with them in their official capacity.

taken action against the Citizens' Insurance Company, to recover \$22,077, which was stolen from the Grand Trunk office some time ago, by David Faulkner, paymaster, who absconded. He was guaranteed by the Citizens Company, and action is brought on the bond.

A Western policy-holder in the Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York, recently wroteto ask permission to go to Memphis as a nurse, without invalidating his policy. The company promptly replied by telegraph: "You have our free permission according to the tenor of your letter. Go, and God be with your efforts.'

FIRE] RECORD.-London, Sept. 10.-A fire broke out in the cellar of the Herald printing office, destroying the building, which belonged to Mrs. R. Birrell. The Messrs. Dawson will lose heavily, as their plant was valued at nearly \$10,000, and their insurance in the Northern and Queen was about \$4,000.

Owen Sound, Sept. 5 .- The steamer Okonra, running between here and Wiarton, was burned to the water's edge whilst lying at the Wiarton

dock; no insurance.

London, Sept 5.—The barn of Mr. Duncan McCallum, 4th con. North Dorchester, containing all the crop and most of the implements used on the farm, was totally destroyed by fire a night or two ago.

Ingersoll, Sept. 6.—A house tenanted by Leonard Clouse was totally consumed by fire at 12.15 this morning. Loss unknown.

Tusket, N.S.—On Thursday last the lining of

the steam chimney of Blethen & Co's saw mill tumbled down, bursting the chimney, 80 feet high, which fell in the direction of the river, and across the engine and boiler house, cutting through the roof of the latter, and setting the building on fire. The damage to the mill is estimated at from \$3,000 to \$4,000. Insured in

the Liverpool, London and Globe.

Barrie, Ont, Sept. 7.—A fire broke out in a barn owned by Dalton McCarthy, and tenanted by Robert Russell. The place being distant from water the fire engine was useless. The loss on the barn and grain is about \$7,000. Insurance on the grain is \$1,000. in the Agricultural, of London.

Smithville, Ont. Sept. 6.—A barn belonging to Mr. Henry McCollom was burned. All of this year's crop, with some farming implements were consumed. The cause of the fire is unknown. Insured for \$1,200.

Sandwich, Ont., Sept. 6.—A fire was discovered in a small frame building occupied by Mr. Fluett as a law office, but by the exertions of the townspeople the fire was prevented from spreading to the adjoining buildings. Everything was distroyed. It is supposed to be the act of an iucendiary.

Clarksville, Aug. 30.-A fire broke out in French's extensive planing mill, destroying the whole property with an adjacent warehouse, thus throwing a number of hands out of employment. There was no insurance. The loss is about \$3,000.

Mildmay, Sept. 3.—A saw mill belonging to Peter Eckel, in Balaklava, was burned to the ground this morning. Insured in the Gore

Owen Sound.—Two more fires are reported: Marshall's storehouse and Toby's stable on Friday and McLean Bros.' stable on Monday. In both cases the fire company prevented the spread of the conflagration. The Tim's reports spread of the conflagration. The Tim's reports the burning of Mr. Thos. Heath's barn in the adjoining township of Sydenham. Much of this year's crop was stored in the barn and of course lost.

St. John, N.B., September 9.-Yesterday fire was discovered in a wooden building in the rear The Grand Trunk Railway Company have of Mr. Owen Sharkey's store, Fredericton. The

flames spread until they had possession of Mr. Sharkey's store, Messrs. Scully & Colline' tail-oring establishment, Mr. S. F. Shute's jewellery store and Mr. Burchill's liquor store, all brick buildings. Mr. J. Crangle's bar and a tenement house, occupied by Mrs. Ross, also fell a prey to the flames. Sharkey had an insurance as follows: Imperial, \$2,000; Ætna, \$2,000; Central of Fredericton, \$1,000; Queen, \$2,000; National, \$2,000. His building is a total loss. Shute has \$1,000 in the Canada Fire and Marine and \$1,500 in the Western. Scully & Collins were insured for \$2,000 in the Commercial Union. Crangle had no insurance. Burchill had a large stock and was uninsured.

Pictou, Sept. 11.-Pour houses, owned and occupied by H. McNeil, John and Mark Talbot, and H. McKinnon were burned. Messrs. Talbot had \$900 insurance on their building in the There was no insurance on the other

property.

St. Stephen, N.B., Sept. 10 .- A fire broke out in Thos. Armstrong's house on Union St., and spread to the adjacent house occupied by Mr. Vanstone. Both houses were destroyed. There was no insurance on Mr. Armstrong's house. The other house, owned by Maxwell & Smith, was insured.

Quebec, Sept. 9.—The residence of A. Mc-Bain, Valcartier, was destroyed by fire. occupants had barely time to escape with their lives, and did not succeed in saving even so much as an article of clothing. Mrs. McBain sustained slight injuries from fire in making her escape from the house.

Hillsburg, Sept. 11.-B. Franklin's tin shop and stove depot was burned with contents this morning. Loss considerable, with small insurance. The origin of the fire is not known.

#### STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

2:30 o'clock, Sept. 11, 1878.

STOCKS.	Lowest Point in Week.	Highest Point in Week.	Total Transact'ns in Week	Buyers.	Sellers.
Montreal Ontario Consolidated Peoples Molsons		75 741		170½ 82 74 72¾ 93	1711 831 751 74 95
Toronto Jacques Cartier Merchants Commerce Metropolitan	39 94	95 2	456 225 2	138 387 95 1131	140 39 90 115
Maritime	1132	114	1090	1132	174
Gas City Pass. R.C. Insurance. Gold Cold	142½ 91 108 100½	143 931 1081 1002	205 156	142 93 82 108 1001	142 95 108 100 62
Riche ieu & Ont, Nav. Bank of Montreal sd	61	62			

### OIL MATTERS IN PETROLIA.

PETROLIA, Sept. 10th, 1878.

There was shipped from here during the month of August: Crude, 26,604 brls; Distillate, 900 brls; Refined, 10,666 brls. The United States, from the most reliable information, have and hold stocks of Crude Oil amounting to between five and six million brls. On Monday, 26th August, they shipped 76,000 brls of Refined Oil. Crude Oil is worth there about \$1.00 per brl. The shipments from here for the week ending September 5th were: Crude, 6,912 brls; Distillate, 70 brls; Refined, 616 brls. Crude, unchanged; Refined, per gal., w.m., 13½c. The stocks of Oil in Europe are about 16,000 barrels more than at this time last year.

#### WHERE THE REVENUE COMES FROM.

A detailed statement of the receipts of the internal revenue of the United States for the fiscal year, ending June 30th, 1878, shows that the \$111,089,319 collected during the year were from the following sources:—

	1877.	1878.
Spirits	\$57,469,430	\$50,420,503
Tobacco	41,106,547	40,084,529
Fermented liquors	9,480,789	9,937,052
Banks and Bankers	3,829,729	3,492,031
Stamps, penalties, &c.	7,108,689	7,155.201

Total...... \$118,995,184 \$111,089,319

The loss in revenue from these sources for the last year was nearly \$8,000,000, of which nearly \$7,000,000 was through the falling off in receipts from distilled spirits. The number of gallons of spirits returned for taxation for the year ending June 30th last, was 50,704,189, against 58,543,390 for the preceding year, a falling off of 7,839,201 gallons. The figures also show a loss of nearly \$1,000,000 from tobacco, and about \$400,000 from banks and bankers. The increased consumption of fermented liquors is shown by nearly \$500,000 increase in revenue, the increased consumption for the year representing 431,411 barrels of 31 gallons each. The loss on manufactured tobacco was \$2,740,139, while from cigars and cigarettes there was an increase of \$657,948.

From figures furnished by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, it appears that the number of barrels of 31 gallons each which entered into consumption for the year was 10,241,471, or 317,495,601 gallons. Placing the population of the United States at 45,000,000 souls, these figures give a fraction over 7 gallons as the quantity consumed by every man, woman and child in the country. It is fair to presume that about one-half of our entire population, including children, do not drink any fermented liquors, which would make the quantity consumed by each drinker equal to over 14 gallons.

Of distilled spirits about 51,000,000 gallons entered into consumption during the year, but as large quantities of spirits are consumed in the arts and exported, no intelligent estimate can be formed of the quantity consumed in the United States.

The total amount of cigars upon which tax was paid for the year was 1,905,063,743, which number is exclusive of 165,189,594 cigarettes. This would give, excluding the cigarettes, over 42 cigars to every inhabitant of the country, and assuming that one-fourth of our entire population are smokers, it would give each smoker 168 cigars for the year.

The number of pounds of manufactured tobacco consumed during the year was 25,312,933, which is equal to more than one half pound for every person in the country. This includes manufactured tobacco of every description not used for the manufacture of cigars.—Exchange.

Boston's Boot and Shoe Trade.—The shipments of boots and shoes from Boston this week are, according to the Advertiser, the largest for several years; but it can hardly be called an indication of improved business in boots and shoes, as a large number of cases of rubbers are included in the clearances.

CYPRUS.—From the list of new companies registered, it appears that within the past fortinght six companies, with an aggregate capital of four millions one hundred and forty-five thousand pounds, have been registered for the purpose of carrying out operations in connection with our recently acquired possession of Cyprus.—Investors' Guardian.

-It is asserted, upon the authority of Senator Lamar, of Mississippi, that one cause of the failure of the Southern Confederacy was the fact that its President, Jefferson Davis, was from a state which repudiated its debt. On this account, says Mr. Lamar, the Confederate Government could not negotiate any loans in Europe. A somewhat bitter reflexion, surely, for that gentleman. But the moral which lies on the surface here is endeavored to be enforced by Major Sykes of Tennessee, in an honest speech at Gallatin the other day. Said the Major: - The debt of Tennessee is \$24,000,000, and is increasing, with unpaid interest, at the rate of \$400 per day. This debt, he said, was valid, and should be paid. The debt had been created for the construction of railroads, the state capitol and other improvements, and the courts had recognized the legality of it. In regard to the plea of poverty, which had been made as an excuse for non-payment, Major Sykes said: "If you say that the people should not pay the debt because they have been unfortunate and lost property, may not the same argument be applied to you by some of your tenants or renters? May they not say they have lost during the year some of their little property and have bad crops, and therefore they cannot pay the rent agreed upon? What is the difference between the two cases. Would not this doctrine lead to anti-rentism or communism?' Missouri at one time had a debt of \$25,000,000, which had been reduced to \$17,000,000, and its taxable wealth had grown from \$267,000,000 in 1860, to \$610,000,000 in 1877, while Tennessee had suffered a decline in taxable wealth since 1875 because of the non-paying policy which the latter was pursuing and still continues to pursue. Upon this policy Major Sykes says: "A man may get clear of paying a debt of \$1,000 by pleading the statute of limitation, but in so doing he may, by the destruction of his credit. lose five times that amount, as all sensible business men know, and so it may be with a state. What she gains by the non-payment of her debt because she cannot be compelled by law to pay it, her people may loose in a ten fold degree by the destruction of her credit and the consequent destruction of the credit of her citizens. The people suffer with the state, and as the state goes down they go down, individually and pecuniarily. As it has always been, so it will always

—The English Chancery judges have drawn the line between a legal nuisance and a sentimental grievance. A man in Brighton built a house so as to deprive a neighbor of the use of his best bedroom. This room had a bay-window and the indiscreet neighbor had built his house so that some of its rooms commanded a full view of the window, at a distance of seventeen feet. Ladies could not use the room, and the possessor of the dwelling could not entertain his friends. He brought a suit against the owner of the new mansion as the author of a public nuisance. But the bench declared there was only one test for a legal nuisance, viz., Was it injurious to the health of the complainant, or did it interfere materially with the passage of light and air? If not, it was only a sentimental nuisance, and damages could not be claimed.

—The officers of an English country militial regiment were at mess one day some months since. The beer was furnished the mess by the captain, the proprietor of a famous brewery. A high-born lieutenant praised the beer, and jokingly said he should like to have twenty casks of it. The practical captain sent twenty casks to the lieutenant's ancestral hall, together with the bill. The lieutenant was astounded at the sight of the twenty casks and returned all but two. The brewer cap ain brought suit, but the judge non-suited him, expressing his astonishment at the stupidity or cupidity of the brewer.

-With respect to tramps, whose demands and depredations are giving so much trouble and apprehension throughout the country, our Inspector of prisons stated in his last report. "The unprecedented increase in the commitment of the vicious depraved, and vagabond classes, generally known as vag and tramps, calls for prompt action. known as vagrants far as able bodied men are concerned, it is clear that enforced labor and tasks of the hardest and most menial kind, carried on without the jail walls or on the public streets and highways, are the only way of stamping out this evil, and as the Dominion Act of last session provides for the application of the remedy, the sooner the municipal anthorities take the matter in hand the better.'

—Although the existence of kerosene oil in several of the provinces of Japan is said to have been known for 1,200 years, the Japanese did not know how to refine it till about six years ago. Now, however, refining establishments are springing up rapidly, and its manufacture is becoming an important industry.

—A German inventor has devised a bank-note album, with leaves of asbestos-paper, for the protection of notes, cheques, and valuable documents. By placing them between the asbestos leaves, especially if the book is firmly clasped, they may, it is said, be kept legible, even after exposure to a fire which reduces them to cinders.

—It appears that the two celebrated continental iron masters —Krupp, of Essen, and Schneider. of Creuzot—have been decorated with the Order of the Iron Crown of Austria. Apropos, one of our contemporaries, whose business it is to be witty, says, "They say it is the best, though not the largest 'order in iron' they've ever had."

—The value of the fruit crop in the United States is estimated by the Government statistics at \$140,000,000 annually, or about half the value of the wheat crop.

—Michael Murray, gambler, is a New York bankrupt, with liabilities of \$583,000, and no assets. He is put down in the New York list as a professional gambler, the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York appears as a creditor for \$18,000, and the New York Life Insurance Company has a claim of \$210,000, but then it must be remembered that these companies are creditors that are always trebly secured, their claims probably being loans on real estate.

#### Commercial.

#### MONTREAL MARKETS.

(From our own Correspondent.)
Montreal, 10th Sept., 1878.

Although business has barely been so active as during the previous week, still there has been little cause to complain, and merchants seem on the whole fairly satisfied with the amount of business done so far this fall. The weather has been very fine for harvest work and most of the crops in this region have been safely secured. On the corn exchange, business, has been very brisk, and prices of flour have been in buyer's favour. In grain there has been very little movement. Groceries have been comparatively dull, sugar being low in stock is firm. Leather is moderately active at unchanged rates. Hardware has been quiet. Provisions dull. Ashes quiet with downward tendency.

Ashes.—Pots—Receipts of ashes have been more liberal during the past week. Prices have

been irregular, and as a rule have favored buyers. For firsts from \$3.90 to 4.10 has been paid, the market closing steady at these quotations. Seconds would bring about \$3.30, and thirds \$2.75 to 2.80. There is however very little demand for inferiors. Pearls are more enquired for, and firsts have been selling at \$4.95 to 5.05. The stocks at present in store are Pots 2,375 brls., pearls, 237 brls.

Boots and Shoes.—A fair amount of orders are coming to hand, but hardly to the same extent as during the previous week. Prices remain unchanged. We quote Men's Stoga \$2.00 to 2.50; do., Kip Boots, \$2.25 to 2.75; do., French Calf, \$3.25 to 4.00; do., Buff Congress, \$1.50 to 1.75; do., Split Brogans, 90c to \$1.00; Boys' Split Brogans, 85 to \$1.00 do., Buff and Pebbled Congress, \$1.35 to 1.60; Women's Buff and Pebbled Bals., \$1.20 to 1.50; do., Prunella Bals, 50c to \$1.50; do., do. Congress, 60c to \$1.25.

CATTLE.—There were not many cattle offering on the market yesterday, and unless for prime cattle there was very little demand. Prices were a shade dearer than last week. Sales averaged from \$3.50 to 4.75 per 100 lbs. live weight. Hogs were in fair supply and sold for \$4.75 per 100 lbs. live weight. There were a large number of cattle brought in intended for shipment to Britain.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—The trade this week has been fairly active and prices are well sustained. For large lots our last week's quotations would probably be shaded, but in no instance are they quotably lower.

DRY Goods.—Although business has not been so brisk as during the previous week a very fair trade has been done; but as the Fall trade is now pretty well over we may look for quietness for some time to come. Remittances are hardly what could be wished, but this will likely improve as the harvest is brought to market.

FURS.—There is so little doing just now that it is hardly possible to give current quotations. But the late sales in London have stiffened the market and may possibly lead to an advance in the price of some kinds of skins.

FISH.—There is very little demand here and the market continues very bare. Quotations are nominal.

FREIGHTS.—The demand for tonnage has been light and rates have not changed materially since this day week. The current rates for heavy grain by steamers and iron clippers to Liverpool and Glasgow are 4,6 to 5, and in some cases 5,6 was paid. Oats, 3,9 to 4/-. Flour, 2/3 to 2/9.

FLOUR.—Receipts during the past week, 22, 920 brls. Total receipts from 1st January to date 575,318 brls, being an increase of 154,051 brls on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1877. Shipments during the week, 17,367 brls. Total shipments from the 1st January to date 329,616 brls., being an increase of 77,336 brls., on the shipments for the corresponding period of 1877. There has been a very easy feeling all week in this market, and this has caused a good many contracts to be filled, and at the close of the market everything appeared to be in buyers favor but without any great demand, We quote Superior Extra, \$4.70 to 4.80; Extra, \$4.60 to \$4.65; Fancy, \$4.80 to 0.00 nominal; Spring Extra \$4.60 to 4.65; Superfine, \$4.30 to \$4.40; Strong Baker's Flour \$5.00 to \$5.25; Fine, \$3.30 to \$3.40; Middlings, \$3.05 to \$3.15; Pollards, \$2.75 to \$2.90 Ontario Bags, \$2.25 to \$2.30; Oatmeal \$4.00 to \$4.15; Cornmeal, kiln dried, \$2.35 to 0.00.

Grain.—Wheat.—Receipts during the week 390,470 bush.; total receipts from 1st January to date 4,157,759 bush., being an increase of 2,278,893 bush., on the receipts for the same period of 1877. Shipped during the week 347, 499 bush.: Total shipments from 1st January to date 3,728,279 bush., being an increase of

2.627,240 bushels on the shipments for the corresponding period of 1877. There has been very little movement in this grain, prices at the close of the market were for No. 2 Red Winter \$1.03, and for white winter \$1.10 to \$1.15. Maize, early in the week was selling at 49c; at the close a shade lsss would have been taken. Peas are firm and held at 84c; Oats.—There have been fair sales at 29c; afloat. Barley is still nominal.

GROCERIES.—Teas.—There has been a much better demand for Japans and the market may be quoted fully 1c higher than last week; for Greens and Blacks there has been very little demand. Coffee.—About the usual amount of business has been done and prices have not varied since last week, we continue to quote. Maracaibo, 21 to 22c; Java, 28 to 30c; Laguayra 18 to 20c: Rio, 19 to 21c; Mocha, 30 to 33c.

Sugar.-The demand for sugar is well maintained, and stocks here are now getting low. Scotch refined, 7½ to 8½c; as to sample. American sugars are quiet, granulated 91 to 91c. Extra C Yellow, 85 to oc. Molasses are not in much demand holders asking for Trinidad 34 to 37 and for Barbadoes 40 to 42c; Sugar House 24 to 29c. Rice is in good demand, and fair quality commands full prices, say from \$4.35 to 4.50. Spices are very dull, and beyond surplying the local demand there is nothing doing. Quotations are the same as last week. We quote Black Pepper g to 10c; White Pepper, 16 to 19c; Cloves, 40 ro 42½c; Nutmegs, 80c to \$1; Cassia, 18 to 19c; Jamaica Ginger, 16 to 22c; African Ginger, 9 to IIc. Fruit.—The market is very bare of fruit. The new crop comes in very slowly, and prices are firm for most kinds. We quote Sultana Raisins,  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to 6c; New Layers, \$1.60 to 1.70; Loose Muscatels, \$1.70 to 1.80; Valentias, 7 to  $7\frac{1}{2}$ c; Currants,  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to  $6\frac{1}{2}$ c; Figs, 8 to 10c; Dates, 5 to 6c. No Prunes in the market; Rarragona Almonds, 14½ to 15c; Filberts, 7 to 8c; Walnuts, 6½ to 12c. Salt.—We quote Cosrse nominal 55 to 59c; Factory filled, 871c to \$1.

HIDES—Are in moderate demand, the advance reported last week has been maintained, and we continue to quote \$7.50, \$6.50 and \$5.50 for Nos. 1, 2 and 3 respectively. Sheepskins 55 to 60c.

HARDWARE.—We have no change to report in quotations. There has been very little doing in any kind of hardware this week. Merchants look for some activity as the season advances.

LEATHER.—There has been little to report in the leather trade this week, business has been moderately active and prices as a rule are firm. Some kinds of leather such as Spanish Sole is scarce while Slaughter is in over supply. Grained Leather is not plentiful. Peeble has been in good demand but stocks are still beyond the requirements of trade. Measured Leather is very little asked for.

OILS.—We have very little new to report in this branch of business, and last week's report again covers the state of the market. Petroleum. Car lots 16\frac{3}{2} to 17c per gal., wine measure; ten brl. lots, 17\frac{1}{2}c; single brls 18 to 18\frac{1}{2}c. Fish oils, steam refined seal is in good demand at unchanged rates, little doing in any other kind. We quote Cod Oil 47\frac{1}{2} to 50c\sigma Seal, pale, 45 to 47\frac{1}{2}; ditto, straw, 40 to 42\frac{1}{2}; ditto steam, refined, 47\frac{1}{2} to 50c; Linseed Oil, raw, 61 to 62c; ditto, boiled, 64 to 65c; Olive Oil, 95c to \$1.05.

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PROVISIONS.—Butter.—Receipts, 6,172 pkgs;
shipments, 3,078; really choice butter for the
local trade commands a ready sale, but there is
very little doing in any other kind. We quote
western store packed, 6 to 10c; Dairy, western,
g to 12c; Brockville and Morrisburg, 12 to 14c;
Township, 14 to 15½c; Creamery, 18 to 21c;
Cheese.—Receipts, 20,860 boxes; shipments,
18,643 bozes; from 7 to 8½c is paid, according
to quality. Pork.—Receipts, 23 brls; shipments, 34 brls. Market is nominally unchanged,

Mess Pork, \$13.00 to \$13.50. Nothing doing in Thin Mess, which is nominal. Lard, 10c for pails. Smoked Hams, 12 to 13c; Canada canvassed ditto, 13c.

WOOL.—There is a quiet business doing in small lots within our range of quotations, Canada Fleece, 22 to 25c.

#### TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, Sept. 11, 1878.

In most branches of Canadian trade the fall business has fairly opened up, and the experience, so far, as well as the prospect for the future is satisfactory. Dealers remark that the electioneering fever has a most demoralizing effect upon business just now, and most lines must remain somewhat unsettled until after the elections. There has been a healthy movement in Dry Goods and fancy lines during the past week, and the distribution so far compares most favourably with that of former years. An improvement has been reported in the demand for Groceries, Provisions, Hardware and Leather. but the changes in prices current are few and unimportant. A lively trade has been done in export cattle during the week, at higher prices, but sales of flour and grain have fallen off, and values have declined. Complaints continue to reach us with regard to the short crop of spring wheat all over the Province. In the northwestern counties the average yield is said to be only about II bushels to the acre.

Boots and Shoes.—Business in this branch has been generally quiet, but there seems to be a rather better feeling this week, owing partially to leather being reported "stiffer;" and prices, therefore, while not higher are firmer. As the season advances sorting up orders flow in more freely, and buyers from the country report a better cash business and feel encouraged by the prospects of the Fall trade. The factories here are still busy filling orders for Fall goods; and while country dealers are pressing for shipments they are in some cases a little behind time. Remittances not yet satisfactory.

CATTLE, ETC.—An active trade has been done here in cattle for the English markets during the week. The arrivals reached 2,300 head, but only about one-third of this number were suitable for shipment. Exporters complain largely of having to cull so many inferior animals from the weekly arrivals, the result being loss of money to all parties concerned. The prime cattle bought this week were all from Western Ontario, and prices show an advance of 25c per cwt.—the range being \$4.75 to \$5, while the large number of inferior grades which came in on the Northern, Nipissing and Toronto, Grey and Bruce roads were sold at a decline of about 50c per cwt. for local use in Toronto, Montreal, 50c per cwt. for local use in Toronto, Montreal, etc. Many of the latter class remained in the market unsold. For second-class the present range is \$3.75 to \$4; and for third \$2.75 to \$3.25. Durhams at \$60 per head by Mr. McPherson, Co Elgin, and of 2 four year old grades weighing 4,000 lbs, at 8c per le live weight, by Mr. Co McNish, St. Thomas, to Mr. James Britton. Of Sheep and Lambs about 4,500 head changed hands. First class suitable for exportation and hands. First class suitable for exportation, sold at 4c per lb live weight or \$6 per head. A sheep weighing 150 lbs live weight, on leaving the farm, after the usual fast, will dress 75 lbs of mutton in Liverpool. For second and third ciass \$4 to \$4.50 and \$2.50 to \$3 were paid respectively. Values for lambs declined 25c per head, owing chiefly to the large supply of second and third class. Quotations are \$3.50 for firsts,

\$2.75 to \$3 for seconds, and \$2.50 for thirds. If last year. There have been no offerthose which were left in the market till the second day had been fed another year, they would have then brought the highest prices. Calves of an inferior class, fed principally on factory skim milk were plentiful, but the offerings of first class were few. Prices for second and third class are lower; viz.: \$4 to \$5; and \$2 to \$3 respectively.

DRY GOODS .- Trade has continued fair, there having been a goodly number of country buyers in the market, but the week's business will not prove so large as that of the preceding one. Some of the leading houses have reported a larger turn-over during last week than for the same period during the last seven or eight years. Retail merchants have adopted the plan of visiting the market often, and buying in Retail merchants have adopted the small lots; and in this way a good fair trade is expected to be done throughout this month. Manufacturers in Germany and France state that the demand for silks and velveteens is very firm, and that prices are advancing 72 to 10 per cent.; and as refore stated, there is also an advance in the English markets on woollen goods, and in the States on cottons. Remittances are generally poor, and country merchants should lose no time now in making collections.

FLOUR. -Stecks in Store 500 bbls, against 650 bbls., last week, and 1,340 barrels on like date last year. A decline in values having been established, the market still shows a downward tendency. At the beginning of the present week no business was transacted, so far as could be learned, and values were nominal. On Tuesday, 100 brls., superior extra at an outside point was sold at equal to \$4.50 here; extra was quotable at \$4.35 though no sales took place. To-day 100 bbls. spring extra sold at equal to \$4.32 f.o.c. here, but there is no fancy under offer and at present no quotations for it.

GRAIN.-Wheat, Fall.-Stocks in store 7,535 bush., against 6,590 bush., last week, and 9,172 bush., on like date last year. The market has been very unsettled during the week; there is no speculative enquiry, and only a very trifling shipping demand. The business done is chiefly of a local character, and values, quoted from all grades are only obtainable as purchasers are found as actually wanting supplies to fill small orders. The second grade of fall wheat is quoted at about \$1.03 but no sales have been effected, and other grades are unquotable. Wheat-Spring, stocks in store 15,778 bush., against 15,033 bush. last week, and 14,264 bush. on like late last year. There are no lots of new spring offering here, and the first grade of old Spring is nominal, at \$1 to 1.04. On Tues day last one car of this grade sold at \$1 f.o.c. No. 2 Spring is quotable at 97c, but there is no movement to report. Oats-Stocks in store 16,285 bush., against 14,910 bush. last week, and 10,280 bush. on like date last year. The demand has continued light, and the market is easier. Car lots of American, to arrive, have been offered daily at 26 to 29c, according to quality, but we have no sales to report. Barley—Stocks in store 79,699 bush., against 80,812 bush. last week, and 14,388 bush. on like date last year. The first grade is held here at a range of from \$1 to 1.05. There is nothing doing in the lower grades. It is reported that large sales have been made by farmers at Bay of Quinte at from \$1 to 1.10. It seems probable that the whole of the Canadian yield will be needed at high prices to satisfy the de-mand from the United States. A summary of reports from all the north-western States indicate a decrease in acreage this yer of 50 per cent., and the proportion of the crop that will grade No. 2 is ve., light. The yield is reported to have been about he same as last year, but all the old supplies have been cleared out.

ings during the past fortnight, and there-fore the market continues purely nominal.

GROCERIES.—Business generally has improved. There has been more enquiry, and a better feeling exists in some sections. Coffces continue in very light demand, and though stocks are not large, all wanted is readily obtained at unchanged quotations. Fruit has been rather more active, owing partially to slightly increased supplies of the new crop of Valencias, for which there is a good demand at full prices, ranging from 7 to to 8c. Good currants are still inquired for regularly, but they are scarce, and not much business will be done until the new fruit comes to hand, about two weeks hence. Rice.—The market is reported a shade firmer, and sales made during the week have been at a fractional advance on former quotations. Spices remain quiet and steady; small parcels continue to change hands within our range of prices. Sugars have advanced in value about \(\frac{1}{2}\) to \(\frac{3}{2}\) c on all kinds, owing to stocks being all but entirely cleared out of the market. The demand continues good, and we heard of a round lot of extra yellow changing hands to-day at 91 to 91c. Sales of the various other kinds have been made in small lots at our quotations. Teas are reported steady, with a little firmer feeling, under a slightly improved demand, but we have not heard of any large lots moving off. The new crop of Fapans have arrived, and recent advices announce advancing prices in both China and Japan. This is one of the articles which must remain unsettled until after the elections. To. baccos remain quiet and steady, with a reported advance of about ten per cent. on Solaces. There has been a slightly improved demand for coarse Liquors, at unaltered quotations.

HARDWARE.—Has continued active, the demand being still for general fall goods, such as Canada plates, Russian Iron, cross-cut saws, chopping axes, window glass, nails, etc. There has been a large number of orders received by mail, and a good many buyers have also visited the city during the week. Prices unchanged. Remittances, though slightly improved, are not expected to be good until after the farmers have done "seeding," and the crops have commenced to move freely.

HIDES AND SKINS.—The market for Hides is reported bare of stock. The demand though not large is sufficient for the present supply. Sheepskins still bring foc for all offering. Calfskins are quiet and unchanged, Tallow remains dull. See "prices current" on another page.

LEATHER. Dealers report a moderate trade with the large city manufacturers during the week. There has been a better enquiry for light upper, heavy leather being rather neglected. Veal kips are moving freely, and there is a steedy demand for French leathers. Harness is dull, except for very choice stock, and the best tannages of sole leather are in good demand. With regard to the Fall trade, no good opinions can be formed for a fortnight hence. Prices are unaltered and remittances are still slow.

Oils.-Petroleum recently advanced in value 1/2c. in London, Ont., but as yet we have heard of no appreciable effect in this market. There is a quiet steady demand, at our quotations.

Provisions.—Business has improved somewhat since our last reference, and remittances are also reported better by some dealers. There are no important changes to note in quotations. Butter continues in an uninteresting state, there being no lots suitable for shipment coming forward, and advices received here to day announce a further decline in the English and Montreal markets. The enquiry for the city trade is good, but fine selections are scarce, and would readily bring 12 to 13c. A good deal Peas—Stocks in store 172 bush., r jainst 92 of ordinary butter, has been sold in bush. last week, and 15,476 bush. on like date small lots, at 9 to 10 cents. Bacon

has been changing hands rather more freely than when we last wrote. Reported sales include two car loads of Cumberland cut at 6c. No change in values. Cheese rules steady and unchanged. Eggs have been in rather better demand, and shippers have commenced to operate during the week; prices are therefore a shade firmer, and the best lots are probably worth of to 10 c. Hams have not been quite so active as during the week previous. No change in prices. Several barrel lots and cases have been sold at 12 to 13c for canvassed. Lard has slightly advanced in value; the demand has increased, and there has been more moving off than for some considerable time previous. Sales, however, have generally been for small We heard of one lot of 300 pails changlots. ing hands at 9c. For Mess Pork there is also a better demand now, in sympathy with the feeling in the west, where, in the beginning of the present week it was quoted lower. There have been steady sales of small lots of five to ten barrels, at \$13 to 13.50.

Wool.-In Fleece there is very little doing now, and prices of course remain unaltered: but there has been a fair demand for Pulled wools, and a considerable quantity has been sold in small lots at current quotations. The following copy of a despatch from Boston indicates the state of the market there: " The business this week was a very fair average one, and manufacturers were disposed to operate more freely at the low prices now current. There was also considerable speculative enquiry for round lots of Michigan and Ohio fleeces, but speculators found few available lots offering. There is very little wool on the market pressed for sale even at the decline of last week. Dealers have become indifferent about selling at the present low prices. Wool has now touched about as low a point as at any time in the past 30 years, and holders prefer to take their chances later in the season rather than press sales now at a price that does not pay the cost.

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of which the sum sent in with the Tender will be considered a part.

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F. BRAUN, Secretary, Public Works Department, Ottawa. Ottawa, May 20, 1878.

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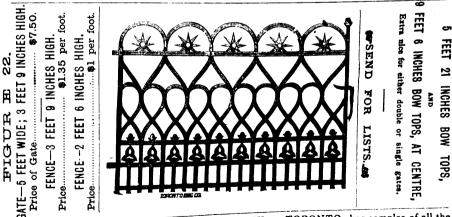
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Boots and Shoes:	\$ c. \$ c.	Hardware-continued.	<b>8</b> c. \$ c.	Oils-continued.	\$. c. \$	
Mens' Calf Boots	3 00@3 50 2 10 2 75	Block, * b	22 0 22	Linseed raw	0 60 0 62 0 66 0 68	
Mens Princils Congress	T 00 T CO	Copper: Pig	0 21 0 22	.rlachinery	0 30 0 40	
" Cong. gaiters & Bal " Sp. it Stogas " No. 1 do	1 50 1 75	Sheet	•	Olive, common, # gall.	1 15 1 20	
DOYS KID DOOLS	I 50 2 00	12 dy. to 7 in. p. kg. 100 lbs. 8 dy. to 10 dy		" salad, in bottles,		
" Gaiters & Bals	11: 16:	5 dy. to 6 dy.,	3 20 3 25	qt., per case Seal, pale	0 65 0 70	
" Split	1 35 1 50	5 dy. to 10 dy	3 50 3 70	Spirits Turpentine Whale, refined	0 48 0 50 0 75 0 80	
" No. 1 Stogas " Split Womeas' Baisa Gat, peg " M.S.	I 00 I 50	2 dy. Galvanized Iron:	4 00 4 60	Paints, &c.		
174114	0 05 1 25	Rest, No. 22	0 00 0 00	White Lead, genuine, in Oil, \$\psi\$ 25 lbs	2 30 )	
" Bals	0 55 I 50	Best No. 24	0 07 0 07 1	Oil, \$\polining 25 lbs.  Do. No. 1  2  3  White Lead, dry.  Red Lead.	1 80 8 3	
" Goat Bals	1 75 2 25	" 28	0 074 0 071	White I and day	1 55	
" Batts	0 80 I no	Horse Nails:		Red Lead.	0 06 0 07	
Cnilds' Bals	0 623 0 75	Patent Hammered	0 14 0 16	Venetian Red, English. Yellow Ochre, French.	0 028 0 03	
"Turned Cackp.doz	4 50 6 00	Pig-Gartsherrie, No. 1		Whiting	0 85 1 00	
Aloes Cape	0 18 0 20	Eglinton No. 1	20 00 21 00	Petroleum. (Refined, # gallon.)		
Sorax	0 02 0 03	W. W. & Co	10 50 20 00	(Refined, # gallon.) Delivered at London, Ont	0.161.0.00	
Castor Oil	0 00 0 16	American	19 00 20 00	No. 1, carload, Imp.gal Delivered in Toronto:		
Caustic Soda		Bar ₱ 100 lb Refined—Amer.,		No. 1, car loaddo 5to 10 brlsdo	0 17 d 0 18 0 18 0 19	
Epsom Saits	0 02 0 03	Hoops-Coopers	2 50 2 60	" single brlsdo	0 19 0 20	
Extract Logwood, bulk boxes,	0 14 0 16	Band Boiler Plates	2 75 3 50	Benzine Produce.	0 00 0 00	
Indigo, Madras Madder	0 90 95	Canada Plates M.L.S Derrie	3 30 3 50	Flour (per brl.) : f.o.c	455 45-	
Opium	5 00 0 00	Maple Leat	3 30 3 50	Superior extra	4 55 4 65 4 30 4 40	
Potass Iodide	5 00 0 00	Lead (at 4 months):	1	Fancy	4 30 4 35	
Quinine	4 00 4 50	Bar too lbs	0 06 0 064	Superhne	0 00 0 00	
Soda Bicarb, per keg	3 50 3 75	Sheet	0 06 0 06‡	Cornment ameliate	380 390 000 000	
Tarteric Acid	0 42 0 45	Iron Wire (4 months):	0 07 0 07	TOTAIN: I.O.L	106 107	
Groceries.	0 28 0 32	No. 6, 30 bundle	2 00 2 10	Fall Wheat No.1 No.2	1 02 1 03	
Coffees: Java, & Ib Singapore Rio	0 24 0 26	12, 11		Spring Wheat No. 3	0 00 0 00 I 02 0 00	
Mocha	0 33 0 35	Fowder: Blasting Canada	3 75 4 00	Spring Wheat, No. 1 No. 2	097 098	
Ceylon native " plantation	0 24 0 26	FF "	4 75 5 00	Oats Barley, No. 1	0 28 0 30 1 00 1 05	
Fish Herrings, Lab. new.	0 00 0 00	Blasting, English FF " loose.	5 00 0 90	No. 2	0 83 0 85	
Mackerel, brls	0 00 0 00	Window Glass: 25 inch		Peas	0 68 0 70	
White Fish, new	1000 000	26 x 40 do	180 190	Provisions Butter, choice, # 15	0 09 0 124	
Salmon salt water	1 00 I 75	41 x 50 do	2 10 2 20 2 35 2 45	old	0 04 0 04	
Dry Cod, # 112 lbs Fruit: Raisins, Layer, 77	1 85 2 00	751 x 60 do	2 75 4 60	Cheese Dried Apples	0 06 0 07	
" Sultanas " Valentias, old	0 00 0 07	Regular sizes, 100	3 75 4 00 4 25 4 50	Pork, mess, Bacon, long clear	0 07 0 07	
"New do	0 07 8 0 08	IC Coke	5 00 5 25	Cumberland cut		
" Muscatells Currants, 1877		IC Charcoal	5 75 6 (A	Hams,	0 12 0 13	
folasses: Clayed, # gall.	0 28 0 30	1AA	9 75 10 00	Lard Eggs	0 08 0 10	
" Pale Amber	0 00 0 0 02 8	Hides & Skins, W Ib.:	1	норв	0 05 0 09	
Golden	0 50 0 522	Green, No. 1	0 00 0 07	Salt, etc. Liverpool coarse per bag	0 75 0 85	
oldes:	•	Cured and inspected	7 374 7 50	Canadian per bbl St. Ube's	0 90 0 95	
Allspice	0 18 0 25	Calfskins, green	0 08 C 10	Wines, Liquors, ctc	.,	
loves	0 45 0 50	Sheep Skins	0 60 0 00	Ale: English nee	1 60 1 90	
" Jamaica, root	0 21 0 25	Leather, @ 4 months:	•	Brandy: Hennessy's cases	10 25 10 50	
epper, black	0 80 1 10	Spanish Sola entervalia-	0.25 0.09	OtardDupuv&Co "	8 75 9 25	
Sugars—Porto Rico, # 10 Cuba			0 22 0 25	J. Robin & Co "Pinet Castillon & Co.	8 00 8 25	
Eng. & Scotch refined yel.	0 074 0 00	Do ligh	0 27 0 29	Gin: De Kuypers & gal.	1 85 2 00	
Ground	0 101 0 101	Harness,	0 26 0 31	Gin: De Kuypers & gal  B. & D  green cases	1 70 I 90 4 25 4 50	
Out Loaf	0 10 0 10	" light	0.25 0.40	" red "	7 75 8 25	
innan common to good	0 25 0 47	English	0 90 1 10	Booth's Old Tom Rum: Jamaica 16 o.p	2 35 2 50	
fine to choicest	0 55 0 65	Hemiock Calf (30 to 35	1 1	Demerara "	2 00 2 20	
Congou & Souchong	0 25 0 80	lbs.), per doz	0 00 0 60	Whisky:   Gooderham & Worts'		
Y. Hyson, com. to good.	0 30 0 40	French Calf	I 121 I 40	Terms Cash.—Under 5 brls., nett.; 5 to 10 brls.,		
Medium to choice Extra choice	0 42 0 57	French Calf	0 19 0 23	21 p.c. off; 10 brls. and	In Duty Bond. Paid	
Gunpwd com. to med	0 37 0 42	Patent	0 19 0 21	over, 5 p.c. off. Alcohol, 65 o.p. \( \mathbb{I} \) I. gall	0 61 2 18	
med. to fine	0 47 0 60	Patent	0 14 0 17	Pure Spirits " " 50 " " 25 u.p. "	0 62 2 19	
Hyson	0 32 0 82	Russetts, light	0 25 0 35	" 25 u.p. "	0 30 1 02	
Imperial		Sumac	0 06 0 07	Old Bourbon " "	0 35 1 11	
Dark	0 34 0 36	Degras	0 07 0 08	" Rye " " Toddy " "	0 33 I 05 0 33 I 05	
[good to fine	0 34 0 41	Cod Oil	0 50 0 55	'' Malt '' ''	O 33 I O5	
Brightsorts, gd. to fine.	0 42 0 48	Lard, extra	0 45 0 50	Old Kye, 5 years old	070 146 090 166	
Solace	0 38 0 00			Wool	=	
Tin (four months):		Stocks, mach	0 70 0 75	Pulled Super	0 23 0 24	
	1	Duncan-Clark & Co's.	0 45 0 00	Extra,	0 25 0 27	

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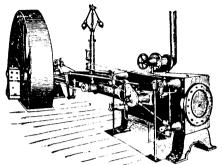
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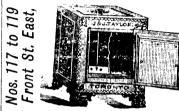
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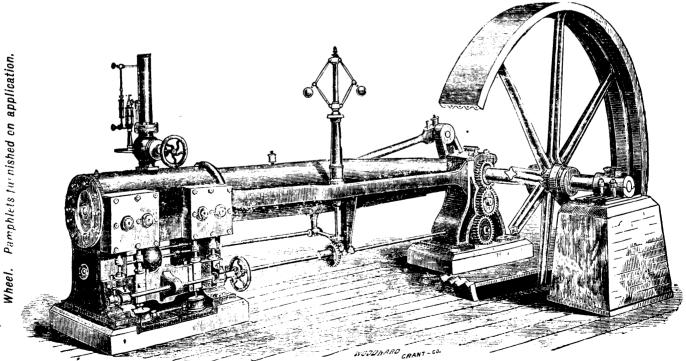
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No. Am'	Am't.	Am't. Age when stopped.		Days.	Age at Death	Amount of Policy.	Premiums & interest to be deducted.		Due Heirs.	Insur- ance over the
							No.	Amount.		Prem's.
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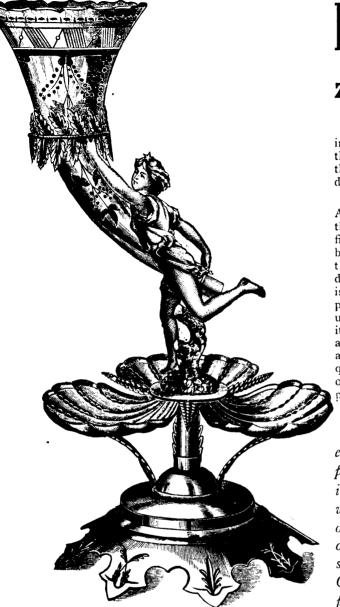
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