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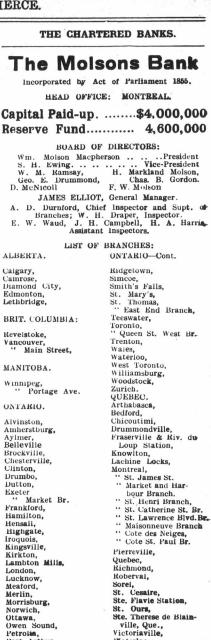
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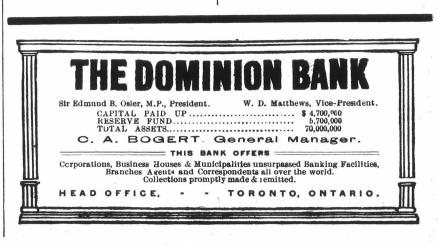
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-The Turkish Government is placing Treasury bills in London, Eng., on a 7 per cent basis. In influential quarters it is hoped and believed that such expensive borrowing indicates that the end of the Turco-Italian war is in sight.

--Total bank exchanges last week at all leading cities in the United States aggregate \$2,961,474.043, an increase of 8.0 per cent as compared with the same week last year and of 9.2 per cent as compared with the corresponding week in 1910.

- Our civic father should not forget to note as a precedent that the Fiji Government have taken up the question of the establishment of a system of co-operative banks with a view to affording financial assistance to Indian settlers in the Colony.

- Stockholders of the Standard Oil Company of California will hold a special meeting on July 30 to authorize an ingrease in capital stock from \$25,000,000 to \$50,000,000. Subscriptions at par will be accepted from stockholders for the new issue.

Mrs. Walter Russell Hall, of Sydney, N.S.W., a widow, w: ose husband amassed a great fortune by gold mining, has given \$5.000.0. to be held in trust, the income to be devoted to the relief in Australia of poverty and the advancement of colucation and religion.

The gold output of New Zealand in May amounted to 49, 615 ozs., valued at £191,620, as compared with 62,688 ozs., valued at £249,550. The output of silver was 173,463 ozs., valued at £18,033, as compared with 163,034 ozs., valued at £16,444 in May, 1911.

- Attention is being directed in England to the statement that two hundred and sixy automobiles of Canadian manufacture were shipped to Australia on May 26th. This is said to have been the largest supment of cars ever sent out of the Dominion on a single vessel.

- The Illinois Central Railroad has just announced the sale of $$15,000,000 4\frac{1}{22}$ per cent two-year notes to Kuhn, Loeb and Company. It is reported that the notes were purchased by the bankers on about a 5 per cent basis, but direct information on this point was not obtainable.

-At the Congress of Chambers of Commerce, London, En Colonel Ponton, Canada, carried a motion urging the codification of all British mercantile laws. It was also resolved that the Imperial Government be invited to negotiate with the Dominions for a uniform company law.

--Advices from Boston tell of the consolidation of the leading gold mines of Cripple Creek with a capital of from \$30,-6,0,000 to \$35,000,000. The El Paso property will form the nucleus of the merger. This will mean the control of 20 per cent of the gold output of North America.

--The Metal Shingle and Siding Company, Limited, Preston, Ont., an ally of the U.S. Metal Products Company, has been incorporated under the Canadian Companies' Act with \$1.500,-000 authorized capital stock in \$100 shares, consisting of \$500-000 7 per cent cumulative preferred and \$1.000,000 common.

-Although the total of 53,000 tons of new shipping launched from the Clyde (Scotland) shipbuilding yards during May makes somewhat poor showing, in comparison with the 93,-000 tons launched in the corresponding month of last year, it still constitutes a high average for the fifth month of the year. -At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of The Royal Bank of Canada, held Friday last, Mr. A. J. Brown, K.C., was elected a Director to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Mr. F. W. Thompson. Mr. Brown is a senior member of the legal firm of Brown, Montgomery and McMichael.

-An election will be held June 24 at Brantford, Ont., to vote on the question of purchasing \$125,000 bonds of the Lake Erie and Northern Railway, by which the city will secure a new line to Port Dover and Galt. It is announced that an election will be held shortly to vote on the question of issuing \$115,000 hydro-electric debentures.

-Two steamships burning oil exclusively were put into service between New York and Boston last week. They belong to the Metropolitan Line, and are named the Massachusets and the Bunker Hill, and it is expected that they will do the trip between the two ports at an average of 26 miles per hour, reducing the passage to about 15 hours.

—Some one in authority has given out the report that the National Transcontinental R.R. from Moneton to Quebec is now ready to be taken over from the contractors, as is also that section from Quebec westerly for 350 miles. It is definitely stated that very satisfactory progress is being made in the construction work all along the eastern lines.

-T. R. Arkell, Professor of Animal Husbandry, has been sent to Alberta and Saskatchewan as Government sheep expert by the Department of Agriculture. He will advise the wool-growers regarding the handling of their present season's clip and make preliminary arrangements for the undertaking of an experimental shipment of Canadian wool to Great Britain in 1913.

-Local representatives in New England have announced that the work of constructing the proposed G.T.R. line into Boston will be pushed ahead with all possible speed now that Governor Foss has signed the Southern New England Railway Bill and all legal preliminaries had been satisfied. The actual route has not yet been fully located, but preliminary surveys are completed.

-After July 15th next gramophones must be classified as musical instruments by all railway companies in Canada, and carried at second-class rates. Hitherto they have been carried only at first-class rates. An order of the Railway Commission, issued June 12, declares that gramophones are musical instruments and must come under the lower rates quoted in railway tolls for this class of goods.

-On the next sailing from New Zealand for London of the New Zealand Shipping Co.'s boat Rimutaka, there will be sent to Monte Video a consignment of 2,000 cases of apples. It has been officially stated that orders for 20.000 cases for the Argentine have already been received. This is a new outlet for New Zealand produce. It is a cold weather voyage, all that is required is good ventilation.

-At the annual meeting of the Dominion Express Co., June 13, the usual dividends were declared and satisfactory reports presented. The following were re-elected directors: -Sir Thomas G. Shaughnessy, R. B. Angus, Charles Hosmer, R. Paton McLea and W. S. Stout. At a subsequent meeting of the directors, Mr. W. S. Stout was re-elected president and Mr. R. Paton McLea vice-president.

-The French Chamber of Deputies has passed a Bill admitting wheat free on condition that an equivalent weight of flour is exported from France by the importer within three months, or an equivalent weight of biscuits within four months. The high price of wheat and its scarcity have been causing considerable apprehension in France, and it is believed that this action will temporarily relieve the market. -Tremend year. Ninonce, the ma the Rockies, and the expsor Street at at Lachine a big docks at

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-The following cable despatch has been sent to London, Eng., by the Canadian Western Natural Gas Light, Heat and Power Company: "Fifty males main pipeline and nine miles main in Calgary already constructed." The London management was also advised by mail that nearly all the pipeline has already been despatched by the manufacturers, and that the contractors are doing splendid work. The company's available gas supply from its own wells is now 119 750,000 cubic feet per day.

-The Niagara Falls Power Company has applied to the Public Service Commission for authority to issue \$3,567,000 bonds (including the remaining \$335,000 of \$1,021,000 authorized by the Commission on February 18, 1910, but not yet issued), or, at the option of the company, to issue \$3,567,000 stock instead of bonds. The proceeds are to be used for proposed construction by the Canadian-Niagara Power Company, construction now under way, and to capitalize expenditures out of earnings between January 1, 1909, and April 1, 1912.

-All the Nova Scotian vessels of the Bank fleet are home from the spring trip, and have been very successful, the total eatch being 50,199 quintals. The number of vessels engaged was 61, which will give an average of 823 quintals per schooner, is a high average, probably higher than for any previous spring season. Prices up not rule as high as at this time last year, but are still high enough to pay handsomely. Some cargoes have been sold at \$5 per quintal, but the price has not been firmly set, as the market values in the West Indies are stat uncertain.

-There was an increase in the number of accidents sustained by workmen in the course of their employment reported to the Department of Labour during May. Altogether, ninety fatal accidents and 241 resulting in serious injuries were recorded as against sixty-two fatal and 227 non-fatal during April, and a still smaller number, fifty-two fatal and 121 non-fatal during May a year ago. These figures show that forty-two more industrial accidents were reported in May, 1912, than in the preceeding month and 158 more than in the same month of the preceding year.

-An analysis of the figures of immigration from the United States into Canada for last month shows that about thirty-eight out of the forty-eight States of the Union contributed to the swelling tide of American citizens pouring into the Dominion. Of the 21,494 arrivals from across the border during May over 13,000 took up homesteads, while hundreds of the others purchased land outright. Each arrival brought an average of over \$1,000, either in cash or effects, the aggregate wealth actually represented being est mated at over twenty-five million dollars. The border States were most largely represented.

-According to United States Customs reports the value of the diamonds imported in the last nine months was \$30. 500,000, representing a total of \$41,000,000 for the whole year, thus exceeding the record of any earlier year, except 1910, when the total was nearly \$48,000,000, and 1907 when the total was \$42,500,000. Uncut diamonds amount to about onefourth of the grand total. Cut diamonds are chiefly drawn

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from Europe, though the product in most cases of the African mines. Of the \$7,500,000 of uncut diamonds imported to the State, \$5,000.000 worth was from the United Kingdom, and \$1.000.000 from Belgium.

-The success which attended the sale of New York city bonds is lenuing enouragement to others, it is understood that the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company in financing its subway building operations will authorize an issue through a new company which it will organize and control, of about \$100,000,000 in bonds. Of these bonds, \$60,000,000, it is understood, will be used to secure the issue of \$60,000,000 of six year 5 per cent notes which it is proposed to sell. It is probable that holders of these notes will have the privilege of exchanging them for the bonds which will be lodged as collateral security for the notes.

-The British Engineering and Mining Journal has been investigating the curious aeposits of recently discovered potash in California. The facts as set out point to these deposits becoming of possibly great commercial value. They are unlike any potash hitherto discovered, masmuch as, instead of lying in beds, they are in the form of a solution under a strata of soda crystals. In the absence of railway transport it is thought that the solution could be advantageously piped to tide-water and there treated. But it is also stated that the owners of the deposits are prepared to build a railway themselves, and u this is done, there would appear little doubt wat a considerable potash industry in California will be initiated, which will make the United States independent of Germany.

--A \$7,000,000 corporation, known as the Canadian United Lumber Corporation, has been formed by British capital. It will operate sawmills in British Columbia and lumber yards on the prairies. The company takes over the Pitt River Lumber Co., the Monarch Lumber Co., at Savona, the Sovereign Lumber Co., at Sicamous, and the McBryan Lumber These companies own 42 lumber yards on Co., at Shuswap. the prairies. It will erect two large saw mills on the west ccast of Vancouver Island, with the object of engaging in the export trade following the opening of the Panama Canal-The total timber limits owned by the company aggregate 200 square miles. The head office will be in Vancouver, with a sub-office in Calgary. It is one of the largest sawmill flotations ever subscribed for by the British investor. Canadian and American capital is also inberested.

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MR. M. S. FOLEY IS CALLED AWAY.

The wonderful providence which disposes of all things and all men according to the dictates of Eternal Wisdom, has called away the master from our head! Words cannot express what the removal of the founder, owner and editor of the "Journal of Commerce" means to his associates. The well-stored learning, the ripe experience, the steady, unflagging courtesy, the firm yet pliant management, which has gone to the making of this Journal, may be guessed at from outside. From its foundation, Mr. M. S. Foley had ideals for his paper, which its friends have seen him tenacious in rigidly endeavouring to write into actual being. Canadian commerce, and finance possessed his soul. He believed that the years as they unfolded the future would exhibit the powers of the Dominion as a trademaker, as a field for investment, as a source of wealth and prosperity greater than the world had ever seen heretofore. He did not believe that this development would depend upon politics. In politics he was al-

let us add, the financial loss to himself or his enter prise. This Journal was the first, we believe to see that there was some danger to our national dignity in the reciprocal trade proposals of Hon. Mr. Fielding last year. He was always on the look out for what would kenefit, or what might injure the fair prospect of the Dominion. But his opposition was always that of the cultured experienced gentleman, who did not believe that professional duty required the laying aside of dignity. As our readers will*remember, he could yield a sharp pointed pen at need. No one could do more trenchant work when he felt called upon to do so. Irony, sarcasm, pointed allusions tipped with apt quotations, were all weapons of his armoury. The wonder was that one so well equipped with such a wealth of ability, made so little use of these attributes. The secret probably was, that he disliked more than most men to wound, or to rankle a wound already existing. He had a keen discernment of the news value of intelligence, and of what the busy readers of such a Journal as his ought to be saved from being troubled with. If "three-quarters of a journalist's make-up is the knowledge of what should be left out." he had indeed the primary grace



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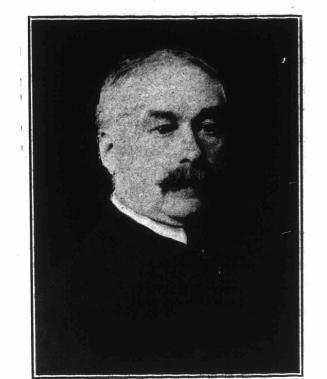
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His associates have numbered some of the most perfectly furnished of Canadian authorities upon the subjects to which this journal is consecrated. For ten years, up to the very time of his death. Sir Francis Hincks was his associate editor. A well-known banking authority, a trained commercial lawyer of high standing at the bar, competent journalists-some of them owning their own journals now-as well as writers from the ranks of other learned professions have served under him, to build up the reputation of the "Journal of Commerce," and all conceived the greatest respect for his straightforward ability. It was impossible not to like his happy, infallibly courteous disposition. As a companion, he was inimitable. He had a marvellous memory, and never failed to supply a quotation from the great authors when occasion demanded it. Many a time his precision corrected a wrong quantity or word, and he was the natural arbiter in such matters to a wide circle of acquaintances. Full of the joy of life, he added to the pleasure of any society where he was to be found. Some of his dearest friends were made in the course of journeys to the mother land, or on tours through noted cities and resorts in Europe or elsewhere. He was also an excellent and correct musician, being a master of the violin, and delighted in gathering a select circle of friends about him for musical evenings when classical masterpieces only were attempted by his fellow artists and himself. It was characteristic of the man that all was to be of the best, and that each contributor should perform in a manner, not simply his best, but perfect. Mr. Foley was better posted than most men in the Founded in 1806.

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classics of the language, his own good taste had been his sole guide through the realm of literature, but he started in life with a warm heart, a rigid rectitude, and a native modesty which alone would have carried far through life.

Take him all in all, we shall be unlikely "to see his like again," though the inspiration of his influence will, it is trusted not fail to preserve and animate the "Journal of Commerce" to do the work he planned it to do.

We cull the following additional particulars respecting him from a generous notice which appeared in the Montreal "Gazette" on the morning after his death on June 17:-

"As far back as the years before Confederation the late Mr. Foley was a journalist in old Quebec, which he left for the position of confidential secretary to the Hon. Wm. Dougall, commissioner of Crown Lands. After eleven years' tenure of that office he came to Montreal as founder and editor of the "Journal of Commerce." He had the faculty of associating influential men with his undertakings, and among other well known in the world of commerce, who occupied somewhat similar positions, was Sir Francis Hincks, associate editor for the ten years anterior to his death. Mr. Foley wielded an able, caustic pen, and his contributions to financial and commercial journalism always attracted attention.

He had been ailing for some time past, though always presenting a smiling face to his associates. For the past few months he has been confined to his house, and låst Monday, surrounded by his family, he peacefully passed away.

Mr. Foley married in 1865 Miss Ellen Leonard, of Oshama, and in 1874 Miss Margaret Anne Jane Macdougall, who survives him. He is also survived by six children: Mrs. Louis Lacoste. Mr. E. W. Foley, P. N. Foley (present manager of the "Journal of Commerce"), Miss M. A. Foley, Mr. A. M. S. Foley, all of Montreal, and Mrs. H. E. Wilkins, of Detroit. Three brothers, Mr. Wm. C. Foley, president of the Foley and Williams Manufacturing Co., of Chicago; Mr. D. F. Foley, of this city: Mr. Henry Foley, of Hamilton, Ont.; and three sisters, Mrs. Margaret Savage of Odell, Ill.; Mrs. C. Costello, Westover, Opt., and Mrs. P. Gavin, of Freelton. Ont., lament his loss, as do a wide circle of friends in this city and elsewhere."

The funeral took place vesterday from his late resilence, 45 Belmont Park.

THE DECLINE IN CONSOLS.

At a recent banquet in London, attended by represcattative British bankers, the Prime Minister was led to talk upon the always interesting subject, the decline in the price of Consols. There was little that is new to be said, or indeed anything which would sound unfamiliar to readers of the "Journal of Commerce." But Hon. Mr. Asquith has the great gift of simplification, and in this case that attribute invests his address with pecular interest. The application of the last part of his speech to the whole subject will not escape those interested in national investment stocks. These are especially interesting in the face of the late reduction in the German discount rate:—

"I am dealing particularly just for a moment with the topic to which the chairman in very courteous and considerate terms invited my attention-namely, the fall in the market value of what are called gilt-edged securities, and in particular of our premier security-Consols. Gentlemen, I will be very careful not to trespass in this somewhat delicate matter upon controversial ground, but I will venture in connection with that topic, as the chairman has opened it, to make three observations: In the first place, as no one knows better than you, there has been an enormous increase during the last 20 years in the area which has legally opened and which is taken advantage of by trustees for the investment of funds. That area is now estimated to amount to something very nearly approaching two thousand million sterling. In the next place, we cannot ignore-unfairly and foolishly ignore-the demand for a higher yield in rate of interest which always accompanies an era of trade activity, particularly when it is the case, as it is the case now, that we are witnessing every year the opening up of new fields in all parts of the world, both for investment and for exploitation. I am going to a perhaps still more complicated aspect of the subject, one which, since the chairman has challenged me, is one from which I must not shrink; and I ask you to observe the fall in the value of Government securities which has taken place, and markedly taken place, during the series of years when Parliament has made provision, at a far greater rate than ever known before, for the reduction and extinction of our capital liabilities. I am not going to trouble you with many figures, but 1 am just going to quote one or two. During the six years March 31st, 1906, to March 31st of the present year, the aggregate gross liabilities of the State in this country were reduced, in round numbers, from 789 millions to 725 millions, or by 64 millions sterling-in other words, at an average rate of 10 1-2 millions a year. I agree entirely with what the chairman has said as to the desirability of making provision in time of peace for the application of our sinking fund for the reduction of our capital liabilities, and a consequent increase in the possible margin of credit, if and when a time should come when we are again obliged to borrow. But in that period-a period of six years-we have reduced the gross liabilities at the rate of 10 1-2 millions a year, and I think we can say, without undue arrogance or self-complacency, that our position and our action

compare very favourably with that of any other European State. (Hear, hear.)

What has happened elsewhere during, roughly, the same period-I say roughly because I do not think the complete figures are available beyond the completed year 1910-the debts of France and Italy have been reduced respectively by 17 millions and eight millions, while that of Germany has been increased by 83 millions and that of Austria by 112 millions. I do not think, therefore-I will not enter into any controversial topics-but I do not think, if we are compared with any other country, we have any reason to feel ashamed. I am not in the least urging that as a reason for slackening or relaxing our efforts, for I am one of those who hold, and I think showed I held, when I was Chancellor of the Exchequer, that the reduction and redemption of debt in time of peace was one of the first duties incumbent upon a Government. (Cheers.)"

It is not difficult to believe that Germany is beginning to fear a very serious drop in the value of its national securities. It is quite an event for the Imperial Bank of Germany to lower its rate of discount. For nine months it has been at 5 per cent, the financial world understanding thoroughly well that Berlin really required to attract gold, owing to its immense expenditures on naval and military accounts, and also in part to the withdrawal of French funds from the country. The German Bank rate has stood at 5 per cent since September 18, 1911, on which date it was advanced from 4 per cent, the rate for the preceding -even months. Since the establishment of the 5 per cent rate by the Imperial Bank of Germany last fall the Bank of France has reduced its rate from 31-2 to 3 per cent on May 16 of this year, and the Bank of England has lowered its rate from 4 per cent to 3 1-2 per cent on February 8 and to 3 per cent on May 9. It is understood that the reduction now ordered in Berlin is not by any means indicative of easier money conditions, but probably results from a feeling that the maintenance of the 5 per cent rate would be a confession of weakness in view of the low ering of rates by the other two great banks named. Four per cent is a low rate for the German Bank, and among the reasons given in friendly quarters why money or dinarily rules higher in Berlin than in London and Paris is that the bankers of Eastern Europeare accustomed to draw heavily on Germany. A 4 per cent rate is a confession of need at the present juncture, quite excusable under the circumstances, but nevertheless reflecting greatly more seriously upon the condition of the national credit than does the present quotation of Consols upon England's standing.

-Montreal's civic debt is now \$55,000,000, but another four or five millions will shortly be added as the result of contemplated public works. The oivic revenue increased by one million dollars last year.

-Final announcement is made that a syndicate headed by Sir William Mackenzie has contracted to purchase 75 per cent or more of the \$406.200 stock of the London. Ont., Electric at \$50 per share (par \$100).

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KEEP CANADA OUT OF MEXICAN TANGLE!

It is hard to say what authority the Mexican newspapers had for their statement that the Province of Chihuahua, Mexico, had an assurance from Canadian bankers that a loan could be floated for that section in this Dominion. We find it difficult to believe that any such assurance had ever been given, or that there was the least authority for any such statement. On the contrary, Canadian banks have some of the best of reasons for keeping well away from Mexican business of every sort. It is true that a considerable sum of Canadian cash has found its way into Mexico, and that many public utilities have an interest for our financiers. But we do not incline to the opinion that therefore, the internal or national quarrels of the country have the least interest for our bankers. In fact, it is now considered to be unnecessary to follow Canadian investments to Mexico with branches of our banks.

The reasons for our concern are found summed up in the following quotation, which is worthy of some attention :- "Advices received by the State Department recently reported that the Mexican rebels under Generel Orozco had met with a serious defeat at the hands of the Federals and were retreating upon Jiminez. The report has not been confirmed. The rebels, on the other hand, claim they have the Federal army of General Huerta bottled up between Chihuahua am Torreon and starving, subsisting on horse meat and discussing surrender. The Chihuahua Legislature has passed a special Act authorizing the issuance of a million dollars' worth of bonds to finance the revolution. In the event of the success of the revolution General Orozco promises that these bonds shall become national obligations. The Mexican Federal Government declares that Chihuahua cannot legally issue Senator Nelson in the U.S. Senate has inbonds. troduced a long resolution directing the Foreign Relations Committee to make a thorough inquiry into the statements that the uprisings both in Cuba and Mexico originated and were financed in the Unite States. Senator Nelson declared that U.S. Sugar interests furnished the funds for the Cuban insurrection in the interest of annexation which would remove the duty on raw sugar. Mining interests, he declared, were seeking the annexation of Northern Mexico."

There may be some U.S. reasons behind the rumour we quoted in a recent issue of the "Journal of Commerce" respecting Canadian implication in Mexican affairs. That our hands would have part or lot in financing a rebellion which may or may not turn out to be a revolution is too ridiculous. We do not believe anything of the sort. Canadian interests and sound financial interests do not incline in that direction at all. Loyalty to the British Empire requires that we let severely alone, all which might bring the so-called Munro doctrine upon the carpet prematurely. From these, if for no other reasons, we disbelieve the story, and sincerely hope that no one has undertaken to affect to represent Canadian money, or opinion, in so important a matter. Canada must be kept well out of such muddle as has arisen in Mexico, since the withdrawal from its management of the strong hand

of ex-President Diaz. Canadian banks have officially no connection with the Chihuahuan bond issue, nor as a revolutionary matter will they have any the do with it.

U.S. CEMENT TRADE.

No one has ever expressed any doubt of the increasing importance of the cement business. Within the past ten years its use has been enlarged many degrees. Its portability has been greatly in its favour, making it imposible to give all the advantage of the most durable stone to places far remote from quarries, and to positions in foundations, and under water where stone itself could not possibly be introduced. And its comparative cheapness has helped to give it the very widest application in the constructive trades. The development of the cement manufacturing industry in Canada has not kept pace with the needs of the communi-Nor has the business grown uniformly throughtv. out the country as was hoped would be the case when Sir Sandford Flemming and Sir Max Aitkens bent their energies towards establishing an immense merger to control the production of the Dominion. It is said that Calgary and one or two other western points are to make cement upon grand scale, but for the present the Western Provinces have been driven to declare that they must depend not upon themselves, but upon the United States for their supplies .

Cement production, consumption and exportation have shown remarkable increase in the statistical records of the United States, as shown by figures of the Bureau of Statistics, Department of Commerce and Labour, while importations shows an equally remarkable decline. The quantity produced, according to figures of the Bureau presented in its Statistical Abstract, just issued, has grown from 8,000,000 bbls. in 1890 to 17,000,000 in 1900 and 78,000,000 in 1910, the value having increased from \$6,000,000 in 1890 to \$13,000,-000 in 1900, and \$69,000,000 in 1910.

Meantime, the figures of imports and exports show equally striking changes. The quantity of cement exported has grown from 76,055 bbls. (of 380 lbs.) in 1900, valued at \$163,162, to 2,971.474 bbls. in 1911, valued at \$4,349,290; while the figures for the nine months ended with March indicate that the total for the fiscal year 1912 will considerably exceed, in both quantity and value that of 1911, and will probably amount to more than 3,000,000 bbls., or 40 times as much in 1912, as in 1900, with a value of more than \$5,000,000, as against \$163,162 in 1900. On the imports side the decline has been as rapid and striking as the increase on the export side. The quantity of cement imported in 1907 was 1,123,763,604 lbs., but by 1911 had fallen to 93,297,749 lbs., and in the fiscal year 1912 seems likely to fall below 50,000,000 lbs, or less than one-twentieth of the imports of 1907.

The United States is leading the way in the production of cement for industrial purposes. The latest figures available in the Bureau of Statistics with reference to production in various parts of the world places the production in Germany at about 30,000,000 bbls., or considerably less than half of the United States, and that of England, slightly less than 20,000,000 bbls.

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THE DECADENCE OF NEW ENGLAND.

It is a good many years now since the blight of Western development fell upon farming industry in New England. The impossibility of competing with the new fertility of the prairie States, effectually enticed or drove the agriculturists from the worn out lands of Vermont. Maine, Connecticut, and New Hampshire. For a long time now the disused, neglected farms of these States have been used "to point a moral, or adorn a tale.",

But there was the nope that the ingenuity and industry of the populace, joined with the proximity to deep water ports, and their connection by rail with all parts of the Union, would for ever preserve manufacturing to these States. They had the plants, the operatives, the money, and might well hope to continue to be the textile manufacturers of their great and fast-growing country. It was allowed that owing to the large working population the. Southern States would always be the producers of sugar, tobacco, corn and cotton, but it was not thought that climatic condition or the position of the labouring classes, chiefly coloured, would ever enable them to develop manufactories.

But this is just what has occurred. The southern planters have become educated to the fact that transportation is King of trade and commerce to-day. If they can save the haulage of the raw cotton to New England, and of the manufactured cotton back from thence a great deal will have been accomplished towards building up manufactures of their own. The cost of the transport would alone give the South all the plant it needed.

But if domestic needs could be met that way, why not all the trade of the country? Why is it necessary to remove the raw cotton at all? Why not manufacture it, right on the fields as it were? Since the climatic diffiulties have been overcome, and the native labour has been found suitable there has been no sound answer to those arguments. The development of the cotton goods industry in the South is, of course. destructive to the established factories in New England. So clearly is this seen, that the manufacturers there are themselves establishing plants in the Southern States, to meet the competition of new rivals, often financed with British funds. It requires no prophet to foresee the disastrous results for New England. Nor does one need to go far alield to judge of the effect upon certain railroads.

We make the following extracts from an article upon another side of this subject in the last number to reach us of the Textile Mercury, the valuable organ of the textile industries of North England, in which are centained some personally collected and doubtless entirely reliable statistics:—

"The important plants entirely completed (in the Southern States) during 1911 included the following: A 50.000 spindle and 1.200 loom plant, capitalized at \$1.000.000, for manufacturing India lawns and linons': a 20.000 spindle and 500 loom plant, capitalized at \$500.000, for manufacturing duck, drills, etc.; a 12,-\$00 spindle and 350 loom plant, capitalized at \$300,000 for manufacturing fancy cotton goods; a 20,000 spin-

dle and 500 loom plant, capitalized at \$500,000, for manufacturing cloth; a 13,000 spindle mill, costing \$175,000, built by a knitted goods company to manufacture the yarus consumed by its knitting mill; a 22,-000 spindle and 750 loom plant, costing \$500,000, for manufacturing ginghams, cheviots, etc.; a 10,000 spindle and 200 loom plant, capitalized at \$300,000, for manufacturing a grade of cotton cloth such as is used as the basis of oil-cloth, this basic fabric to be shipped to the northern mills for finishing, the owners of the plant being in control of oil cloth finishing plants in New York; an 8,000 spindle mill, capitalized at \$300,-000, for manufacturing fine yarns from carded and combed American and Egyptian cotton; and a 20,000 spindle and 500 loom plant, capitalized at \$500,000, for manufacturing cotton cloth. These are but a few of the principal enterprises, and are mentioned as showing the extent of investment and the character of goods decided on.

From January 1st to March 31st, of 1912, there was more activity in Southern mill progress than during any three-months period for several years past. In the first quarter of this year eleven established companies announced their plans for adding a total of 62,-000 spindles and 200 looms, while three new companies were organized and announced their plans for installing 25,000 spindles and 450 looms. That is a total of 87,000 spindles and 1,150 looms-calling for an investment of not less than \$2;000,000, all but \$500,000 of that amount being for the additions by the established companies. Thus again it is seen that the experienced cotton manufacturers of the South are the ones who are making the largest investments in cotton manufacture in the cotton-growing section. The largest plant included in the foregoing is one of 15,000 spindles and 450 looms, capitalized at \$300,000, while the largest addition is 20,000 spindles and 500 looms, costing \$500,000.

In 1880 the South had 687,000 spindles and 15,000 looms, and it worked up 112,000,000 lb of cotton. In 1890 it had 1,720,000 spindles and 39,500 looms, and consumed 280,000,000 lb of cotton. In 1900 it had 4,500,000 spindles and 113,000 looms, and used 750,000,000 lb of cotton. In 1910 it had 11,000,000 spindles and 237,000 looms, and used 1,120,000,000 lb of cotton. In 1912 it had 11,330,000 spindles and 240,000 looms, and worked up 1,143,000,000 lb. of cotton.

The foregoing particulars show that the South's active spindles increased between 1880 and 1911 by 1,550 per cent, and its looms by 1,520 per cent, while its consumption of cotton in the mills increased by 920 per cent. During 1911 the Southern mills consumed 19 per cent of the South's cotton crop, 16 per cent being consumed by mills in other parts of the country. The other 65 per cent was shipped abroad, the greater portion of it being purchased for the mills of England. The significance of these facts from the point of view of the English industry is so obvious that it need not be insisted upon."

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normal placing, or development of its industries. It also makes it clear that heavy losses are likely to follow attempts to localize any great national business at set points, when immense territories have to be provided for, unless there are natural advantages such as the immediate proximity of raw material, supporting them.

There appears to be no fear of Canada's requiring to be taught any such lesson, for the tendency in this country is towards following settlement along with factories, as soon as the population allows. But the decline of the industries of New England are worthy of close attention for many reasons.

SIDELIGHTS ON HIGH PRICES PROBLEM.

The probability that the increased production of gold has lowered the purchasing value of the metal, has been debated by able minds until the opinion seems to have been manifested that there is nothing in the reason thus arrived at for the high cost of living. The "reductio ad absurdum" was supplied by the question of a theoretical financier in the British House of Commons, who took the Government to task for putting up the price of silver by imposing an import duty upon it in India, thus increasing the cost of living. Patient study is making it plain that there are other deeper reasons for the increased price of food, at any rate than the enlarged gold production. The matter is resolving itself into the old problem of supply and demand. Things are dearer because there are, comparatively speaking, less of them.

For instance, to turn for a moment to the place where so many curious problems are being worked out, "according to the census of 1910, the figures of which have just been made public by the Census Bureau, there are no less than 229 cities in the United States with a population of 25,000 or over. This estraordinary showing indicates the extent to which the country is becoming a nation in cities. Greater New York is given a population of 4,762,000, while the population of the metropolitan district is 6,500,000. Greater Boston has passed the million mark, and the Philadelphia total is now 1,549,000, while Chicago is fast approaching 3,000,000. Pittsburgh and Cleveland each have passed the half million mark, while San Francisco has a total of 416,912 despite the earthquake of 1906.

Even cities of the second class are rapidly rising. Detroit now has 465,766; Minneapolis, 301,408; Den ver, 213,381; and New Orleans, 339,075. Baltimore, like Cleveland and Pittsburgh has passed the half million mark with a total of 558,485. Indianapolis and Louisville, Ky., are close rivals, with totals of 233,650 and 223,928; while Providence, R.I., is only just behind the above towns with a total of 207,214. Seattle, thanks to the Alaska trade, has gone ahead of Portland and now has a population of 237,194. The lake trade is also a powerful stimulus to growth, and Milwaukee has risen to the dignity of 373,857, while Buffalo has 423,715.

What gives special emphasis to the growth of urban communities is the number of towns in each State with over 25,000 population. New York has twenty-six cities above this low limit, while California has eight and Washington has three. Large States, like Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois and Massachusetts also stand high on the list.

Health seekers have made Los Angeles a town of 319,198 population, while politics and statesmen have raised Washington to the dignity of a city of 331,069. There is a neck and neck race between St. Paul, Minn., and Kansas City, with totals of 214,744 and 248,381, respectively."

Alongside this array of figures compiled by the American Banker, place the following fact derived from another set of U.S. Census statements which shows a wheat acreage of 4,462,592 in 1909, as compared with 52,588,574 acres in 1899. We ought to add that the production of wheat was slightly larger in the last year than at the time of the previous census. But the advantage was not great, though the value of the wheat from this acreage in 1909 was 77 per cent greater than that of ten years previously, being \$657,565, 801 in 1909, and \$369,945,320 in 1899.

Taking all the cereals en masse, the total acreage of 1909 was 191,359,963 and in 1899 it was 184,982,220 acres. The aggregate yield of all grains was: In 1909, 4,512,564,465 bushels, against 4,438,857,013 bushels in 1899. With the production only slightly larger, then, it appears that the value of the grain crops in 1909 exceeded that of 1899 by no less a sum than \$1,182,000,000. The increase of population during the ten years was 21 per cent; the increase in grain production only 1.7 per cent. In 1909 the capita production was only 49.1 bushels, in 1899 it ras 58.4 bushels. It ought to be pretty clear by this time why food prices have increased in the States. We may add that no portion of the community has increased the value of its property so amazingly in ten years as have the farmers. In 1910 the farm lands in the States were valued at \$40,991,449,090, against \$20,-439,901,164 in 1900. In other words, the farm lands have doubled in value in ten years owing to the extraragant prices the people of the States have been compelled to pay for their food.

FISHERIES.

Upon every salmon river in Eastern Canada a close watch is being kept at the present moment, to catch the first sight of the home-coming of the lordly "salmo salar." The very acme of the sport of angling, do these vagabonds of the deep afford, as they come back lusty and strong from their winter trip to salt water. In fact, he knows nothing as yet of the highest flights of gentle Walton's art, who has not fought a fresh run salmon in such strong waters as make no ignoble homes for the cleanest, gamest of all the fish, King Salmon, himself. Sportsmen are gathering from various parts of the earth for the angling season (en the Cascapedia, the Grand River of Gaspe, the Saguenay tributaries, and any another noted breeding place of the fish. Time was, before cities turned our crystal waters into open drains, when salmon bred, and returned year after year up the St. Lawrence as far as to Niagara Falls, and along the Ottawa probably to

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the foot of Parliament Hill itself. Those days, our vicious system of stream pollution have banished for ever, for the salmon is too self-respecting to swim in defiled waters.

The Government of Quebec has good reason to appreciate the Providence which has put our greatest preciate rivers out of reach of such spoliation. Their rentals make no inconsiderable addition to the income of the Province, as readers of the "Journal of Commerce" will remember.' Until Ungava was added to its domain this year, Quebec had no sea coast fisheries, properly speaking. Our private information leads us to believe that its new northern salt-water connection is to be exceedingly valuable as soon as transportation facilities make it possible to develop its fisheries. No doubt salmon and trout waters abound in the new territory also, but its deep water resources are probably worthy of very serious attention. In fact, it is a source of continued surprise to business men from Europe that so little money has found its way to the developing of our fisheries, considering their vast economic importance. Canada has not yet learned the value of a hish diet, owing to its comparatively high cost. The transportation end needs expert development, doubtless, but no doubt that will come with enlarged production and demand. With meats mounting rapidly in price, and all supplies becoming scantier, owing to the increasing cost of labour, there will be a ready acceptance no doubt of fish. In fact, the time appears to propitious as possible for looking into this question, and investing it under proper advice, and management. On the Pacific Coast, the waters teem with valuable food fish, as do the famous Atlantic "banks" and "grounds." Hudson Bay and Ungava Bay are the natural preserves of herring, mackerel, cod and halibut. Our great inland waters have also their finny resources, for the relief of the interior of the country. We ought, in short, to be afforded the opportunity of using the natural food bountifully prepared for us. We understand that some enquiries have been made by two British firms into our native resources with a view to engaging in active operations for the European chilled fish trade. There ought to be room for Canadian enterprise in it also, as there certainly is a demand for more fish throughout the smaller towns and country parts of the Dominion.

The following table from combined British and other sources gives some rough idea of the value of the fishing industries of the world, and of the share our country already has in it.

United States (Census report of 1908)	\$54,031.000
Great Britain	46.000.000
France (not including colonies)	32,000,000
Russia, 1910	36,950,000
Canada :	
Nova Scotia	
British Columbia	
New Brunswick 4.134,144	
Ontario	
Quebec	
Manitoba	
Prince Edward Island 1,153,708	

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British colonies not specified	15,000,000
Newfoundland	10,000,000
Netherlands	7,000,000
Norway	22,000,000
Sweden	2,351,322
Italy	3,000,000
Spain	8,000,000
Portuga1	2.000,000
Chile (whales only) (Falkland Isles fishery)	3,893,200
Brazil	5,000,000
Japan (Hokkaido only)	8,000,000
Korea, 1910	3,984,000
All other countries, say	39.725,045
Grand total	328,000,000

OUR CROPS.

A bulletin of the Census and Statistics Office has issued reports as collows :- Throughout the greater part of Canada the spring this year has been cold, wet and backward. Contimous raine, especially in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Quebee, have greatly interfered with the Spring seeding, and at the end of May large areas in these three provinces, particularly on low-lying lands, were still unseeded. It is impossible, therefore, to base upon the data at present, available complete estimates of the areas sown to this year's principal field crops, and the following are consequently preliminary figures subject to revision at the end of June, when fresh returns after completion of the seeding will be made by correspondents of the office. The area under fall wheat, deducting that which was winter killed in Ontario and Alberta, is placed at 781,000 acres. Spring wheat occupies 9,145,000 acres, and the total wheat area amounts therefore to 9,926,-000 acres. Oats show an area of 9,486,000 acres and barley 1.429,000 acres. Rye, peas and mixed grains have a total acreage of 894000 and the area of hay and clover is 7,904,000 acres, alfalfa is sown to 112,000 acres. Condition at the end of May, as measured against a standard of 100 representing the promise of a full crop, is high for all the products re ported on, excepting fall wheat, the per cent condition of which, viz. 7146, is lower than that of any of the three previous years at the same date. This crop suffered from the exceptionally severe winter in Ontario and from the lack of sufficient snow protection in Alberta, whilst the cold wet pring has been adverse to recovery and good growth. The condition of spring wheat is 94.21 against 96.69 last year, Gat 91.67 against 94.67, barley 91.08 against 93.49. rye \$7.24 against 90.26, peas 83.85 against 93.15, mixed grains 87.72 aga st 93.84. The condition of hay and clover is 96.10 compared with 74.63 at the end of April and 91.45 at Alfalfa, where grown shows this the end of May. 1911. year an average condition of 90.65. For the three North-West Provinces the areas are, as estimated as May 31, wheat 9,122,000 acres oats, 5,097,000 acres and barley 837.000 acres. The condition of these cereals in the North-West provinces is over 25 percent of the standard, except for fall wheat in Alberta where it is 76.62 per cent. In Saskatchewan the area under fall wheat is estimated at 53,000 acres, and its percent condition on May 31 was 93.28.

-The plans filed at Ottawa for the St. John, N.B., dry dock show a dock 1.150 ft. long and 35 ft. deep. This will be one of the greatest dry docks in the world, and will cost about \$4,000,000.

-There are rumours that bars, plates and shapes, which comprise more than 40 per cent of the fluished steel output, will advance \$1 a ton within thirty days at Pittsburg.

-Canadian municipal uebentures issued in May aggregated \$2,340,323.

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CANADA'S 1911 PULPWOOD CONSUMPTION.

The Forestry Branch of the Department of the Interior has finished the complication of the statistics of pulpwood consumption for 1901, and will shortly publish the results as their Bulletin No. 30.

The consumption of pulpwood showed an increase of 73.801 cords (or 12.3 per cent) namely, from 598,487 cords in 1910 to 672,288 cords in 1911. The average price per cord (\$6.45) was the highest paid since these statistics began to be compiled in 1908. The increase in the production of pulp was 22,229 tons, viz., from 474,604 tons in 1910 to 496,833 tons in 1911 (an increase of 4.7 per cent). Fifty four firms sent in reports, an increase of three.

Quebec mills, 28 in number, consumed 58 per cent of the total quantity of wood used; Ontario, with fourteen mills used almost one third; the four mills in New Brunswick took 6.8 per cent of the total and Nova Scotia's seven mills about half that quantity. The actual quantities of pulp consumed are as follows:—Quebec, 390,426 cords; Ontario, 213,667 cords; New Brunswick, 45,824 cords, and Nova Scotia, 22,-221 cords. Pulp manufacture in British Columbia is still in the experimental stage.

The effect on the price of pulpwood of Quebec's prohibitory regulations as to export of wood cut on erown lands has been awaited with interest. The conclusion to be drawn from the figures of the bulletin is that an increase of almost one dollar per cord has resulted. The average price paid for pulpwood in Quebec in 1911 was 97 cents per cord greater than that paid in 1910. In Ontario the price fell twenty cents, while New Brunswick and Nova Scotia show increases of twenty to thirty cents per cord.

Spruce is still far in the lead as a pulp-wood, over fourfifths of the total consumption was balsam fir, and poplar and hemlock each furnished less than one per cent of the total. The proportion of balsam fir used for pulp is constantly increasing.

Only four species—namely, spruce, balsam fir, poplar and hemlock—were used for pulp in 1911. Quebec used all four, Ontario and Nova Scotia all but hemlock, and New Brunswick only spruce and balsam fir. The proportions of the two principal woods to the total consumption in the various provinces were as follows:—Quebec: spruce. 75 per cent, balsam fir, 23.8 per cent; Ontario: spruce, 90 per cent. balsam fir, 9 per cent; Nova Scotia: spruce, 81 per cent. balsam fir, 18 per cent; New Brunswick: spruce, 96 per cent, balsam fir, 4 per cent.

Of the processes the mechanical leads; sixty per cent of the pulp manufactured was made by this process. Thirtytwo per cent of the pulp was roduced by the sulphite process, and about eight per cent by the soda process.

Quebec leads in the production of mechanical and soda pulps, and Ontario in the manufacture of sulphite pulp.

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Spruce	57.5	33.8	8.7
Balsam Fir	76.2	23.1	0.7
Hemlock	24.0	9.0	67.0
Poplar	5.3	51.0	43.7

In 1911, 72.9 per cent of the pulp made was produced by the mechanical process. Nova Scotia used this process exclusively, and over half of Ontario's pulp is produced by this method. New Brunswick, on the other hand, manufactures eighty per cent of its pulpwood by the sulphite process, with the remainder divided equally between the other two processes.

The annual consumption of pulpwood per mill in the Dominion was 12,450 cords, almost the same as that for 1909 (12,442 cords) and quite an increase over that for 1910 (11, 735 cords). Ontario gives the highest average cut per mill, viz., 15,252 cords.

The aggregate export wood pulp was 259,514 tons, of which 221,167 was mechanical pulp and 38,347 chemical pulp. The

total value of the pulp exported was \$4,902,862, an average value of \$18.89 per ton. In 1910, 328,977 tons of pulp, valued at \$5.694,896 were exported. The mechanical pulp was worth \$3,436,670, or \$15.54 per ton, and the chemical pulp \$1,466,192, or \$38.23 per ton. The mechanical pulp thus formed 85.2 per cent of the export, and the chemical pulp 14.8 per cent. The United States received 99.1 per cent of the mechanical pulp exported, and 99.8 per cent of the export of chemical pulp; the United Kingdom, 0.9 and 0.2 per cent respectively. There was practically no export to any other country.

While exports of wood-pulp decreased by 69,463 tons, the quantity exported to the United States increased over that taken in 1910 by 3,103 tons, that country taking almost 52 per cent of Canada's total product. In transatlantic markets it seems that Scandinavian and German pulp are successfully competing with Canadian pulp, probably owing to the lower cost of labour in these countries and perhaps, also, to the fact that smaller profits may be satisfactory to capital. The home market, also, has increased its production by some forty per cent since 1908, when it took 34 per cent, and in 1911 took almost 48 per cent.

Canada now supplies approximately half of the United States import of pulp. Less pulpwood in the unmanufactured state was exported in 1911 than in any year since 1907. The decrease is confined to Quebec, which sent to the United State over 140,000 cords less pulpwood than in 1910; Ontario and New Brunswick, on the other hand, have both increased their imports to the United States. Still, of the 1,520,227 cords of pulpwood produced in Canada in 1911, considerably over half (nearly 56 per cent) is exported unmanufactured, the quantity being 847.939 tons. The total value of the Fulpwood produced was \$9,678,616, that of the pulpwood manufactured in Canada \$4.338,024, and that of the export teing \$5,340,592. Had Canada manufactured into pulp the pulpwood she exported she would have received, instead of the \$5.340,592 she actually got, approximately \$15,000,000. The pulpwood thus exported would have supplied sixty-eight mills of the average size of those operating in Canada, and the Dominion, instead of having fifty four pulp mills, would thus have a hundred and twenty-two; Quebec could supply with her export forty five mills of the average size operating in the province, and New Brunswick could double her number.

Imports of wood-pulp nearly doubled in value. namely, from \$49,000 in 1910 to \$94,000 in 1911.

RAILROAD EARNINGS.

Total gross earnings of all United States railroads reporting to date for the first week of June, according to figures compiled by Dun's Review. aggregate \$6,144,552, an increase of 2.6 per cent as compared with the earnings of the same roads for the corresponding period last year. While this comparison, on the whole, is fairly satisfactory, the exhibit is not so favourable as that for the first week in the preceding two months, the gain in May amounting to 7.4 per cent and In the following table are given in April to 5.7 per cent. the gross earnings of all United States railroads reporting to date for the first week of June, and the gain as compared with the earning of the same roads for the corresponding period a year ago; also for practically the same roads in the two preceding months, together with the percentages of gain over last year :-

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CANADIAN AGRICULTURE.

That well proven friend of Canadian agriculture, Dr. James Robertson, chairman of the Committee on Lands, of the Conservation Commission, has the following to say upon the progress of Canadian farming in a blue book just received from Ottawa. In the course of an interview with the Parliamentary Committee on Agriculture, Dr. Robertson, said:—

"Canada last year had field crops of the total value of \$565,000,000 at the places of production. That is a great deal of wealth called out of natural resources by the labour of farmers. That is different in its effect on the welfare of the people from the increase of money values by holding real The wealth represented by the crops was created out of otherwise chaos by intelligent management and labour. It is here, with us, to go around. I appeared before this Committee some fifteen years ago, to speak on a theme that was then, in my judgment, and is now of great importance to agriculture, viz., the advantages of local illustration stations or farms for the service of surrounding farmers. At that time (1897) as nearly as one could obtain information, Canada produced field crops of the value of \$270,000,000. Now we produce crops of the value of \$565,000,000. That increase of 109 per cent in fifteen years would have been exceedingly creditable to our management and our ability if we had not increased our acreage under crops. And part of the increase in value is due to advance in prices. The increase of acreage has been, of course, mostly in the three prairie provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. The increase in them amounts to 11,836,000 acres, and the increase in the acreage under crop east of the Great Lakes amounts to about 3.000,000 acres in the same period. The increase in the value of the field crops from the three prairie provinces from 1897 to 1911 is, in round figures, \$200,000,000. This increase does not include revenues from live stock or dairy products. It refers to field crops only. The west is certainly an important portion of the agricultural area of Canada; and it has become a very important part of the agricultural life of Canada. Last year its field crops had a value (\$228,033,000) equal to forty per cent of the whole pro-The Committee will see that the questions of conduction. servation, the questions of utilization of agricultural lands, are questions affecting the prosperity, the stability, of every material interest in Canada. Every one carrying on business or following an occupation in Canada is to some extent, directly and indirectly, affected by the progress, or otherwise, of the agricultural industry. Perhaps I have already referred at more than sufficient length to those salient fea-I have done so in order that you might be with me. tures. as to the point from which the question should be viewed, when considering and discussing means whereby we can do Farming is not better hereafter than we have been doing. only an occupation to be followed by individuals for profits. but it is also a great national interest, having a dominating bearing on the fortunes of the nation, in all important ways in the character of its population, in the possessions and properity of its citizens and in the permanence of opportunities to all its people to earn satisfactions in all lines of activity.

Dr. Robertson is, however, not blind to the danger before Canadian agriculture owing to the depletion of soil by continous cropping without rotation or fertilization. He is insistent on the need of everything which will prevent impovcristmatch of the fields. In this connection he draws attention to the fact that the crop of wheat on English farms was about 26 bushels to the acre 400 years ago.

"Then it went down until some of the records -I do not know whether the records are wholly reliable—point to a rate of between 8 and 10 bushels per acre some 200 years ago. From that time on they began to make improvements and progress; on some estates it became a rule that a farmer must follow a systematic rotation of crops. The chief means for restoring and improving English agriculture was a rotation of crops with a clover or a bean crop in between the grain crops. Now the rate of yield in England is from 32 to 34 bushels of wheat per acre. That is a glance at experience spread over a period of four hundred years. From want of a good system of farming, the yield per acre went down to an exceedingly low level, and by the adoption of good systems and methods it has been raised to a high level.

From the long cultivated lands in Germany, there is a yield of some 10 bushels to the acre more than there was 30 years ago, as the result of the application of more intelligent methods and better management. In Hungary, on one of the large estates of which correct records have been kept, the increase in the yield per acre has been remarkable. Between 1851 and 1860 the yield of wheat was 10.9 bushels to the acre. and between 1891 and 1900 the average yield of wheat was 30.3 bushels to the acre. During 1851-1860 the yield of barley was 14.7 bushels to the acre; during 1891-1900 it was 43.9 bushels to the acre. The yield of oats was 17.1 bushels to the acre, as against 51.3 bushels to the acre. The yield of Indian corn was 21.3 bushels to the acre during the former period, as compared with 41.6 bushels to the acre during 1891-1900. This has been brought about by intelligent and intensive cultivation instead of by following primitive methods."

RAILWAY WAGES AND COST OF LIVING IN THE U.S. AND EUROPE.

The Bureau of Railway Economics at Washington, has completed the second of its comparative studies of railway conditions in the United States and the principal countries of Europe. This relates to the wages paid railway employees and the cost of Eving, and is based on the latest years for which comparative data are available.

The average daily compensation of railway employees of all classes for the year 1910 was in the United States, \$2.23; in the United Kingdom, \$1.05; excluding supplementary allowances negligibly affecting the average, it was in Prussia-Hesse 81 cents, and in Austria 89 cents. The lowest paid railway employee in the United States, the ordinary trackman, receives a greater compensation than many of the railway employees of France, even those of higher grades and with responsible duties. The compensation of railway employees is from two to three times as high in the United States as in Italy.

A recent report of the English Board of Trade on railway wages shows that the average weekly pay of enginemen in the United Kingdom in 1907 was \$11.17; of firemen, \$6.67. In the same year enginemen on American railways received an average weekly compensation of \$25.80, counting six days to the week, and firemen \$15.24. Recent returns make it clear that in 1912 enginemen and firemen in the United States are compensated at rates of pay for specific runs that are two, three and four times as high as the corresponding rates on representative English railways. The annual compensation of enginemen in the United States, as reported by two representative railway companies, now ranges from \$1-100 in switching service to over \$2,800 in passenger service. and of firemen from \$700 in switching service to over \$1.700 in passenger service

For Continental Europe official returns in requisite detail are not available for a later year than 1908. The salaries and allowances of the typical engineman in Germany amounted for that year to \$646.88, in Austria to \$870.80; of a fireman in Germany to \$424.59, in Austria to \$532.03. The annual compensation of enginemen on two of the principal railways of France ranged in 1908 from \$505.66 to \$906.91, and of firemen from \$324.24 to \$595.98. In Italy enginemen received in 1908, salary and allowances included, from \$581.10 to \$812.70 a year; firemen, from \$330.30 to \$475.05 a year. In these Continental countries the maximum compensation is received only after many years of service.

The average annual compensation of enginemen in the United States in 1908, on an estimated basis of 300 days' service, was \$1.335; of firemen, \$792. In this country the rate of compensation to these employees does not depend on length of service.

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In Belgium enginemen received in 1907 from \$23.16 to \$38.60 a month; firemen, from \$17.37 to \$23.16 a month; conductors and station employees, from 46 cents to 96 cents a day. In the United States, in the same year 1907, enginemen averaged, on the basis of 25 days' service, \$107.50 a month firemen, \$63.50 a month; conductors, \$3.69 a day; station employees, from \$1.78 to \$2.05 a day.

The rental of a three or four room house or flat is almost as high in Berlin, Paris, or London, as throughout the United States, but in England and on the Continent it generally runs from thirty dollars to ninety dollars a year less. The quantity of food and fuel estimated by the Board of Trade of England as the standard consumption of a typical workingnon's family costs in the United States 17.8 per cent more than in France or in Germany; 35.3 per cent more than in Belgium, and 38 per cent more than in the United Kingdom.

It is well within the truth to estimate in a broad and general way that while the cost of living of a railway employee in the United States is less than fifty per cent higher than that of a corresponding employee in the United Kingdom or on the Continent, his compensation averages over twice as great.

INSURANCE NOTES.

-The North Empire Fire Insurance Co. has taken over the business of the Canada West Fire.

-The second convention of the International Association of Casualty and Surety Underwriters will be held at the Hotel Chamberlain, Old Point Comfort, Va., August 13-16.

-"It has been shown that, while the per capita fire losses of six European countries were 1s 41/2d, that of the U.S. was nearly 12s. Cheap and flimsy wooden-frame construction is said to be largely responsible."-London Financier. -The Commercial Union Assurance Company, recognized far and wide as one of the world's great insurance institutions, owes its commanding position to a large extent to a series of important amalgamations and absorptions. To mention only the Palatine, the West of England, the Handin-Hand, the Union, the accident and the Ocean Accident and Guarantee is enough to remind those who follow the course of insurance affairs of the means whereby the company has risen to its present em.nence. A "working arrangement" has now been made also with the Liverpoor Victoria Insurance Corporation, under which its contracts are guaranteed for 10 years by the Commercial Union.

-The annual report of the Royal Insurance Company, Limited, shows that the net fire premiums amount to £3,953.478, the losses to £2,104.156, and the surplus on the fire account to £415,027, which has been carried to profit and loss, from which account the sum of $\pounds 200.000$ has been transferred to the fire fund, increasing the same to £3,000,000. In the life department the new business is Cl.865.645, the total premiums, after deducting reassurances. £770.321, and the life and annuity funds at the end of the year. £10.625.395. In the accident departments the net premiums amount to £469,-752, the claims paid and outstanding to £197.558. and the funds to £389,146. In the marine department the net premiums for the year 1911 amount to . £572.846, the claims paid to £157.376, and a fund of £952.811 is carried forward. -The Mexican Government has deburred Lloyds policies for riot risks as illegal and void. For some months London Lloyds through a Mexico City firm of insurance brokers have issued policies covering against riot, insurrection and civil commotion and have done a business of millions of dollars at fancy rates. fluctuating from 2 to 5 per cent, according to the degree of alarm excited among the property owners. The Secretary of State has just issued an official notice, reading as follows: "The Secretary of the Treasury, in accordance with article 17 of the law of December 10, 1892. has ordered the suspension as illegal and void of the insurance operations against loss and damage arising from war, popular commotion, revolution and insurrection, etc., done by a group of insurers styled Lloyds of London and represented

in this republic by William B. Woodrow, which is brought to the knowledge of the public for the consequent effects."

-A novelty introduced into accident insurance by the Railway Passengers Assurance Company (now operating under the aegis of the powerful North British and Mercantile Insurance Company) is a policy in the form of a postcard, the conditions being given on one side, while the other resembles the fact of an ordinary postcard. This is for the benefit of travellers by railway, steamship, etc. After they have obtained their "postcard policy" they simply sgn it and send it off home, and then, in the unfortunate event of catastrophe overtaking the insured, his representatives are in a position to supply evidence in support of a claim with-We understand this new form of policy has been out delay. suggested by the recent terrible disaster to the "Titanic." It is only too probable that the families of many of the victims who had had the forethought to take an insurance for the voyage would lose the compensation which ought to have been theirs because the only means of proving the existence of a policy was irreparably destroyed.

STRIKE RECORD.

The number of labour disputes in existence in Canada increased considerably during May; conditions, however, compare favourably with those of the corresponding month last year. There were twenty-nine strikes reported to the Department of Labour, as compared with nineteen during April and thirty-four during May a year ago. About two hundred firms and four thousand employees were involved in these disputes, the loss of time to employees being approximately sixty thousand working days as compared with a loss of 100,000 working days during the preceding month and a loss of 299,400 during May last year. Few disputes of importance as from the point of view of the number of workers thrown out of employment commenced during May, only two occurring which involved more than two hundred em-As neither of these disputes lasted for more than ployees. a week, it will be seen that the strike situation generally was much more favourable than during May. 1911 in which month seven disputes commenced, each of which threw out of employment more than two hundred men, besides n'neteen involving a smaller number of workmen. Numerous disputes commencing during May were the result of a failure to reach a new agreement as to rates of wages, and in many cases the stoppages of work were only of short duration, normal conditions being resumed without much loss of time.

PRICES OF COMMODITIES.

According to the latest estimate of the Department of Labour, the continued rise in prices was maintained during May, though not to such a marked extent as during the preceeding month. The Department's index number, which went rp more than a pear during April, reached the highest point in the record of the Department during May, when it stood at 136.9 as compared with 135.4 in April and 126.1 in May a year ago. This rise of nearly ten points in one year constitutes a record in the history of the Department, and it is a noticeable feature that during the last year the lowest point was recorded during May and June, while the figures for May this year show an advance over those of any previous month. Animals and meats advanced to unprecedented levels during May, an unusual feature of the market being that all low grades have advanced as steeply as the choice grades. Grains and fodders showed an increase during the month, as also did fruits and vegetables. Decreases on the other hand, were recorded in the case of dairy products and fish.

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BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES.

Judging from the insolvency returns, liquidators and official receivers are more likely to be in difficulties than members of any other trades. Inere is no failure of more than second rate importance on our list for the week. Last week's failures for the Dominion numbered 29, only 7 of them being for amounts of over \$5,000. Corresponding week last year, 25 insolvencies and 9 of them for over \$5,000. In the United States, Messrs. Dunn report 233 failures last week, 83 of them for over \$5,000.

In Ontario, the following have assigned:—The Oxley-Enos Co., Ltd., gas and electric fixtures, Toronto; Norman and Co., manufacturers of baking powder, Hamilton; Mann Lumber and cheese Box Co., Ltd., Peterborough; T. W. Hall, contractor, Toronto. A winding-up order has been granted the Stanworth-Martin-Stone Co., Ltd., Port Arthur, Thunder Bay District.

The Independent Glass Producers, manufacturers, Toronto, have been granted a winding-up order. The company had assigned June 4th. This company was incorporated October 10th, 1910, with an authorized capital of \$200,000 in shares of \$100 each. Of the capital stock, \$75,000 was common stock and \$125,000 at 7 per cent preferred stock. John Lowden was president; Walter G. Lumbers vice-president; J. Percy Mills acting secretary-treasurer. The other directors being: R. W. Lowden, Walter Warren, R. G. Witt, C. C. Daiton, R. A. Stapells and W. G. Harvey.

In Quebec, the following have also assigned:—J. A. Roy, builder. Montreal; Eugene Ouellet. general store. Beauceville (judicial). The Petite Riviere Lumber Co., Ltd., Quebec, are in voluntary Equidation. H. P. Beck, of Hefferman and Beck, contractors, Montreal, has consented to assign.

A demand of assignment as been served upon M. P. Darwin and Co., implements, Montreal.

Pierre Bilaudeau, printer, etc., Montreal, is contesting the demand of assignment lately made upon him.

The demand of assignment made upon Dieudonne Peloquin, contractor. Montreal, has been settled.

J. G. Denis, grocer. Port Rouge, has assigned, having assets of about \$1,250, and liab lities of \$2,000.

The Brockton Shoe Co., Montreal, sole owner Maxwell Robinovitch, alias Maxwell Robitaille, has assigned, with liabilities of \$7,459. Principal creditors being: A. P. Cimon Shoe Manufacturing Co., \$861; A. Miller, \$500; Percival Bros., \$725 and J. I. Choumard, \$563, etc.

J. P. Lanory, general store. Ville Marie, has consented to assign on demand of the Victoriaville Furniture Co. A prepared statement shows liabilities of \$6.539, and assets of \$6, 745, besides which he has real estate valued at \$8.700, mortgaged for \$5,000 to his wife.

In Manutoba: Gib. Bellefeuille, manufacturer of tube skates, Winnipeg; L. A. Gauthier, paints, Winnipeg, and Sing Kee, restaurant, Winnipeg, have assigned.

In Alberta: Donald McDonald, contractor, Calgary, has assigned.

In British Columbia: The Millwork Supply Co., Vancouver; The Neate Barbers Supply Co. (J. Horn), Vancouver: The Seymour Lumber Co., Vancouver, and J. Sullivan, dry goods, Vancouver, have assigned.

- According to a bill recently before the Congress of Nicaragua, the monetary unit of the Republic will be cordoba, or a silver coin of 100 centavos of the same value as the Canad ar dollar.

-A branch of the Bank of Montreal has been opened at Plum Coulee, Man., as a sub-agency to their Gretna branch.

-There is a decrease in acreage, under crop in the United States of 7.6 per cent compared with last year's figures.

-Ratepayers of Brandon. Man., have authorized loans of \$70,000 for an arena, and \$100,000 for railways.

PETROLEUM'S GROWING CONSUMPTION.

The Department of State at Washington has prepared a translation from German authority regarding the production and increasing use of petroleum. This German review of the petroleum industry covers a wide field, and is usful as indicating the opinions of German authorities regarding the increasing use of petroleum throughout the world. This translation, as prepared by the State Department, is as follows:—

The English coal strike has brought up the question of how and to what extent coal can be replaced by liquid combustibles or other sources of power. The most tavoured countries in this respect are probably the Scandinavian, possessing, as they do, in their waterfalls a great source of power. Lately it has been found that the method worked out by a Swedish inventor of firing locomotives with pulverized peat is practical and economically just as advantageous as coal. However, the use of these resources, water power and peat, is confined to certain countries. It is different with petroleum, which is one of the generally available products of the world.

The total production of petroleum in America in 1911 was approximately 83,000,000 barrels. In Russia the slackening of the output of the wells in the Baku region became decidedly apparent last year, showing a decrease from 478,000,-000 to 427,000,000 poods (57,382.953 to 51,260,504 barrels). The total production of Russian petroleum as compared with 1910 by 28,000,000 poods (3,361.345 barrels).. and amounted to 554,000,000 poods (66,506,603 barrels. Roumania produced in 1911 somewhat more than 1,500,000 tons (10,785.000 barrels), and exported about 700.000 tons (5.033.000 barrels). As is well known, the industry is carried on almost exclusively with foreign capital, only 10,000,000 of the 280,000.000 marks (\$66,640,000) employed being Roumanian. Germany controls 58 per cent of the total capital.

If coal shall be replaced by petroleum to a considerable extent it is clear that energetic measures will be necessary to provide suitable ships for the colossal transportation which may be expected. In England there are being built at present not less than forty-five tank steamers with 800,000 tons loading capacity, but the demand for petroleum is increasing to such an extent that it hardly can be satisfied. England, for instance, imported last year 343,000.000 gallons (8,166,667 barrels), or 22,000,000 gallons (523,810 barrels) more than in 1910. The way in which these increasing amounts of petrofeum are being used may be gathered from the fact that the imports of illuminating oil have decreased 20 per cent, whereas the imports of petroleum for power purposes have increas-The largest imports come from America, ed 150 per cent. Russia being second, and Roumania third.

THE BANK STATEMENT.

Owing to the late arrival of the Bank Statement, we are unable to give our usual compilation, which will appear in our next issue. The principal features in the May statement show large increases in deposits, assets, liabilities and call loans outside of Canada. Call loan in Canada have decreased. The principal figures compared with April follow:—

	May.	April.
Circulation	 \$93,819,333	\$95,145,371
Dem. deposits	 376,953 217	345, 365, 183
Notice deposits	 $625,\!294,\!344$	615,370,348
Deposits outside Canada	 77,874,570	85,679,238
Liabilities	 1.247,306,724	1,211,160,889
Call loans, Canada	 68,305,157	69.243,791
Outside Canada	 115,832,736	103,558,392
Current loans. Canada	 837,282,550	833.242,621
Outside Canada	 33,478,564	31,469,847
Assets	 1,474,715,460	1,439,425,966

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FIRE RECORD.

Four houses on Dodds Avenue, West Toronto, were partially destroyed by fire June 14, entailing a total damage of \$1,000 to the contents, and \$2,500 to the buildings. The occupants and their losses are: 46, Herbert Windross, \$200; 48, Edward T. Smith, \$300; 50, John H. Allan, \$300; 52, Herbert H.: Powell, \$200.

À barn, belonging to F. Kisher, a farmer, living just outside the town of High River, Alta., was destroyed by fire June 12. The loss is estimated at \$3,000. All the live stock was saved.

The planing factory of the Jones Hardware Co., Lindsay, Ont., was gutted by fire June 13. Loss \$3.000; partly insured.

The Mitchell saw mill, Berkeley, Ont., was destroyed by fire June 14. Loss will be heavy.

The large warehouse at Port Colborne, Ont., used by the Robinson Bros. cork cutters, for storage purposes, was gutted by fire June 14. Loss, \$9.000; fully insured.

The total insurance carried by the city of Moose Jaw, Sask., on the power plant destroyed May 25, totals \$72,000, which is distributed over twenty-six insurance companies. By the co-operative plan of insurance under which all the insurance carried by the city is handled, each of the different companies holding policies under the one year schedule, will contribute to the loss pro ratio to their percentage of loss. The power house was covered by the following companies on the one year schedule amounting to \$164,780, of which amount \$72.000 was on the machinery, plant and building:-Western Union Insurance of Vancouver, \$6,000; Royal, \$10,-000: Union Assurance Society, \$10,000; London and Lancashire, \$8,000; Atlas, \$10.000; Yorkshire, \$4.000; Nova Scotia, \$8,000; Alliance, \$10,000; Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society, \$4,000; Caledonian of Edinburgh, \$5,000; General Fire Assurance Corporation, \$5,000; Germania, \$1,780; Fidelity Fire Underwriters, of New York, \$2,000; Western, \$6.000; St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Co., \$12,000; American Central Insurance Co., \$2,000; National Insurance Co., \$5,000; Hartford Fire Insurance ('o., \$4.000; Canadian Fire Insurance Co., \$7,000; Sun Insurance Co., \$7,000; Calumet Insurance Co., of Illinois, \$5,000; Rochester-German Underwriters Agency, \$5,000; Spring Garden Insurance Co., \$5,000; Royal Exchange Assurance Co., of London, \$12,000; and one other company, \$5,000.

FINANCIAL REVIEW.

montreal, Thursday Afternoon, June 20, 1912.

As will be seen by our tabular statement, the markets are far from being without incidents of interest, even of excitement these early summer days. A free circulation of money is just the thing for a rising market, with occasional depressed spots, such as we have been enjoying. How good a market it is, cannot be realized without comparison. A glance at the "Journal of Commerce" for the corresponding week's last year, and the year before, ought to send brokers straight to thanksgiving, so favourably does the difference this year stand out. It is said, that the banks have hinted discouraging things to some of the option speculators, among the real estate men, and that for the future they will not be helped to tangle themselves up in heavy deals. But we have not found any evidence of money from the real estate crowd on the Street, though nowadays pretty nearly everybody is doing something in land somewhere. The losers are not to be found either, so that it is not easy to see why the declining in real estate should be the object of warfare by the banks. There are those who hold that land speculation is not greatly worse than stock speculation from most points of view.

With Rio following Sao Paulo upwards in a regular burst of speed, Winnipeg rails climbing also, and Toronto doing well, the group of Toronto manipulators acting the part of "Bunty" have had good reason to be satisfied with them selves. We have fancied that Rio was to do this thing for some time past. Our local group, which operates in R. and O., Quebec Rails and Cement, has not been as happy recently, but we do not believe that the first two have materially lost much ground, if any, and Cement is a good thing any way; a little waterlogged, but fairly certain to clear all right.

C.P.R. is picking up in Berlin, and under the vigorous policy outlined lately by its President, is certain to go up when it is fully realized that new stock issues—more plums for shareholders—will be necessary. Soo is not as popular as it might be, but is nevertheless a good purchase. Steel Corpn, Power, the Pulps, the Cottons, and most of the electric Rails have been moving upwards in many cases.

Banks nave been fairly busy. Montreal has carried through its potential increase of Capital to \$25,000,000, which makes sure of its supremacy once again, and also of a stealthy harden ng of price in the hope of further issues. Branches are being started in several directions by this, and most of the other banks, and the prosperity of the country gives good reason to look for, at least, no reductions in dividends. There is an inclination to consider some of these stocks as something better than ordinary investments.

Bonds are being picked up by some of the insurance and other investing houses, and generally have to be paid for at advances. Quebec's have been the exception, but a check has been put upon the acclines again.

About Quebec Railway, there is a pretty general feeling that the new company, with a steam plant to build and maintain, will hardly be likely to make a success of what the Quebec, with a hydraulic power of immense value, and a railway and factory franchises as wen, is rather wildly said to have made a failure of. We shall "have to be shown" the superior management which can make all the difference in the matter.

Montreal Tramways is moving a little, but is beneved by some to be overloaded with a hydro electric plant dependent upon an antagonized Government.

At Toronto, bank quotations: Commerce, 223; Dominion, 228; Hamilton, 199; Imperial, 230; Toronto, 2101/2; Traders, 1671/2.

In New York: Money on call, 25_8 to 27_8 . Time loans, easier; 60 days, 3 per cent; 90 days, 3 to 31_4 per cent; six months, 33_4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4 to 41_4 per cent. Sterling exchange easy at 4.84.75 for sixty-day bills and at 4.87.50 for demand. Commercial bills, 4.84. Bar silver, 615_8 . Mexican dollars, 48. Amal. Copper. 871_2 . N.Y.C. & H.R.R., 1181_4 .—In London: Bar silver, 283_8 d per ounce. Money 21_2 per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3 per cent, and for three months' bills is 2 15-16 to 3 per cent. Paris exchange on London, 25 france 231_2 centimes.

Consols, for money 76 5-16, for account 763%.

The following is the comparative table of stock prices for the week ending June 20, 1912, as compiled from sheets furnished by Messrs. C. Meredith and Co., stockbrokers, Montreal:—

STOCKS:		High-	Low-	Last	Year
BANKS:	Sales.	est.	est.	Sale.	ago.
British North America .	3	155	155	155	
Commerce	22	222	222	222	2063/4
Hochelaga	118	166	166	166	170
Merchants	65	193	190	192	201
Molsons	27	2051/4	2041/2	2051/4	
Montreal	82	252	250	251	257
New Brunswick	2	2603/4	2603/4	2603/4	.,
Nova Scotia	80	2751/2	273	275	269
Royal	310	2291/2	228	229	238
Traders	9	167	167	167	
Union	4	162	162	162	148
MISCELLANEOUS:	•				
Can. Rubber	25	86	86	86	
Do. Pref	3	100	100	100	
Bell Telep. Co	195	156	155	156	145

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Do. New Stock	5	148	148	148		
Can. Cottons, com	5	26	26	26		
Do. Pref	34	74	73	731/2		
Black Lake Asbes	50	11/4	1 1/4	11/4		
Can. Car	2132	80	79	80		
Do. Pref	13	110	110	110		
Cement, com	1158	27	26	27	$22\frac{1}{2}$	
Do, Pref	659	891/4	88	89	831/4	
Can. Convert	320	46	45	46	37	
Montreal Cottons, com-	180	56	551/2	$55\frac{1}{2}$		
Do .Pref.	298	106	105	105		
Dom. Canners, pfd.	25	1001/4	1001/4	1001/4		
Can. Pacific	73	2643/4	2631/4	2643/4	242	
Do. New Stock	8-10	260	260	260		
Crown Reserve	4550	3.20	3.12	3.20	3.45	
Dom. Coal, pfd	30	1131/2	113	113	113	
Detroit	637	$67\frac{1}{2}$	663/4	671/4	$73\frac{1}{2}$	
Dom. Canners.	1530	$68\frac{1}{4}$	65	67		
Dom. Iron, ptd	317	1063/4	105	106	103	
Dom. Park	50	100	100	100		
Textile	280	$67\frac{1}{2}$	$67\frac{1}{2}$	67 1/2	673/4	
Do. Pref.	34	102	102	102	101	
Steel Corpn	3378	66	$63\frac{1}{4}$	$264\frac{1}{2}$	571/2	
Steel, C. of C	365	311/4	301/4	311/4	26	
Do. Pref	32	901/2	893/4	893/4	90	
Lake of Woods	291	135	133	133	143	
Do. Pref.	4	122	122	122		
Laurentide Paper	102	172	172	172		
Mont. Light. II. & Power	6485	2141/8	207	214	$168\frac{3}{4}$	
Smart Bag	10	118	118	118		
Mont. Loan & M	6	165	165	165		
Spanish River, com	910	63	61	$61\frac{1}{4}$		
Do. Pref	359	96	95	95		
Mont. Teleg. Co	20	148	148	148		
Tooke Bros	323	44	42	$43\frac{1}{4}$		
N.S. Steel & Coal	285	951/2	95	95	100	
Do. Pref.	10	89	89	89		
Ogilvie	127	131	$128\frac{1}{2}$	$128\frac{1}{2}$	$129\frac{1}{2}$	
Do. Pref	11	120	119	120	123	
Ottawa L. & P	105	157	$156\frac{1}{2}$	157	148	
Sherwin Williams, com.	101	411/2	$41\frac{1}{2}$	411/2		
Do. Pref	49	99	98	99		
Penman's Ltd	61	57 1/2	57	$57\frac{1}{2}$	57	
Do, Pref	35	88	$863/_{4}$	88		
Quebec Ry	10	35	35	35	647_{s}	
Rich. & Ont. Nav. Co.	1844	$116\frac{1}{2}$	115	$116\frac{1}{4}$	1191_{2}	
Shawinigan	715	1393/4	$135\frac{1}{2}$	$139\frac{1}{2}$	1171/2	
See, common	395	1421/2		142	1423_{4}	
Toronto St	1454	1411/2	1401/4	1411/4	1443_{8}	
Winnipeg Ry.	160	23.5	2331/8	2331/8	2291_{4}	
Do. New Stock	50	223	221	223		
Tooke, pref.	5	881/2	881/2	$881/_{2}$		
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Bell Telep. Co	. 8000	103	103	103	
Cement		$100\frac{1}{4}$	$100\frac{1}{4}$	$100\frac{1}{4}$	100
Can. Cottons		86	86	86	
Dom. Canners		$103\frac{1}{2}$	103	$103\frac{1}{2}$	103
Can. Rubber		98	98	98	
Dominion Coal		$99\frac{1}{2}$	99	$99\frac{1}{2}$	$97\frac{1}{2}$
Dom. Cotton		104	104	104	$101\frac{3}{4}$
Dom. Iron		95	95	95	95
Keewatin		$100\frac{1}{2}$	1001/2	$100\frac{1}{2}$	• •
Lake of Woods		110	110	110	
Power 41/2 p.e		1001/4	100	1001/4	99
Mont. St. Ry		100	$991/_{2}$	$991/_{2}$	
Quebee Ry.		73	713/4	$72\frac{1}{2}$	831/2
Steel C. of C		1001/2	1001/2	$100\frac{1}{2}$	
Textile C		98	98	98	951/2
Winnipeg Elec		$104\frac{3}{4}$	$104\frac{1}{2}$	1043/4	104

--Montreal bank clearings for week ending June 20, 1912, \$60,859,033: 1911, \$37,124.207. STOCK EXCHANGE VALUES.

The usual monthly compilation by the London Bankers' Magazine of the aggregate values of 387 securities dealt in on the London Stock Exchange shows a decrease for the month of May of $\pm 6,000,000$, equal to 0.2 per cent. The principal fall was 0.6 per cent in Americans. Comparisons follow:—

Aggregate value of 387 representative securi-	
ties on May 20, 1912	£3,613,769,000
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-A London paper is authority for the statement that during 1911 a sum of approximately seven millions was paid on the Witwatersrand gold mines in wages to white workers, and one million in salaries.

—Chicago and Alton stockholders meet August 19, to consider the proposed 20,000,000 general mortgage 6 per cent bond issue for improvements and additions.

--International Nickel, the U.S. Company exporting our Sudbury, Ont., deposits had an income last year of \$5.088,-965, or 28 per cent upon the common stock.

- -Copper exports for the week ended June 13, totalled 4,-690 tons; since June 1, 11,459 tons; same period last year, 15,330 tons.

-Sorel, Que., has disposed of \$210,000, 5 per cent. 40 year debentures to a Montreal firm of financiers.

MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Montreal, Thursday, June 20, 1912.

Some improvement in the weather, which has been most discouraging, has put more life into the retail business of the city, though warmer, brighter days are still in great request. Stocks are fairly heavy on the shelves of the dry goods stores, the early summer buying having been almost entirely absent. Wholesalers had no difficulty in clearing out

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their goods, owing to the good prospects which prevailed until recently, and anticipate no difficulties from the merely temporary check caused by the chilly damp June. Mills are all actively employed, the only difficulty being some shortage of operatives in certain sections. Cotton prospects do not promise cheaper raw materials, rather the contrary, and the Spring clip of wool in the United States is bringing higher prices. The great factor in influencing quotations is the production cost which is by no means declining. The Montreal garment workers will probably not gain their ends, but no doubt their wages will for the future make slop goods all the dearer. Sugar has declined again, and is about the only article on our list of which as much can be said, excepting hay and fodder. The crops are not unpromising, hay is to be a tremendous crop, which will be of the greatest benefit to the whole community, as tending to reduce the cost of beef in the future by encouraging the rearing of cattle. Last year's wheat crop is passing out at good prices, and the fields are in fine condition for this year's yield. Europe is paying good rates for our cheese also, but has taken absolutely no butter, the domestic demand keeping it too high. Boots and shoes are dearer, and so is leather, but the situation has not fully developed, we believe, as yet, being probably stronger than is thought.

BACON AND HAMS.—The cool weather of the present season is said to be the cause of the slow business in hams and bacon, and no improvement is expected until the warm weather sets in. All quotations are unchanged, as follows: — Hams, extra large sizes, 28 to 45 lbs., 14½c; large sizes, 20 to 28 lbs., 15½c; medium sizes, 17c; extra small sizes, 17½c; breakfast bacon, boneless 17 to 22 lbs., 17c; Windsor bacon skinned (backs), 18½c; Wiltshire (50 lbs. side), 18½c; cottage rolls, small, about 4 lbs., 16c.

BEANS.—Owing to continued small offerings from the West, a very firm tone prevails in the local bean market, and prices are strongly maintained. Quotations by the carload are $$2.521/_2$ to \$2.65 for hand-picked; \$2.55 for 3-lb lots and \$2.45 for 5-lb. lots.

BUTTER.—Owing to the continued poor demand from all sources the large amount of stock on hand and the increasing supplies being received, the market is in a state of comparative quietness, and prices are slightly weaker. At present, choicest creamery is quoted at $24\frac{1}{2}c$ to $24\frac{3}{4}c$; seconds, 24e to $24\frac{1}{4}c$; dairy, 21e to $22\frac{1}{2}c$; rolls, 22e to 23e.

There have been no exports of butter to Europe so far this year, while the shipments up to this date last year amounted to '8.518 packages. This is due, no doubt to the higher prices ruling in the market this year, as compared with those in 1911.

BRAN AND FEED GRAIN.—Shorts and middlings are in good demand at steady prices, but but here in all other lines is dull. We quote as follows: — Bran, per ton, \$22.00; shorts, per ton, \$26.00 to \$27.00; middlings, per ton, \$28.00 to \$30.00; pure grain moullie, \$34.00 to \$38.00; mixed moullie, \$30.00 to \$32.00.

CHEESE.—The local market has developed an easier feeling, and prices show a further decline of $\frac{1}{8}$ c per lb. On this reduction there has been a good demand from English buyers, and business has been very active of late. Finest westerns are quoted at $13\frac{3}{8}$ c to $13\frac{1}{2}$ c; Quebec's at 13c to $13\frac{1}{4}$ c; and Townships at $13\frac{1}{4}$ c to $13\frac{1}{4}$ c.

Exports of cheese for week ending June 15th were 76.552 boxes, compared with 61.848 for the corresponding week a year ago.

-Total exports since May 1st were 210,667 boxes, as against 260.245 for same period last year.

DRY GOODS —The cotton crop statistics in the Southern States are evidently unreliable, and traders would be wise to leave all speculations about future prices to the "talent." The probabilities are that the crop will be slightly smaller

than last year, but that mills and warehousemen will be morelikely to advance than otherwise, owing to increased cost of. production. Wholesalers in Montreal are completing stock taking, and find that the past six months' trade has been successful as could have been anticipated. Verv heavy shipments from Canadian mills of cottons and knit goods are being received at present. No changes are reported, nor are any expected for some little time to come. The transport trouble has greatly delayed deliveries, but this week there is a decided improvement in this respect. Woollens are in large request for the fall trade, orders received from the road being very encouraging. New York advices say that the underwear and hosiery men, who have now fully started their campaign for spring 1913, are unable to say as yet just. what the course of business will be. Some sales nave been made in the large Western jobbing centers on a scale that promises good things. This does not inspire all the trade, however, as many of the orders given were for standard Hosiery prices lines that would be taken in any season. are steady, with only a slight tendency manifested to force prices higher. Quotations-Cotton, mid. uplands, spot, New York, 11.90c; print cloths. 28-inch, 64x64s. 3 15-16c; print cloths, 28-inch, 64x60s, 33/4c; gray goods, 381/2-inch, standard, 5c; gray goods, 39-inch, 68x72s, 51/4C; brown sheetings, South, standard, 73/4c to 8c; do., 4yard, 56x60s, 61/4c to 61/2c; do., 3-yard, 7c; denims, 9 ounces, 131/4c and 161/2c; tickings, 8 ounces, 13c; standard prints, 51/4c; standard staple ginghams, 61/4c; dress ginghams, 7c to 91/4c; kid-finished cambrics, 41/4c to 41/2c; brown drills, standard, Sc.

-A large silk house reports the raw silk markets as follows :- "Cables from Italy state the market is steady with very little demand. Prices are remaining firm. The cocoon market continues to, advance, which is making reelers very stiff in the r prices Some fair sized transactions have taken place on this market the last week for late deliveries. A moderate business continues for spot silks. The Japan market opened with Sinshius on the basis of 845 yen. Reelers show a little more disposition to sell. Demand for immediate deliveries continues: very little good silk is to be had. The export from Yokohama since July 1, to date is: To United States, 103,000 bales, against 99.750 bales last year; to Europe, 42,000 bales, against 41,500 bales last year; unsold stock, 5,500 bales, against 4,750 bales last year; total, 150,500 bales, against 146,000 bales last year. There is very little doing on the Shanghai market.

EGGS.—The local market continues very firm in tone, with a fair volume of trading being done at steady prices, as follows: Selected stock, round lots, 25c; selected stock, single cases, 26c; straight receipts, in round lots at 22c; and in single cases at $22\frac{1}{2}c$ per doz.; Canadian seconds, round lots, 17c: Canadian seconds, single cases, $17\frac{1}{2}c$.

FISH.—Owing to the high prices being asked for meats, trade in this market is unusually active for this season of the year. Our quotations are only nominal, as follows: Fresh: Gaspe salmon 16 to 18c: western halibut 10 to 12c; steak cod fish, 5c to 6c; haddock, 4c to 5c; brook trout, 25c; lake trout 11c to 12c: white fish. 11c; pike, 7c to 8c; carp, 6 to 7c; live lobster, 18c: boiled lobster, 20c; scollopes, \$2.00 per gal.; bulk oysters, choice, \$1.50 per gal.; clams in shell, \$8.00 per barrel, large crabs, 80c per doz.

FLOUR.—The local market remains steady in tone. and prices are firmly held, although business. both for export and domestic account, is very dull. We quote, in wood and jute, as follows: — Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, per barrel, in wood, \$6.10; do. per barrel, in jute, \$5.80. Manitoba spring wheat patents, seconds, per barrel, in wood. \$5.60; do., per bbl., in jute, \$5.30. Manitoba strong bakers. per bbl., in wood. \$5.40; do., in jute, \$5.10. Winter wheat. straight rollers, per bbl., in wood, \$4.80 to \$4.90; do., per bag, in jute, \$2.30 to \$2.40. Spring Wheat, choice patents. per bbl., in wood, \$5.25 to \$5.35; Winter wheat, extras, per bag, in jute, \$2.00 to \$2.05.

GRAIN .- In spite of the efforts of the speculators, wheat maintains its price fairly well. Visible supplies are said to be about 9,000,000 bushels larger than a year ago, which accords with our previous information. We believe that the world's Prospects for this year's harvests give good reason for the opinion that a still larger surface could be absorbed To day we quote local prices, in car lots, ex-store, as follows: -Oats, No. 2 Canadian western, 511/2c to 52c; extra No. 1 feed oats, 501/2c to 51c; No. 1 feed oats, 491/2c to 50c; oats, No. 3 Canadian western, 49c to 491/2c. The closing cash wheat prices in store at Fort William were: Opening, July \$1.07%, Oct., 971/2c; highest, July \$1.07%, Oct., 975/2c; lowest, July \$1.071/2, Oct. 971/4c; closing, July \$1.071/2, Oct. The fluctuations in the Winnipeg wheat market re-971/4c. sulted about as follows:-No. 1 northern, \$1.071/2; No. 2, \$1.041/2; No. 3, \$1.003/4; No. 4, 891/2c; No. 5, 751/2c; No. 6. 631/4c; feed wheat, 57c.

-Late cabes were: London-Wheat on passage steady under a good demand from France; corn steady; cargo Plate yellow corn. September-October, 23s 7½d; cargo Australian wheat on passage, 40s 6d for Liverpool; parcels, No. 3 Northern, Manitoba spring wheat, July-August, 38s 6d for London.-Liverpool: Wheat and corn, spot, quiet; Australian wheat, 8s 5d; No. 2 red winter wheat, 8s 3¼d; No. 3 Northern Manitoba spring wheat, 7s 11½d: American mixed corn, new, 6s 10d; new Plate corn, 6s 5d; wheat futures steady; July, 7s 93%d; October, 7s 6½d; December 7s 5¼d; corn steady: July, 5s 27%d; September, 5s.-Paris: Wheat strong; June, 172%: September-December, 139½; flour strong and excited: June, 730; July-August, 691.

GREEN AND DRIED FRUITS. Owing to the very backward season, trade in this market is very dull and dragging. Naval oranges are very high at the present time and bananas are also expensive and scarce. The first Canadian strawberries are in the market, and are quoted at 13c to 17c, wholesale. Other lines are quoted as follows: Southern Strawberries, 10c to 16c per box. Oranges, California navels, 96 and 112 sizes, per box. \$3.35 to \$3.60; Cal., navels in Lemons, 300's, \$3,00 126, 150, and 200 size, \$3,50. to \$3.25. Choice lemons, \$2.50. Mexican oranges, sizes, 150 to 250, best value in the market, \$2.50. Sorrento oranges, 160 to 200 size, \$2.50; Valencia style, 126 to 200, \$4.25. Bananas, Jamaicas, packed, \$1.75 to \$2.25 bunch. Pineapples, 24 size, \$2.75 to \$3.50; 30 size, \$2.75 to \$3.00; 18 size, \$3.75. Prunes, California, new crop in 25-pound boxes, 50.60, per pound, 10c. New dates: Hollowees, per lb., 7e to Se; Dromedary package stock, per pkg., Se to 10e. Evaporated apples in 50 lbs, boxes, per lb. 111/2c to 13e. Rhubarb, 25c per dozen bunches. Cocoanuts, 100's per bag, \$4.00. Grapefruit, Chase and Co.'s finest selected stock, 28, 36, 46 size, \$7.00; 54 size, \$7.50; Apples, Ben Davis No. 1, per brl., \$7.00. Peaches, \$6.00 per crate. Limes. Californ'an cherries, \$3.00 per box. \$1.25 per box.

GROCERIES. The embargo on deliveries appears to have been relieved, and both boats and railways are carrying goods with much greater satisfaction all round. Trade is fair, orders coming well. Rice has advanced about 15c; new current prices, f.o.b. Montreal, being as follows:-Rangoon "B." \$3.75 to \$3.95; "C.C." \$3.65 to \$3.85; India bright, \$3,90 to \$4.05; lustre, \$4.00 to \$4.20. -Fancy rices: polished, \$4.35; pearl, \$4.85; imperial glace, \$5.25; sparkle, \$5.40; crystal. \$5.40; snow. \$5.70; ice drops, \$5.95; Carolina Head. \$7.25. Sugar has had its decline. as we anticipated, and the refinery list just handed out is as follows, at this point: -Extra granulated, bags 100 lbs., \$5.15; do., 50 lbs., \$5.25; do., gunnies, 5-20 lbs., \$5.25; cartons, 24-5 lbs., \$5.45; cartons, 60-2 lbs., \$5.45; imperial, bags 100 lbs., \$5.00; yellow No. 1 bright, bags 100 lbs., \$4.75; do. No. 1 golden. bags 100 lbs., \$4.75; extra ground (icing), barrels, \$5.55; do., boxes 50 lbs., \$5.75; do., 25 lbs., \$5.95; powdered. barrels, \$5.35; do., boxes 50 lbs., \$5.55; do., 25 lbs., \$5.75; Paris lumps barrels. \$5.90; do., boxes 100 lbs., \$5.90; do., 50 lbs., \$6.00; do., 25 lbs., \$6.20; do. (Red Seal), cartons (20 to a case), 35c; barrels, granulated and yellow may be had at 5c over bags. It is expected that canned pork and

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beans will be advanced within a day or two, owing to scarcity of supplies, to what extent is not yet clear.

HAY.—Demand for baled hay continues very limited, and prices have scored a further decline of \$1.00 per ton. Quotations are as follows:—\$22.00 to \$23.00 for No. 1 hay; \$20.00 to \$21.00 for No. 2 extra good; \$19 to \$19.50 for No. 2 good; \$18.00 to \$18.50 NO. 3 hay; \$17.00 to \$17.50 for clover mixed.

HIDES.—Foreign dry hides are not arriving in such large numbers as is usual at this season of the year. Our quotations are as follows: — Uninspected, $10\frac{1}{2}$; inspected, No. 1, 13c; No. 2, 12c; No. 3, 11c. Caliskins, No. 1, 18c; No. 2, 16c. Sheep-skins are \$1.20 each; spring lamb-skins, 20c each. Horse hides, \$2.50 each. Tallow $1\frac{1}{2}$ c to $3\frac{1}{2}$ c for rough. and 6c to $6\frac{1}{2}$ c for refined.

HONEY.—Demand for honey continues very limited, but prices are firmly held as follows: Clover white honey, 103_4 c to 111_2 c; dark grades, 7c to 8c; white extracted, 8c to 10c; buckwheat, 71_2 c to 8c.

IRON AND HARDWARE.-The increase in prices of structural shapes has rather daunted the United States market, though it is not expected that contractors and railroads will be able to hold off from purchasing for much longer. Sheets, wire goods and pipes were in greater demand, however, the needs of the oil fields greatly crowding the last line of indus-The Canadian trade is not greatly affected, though try. still suffering from the slaughtering of U.S. goods in our markets. It is almost impossible to nail down definite offences against the dumping law, so deftly is the trade conducted. Our furnaces and plants are all working at full speed, and contractors' orders still crowd in for hurry jobs. Building is rushing along throughout all the Canadian cities, Municipalities are floating loans as towns and villages. never before, in order to undertake such public works, as bridging, draining, lighting and building of schools, town halls, and stations. It is expensive work, and labour is scarce, but civic councils are probably wise in taking advantage of the prosperous times. Wire mills are in full work, and electric plants are receiving more orders. Copper prices have not hindered progress, and it is likely that even 20-cent copper, which is not impossible, will not prevent development to any serious extent. The tin syndicate is suspected of an attempt to run up prices to a new high level. To day's metal prices were: New York, copper. firm: standard. spot and June, \$17.00 to \$17.371/2: July to September, \$17.121/2 to \$17.371/2: electrolytic, 171/2c to 135%c; lake, 171/2c to 1784c; casting. 16% to 17% c. London, firm: spot. £79 11s 3d; futures, £80 3s 9d.--Tin, firm; spot, \$48.371/2 to \$48.871/2; July, \$44.871/2 to \$46. London steady; spot, £207; futures £197 5s.-Lead. firm: \$4.421/2 to \$4.55. London £17 18s 9d.-Spelter steady, \$6.95 to \$7.05. London. £25 15s.-Iron steady and unchanged, Cleveland warrants, in London, 54s 11/3d

LEATHER.—The advance in boots and shoes is not due to the advance in leather, which has been very slight as yet, but rather to the change in styles, the dealers say. To-day we quote: No. 1, 27c; No. 2. 26c: jobbing leather, No. 1, 29½c; No. 2, 26c. Oak, from 32c to 37c. according to quality. No. 1, B.A. sole, 26c; No. 2, B.A. 25c; Splits, light, Solicits the has been ap and MERCA is unquestie All business Office:

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small. 18c to 20c; pebble grain, 15c to 17c; russetts, No. 2, and medium, 20c to 23c; Splits, heavy, 19c to 20c; Splits, 25c to 30c; Dongola, ordinary, 10c to 16c. Dongola, good, 20c to 30c.

LIVE STOCK .- In spite of the fact that the supply of cattle was fully 200 head larger than a week ago, the local market was firm in tone, and prices for all grades unchanged. The quality of some of the stock was much above the average, and sold freely at \$8.50 per 100 lbs. There were a few loads of domestic Manitoba hay-fed cattle on the market, and straight loads of steers and heifers brought \$8.00, and mixed loads \$7.50 per 100 lbs. Choice bulls were in good demand at \$7.50 to \$7.75, and choice butchers' cows brought as high as \$7.00 per 100 lbs. Small meats were steady under a good demand and small supplies, ewe sheep selling at \$5.00 to \$5.50 per 100 lbs., and spring tambs from \$3.00 to \$5.00 each, as to size and quality. Choice calves were also in good demand, and sold as high as 71/2° per lb. Under small offerings hogs have advanced 25c per 100 lbs., and are in strong demand at \$9.00 to \$9.25 per 100 lbs., selected lots weighed off cars.

-Exports of live stock from the port of Montreal for the month of June to date were 1.519 head, as against 4.876 for the same period last year.

--Advices from Chicago say:--Cattle market strong for fancy beeves, other cattle weak to 10c lower; beeves, \$6.15 to \$9.50; Texas steers, \$6.60 to \$8.20; western steers, \$6.50 to \$8.25; stockers and feeders, \$4.25 to \$6.80; cows and heifers, \$2.85 to \$6.40; calves, \$5.50 to \$8.25, --Hogs: Market active and 10c lower; light, \$6.90 to \$7.30; mixed, \$6.95 to \$7.35; heavy, \$6.90 to \$7.35; rough, \$6.90 to \$7.10; pigs, \$5 to \$6.75; bulk of sales \$7.20 to \$7.35, --Sheep: Market 10c higher for best spring lambs, others weak; native, \$3.25 to \$5.25; western \$3.50 to \$5.25; yearlings, \$4.75 to \$7.75; lambs, native, \$4.25 to \$7.75; western, \$4.50 to \$7.75; spring lambs, \$5.25 to \$9.10.

--From Liverpool, John Rogers and Co. cabled that the tone of the Birkenhead market for cattle was firm, owing to the extreme light supplies, and the good demand, with sales of hay-fed ranchers at 14% to 15%, and American and Canadian steers at 16c to 16% per lb.

MAPLE PRODUCTS.—Business in this market is fairly good, with no change in prices to note. We quote as followa-Maple syrup, 70c to \$1.00 per tin, as to size, and in wood. 7c to $7\frac{1}{2}$ c per lb. Maple sugar at $9\frac{1}{2}$ c to 12c per lb., as to quality.

NUTS.—The market continues dull and unchanged. Quotations are as follows: — Peanuts, Jumbos. roasted 12c; French roasted 9c; Bon Ton 12c; Dia G. 9c; Coons 8c; almonds, shelled, 34c to 35c; Tarra, 16c to 17c; walnuts, shelled, per lb., 25c; do. Gren.. per lb., 15c to 17c; filberts, per lb., 12c to 13c; pecans, per lb., 17c; Brazils, new stock, per lb., 16c to 17c.

OIL AND NAVAL STORES.—There is a great scarcity of linseed oil at present, and prices are very strong. with no prospects of a decline. Whale oil and steam refined seal oil are down a little. We quote as follows:—Linseed, boiled, \$1.02 to \$1.03; raw, 99c to \$1.01; cod oil, car load lots, 55c to $57\frac{1}{2}c$. Cod oil, single brls., 60c. Turpentine, 65c to 67c per brl. Steam refined seal oil, $62\frac{1}{2}c$. Whale oil $47\frac{1}{2}c$ to 50c. Cod liver oil, Newfoundland \$1.50 to \$1.65; do. Norway process, \$1.60 to \$1.75; do Norwegian \$1.60 to \$1.75. Straw seal, 55c.

-Liverpool quote: Tallow, prime city. 32s 3d. Turpentine, spirits, 35s 6d. Rosin, common, 17s 3d. Petroleum, refined, 9%d. Linseed on, 46s 6d.

-London: Calcutta linseed, June-July, 678. Linseed oil, 44s. Sperm oil, £30. Petroleum, American refined, 8¼d; do. spirits, 9½d. Turpentine, spirits, 34s 6d. Rosin, American strained, 16s 6d; do. fine, 18s 10½d.

--Savannah, Ga.: Turpentine firm, 44c; sales, 1,015; receipts, 657; shipments, 869; stock, 29,693. Rosin, firm; sales, 1.954; receipts, 1,799; shipments, 5,212; stock, 80,621. Quote: B, \$6.15 to \$6.20; D, \$6.50; E, \$6.90; F, \$7.20 to \$7.25; G, \$7.20 to \$7.27½; H. I, \$7.25 to \$7.27½; K, \$7.35; M, \$7.40; N, \$7.45; WG, WW, \$7.50.

POTATOES.—Prices for Green Mountains have declined 10c during the past week, but as demand is excellent and stocks^{*}rather low, no further reduction is expected for the present. We quote: Green Mountains, in car load lots at \$1.60 to \$1.65 per bag of 90 lbs., and in a jobbing way at \$1.90 to \$2.00 per bag.

PROVISIONS.—This market rules steady with prices firm. Dressed hogs were in good demand, sales of abattoir freshkilled stock being made at \$12.25 to \$12.50 per 100 lbs. All other lines were unchanged and fairly active. We quote:— Heavy Canada short cut mess pork barrels, 35 to 45 pieces, \$22.50; half barrels, \$11.50; Canada short cut back pork, 45 to 55 pieces, barrels \$22.00; flank fat pork, brls.. \$22.00; heavy clear fat backs, brls., 40 to 50 pieces, \$23.50.—Beef: Extra Plate beef half barrels. 100 pounds, \$7.50; barrels, 200 lbs., \$14.50; tierces, 300 pounds, \$21.50.—Lard compound, in 375 lb. tierces, 10½c; pails, wood, 20 lbs., 11c. Extra pure: Tierces, 375 lbs., 14½c. Pails, wood, 20 10s., net (parchment lined), 15c.

-Liverpool reports:-Beef, extra India mess. 1228 6d. Pork. prime mess, western. 958. Hams. short cat. 14 to 16 lbs., 588. Bacon, Cumberland cut. 26 to 30 lbs., 588; short ribs. 16 to 24 lbs., 588 6d; clear belfies. 14 to 16 lbs., 568; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs., 588 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs., 588; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs., 538. Shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs., 478 6d. Lard, prime western, in tierces, 538 9d; do. American, refined, 548 6A.

VEGETABLES .- New potatoes are appearing in the market in large quantities, and are fairly cheap for this time of the year. Our quotations are as follows: --- New Egyptian onions, 21/4c to 21/2c per lb: Cucrmbers. \$2.25 to \$2.75 per basket. Green peppers, 75c basket. Florida celery, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per doz.; \$4.00 per crate. Leeks, \$1.25 per dozen. Boston lettuce, \$1.50 per Lex of two dozen; lettuce, \$2.75 4 dozen crate; per dozen 60c. Florida to-matoes, \$4.25 to \$4.50 per crate of 6 baskets. Watercress, 75c to \$1.25 doz. Green beans, \$2.25 to \$3 per basket. Wax brans, \$2.50 to \$3.25 per basket. Montreal cauliflower, \$3 to \$3 56 per crate. Parsley, 75c per doz. Horse radd sh. 15c rer lb New cabbage, \$2.75 to \$3.00 per crate. Raddishes, the to 12c per dozen. Egg plant, \$2.50 per dozen. Asparagus. California, \$1.00 to \$3.50 per dozen bunches: Canadian, per basket, \$2.00. New beets, \$1.50 per doz. bunches. New carrots, \$1.25 per dozen bunches. Parsnips \$3.00 per New potatoes \$5.00 to \$5.25 per brl.; per 1b., 4c. bag. Spinach. per box. \$1.00. New turnips, \$1.35 per box. New corn. \$4.50 per er te.

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WHAT TOADS ARE WORTH.

Science offers a new solution for the bug problem. It is to employ in its professional capacity, so to speak, the tod-the ordinary hoptoad of the field and garden-as an insect destroyer.

In this business the humble toad is unequalled by any other living animal. He is the greatest bug exterminator in It is entirely practicable the world. to utilize his services on an extensive scale, employing him systematically as an ally to keep in check the insects which levy an annual tax of more than \$8,000.000 upon our agricultural resour-

There is no reason why the farmers of the country should not hatch and rear their own supply of toads for local service. With a pond or even a small pool insured against drying up during late Spring, the creatures will breed of their own accord in any desired numbers up to the limit of the food supply available in the shape of insects. But one thing absolutely essential is that they shall be protected against their natural enemies, and by no means the least destructive of their enemies are small boys, who through more thoughtlessness kill toads whenever they get a chance. It is estimated that an average toad is worth to the farmer \$5 a year for the cutworms alone which it destroys. The amount But this is only one item. a toad will eat is astonishing. A large specimen has been known to devour a hundred rose beetles at a single meal. One toad needed seventy-seven myr'a pods-the common household centipede to satisfy his appetite, another fifty five army worms and yet another sixty five Still another gypsy moth caterpillars. toad was seen to eat thirty-five large," full grown celery worms in three hours. while another accepted eighty six flies fed to him in less than ten minutes.

bers to see an enterprising toad sit at the entrance of the burrow and snap up every ant that comes out. stances is frightful. But of course bug foes of the crops .- Technical World.



It is a common thing when the occu- most ants are not recognized as insects pants of an ants' nest are swarming and injurious to man; and the toad unquesthe insects are emerging in large num- tionably destroys some species which are beneficial to the farmer. Upon the The slaugh whole he is immensely useful, devouring ter he accomplishes under such circum countless numbers of the very worst

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There were 4.525,000 buyers for this fashionable luxury, and cheaper qualities. The total amount received for sables was about \$500.000.

Arctic fox was scarce. About 100 skins were offered, which were valued at \$100 and \$250 each. Ermine has again become fashionable, and 200,000 animals were sold for \$350,000. The slaughter of brown bears continued; 1,-500 of them realized only \$11,000, or less than \$7.50 per skin. The price of this fur has been going down for some time, which fact is due to the improved conditions in railway travel across Siberia, where the cars are kept warm and comfortable. Not a single white bear

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Canada: Dickey, Anger and Johnston, Govan, Sask., poisoning device; Artur Herrmann, Leipzig. Germany. process for electrolytic cleansing; Giuseppe Restucci, Naples, Italy, steam valve separa-

many, contrivance for opening tins for canned and other similar goods.

United States: Robert Hockin, Pictou,

France: Pierre A. Painchaud, Plessisville. Que., starting mechanism for internal combustion engine.

TESTING COFFEE.

Of all breakfast beverages, coffee is the most widely used-and the most widely adulterated.

To the pure coffee grains unscrupulous tor; Flora A. Sattler, Newkirchen, Ger- dealers frequently add a large percent-

age of chicory. Chicory is a plant belonging to the aster family, and its dandelon-like roots when roasted and pulverzed are hard to distinguish from the genuine coffee. Although some people like the taste of chicory, it is, when taken in large quantities, extremely harmful.

There is a sure and simple way of celling whether your coffee is being adulterated. Fill a tumbler nearly full of fold water and scatter on its surface half a teaspoonful or so of the coffee graine.

As pure coffee contains a great deal of oil. the grains which are pure will float and the adulterants will sink to

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