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--It is estimated that the Dominion surplus for the fiscal year ending June 30 will be $\$ 14,500,000$.
-The ratepayers of Cayuga, Ont., voted on a by-law to loan $\$ 8,000$ to aid a tanney, glove and suspender factory, which was earried by a vote of 118 to 12 .
-Among the reports brought by Prof. Goodwin from his summer mining tour, says a Kingston, Ont., letter, is the confirmation of the report of the finding of platinum near Wabigoon, Ont. The mineral is worth $\$ 20$ an ounce
-Stratford, Ont., advices state that this week a local syndicate will commence the erection of 25 brick houses. The recent influx of population to the city, as a re sult of increasing industries, has taken up every available house, and in some cases several families are living in one dwell-
ing.
-The Allan Steamshíp Company has under way a trans-Atlantic liner, destined for the Canadian trade, which will be both faster and larger than anything now rumning betweeen Montreal and the Old Country. The new vessel, which as yet has not been named, will be 20 feet longer than the Tunisian, the Allan Line's present premier steamship, and will be one foot wider. She will be capable of averaging seventeen knots across the Atlantic, which will land the mails between Father Point and Moville - in about five


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The three Hamilton, Ont., breweries have been acquired by a syndicate. As a consequence beer has been advanced *1 per bartel.

The liquidators of the Elgin Loan \& Savings Company,. St. Thomas. Ont., expect to be enabled to pay twenty-five or thirty cents in the dollar.

The Brockville, Ont., Town Council has disposed of $\$ 45,000$ of debentures to the Dominion Securities Corporation, of Toronto, whose debentures were on a by-law passed for local improvements.

The C. .P. R. freight car repair shops and about twenty freight cars were destroyed by fire at Winnipeg on the 15th instant. The buildings were frame structures and the loss will amount to $\$ 25,000$.

Regina, N.W.T., citizens by a practically unanimous vote on the 11th instant, endorsed the by-law to raise $\$ 135,000$ for the installation of a sewerage and waterworks system and electric light plant.
-The by-laws of the Montreal Street Railway Employees Benefit Association have been drawn up. The company has agreed to subscribe one-half of the funds which will be divided into four branches-accident, sickness, pension and death.

The Montreal agents for the Manchester Trader, which ran agronnd at Anticosti last week, report that divers have examined the bottom of the vessel and have found no damage. The boat will have to be lightered before she can be released.

- Mr. J. D. Wells. formerly well known in insurance circles in Montreal, now a broker at 28 Broad street, New York, has been making a brief visit to his old friends in Canada, including those in the Capital, looking as energetic and prosperous as any Gothamite of them all.
-The Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company have decided to utilize the steel hull of the burned steamer Montreal. What is left of the steamer will be taken to the Davies shipbuilding works at Quebec, and the engines renewed, after which she will be taken to Sorel for completion. It is expected that the vessel will be ready to place in commission next season.
-While Manitoba and the Northwest have beeen carrying off the principal honors of late in wheat-raising, the following from Ontario bears up very well:-From the farm of A . H. Smith of Simene. Ont., twenty-seven acres in wheat yielded an average of $521 / 2$ bushels to the acre, and one field went 64 bushels.
-A Sydney, N.S., letter states that a hundred new houses are being built at New Aberdeeen. They are different from the other houses of the Dominion Coal Company, having flat in stead of pitched roofs, which provides for more accommodation


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-New York advices state that announcement was made by 1)r. Nicholas Murray Butler, President of Columbia University, that the trustees had received a gift of $\$ 1,000,000$ from Joseph 'ulitzer, proprietor of The World, for the establishment and ndowment of a school of journalism as one of the departments $f$ the university. If at the end of three years the school of ournalism is in successful operation Mr. Pulitzer will give to olumbia an additional million dollars.

The Dominion Revenue receipts for the fiscal year ending lune 30,1903 , were $\$ 66,048,514$, and the expenditure $\$ 48,013$, 7i). The revenue for the year previous was $\$ 57,412,380$, and the expenditure $\$ 47,382,102$. The capital expenditure amounted " $87,651,977$, as against $\$ 12,389,992$ for the year previous. The hikelihood is that the surplus will be at least $\$ 14,500,000$, when all the accounts for the year are adjusted. The July stateincht of revenue and expenditure shows a decided improvement or the same month of 1808.

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-The London, Ont., Evening News has ceased to exist. The reasons for its demise are given in the following brief editorial -"After a life extending into the eighth year in London, The News, with keen regret is compelled to announce that with this issue the journal will cease publication. The News has exhausted every effort to create a field for an independent paper, and after the expenditure of a large amount of money and much work the proprietors, unable to make ends meet, have decided to cease putting further money into a losing venture.
-Ogdensburg, N.Y., advices state that the protest filed with the war department by Albert Dawson, of Ogdensburg, owner of Galoup Island, against the request of the Canadian Government for permission to erect a dam across the Gut Channel in the St. Lawrence River, between Adams Island in Canadian waters and Galoup Island on the American side, has been withdrawn. The contractors agree to pay $\$ 4,000$ to Dawson to offset any possible damage fro mthe dam. The arrangement now awaits approval by both Governments Lefore work on the dam is begun.
-Several of the larger slate quarry firms at Trinity Bay, says a St. John's, Nfld., letter, are planning to move to this colony their business at Welsh quarries, which have become almost exhausted except for deep mining. One quarryman has

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-According to a Berlin cable, some anxiety has been caused in consequence of the threatening strike of coal miners in the Ruhr district, where wages were reduced in the last two years from 4 marks 13 pfennigs to 3 marks 82 pfennigs a day though the companies had been earning good dividends and, according to the Socialist paper, Vorwarts, eight companies, with a total capital of $215,000,000$ marks, during the past quinquennium paid 120 millions in dividends, added 71 millions to the reserve

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to come, and that it was useless to send oruers. This, says an Ottawa correspondent, is a strange admission on the part of Canadian manufacturers who are agitating for an increase of duties on the ground that the foreigner is getting possession of the home market. Mr. Larke points out that the increase of imports from Canada during the year was small, whereas from the United States it was very considerable.

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The opening address by Lord Strathcona was char acteristic of this illustrious dignitary. After brief explanations of the Congress being held at Montreal he touched the vary core of its object by referring to the Chamberlain movement in favour of Imperial prefer ences, in regard to which Lord Strathcona said: "We
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wre hearing too much of protection and of free trade, in the abstract, and a good many people seem to think that the old fight under these respective banners is to be reopened. In my judgment, although the proposal in. preferential trade within the Empire if accepted by puhlic opinion, may involve some rearrangement of the liscal policy of the United Kingdom, 1 do not think it will necessitate a return to protection or result in the thrden upon the shoulders of our fellow-subjects in the lnited Kingdom being increased to any appreciable Went, if at all. It ought simply to be a readjustment ifl the method of raising the revenue necessary for nacimal purposes. What it is desired to bring about, as I understand it, is the promotion of Imperial trade for low henefit of the different parts of the Fimpire-a rewilt which should be of much advantage in promoting the development of the Empire, and in adding to its ralth, powers and strength."
We quote the following at length because it may be aken as not only the views of one who is probably the soundest authority on Imperial trade, but doubtes: expresses most clearly the ideas and convictions of Mr. Chamherlain and his supporters.
"The proposal of the Colonial Secretary meant that the trade of the United Kingdom would receive a preference in the colonies and India, and in return the colonies and India should receive similar concessions in the products in which they are specially interested in the markets of the United Kingdom. It would be a movement in the direction of freer trade on the part of the colonies, and no serious departure from the
principles of free trade in the case of the United Kingdom. So fag as the latter country was concerned, the duties to be imposed would be small, both as regards the number of articles affected, and their incidence, and would hardly lead to an increase in the price of commodities, because the imports from British possessions admitted either free of duty, or at a lower rate of duty than similar imports from foreign countries, would dominate the market and regulate prices."
Lord Bra-sey's remarks were somewhat non-committal as regards preferences. He pointed out that 'British foreign trade increased 33 per cent. between 1887 and 1901, and the assessed value of property as largely, whilst the savings of the people had increased by over $2 \frac{1}{2}$ times. These facts were given to correct those who speak of British decadence. In a few earnest words in favour of Imperial unity that raised the Congress to enthusiastic plaudits, Lord Brassey closed his tactful and most agreeable address

The two opening speeches by Lords Strathcona and Brassey were worthy of so great an occasion. Without a trace of clap-trap sentiment, or the least sign of any desire to prejudge the great question before the Congress, the calm assurance they expressed and implied, that all the delegates were imbued with a common desire to develop the resources of the British Empire by a policy that should promote the trade welfare of each section, aroused such unanimous cheers as demonstrated that the promotion of Imperial unity by some plan of Imperial preferences was a cause that lay near the heart of every delegate.
The subjects debated were too comprehensive for notice at the end of this introduction; we propose; therefore, to comment upon them separately as far as space allows in this issue and later ones, as they are all too full of life to lose any freshness by delay.

## THE COTTON TRADE.

There is no business of note ever started in Canada which has experienced a greater variety of ups and downs than has the manufacture of cottons. The history of the industry has been writ large all over the country during the last quarter century. Almost every place which had or could promote water-power and some which could not and who could find a mon able to do and dare, talked of the encouragement given to cotton manufacture by the Conservative party in the early days of its late innings, and estimated the advantages to be derived from the employment of hundreds, perhaps thousands of hands in the neighbourhood, the increased value of real estate, the rents to be paid, the goods to be bought by all these hands at the general stores and so forth. The result in a few years was a competition that wiped away all profits from the stockholders. Something had to be done; arrangements for a combination of interests were proposed, and, with the assistance of some able men in the greatest centre of the business, completed. The few who remained out had a difficult time of it. Matters went well for a while with the combined enterprises despite the influences of the elements; the several localities prospered at all events; the large amount of wages paid the employes kept money circulating; it was little or no concern of theirs whether or not dividends were earned. The only barometer any of the citizens or villagers knew was the
quotation of the stock on 'Change. But this some of them felt to be no fair criterion. They knew that a stock like the Montreal of Valleyfield which pays nine per cent. per annum should be worth more than 110 per cent. But the amounts due to the bancs leak out unaccountably in many cases and this whispered news is more depressing than if the affairs of the various companies were given as much publicity as those monthiy of the chartered banks.
Notwithstanding the encouragement given home manufactures by the duty of from 25 to 3.5 per cent. ad valorem we continue to import manufactured cottons of the value of upwards of seven millions of dollars yearly, the quantity for the fiscal year ended 30 th June last being $\$ 7,370,64 \%$, of which $\$ 3,482,253$ was for printed or dyed fabrice. Of these goods Great Britain sold us to the value of $\$ 2,727,579$, the United States $\$ 600,000$, France $\$ 111,233$, Germany $\$ 25,219$, and Switzerland $\$ 15,750$. Those from Great Britain paid a duty of $2 \pm 1-3$ per cent.; those from all other countrics 35 per rent. We imported during the same year bleached cottoms to the value of $\$ 751,809$, of which $\$ 550,518$ came ironi (ireat Britain, $\$ 166,872$ from the Vnited States, $\$ 13,000)$ from France, $\$ 11.000$ from (iermany, and $\$ 10,316$ from switzoland, those from Great Britain paying $162-3$ per cent. duty, and those from other places 25 per cent.
We but skim over the subject here, merely desiring to point out that our high tariff is not effecting all that was hoped for as a means of protection to this home industy y but there is the countervailing comfort of so much addtion to the revenue of the Dominion. It may well engage the attention of our friends-how much reduction would the tariff bear to exchange the whole of our cotton industries for a much higher addition to the public purse. Our Lanoashire friends may see that, as it is, we go a respectable distance toward meeting them.
Stockholders or bankers will probably be inclined to suspect that want of due economy in management is somewhat to blame for the discontinuance or lessening of dividends for some time past. Some of the former have asked how it is that while one manufactory, not far away, whose yearly output is about $2 \frac{1}{2}$ millions, consumes only $\$ 42,000$ worth of coal, another enterprise, the output of which is $1 \frac{1}{2}$ millions, expends $\$ 75,000$ ior the same purpose. Somebody should rise and explain. Those who have become accustomed to handling other folks' money are not invariably over economical.

THE GREAT NORTHERN VIA THE TERMINAL ROAD.

Montreal citizens are now well provided with ready opportunities for a day's outing, both in respect of electric railways and river steamers. A favourite trip for many is that to Bout de l'Isle over the line of the Terminal Company. This line, as is well known, runs through a lovely agricultural district, which, during the summer months attracts thousands from the eity and is always enjoyable.
Apart from this feature of our greatest electric line, there is the underlying fact that there is now in progress a work that, if properly looked at, gives promise in the near future of being of great importance to the trade of Montreal and if properly encouraged shall be an important factor to the trade of its port. We allude
to the construction of the branch railroad from Jolietté to Montreal of the Great Northern, which is to run alongside the Terminal Company on independent tracks. The work is now going on and trains are likely to be running into the city, it is confidently stated, some time during the fall. Those going for an outing by the Terminal line should not neglect to cross the Ottawa River to Charlemagne on the double-hulled primitive little ferry-steamer, manned with courteous officers.
't he great bridge across the main branch of the river promises to be ready for use in a few weeks. The iron superstructure, now more than half built, presents an imposing appearance from the water. That on the north branch is not so far advanced, but a temporary construction is to be provided until the permanent bridge is completed, some time in the early coming winter. The grading of the road to the city is progressing, and no doubt is felt by the officials as to the trains running into the city in October next. The usual difficulties with grasping land-owners are not unknown along the way. The manner in whieh these, both in and outside the city have been patiently overcome is highly creditable to the indefatigable managing director, M. Mullarkey. The importance of this connection by rail with the Great Northern is, we are snc ined to think, overlooked by the citizens of Montreal, and, specially, by those who should look after its interest.

The Great Northern is practically, to all intents and purposes, part and parcel of a great line of communication from Quebec to Winnipeg, which 18 now in actual working order. That road from Quebec to Hawkes-bury-the Canada Atlantic thence to Parry Sound-the fine steamers from that point to Port Arthur and Fort William-the Canadian Northern thence to Winnipeg, by the way of Rainy River, and the extension of that road fürther west, which will, from present appearances, reach as far as Edmonton next year on its way to the Pacific Coast-all form one system, which, under joint management and arrangement, is chietly controlled by what is known as the Mackenzie and Mann interest. The organization promises to be a most successful one, and it is bound to exercise a large influence in the course of the Western trade of the country. It is now seeking to get an entrance to the City of Montreal by means of the charter of the Chateauguay \& Northern Company from Joliette to Montreal.
Montreal cannot fail to be benefited by this extension, and to many it must have been matter of surprise that there should have been an appearance even, of opposition to it by the civic authorities on a late occasion. So far the company has bought land for a city station at the east end, which it can reach independently of city property. Instead of raising imaginary difficulties and standing on their dignity the civic authorities should encourage this progressive work and induce the company to bring its station nearer to the centre of the city. Further, the Harbour authorities, instead of standing aloof, if not ignoring, what this much-alive company is doing, should be active and hold out inducements for bringing into the port direct, a share of the large business which is bound to pass over that route. What ever the cause for the lakewarmness of city and harbour anthorities in this matter, it does not seem to be justifiable. More trade openings are being looked for everywhere, and all supportable ones that can be obtained should be no less welcomed in Montreal than in all other progressive cition.

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## THE FOOD SUPPEX AND OTHER QMESTIONS

 AT THE CONGRESS.The question of Great Britain's food supply was introduced by Lt.-Col. Denison in his usual vigorous and rousing style, for he enters upon an argument like a charge of cavalry, and woe betide any enemy he meets! The gallant Colonel laid down the proposition that Britain cannot feed itself, that the larger part of its food is supplied by foreign countries, that in case one or more of such countries were at war with England the old land might be starved into subjection, and consequently it is of the utmost importance-it is essential to Great Britain's safety-that food supplies should be mainly drawn from her own colonies, supplemented by increased growth of them at home. To develop the production of exportable foods in Canada, Col. Denison urges the desirability of giving our products preferential treatment by England; hence he is an enthusiastic -upporter of the Chamberlain policy. The Congress went with him in a general sense, but one delegate pooh-poohed the idea that any possibility existed of a war between England and the United States. The food -upply resolution in favour of Britain's cupboard being lilled by Imperial products was carried without dissent.
The question of the Consular service brought out expressions such as have been again and again voiced by the "Journal of Commerce" in regard to the extreme desirability of a more adequate service of this class both for Great Britain and for Canada. At present our trading interests suffer for lack of Consuls or trade agents in various commercial centres; so also do those of Great Britain. The British Consul is too political a character, yet his business is not political but commercial. This view was upheld by the Congress and the sooner the members of the Canadian Government take heed to the opinions expressed the wiser they will prove themselves.

The chief debate of the Congress was opened on Tuesday by a speech in support of the following resolution:

That this Congress urges upon His Majesty's Government the appointment by them of a special commisson composed of representatives of Great Britain and her colonies and India, to consider the possibilities of this increasing and strengthening the trade relations between the different parts of the Empire, and the trading farilities within the Empire, and with foreign countries." The mover, Mr. W. P. Cockshutt, delivered an adthess of special excellence, such an one as would carry wight in the Imperial Parliament. He repudiated the Wea that Canada desired to profit at the expense of the prople in the old land. Whatever policy is decided upon iin regard to Imperial preferential trade, it must be aceptable to every part of the Empire. Mr. S. B. Boultan). of London, England, made a strong point by showing that Free Trade is futile unless it is universally adopted, as even Adam Smith said that hostile tariffs must be met by retaliation, and all the theories of 'obden (who, by the way, failed himself in business) assumed that all other nations would adopt Free Trade Mr. Robert Meighen said that with 40,000 more farmers Canada could provide Great Britain with all the wheat and foodstuffs it needs to import.
This debate was carried on with remarkable ability, and it brought out unanimous expressions of approval of some form of preferential policy throughout the Empire.

Antesolution was passed in favour of Imperial postage that would facilitate and cheapen the carriage of letters and newspapers from Great Britain throughout the Empire.

## OUR SUPPLIERS.

Thhe demeanour of seller and buyer would seem to be influenced not a little by the condition of the warehouse. When goods are in demand-temporarily scarce from one cause or another-the shortsighted producer or distributor-and buyers know that there are such among them-is apt to throw off that sweetness of manner which is so marked in his demeanour when he is burdened with an over-supply. Everybody knows the difference that takes place when circulars or announcements alone will sell goods as contrasted with the persuasive efforts of the commercial traveller. Were all alike to refrain from advertising or sending forth travellers, the amount of business done would not be much less in the aggregate; but as some distributors or manufacturers are ready to make concessions in prices, to be content with smaller profits, the firm which does not "advertise and follow it up" is likely to fall behind in the race. An agreeable demeanour is often as useful as an advertisement, sometimes more useful.

There is in correspondence also too little regard for that courtesy which has been termed the oil of trade. We have before us a letter in reply to an inquiry from a respectable western Ontario retailer for samples and prices. It is scarcely of a character to lead to business. The writer does not seem to be one of those who are anxious to "strike out."
The efforts made by our rulers to promote an increase of business from the Motherland, while productive of much good, have not been as effective as could be wished. But everything must have a beginning, and much is hoped from the present visit of representatives of various commercial bodies from the United Kingdom Had each one been accompanied by an expert in the various lines of manufacture who should make it his business to inspect the methods of manufacture among us-and one swallow does not make a summer-the visit would be more useful. It is to be feared that those who are favoured with protective tariffs are not likely to view with favour any efforts that may tend to competition from over the water, however desrrous to knit us more closely to the Empire. Our people, however hospitable, are not so practised as are our United States cousins in employing an appearance of frankness to conceal that
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as anyone who knows can gather from statements in books and newspapers made after the visit of the Manufacturers' Committee to the neighbouring republic a year or two since. But much is expected from the presence of so practical a man as Lord Strathcona who is never wanting where the interests of the Dominion are concerned.
As the present congress is doubtless in some degree an outcome of the visit of pressmen a year ago, it is hoped that such visits may continue to increase in importance. There is much to be learnt on both sides of the water if business is to go on increasing between us.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR TREATIES WITH THE COLONIES.

One of the most practical and clearly-put contributions to the fiscal controversy now agitating all parts of the Empire is published in the "Nineteenth century and After," from the pen of Mr. Allendaile Grainger, who treats the subject from an Australian point of view, one no less applicable to our own condition in Canada.
"Get customers and keep them," he says is one of the soundest business maxims. In the early days of a British Colony the settlers naturally send to the old country for every article they require. As the population increases certain local manufactories are established. The cost of importation of bulky implements, for instance, is out of all proportion to their value. With a few thousand residents there is little to be done in the manufacturing line. When the numbers mount up to several hundreds of thousands the manufactures increase, but it is not until the millions can be counter? that many industries can be successfully establithot. Without protection it is extremely difficult to obtain the necessary capital to start a large factory; the cap)italist is proverbially shy. He says, "Inless you start with the best machinery and secure competent managerand skilled workmen, you cannot manufacture at a tw. sonable cost; and how am 1 to we sure that importers, assisted by subsidized steamers, and foreign-made gonso shipped at less than cost-price, "ill not undersell you*
Mcanwhile, as the imports inerase, the namufar: ing world at large tries to obtaia some of the trado of the young country. Agencies are established, the commercial traveller's voice is heard in the land, an? the American, the (iemman, and the wher foreig'ers , atain a footing. "Get orders, at a profit if you can, hat ges orders, "they are told. I inder such in-tructions orders are oftained. Theg British mannfinetmer loses a customer and in losing him misses orders for new lines. To put the matter more plainly, to prese it home to every one,ask any man does he not generally apply first to the shopkepers he knows for an article he expeets to have some difficulty in obtaining. In young countries many new inventions are required which it will not pay to manulacture locally. These orders go with other orders, and the country which supplies them gets a good stant against other competitors. The imports of Australasia in 1891 were valued at nearly $\$ 154,400,000$ from the I'nited Kingdom. Tell years later the figures were \$164,500,000, an increase scarcely worth mentioning. During the same period the imports from foreign countries nearly doubled, increasing by about $\$ 35,000,000$ Here is evidence, if it were wanting, that the Cnited Kingdom is not holding her own. If the rompetition of the foreigner were fair and level, we could justly blame the commercial classes of the old country. But the competition is unfair. The manufacturer in the Tenited Kingdom camot claim his own home market, nor even the benefit of as low freights as some of his ivals. He may well ask, Can nothing be done? When told that the Colonies are only too anxious to assist him if he will only consent to discuss a business proposal, he replies with insular caution, "I distrust anything new."
The working man, who is worked by politician for all he is worth, is crammed with threats of dear food, though he knows it is of little advantage to him if food be cheap and employment scarce-if he has not the
money to buy it, an argument long since used in the "Journal of Commerce." In Australia, as elsewhere, the working man does not set up competition as a tin god. The less he has of it the happier he is, or thinks he is, and the working man of the United Kingdom is not, and never will be, a believer in encouraging the competition of the foreign manufacturer either at home or abroad. To the colonial working man, employed in a factory, the competition of his brother in England is not welcome. But if goods are to be imported he prefers that they thoy'd come from the old country. We are all selfish and it is the duty of every Government to take care that the selfishness of the individual does not injure the many. Although selfish we are sentimental, and patriotism and blood-kinship come under the latter heading.

Therefore for the sake of the Empire and for the love of kindred, most colonials are willing to make alterations in the tariff by imposing rates against the foreigner and by granting concessions to the old country. There are, of course, many who want some preference in return, and it is here that the great question has arrived. What will England grant? We do not ask for twelve or twenty million sterling to settle land differences. (On the contrary we merely require a business deal for our mutual advantage. There is a very formidable list of articles, "special exemptions" from customs duty, too numerous to quote, which are manufactured in older countries and which under a preferential tariff might be obtained solely from the United Kingdom, and without increasing the cost to the Australian baver. This. as has alteady been pointed out, would lead to more orders from time to time coming to Great Britain for new lines. The English manufacturer would get a new customer and ought to be able to keep him.

It will be argued, and fairly, that it is unreasonable to expect contonials to grant concessions without asking for some in return. In all commercial treaties each party has to be satisfied. Owing to the vastness of the British Empire, its climates, soils, and labour conditions, there is much to be said in favour of the Imperial Government entering into different agreements with different Colonies or "British possessions." It is evident that colonial demands would vary from those of other countries. No Australian has yet advocated taxes in (rreat Britain on wools, so such a preferential tax might be omitted. A tax on wheat, remitted in the case of Australia, would probably increase the area placed under cultivation. Lands now under pasturage and returning 5 per cent. might be ploughed up if the owner could obtain 10 per cent. from growing wheat. It means more worry to the owner, but the additional profit would be a sufficient compensation. This pre-supposes, however, that he would get higher prices for his wheat than he would otherwise receive, and as we may doubt the advantage so may he. The price of wheat is practically ruled by the London market save, as recently, in exceptional circumstances. Cheaper freights by land and sea, and improved machinery, have opened up such vast tracts of wheat-growing country that only low prices can check the world's increasing production. For horns, and hides, and skins, Australia has not reqwested special treatment. Neither has the Imperial Government been approached on an import duty on other than Austrolian meat.

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It is another matter when we come to wines. The total imports of wine in casks are about 141.3 million gallons, and only one million gallons come from Australia. The duty on the bulk of the wine imported is 30 cent's per gallon. The grower in Australia receives about 2 s to 2 s 6 d . This extra 30 c would be of great benelit to him. It is a small matter to the Imperial Government, about $\$ 312,500$, bat if Australian wine were admitted free a very much larger area would be immediateis put under vine cultivation, more labour would find implomment, and the revenues of Australia increased. The whole of the 30 cents per gallon remitted would not, however, go to the grower. The producer never gets the full benefit of any reduction in the tariff, nor does - obtain as much as the Manchester cotton manufacturers expect to receive by the reduction of the cotton duties in India. The consumer gets a slice, and in this particular case a cheaper glass of wine. He uses the loss harmful intoxicant more freely, and thus encourages the producer. The total value of the brandy imported in 1902 was one million sterling, and only a thousand prounds' worth came from Australia. The value of the raisins and currants imported from foreign countries "sceeded two millions and a third. The duties of seven and of two shillings per cwt. might be waived in the ase of the Australian articles without detriment to the consumer, and with very great benefit to Australatl producers and many thousands of their employes. surely the time has come to make a beginning. ReciproIt! is of the nature of free trade. It is, in fact, free mathe up to date. Nor is there any need for Great Britaill to be a loser whatever fiscal arrangements she may malke with the rest of the Empire. The suggested trea-liin- may contain clauses that the amounts which would wherwise have been collected shall be paid by the coun1 wies representing the producers as a furtuer contribution to the cost of the Navy. The Empire will gain ly increasing production, population, and power. More (mimployment will be obtainable for our boys, who, no longer forced by a fatuous policy to seek a precarious liring in a foreign country, will still remain soldiers of the Empire and sons of the nation. When before did "w. read of the degeneracy of the race, of the miserable thysique of the recruit? It is not in the Colonies nor iII the Umited States that the British born degenerate. Independent in mind, they inquire and decide for them-. wres, caring little about what "some old fossil who inrned out all wrong said some sixty years ago."

When Mr. Secretary Chamberlain took over the conrol of the concentration camps in South Africa, he tated that so far as possible British requirements should "' supplied by British products. T?at was the statesmamlike view to take, and was entirely in opposition (1) the past policy of the Admiralty and of the War Wlice. Why any nation should ladle gold into the laps ult its enemies or possible enemies is 太ifficult to explain. We are instructed by our grandmothers that the greater the benefits we confer on foreign nations the more we thall make out of them! "Imports are paid for by "xports," and "the more you import the more you will "xport," are, with all due respect to our grandmothers, inaccurate if very catching assertions. The object of nther countries is to export as much as possible, and Great Britain is the most convenient and accessib! dumping ground this world has ever provided.

Across the Channel (in France) we have a repubtic of sorts, yet there food is heavily taxed, and so far as we know the French working classes raise no outcry. Yet any visitor knows that a meal at a restaurant in Paris costs less than in London. Frozen meat from Australia is shut out of the Paris market and France raises no complaints. The custom taxes in that country, and in Germany, on wheat have produced no demonstrations, no protests regarding the poor man's loaf. Why? The reflection must give us pause. Here are skilled workmen of equal intelligence to ours, as liable to ${ }^{\circ}$ go on strike and to advocate Socialistic doctrises as any set of trade unionists in Great Britain, and yet they permit their Government to tax their food and to tax it rather heavily. The free trader takes refuge when fairly cornered in the perfectly fair statement that "in other countries the conditions are different"; yet when he in his turn wants to adorn his argument he quotes these countries so far as they suit him. With certain free traders it is useless to try to argue. They only get cross. The more level-headed free trader has so far an open mind that he will listen to a statement or two and condescend to express his doubts regarding the facts. Australian imports direct from the United Kingdom, for 1891 were $\$ 132,250,000$, and for $1901 \$ 126$, 180,000 . This looks as if, as far as Australia is con-cerned-New Zealand figures are not included-the free trader has little to boast about. If he, as he probably will, be so incautious as to plead exceptional circumstances, that Australia was too poor to import more, then the imports from foreign countries are trotted out for his edification; total $1891, \$ 34,640,000$, and for 1901 $\$ 62,060,000$. The case against the free trader, who is content to let the foreigner take his customers away from him, is really worse than these figures show, for, as Cobden truly remarks:
With respect to some countries, however, principally France and Belgium, and in a less degree other Euro pean countries, a certain proportion, both of the import and export trade, is carried in British vessels to London and thence distributed. . . . It is impossible to expect that the whole of this trade could with absolute exactitude be referred to the country of origin, particu!arly when it is considered that in all countries of the world consignees of various lines of goods do not always furnish reliable information as to ultimate origin or des tination of merchandise. The defect above referred in are not common to the Australasian trade returns alone, but more or less disfigure those of every country.

England gets the credit of producing goods which are made by the foreigner. We know that waistcoutinge sent to Canada from London owe their origis te some p'ace in Central Europe. This makes the trade returns with the colonies look better than they really are But for the purposes of argument we may salcly put that fact aside, and rest content with asking ourselves whether it be wise to miss the present opportunity of entering into commercial treaties with our own kith and kin. The seed which Mr. Secretary Chamberlain nas scattered is beginning to germinate. Although of nions differ about his methods, the fact that they are s? strongly denounced by his opponents should caise his friends to conclude that they are probably right. When all his cards are face up on the table it $v .1 \mathrm{~b}$ time enough to condemn him for bail play I Lilueral l'nionist has asserted that Mr. Chamberlain's pill is too big
for the gullet. It is astonishing how is'g a pill a man can swallow when it is silver coated and when also he is convinced that it will do him good. At present the public does not know to what extent Mr. Chamberlain intends to commit himself. That he may be in favour of taxes on food is admitted, but it remains to be seen whether he will insist on the immediate imposition of customs duties on wheat and meat. Few taxpayers besides some free traders will object to a duty on flour. The late Mr. Hanbury believed in it although opposed to the duty on wheat. Mr. Chamberlain was and is in favour of both. He may in October proclaim that he intends to proceed slowly, and little by little, by experiment and experience, so to bind the trade of this greatest of. all Empires together that the increased prosperity of the whole shall redound to the credit, and augment the comfort, enjoyed by the electors of the United Kingdom.
It is singular, if protection is so desirable, that there is such an outcry in other countries when duties are raised, as they occasionally are.

AN FMNENT NEW YORK MERCHANT PASSED AWAY.

Last week New York City laid at rest one of it most eminent commercial men and philanthropists in the person of the late Mr. W. E. Dolge, who, althongh he had been ailing for some time, died somewhat suddenly and unexpectedly at the age of iz years. Mr. Dodge. through his family connections, represented the commercial history of New York since before the revolutionary cra. from the lirst inception of the business in the carly years of New York it has been continued to the present time, and, under different names, it has been continued for many years, as it is now, under the name of Phelps, Dodge \& Co., Mr. W. E. Dodge being the senior member of the firm. Mr. Dodge will be remembered not only as a successful merchant of the highest character and integrity in business matters, but as a man devoted to the promotion of the welfare of others less favoured with earthly goods. He came from a family noted in that respect. His father was so conspicuous in philanthropic and civic virtues that it was noted by the eity, and a statue is now standing to his memory in one of the most prominent squares in New York, marking the appreciation of the citizens of his many gow works.
The som, who has just departed from this life, seems to have followed worthily in his father's footsteps. From the reports given at length in the New York papers of the many organizations and institutions he was connected with-all tending to help and forward the best intcrests of humarity-and to which he contributed of his means so largely during his lifetime, as well as by the time he devoted to those interest:-it may be surprising to many how he found rime to do so and yet attend to the large and extensive business of the firm of which he was the head, and which has had so successful a career. Although he had inherited wealth, and had a prosperous business, from all the accounts of him before and since his death, he was most generous in his distributions towards all worthy
opjects. In this respect Mr. Dodge was only a type of many men in New York, who, with their wealth have done much for the elevation and welfare of that great city.
It was not to philanthropic objects only, besides business, that Mr. Dodge was devoted; perhaps no man living in the United States devoted mole time, and successful energy, to bringing about a better understanding between that country and Great Britain. A few years ago, when matters were disturbed, he was chairman of the national organization, which had that object in view, which, with all the difficulties then encountered, succeeded in bringing about the sympathetic feelings existing between the two countries. It would take too much space here to detail all the organizations with which the much lamented Mr. W. E. Dodge was connected. As one of the many editorial summaries of the New York press, we append the following from the "Times":-
"New York has sustained a real loss in the death of William Earl Dodge. It is a common complaint, and there is too much justice in it. that the inheritors of wealth in this country are apt to he mare men of pleasure, frivolous and selfish, and by no means cxemplary citizens. But whether this be the rule, and the public-spirited sons of rich men the exceptions, or Whether good citizenship be the rule, and the exceptions are noteworthy only on account of their necessary censpicuousness, a man bora rich who devotes both a generour'share of his wealth and of the leisure which his wealth allows him to the promotion of caluses that seem to him goorl deserves public recognition and honor. Very eminently such a man was William Earl Dodge. Born to a handsome fortune, as fortunes were two fenerat:ons ago, though only a modest competence according to the colossal swale by which we have come to measure riches now. he became and remained an active, diligent, and sucreesful man of business, and not only increased but greatly: extemled the particular business he had inherited. The mere enumeration of the varions concerus with which he was con: reacell as trustee or director shows how widespread were his interest- and how busy a man he must have been to keep account of all of them. But it is not by his connection with these enterprises that Mr. Dodge will be most worthily remers: bered. It is nearly forty years since he received from the Legis. lature of New York a vote of thanks for his services in behalf of the State troops in the field. The intervening years have been fillel with good works, and with good works that drew large drafts upon the worker's time as well as his money. In fact. the most useful and exemplary lesson which his life gives to other men in like situations is that the gift without the giver is bare. Whether it was a National object like the Indianapolis sound-money conference, of a cosmopolitan object like the Evangelical Alliance, or a municipal institution like the Botanical Garden or the Metropolitan Mnseum or any sther of the innumerable local institutions of which he was a benefactor, he investigated the claims of the institution and then followed, watched. and administered his investment as carefully as if it had been an investment made for getting money instead of for getting rid of it. In this way his public usefulness was very great, and men at all like-minded with himself came to think that an investment in charitable, religious or public objects of which Mr. Dodge approved vas sure to liee "safe." His activity in these ways was at once so multifarionand so modest that to some extent he missed during his lifetime the public recognition that was freely accorded to men who more nairowly concentrated or more widely advertised their benefactions. All the more reason that the recognition of his work should be made in full measure now that he has passed away."

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-The insurance on the Great Northern Railway shops destroyed by fire at Quebec on the 18 th inst. . is $\$ 25,000$, in the Law Union and Crown Company.


## WHAT CANADA BUYS-(52).

We continue publication of a list of the goods import- manufacturers in the United Kingdom and their repred by our own people during the fiscal year ended 30th sentatives who would avail themselves of the advantages June, 1902, with the view of affording information to hiose of our friends abroad, who may be desirous of opening up or extending business in Canada. This alphabetical list, compiled from the Customs returns, is unavoidably voluminous and will probably run through the greater portion of the "Journal of Commerce" for the current year: it should prove most valuable to those offered under our Differential Tarit which, it may be seen, allows one-third off the ordnary duty on goods of British manufacture experted to Canada. Any information which, alphabetically, must recur later on in our tables will be furnished meantime on application to the office of the "Canadian Journal of Commerce," Montreal. Newer returns show considerable increases:

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## INITED STATES COMMERCE WITH CANADA.

Under the above title U. S. papers are at present publishing statistics which, with the proper explanations might read all right, both for Canada and Great Britain, but with U. S. garments, only, hanging to them, they naturally lead readers to infer that the United States is gradually gaining as a base of supplies for the Canadian market despite all efforts to the contrary, on the part either of Canada or Great Britain. Let readers of the following, which we take from a U. S. paper, consider, in the first place, that the requirements of Canada are rapidly on the increase, much more so than the subjoined tables would indicate. In the second place it is well to recall that nearly one-half of Canada's purchases from the U. S. during the past fiscal year were composed of raw materials. Lastly, our purchases from England during the same time show an increase much greater in proportion than that in our trade with the United States. Arrangements are constantly being made whereby such growth of trade between Canada and the Mother Country will be more apparent ao the years [20 by: and any increase in Canada's purchases from these conntries will merely prove that this country is forging ahead at a rate which compels heavy and steadily increasing purrhases all round.
"Commerce between the United States and Canada was larger in the fiscal year just ended than in any preceding year. This is true both as to imports and exports. The figurcs of the year's commerce, presented by the department of "ommerce and labor through its bureau of statistics, show that the imports from Canada amounted to $\$ 54,660,410$, and the exports to Canada, \$123,472,416. In this term is included British Columbia, Quebec, Ontario, Nova Scotia and New Prunswick. Of the imports of the year $\$ 38,000,000$, speaking in round terms, were from Quebec and Ontario, $\$ 10.000,000$ from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and $\$ 6,000,000$ from British Columbia. Both in imports and exports, the total of the year's commerce with Canada was larger than in any prereding year. The imports never before reached so much as $\$ 50.000 .000$ save in one exceptional year. 1881, when they barcly touched the $\$ 50,000,000$. In 1902 they were $\$ 48,076,124$, in 1903 they were, as already indicated, $\$ 54,680,410$. The exprorts to Canada never reached so much as $\$ 100,000,000$ until 1901. when they were $\$ 105,000,000$. In 1902 they were $\$ 109,-$ \%n0.000. in 1903, as already stated, they were $\$ 123,472,416$.
The following table shows the total imports from and ex wrts to Canada in each year from 1892 to $1903:-$


The figures of growth in the exnorts from the United States Canada are especially interesting in view of the fact that if Canadian tariff has given to the products and manufacures of the United Kingdom and most of her colonies a reduc. in of $121 / 2$ ner cent in the tariff rates since April, 1897. 25 ' cent from August. 1892, to July 1. 1970, and singe that a reduction of 33 per cent. Yet. it was during that Cind that the most rapid growth in the exports from the nited states to Canada occurred. In the fiscal year ending one 30, 1897, the exnorts from the United States to Canada cre $\$ 85,000,000$. yet they have increased to $\$ 123,000,000$ in M33. This is an increase of 90 per cent., whthe the increase In the total exports meantime has been about 40 per cent. The Canadian tariff, which gave lower rates to the products of Great Britain and her colonies, than to other countries, Nas introduced in April, 1897, and provided that the tariff should at once be lowered $121 / 2$ per cent on merchandige from

Great Britain and the colonies, and that on July 1, 1898, the reduction was increased to $331-3$ per cent. It is proper, therefore, to include the fiscal year 1893 in any statement made for the purpose in determining whether the reduction in the tariff on articles from Great Britain and the colonies has had a marked effect in increasing the imports from those parts of the world, or reducing those from the United States."

## NEWSPAPER POSTAGE

The following circular to postmasters will explain any possible delay or irregularity ine the transmission of newspapers from the office of publication the present week:
The Act fixing the rates of newspapers and periodicals posted from the office of publication, and addressed to regular subscribers, has been amended by a proyision to the effect that where the distance in Canada which such newspapers or periodicals are required to be transmitted does not exceed three hundred miles from the place of publication, and such newspapers and periodicals (the distance for the transmission of which is limited as aforesaid) are not to be delivered in Canada under the free letter carnier delivery system, the said rate of one half of one cent for each pound or fraction of a pound weight shall bè reduced to one-quarter of one cent.
In order that publishers may be enabled to take advantage of this reduced rate, they must separate the newspapers which they have hitherto sent at the half a cent per pound rate into two parts, one containing those to be delivered within the three hundred mile limit and which are not to be delivered to places having a free delivery system, and the other, those which will still be liable to the half a cent per pound rate.
The free delivery offices in Canada in which newspapers cannot be delivered at the reduced rate of one-quarter cent are: Victoria, Vancouver, Winnipeg, London, Brantford, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Fredericton and Halifax.
It is to be noted that the three hundred miles must be from the office of the actual place of publication and that there is no choice of centre outside of that point, as is the case with the twenty mile limit for weekly newspapers. All papers which have heretofore enjoyed free transmission within the 20 mile limit, will continue to do so.-R. M. Coulter, Deputy Postmaster-General

## TRADE MATTERS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Mr. J. D. Jardine, reporting from Cape Town, S. A., to the Department of Trade and Commerce under date of July 10 states that all the South African colonies have unanimously ratified the customs union tariff, excepting Cape Colony. The latter is likely to adopt it by a small majority. "The Dutch members," Mr. Jardine remarks, "mostly oppose ratification, on account of the preferential clause in favor of the Mother Country, without receiving a quid pro quo in return. Until Canada and Australia arrange by order in Council or otherwise to grant the South African colonies a preference they will have to pay the maximum duties. At present Great Britain is receiving a twenty-five, per cent preference from all the colonies, and the importers are anxious to learn what Canada proposes to do."
Mr. Jardine states that the sale of British goods and products is making headway. Trade conditions are disappointing owing to the scarcity of black labor and the fact that the Imperial Government has offered for sale $\$ 20,000,000$ worth of war stocks, that is food products, etc., purchased by them for the war.
-London Clearing House,-Total clearings for week ending
Aug. $13,{ }^{1} 1903, \$ 826,706$.

## CANADA'S FOREIGN TRADE

As announced recently, Canada's aggregate foreign trade amounted for the fiscal year ending June 30 th to the enormous sum of $\$ 459,6337,049$, an increase of $\$ 45,000,000$ compared with the previous year, and of $\$ 228,000,000$ compared with 1896. This was only $\$ 19,293,083$ less than Canada's aggregate trade with the United States. which last year amounted to \$209. 389.114 . In 1802 we did a trade of $\$ 192,012,434$ with the United States, and in 1896 we imported from and exported to that country products and goods to the amount of $\$ 103,022,434$. Our trade with Germany shows an increase, but the surtax had not hegron to make itself felt in the last fiscal year. The value of the dealings with that country was $\$ 14,381,093$, compared with $\$ 13,515,747$ in 1902 and $\$ 6,688$,990 in 1896. We sent to Newfoundland or took from that island goods to the amount of $\$ 3,775,805$ last year, whereas in 1902 the amount was $\$ 3,498,482$, and in 1896, $\$ 2,333,721$. In 1896 the aggregate of our trade with Belgium was but $\$ 1,018.789$, whereas in 1902 it had grown to $\$ 4,156,049$, and last year it rose to $\$ 4,-$ 949.972. Taking the imports for consumption by countries in 1903 they show as follows:-From Great Britain, $\$ 58,893,710$, an increase of $\$ 9.687,108$ : from the United States. $\$ 137,605,195$, an increase of $\$ 16,790,445$ : from Germany, $\$ 12,282,637$, an increase of $\$ 1,459.468$ : from France, $\$ 6,580,029$, a decrease of $\$ 91.075$ : from Belgium. $\$ 2,800,179$, an increase of $\$ 1,088,580$; from Newfoundland, $\$ 1,197.581$, an increase of $\$ 519,819$. The exports in 1903 by countries contain the following figures:To Great Britain. $\$ 131,202,321$, an increase of $\$ 13.882,100$; to the United States, $\$ 71,783,919$, an increase of $\$ 586,235$; to Germany. $\$ 2.098,456$, a decrease of $\$ 594,122$; to France, $\$ 1,341$,618, a decrease of $\$ 47.230$; to Belgium, $\$ 2,149.793$, a decrease of $\$ 294,657$; to Newfoundland, $\$ 2,578.224$, an increase of $\$ 197,142$.

## DAIRY PRODUCE

A private London sircular, date 7 th instant, treating of the lairy produce situation. suys-Butter.-There is an improve ment in the weather this week. but it is yet far from seasonable. The amount of grass is very large and the pastures are altogether in much better comdition than is nsual for August. The ('analian butter market is somewhat quiet this week and arrivals are small. The effect of the holidays has not yet pased away. Prices ratain at last week's figures. Choieest salted is selling at 92 a to 94 s per cowt, and finest at two to four shillings less. Saltless Camadian is making ?6s, and for exepptionally fine lots 97s and 98s.
The tin packing scason of Danish butter is now about over, hut supplies not being excessive and quality none too good, the Danish Committee decided to leave the Copenhagen Off ial unchanged. Prices of Danish on this market remain stationary. The arrival of Russian butter entered last week by the C'ustoms shows an import of 27.308 cwts., which is slightly larger than the highest week recorded last year. Advices from Siberia speak of an early reduction in the weekly shipments. Imports last week from Iceland were 167 ewts. The total imports of :all kinds of butter was 91.783 cwts against 83.552 cats. for the corresponding week fwelve months since. Cheese.-The demand for Canadian cheese partakes of a
holiday character, althourh a considerable amount of business at last week's prices has been transacted. In Canada. e.i.f. quotations having risen to "spot" prices, the latter most probably will advance and thus adjust the relative values of the two markets. One year ago choienst Canadian cheese sold at 49 s to 50 s and finest at 45 s to 46 s .

- is the degrees of temperature at various points in the Dominion daily supplied from a central station to the papers are mot deemed always reliable, it has hecome nsual to suhfoin figures from local exnerts. The divergence warrants mistrust. In Montreal the published figures differ bv. 10 or 12 dearees. Most private thermometers rather agree with the
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## HUDSON BAY CLATMS.

A recent despatch from Ottawa to a Chicago paper says that matters relating to Hudson Bay are beginning to attract much public attention in Canada, and are bound also to be fraught with considerable interest to the American people in the near future. Definite action is now about to be taken, says a Chicago writer, by the Canadian Government to declare ab solute sovereignty over the third largest sea in the world The Dominion Government has asked Parliament for a grant of $\$ 150,000$ to cover the cost of an expedition which is about to leave for Hudson Bay. The purpose of this expedition is ostensibly to gather data and acquire experimental knowledge as to the length of time the bay is open for navigation each year, the possibilitiies of shipping the products of the west by that route, and for geological research. It is believed that the Canadian Government proposes to assert its claims over this great body of water, which it contends is a closed sea and upon the marine wealth of which no foreign fisherman has the right to encroach. This claim will no doubt be resist ed by the United States, and another bone of contention will be projected into the arena of international politics. American fishermen, chiefly whalers at present, have for many years. without let or hindrance, almost exclusively operated in the Hudson Bay waters with much profit. These waters are known to abound with fish of the first commercial value exclusive of the whale, walrus, porpoise and seal. The principal result of the expedition will be to drive out the American fishermen. The likelihoood, therefore, of international complications arising out of the Canadian claim to Hudson Bay as a closed sea may not be very remote, particularly when it is stated to be the intention of the Dominion authorities to establish a patrol fleet in these northern waters to keep ont poachers. It is expected that the time to be occupied by the expedition in carrying out the objects of the present voyage will be between one and a half to two years, and during that time also formal possession will be taken of cer: tain islands north.

## A NEW GRAIN ROUTE

It is believed in many quarters that the Glazier exploring expedition, which left St. John's. Nfld., recently to proceed to Labrador is sent out by Mr. Tames T. Hill, the famous railway magnate, who controls the Northern Pacific line, and that the real object of the expedition is to acquire information as to the feasibility of running a railroad from Lake Superior to the tidewater in Hamilton Inlet, Labrador, whence ships could ply with European ports. This scheme, says a St. John's letter, would, if practicable, bring Chicago nearly two day closer to Furope than is possible by existing routes, and Mont real would be a gainer by at least twenty- four hours. In view of the several railway projects now before the Cana dian public, the agitation for a fast Atlantic service and the enquiry into the navigability of Hudson's Bay, it is interesting to examine some of the possibilities suggested by this reported departure of Mr. Hill's. In the first place he made a cruis himself along the Labrador coast last season, a circumstance that might in others attract but little attention, yet becomes of considerable importance when viewed in the light of this developmont. Secondlv, the objective of the Glazier expedi tion is that portion of the Labrador peninsula lying inland from Hamilton Sound, the greatest estuary and most com modious fiord on the sea coast. It is difficult to conceive of any swientific atfractions sufficiently interesting to tempt the Glazier people there, apart from some such object, seeing that much of this Hamilton region has already been explored as far as the famous Grand Falls, a cascade finer than Niagara Therefore the geographical features of the territory did not need to be dotermired by another expedition.
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## NEW INCORPORATIONS

The Belleville Portland Cement Co., Limited, has been in corporated under an Ontario charter with a capital stock of $\$ 2,500,000$, divided into 25,000 shares of $\$ 100$ each. The provisional directors, all Toronto men, are:-James S. Lovell, Ernest W. McNeill, Richard Richardson, Stanley R. Wilkie, and Miller Lash. The head office is to be at Belleville.-The Bussman-Gray Molybdenum Mining and Reduction Co., of Untario, Limited, has been incorporated with a capital of $\$ 1,000,000$, the shares being $\$ 1$ each. It will carry on a gen(ral mining, milling, reduction and development business. The hoal office will be at Fort Erie , and the provisional directors are:--Dr. Paul Frank Bussman, W. J. Gray, Charles R. (iray, Thomas Hyland, Wallace Lincoln Baker, and Rufus Mortimer Choate, all of Buffalo.
()ther companies incorporated during the past week are:The Thunder Bay Harbor Improvement Company, Limited; apital. $\$ 50,000$; head office at Port Arthur; provisional directors. Richard Vigars, James Whalen, William Vigars, and etemge Frederick Whalen, all of Port Artnur.-The Stratford Kinitting Company, Limited; capital, $\$ 40,000$; head office at stratford; provisional directors, Robert M. Ballantyne, Kenneth C. Turnbull, and William W. Gray, all of Stratford.The Severn Power Company of Midland, Limited; capital, 40,000 ; provisional directors, David W. Ackerman, William . 1. Parkhill, H. J. Craig, William McTavish, Adolphus Jackel, tinl Richard Smith, all of Midland.-The Brown-Boggs Co. limited, to manufacture and deal in machinery, tools and wher articles made from wood or metal; capital $\$ 50,000$; head ottice at Hamilton; provisional directors, John M. Brown, Cithan G. Boggs, James Anderson, and William E. Blandford, all of Hamilton.-The Jackson Cushion Spring Company, Cimited: capital, $\$ 50,000$; head office at Toronto; provisional directors, Watson Smith, Henry Eldred Edwards, and Charles lin-tom, of Jackson, Mich., and David Albert Ghent and John frwighton, of Toronto. -The Metropolitan Stock Exchange, of V:acilchusetts. has been licensed to do a stock business in Intario. The Long Lake Gold Mining Co., Limited, has been inthorized to carry on a mining business in the province.-
license has been granted the Canadian North-West Steamship '... Limited, to carry on a passenger and freight business on the wreat lakes.-The Superior Copper Mining Co., Limited, :1: been authorized to increase its stock from $\$ 1,500,000$ to 1000,000

BANK OF MONTREAL SHAREHOLDERS

At the request of several readers we give the names of shareholders for amounts of $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ to $\mathbf{1 5 0}$ shares as supplementary to the list published last week:
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Hon. Alf. G. Jones and Price Lewes, ..... 110
Trustees, Halifax.. ..... 110
Jesse Joseph, Montreal ..... 100
Louis R. Lebaudy, Bougival, France. ..... 100
F. Maeculloch, executors, Montreal. ..... 145
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D. Masmaster, K.C., Montreal.145
Mrs. Ella V. Macmaster, Montreal.145
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W. A. Molson, M.D., Montreal105
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Rev. Hugh Montgomery, Estate, Phillipsburg ..... 100
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Jay Collins Morse, Chicago ..... 110
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Wm. Munro, Montreal. ..... 100
P. McLaren, Perth, Ont ..... 124 ..... 100 .
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E. Gott Fenny, Montreal ..... 100
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Mrs. Ja re Pedpath, Montreal ..... 110
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Sir E. A. Stuart, Bart., London, Eng. ..... 102
A. T. Taylor, Montreal. ..... $1: 0$Mrs. Esther Wilson, Montreal
A. Wolff, estate, New York.
H. B. Woodrow, Longueuil ..... 190

## the bellevue apartments.

The Bellevue Apartments building is approaching completion at last, and the arcade extends with a pleasant vista from St. Catherine street to Dominion square. The wine-room and restaurant on the street-floor and basement towards the Square have undergone quite a metamorphosis since the beginning of May, when the present lessee, Mr. N. Gravel (formerly of the Board of Trade restaurant) assumed control, and every visitor is delighted with the alterations. One of the features of the establishment is a grill-room, which cannot fail to be kept busy as soon as it becomes generally known. Mr. Gravel is well known to many of our citizens as the right man for a first-class establishment of the kind

## NEW BRANCH BANKS

Branches of the Union Pank of Canadn have been opened as follows:-Haileybury, Ont.: Hillsburg, Ont. (sub. to Erin). Jasper. Ont. (sub. to Smith's Falls) ; Newboro, Ont., and Wark worth, Ont. (sub. to Hastings). The notice arrived too late for insertion this issue in Bank advertisement on another page. -A branch of Molsons Bank has been opened at Frankford, Ont., and the Bank of Hamilton has opened an office at Melfort, N.W.T.
-Among the entertainments, extended during the week to the members of the Congress from Great Britain was an afternoon tea at the residence of Hon. George A. Drummond on Sherbrooke street. A reception was held at the residence of Lord Strathcona on Dorchester street.

LATEST DESIGNS.


We pmblish by request the following list of the principal reditors of the Thorpe \& Maddock Mfg. Co., clothing manufacturers, Toronto. The disposition of assets was given in utur issue of the 1 th h instant

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Nisbet \& Auld, Toronto.
Corticelli silk Co., Toronto
Maddock, H. E., Uxbridge, Ont.
Forbes, R. \& Co., Hespeler, Ont.
Maddock, M. E., Uxbridge, Ont., eash Maddock. H. E., Uxbridge, Ont., cash
Ontario Blanket Co., Collingwood, Ont
Brook Woollen Co., Simeoe, Ont.
Maple Leaf Woollen Mills, Markham, Ont.
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## Foreign-

Croysdale, J. H. C., Ltd., Leeds, Eng. . .. .. 2,020 Holmwood Mfg. Co., Bradford, Eng. . .. .. .. 1,359 Walker, Arthur \& Co., Bradford, Eng. . .. .. 912 Schneider, Gerhartz \& Co., Bradford, Eng.. .. 730 Laycock, Peter, Leeds, Eng.. .. Dand, Dixon \& Son, Leeds, Eng. Balstone, Cook \& Co., Ltd, Manchester, Eng 210 ar Mrg. Co., Belfast, Ireland-

Summary of liabilities-Unsecured, $\$ 42,185$; preferred, $\$ 1,825$ Secured, Standard Bank, $\$ 15,968$; total, $\$ 59,977$.
Summery of assets-Stock, $\$ 23,056$; fittings and machinery $\$ 3,300$. Stock stored with R. Carrie, $\$ 5,799$; book accounts $\$ 2.177$; nominal surplus on goods held by R. Carriie, $\$ 3,871$; total $\$ 32,406$. All of the assets, nominally $\$ 32,406$, were pledged to the Standard Bank of Canada, except $\$ 9,148$.

## farming by machinery.

Last year there was in operation in the San Fernando Valley of California the largest combined harvester in the world. It consisted of a traction engine capable of hauling seventy-five tons and which takes the place of sixty horses; a header or mowing machine which cuts a thirty-six foot swath, and a complete threshing machine. The header and threshing machine are run by a separate thirty horse-power engine getting its steam from the same boiler as the threshing engine. The drive wheels of this monster traction engine are eight feet in

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## NO TAX ON RAW MATERIALS.

Colonial Secretary Chamberlain has written a letter to Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, M.P., says a London cable, reiter ating his statement that in making his tariff proposals he never intended to suggest a tax on raw materials, such as wool and cotton. Such a tax would be entirely unnecessary for the purpose he has in view, namely, mutual preference with the colonies, which would enable Great Britain to bargain at better terms with her foreign competitors regarding food.

Mr. Chamberlain maintains there is nothing in his policy of tariff reform which need increase in the slightest degree the cost of living to any family in Great Britain.

THE WESTERN WHEAT CROP

The crop reports of the Canadian Northern Railway for the past week show that all along the company's lines grain has made a most decided improvement, and that the estimates formed three weeks or a month ago were much below the actual condition of the crop. While the weather, in nearly all sections of the Province tapped by the lines of the company, has been cool and wet and not favorable for cutting, it has

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had the effect of giving the orain a better chance to head out and for this reatson the yield will be heavier than anticipated In the Real River valley and in the southwestern portion o the Province the wheat will average twelve to eighteen bushels to the acre. while in the north and centre the yield will easily reach between twenty and twenty-four bushels. Nowhere has hail or frost done the least damage and the indications arc that the farmers will have a bountiful harvest. Cutting will be general by the end of the week. An Ottawa report state that Prof. Saunders, who is making his annual tour of the Corth-West, telegraphed the Deputy Minister of Agricultur on the 17th instant, that the crops between Winnipeg and Brandon are mostly light. Wheat will probably average fifteen to eighteen bushels, but will go higher in the northern and western portions.
insurance companies as defendants.

There is about to be an interesting time in insurance circles in Canada, says an Ottawa letter. Recently, with a view to getting even with the City of Ottawa for the heavy losses which they have sustained in 1900 , the insurance companies

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ordered the imposition of from 25 to 50 cent, on each $\$ 100$ of illwance premiums taken in Ottiawa. This was done throuch (11. merium of the Canadian Fire Unilemwrters' Association Mr. Beicourt, M.1P., has expressed the opinion that ever "unpaly constituting the Canadian Fire Underwriters’ Assofiltion is guilty of an infraction of the Criminal Code, and Hformation will accordingly, be laid against twenty-eight numpuries combined in the association. The action will be Then muder section 520 of the criminal Code, which makes any "anam liable to a penalty ranging from $\$ 1,000$ to $\$ 10,000$ "If combiaing or conspiring, among other things, to unduly forent or lessen competition in the price of insurance upon "Isoul or property
I .erond action may be taken under section 527 of the rininal Code, which distinctly states: "Everyone is guilty " an indictable offence and liable to seven years' imprisonthent who. in any case not hereinbefore provided for, con(ilies with any person to commit any indictable offence."

## LATER BANKING METHODS.

[^0]new business, which is bad enough in many cases, but it aims at stealing business that already exists. "Blackmailing" would hatrdy verm too harsh a term with which to describe the attempts of some banks to get business away from other banks. But what idea must the outside public have of the dignity of banking after taking note of the various cateh-penny appeals flung at it by bank- tryine to get busineses. Drawing upon numerous specimens of literature emanating from banks, we have beeen tempted to draw up a prospectu* for a real up-to-date bank which is after business at any cost and doesn't care how it gets it. While some exaggeration has been indulged in, we think our readers would find it pretty difficult in many cases to pick out what is the real thing and what is invention, so outre have been the inducements which some banks have actually offered to new depositors. With this explanation we submit the following prespectus of a modern bank:
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Twin (iity, 94 to $9.51 / 2$ Toronto Railway 99 : Pacific $1241 / 2$ to 12614, an advance "rould bring out con-iderable lots. The Bank of Momtral avk- for hide for 2, son shares, new issue. which have not heow tuken up. Bank stock= are quite stag nant. Paris. (xelange on London, $25 \mathrm{ff} 15 \mathrm{ce}:$ Berlin, $20 \mathrm{~m} 37 \mathrm{ag} / \mathrm{ff}$. Local forcign "xchange. $60^{\circ}-81 / 4: 3$ days' sight, 8 $85-16$. Local money ratus unchanged.

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|  |  |  | Nova Scotia.. |  | 75 | $881 / 2$ | 88 | 113 |
|  |  |  | Dom. Coal, common.. |  | 930 | $861 / 2$ | 79 | 142 |
|  | Sales. | Highest. |  |  | Do. pref.. .. | 28 | 1103/4 | 1101/2 | 90 |
|  |  |  |  |  | Detroit United Elec. Ry | 59 | 72 | 683/4 | 87 |
| Montreal. . | 31 | $2511 / 4$ |  | 251 | 256 | Dom. Iron \& Steel, com.. | 405 | $103 / 4$ | 91/2 | $773 / 4$ |
| Toronto.. | 46 | 230 |  | 230 | 250 | Ditto. pref | 176 | 36 | 25 | 1991/2 |
| Eastern Townships Rights | 50 | T1/4 | .1/4 | ... |  |  |  |  |  |
| Eastern Township | 25 | 160 | 160 | ... | Ronds. |  |  |  |  |
| C'ommerce | 20 | 1581/4 | 1581/4 | $\ldots$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Quebee. . . . . . | 5 | 1181/2 | 118 | $\cdots$ | Montreal St. Ry.. .. . | 1000 | 1031/2 | 1031/2 | 1001/2 |

## Miscellaneous.

| Can. Pac. Railway Co. | 2363 | 1263/1 | 1241/2 | 1391/2 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Montreal Street Railway | 200 | 236 | 234 | 278 | Fire in the Henry block, Hespeler. Ont., on the 18th inst., |
| Torouto Strect Ry | 600 | 100 | 99 | 1221/4 | alused the following losses-Henry \& Tate, damage to build. |
| Ditto. new | 5 | 981/2 | 981/2 | ... | ing, $\$ 1.300$, covered by insurance in the Sun and Norwich Union |
| Twin City Transit | 1895 | 951/2 | 94 | 1283/4 | ('ompanies.-The Keeler Company, dry goods, loss \$5,000, cov- |
| Rich. \& Onf. Nav. Co. | 186 | 89 | 88 | 109 | ered by insurance in Metropolitan, Standard and Merchants'.- |
| Montreal Telegraph.. | 3 | 160 | 100 | 169 | T. H. Clay. grocer, loss $\$ 500$, covered by insurance in the |
| Montreal Power | 925 | 77 | 75 | 1011/2 | Metropolitan.-O. S. Ehy. Hespeler Herald, stock destroyed |
| Montreal Cotton.. | 10 | 112 | 112 |  | nnd injury to presses, $\$ 800$, covered by insurance in the Econo- |
| Dominion Cotton. | 20 | 37 | 37 | 59 | mical Fire Insurance Company.-Total about $\$ 10,000$. |



MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS
Thursday Evening, August 20. 1903
Trade in drygoods. shoes, etc., is reported better than usual Juring midsummer, accounted for in part by the prevailing wet weather. All cotton fabrics are very firm owing to the shortage in available cotton at a reasonable price. In groceries both sugars and molasses are dearer. Flour has advanced. Theese and butter are also higher. Linseed oils have declined while turpentine has advanced. The ripening wheat fieids of the great West are more than fulfilling earlier expectations.

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BLTTER.-The market is talked strong and has displayed considerable firmness since last writing; but business passing is disappointing, not showing up what it should be for a firmer market. Higher prices appear to be paid, in some instances, at country points than can be reached on spot and it takes a very choice parcel of creamery to find ready sale at 19 c . Buyers' ideas are for $181 / 4$ to $181 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ for best goods, or if of higher cost they do not find a willing market. In dairy butter there is less doing. Exporters claim that prices asked are too high to admit of business, although selected goods are offering at $141 / 2$ to 15 c . These prices look cheap for the season. Under grades are hard to sell and are freely offered at 13 to $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.

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Petis The situation is strong with a little better feeling.
 hear hes receivers are not disposed to meet prices offered The result is that business is lighter than it should be. There ar some fow orders reported in for the English and Seotel markets. but no further sales of piokled for export are heard oi

FLOUR AND FEED.-The movement is strong with a good demand for hoth. Bran and shorts are $\$ 1$ per ton lower, while folr hats acvanced 10 to 15 c brl. Quotations on another page


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Wheat harvesting is now general throushont the southem portions of Manitoba and the North-West Territorits, and tat met reports tell of a decided improvement in the erop oren the wapertations from the showing some weeks aro. Bateal hay -tenty in price. No. $1 \$ 10.50$ to $\$ 11.50$; No. 2 \$9 to $\$ 10$ : clover mixwl $\$ 8$ to $\$ 8.50$, and clover, $\$ 7.50$ to $\$ 8$ per ton, in car lots.
(ikFES FRUITS, ETC:-Demand contimmes good and prices are sulficiently high for good margins of profit all rommd foachus, Chmadian sell at 20 to 30 e a basket. ('al. selling at soc 10 $\$ 1.10$ a box. Plums-Canadians sell at 40 to 50 c a basket Californias bringing $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 2.25$ a box. Greengage plums, -1mall laseckets, 35 e. Pears-Californias sell at $\$ 1.40$ to $\$ 2.50$ PuT bex: C'anadian pears 25 to 35 e basket. Apples- $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 2$ fimercl. Oranges- California, late Valentias, 150,176 2(10). *4. i5; Sorrento oranges, boxes, 300 size, $\$ 3.50$. LemonsXew Yerdelli lemons, $300 \mathrm{~s}, \$ 3.50$; do., choice, 300 s , $\$ 3.25$; do., 3if)s. *3: extra fancy Maiori seedless, \$4; do. Messinas, 300-s, 3.50. Bananas-Jamaica firsts, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 2$. Blueberries-In U2,p1. hoxes, \$2.00. Melons-Fancy large watermelons, 25 to :He cach: muskmelons, $\$ 8$ a dozen. Pineapples-Indian River pineapples, finest colored stock, in cases, 24 to case, $\$ 5: 30$ to case, $\$ 4.50$. Nuts-New Grenoble walnuts, 13 c ; new Tarratoma almonds, 13c; new Sicily filberts, 9c; Jumbo peanuts, lic: large pecans, 13e; new Brazil pecans, 13e; peanuts, "Bon on," roasted, $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; do. "Sun" roasted. $91 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; do. " G " roast. ed, $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; do. "Coon," roasted, 7 c ; shelled almonds, 28 lbs . to
box, 28 c ; do. walnuts, 26 c per lb. Dates-Golden stock. $\overline{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{c}$ per ib. Buaton, Mase, August 18.-A repert on the world's apple crop of 1903 has just been issued by the Buston Chamber of Commerce. It shows Cireat Britain short of ail fruits, notably apples. Europe is generally short of apples, but with a heary crop of Valencia oranges and Almeria grapes. New Fingland, in the aggregate, will have a very generous crop Aew Yowk state reporte plenty of apples, the middle west only fair, the far west very heavy. Canada also promises quite a heavy yield. The quality average is excellent. Galian, Mich., August 18. -The peach crop in this section is a dis"ppointment. The crop is large but the peaches are affected by yellows and growers are cutting down a large part of their orchards by order of the state inspector. A cireular published y an apple commission merchant. Toronto. states that out of 267 reports on the English crop, 248 are under average, and that the situation there is the worst ever known. The Con fillental cropes are also reported to be failures. The prospects tor the sale of apples are improved by the faitare of erops of stuall fruits, such as plums, in Europan countries. In Ontarid he vield is cstimated to show a decrease of 20 per cent While in Xova seotia it will show an increase of 400 per cent ns compared with last year. Statistice from the United States fhow that thore will be practically as many apples as there "repe last season, and that the supply will be fully equal to the temand. The quality of the fruit in some portions of Ontario and Nova Scotia is extremely fine this year. The first ship

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ments of Duchess tor the -atson nettei \$3.94 in New Fork Wooball and (oo, eable from Liverpool that the first arrivals from Nen Souk were selling at 17 to 24 s , with prospects favorable.

GikEEN IHIDEA, -In the West an easier feeling is reported, but prices here show no change Beef hides ar steady at $81 / 2$, $71 / 2$ and $61 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ as to grade; calfskins 11 and 9 c ; lambskins 45 c each.

GROCERIES-All hard sugars have advanced se per 100 lbs., prices being now on the basis of $\$ 4.20$ for standard granulated in lorls. Molasses, as anticipated in past weeks, has advanced and to-day is very firm at 40 c in puncheons, any number. Brls., $421 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; half-brls.. $431 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Jobbers are not pushing sales, as they expect Barbadoes to go to 45 c in puncheons before long. Latest reports are to the effect that the supply of


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freen teas for Luiter states ihis seawon will be $5,000,000$ to 6 , $000,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. larger than last year, and Japans $2,000,000 \mathrm{lbs}$ greater. Congous will be about $5,000,000$ lbs. Iess. A report is current that 40,000 hags of savanilla coffee are due to arrive at New York between saturday and Wednesday. Ofierings of new crop smyrna figs due in New York about October 10 are available on easier terms. It is feared new French walnuts will not arrive in time for Tranksgiving trade. Leghorn writes*Not only stocks of citron at New York are very scarce, but also new crop in Calabua promises badly. We expect high prices on candied citron during next year. Offerings of new crop Smyrna figs due at New York about October 10 are available on easier terms. One importer is quoting $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ lower on the 14 -inch in 8 and 12 -pound boxes. New crop layer Valenvia raisins to arrive per steainer due in September are offered by one importer at New York at 9c. Old crop spot is reprorted easier, with 8c quoted. Cable advices to-day from


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fhe primary currant market report the situation there a steady to firm at about parity of spot cost land down here American. Canadian and French fishing vessels returning to st Joins Nfld., from the Grand Banks report that the fisheries here continue a complete failure. Owing to the scarcity of bait over 250 vessels are now in Newfoundland waters. It is atimated that the total catch of the cod fisheries of North durriat for the present season will be the smallest in 20 years. the French have fared the worst, their eatch being only aboat me-third of the average.

1HATHER.-The local demand is quieter this week, not inn-thal during mid-summer. The export trade, however, keep fully up to previous shipments , and this serves to prevent any atomulation here. Prices show no change.
(OLS AND PAINTK.-Linseed oils have taken another drop in price of 2 ce per gallon, raw being now worth 50 to 52 c and boiled 53 to 55 c . Tumpentine is regaining its old-time firmness, being marked le gallon higher at 76 to 77 c . Cod oils are un Whangeil. White lead is steady at firmer quotations.
PROVISIONS.--A steady trade is reported with prices unchanged from Jast week. We quote:-Heavy Canadian short cut mess pork, $\$ 20.50$ to $\$ 21$; Canada short cut back pork, $\$ 19.50$ to $\$ 20$; light Canada short clear pork, $\$ 20$ to $\$ 20.50$; finest kettle lard, in $20-\mathrm{lb}$. pails, $101 / 2$ e; extra pure lards in $20-\mathrm{lb}$. pails, $91 / 2$ to 10 c ; choice refined compound lard, 8 to $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; hams, $131 / 2$ to 14 c ; and bacon, 14 to 15 c per pound WOOL-Prices hold steady. A lot of greasy Natals sold on this market last week at 25 c. A good sale of North-West

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-The contracting firm of Illsley \& Horn, Toronto. is to be wound up by the court.
-Whitby, Ont., ratepayers carried the by-law to expend $\$ 65,000$ in acquiring waterworks and electric light plant.
-The steamship Manchester Trader, which went ashore on
the coast of Anticosti on the llth instant in a dense fog, has
epection and any necessary repairs. No serious damage is nticipated.

I Boston dispateh states that the Mason \& Hamlin Combays, manufacturere of organs and pianos, having their factory at Cambridge, have assigned. No financial statement has been made public. The Company had a mercantile rating of from $\$ 300,000$ to $\$ 500,000$.
-We print the following from Stratford, Onc., as it reached us:-Robert Boyd of Downie township visited a clairvoyant in this eity some time ago, and she told him he had wealth concealed in a certain portion of his farm of which lie knew notuing. He paid no attention to the statement at the time. but the other day he and his son began digging in the spot indicated by the elairvoyant, and were rewarded by finding a

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## PATENT REPORT

Owen N. Evans, solicitor of patents and expert, Temple Building, reports the following patents granted to Uanadians last week: Attachment for furnaces, etc., A. G. Ingalls; bark removiny machine. J. Moreau; acetylene-ga generator, J. McLean; stovepipe, H. Ditchburn: apparatus for dispensing aerated liquids, J. J. McLaughlin; detachond implements for attaching Brien, Montreal, Que., heater; Roch Brien, same, R. W. Sampson; hose-coupling, G. Montreal, stove; Narcisse Boulanger, Lac
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#### Abstract

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resolved:-"None shall smoke tobaceo in th streets, upon paine of two shilling for every default." Schoolmasters were forbidden to smoke. In the rules of Chigwell School, founded in 1629, it is stated:-The master must be a man of sound religion, neither Papist nor Puritan, of a grave behavior, and sober and honest conversation, no tippler, no haunter of ale-houses, and no puffer of tobacco." 1 am afraid such model schoolmasters are rarely to be found at the present time.
James I. attained lasting notoriety with his counter-blasts to tobacco. He detested the herb, and in his work he condemned smoking as "a custom loathsome to the eyes, hateful to the nose, harmful
to the brain, dangerous to the lungs, and in the black obnoxious fume thereof re sembling the horrible Stygian smoke in the pit that is bottomless." Strong as these words were, they had little effect on the tobacco-loving public, and other means had to be put into operation to put out the pipe. An exorbitant tax was placed on tobacco, and it was more effective in reducing the consumption than the King's abusive phrases.
In the previous reign the price of the luxury was six shillings per ounce, a sum equal to about twenty shillings of the current coin. Queen Errabeth's reign has been called "the golden age of tobacco." The affluent smoked had his silver pipe and tongs, priming irons, and other articles which the smoker of today would regard with mazement and amusement. . We are told that amidst clouds of tobacco smoke the plays of Shakespeare, Jonson, Dekker, Marlowe and Beaumont and Fletcher were produced. In the Globe, Shakespeare's own
theatre, smoking was freely indulged in, yet, strange to relate, the works of this dramatist do not contain any references to the subject. The gilded youths of the period smoked in the theatre. It is recorded that stools were placed for them on the stage, and that they smoked incessantly during the whole of the performance.

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accounted for by one of the critics, thus: Shakespeare being the favorite playwright of James I., whose hatred of smoking is well known, it is not surprising in the days of that Monareh." but that the companion of Kaleigh and Bacon at the Mermaid should have nothing to say upon the subject is an enigma which some future Shakesperian scholar may perhaps unravel.
To advert once more to James I., we find not a fow mistakes made by some authors on this theme anwnt smoking in church, and in other matters of importance. A contributor to a popular periodical, in a clapter ealled "The Divine Weed," says:-"At one period in the history of tobacco smoking was so common that it was actually practised in church," Previous to the visit of Tames the First to the University of Cambridge, in 1615, the Vice-Chancellor issucd a notice to the students, which enjoined:--"Noe graduate, scholar or student of this Universitie presumes to take tobacco in Saint Warn's church, upon payne of finale ex pelling the Universitie." The notice probably refers to using tobacco in the form of snuff, and not to smoking a pipe.
The sale of tobacco was permitted in bygone times in Scotland. It was regarded as a necessity, and is referred to in the parochial record of Alyth for 1675 as follows:-"This day the merchants of Alyth, being chairged, were called and compeired and promised not to sell any wares to any person upon the Sabbath, between or after sermons, except it be upon necessitie, and that to any sick person, nor to sell umnecessarie things, as they did formerliie, upon the Sabbath ex noses cept the neidfull, tobacco or bread."
In the early days of smoking in England tobacco was cultivated to supply the home consumption. It was largely exported to Turkey. James, in 1621, prohibited the growth of tobacco in England, not merely because he strongly objected to the practice of smoking, but with a desire to increase the revenue from the import duty.

The prohibition was maintained by Charles 1., but during the Commonwealth the law was a dead letter.
Tobaceo was largely cultivated in Gloucestershire. It is stated that in 1655 the county hangman plaintively remarked that the people were so busily engaged growing the herb that they had neither inclination nor time to commit sheep. stealing or any other capital offence, and that his occupation was gone. When Charles II. was on the throne in 1663 ce re-enacted the prohibition of tobaceo ulture and extended the law to Treland, which previously had been exempt. The penalty was forty shillings for every rood planted with tobacco. The maveratios and physicians were allowed to plant half a pole of land annually for Haッ in "phavick or charmagery." The penally was raised in 1684 to $£ 10$ per pole.
The law - did not apply to Scotland, and large quantitice were enltivated around kelso and ledburgh. 1)ming the war of independenee inhacen was cultivated in England for home use. but the planters were severely punished for breaking the laws of the realm.
In the Vale of York and in Rydale, in the North Riding, the tobacco was pubfory burnt by the hangman, and the -8. prohibited in Fingland, and in 1830 its cultivation had become so extensive in Ireland that it was also prohibited there. In no part of the United Kingdom could obace be grown for manufacturing purposes.

Literary men and clergy supply a long list of lovers of the pipe. Dr. Parr, famous for his learning, was a slave to the pipe. During the time he was eonucting public service he would retire into the vestry and smoke his pipe when the enngregation was singing. A favorite remark of his was, "My parishioners ane a long hymn, and I like a long pipe."

It has been said to his credit that he was most assiduous in the performance of his clerical duties. But in season and out of season he would smoke,
It is related that when the Duke of Gloucester was feted at Cambridge by the university on his inauguration as Chancellor, Parr, as soon as the clotll was removed, lit his pipe, "blowing," it is said, into the faces of his neighbors. much to their annoyance. It is related that the doctor, going over from Bath to see Clifton and Bristol, called for refreshments at the Bush, a famous coarhing house of the western city. After taking a repast he called for a pipe, but was told smoking was not permitted at the Bush.
He was surprised at the reply, and asked for the master of the inn. He was, however, engaged, and the head waiter put in an appearance, and said that smoking was not allowed at the Bush. "But, man," said the doctor, "I've smoked in the dining-room of every nobleman in England. The Duchess of Devonshire said I could smoke in every room in her house but the dressing-room, and here in this dirty public house of Bristol you forbid smoking. Amazing! Bring me my bill." It was a case of "no pipe, no Parr."

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Hutchinson, Partridge, Leiter, and other speculators before them attempted to rule the wheat market of the United States, and their success was short-lived. But their undertaking was a smaller one than that which the cotton kings have essayed. According to the United States census returns, issued on the first of April, the yield of cotton in the United States last year was $10,827,168$ bales, averaging 500 lbs . in weight. That is to say, there were $5,413,584,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. Unlike the wheat crop, a large proportion of which is directly consumed by the producers, all this has to be marketed. At 10 c a pound it would be worth $\$ 541,358$,400. But cotton rose to 12 c , at which price the crop would be worth \$049. 630,080. In other words, to "corner" the cotton crop nearly twice as much money would be required as to effect the control of the wheat crop. Yet in this deal the cotton market has been brought more completely under the supremacy of speculators than ever the

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## THE TRADE IN EGGS.

Some advice regarding the marketing of fresh eggs, and the preservation of eggs for future use or shipment, is given by the poultry division, Ottawa. Concerning fresh eggs, Mr. Hare says Eggs to be palatable should be eaten in a strictly fresh condition, therefore they should reach the consumer without unnecessary delay. This requires (1) that the eggs be collected regularly every day and stored in a cool room (temperature 40 to 50 deg. F.) until a sufficient number are on hand to deliver a sufficient number are on hand to deliver
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Although the loss ratio for health insurance is still heavy, averaging in the case of the nine most prominent companies more than 44 per cent of the premiums received, the business is gradually becoming systematized and the varied risks more intelligently classified. While serious losses have been sustained in some cases, the general experience justifies the wisdom of offering an unconditional health policy for from $\$ 60$ to $\$ 70$ a year. This has come to be the most popular form of contract written, and while the strife is severe for this class of business, there seems little probability

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     tion he held in the Bank of Commeree. The liquidation move ment in New lowk is generally regatided as having run its course. There bas been an immense amount of unloading at -a rifice price by holders of emall and moderate Iots of shares. Which have been acquired by wealthy operators, corporate and iadividual. who will now endeavour to re-distribute them at an advance. So the game goes on, as soon

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[^3]:    if the dry goods market. Effects whose "ntre of undulation is the Cotton Extrange have been coming on and on until liy have almost arrived at the consum(The great anthracite coal strike of (n) - similarly spread its consequences by culy-widening rings, which did not encir14. Hee mass of the public until months Hor the trouble began. It is eight amis since the speculation in raw cotImi started, and though the market for halt material was never before so con"Hously and so successfully manipulated 4 the "bulls," so far it has not yet told "pon the price of colico. At the departfunt and dry goods stores the "bargain
    hy" offerings in unbleached, white, and molored cottons have been as attractive 1- pver. Those provident housewives who may good supplies at the low prices mave cause to congratulate themrives next summer, unless in the meanfime disaster overtakes the elique who now appear to be in control of the sup-
    ply. At the prosent moment the condi- ment to "boom" cotton. His ary and tion of the crop is fair, promising a yield that of his followers was "A great crop not much short of the $10,827,168$ bales dieficit." As the world was prosperous picked last autumn. Thart was consid- and the demand for cotton goods erably more than was taken off in 1901, preater than it had ever been before, When prices were much lower. But the the bidding up of the price of the raw extremely high quotations of the last material seemed a safe operation. Mr. few months have caused many cotton Price kept up the campaign until the mills to shut down, and the decreased first of Jaņuary, when he retired, his output of manufactured goods is likely reports of crop shortage that he had to make them dearer for consumers. the speculative public interested by the A pessimistic, and as it vurned out, wealth increased by millions. He ke; t erroneous erop report which was i-. the peculative public interested by the sued last September by the Agriculd reports of crop shortage that he had tural Department of the United tates reworded and spread broadcast over Government, started the speculation. the country every day These icpoits This official report was followed the were supposed to be furnrshed to him next month by one still more depress by agents in the cotton fields Mr. ing and mislading. The Government's Sully accepted the leadership which estimate made a great shortage appear the cautious Mr. Price abdicated at the to be inevitable. At once the statistics beginning of the year. The new exwere seized upon for speculative pur- horter had a new theory. His predeposes. A Mr. Price, of New York, cessor had clung to the short crop placed: himself at the head of a move- argument until it was demonstrated by

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