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G ey Military lannel, 30 inches wide, 5		
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Brown Duck, 12 oz.	2,500	
Woollen Undershirts, full fashioned,		
(double breasted)	750	
(double breasted) Woollen Drawers, full fashioned, (double		
seated by extra thread of yard	750	pairs.
Woollen Socks long legs	1,500	
" Stockings, long legs	750	"
" Mitta long wrigts	500	
Blue Artillery Cloth (shrunk) 54 inches	1 000	3 -
	1,400	yds.
Scarlet Serge (shrunk) 54 inches wide	600	"
Scarlet Cleth (shrunk) 54 "	600	
White Serge lining, 35 "	500	
Yellow Overall Lace, 2 "	2,000	
Scarlet Serge (shrunk) 54 inches Wide Scarlet Cleth (shrunk) 54 " " White Serge lining, 35 " " Yellow Overall Lace, 2 " ' Yellow Russia Braid Helmets with spikes and chinstraps com-	2,000	
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No. 1 Russet Sheep Skins, for linings

The skins must be neatly trimmed, h spread, and be free from holes.

Patterns of all Articles, except Leat seen at the Department.

The Flannel, Brcwn Duck, Leather, R Cloth, Red and White Serge, and Yello Braid, to be delivered at the Penitentia within six weeks of acceptance of contra

The other Articles to be delivered at later than 1st April.

Every article will be subject to exan rejection if not fully equal to sample.

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Copland & McLaren, MONTREAL AND GLASJOW.	LEATHER DEALERS, 13 RECOLLET STREET,	John Exchange, MONTREAL.
The Cook's Friend	MONTREAL.	THE receipts from Inland Revenue at Wind-
BAKING POWDER	S. H. MAY & COMP'Y,	sor for December were 54,798,36.
a Staple Article, in demand everywhere. The Trade supplied on liberal terms.	IMPORTERS OF	A NEW elevator is being erected at Kingston by the Montreal and Kingston Forwarding
W. D. MCLAREN, Manufacturer and Proprietor of the Trade Mark.	PAINTERS SUPPLIES	Company. THE fish taken in the Bay of Quinte last year
Union Mills, 55 and 57 College Street,	of every description, including	weighed somewhere about 275,000 lbs. of which
MONTREAL.	Leads, Oils, Varnishes. etc., etc.,	the estimated value is \$23,376. No less than 5,819 suits, representing an
Cochrane, Cassils & Co., (Successors to Smith, Cochrane & Co.)	MONTREAL.	aggregate of \$196,385, were entered for trial in the York County Division Courts last year.
BOOTS SHOES	MACKENZIE, POWIS & CO., DIRECT IMPORTERS & JOBBERS OF	THE taxes for 1879 paid in Toronto to 17th inst., were \$835,720,80; and the amount unpaid
WHOLESALE, Cor. St. Peter & St. Saorament St.		\$86,293,65 percentage unpaid 9½. LAST week's traffic over the Canada Southern
M. H. Cochrane, Charles Cassils, Abram Spaulding. MONTREAL, Q.	TEAS,	Railway, was, according to the Amhurstburg Echo, the heaivest on record.
CANADA PAPER CO.,	12 ST. JOHN ST., MONTREAL	THE gas works for the city of Vera Cruz, Mexico, manufuactured by the Burrell Johnson
Paper Makers & Wholesale Stationers	J. & P. COATS'	Iron Co., Yarmouth, N. S., arrived at that port
874, 376 & 378 St. PAUL STREET, MONTREAL. P. Q	Best six cord Spool Cotton	per brig Fleetwing on the 7th inst. THE town of Collingwood has Constructed
TORONTO BRANOH, 11 FRONT ST. WEST Samples and Prices sert on application.	FOR HAND AND MACHINE SEWING	new buildings to the value of \$50,000 last year. The Presbyterian Church and an addition to Collegiate Institute are among the largest.
JOHN CLARK, JR. & CO.'S	For Strength, Smoothness, freedom from Knots, and Elasticity, J. & P. C. can with the utmost confidence reommend it as unsurpassed.	ANNAPOLIS County Nova Scotia, registers 2 ships, 2,808 tons; 18 barks, 14,289 tons; 5
	J. & P. COATS were the only manufacturers among the competing exhibitors of SPOOL COTTON of the	brigantine, 1,945 tons; 48 schooners; 2 brigs; I barkentine and I steamer. Total tonage
M. E. Q. M. E. Q.	Philadelphia Centennial Exhibition who received at award for SUPERIOR STREN TH AND EXCI L LENT QUALITY.	22,769 tons. Mr. H. H. GREEN, general grocer, Walkerton.
SPOOL COTTON.	WM. BARBOUR & SONS,	has disposed of his business to Mr. James Adams, who for many years occupied a pro-
A Recommended by the prin- cipal SEWING MACHINE Co.'s as the BEST for	IRISH FLAX THREAD	minent position in the wholesale grocery of Messrs. Wm. Ramsay & Co., in this city.
Hand and Machine Sewing.	LISBURN. Received Received	On Saturday last, there were said to be 30,- 000 tons of hay at stations along the North
M. E. Q.	Gold Medal	Shore Railway, awaiting transport to the U. S., markets. The plan is broached of laying a rail
is the only MAKE in	THE AC THE THE	way track along the ice across from Montreal. THE total value of books imported into On-
the CANADIAN MARKET	Prix Paris Fx-	tario and Quebec in 1850 was \$243,580, in the
the only MARE in the CANADIAN MARKET that RECEIVED an AWARD -AT THE- CREVENNIAL EXEIBITION	hibition, 1878. 1878. 1878.	proportion of 4r per cent. for Quebec and 59 per cent. for Ontario, and the value of those brought out by the Education Descent
CENTENNIAL EXEIBITION	Lioen Machin Thread, Wax Machine Thread Sho Thread, Saddlers' Thread, Gilling Twine,	brought out by the Education Department of this Province was \$84. In 1877 the total had
Excellence in Color, Quality & Finish	Thread, Saddlers' Thread, Gilling Twine, Hemp, Twine, &c. WALTER WILSON & COMP'Y.	reached \$718,283, of which 69.2 per cent. was for this Province, and the Ontario Education
o ily. WALTER WILSON & CO., Sole Agents, 1 & 3 St. Helen St., Montreal.	SoleAgenta for the Dominion. & 3 ST HELEN STREET, MONTREAL	Department's share of the import was \$24,790. This in addition to the large production of school and other books in the Dominion,

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J. H. GOULDEN, dry goods dealer, of St. John, J. & J. Hegan & Co., of St. John, N. B., have N. B., has closed up, and removed stock.

R. & J. WETMORE, gilders of Halifax, were recently sold out under a warrant for unpaid rent, due the estate of R. O'Neil.

THE Kincardine Town Council are considering the propriety of giving a bonus to the manufacturers of a steel horse collar.

An explosion of nitro-glycerine, about a mile from Prince Arthurs Landing on this day week, shook and damaged nearly every building at the Landing.

A GENERAL trader, Frank Gooden, of Bay Verte, N.B., has been placed in bankruptcy by Beard & Venning, of St. John, and a meeting of creditors will be held on 27th inst.

MESSRS. W. & G. Watt, of Newcastle, N.B. to whose difficulties we lately alluded-are offering 25 per cent, cash in composition, which although apparently a good dividend as the estate looks, does not seem acceptable to the majority of the creditors.

FASIAN HILL, a small dry goods dealer, of Halifax, met his creditors informally and shewed liabilities of \$1,400, assets \$900. He offers 25 per cent. cash in composition. A pretty small concern all round, surely.

In the case of L. H. DeVeber & Sons, of St. John, N.B., their stock of groceries has been sold to J. Finley for \$9,500, and their dry goods stock has been bought by Mr. Laidlaw, of Montreal, at 701 per cent. on price list, realizing about \$22 500 cash.

THE exports for November of Canadian produce, says an Ottawa despatch, were \$9,355,003 against \$7,996,807; the increase is entirely in farm produce and animals. The other lines decreased.

A COMPOST FACTORY has been established at Port Matoun, Queens Co.N.S, by an enterprising American, for the purpose of converting lobsfer shells into a compost for the use of farmers. Some \$2,000 worth of machinery for the purpose has been secured.

THE Acton, P. Q. copper mines are, it is stated, to be operated again shortly after being closed for several years, there is some demand for lands there.

AT the annual meeting of the Carillon & Grenville Railway Co., held in Montreal the following were elected directors-Messrs. G. W. Simpson, President; H. W. Shepherd, Vice-President; R. W- Shepherd, J. J. Gibb and R. W. Shepherd ir..

DANIEL LANGLOIS, a Windsor grocer and liquor dealer, was a well-conducted farmer, but went into business two years ago. He is now behind in his payments and will probably assign.

THE old insolvent estate of James Grey, stove dealer, of Chatham, N. B., has paid one dividend of 25 per cent, another dividend of the same amount will be due in July, and a further one in December, which will be all the estate will pay.

offered their stock for sale by tender. The firm has been in business there for something like a quarter of a century.

A HARDWARE and tin firm in Oshawa, Hatch & Mearns, who got an extension of time, and were understood to be paying well, are now attached by Morland, Watson & Co. The same firm has also attached James Buchan, hardware, Owen Sound, who has been very slow pay for a on

AN insolvent in P.E.I., James L. Gordon of Alberton, offers his creditors ten cents in the dollar to execute a deed of composition and discharge. Creditors will meet, by request, to consider this queer offer.

THE Buffalo Commercial Advertiser claims that "The Canal Trade of any other city sinks into insignificance when compared with that of Buffalo." Buffalo may be regarded as the great centre of the canal business. During the past year the deliveries of grain at tidewater reached 56.932,000, while the shipmeuts alone were 54,-187,825.

A RETAILER in the county of Elgin finds the present the best season he has had for seven vears. Sales are better; the demand from farmers more active; and collections vastly improved. He feels encouraged by these things and by the rising market for merchandise.

An Oxford county storekeeper cheerily expresses his satisfaction with the fall and winter business thus far. Crops have been good around there, and prices realized generally high. Some of his customers who were behind have paid up arrears and bought for cash, for a wonder. Supplies of goods in country stores and in the farmers dwellings are low, and had to be replenished.

JUDGE LEGGATT, of Essex, is in favor of taking away altogether the right of the creditors to " sue for and recover any debt less in amount than \$100, or at all events \$50." He comes to this conclusion after twenty years' experience as a County Judge.

THE Australian wool which formed part of the cargo of Mr. Stimson's barque Clifton, recently arrived at New York, has been bought by Mr. John Hallam of this city, who pronounces it an article of fine fibre, and good value relatively to the price. 2000 sheep skins were also bought. What is being done with the 40 casks of Australian red wine brought out in the same ship, and the 2000 or 2,240 lbs., of canned rabbit meat, we have not heard.

JUST on going to press last week we received from the Secretary of the Perth County Mutual Insurance Co. an advance copy of its annual report which we print in another column. We have only time now to say that those who wish is see how carefully and economically the company can manage its affairs will do well to give the statement a careful perusal.

W. O. SCHWARTZ, grocer of Moncton, N. B., has assigned in trust. His liabilities are some \$7,000, and assets nominally about the same place is closing up business. He owes a St. John party about \$1,800, and this creditor takes Watson's stock and releases him from his liability. Angus L. McLean, tailor of Moncton N. B., has assigned in trust for creditors, and offers 40 cents in the dollar in composition.

THE Kingston and Montreal Forwarding Company, which was organized last fall, have just held their first annual meeting, and elected the following directors for the ensuing year : Messrs. Alex. Gunn, M.I'., James G. Ross, Gilbert Scott, James Swift and Thomas Cramp. Mr. Gunn was appointed President ; Mr. James G. Ross, Vice-President; Mr. Wm. Stewart, of Kingston, General Manager, and Mr. J. D. Thomson, agent at Montreal.

D. A. HARPER, the "Dollar Store" dealer of Montreal, is in straitened circumstances and now proposes to put his affairs into the hands of a trustee, and work off his liabilities within a year. He has lately spread his interests too widely, having opened at Ottawa, and is caught with a large stock, whose realizable value is uncertain. He owes but little over \$5,000, while his nominal assets represent about \$12,000.

A meeting of the Edwardsburg Starch Company was held on the 21st inst. in their offices at Montreal. The following gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year: W. Shanly, W. T. Benson, A. W. Ogilvie, Warden King, Joseph Mackay, Peter Redpath, and John Fairbairn. At a subsequent meeting of this Board, Mr. W. Shanly was chosen President, and Mr. W. T. Benson, Vice-President.

A NEW enterprise, under the style of the Moncton Sugar Refining Co. at Moncton, N.B. applies for a charter, capital to be \$200,000 and John L. Harris, G. Palmer, J. C. Lamb, John. A. Humphrey, E. J. Smith, Lewis Smith. and other good men are named as incorporators.

W. H. TOWNSHEND, general store dealer, of Parsboro', N. S., is in difficulties, and is offering a composition of 50 per cent. Liabilities \$2,200 ; assets about \$1,600.

WE NOTICE the death of Lewis Gnaedinger, senior partner of L. Gnaedinger, Son & Co., fur dealers, of Montreal. This old house has now lost both its seniors, Mr. Hauesgin having died a few years since.

THE importation of foreign and colonial wool for 1878 into Britain amounted in the aggregate to 405,316,913 lbs. Of this quantity, 267,476 136 lbs. was Australian; 31,031,466 lbs. Cape of Good Hope; 25,606,525 lbs. East Indias; 61,043,-974 lbs. other countries ; goats' wool, 7,029,595 lbs.; alpaca, 4,039,218 lbs. There was a considerable decrease in comparison with the previous year .- Wool Trads Review.

THE total exports from Summerside and the five out ports of Prince County, P. E. Island, during navigation last year amounted to \$454,-731. Of which exports to foreign countries was \$339,471, and to the Provinces of the Dominion \$115,260. New Brunswick's imports thence included-38,476 bush., oats, valued at \$11,923; THE well-known dry goods house of Messre. amount. John Watson, hatter, of the same 34,168 lbs., butter, 4,205; Pork and hams, 2,085; 130 horses, 11,136; Horned cattle, 9,200; 5,803 sheep, 11,681; Hides and leather, 10,559.

THE distance between "upper town," and "lower town," Quebec, may be said to have been much shortened by Mr. W. A. Griffith, who formally opened last week, the new Durham Terrace elevator, which climbs a distance of 195 feet. Business men and tourists which frequent that city will find this a great convenience, and the two hundred and seventy or eighty steps will not be frequented so much as formerly. The machinery for the elevator was construc ted by the Messrs. Killey & Co., of the Mona Iron Works, Hamilton.

-Mechanics Bank shareholders met on Friday 16th inst. in Montreal, to hear a committee's report upon the Bank's affairs. The assignee's opinion is that the total realizable will be forty cents in the dollar, one half the shareholders being unable to meet the double liability; and some of the remainder threatening to defend any suit brought against them to recover it. A majority of the solvent shareholders offer as a compromise, \$75,000 cash, which is about twenty-one per cent of the liabilities, or \$90,000, one third cash, one third at six months and one third at twelve months, being equal to twenty-five per cent. The opinion is general that thirty or thirty-three per cent. should be offered. Another meeting will be held on 28th inst.

-The Montreal Manufacturers' Association held a meeting in that city on Friday last. Mr. E. K. Greene, of the Greene & Sons Company in the chair. After the speech of the chairman, in which he predicted that a period of prosperity had began, the following gentlemen were elected officers for the ensuing year :- President, Mr E. K. Greene (re-elected); Vice-President, Mr. A. Buntin (re-elected); Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. John Livingstone; Executive council, Messrs. A. A. Ogilvie, Alexauder Buntin, E. K. Greene, Henry Lyman, John Livingstone, John Rankin, James Rose, D. Morrice, Wm. Augus, G. Boivin, A. F. Gault, A. T. Patterson, H. Shorey, H, Bulmer, George Stephen, and J. H. R. Molson.

The official returns of the vintage of France in 1879 are more unfavourable than was expected. The yield is under 28 millions of hectolitres (the hectolitre = 22 gallons), which is 23 millions less than in 1878, and 30 millions below the average of the last ten years. The cold, wet summer combined with the maladies from which the vine has suffered for some years to produce this disastrous result.

-We understand that the Guardian Assurance Company, of London, has decided upon extending its business in Canada to all towns supplied with Water Works or good Steam Fire appliances.

The value of goods exported to the United States from the port of Ottawa during the quarter ended December 31st last, was \$375,-363, the principal items being:

Lumber.	Value. \$266.021
Flides.	. 2,602
Horses Products of mines	. 2,215 . 1,639

BOOKS RECEIVED.

Messrs. Might & Taylor, have placed the citizens of Toronto under obligations to them for such an exhaustive classification of names of those who an engaged in commercial and industrial pursuits, as the Directory of this city for 1880. It may be questioned whether the income derived from this publication will equal the expenditure necessary in collecting, compiling and printing all the information contained within its covers. It is a pity that the city Directory for 1880 which has just been issued, should be published at a loss when it is so valuable to scores of business men who have not subscribed for it. The names of all the offices of the Railway Companies, Insurance Companies, Loan Societies, Banks, with their capital, will be found within its pages. In addition, this book contains an alphabetical list of streets and of the residences on each by number, an alphabetical catalogue is given of Toronto. This has been made as accurate we presume as the varying character of part of the population will permit. Alphabetical directories of the suburbs of the city, whether incorporated or not, are found herein, including Ben Lamond, Don Mount, Ceslieville, Doncaster, and Norway, east of the Don : Yorkville and Seaton village, north of the city; and Parkdale and Brockton, west of it. From the figures of residents this book it will be seen how rapidly our population is increasing. The number of inhabitants, in-cluding suburbs is nearly 85,000.

-Mr. Wm. Hendry, Manager of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company, has published a little book, in handy form, which gives amounts of principal and interest annually discharged by payments of debentures or morts gages where principal and interest are payable in so many equal instalments. The book would be much more useful to Loan Companies, as a help to the correct charging of interest at the end of each year, had the author made his interest calculations yearly instead of half yearly; because in this country at least, nearly all the mortgages and debentures are made on the basis of half yearly payments of interest.

OIL MATTERS IN PETROLIA.

PETROLIA, 21st Jan., 1880.

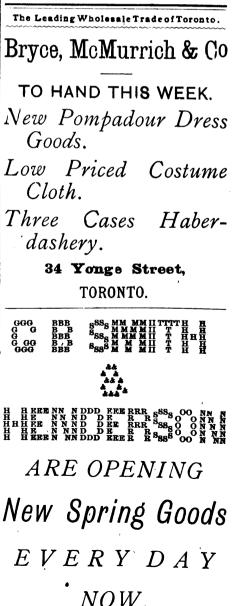
The crude market continues quiet, and will continue to do so until refined oil stocks sold at a cheap rate in part of the season are worked off, at present rates \$1.50 to \$1.55 f. o. b. there is no prospect of making an immediate turn by speculation, consequently the producer has to wait till the consumer through the refiner asks for his article. The strange feature in the crude foil position is, that stocks have been reduced 175,000 brls. since 1st May last. The present stock, 200,000 brls., will be nearly all drawn on current year if production and consumption are in 1880 as in 1879. Refined is quoted still at 13c, London rates. It is not probable that there will be much change for a few months, although the crude oil position warrants present prices being improved as soon as cheap stock is used up.

RAILWAY RECEIPTS.

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-At a recent convention of the stove manufacturers held at Detroit, Mich., the President said: "If we would make the best possible use of our money, we should patronize ably conducted and responsible newspapers. The newspaper is immeasurably the best medium open to our trade; the most liberal and expert advertisers testify to its value. This is true especially of class papers which are certainly the most ecomonical mediums, for they reach more persons in the different trades than political or religious publications, which are usually partizan can accomplish.

—The assignee of Archbishop Purcell of Cincinnatti, filed in the Probate Court a schedule of real estate which is claimed to be liable to sale for the benefit of the creditors of the Archbishop. The document covers more than 150 pages of foolscap, and includes all the property belonging the Roman Catholics in that City, including the cathedral, churches parochial schools buildings, and lots. The value of the property is to be appraised, but it is now estimated at over $\$_{1,500,000}$. The attempt to make this property assets for the creditors of the Archibishop will be bitterly contested on the ground that although the Archibishop holds the title in fee simple, he only holds it in trust for the diocese.





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NEW SCHEMES AND THEIR PRO-MOTERS.

The abundance of capital in Britain is beginning to bear its usual fruit of abundance of schemes for enticing it into profitable employment. The army of ingenious and plausible gentlemen called "promoters" is again actively at work. For some years back their energies have been slumbering in quiescence, and they have not been able to find a public with sufficient credulity to enable them to carry on their operations with success. At one time the railway mania absorbs public attention. Bye-and-bye this is worked out, and loans to foreign governments appear upon the scene. We then have a rage for the creation of trading and manufacturing companies, in which every little owner of a mill turns his enterpr se into a joint stock company, in which the real capital is swelled five-fold by the fictitious processes well known to the gentlemen aforesaid. Mines and mining companies have always been a favorite subject for speculation, but since the British investor was bitten so deeply by the famous Baron Grant and his swindling confreres, the word "mine" has sometimes though not necessarily suggested rather a gulf into which money is irrecoverably lost, than a place from which it may be taken. Last year, the mines of two kinds of metals produced seventy millions of dollars. It is quite likely that the next great wave of speculation may set in the direction of lands, and companies for their acquisition. A company has been formed already in England with a capital of £ 100,000, which proposes to "buy farms, improve and sell land in the United States or North America, and carry on the various businesses necessary in connection with the same." The collocation of words in this prospectus suggests that it has been drawn up by one who has not a very practical acquaintance with the business, for we that are familiar with the operation know very well that improving land comes before farming it. tion of which he will pay the aforesaid eight 'diamond crossings;'" which Mr.

Those who have bad practical experience in cultivating land know also that the personal supervision of the owner is necessary to success. The old adage of Franklin's, "Poor Richard," wou'd eminently apply to the cultivation of land in North America

" He that by the plow would thrive. Himself must either hold or drive."

Gentlemen proprietors and absentee own-

ers very seldom make much out of land, in any part of North America that we are acquainted with. Even on the great plains of the West, where land is farmed by the thousand acres at a time, the owner must be there personally, directing, superintending, and we fancy giving a hand himself not unfrequently. We have little faith, therefore, in such a company as this being permanently prosperous.

Another land company takes South Africa for its sphere, and proposes to acquire certain tracts of territory in Griqua land, and prospect for mines, minerals, and precious stones. Yet another company. with a far wider sphere of operations than these, is projected under the name of the " Bankers' Trading and Supply Co.", with a capital of a million sterling, which proposes to act as agents for other companies. firms, or persons, carrying on business anywhere, and to act as intermediaries between merchants, traders, and consumers. ³ his company might well be called a universal company for the supplying of everybody with everything.

We in Canada are not troubled with such a tremendous plethora of capital as to press unduly on the owners of it, and the energies of our "promoters," or the gentlemen who in Canada correspond to that remarkable class, rather busy themselves with projects to create money out of nothing, than to collect it from those who have it, and spend it on some speculative scheme. Our promoters desire to persuade the people that it is only necessary for the Government to take a piece of paper or card-board and stamp the word "dollar" upon it, to turn it into a medium whereby all the good things of life can be obtained. They would have us believe that if a trader is armed with a certain number of these Government tickets, say five thousand of them. he can persuade the publice to take in exchange for goods. Nay, they would even go so far as to say that, whereas the Government of Canada has engaged to pay' certain individuals in London a good many hundreds of thousands of pounds in solid sterling money, it can make a cheap and simple arrangement right through the yard of the Northern with a Canadian banker to give him a certain number of these tickets, in considera- ing it, so as to necessitate no fewer than

pounds sterling, and relieve the Government of all anxiety on the subject.

Another scheme just being put before the Canadian public is that a bank should be established which shall issue notes, the said notes to be secured by mortgages on land. Respecting this scheme we may have something more to say by and bye, as also respecting others which are to combine the functions of bankers and those of lenders of money upon mortgage security. Something of the kind once had some success in Austria; but the rule is, as experience has has shown that these two functions are incompatible; but the world is growing older, and we are getting wiser, and possibly what has hitherto been attempted in vain on both sides of the Atlantic, may yet prove a success when tried in this newer region of Canada.

RAILWAY RECKLESSNESS AND THE PUBLIC SAFE IY.

Apart from the legal dispute between the Grand Trunk and the Northern Railway Companies, on one side, and the Credit Valley, on the other, over the right of entrance into Toronto, the question of safety to the public has been raised. Important as is the dispute about the right of way, the safety of railway passengers is still more so. The entrance into Toronto, by one particular line rather than another, cannot possess more than a local interest; the safety of railway passengers concerns the whole traveling public. The directors of the Northern Railway have published the opinions of a number of railway experts to prove that the Credit Valley Railway has now open to it an entrance to the city on a line over which the road could be most easily constructed, and which would at the same time be perfectly safe, while the line for which that Company is contending could not be given to them without creating a great source of public danger.

The line described, by these experts, as the easiest, the cheapest and the safest, is one that was recommended by Mr. Frank Shanly, acting as Government referee, in the course of the dispute. This line is described by Mr. Walter Shanly as affording an "easy, cheap, convenient and safe way for the Credit Valley to get over that portion of the ground between Bathurst and Brock streets ;" as a line in short that "would seem to leave nothing to be desired." The same authority describes the Credit Valley as desiring to "force its way Railway, cutting the network tracks cover-

Shanly describes as eight possible points of danger, for which there is no necessity. Mr. Shanly, who is a high authority in such matters, characterizes this attempt as a piece of unheard of recklessness. "No railway company," he says, "that the writer ever had to do with, or heard of (until now) but would shun cutting another line even once, if getting round, over or across were practicable, or some other plan within reasonable degrees of convenience and cost." This danger to the public, he does not hesitate to declare, ought not to be permitted; in fact, to carry out the dangerous design would be an "outrage." Mr. Shanly is not in the habit of using strong language unnecessarily. Mr. Sandford Fleming, whose experience in railway construction is greater than that of any other engineer in Canada, expresses his astonishment in these words: " It is impossible for me to conceive the proposal to have been made seriously by any sane person in any degree familiar with railways." He adds that it "should not for one instant be entertained," and that its promotion shows " reckless indifference to the safety of the travelling public." Mr. Brydges, who has a long and extensive experience of railway management, declares the proposed plan to be "in the highest degree objectionable," and that it "would be attended with very great danger." Mr. Swinyard, who long had the management of the Great Western Railway in his hands, sees in the plan "the greatest danger to the public." The evidence of other railw y experts is to the ame effect, the additional witnesses being Mr. W. K. Muir, late general manager of the Great Western Railway, Mr. Charles Paine, C. E., general Superintendent of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railways, and Mr. C. W. Moberly, C. E., late chief engineer of the Northern Railway.

It would be difficult, and we should say unsafe, to disregard such strong protests as these, coming as they do from experts, who all possess considerable experience and some of them the highest skill. We know that on almost any controverted question, particularly if it be medical, it is possible to get the evidence of experts on both sides of almost any question. It is difficult, however, to conceive that the evidence of the experts in this instance could be negatived or even seriously shaken by that of other experts of anything like equal reputation. To most minds this evidence will be regarded as decisive of the question of danger to the public, and this is the question in which everybody has an interest. In the meantime, if we treat the concurring opinions of

finally have to be accepted as decisive, if not demonstratively refuted, which would seem nearly if not absolutely impossible.

This case shows the need of some independent authority, acting in the public inter est, to take cognizance of and avert like occasions of danger whenever threatened. The Legislature has, we imagine a clear duty to perform in the premises, which is first to hear all the evidence, and then take measures to prevent the public safety being endangered.

MERCANTILE FAILURES

Contrary to a very prevalent impression, occasioned by the recent activity consequent on the good harvest and the rise in prices, that this year's failures in Canada would be less than last, we find them greater. While the aggregate of failures in the United States had fallen from 10,478 in number and \$234,383,132 in amount in 1878, to 6,658 in number and \$98,149,053 in amount, in 1879, no less than 1,902 Canadian traders failed last year, as compared with 1,615 the year before, and the liabilities were \$29,347,937, in 1879, against \$23,152,262. in 1878, and \$25,466,139 in 1877. Not a little of this untoward list of disasters must be attributed to the bank failures of the year.

The last three months of 1879 show an improvement in the condition of our mercantile affairs, however, which is as gratifying as it is marked. The aggregate of failures among Canadian traders during that period is by far the smallest of the four quarters of the year, forming but 16.8 per cent of the whole twelvemonth, while those of the third quarter formed 23.8 per cent., of the second, 19.7, and of the first 39.7 per cent. The number and amount of the failures for these periods of the year is shown in the following:

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1878	, 1st q	uarte	r	555	\$9,100,929	394
**	2nd	**		392	4,407,800	19.1
**	3rd	4		295	4,629,592	20.0
**	4th	"	••••	373	5,013,941	21.5

Whole year '78 .. 1615

\$23,152,262 100.0 It is here shown that while the first two exactly, the failures in the last quarter of 1878 were increased in number and amount over the three months ending September.

ter half of 1879 were but forty per cent of the whole twelvemonth, viz., \$11,921,000.

In the United States, no year since 1874 has shown so few failures as the year just closed; and in 1874 itself, the amount of liabilities of failed traders was far greater than in 1879, although the number of insolvents was less. Only one U.S. trader in 105 failed last year, while in 1878 one in 64 failed. In Canada one trader in 30 laid down his load last year ! The improvement is most marked in the Western and Middle States. Next to them are the Eastern States, while the Southern and the Pacific States have the least favorable record.

It is impossible not to be struck by the fact that, according to the circular of Messrs. Dun & Co., the whole Eastern States, with 82,000 traders in business, report but little more than half the failures of Canada, with 56,000 traders. The improved condition therefore, across the lines, which is so manifest from these figures, had not reached Canada at the beginning of last year, although it had touched us at the close, and may be expected to show itself this year.

The number of unemployed in the States is less, the circular considers, than at any time since 1873. Then the agricultural class have had several good harvests in succession. In the States of Illinois and Iowa we know that farmers are in funds and are clearing off debts upon their lands incurred in previous years, to such an extent that a loan agent finds "his occupation gone." Not alone the improved prices for cereals and other staples of the country, but the rise in values in other directions has given impetus to trade and helped the retailer as well as the manufacturer. Our turn must soon come, if our prosperity should not be so full as theirs; for some of the same causes which affect the United States commercially must ere long more or less affect us.

The commercial failures in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland were unusually numerous last year. The number failed in 1878 and 1879 are thus given by Seyd's circular, with their distribution into trades :

,	Financial, wholesale and	1877.	1878.	1879.
	Financial, wholesale and manufact'ing branches Retail trades, builders, publicans and profes-		2,643	2,546
	sional men		12,416	14,091
2		11,022	15,059	16,637

The number is thus nearly one-tenth greater last year than in the year previous ; quarters of both years corresponded almost but in the wholesale trades a slight diminution is shown. Amounts are not given. Of the 15,059 wholesale failures in 1878, England and Wales contributed 13,869, This year (1879), on the contrary, they are Scotland 852, Ireland 338. The English these railway experts as ex parte, they will seven per cent less. The failures of the lat- failures for the past three years were dis-

tributed mainly over the following centres, and it is noteworthy that, as in Canada, a change for the better is noticeable in the second half of the year, the number of failures in the December half being less by from 30 to 59 per cent. in different places than in the June half, and by 37 per cent. on the whole.

Places.	1877.	1878.	1879
London	456	565	53
Liverpool	81	92	8
Manchester	154	125	15
Lancashire	144	187	199
Yorkslire	324	4 08	420
Birmingham and Midland.	189	216	203

The Economist, in remarking the heavy pressure of dull trade as evidenced above, considers the weeding-out of weak firms, so long in progress, to be apparently accomplished pretty fully. "The revival in trade has come in time to save many traders who, if the depression had continued unabated, would probably have been forced to succumb."

STATEMENTS OF LOAN COMPANIES.

As the annual statements of most of our Loan Companies will shortly be issued, and the subsequent annual general meetings take place, it may be well to repeat some former remarks upon the working of these societies, and to place before shareholders some points of detail in both system and arrangement of accounts.

The item most deserving of attention is that of "Losses," or lockups. It may be fairly assumed, indeed it is beyond question, that our loan companies have not escaped loss in the course of their business; yet it appears to us that in most of the statements hitherto issued such losses have not been, as they should be, explicitly shown. There is strong reason to think that these items have, if provided for at all, simply been deducted in a bulk sum from "interest earned" before this latter item is placed on the credit side of the published "profit and loss" account. Such procedure is incorrect; it is not only bad book-keeping, but it does not place fairly and squarely before the shareholders the gross interest earned and the losses incurred. It is sometimes stated in very general terms, we are aware, that "the balance remaining at credit of profit and loss or contingent fund is ample to meet all depreciation," &c. But query : Is this sufficient ? All ascertained losses should be promptly charged to profit and loss account, while an ample contingent fund should be provided, to meet any losses supposed to exist, but at the time of closing the accounts not definitely ascertained.

Estate as an asset of such societies. By Now if really good loans cannot be obtained this term we do not mean premises owned to realize more than the rates we have ments which he considers it desirable to

by any company and occupied for the purpose of its business, but properties offered for sale under power contained in the mortgages or by foreclosure, and of which the sale proves abortive. As a rule, when a property fails to sell, it becomes at once unproductive to the company holding it; in other words, properties so situated correspond precisely to the "past due bills" of a bank. Now, if any bank included the whole or any portion of its past due bills under the heading "current discounts," and such a proceeding were discovered, the consequences might be serious. We are afraid, however, that some companies have held and now hold such properties, but include them when publishing their statements, under the heading of "present cash value of mortgages." This also is incorrect; such items should be transferred to a distinct account, care being taken to write the amounts down to what the most careful enquiry (based upon reliable inspection by the company's inspector) shall suggest as the actual value to be obtained at the hammer. When assets of this nature are left amongst the "current mortgages " and valued on the same basis, in the vain hope that they may ultimately realize the valuation so placed upon them, we are safe in asserting that any statement made up and issued on this basis would be misleading. But even if the properties were placed in the "cash values" at the price they were expected to realize, a current productive mortgage is a different kind of asset from a piece of property held for ale at a certain price; and a distinction hould be made between them ; shareholders are clearly entitled to know the proportion of each held by any institution in which they have an interest. It is also desirable that these items should be kept distinct to prevent the declaration of a dividend upon an unsound basis, as well as to keep prominently before the eye of the manager those properties the company should be anxious to dispose of, and which might otherwise be lost sight of in the great mass of current mortgages.

There are some other matters of vital interest to Loan Companies which we think well to mention here. The interest paid on deposits is one. For some time past the tendency has been towards cheap money; the rate obtained for money loaned on firstclass securities, unless in very exceptional instances indeed, has not averaged more than 8, or at the outside, 8½ per cent. On the other hand, some of the Companies, outside of Toronto, have been acting recklessly in the matter of deposits, offering Let us now consider the item of Real readily 61 and even 7 per cent for them.

named, where is the margin of profit? The sooner such folly is stopped the better for all parties interested. We are aware, and we state it with pleasure, that the older companies, both in this city and elsewhere, have made and are now making determined efforts to check this wild race for the control of deposits. Five per cent is what they offer, at present the most that can be profitably or safely paid and we must suppose that depositors can, if they will, distinguish between a fair rate with safety and a high one, attended with, at least, ultimate risk.

We cannot avoid referring here to the tendency recently manifested amongst some of of the younger companies to put up expensive and palatial buildings. A company cannot appropriate any portion of its debentures or deposits for such a purpose : both are lent to be re-loaned on mortgage. Both are liable to withdrawal; they do not belong to the company, and should only be used for specific purposes. A company, then, can only invest its own means in a building, i.e., either its capital or reserve fund. To cover wear and tear, insurance, &c., the gross rental ought to be at least 10 per cent. How many get this? Some of the companies putting up very expensive buildings forget that in doing so they lock up a very considerable portion of their reserve fund, and thus lessen their earning power. Furthermore, every financier knows that the sum placed opposite "office premises" in the statement forms a component part of that placed opposite "reserve fund" on the other side of the account. Now, unless a building can be readily sold for the sum placed against it as an asset in the statement issued by a company, it is self-evident that as this sum forms a portion, of the Reserve fund on the other side of the account, the "Rest" must be reduced for practical purposes by the depreciation which has taken place in the building-in other words, as companies' premises form, to the extent they are put down at in their statements. a portion of their reserve fund, the utmost care should be observed in estimating the value on a sound basis, i. e., what they could be sold for.

We have thus endeavored to give to give some hints to shareholders which may be of service if they attend, as we hope they will. the annual meetings of the societies in which they are proprietors.

SPECIAL TAX FOR STREET IM-PROVEMENTS.

In his inaugural address to the Council. after re-election, Mr. Mayor Beaty fully stated his views of a plan of local improve-

adopt. He considers that existing improvements ought to be valued, and that certain amounts should, under certain circumstances, be paid back to the general fund out of which it has come. This is a step which leads up to an equitable introduction of the change proposed. The amount so refunded would go to make improvements on streets which had not previously been improved. When once this inequality has been adjusted, all streets would thenceforth stand on an equal footing; each would pay on its own improvements. It is not proposed arbitrarily to impose the change on unwilling citizens; but that local improvements should be made on petition of two-thirds of the proprietors, who should own one-half of the real estate on the street to be improved. It is clear from the recent vote of the ratepayers on the question that any mode of proceeding in which the parties interested were not consulted would be highly objectionable. It would of course be necessary that the petitioners should be a clear majority, and two thirds would not be too much. On these two points, we fully concur in the suggestions of the Mayor. If the question had been clearly put, on this footing, to the ratepayers, the result would have been different from what it was.

The Mayor's proposal is that the assessment for local improvement should not be on the foot frontage, but that it should be on the actual value per foot of the land on the street to be improved, however much the value may vary at different points or on different lots. He instances Yonge Street, and shows that the lower end could bear a heavier tax than the upper, because there is a higher product in rent. Rent is the only real criterion of value; if there is no rent there is no product. But the plan proposed does not otherwise take account of rent, for it takes the supposed value of the land without the buildings. Without buildings there is no direct productive value, though there is an indirect product when the selling price is, on an average of years, steadily increasing. When it is desirable that the improvements of streets should to a great extent precede the general erection of build ings-and it must often be so-there is no other way of proceeding than by assessing the land for the improvements, for there is nothing else to assess.

The matter is one in which all possible approaches to equity should be made; and this may be all that possible. We commence on a doubtful basis. It would be hard to prove that the cost of making and maintaining streets ought to be thrown upon the owners of property on the streets; streets being for general and public uses and not for the special benefit of persons who happen

to own property upon them. But if we are driven by a stress of financial necessity to adopt this expedient, it should be carried out in the most equitable way possible. Without committing ourselves to all the details of the Mayor's proposal, we may fairly congratulate him on the progress he has made towards a fair settlement of a difficult question.

THE RAILWAYS OF THE DOMINION.

The railways of the Dominion are steadily increasing in number and importance. Whilst progress has been slow in other directions during the last four years, our railway system has continued to expand faster than in most other countries during prosperous times. The latest returns issued by the Government last summer, have been but tardily distributed, and instead of the fiscal year 1879, it is only the previous year's figures we have to notice. The return contains the complete Railway statistics of the Dominion up to the 30th June 1878, the latest available, and they are of interest as bearing upon our material progress.

The milage of the entire Railway system of the Dominion was as follows :---

Railways actually in operation "partly running, "under construction,	6,143 721 1,041	miles.
Total mileage	7,905	• ••

During 1879 the mileage was only 7,571, there being 5,574 miles in operation, and 1997 under construction. There were thus 569 miles more in operation during 1878, and 234 less under construction. Deducting from the total mileage the portions of the Grand Trunk or other lines in the United States, the actual length of over fifty Canadian railways in running order is 5,915 miles, and the total length, both finished and under construction, is 7,678 miles—a very creditable exhibit for four millions of people to be able to make.

The amount of capital now invested in our Railways is \$360,617,816. This sum is double the entire public debt of the Dominion. By far the greater portion of the amount was raised by shares on Bonds, although the Government and Municipal aid has been considerable. The actual figures are as follows :--

Ordinary share capital	• • • • • • • • • • • •	\$122,176,083
Preference capital		60 188 680
Bonded debt		83.710.020

t			
-	Amount of aid from-		\$275,042,705
0	Domin. Government	\$65,939,900	
g	Ontario "	2,220,630	
	Quebec "	8,513,645	
8	N. Bruns'k "	2,730,000	
j	Nova Scotia "	818,750	
-	Municipalities	7,224,578	
8		\$87,456.481	
в	Less included in paid		
5	up securities	1,882,000	85,574,481
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taining streets ought to be thrown upon the owners of property on the streets; streets being for general and public uses and not for the special benefit of persons who happen a discount. Making all due allowance for this, however, the actual amount of capital now invested in Canadian railways is exceedingly large considering the circumstances of the country.

The nominal cost of constructing our railways —that is, taking all securities as sold at their full value—has been \$45,925 per mile. This is made up as ollows: Ordinary share capital, \$15,583; preference shares, \$8,820; bonded debt, \$10,677; and Government and Municipal aid, \$10,915. The actu-l cash expenditure per mile must, for the reasons already given, have been much below \$45.925 per mile.

Turning now to the traffic of Canadian railways, we find that the returns for 1878 exceed those of any previous year. The number of passengers carried was 6,443,924, equal to six per cent. more than during the preceding twelve months. The tonnage of freight handled was 7,883,472, an increase of 1,023,676 tons, or over 15 per cent. The total number of passengers and tons of freight carried by the principal lines during 1878 were as follow:

	FABSE GERS.	
Grand Traini	TAB B GERS.	FRE: GHT.
Grand Trunk	2,025,737	2,387,942
Great Western		1,854,663
intercolonial	. 618.057	522,710
Canada Southern	210 544	958,044
Northern		
Midland	• 234,122	207,245
Midland	. 127,268	133,405
Toronto, Grey & Bruce	143.431	94,300
Toronto & Nipissing		
	• 99,140	100,814

All the railways increased the number of passengers they carried in 1878 over 1877, except the Grand Trunk and Northern, the former of which carried 2,477 less, and the latter, 18,240 less. In freights the Northern and the Midland are the only roads whose tornage declined. The Grand Trunk, Great Western, and the Canada Southern each increased their freight business by over 200 tons—the latter showing the largest gain.

The total railroad earnings for the twelve months was the handsome sum of \$20,520,078. How this compares with the preceding year can be seen at a glance by the annexed statement:

D	1878.	1877.
Passenger traffic	\$ 6.386,325	\$ 6,458,493
Freight traffic	13,129,193	11,321,264
Mails and express		744,742
Other sources	208,763	217,554

Total......\$20,520,078 \$18,742,053

The increased receipts during the year were \$1.778,025, or a little over 9 per cent. The increase was almost entirely in freight receipts. So far as the passenger traffic is concerned, the receipts declined to the extent of \$72,168. The earnings per mile were \$3.479 as against \$3.418, being an improvement of \$61 per mile.

It is gratifying to find that the operating expenses of the different railways also exhibit an improvement. The outlay on this account for the past two years was as follows:

1878	\$16,100,102
1877	15,290,0 9 1
T	
Increase	\$810,011

This advance is only about 5.30 per cent, whereas the receipts augmented by 965 per cent. The operating expenses per mile of railway running, according to the offic al report, was \$2,734 in 1878 as against \$2,885 in 1877, or a decrease of \$151 per mile! According to this, the railways of the Dominion increased their earnings \$61 per mile during 1878, and did the work for \$151 per mile less. The importance of this fact may not at first

 Receipts
 \$20,520,678
 \$18,742,053

 Expenses
 16,100,103
 15,290,091

Net profit on working \$4,419,975 \$3,451,962

The increase of the receipts over the operating expenses in 1878 as compared with the preceding year, is no less than \$968,013, or over 28 per cent. This is a very large increase, and speaks volumes for the judicious character of Canadian railway management. The net earnings would allow 2 per cent dividend upon the shares and bonded capital of the roads, but nothing on the Government or Municipal investments.

The only other point to which we desire to call attention at present in the list of casualties and here we can hardly be complimentary, as no less than 97 persons were killed, and 361 irjured during the year. It is but justice to mention that only 11 of these were passengers. Placing the casualties of the two years one against each other they compare as follows--the figures for 1878 being those first given :

KILLED.		INJURED.	
Passengers II to 5	••••	25 to 18	L
Lupioyees 45 to 45		300 to 257	
Others 41 to 61	•••••	36 to 42	l

361 to 317 These figures prove that whilst fourteen persons less were killed in 1878, no less than 44 more were injured, among whom were a largely increased number of employees. This is deeply to be regretted, and the increasing fatality among railway employees seems to point to some Legislative action be taken to make their employment less hazardous. The number of valuable lives lost through coupling cars, overhead bridges and railways frogs is legion, and calls aloud for the employment of some prompt and efficient remedy. Better dividends ought no doubt to be realized than have been obtained of late years. That is admitted on all hands. But it is gratifying at any rate to learn that during a period of great depression, there are at least some signs of improvement, both in increased traffic and in reduced running expenses. For some time past, it is well known some of our lines have been very busy, and the returns for 1879 when we get them should show an improved conditions of revenues at any rate.

-We learn from the report of the Ontario Commissioner of Public Works for 1879, which is promptly issued, that eight new railroads, having a total length of over four hundred miles, have been in progress during 1879, viz., the Credit Valley, Huron and Erie, Georgian Bay and Wellington, Midland Extension, Prince Edward County, Conada Central extension, Stratford and Lake Huron, and Grand Junction roads. At the date of Confederation, 1867, there were 1,464 miles of railway in this province; since that date 1,947 miles have been constructed, and 470 are building or under contract.

A FRAUDULENT SETTLEMENT ANNULLED.

The decision of Vice-Chancellor Proudfoot of the Ontario Court of Chancery in the suit of Regers vs Ullmann, lately delivered, is an instructive one for the business community. It s well to understand, in this age of shrewdness and adroit dealing, that there is a possibility of going too far in driving a keen bargain. Though many things scarcely fair are overlooked by

who has been too sharp, is shewn by the law to have over-reached himself. "he suit in question appears to be a case in point.

In November of the year 1876 Mr. J. H. Rogers, the well known furrier of Toronto, entered into an agreement with Ulimann of Leipsic, Germany, by which he agreed to purchase furs for Ullmann with money money advanced to him for the purpose. Under the agreement, after deducting expenses and interest on the advances, the profits of the transaction were to be divided by Ullmann with Rogers, who was also to be subject to his proportion of any loss which might occur, to the amount of \$3,000.

After the business had been conducted on this basis for some length of time Ullmann employed one Stearns, who had also been purchasing goods for Ullmann, under a similar arrangement to effect a settlement with Mr. Rogers. This settlement was effected, Rogers receiving \$500 as his share of the profits of the enterprise. Some time after this settlement, Mr. Rogers believing that misrepresentations had been made to him, commenced this suit against Ullmann to recover further sums which he claimed he was entitled to as his share of the profits. In this proceeding he insisted on his right to have a full statement of the accounts of the business so that he might know exactly his position. His right to such a statement was denied by the defendant who argued that after the settlement which was made with Mr. Rogers, the latter had no right to any account whatever and that, hereafter Ullmann was entitled to hold the furs at his own risk without accounting for the profits to anyone.

It appeared from the evidence that Stearns, in order to procure this settlement, had made false representations to Rogers as to the profits arising from the business. Among other things he represented that he himself had accepted \$500 for his sha e of the profits. It was shewn in evidence that under his agreement with Ullmann he was entitled to receive \$4,000, whatever might be the result. It further appeared that in the defendar t's instructions to Stearns he had empowered him to give Rogers \$1000, or more if necessary to secure a settlement.

Under these circumstances, it was held by the learned Vice Chancellor that the settlement having been obtained by means of false pretences was not binding upon Mr. Rogers. In his opinion the contract in question made the parties partners so far as these transactions were concerned. The defendant was ordered to prove before the Master of the Court his accounts shewing the profit made out of the dealings in question.

MONTREAL BOARD OF 3 RADE.

The adjourned annual meeting of the Montreal Board of Trade was held on Tuesday afternoon last, when nearly forty members were present out of a membership of 190. The President, Mr. Lyman, announced his intention to Courts of Justice, cases do arise where a person not re-accepting office, and Mr. F. W. Henshaw was unanimously elected President of the Board. On motion of Mr. White, M.P., Mr. John Kerry was unanimously elected Vice-President.

The adoption of the report was moved by the chairman, Mr. Henry Lyman, and seconded by Mr. Wynn. Mr. Cramp gave an interesting address upon towage, pilotage, and other matters relating to the harbor, especially dwelling on the harbor dues, in their bearing upon shipping. Having concluded that the port charges of Montreal were high compared with New York, the Commissioners resolved to have them lessened, and obtained power from the Government to alter their tariff, modifica ions of which had already been attempted. It was not easy to do this, however, when the expenditure, actual and prospective, upon the harbor and channel came to be provided for, and if the Harbor Board were to meet its obligations, it needed all the revenue present rates would give. He held that the works should be assumed by the Government. To remove some of the towage and pilotage difficulties, a bill had passed the Commons last session, but was rejected by the Senate, which would have given the Board authority to deal with such matters directly. Power is needed, in the opinion of the speaker, to impose a towage tariff and make it imperative. He trusted the time would soon arrive, when, in the interest of St. Law. rence trade, it would be possible to make both Montreal and Quebec free ports.

The Chairman then read the interesting figures lately published in the MONETARY TIMES and other statistics relating to the grain trade of the port.

Mr. Hodgson, Mr. E. K. Greene, Mr. Shorey, M. P. Ryan, M.P., and Mr. Joseph expressed themselves on various points in connection with the trade of Montreal and the Dominion. Altogether the gathering was one of decided interest.

The result of the entire elections was as follows : F. W. Henshaw, President ; John Kerry, Vice President; W. R. Wonham, Treasurer; Council-J. P. Cleghorn, G. M. Kinghorn, W. W. Ogilvie, R. C. Adams, J. H. Winn and H. R. Ives for two years, and R. Archer and Thos. White, M.P., for one year. Board of Arbitration-Andrew Robertson, John Grant, P. Redpath, Hugh McLennan, H Lyman, And. Allan, J. H. Hutton, R. Simms, Wm. Darling, John M. Young, Thos Cramp, M. McCullech.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

C. H., BLYTH.-Asks whether a mutual fire insurance company can legally make an assessment on a premium note say twelve months after the policy has expired ? The defunct Manufacturers and Merchants of Hamilton, he says, are now sending out their first notice of assessment upon policies that have expired three vears.

[According to a recent decision of Mr. Justice Wilson in a suit in which the Beaver Mutual was plaintiff, policy holders in a mutual insurance company are liable to be assessed only for

the losses and expenses of the company during the currency of their policies and in the particular branch in which they were insured-or, in other words the members of one branch are not liable for the losses that were incurred in the other.-ED. M. T.]

THE MIDLAND RAILWAY.

Interest on the bonded debt of this road is in default, and it is further embarrassed by a considerable floating debt. A meeting of the local directors of the road and representatives of the municipalities through which it passes was held last week in Lindsay. The president explained that the earnings of the road had been expended in paying its working expenses promptly, month by month. The act of 1878 authorized the company to issue £100,000 of first mortgage bonds, to pay off the floating debt and put the line in order, "but to that permission was attached the condition that no preference bonds should be issued until the claims of all the unsecured creditors were satisfied. This act had been passed before he (Mr. Cox) had assumed the management of the road, and the first thing he had done was to call the creditors together to comply if possible with that condition. He made a proposition to that meeting to pay all creditors who desired bonds of the company at par. The same act consolidated the bonded debt of the road, which before the passing of this act consisted of two classes. The act authorized the company to issue new bonds for the purpose of cancelling bonds, leaving a all previous surplus of £100,000, which they proposed to devote to the improvement of the road. He had proposed to place the unsecured creditors in the same position as the bondholders, by giving them bonds at par for the full amount of claims; or, if they preferred it, cash at 22c. on the dollar." Creditors to go per cent. in amount, and 75 per cent. in number support, as we understand it, the request for legislation to pay 221 per cent in cash, or to give preference mortgage bonds to those who wish to take them. This arrangement it is stated, will enable the road to be repaired, renewed and equipped, in a serviceable wav.

During the first half of last year, the receipts decreased some \$21,000, while an extra charge of \$5,000 had been occasioned by shovelling snow. The Portland Locomotive Co., creditors for \$37,000, had accepted bonds for their claim. A resolution reciting that the explanation of the President was satisfactory, and recommending that the petition to the Ontario Assembly be signed by creditors was passed with but one dissenting voice. It appears that the old rails had brought nearly \$100,000, and steel rails had been purchased for the 50 miles of track betweeen Lindsay and Beaverton. The road will now have a debt of only \$22,000 a mile, while the Northern Railway had a bonded debt of \$42,000 and paid interest on it. The President claims that the Midland would be able to pay interest on its full bonded debt.

CANADA LANDED CREDIT COMPANY.-Notwithstanding the difficulty in finding, during the past year, profitable investment for all its funds, this Company has paid the usual dividend, and earned a surplus of profit. It will be seen that the loans are greater by \$136,312 than in 1878. There has also been an increase of \$45,816 in the amount of debentures issued, which was really more than desir-

able properties could be had to loan upon, as will be seen by the large amount at credit with the Company's bankers. After paying nine per cent. dividend, writing off the entire sum of commissions paid for the sale of debentures and all other expenses, \$19,500 were added to its funds. Of this sum, \$6,000 has been carried to the reserve, which makes that fund \$110,000. leaving \$13,500 to be carried to the contingent fund. We are very much pleased to see that the management has squarely recognized the fact, sometimes obliquely admitted, if admitted at all, that losses do occur to these societies by default or depreciation; and instead of carrying along from year to year as good assets what is almost certain to turn out bad, it has sensibly decided to be prepared for the worst, and has taken \$20,300 from the contingent fund to provide for any losses that may occur upon securities. This fund has still a balance of \$11,089 at its credit.

CO OPERATIVE LIFE INSURANCE .- The utter worthlessness of mere voluntary membership as a dependence in lieu of an actuarial and legal Reserve, safely invested, could not be better demonstrated than it was in the United States District Court, at Cincinnati, on the 24th ultimo. Will not some of the well-meaning but sadly deluded gentlemen whose names appear in connection with such schemes in Canada, take counsel from the judgment in this case, and cease longer to countenance such transparent swindles as, with their aid alone, are now planting themselves in our midst. The suit of the assignee in bankruptcy of the Protective Life Insurance Company, for an assessment upon about 16,000 policyholders to pay sixty death losses, amounting to over \$324,000, which never had been assessed by the company, was dismissed by the United States District Court, The Court held that the mutual contribution plan adopted by the company was an anomalous and illusory one, and an experiment outside of the beaten paths of life insurance, and those in whose behalf the assessment was risked might well have anticipated the present contingency. The Court could not assume to make assessments which the company ought to have made, since to do so would impose upon the policyholders burdens for which they could now derive no equivalent, the company being dead.

-At the annual meeting of the Manufacturers' Association, held this week, Mr. J. Haggart, Agricultural Implement manufacturer, of Brampton, alluded to the importance of technical training, and suggested that the Government should be asked to do more towards establishing scientific and technical schools for Canada. The knowledge imparted by such institutions was, he rightly considered, of great use when applied to manufactures. Mr. Haggart did well to bring to the notice of an assemblage of manufacturers a question so vital to their future progress. The subject is well worthy the earnest study of a committee of that body. It is pleasantly significant, in this direction, that at value of real estate, consequent upon the

the opening exhibition of the Canadian Academy of Art to be held in Ottawa next month. the Governor-General will give a bronze medal as a prize for the best original design for practical use in art manufacture, the subject to be some Canadian plant, flower, or leaf. Robert Hay, Esq., M.P., will give a prize for the test original design for a cabinet. Messrs. M, Staunton & Co., a prize for the best original design for paper hangings from a Canadian plant or leaf. Other prizes are also announced to be given. We are glad to be able to announce that the officers of the Academy have been appointed. They are as follow : L. R. O'Brien, President ; N. Bourassa, Montreal, Vice-President; James Smith, Toronto, Treasurer; M. Matthews, Secretary.

Meetings.

CANADA LANDED CREDIT COMPANY.

The twenty-second annual meeting of this Company was held in its offices, in this city, on Wednesday the 21st inst. Mr. J. L. Blaikie, the President, occupied the chair.

There were present-Messrs. James Campbell, John Messrs. J. S. John Y. Reid, Bull, M. D.; Playfair, Ľailey, Thomas Edward Herbert Mortimer, Herbert Mortimer, James Graham, C. J. Philbrick, M. D.; Ewing Buchan, William Alexander, James Scott, M. O'onnell, A. M. Smith, D. H. Allen, J. Jackues, T. McL. Thomson, John Stark, Peter Paterson, John Hoskin, Q.C., Toronto; James Young, M.P.P., Galt; James. B. Osborne, Beams-ville; W. A. Parlane, Collingwood; John Dunlop, Woodstock; Jacob Bull, William Ellerby, Weston; J. K. Osborne, Brantford, and D. McGas Suggesting who will the fully Ellerby, Weston; J. K. Osborne, Brantford, and D. McGee, Secretary, who read the following

Report.

The Directors beg to lay before the shareholders the results of the past years operations, accompanied by the balance sheet, duly audited, of 31st December last, showing the position of the Company at that date.

The net profits for the year, after deducting the expenses of management, which amount to \$13,813 05 (being at the rate of 59/100 of one per cent.) and including \$806,61 brought forward from 1878, are... \$83,845 37 which have been appropri-

ated as follows :

Dividend No. 36 paid 2nd

July, 1879 \$29,572 38 Dividend No. 37, payable

_ 2nd January, 1880	20.835	02	
Debenture Commission	-91033	9-	
paid during the year,			
being mostly on sales			
during last six months			
of 1878	4,208	87	
Transferred to reserve fund	6,000	00	
Transferred to contingent			
fund	13,500	00	
Left at credit of profit and	. 313		
loss	738	20	
	15-		-

It will be observed that after paying the usual half yearly dividends at the rate of 9 per cent. per annum, and charging the whole of the Debenture Commission paid, the business of the year has resulted in a surplus profit of \$19,431,-59, the greater part of which might in ordinary times have been put to Reserve Fund; but until the full effect of the serious shrinkage in the

lengthened period of depression through which the country has passed and is still passing, has been fully ascertained, the Directors have deemed it prudent to transfer only \$6,000 to Reserve Fund, bringing it up to \$110,000, and to place \$13,500 to Contingent Fund, from which fund they have, after careful examination, decided to take the sum of \$20,300 to provide for the loss which it is feared will be sustained on certain securities held by the Company. They have thought it better to do this now rather than wait till the properties were disposed of, regarding it as contrary to sound business principles to include properties as assets at higher figures than their real value once ascertained would warrant, and they are confident that their action in this particular will meet the approval of the shareholders.

This still leaves a balance of \$11,089.19 at credit of Contingent Fund.

The Directors regret that the large amount of money which has been on the Company's hands during the past year, has not only tended to diminish the profits for the year, but has also prevented them from making any further calls on the last allotment of stock.

Loans have been effected during the year to the amount of \$362,612.50, while those repaid amount to \$226,300, leaving an increase on the year of \$136,312.50.

The amount borrowed during the year on the debentures of the Company, new and renewed, has been \$147,143.33, and debentures have matured to the amount of \$101,326.50, being an increase of \$45,816.66.

The various officers of the Company have discharged their respective duties to the satisfaction of the Board.

The following Directors retire from office by rotation, but are eligible for re-election, viz:

Messrs. Daniel Wilson, L.L.D., Jas. Camp-bell, John Macdonald, John B. Osborne, John Y. Reid, and Jas. Young, M.P.P. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN L. BLAIKIE, Toronto, 21st Jan. 1880. President.

BALANCE SHEET 31ST DECEMBER, 1879.

Long Assets.		
Assets. National Bank of Scotland	2,343,011	50
	17,028 33,158	
Property on Tonada	100,748	41
Cash.	40,000 491	
Interest due and accrued	75,212	04
Office furniture	348	00

\$2,609,998 15

Liabilities.

Cania-1 o		
Capital Stock	663,314	21
Scoentures		
Debentures	1,505,233	12
ACSATTIA TO	220,192	22
Reserve Fund	110,000	00
Dividend	11,089	19
Dividend N	2,704	
January, 1880.	29,835	92
Inanzon	6,699	٥8
Susnana	36	00
Kennister	132	41
Pros	23	00
Profit and loss	738	

^{\$2,609,998 15}

D. MCGEE, Secretary.

We hereby certify that we have examined the books and accounts of the Canada Landed Credit Company, and have found the above balance correct.

We have also examined the securities in the Company's strong room, and found them in perfect order, as represented in the above statement.

W. B. PHIPPS, Auditors.

Toronto, 16th Jan. 1880.

The following resolutions were afterwards carried unanimously : -

Moved by the President, seconded by Mr. John B. Osborne,-That the report now read be adopted and printed for circulation among the shareholders

Mr. James Scott moved, seconded by Mr. M. O'Donnell,-That the thanks of this meeting be, and are hereby tendered to the Board of Direc. tors for their careful attention to the interests

of the Company during the past year. Moved by Mr. James Campbell, seconded by Mr. Thomas Lailey,—That the thanks of the shareholders be tendered to their British agents, more especially Messrs. Hamilton, Kin-near & Beatson, W. S., Edinburgh, for their valuable services to the Company during the past year.

Mr. Peter Paterson moved, seconded by Mr. John Stark,-That the thanks of this meeting be, and are hereby tendered to the Secretary and the other officers of the Company, for the efficient manner in which they have discharged their respective duties.

Moved by Mr. J. S. Playfair, seconded by Mr. W. A. Parlane,—That Messrs. W. B. Phipps and William Hope be appointed audi-tors for the ensuing year, and that the sum of \$150 each be paid them for their services.

Mr. James Young, M.P.P., moved, seconded by Dr. Bull,—That Messrs. John Stark and Jas. Graham be scrutineers, and that they report the result of the ballot for the election of six Directors, the poll to be closed when ten minutes shall have elapsed without any vote being taken. Moved by Mr. A. M. Smith, sec-onded by Mr. Herbert Mortimer,—That the thanks of this meeting be given to the chairman for his able and impartial conduct in the chair and for his constant attention to the interests of the Company, and that the sum of \$2,000 be paid him for his services during the past year.

The poll was then opened, and at the close the scrutineers reported the unanimous re-election of the six retiring directors.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board Mr. John L. Blaikie, was re-elected President, and Mr John Macdonald, Vice-President, for the ensuing year.

FIRE RECORD.

ONTARIO .- Millbrock, Jan. 10 .- W. H. Sowden's dwelling burned.----Virgil, 10th.-Gilbt. Anderson's house and contents burned, insured in Middlesex Mut. \$600.---St. Mary's, 10ththe back premises of White & Co., dry goods, J. C. Gilpin and J. Stafford burned, loss about \$2,000.—Kingston, 10th.—James Volume's tenement house burned, insured in Royal \$400. -Ottawa, 13th.-F.Baillarge's house burned, \$400. --- Leamington, 13th .-- George Fox's fame barn and stables burned. insured for \$2,-200.—Beaverton, 13th.—John Owen's dwel-ling burned, loss \$600 no insurance, contents mostly saved.—Port Elgin,—15th.— McCalder's hotel burned, contents saved, loss \$1,000. -Parkhill, 16th. - S. Manning's furniture store, Mrs. Munro's store, Mrs. Wilson's building and an empty shop, all burned; contents saved excepting Manning's, loss \$5,000, partly insured. — Coburg, 16th.—Michael Welsh's barns and contents burned, loss \$800, insurance \$500. — St. Catharines, 16th. — Cremorne Pavillion of E. D. James', burned, loss \$1.600, -Chatham, 18th.-A. J. Wilinsurance \$800.son's frame stable burned, two children lost largest in the history of the city, being 11,263;their lives.—Brougham, 17th.—C. Linton's 275 bushels.

store premises burned, also Morris' harness shop, loss \$1,500, insured \$1,000 in Mercantile ; Sons of Temperance Hall burned, insured in Brit. America for \$800; Masonic Hall damaged, covered by Waterloo Co.--Lindsay, 14th.-Thos. Fee's shingle shed and dwelling, R. Douglas' dwelling, T. A. Middleton's dwelling, store and storehouse were destroyed ; Douglas loses everything, uninsured ; Middleton loses about 1,000 and has \$3,000 insurance, on property and stock. Fee's loss \$4.500, he has \$3,050 insurance on building and stock, \$2,000 of it in the Royal.—Chatham, 8th.—A J. Wilson's frame stable burned. — St. George, 20th. — Snowball's storehouse and Dr. Kitchen's stables burned, insurance small. — Kingston, 20th. — Jas. Laturney's carriage shop and house burned, stock insured in Guardian \$650; Standard \$800; buildings insured in Royal for \$1,800

MONTREAL BOARD OF TRADE AND INSOLVENCY.

To the Editor of the Monetary Times.

SIR,-In your brief report of my remarks at the annual meeting of our Board on the 13 th, inst., contained in your journal of the 16th, i.st., you say. "He opposed the repeat of the Bankrupt law, and did not see clearly in what respect it could be amended." What I did say is the following viz. "That the law as it stands is defective in some important respects, is conceded on all hands, but it is more difficult to say dog. matically how and in what way it should be amended. The one important, nay essential requisite is a uniform equitable and economical mode of distributing the estate of an insolvent debtor, and there can be no doubt that those who have advocated the repeal of the law would be satisfied with such a measure, if it could be obtained and made to apply to all portions of the Dominion."

You will observe that I studiously avoided any statement to the effect that I am opposed to the repeal of the existing Insolvent law and I am convinced that a large part if not a majority of the Board-concur with me in the opinion. that it would be far preferable that the present law should be repeated, than that it should remain to continue its deteriorating effect upon the trade of the country. Yours &c.,

HENRY LYMAN, Pres't. M. B. of T.

STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, 21st January, 3 p.m.

STOCES.	Point In Week.	Higheat Point in Weak.	Transact'ne in Week	Buyers.	Sellers.	Average Price, like Date, 1879.
Montreal	1354	1361	398	136	136ģ	135
Ontario Consolidated	70%	712	270	7°±	71	61 541
Peoples Molsons Toronto		57 76	50 50	55 75 1211	59 78	58 58 83 116
Jac. Cartier Merchants Commerce	8:4	864	415	58 86 114	594 864 115	23 77 1
Union	•••••••	•••••		бо 	70	100
Exchange Mon. Tel Dom. Tel	89	92	1985	303 918	45 91	_101
Rich. & O. Nav. City Pass	39	41 75	419 20	39	39 2	424 75
Gas R.C. Ins. Co	114 	£113	646 	1154	116 46	108
Merchants x.d. Easte n T' ₁ s Ster ing Ex		₽ ⁸	50		100	
Commerc x.d.						•••••••••

-Cincinnati's grain receipts for 1879 were the

Commercial.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, Jan. 20th, 1880.

A continuous thaw for a week has taken away a great part of the snow, and rendered traveling both in the town and country very bad. This has interfered a good deal with business, and the amount done this week has been comparatively small for the season. Teas have met with more enquiry, but all other branches of the grocery trade are dull. Sugars are firm but without quotable advance. Some consumers are apparently not satisfied with the quality of the refined sugars in the market, and feel that there is better value for their money in raw sugars. Dealers expect that before long there will be a demand for the better qualities of raw sugar. Flour is dull and neglected with downward tendency. Some small sales of wheat for milling purposes are reported this week. Hardware is quiet but very firm at our revised quotations. Provisions quiet. Ashes dull. Wool is scarce but there is a good inquiry.

ASHES.-Pots.-The market has been dull with a downward tendency all the week. In the early part prices ranged from \$4.65 down to \$4.50. The market closes to-day at \$4.25 to 4.30. *Pearls.*—There has been more demand for this description of ash, and considerable sales are reported on p.t., the nominal price being \$5.50 to 5.55.

BOOTS AND SHOES .- Business continues fairly good, orders come in freely and prices keep firm. We repeat last week's quotations.

CATTLE .- The market is still supplied with cattle far beyond the present demand, and as a consequence to effect sales drovers have been obliged to accept low prices. There has been little or no demand from exporters. The prices ranged from $2\frac{1}{2}$ to $3\frac{2}{3}$ c. per lb. according to quality. Hogs were rather scarce, sales reported at \$5.12] per 100 lbs live weight. Dressed Hogs. The long continued mild weather tells very much against this branch of the trade. and a large number of hogs which have been received, is being stored and will likely be sold at low figures. Only good solid carcases can be sold and bring from from \$6.40 to 6 60 per 100 lbs. Sales to-day at the inside figure.

DRY Goods .--- From present appearances, and reports from travellers on the road the prospects for the spring trade are good. Canadian Tweeds are still in good demand. Very few country buyers from places round the city have been in town owing to the state of the roads which are in a bad condition and unfit for either sleighs or wheels. This has interfered somewhat with remittances but merchants do not make much complaint.

FURS .--- The Local market is very quiet, skins come in but slowly. Reports of the Fur Sales in London, are looked for with some interest as they will establish prices here for the spring trade. In the meantime we' do not alter quotations. *Mink* prime, dark large \$1.25 to 1.40 "ditto small, 75c. to \$1. 0; *Marten*, prime, 75c. to \$1.00; Beaver prime dark, per lb., \$1.75 to 2.00; Bear large, \$7.00 to 8.00; ditto small, \$2.00 to 4.00; Red fox, \$1.25 to 1.40; ditto early caught, \$1.00 to 1.25; Musk rat, winter, 8 to 10c. Lynx prime large, \$1.00 to 1.50; Skunk prime dark, large, 40 to 60c; ditto white large, 20 t) 40c; Raccoon prime, 40 to 60c; Fisher prime, 5.00 to 7.00; Otter, prime dark, \$6.00 to 8.00.

FLOUR.-The stocks in store and in the hands

of millers on the morning of the 15th inst were main now unsold, and in a short time prices will 35,297 brls, against 34,670 brls on the 1st inst. and 54,063 bris on the 15th January, 1879. Receipts during the past week were 5,727 brls; shipments during the week 2,587 brls; business is still very quiet, and nothing enquired for but small lots for local wants. There are plenty of sellars who are inclined to ask old prices, but have to make concessions in order to effect sales. The only sales reported to-day were 100 brls spring extra at \$5.921 and 100 bris strong bakers at \$6.50. We quote Superior Extra \$6.20 to 6.25; Extra Superfine \$6.10 to 6.15; Fancy \$5.70, nominal; Spring Extra, new ground, \$6.00 to 0.00; Superfine \$5.65 to 5.75. Strong B kers Flour \$6.25 to 6.50; Fine \$5.25 to 5.35; middlings \$4.40 to 4.45; Pollird \$3.20 to 3.30; Ontario Bags \$2.90 to 3.00; Oatment \$4.70 to 4 75; Cornmeal \$2 00.

GRAIN.-Wheat.-The stock in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 15th inst was 131,246 bushels against 123,569 bush. on the 1st inst and 84,655 bushels on the 15th of January, 1879. Receipts during the week 38,701 bushels ; shipments for the week 37,449 bushels. Canada spring wheat is easier, a few car lots have changed hands at \$1.40 to 1.41 ; Peas are a little stiffer and cannot now be bought under SIC; Maize is quiet, nominal at 65 to 62c in Bond. Oats are about IC dearer and are now worth from 32 to 33c. Barley is nominal at 60 to 70c; and Rye 82 to 85.

GROCERIES .- Teas .- The demand has greatly improved since our last, and a fair amount of business has been done, holders are very firm. lines most in demand are scarce, Japans run from 30 to 57c. according to quality. Young Hyson not in request ; Blacks quiet, some low class has been placed from 27 to 30c. Coffee .-The business done is in small compass, the chief demand is for Java at 32 to 34c; and Maracaibo at 224 to 24c. Sugar.-Firmness rules in this market, although there is no change in quotations; the demand has not been very active. stocks are pretty full at present. Paris lumps are not much asked for, prices continue at 11 to 111c; Granulated, sales are still made at 10 to 10§; Grocers' A. 101 to 101; Montreal yellow, 8% to 9%. Raw Sugars are quiet and perhaps a little easier, the range being $7\frac{3}{5}$ to gc. Melasses are still quiet and neglected, Ba baddes is held for about 38c. and Trinidad at 35c. S rups are quiet, amber is selling at 55c. Rice is unchanged. Spices are quiet and prices are without q otable change, we therefore still quote Black Pepper 101 to 11C; White Peprer, 18 to 19; Cloves are easier at 35 to 42c; Cassia 17c; Nutmegs 60 to 85c; African ginger 7 to 8c ; Jamaica ginger 20 to 25c ; Mace 75 to 90c. Fruit .-- There has been a small business done in most kinds of fruit and prices generally are well maintained, the scarcity of arragona almonds continues and merchants here are now drawing their supplies from Toronto. We now quote layer raisins \$2 to 2.25; London layers 2. 5 to 3.00; Valencias 7½ to 82; Sultanas 8 to 9c; Currants 7 to 8½c; Figs 8 to 12½c; Frunes, no new in market, old stock 6½c; Tarragona almonds very scarce 18 to 19½c; Filberts 8½ to 94c; Bordeaux walnuts 81 to 104c.

HILES .- The demand continues active, and butchers are trying hard to advance prices still further, but bnyers cannot see things in that light, and we hear of nothing being paid beyond \$10, \$9 and \$8 for Nos. 1, 2 and 3 respectively. (alfskins are getting into better supply, and are worth from 10 to 12c per lb.

HARDWARE.-For the past week there is not much to report beyond confirming all the recent advances in heavy goods. The actual con-sumptive demand is small, and transactions of any consequence have been to merchants, who readily picked up lots offering at anything under actual cost of importation. Few lots re-

be considerably higher in this market. We now quote Pig Iron per ton: Calder, \$33 to 34; Summerlee, \$33 to 34; Langloan, \$33 to 34; Eglinton, \$32 to 33; Carnbroe, \$32 50 to 33 50; Hematite, \$33 to 35; Bars, per 100 lbs., Scotch and Staffordshire, \$2.50 to 2.63; best do., \$2.75 to \$3.00; Swedes and Norway, \$4.75 to 5.00; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$6.50 to 7; Canada Plates per box, Glamorgan and Budd, 7; Canada Plates per box, Glamorgan and Budd, \$5 to 5.50; Penn and Garth, \$5; Do inion and Arrow, \$5 to 5 50; Hatton, \$4.75 to \$5. Tinned Plates per box—Charcoal, I C, \$9.75 to 10.00Charcoal, I X \$11.75 to 12.00; Charcoal, D C, \$9.00 to 9.50; Coke, I C, \$8.75 to 9.00. Gal-vanized Shreet, \$8.25 to 9.00; for best brands; Hurdscad P. mid-Huops and B nds, per 100 lbs., \$2.75 to 3; Sheets, Hulps and B has, per too lbs., \$2.75 to 3; Sheets, best brands, \$3 to 3.25 : B il r Plate, Stafford-shire, \$3 to 3.25; do., Lo vmoor and Bowling, \$7.25 to 9; Russia Sheet Iron, per lb., 14 to 15c; Lead, Pig, \$5.25 to 5.75; do., Sheet \$6.00 to 6.50; do., Shot, \$6.50 to 7.0; Steel, Cast, 13 to 15; Spring, \$3.50 to 4.00; Tire, \$3.50 to 4.00; Sleigh Shoe, \$3.00 to 3.50; Ingot Tin, \$28 to 20; Ingot Catter Soa to 20; Shoet Tin, \$28 10 30; Ingut Cupper, \$22 to 23; Sheet Zinc, \$6.50 to 7; Spelter, 6 to 6.50; Horse Shoes, \$4.00 to 4.50; Proved Coil Chain, § in., \$5.25 to 5.75; Anchors, 6 to 7c; Iron Wire, No. 6, per **b** , \$2.20 to 2.50. *Cut Nails*, 10 dy to 60 dy, \$3.35; 8 dy and 9 dy, \$3.60; 6 dy and 7 dy, \$4.10; 4 dy and 5 dy, \$4.35; 3 dy, \$4.60.

LEATHER .- Business has been quiet since we last wrote, though a slightly improved demand has been noticed from the shoe manufacturers. Spanish and slaughter sole have been rather more active, though concessions have been made in some instances, and the tone of the market is rather easier, upper is neglected while splits are wanted, and light and desirable stock is scarce at the moment. Buft & pebble are in better inquiry, and best makers bring full prices. We quote Hemlock Sp nish Sule, No. 1, B. A., 28 to 29c; ditto No. 2, B. A., 26 to 27c; No. 1, Ordinary, 27 to 28c; No. 2, ditto, 25c to 26; Zanzibar, ditto No. 1., 23 to 24c ; ditto No. 2, 20 to 21c; Buffalo Sole, No. 1, 24 to 25c; ditto No. 2, 21 to 22c; Hemlock slaughter, No. 1, 28 to 30c; Waxed Upper, light and medium, 40 to 42c ; ditto, heavy, 38 to 40c; Grained, 38 to 42c; Splits. large, 28 to 36c; ditto, small, 25 to 30c; Calfskins, (27 to 36 lbs.) 50 to 70c per lb., ditto (18 to 26 lbs.) 50 to 60c per lb; Sheepskin linings, 25 to 35c; Harness, 27 to 32c; Buffed cow, 14 to 17c; Enamelle! cow, 15 to 17c; Patent cow 15 to 17c; Pebbled cow 14 to 17c; Rough 26 to 3oc.

OILS .- There is nothing doing just now in fish oils, and stocks are within narrow limits, prices show no quotable change since last week, and holders in the meantime will not accept lower figures than our quotations. Cod oil, Newfoundland, 50 to 52½; Seal, pale 52½ to 55c; ditto straw 45c; ditto steam refined 57½ to 65c; Linserd Oil, raws 75c. ditto boiled 80c. and firm at these figures. Olive \$1.10 to 1.25; Palm Oil 83 to gc; Petroleum.--As the days begin to lengthen, the demand seems to be falling off, but perhaps the absence of demand this week is caused by the bad state of the roads preventing buyers getting into the city, there is no immediate prospect of any change in quotations, which are however pretty well maintained. We continue to quote car lots 161c; Broken lots 17c; Single bris 17 to 18c.

PROVISION .- Butter.- Receipts 4703 pkgs; Shipments 4872 packages, the enquiry this past week has been good and sales to a fair extent both for local consumptio and exportation have taken place. Creamery Butter is nominal at 26 to 28c: Eastern Township 20 to 23c: Brockville 18 to 20c: Western 15 to 20c; Cheete.—Receipts for this week 585 boxes; Ship ments 380 boxes; market firm with upward tendency in sympathy with the English market

which has advanced to 71/ per cwt., we quote | received, the stocks of flour being also larger about 1c higher than last week viz., 13 to 14c: than in 1878, are as follows : Pork is dull and weak but not quotably lower \$17 to 17. 50 for mess being still quoted. Lard is rather higher aud in moderate demand at 103 to 111c: Smoked hams 111 to 12c: Bacon 81 to 91c.

SALT .- The market is decidedly firmer and we hear of nothing under 65c for Coarse.

WOOL.-Were the stocks here a large business would be done in wool, there is a good enquiry and any small sales transpiring show prices well maintained, unassorted pulled selling slowly at 30 to 33c; heavy Cape unchanged at 22.

TORONTO MARKETS

Toronto, 22nd Jan., 1880.

It could hardly be otherwise than that trade should be dull, with prolonged rainy, foggy weather and muddy roads. Retailers in the city find business quiet ; in the country, though they are not selling many goods, they are making some progress with collections.

CATTLE.-Not much is doing, shipping beeves are got with difficulty at 4c. live weight, and they have to be fed in the meantime. Up about Guelph feeders are keeping their heaviest cattle and feeding them with more care, expecting to get 51c. for them in the spring. Messrs. Frankland & Morse have engaged freight for some 2000 head during the coming summer for the British market. Sheep as well as lambs are plentiful enough in the country, but only few are coming in just now.

DRY GOODS.-Buyers have returned from Europe. Travellers are now at work in their respective districts. Silks are appreciably cheap-Dress goods are for the most part chaste in style and colorings, while trimmings are somewhat elaborate, but in harmony with the prevailing styles of dress goods. Foreign cottons, sheetings and staples, are virtually excluded by Canadian competition. The demand for home made fabrics, indeed, is at present in excess of the supply, many of the mills having sold all they can make until next June. Tweeds are moving rapidly. Remittances fair. The sympathy which exists between the business of Canada and that of the United States has always been patent to the most ordinary observ-The unparalelled prosperity of our neighbors during the past year, promises a corres-Ponding result to the commercial interests of the Dominion for 1880.

FLOUR.-Stocks in store 14,398 bbls against 15,798 bbls. last week and 13,776 bbls on like date last year. No flour moving except in small lots to the local trade, mostly bakers' flours, such as Spring extra at outside quotations and strong bakers' at \$5.55. The feeling is decided ly easier and shippers have been out of the mar ket, prices this side the Atlantic being too high for profitable shipment. "Flour is 4/- per bbl. and wheat 3/- per quarter higher in America than here," says a Liverpool letter of the 5th. Oatmeal is weaker, offering on Tuesday at \$4.15 in car loss with an other of the stady: in car lots with no takers. Cornmeal steady; about as quoted.

GRAIN.-Wheat-Fall.-Stocks 148,840 bush. against 141.552 bush. last week and 58,700 bush. on like date last year. The market during the week has been steady, but the feeling now is weaker with but little movement. One round lot of No. 2 changed hands at \$1.28 at close of Last week and No. 1 is held at \$1.26 at 51.30. The stocks at British ports are some 75 per cent. higher than last year, as may be seen from the four stocks at British ports are some 75 per the following list :-

Liverpool, 5th January.—The quantity of wheat and flour on passage for the United Kingdom at date is 2,250,000 quarters, and the rendered is quiet but price maint. returns of stock wheat on hand in U. K., so far being paid and car lots sold at 6 50.

D	ec. 31 '79	Dec. 31 '78
•	Qrs.	Qrs.
London	450,000	316,808
Liverpool	490,000	159,925
Hull	195,000	60,000
Glasgow	48,395	63,271
Leith	23,168	19,334
Dundee & Aberdeen	30,000	
Bristol	90,248	48,349
Londonderry	8,200	11,500
Dublin	115,977	159,052
Newry	26,000	
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838,239

Representing a supply of 11,815,000 bushels now as against 6,805,000 bush. a year ago, or an increase of 42 per cent. Wheat.—Spring.— Stocks in store 154,529 bush. against 167,920 bush. last week and 129.792 bush. on like date last year. We hear of a round lot of No. 1 changing hands at \$1.28; which is the only large transaction, prices were firm in the west till Wednesday when a break of a cent was reported. Oats .- Stocks in store 4,000 bush. against 4000 bush. last week, and 11,630 bush. on like date last year. Prices firmly maintained. Barley .- Stock in store 181,100 bush., against 182,425 bush., last week and 153,156 bush., on like date last year. Sales have been made of low grades, a considerable aggregate having changed hands No. 3. extra bought 57. No. 3. 50c and No. 2 66 and 67c closing rather weaker and with less enquiry. *Peas.*—Stocks in store 50,161 bush., against 79,538 bush., last week and 28,444 bush., on like date last year the market dull and easier.

GROCERIES.—Business has dragged a little for a week or two, which the soft weather and the bad roads will partially account for, Prices are upon the whole maintained, and there appears to be no over supply in any line. In cof. fees, Ceylon plantation shows a fair movement in small parcels, and is in good supply, Rio, there are some poor offering at under 20c, but finest brings 224; Mocha and Java quiet and steady. Fish are firm, and predictions are made of higher prices because of short supply down East, White fish \$3.90 to 4.00 per half bbl. Among *fruits*, Valencia raisins are the most active article, with an upward tendency. Sultanas, old are scarce, and new firm, currants in fair supply and looking higher, old are nominal; filbert nuts g to Ioc; walnuts IO to Iolc; almonds, 19 to 20c; lemon peel, candied, 25c; Molasses higher, as it cannot be laid down under 33. We quote 35 to 37 for clayed; Syrups are firm at former figures. *Rice* is steady; *Spices* continue firm, without much change. Raw sugars are moving but slowly, at sustained prices, Eng. and Scotch refined have been kept from coming into our market by the graduated price of Canadian, Redpath's brands are about as before reported, *Teas* rather quiet, we quote Japan common to good 35 to 50c; Congou and Souchong at a range of say 33 to 70c. Poreign liquors are fully maintained in price; brandies have been slowly and steadily appreciating since the unfavorable results of the last vintage became known. Hennessey's would now cost 10.-87 to lay down, we raise our prices, Martell's we quote 10.75 to 11.00; brandy which cost last year 180 francs is now invoiced at 260 francs. In wood, we quote 3.00 to 4.00. Champagne, 11.00 to 27.00 per case.

HIDES AND SKINS .- 1012C. is being paid for green steers, and Ioc for green cow hides, which are more plentiful than are wanted at the price. Sales are being made pretty steadily in smalls, sufficient to keep down accumulations and rol to 10¹/₄c. is obtained. Sheep kins continue pretty high, first class bring 1.60 to 2.00, Tallow rendered is quiet but price maintained, 6.00

HAY AND SEEDS .- During the week past both hay and straw offered plentifully, \$10 being top price for timothy hay, shading down to \$8; clover do. brought \$6 to \$8. Oat straw bundled we quote \$5 to 6.50 per ton, rye 5.00 to 6.00. Nothing doing as yet in *timothy seed*, farmers having barely began to bring it forward at Country points, it is not yet known if we have enough for the supply of the home market. There has apparently been more sown last year than in previous years. The clover seed market is un-settled; demand for export is very light, more having been grown than Canada can use, exporters are holding it at various points waiting a chance to ship. A° , however, only the choice is suited for export, there is much variation in the price ; on the street here all the way from 3.60 to 4.20 has been paid, car lots have offered at shipping points for re-cleaned clover in shipping order, for 4.50 to 4.80, but buyers are scarce and concessions have to be made from these prices. Alsike is enquired for, and worth 7.00 to 8.00 per bush.

IRON AND HARDWARE.—A moderate business is being done in this line, and paymenis are generally more satisfactory. The metal markets are firm abroad ; tin plates in Great Britain are especially high. We quote I. C. Charcoal sto to 10.25; block tin, 28 to 30c; grain do. 31 to 32c; sheet sinc, 6³/₂ to 7⁴/₂c; Copper un-changed, ingot 19 to 20c; Galvanised iron, No. 26, 8c; No. 28, 8³/₂c; Lead pigs, 5¹/₂ to 5⁴/₂c; Bar 51 to 52c; Sheet 6c; Shot steady at say 61 to 7c; Brass Sheets 30 to 32c; Iron Wire is higher, quotation for No. 6 being \$2.10 to 2.20, other sizes in proportion; Horse shoes, advancing, from selling a few months ago at \$3.25; they have now gone to \$4. An advance in horse nails is also advised. Manufacturers' circulars of 20th inst. indicating 25 per cent. rise in Mooney's "C" Canada Plates, the season being over, prices are somewhat easier, we now quote Hatton \$4.50, and other brands \$5.00. Pig iron steady at quotations. Bar, steady at \$2.75 for ordinary, and \$3.00 for Nova Scotia. Swedes, \$4.75; Norway, \$5.00; Russia, sheets 11, to 12c. Prices of steel are somewhat enhanced, we quote spring 32 to 4c; sleighshoe 3c; tire 3³/₃; cast 13¹/₃ to 14c. Antimony 18 to 19c; Babbit metal 7¹/₃ to 25c. according to brand. A change in price of axes may be expected as we said last week, meantime we quote \$8.50 to 10.00 for "Peerless" and Forest King and Queen. Rope.-Manilla, 101 to 11c; Russia sea, 15 tc. to 16 tc.

OILS AND PAINTS .- There is a stiffer feeling in Lard, we quote extra, 72 to 75c; No. I, 60 to 65c; competition in Linseeds has forced prices down somewhat, boiled is selling at 74 to 76c and raw at 72 to 74c; Turpen ine higher, 65 to 68; Whiting is looking upward, and red Wad sells at 6 to 64c. PROVISIONS.—Trade during the past week

has been extremely quiet. Owing to the continued mild weather dressed hogs have been arriving in a soft condition, and lower prices have been paid for them. For good, heavy hogs \$6.75 can be got. Ou rquotations for bacon remain unaltered, only small lots selling very little of either mess pork or bacon moving at present, and hams sell slowly at 11 per smoked. Butter is rather easier, though there is a fair demand for choice goods from the city trade. Cheese is firm and advancing, finest now commands²14c here from the grocery trade. Cable quotes on 21 st., inst., 72/. Dried ap/ies are rather easier, with not much demand. White

beans \$1.40. WOOL.—These is not much movement this week. Dealers pay 30c for *fleece* and we hear of a sale at 321c. For *pulled* city houses are getting 32 to 38c according to quality. The lower grades of wool are in more request by manufacturers, and as domestics are scarce, Cape and Australian wool have been imported to meet the enquiry. Cape is offered at 18 to

20C; Australian lamb at 16 to 17; Australian locks, 16 to 17c; Merino 22 to 23; Scotch from 30 to 33c.

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January 22, 1880.

NOTICE !

ANCHOR MARINE INSURANCE COMP'Y.

The Annual Meeting of the above Company will be held at the offices of the Company, Nos. 22, 24, and 26 Church street, Toronto, on MONDAY, the 28 and ay of FEBRUARY next, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of Electing Directors for the ensuing year and for the transac-tion of other business. By order of the board, Toronto, Jan. 21, 1880. HUGH SCOTT. Sec'y.

The Guelph Mutual Fire Insurance Company assessed its premium notes seven per cent. to meet a loss of \$1,280 in May last, which was paid. This Company has risks amounting to \$110,6 5 and premium notes to cover the same the face value of which \$5,278.



The Subscribers offer to parties desiring to engage in Copper Mining the mining right to the following properties, known as the

Vicioria and Champion Copper Mines.

In the Township of Ascot, County of Sherbrooke, Que., immediately adjoining and on the same vein with the successful workings of the (rford Nickel & Copper (ompany, of Boston, upon the Capel Copper Mice, which adjoins the North American Copper Works and the Hartford and Crown Copper Mines. The properties are within a half mile of Capelton Station, on the Passumpsic Railway, and close to the Grand Trunk Railway:-

Lots 3 and 4, Range 7, Ascot. Part lot 5 Lot 5 Part lot 4 ** 8, 8,

Also, part of the North-East quarter of Lot 4 in the 8th Range, with buildings thereon erected. About 350 acres in all.

SMELTING WORKS have been erected by the Orford Company within a very short distance of the above properties, and very successful operaof the above properties, and very successful opera-tions are being carried on by them, with ores ob-tained from the Capel and Crown Mines. A full report upon the properties offered for sale was recently made by GEO. W. GESNER, and can be seen at the office of the undersigned. A still more recent report was made by PROF. I. D. WHITING, of Har-vard, upon the adjoining Hartford and Crown Mines. DR. STERRY HUNT has also given interesting infor-mation upo the metalliferous characteristics of the receipt. region

For further particulars and terms apply to

HOPE & TEMPLE.

18 King St. East, TORONTO



At this Exhibition, His Excellency the Marquis of Lorne will give a Bronze Medal as a prize for the

BEST ORIGINAL DESIGN FOR PRACTICAL USE IN ART MANUFACTURE.

The subject to be some Canadian plant, flower, or leaf

ROBERT HAY, Eso., M.P., will give \$25 as a prize for the best original design for a Cabinet.

MESSRS. M. STAUNTON & CO. will give \$15 as a prize for the best original design for Paper Ha g-ings, not to exceed six shades of colour; subject matter to be some Canadian plant, flower or leaf.

The OSHAWA CABINET COMPANY will give silver medal for the bost original design for a Side-board in Mediæval style.

MESSRS. HUNTER & ROSE will give \$10 as a prize for the best original design for a Cloth Case for bookbinding.

MR. J. MCCAUSLAND, of Toronto, will give a prize of \$15 for the best design in the "Queen Anne domestic" style for stained glass door, or door ', for hall, vestibule, etc.

Other Manufacturers who may be Interested are Invited to Join in Giving Prizes.

No prize will be awarded unless the design is of sufficient merit to be approved by the Council of the Academy, and in all cases simplicity and elegance will be preferred to elaboration.

Designs for above competition to be sent to the Secretary of the Canadian Academy at Ottawa not later than the 15th February.

Entry forms and other particulars obtained from the Secretary,

M. MATTHEWS. 14 KING ST. WEST, TORONTO.

SATISFACTORY LIFE INSURANCE.

Secretary.

On page 48 of the last Report of the Superintendent of Insurance may be found a sworn statement of the lapsed and surrendered policies of each Life Insurance Company. Even in good times there is always a lapse in the best of companies of from five to eight or ten per cent. each year; and when, in a year like1878, people hold on to their Policies in the

ÆTNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

so much better than the average, it is a strong indication that those who have selected the ÆTNA are very well satisfied with the choice. We quote the official figures of a dozen Companies, adding a column showing the percentage of the lapses to the Insurance in Force at the beginning of the year:

NAME OF COMPANY.	In Force. Jan. 1, 1878.	Lapsed during 1878.	Per- centage.
ÆTNA LIFE	8 8.211.316	\$ 626,659	7.63
Canada	16 308 148	1.347.818	8.20
Equitable	5 535 990	821,165	14.83
Travellers	3,130,487	534.011	17.06
Metropolitan	1 477 000	272.5 0	18.45
Union Mutual	3.254,686	631.067	19.38
Confederation	4.788.334	984,667	20.58
London & Lancashire	1.643.258	393.275	28.93
Sun, Montreal	2,990.058	748.575	25.03
Mutual Hamilton	1,331 398	392.307	29.46
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Briton, Edinburgh	149,360	⁺ 83.000	55.57

If "the proof of the pudding is in the eating," then page 48 of the Insurance blue-book of Canada, showing the above, has a lesson for those desiring **BATISFACTORY** life insurance

The ÆTNA deposits the ENTIRE RESERVE on all policies now being issued in Canada in the hands of the Dominion Government, thus virtually furnishing Government Life Insurance of the best character. This is not done by any of the local companies. Policies Nonforfeitable.

WM. H. ORR Manager. FIRST-CLASS AGENTS WANTED. TORONTO

THE STANDARD Fire Insurance Comp'y

Head Office — Hamilton.

GOVERNMENT DEPOSIT, \$25,000.

This Company has the largest Government Deposit of any purely Provincial Company.

It confines its business exclusively to this Pro vince, and limits its Liability on any First-Class **Risk** to \$3,000.

PRESIDENT.

D. B. CHISHOLM, Esq., Barrister, late Mayor of Hamilton, and Ex M.P. for Hamilton.

SECRETARY-TREASURER

H. THEO, CRAWFORD.

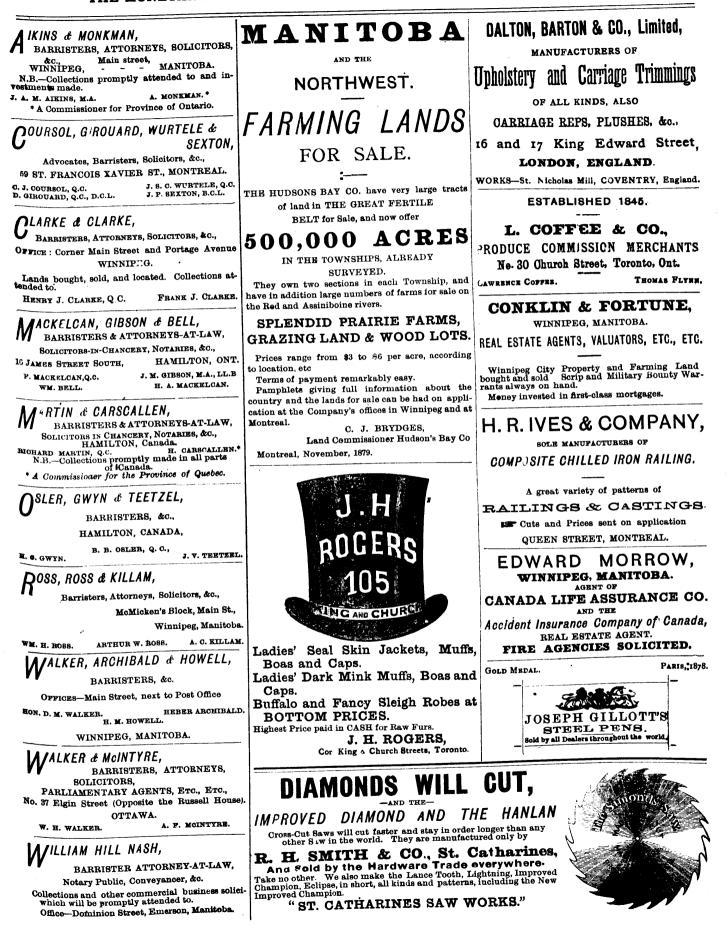
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Toronto Barristers.	STOCK AND BOND REPORT.								
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