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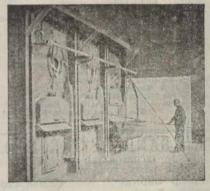
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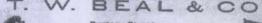
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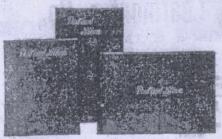
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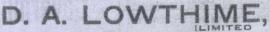
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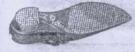
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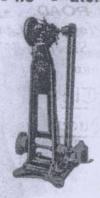
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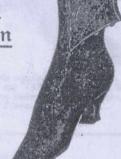
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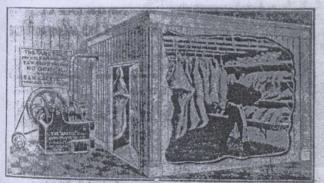
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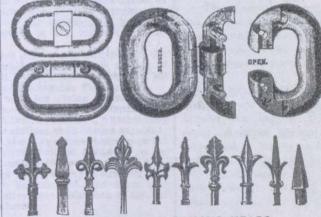
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Application is to be made for an extension of time for the commencement and completion of the Georgian Bay Canal.

The stock of McLean & Hood, general merchants at Underwood, Ont., who failed recently, was sold for 651/2 cents in the dollar. The creators expect to realize about 80 per cent. of their claims.

-The pentecoste Navigation Company of Quebec and the Canada South African Lumber Company of Montreal, with a capital stock of \$50,000, have been incorporated by letters patent.-The Montreal Park & Island Railway Company will ask Parliament for an extension of their powers, and an interpretation of certain clauses in their charter.

We learn from Ottawa that judgments have been handed out by Judges MacTavish, Singler and Riddell, before whom the appeals were argued regarding the assessment of the Ottawa Electric Railway Company, the Canada Atlantic property at the central depot, the Ottawa Electric Company, the Ottawa Gas Company, and of Ahearn & Soper's property on Sparks and Queen streets. By the judgment the city loses assessments amounting to \$65,000, but its rights to assess property leased from the Crown is confirmed by the court. This decision involves the city's right to assess property valued at no less than \$3,000,000.

-The recent meeting of the whole dry goods section of the Toronto Board of Trade was well attended. The reports received of trade throughout the country were encouraging. The officers elected were:-Chairman J. W. Woods; Deputy Chairman, H. J. Caulfield; Secretary-Treasurer, F. S. Morley; Executive Committee, Messrs. J. D. Allan, R. W. Spence, John Muldrew, E. J. Dignum, W. R. Johnston, J. M. Alexander, John Macdonald, W. R. Smallpiece, J. D. Ivey, Andrew Darling, C. Marriott, A. T. Reid, A. F. Rodger, John W. Little of London and John Knox of Ham-

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—As some disarrangement occurred in the make-up of the Annual Report of the Royal Bank last Friday, it will be found on another page this week in more shapely form.

—Sydney, N.S., Town Council is taking steps to establish municipal ownership of a gas plant to cost in the vicinity of \$75,000.

—A Dominion loan of four million pounds falls due in London on May 1st, the renewal of which will necessitate a representative of the Government going to London.

Ottawa Fire Chief Provost's annual report states that the total fire losses last year amounted to \$1,241,432, and the insurance to \$841,413. The loss on buildings was \$196,093, and on contents, including lumber piles, \$1,045,350.

—We are informed by the Bank of Ottawa that Mr. D. M. Finnie has been appointed Assistant General Manager, and manager of the principal office in Ottawa. We also learn that a branch of the Bank of Ottawa has been opened at Russell, Ont.

—The commission to investigate in Europe the electric smelting of iron ores and the manufacture of peat, consisting of Dr. Haanel, Mr. C. F. Brown, Mr. E. Nystian and Mr. Thos. Cote, have left for New York, whence they sailed on the 23rd instant.

—We learn from London that the Houston Line is arranging to run the steamers formerly sailing to Africa, to Canada from Liverpool. The Cunard Line is also fitting up steamers to ply between Liverpool and Boston, the object of both lines being to secure Canadian emigrants.

-A. Weisman and Co., clothing dealers, of Sudbury, Ont., have assigned to J. P. Johnston, a Sudbury solicitor. The

liabilities are understood to be large. A meeting of the creditors will be held this week. This is the third large failure in New Ontario within a few weeks.

-Mr. E. R. C. Clarkson, who has been appointed liquidator of the Palmerston, Ont., Pork Packing Company, will make an immediate investigation into the company's affairs. The concern has been in operation only a year, and the assets are the plant, upon which there is a heavy mortgage.

—The appointment of Hon. A. G. Blair, Hon. M. E. Bernier and Dr. James Mills as members of the Railway Commission is officially announced. Mr. Blair is designated as chief commissioner. The appointment of Hon. L. P. Brodeur, K.C., to be a member of the Privy Council and Minister of Inland Revenue is also announced.

—The Produce Exchange Banking Company, Cleveland, Ohio, closed its doors on the 22nd instant. The insolvency court has appointed the Cleveland Trust Company receiver. The assets and liabilities of the bank are each placed at \$1,500,000. The failure is due to a defaulting official who used the bank's money to speculate in grain.

—The total number of deposits made in the Toronto public schools for the week ending Jan. 16, was 1,881; amount deposited \$480. The highest amount received was at Park School, \$96 and the lowest at Queen Victoria, \$20. Two hundred and forty new accounts were opened. This shows a steady increase.

—The Sovereign Bank of Canada has taken over the business of Messrs. A. W. Carscallen & Co., private bankers, of Marmora. Ont. Mr. A. P. Smith, manager of the Marmora branch, has been promoted to another branch of the service, and will be succeeded by Mr. Jas. Parker, who is connected with the firm of Carscallen & Co.

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-The Government have approved of by-laws adopted by the Manitoulin & North Shore Railway Company, fixing their freight and passenger tolls. The maximum passenger rate is four cents per mile, except between points on Manitoulin Island, where the rate is three and a half cents.—Port Rowan having been closed as an outport of customs, the registry of ships, formerly done at that port, will hereafter be made at the port of Simcoe.

-Leiut.-Col. Tucker, M.P. for St. John, reports that he has succeeded in the mission to Ottawa, viz., to induce the Government to make immediate provision for dredging the west end of the harbor to give accummodation for the growing trade of the port next season. St. John has all the shipping this winter that its limited facilities can accommodate, and is providing dockage in advance for an even larger traffic next winter.

-Work is now well under way on Canada's exhibit for the St. Louis exhibition. Already five carloads of exhibits from different parts of the Dominion have been packed ready for movement, and will be forwarded by the C.P.R. on February

7th and 8th. A car of fruit has also been placed in coldstorage, awaiting shipment to the exposition. The cars already packed include the pick of Canada's agricultural, forest and mineral wealth.

-The members of the Commercial Travellers' Mutual Benefit Society who attend the twenty-third annual meeting at Toronto some days ago, heard a most encouraging report of the organization. The society has 1,463 members, representing insurance of \$1,841,000. During the last year there were twenty-one deaths, and \$22,000 was paid in policies. The total assets are now \$48,646.09, an increase for the year of \$10,053. During the twelve months \$103,000 of new insurance was written.

-Kingston advices state that United States Consul Twitchell, asked about his report to Washington as to a Canadian factory manufacturing short twine for sale in the United States says he came upon the matter by chance and made full enquiry, with the disclosure that it was only giving 430 to 500 feet per pound, instead of 600, and was underselling United States productions in its own land. The Consul says

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The investigation of the Commission of Colonization into conditions existing in the northern part of the Province of Quebec, will, it is expected, result in the principal laws regarding colonization being changed. The investigations showed that speculators bought up large tracts of land, and after cutting all the timber, re-sold it in lots to colonists. The new laws will require that the colonists should have the right to all timber on their lots. The Canadian Pacific Railway has agreed to granting special passenger and freight rates to all colonists in this province.

Regulations for the payment of bounties on lead contained in ores mined in Canada have been approved of by the Government, on the recommendation of the Department of Trade ad Commerce. It is provided that the smelting of ores is to be under the supervision of an officer of the department, who can at any time demand and receive a portion of the floor sample of any ore delivered at the smelter for smelting purposes. All claims for bounty are to be substantiated by oath of the manager of the smelter works, and verified and certified by a departmental officer. The cost of supervision must be borne by the claimants.

The Canadian exhibition officials have been induced, through a Western M.P., to include a display of Canadian tobacco from Essex and Kent counties in the exhibit at St. Louis, Mo. The object is to further demonstrate to visitors to the exhibition the resources of Canada. Essex and Kent counties raise what is called the Burley leaf, a kind similar to that grown in Kentucky. The agents of foreign manufacturers assure Canadians that the Canadian tobacco is a second grade article. The advantage of having a tobacco exhibit at St. Louis is that Canadian visitors will see raw leaf tobacco from this country alongside tobacco from Kentucky, and will be convinced that the former is quite equal to 90 per cent. of the fragrant weed which is sold in the United States.

The sales of the Canada Northwest Land Company for the year 1903 amounted to 259,204 acres, for which was realized the sum of \$1,361,885. This shows considerable falling off compared with the sales of the previous year, which amounted to 515,017 acres for \$2,513,578. The decrease is accounted for by the fact that in 1902 several large tracts were sold to companies while last year the great bulk of the land sold was bought by individual purchasers. The price realized

last year shows an advance over the preceding year. The sales of lots in the company's town sites reflect a gratifying state of progress in the West. The sales last year aggregated \$255,190 against \$93,500 in 1902. This indicates a development of western towns along the main line of the Canadian Pacific railway, which has created a demand for town property. The company's town sites are located on the C. P. R. between Brandon and the Rocky Mountains.

—A bulletin just issued by the Bureau of Provincial Information for British Columbia, reviewing the industrial conditions of the past year, gives the output of the metalliferous mines of the province at 1,276,000 tons. The coal mined amounted to 168,000 tons. The total value of the mining output is \$19,200,000, which was nearly two millions of dollars' increase over the previous year, notwithstanding the strikes which paralyzed the industry in the early part of the past year. With the exception of the salmon pack, which is greatly below the average, all other industries show large increases. Cut timber during the year was fifteen per cent. greater; the dairying output one-third; fruit marketed, thirty-five per cent. increase; halibut and other fish, forty per cent. The value of the total productions of the province was about thirty millions. The value of the exports was twenty-one millions, five millions increase over the previous year.

—Important regulations regarding the inspection of baggage coming into Canada from the United States and other foreign countries will go into effect on Feb. 1. The new rules will call for the examination of all luggage by the Dominion Customs officers so far as possibe at the port of entry on the frontier, and the forwarding of it in bond without delay to its destination. These regulations will su-

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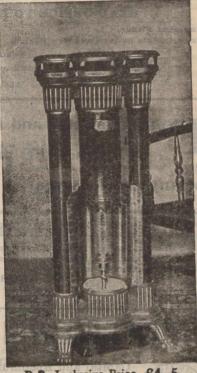
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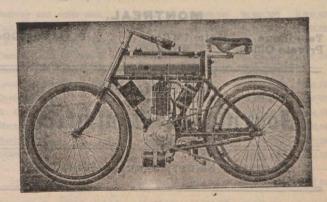
-Premier Murray presented the financial statement for the past fiscal year in the Nova Scotia House of Assembly some days ago. The total revenue from all sources was \$1,-243,581, an increase of \$103,000 over 1902. The increase is largely due to the increase in royalties on coal, the total amount received from that source being \$619,234, the largest in the history of the province. The total expenditure on ordinary account was \$1,177,330, leaving a surplus of \$66,250, the second largest in the history of the province, being only exceeded in 1900, when it was \$76,000. Increased expenditures were made on agriculture, public charities and roads and bridges, and miners' relief societies. The total expenditure on capital account was \$999,161, of which \$823,982 was for railways, and \$175,000 for general provincial purposes. The largest items of capital expenditure were for the purchase of the Uova Scotia Central Railway, and on account for the construction of the Halifax and South-western. To provide for the payment of these amounts a loan had been floated in London on very favorable terms,

—A proposition has been made to the Federal Government for the establishment on the Fraser River of an international hatchery at the joint expense of the Governments of Canada and the United States. It is not likely that this proposal will be entertained by the Dominion authorities. A prominent official speaking of the matter. said:—"Canada is able to do all that is necessary for the propagation of fish and care of her fisheries without taking the United States into partnership. If the American canners have suffered during the past season, it is due to the destructive methods adopted by the companies owning canning establishments on Puget

Sound, particularly with regard to the substitution of trap nets for the customary boat fishing. The fish, as it were, last season almost intuitively avoided the traps and kept more in Canadian waters, so that while it is true the British Columbia canning returns were not so favorable last year as in previous years, they were relatively much better than the results obtained by the United States canneries."

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THE DECEMBER BANK STATEMENT.

The banking record of 1903 will probably be the most striking exhibit of advancement for some years to come. It is unlikely that as many new banks will be organized for a length of time as those in 1903, nor is it at all probable that as many new branches will be opened in any one year in the future. Both the provision of new banks and of branches is being realized as having exceeded the needs of the country. The plea for this increase was based upon the great development of banking business since the depression that prevailed from 1893 to 1897 passed away and an era of exceptional prosperity set in.

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It is one thing for business to expand largely under such conditions, but a very different one for the expansion to go on continuously-after the reaction has run its course following years of hard times. Another cause of more banks being organized last year was the apparently endless development of stock exchange business, steadily calling for greater and greater funds for call and short loans. These over-sanguine anticipations which ran riot early in 1903, received a severe check in the later months of the year. Thus the December statement shows that these loans in Canada fell from \$51,385,890 to \$39,029,667, and those outside Canada

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STATE OF NEW YORK INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

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I, FRANCIS HENDRICKS, Superintendent of Insurance of the State of New York, do hereby certify that the MUTTAL RESERVE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, of the City of New York, in the State of New York, is duly authorized to transact the business of Life Insurance in the State.

I further certify that in accordance with the provisions of Section Fifty-two and Eighty-Jour of the insurance law of the state of New York I have caused the policy obligations of the said Company, outstanding on the 3'st day of December, 1902, to be valued as per the Combined Experience Table of Mortality, at Four per cent. interest, and the American Experience Table of Mortality, at Three and one-half per cent. interest and I find the net value thereof, on the said 3ist day of December, 1902, to be Four Million Forty-five Thousand, Six Hundred and Thirty seven Dollars, as follow:

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from \$43,704,054 to \$34,991,423. Canadian call loans shrank to the extent of \$12,356,223, and outside call loans \$8,712,631, last year making a total reduction of \$21,068,854 in this class of business, a drop of 20 per cent. instead of an increase, as some people calculated upon. Those who expect to see that \$21,068,854 recovered must be sanguine indeed.

The increase in discounts last year was certainly unprecedented. The Canadian total rose during the year from \$322,879,089 to \$384,419,677, while the outside discounts were reduced from \$34,131,237 to \$18,616,518. The Canadian increase in discounts amounted to \$61,-540,588, and the outside decrease was \$15,514,719, the net increase being \$46,025,869. If the discounts and the short loans are put together, as at the close of 1902 and 1903, the result is a total in the earlier year of \$456,100,270, and last year \$477,057,285, the net increase in the two classes of loans being only \$20,957,015. Whether an increase of, say, 21 millions was sufficient to render an increase of 6 millions advisable in paid-up capital is a question. At the close of 1902 the percentage of paid-up capital to loans was 13.8; at the close of 1903 the percentage of paid-up capital to loans was 16.5; in 1900 the proportion of paid-up capital to loans was 18.8 per cent.

Apart from the new capital of new banks the increase of capital in older banks was made in order to give a wide scope for note issues. The anticipations in this respect were not fulfilled. The maximum last year was only 41 millions in excess of the maximum in 1902, when, under exceptional conditions, the circulation expanded rapidly to a high figure. The reduction of the note issues during December from \$67,425,586 to \$62,-539,407, a decrease of 5 millions in the course of one month, was remarkable; it was one of the special features of the past year. Between the end of October and end of December the banks redeemed 8 millions of circulation, which goes far beyond any precedent. In this connection it is a point for consideration whether the extension of branches will not tend to the quicker return of notes to the issuing bank after being paid out.

During last year the deposits on demand rose from \$115,890,499 to \$120,529,032, those payable after notice from \$254,217,869 to \$279,327,788. Those outside Canada decreased from \$37,199,339 to \$34,479,937, the net increase in deposits during the year being \$27,029,050. In 1902 the net increase in deposits was \$40,212,182, of which \$5,844,077 was in deposits outside Canada.

We append our usual comparative statement; the complete bank returns appear on a later page in this issue:

THE BANK STAT	TEMENTS.		
Dec., 1903.	Nov., 1903.	Dec., 1902.	Dec., 1893.
Capital authorized 97,046,666	97,046,666	83,832,566	75,958,685
Capital subscribed 79,302,284	79,219,222	73,458,866	63,170,654
Capital paid-up 78,563,236	78,398,733	72,795,440	62,099,243
Reserve fund 50,598,511	50,374,087	44,517,681	26,459,815
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LIABILITIES,			
Notes in circulation 62,539,407	67,425,586	60,574,144	34,418,936
Due Dominion Government 3,866,064	2,479,722	6,497,029	3,399,290
Due Provincial Govts 3,970,577	2,504,914	3,123,493	2,977,986
Deposits on demand120,529,032	120,098,903	115,890,499	62,594,075
Deposits after notice279,327,788	278,530,529	254,217,869	107,885,149
h Deposits outside Canada 34,479,937	32,040,968	37,199,339	mon.in.
Loans on bks in Canada, sec. 865,949	765,787	719,778	200,476
Depts. on demand in Can. bks. 4,155,565	4,559,940	3,202,550	2,421,394
Due agencies in U.K 2,884,279	2,644,917	5,611,582	4,151,804
Due agencies abroad 1,830,528	1,816,455		166,966
Other liabilities 11,475,029	10,147,883	11,314,489	446,796
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Total liabilities525,924,229	523,015,760	499,508,534	218,662,965
ASSETS.			
Specie 16,101,019	15,447,095	12,892,235	7,691,331
Dominion Notes 30,941,367	30,464,185	24,730,575	13,287,292
Deposits securing circulation. 3,130,844	3,130,844	3,297,270	
Notes & cheques on other bks. 21,686,472	21,675,636	20,517,282	8,323,753
Loans to other bks in Can., sec. 886,531	765,877	719,777	
Depts on demand in Can. bks 6,392,486	6,064,417	4,873,336	3,630,883
Due from bks., etc., in U.K 9,258,198	14,225,292	9,023,489	3,540,220
Due from foreign bks, etc 12,703,927	11,225,292	13,094,959	18,229,248
Dom. and Prov. Govt. secs 10,722,900	10,660,750	9,455,752	3,191,383
Can. municipal & other pub. sec 14,517,538	14,672,614	14,879,654	9,981,680
(Not Dominion.)		Mameda	
Railway and other secs 38,351,233		00 000 000	ot bell.
Call loans in Canada 39,029,667	38,595,240	36,925,800	6,692,856
Call loans outside Canada 34,991,423	39,109,610		14,236,629
Current loans in Canada384,419,677	33,221,069 380,688,701	43,704,054	000 007 400
Current loans outside Canada. 18,616,518	21,208,965	322,879,089 34,131,237	200,397,498
Loans to Provincial Govts 2,708,299	2,144,135		2,263,712
Overdue debts 2,229,568	1,983,619	1,764,813	3,040,078
R. E. besides bk premises 779,993	747,402	864,820	834,480
Mortgages on real estate 724,446	724,143	762,182	636,640
Bank premises 8,969,272	8,895,399	7,556,236	5,132,156
Other assets 5,983,964	6,834,900	7,105,459	1,129,385
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Total assets	662,277,180	625,388,209	304,231,696
Loans to directors & their firms 10,878,573	11,316,467	11,159,908	8,384,891
Average specie for month 15,140,495	14,497,995	12,946,922	7,511,931
Av. Dominion notes for mo 29,647,360	29,242,649	23,958,726	12,901,539
Grt'st circulation during mo 67,827,377	71,250,776	65,498,869	36,850,205

-Among the many failures recorded each year in the retail trade the druggist is not found to a large extent, presumably because there is a mystery about his goods sufficient to keep the untrained out; and sufficient profit in their sale to keep the man in affoat. However, we hear occasionally of the dispenser not being a success. Mittleberger & Co., druggists, St. Catharines, Ont., have not been rated very well in the agency books for some time, and have now assignned to the sheriff. The company carried on a considerable business. A statement has not yet been prepared.

# THE DUTIES OF ELECTORS.

One of the regrettable characteristics of the age is the indifference in the minds of business men in exercising the rights they possess under the franchise. It is not unfrequent to hear the higher classes of citizens, men who have a stake in the land, complain of the result of the polling contests, of the character of the men elected to represent them in the councils of the nation, of the men whom they are obliged to endure as representatives in parliament, in our city government-in the chair of the chief magistrate, when the blame is largely at their own doors. Ask many of our leading business men if they have registered their votes for the deserving condidate, the one best fitted for the dignity, and the probability is that one in every four has never voted at all. He excuses himself by saying he "was too busy at the time"-he thought "there were enough to elect the right man without him," etc. veriest qualified citizen, one with no stake in the country or the city beyond a pair of brawny arms-which, of course, are good capital also-we say that this man is more generally alive to his duty as an elector than the man who furnishes him with employment, whose capital and enterprise render life tolerable in our cities, who pays the great bulk of the taxes-but who, after all, seems to be so indifferent as to the manner in which they are spent. The business men of Montreal have often been accused of supineness in this respect. It is time to be alive to the importance of the issues at hand -to see that every vote they possess shall be cast for the right man for the place—that the men of integrity, who could spend their time to better advantage in their own counting house, but who have come into the field to perform their duties in a contest which often brings them "more kicks than halfpence"-but little honour and paucity of emoluments may receive the encouragement that they deserve—a man like Ald. Laporte, than whom Montreal seldom had one better qualified to fill the position of Chief Magistrate, one better fitted to represent the dignity of the Mayoralty. Where we may choose, let us have the best of the three.

### PECULIAR LIFE INSURANCE CASES.

In the Journal of Commerce for the first week in July last we dealt at some length with a couple of life insurance cases arising from special policies upon the lives of one of the Canadian contingents who went to fight the battles of the Empire in South Africa. The companies interested were the London & Lancashire Life and the Provident Savings. The case in the courts became a cross one as between the former company and H. C. Bellew, the field agent, the company claiming that the agent had not acted within the terms of the agreement, having accepted from the warriors promissory notes (payable to the order of the company) for certain premiums, and in settlement of the whole transaction charged the company with the sum of \$25 on each premium (extra rate), which he had, it seems, paid out of his own funds. The company endorsed the promissory notes without recourse. As the war was

over before the contingent could engage in active field service, the matter became more complicated. The company took action to collect from the agent or his security. The agent was shadowed by the company for reasons doubtless felt by them to be sufficient, and was (he alleged) detained or arrested one evening while waiting the pleasure of the company's manager. Because of this alleged interference with his freedom he took action for \$500 against the company.

The balance claimed by the company, about \$360, was disallowed by the court. The agent's claim of \$500 was allowed. Both cases were taken to appeal, with the result last week that the former judgments were unalterably maintained.

The claim for damages by Bellew was founded upon illegal arrest and detention at the Central Police office for several hours. The defence of the company was to the effect that they had given instruction to the chief of detectives to have the respondent shadowed, but that no arrest had ever been authorized; nor, in fact, made. The court below, however, considered that there had been an arrest and illegal detention, and awarded the damages claimed.

The case as regards the Provident Saving Society of New York, is somewhat similar. Some months ago the Superior Court in Montreal condemned that life insurance company to pay Bellew the sum of \$6,275, and this also was heard in appeal a few days ago. The declaration alleged that in April, 1902, during the war in South Africa, the fourth contingent was organized in Canada, to proceed to South Africa; that the respondent was instructed by the appellant, on or about 8th April, 1902, to go to Halifax in order to secure insurance risks on the lives of the men composing the contingent, then at Halifax; that the respondent went to Halifax and obtained applications for risks to the amount of \$251,000 on the lives of 235 men, which applications were accepted by the appellant. The policies issued contained a special stipulation which read as follows: "It is understood and agreed, etc., that, in consideration of written application, therefor, and also of the payment of an annual extra premium of \$25, the assured has hereby consented to engage in military service in South Africa in the army of Great Britain, any restriction in the policy contract to the contrary notwithstanding." The respondent advanced the extra premiums himself, and he claimed to be refunded the amount, viz., \$6,275. His ground of action was that hostilities had ceased when the contingent reached South Africa; that the members of it did not at any time engage in military service in South Africa; that they were not at any time exposed to the risks and perils of war; that the risks against which they insured did not attach, and that consequently no consideration was ever given for such extra premiums. The appellant pleaded that the \$25 additional premium covered the risk incurred by the journey to South Africa, and was earned by the company. The court below maintained the action, principally on the ground that when the insured arrived in South Africa, they could not engage in military service there, in time of war, as there was no war. 'The Court of Appeal concurred in the view of the case expressed by the court below, and judgment was confirmed unanimously.-Thus ended a couple of peculiar cases which caused no little degree of bitterness all round.

### THE BOARD OF TRADE,

At the annual meeting of the Board of Trade, Montreal, held on Tuesday last, there was a large attendance of members. The usual report for the past year was presented and generally approved. The proceedings in connection with the meetings of the Chambers of Commerce of the Empire, held in Montreal last summer, commanded much attention, and afforded opportunity for congratulation on the results of that important gathering.

The general tenor of the report, was, however, tame in its character. There was no attempt at any forecast of the future trade requirements of the country such as might have been expected from the Council of the Board of Trade of the most important trade centre of the Dominion. In former times this was not so. In the great future which is before this country the leading organization of the commercial spirit of the nation should be able to point directly to the leading measures still required to ensure greater progress than has been seen in the past. That progress has of late years been satisfactory, but a more vigorous push is called for if it is to be enlarged to the extent of its capacity.

It is the duty of such an organization as the Board of Trade to promulgate advanced views as to the requirements of the future trade of the country, not a mere dry record through its annual reports, of what has already transpired, however valuable that feature may be. How many members ever consult these annual reports?

# "Ou sont les neiges d'antan?"

After the report was disposed of, some discussion took place on various matters raised by attending members. The Hon. G. W. Stephens, seconded by Mr. R. A. Campbell, proposed a series of resolutions to the effect that the incoming Council of the Board should appoint a committee to consider and secure some measure to provide against fictitious and over-capitalising of companies chartered by the Dominion of the Provincial governments-which were carried,-also to find some means of protecting the public from the extortionate charges of existing monopolies supplying the needs of the people; likewise to provide for a supervision of those commodities when supplied by metre. Mr. Stephens introduced his resolution in a vigorous speech, dealing with the light question in a manner that went straight to the mark. He claimed that gas should be supplied to consumers at 50 cents per thousand feetas it well might be-instead of their having to pay \$1.20 as at present under the arrangement made by the city with the gas company ten years ago.

The much discussed question, of late, that of permanent sheds on the wharves, was referred to in the course of the discussion, but nothing further was elicited except that Mr. James Crathern stated that four of the steel sheds should be built forthwith and completed by the 1st September next. He did not explain, however, how the second storey of the sheds was to be reached or made available. It is presumed he spoke by the book, or other sources of knowledge—as he is the Board's worthy representative at the Harbour Board—but as it is known that the details are not ready, and tenders not yet called for—that the government's final sanction

has not yet been obtained—and, further, that the shipping interest is opposed to the whole scheme as tending to demoralize the summer's business for years in succession—it is not out of place to express the hope that the announcement may be premature.

### THE DOMINION BANK.

Owing to the date of the annual meeting of the Dominion Bank having been changed from May to January, the statement presented to the shareholders on the 27th inst., covered only eight months, that is, the period from 30th April, 1903, to 31st December, 1903.

The marked progress made by the Bank in that time and the profits show how fast the institution is rising in public estimation, and how skilfully it is managed.

The eight months' profits amounted to \$321,073. Assuming that the same rate of profit earning would have been maintained up to the close of the entire year, the profits would have amounted to \$481,600, as against \$445,567 in the year ended 30th April, 1903. What is certain is that during the eight months the deposits on demand rose from \$2,913,462 to \$3,083,422, and those payable after notice from \$20,476,217 to \$23,-293, 718, together making an increase in deposits of \$2,987,461. The total liabilities to the public, which comprise the notes in circulation and the deposits, amount to \$29,099,015, against \$26,019,288 in April last. The assets immediately available at the end of December were \$13,843,796, which equals 52½ per cent. of the deposits, a proportion that is much higher than the average of available assets held by our banks.

The current loans and discounts advanced during the period under notice from \$19,192,349 to \$21,409,271, an increase of \$2,216,922. The call and short loans were reduced from \$5,182,566 to \$4,121,069, as was the case with other banks.

During the year the overdue debts, whose estimated loss is provided for, were brought down from \$30,810 to \$9,995, too insignificant a sum now to be worthy of notice. The usual quarterly dividends at the rate of 10 per cent. were paid. The amount brought from last year at credit of profit and loss was \$353,355; to this was added \$16,135 from premium on new stock, and \$321,073, the profits up to 31st December last. These made a total of \$690,564. Out of this the sum of \$16,-135 was transferred to Reserve Fund, raising it to \$3,-000,000; \$199,526 was taken for the dividends, the remaining \$474,902 being the balance left at credit of profit and loss account carried forward to the next year. The Reserve Fund is now equal to the paid-up capital, viz., \$3,000,000; and besides this there is the sum of \$474,902 carried forward, which is practically an addition to the Reserve Fund, making it within a fraction of 150 per cent. of the paid-up capital.

Such a statement speaks for itself; it shows the Dominion Bank to be in a very strong position, to be developing in extent of business and to be using its advantages with sagacity and enterprise. The business of the branch in this city is growing satisfactorily under the management of Mr. Bogert.

### THE GREAT BEER-SCARE CASE.

A case in which about \$1,500,000 is claimed from a Leeds (England) firm, arising out of the notorious "Arsenic-in-Beer" scare, has been before the courts in that city lately. The plaintiffs, Bostock & Co., claim the foregoing damages from John Nicholson & Sons because of supplying them with materials used in the manufacture of beer which was alleged to contain arsenic. Beer drinkers, who form so large a fraction of the population, will be interested in some of the details of the case, for which we are beholden to the Leeds and Yorkshire Mercury. In their statement of claim the plaintiffs say they are sugar refiners, and manufacturers of brewing sugars, at Garston near Liverpool, the scene of the "scare." The defendants are makers of sulphuric acid at Hunslet near Leeds. Plaintiffs claim damages which they estimate at \$1,500,000 against the defendants for negligently and wrongfully supplying to plaintiffs sulphuric acid not made from brimstone, and not a pure commercial acid but containing arsenic, under and in breach of a contract to supply plaintiffs with pure commercial sulphuric acid made from brimstone. Since the issue of the writ an order was made, on February 18th, 1901, for the compulsory winding-up of the plaintiff company, and Mr. Hassall, one of the liquidators, was ordered to have the conduct of the action. Between 1892 and 1900 defendants supplied to plaintiffs, under contracts, sulphuric acid, which plaintiffs used in the process of manufacturing brewing sugars.

Plaintiffs alleged that the defendants knew that this was a use to which the acid would or might be put; that the sulphuric acid was represented by the defendants to be pure commercial acid, made from brimstone; and that it was bought by plaintiffs on the faith of such representation. For some time, down to February, 1900, the defendants, plaintiffs allege, had been making acid from pyrites, which was liable to contain arsenic in considerable quantities, and supplying it to plaintiffs after extracting the arsenic in substitution for acid made from brimstone. In January, 1900, the defendants, under the last contract, made with plaintiffs, agreed to supply to the plaintiffs a pure commercial sulphuric acid made from brimstone, as previously supplied, in quantities as required by plaintiffs, for use during 1900; and, under that contract, in March, 1900, the defendants supplied the plaintiffs with acid made from pyrites, and containing arsenic in such considerable quantities as to render it wholly unfit for any purpose for which brimstone acid was used. Such acid was supplied by the defendants without any warning that it was not of the same character or quality as that supplied previously, and the plaintiffs used it in the ordinary course of their business in the manufacture of sugar, which they sold to brewers for use in brewing.

By reason of the sulphuric acid so supplied containing arsenic the brewing sugar was rendered poisonous and unfit for use. Plaintiffs complained that this ruined their business, and made them liable to their customers for very large sums in respect of sugars which were poisoned by the arsenical sulphuric acid. "The brewers, as a result, had to destroy all their beer as being unfit and poisonous. The plaintiffs claimed £41,214 for loss on realization of lands and buildings, £60,085 loss of good-will, £9,000 for loss of stock-in-trade on realiza-

tion, and £185,000 for claims by brewers." A further claim was put forward for breach of warranty.

The defendants pleaded that the sulphuric acid in question was not knowingly supplied up to 1900 as being for the purpose of making "brewing sugar" and they did not represent it to be a pure commercial acid and made from brimstone. They admitted that in January, 1900, they agreed to supply to plaintiffs all the brown oil of vitriol which plaintiffs might want to use in 1900, and they relied on the terms of the contract. During that time they admitted having supplied sulphuric acid made from pyrites, and that a portion of it contained arsenic, but they did not admit that plaintiffs suffered any damage thereby. If plaintiffs had suffered any damage it was not by the act or default of the defendants by which they could be made responsible.

Further, the plaintiffs were not at the time carrying on a profitable business as sugar refiners, and the liquidation of the company was not caused by any of the acts alleged. Defendants also said that the damage claimed was too remote, and that the plaintiffs were aware that the sulphuric acid supplied by the defendants might contain arsenic; and that the damage was caused or contributed to by the negligence of the plaintiffs in not informing the defendants, who were ignorant of the fact, that the acid was to be used in manufacturing articles for human consumption; and, further, in not examining and testing the acid before so using it. They also said that the damage was caused and contributed to by the negligence of the plaintiffs' servants in not analysing the acid to see whether it was pure and fit to be used in food stuffs for human consumption. The defendants denied giving any warranty, as alleged, or tnat the plaintiffs relied on any such warranty; and they denied that they knew the particular purpose for which the acid was required.

### THE RETAIL CREDIT SYSTEM.

Owing to the general prosperity of the country for some years past, a significant feature of which has been the high prices received by farmers for all the commodities they could sell, a large proportion of those who had grown accustomed from childhood to purchasing on credit—running accounts from one fall season to the next at the village store, blacksmithshop, harnessmaker's, etc.—have abandoned this never-quite-satisfactory system and are buying for spot cash wherever they please. That this healthy feature will grow as its advantages become more generally recognized, is already being found, and is, in turn, having a decided effect upon the retail trade of the country, inasmuch as wideawake storekeepers are more on the alert than formerly, seeing this necessity through the independence of their old customers, who, with cash in their pockets, can buy where, when, and what they choose.

But aside from all this there is something fascinatingly attractive about the credit system of purchasing which will help it to endure. To show others that you have sufficient confidence in them to allow them the use of your goods, on consideration of payment at some future time, is merely proving by deed what they would be pleased to hear were they but told of this implied

faith. And because of this reason, if for no other, the credit system will be very slow in dying out. The person who, through circumstances, is permitted to buy on credit at a store known to sell only for cash, is very apt to speak of the privilege, not because it implies faith, but because it was an unusual occurrence; another proof that mankind is, if not looking for favors, at least always agreeable toward accepting them. Thus credit will ever be deemed a privilege, even though often grossly abused.

Aside from the retail trade, the volume of the world's business is to-day done on the same basis as it has always been done-on credit. Why? Because it has proven the more practical way. No sane man would seriously contemplate trying to change this condition to a cash system, and the merchants, individually, have no time to reform the world. The basis of the credit system is confidence-confidence in our fellow men, misplaced or otherwise, but still, confidence. When we have sold our goods to a man on trust, we have placed our confidence in his promise to pay. He has our confidence, if not to the fullest extent, at least to the extent necessary as regards our dealings with him. Now, when we are doing business on credit, and know we must so continue, it is a sensible proposition for us to perfect the system we are working on, and make it safe. To a great extent, this can be done by confidence in ourselves. To instill that confidence to the fullest degree, there should be a mutual co-operation between the manufacturers, railroads, jobbers, employers, and retail merchants, all of whom have in numerous casestoo many, we presume-misplaced confidence. The retail merchants should perfect their organization, for this is the only medium through which they can hope for protection. They should have the co-operation of all employers in the matter of collections, which would be of like advantage to the manufacturers, jobbers and railroads, for a benefit to the retail merchant is of like advantage to manufacturers, railroads and jobbers. The first in the foundation of the credit proposition is the retail merchant's collections, for it will be readily seen that if the retail merchant fails to collect his accounts, he, of course, cannot meet his obligations when due. The jobbers and manufacturers are also affected by the failure of the retail merchant to make his collections.

Now, the facts are these: The retailer is the natural distributor; he makes his purchases of the manufacturer and jobber; to him they look for business in their particular line, and if he is successful in making his collections, he meets his bills promptly, and it is a pleasure to do business with him. On the other hand, if his collections are bad, and he is unable to meet his obligations when due, it causes a feeling of uneasiness. The retail merchant states his case, tells of the effort he is making, and is always hopeful of making collections so that he may be able to take up the obligations he owes. This same retail merchant may have numerous accounts due him from employees of railroads, manufacturers, and other employers who could and should assist him in collecting them. It is a well-known fact that if the employer should request any of his employees to pay their honest bills, that request would be complied with in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred. The retail merchant would have made his collections and when called upon to meet his obligations would do so cheerfully.

Every employer has a right to demand that his employees be honest, and any man who refuses to pay his honest debts certainly can lay no claim to honesty, and should be discharged by his employer.

Yet how difficult it is to put this into actual practise. The writer called some years ago on the head of the department of a large Western railway, in which an employee had, under pretext of immediate distress, secured a ten dollar bill. The circumstances, in brief, were: This man was a customer of a store, which sold only for spot cash. One Sunday morning he called at the owner's private residence and stated in a hurried way that his wife's sister had died suddenly in a town some one hundred miles distant; that his wife wanted to take the first train there, but he just happened to be short of money. Ten dollars till pay day on the railway would be obliging him to an extreme. The money was given. Pay day came but the money didn't. On inquiry it was found that his wife's sister had died sixteen years before. Another pay day came the next month and still no refund. The circumstances were crtee to the head of that department of the road, which brought this reply, "My dear sir. Were we to undertake responsibility for our employes' doings, or even to see that they paid their debts we should oe compelled to dcuble our office space and employ some three hundred extra clerks. But your case is unique, and it may be looked into." The following pay day on that railroad the money was returned by a friend of the borrower, who merely insisted on an acknowledgment.

Another reason which stands in the way of employers taking up this matter is found in the difficulty it would occasionally invite in keeping an otherwise satisfactory workman at his position. The proprietor of a Chicago hotel, on one occasion, sent one of his clerks to a prominent newspaper office to make enquiries regarding a reporter who was stopping at his hotel and was a number of weeks in arrears. After some difficulty the proper official was found, who, after learning the caller's errand said: "This man is employed here as night reporter. We know nothing of him outside of his duties pertaining solely to this office. Nothing else is of any concern to us."

The person who seeks credit with intent to deceive is usually better at his task than those who are inclined to pay, but happily for the Dominion, credit as between retailers and consumers is each year becoming better regulated, so that losses through bad debts are becoming fewer and failures through such a cause are not heard of as frequently.

<sup>—</sup>Under the act of last session of Parliament, bounties were granted upon wire rods, structural steel and rolled plates, made from steel produced in Canada, from ingredients of which not less than 50 per cent. of the weight consists of pig iron made in this country. The bounties were for structural steel and rolled plate \$3 per ton, and for wire rods \$6 per ton. Regulations to govern the payment of these bounties have just been adopted by the the Government. No bounty will be paid until the applicants satisfy the Minister of Trade and Commerce that the conditions have been complied with. The Minister may order further corroborative evidence if he deems it necessary. The manufacture of steel must be subject to Government supervision; and the books and accounts of the company are to be at all times open to inspection.

### BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA.

The Bank of Nova Scotia stands in the proud position of having a larger Reserve Fund in proportion to its paid-up capital than any other bank in Canada. The capital is \$2,000,000 and the Reserve Fund, \$3,100,000, the proportion of Rest to Capital being 155 per cent. Such a result reflects the utmost credit upon the management, and speaks well also for the business men of Nova Scotia and the other connections of the bank. The traditionary policy of this institution has been such as enables a reserve fund to be built up by the profits being maintained steadily year by year.

The net profits last year were \$411,613, which was 20 per cent. of the paid-up capital. Out of this sum two dividends were paid, which took \$200,000; \$12,000 was added to the Officers' Pension Fund, \$70,000 was written off Bank Premises Account, and \$100,000 transferred to Reserve Fund.

The deposits are \$20,909,585, against which assets are held that are immediately available to a much larger extent proportionately than is the case with other banks. Indeed, the Bank of Nova Scotia occupies an exceptionally strong position as regards resources, as well as a unique one as a profits earner. Mr. H. C. McLeod, General Manager, is fully justified in regarding the 72nd Annual Report with pride, and the shareholders no doubt share this feeling.

### THE FISCAL QUESTION.

The Leeds & Yorkshire Mercury of Jan. 13, dealing with Mr. Balfour's late address to his constituents in East Manchester on the fiscal question, says: "Within the past few weeks the fact has become plain to all that Mr. Chamberlain desires to drop as unostentatiously as possible the Colonial preferences portion of his scheme, and take his stand upon Protection pure and simple. The Colonies one after another have flatly repudiated any offer to the Mother-country, and proclaim their determination to abate no whit of their tariff restrictions against her exports." Mr. Balfour forgets that Canada allows 33 1.3 per cent. in favour of British goods; that is, one-third less tluty. For example—If the duty on goods imported from the United States, France or other countries were 24 per cent., it would only be 16 per cent. on goods of British make.

### WHITAKER WRIGHT.

A tragic ending was that of Whitaker Wright, promoter and financial exploiter, London, whose name became notori ous during the last year or two in connection with the London & Globe Corporation, the misfortunes of which doubtless hastened the death of Lord Dufferin, who had been persuaded to take a prominent interest in the concern. Mr. Wright, it will be remembered, was taken over from New York to London lately. The jaunty air with which he bore his arrest and trial was maintained up to the delivery of judgment. He was condemned to seven years penal scrvitude. Within an hour after hearing his sentence he took poison and expired almost immediately. Were an equally white light directed upon some exploiters nearer home what a tale there might be unfolded.

-Winnipeg's city directory for 1904, estimates the city's population at 77,304, an increase of 13,744 for the year.

### A NEW LIGHT AND HEAT INVENTION.

Those engaged in scientific research in France are usually to the fore in practical discoveries. While the world has been wondering over the X-Rays and the principles of Radium, other scientists have been busy in an endeavour to compete with electric force for the purposes of light, heat and power. In this respect some extraordinary developments have been effected of late, with the result that these can now be supplied to customers at much less cost than electricity from water-power, free from danger, and in any quantity desired. We trust shortly to lay more particulars before our readers.

### PERSONALS.

Mr. W. Herbert Evans, of the long established substantial coal firm of Evans Brothers, Montreal, is visiting the Pennsylvania coast and the coal districts of that State, combining pleasure and profit.—Mr. T. L. Morrisey, resident manager of the Union Assurance Society, is on a business trip to Manitoba.—Mr. Mark H. Irish, well known in hotel and insurance circles, has been appointed to the management of the Guardian's business at Toronto.

### SEEKING LEGISLATIVE POWERS.

The City of Toronto is applying to the Legislature for an act (1) to expropriate lands for the straigtening of the Don River or to add to the land owned by the city in that locality; (2) to close the Don River from the straightened river westward, or to divert the water into the straightened river and stop it flowing into the old channel; (3) to authorize debentures to the extent of \$200,000 to be issued, and the proceeds thereof expended on improving the city's lands in and Around Ashbridge's Bay; (4) to amend the waterworks act relating to the city, so as to prevent filth being dumped within five miles of the source of the city's water supply.

The Hamilton, London & Lake Erie Railway Company ask for incorporation and authority to operate a system of railways from Aylmer to St. Thomas, thence to Port Stanley and to London, and from the latter city to Glencoe, passing through Delaware and Strathroy; also eastward from London to Ingersoll, Woodstock. Brantford and Paris to Hamilton; also from Paris through St. George and Harrisburg to Hamilton.

The City of St. Catharines will ask for authority to borrow money for a number of objects, the principal one being to purchase stock in any street or electric railway now or hereafter running into or through the city. The other objects include a high level bridge over the old Welland Canal, and improvements of the roadways, etc.

The Toronto Railway Company ask power to form a reserve fund, to acquire, hold and invest in the stocks, bonds, debentures and securities of other companies and to guarantee the bonds, debentures and obligations of other railway, electric railway or street railway companies.

The town of Newmarket ask the validation of a by-law offering a bonus of \$10000 to the Davis Leather Company, Limited, for establishing a tannery business in Newmarket.

Wallaceburg asks confirmation of a by-law consolidating its floating debt, also power to borrow on debenture enough to pay off such floating debt.

—Ottawa Clearing House.—Total clearings for week ending January 21, 1904, \$2,509,941.89; corresponding week last year, \$2,264,197.40.

### TORONTO STREET RAILWAY.

Reports submitted to the directors of the Toronto Railway at their recent meeting showed that for the first time the company's gross earnings had passed the two million mark, totalling \$2172,087.85, an increase of \$337,179.48 over the previous year. The fact that the city receives 15 per cent. of this sum, instead of the 12 fer cent. received when the earnings were between one and a half and two millions, makes for additional interest to residents of that city. The city's share, \$298,839, is not far behind the sum paid in dividends—\$326,548.26. The city's share last year was \$255,551.07. The gross earnings have almost doubled in ten years. Last year's increase was attributed largely to increased mileage and facilities, forty large, new motors having been placed in service, while fourteen more were being built.

The number of passengers carried increased from 44 437,678 in 1902 to 53,055,322 in 1903. The number of transfers increased by 2,680,124. The operating expenses were \$1,200,823.39, as compared with \$1,015,361.32 in 1902. The proportion of operating expenses to the earnings is the same for both years, being 53.3 per cent. In answer to a question from a shareholder as to the advisability of making the dividend more than 5 per cent, the chairman answered that the expenditures on new cars and tracks would be so considerable, owing to the increase of the city's population, that it would be better not to increase the dividend at present. The only change on the board of directors was to election of Mr. J. G. Grace to succeed Mr. James Ross, of Montreal, he having resigned.

### MORE EFFECTIVE MACHINERY.

With the gradual increase in productiveness shown with improved and enlarged machinery, that used for excavating tunnels, etc., has not kept pace. Power has been increased so wonderfully in respect to many other needs that it seems as though the thoughts of the inventors have been kept aloof from planning how to speedily dig a well for water or that much larger contract, the shaft at the coal mine. The cost of the railroad tunnel has deterred many enterprises which would otherwise have been pushed through, but we now hear of a scredriver which will, in all likelihood, make tunneling and pile-driving easy.

The largest and most powerful screw drivers ever devised have just been delivered in the vicinity of New York. The Pennsylvania railroad in planning for its double tube under the North River, says a report, has decided that it needed them, and the engineering department, working with the construction department, has provided them. The carpenter in using the ordinary strewdrivers exerts a power of about thirty pounds. The new screw driver will have a power of 200,000 pounds, equal to that exerted by 6,666 carpenters. They will drive the great piles which must be sunk under the tunnel—they will, in fact, be the piles themselves. Inasmuch as about 1,000,000,000 pounds of metal will be used in the tubes, a faint idea of what the piles wi'l have over them can be formed.

The screw driver piles are cylinders two and one-quarter feet in diameter, made of cast iron one and one-quarter inches thick. They will be located every fifteen feet centrally, so that both tubes will be re-inforced. They will be made in length short enough to be handled in the tunnel, the successive lengths being bolted on as the pile sinks. The screw-driver, or screw point, so-called, is at the end of the pile and is so constructed that it will have one turn of twenty-one inches and a diameter of four and three-fourths feet.

Examples of the power of the screw were given, when it was said that its force ould be equalled only by a weight of 200,000 pounds placed on the pile, or it could be equalled by the power of a lever one-half mile long at the end of which would be a man weighing 150 pounds.

### DECLINE IN QUININE.

At a time when thousands are seeking the somewhat stubborn quinine capsule or its meeker compatriot, the quinine pill as a guard against colds or a cure for the "grippe," it seems odd that the price of this seemingly necessary commodity should decline. Yet the announcement came on Monday last of a decline of one cent per ounce in maufacturers' prices for quinine and salts. For nearly three months, says the Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter, every indication had favored a higher market, except, possibly, the demand during the last few weeks of the old year. With this single deterring factor removed, a probability awaited upon the resumption of normal trade conditions and the prevalence of weather conducive to a large use of quinine, the confidence of operators in this market in a more profitable quotation seemed to be well founded. The initiative in lowering the price was taken by the German manufacturers, and the Americans at once coincided with the newly-established twenty-four cent basis: for bulk. With the condition of price settled, there followed a general speculation as to the factor in the decline. The average price at the Amsterdam cinchona bark sale generally regulates the value of quinine, but as the last three sales have passed at an average which put the cost of quinine above the prevailing market quotation, there could be no light on the situation from this quarter.

A more plausible basis was found in the conditions of the next Amsterdam bark sale on the 28th inst., when what is said to be a record amount of bark is to be offered. This consist of 11,597 packages, and we find no larger offering in our statistics during the last three years. It has been reported that the bark was of a low test and manufacturers would require more for given results, but this view seems to lack confirmation. Using this situation as our basis, the views advanced in several quarters that there were interests which were desirous of discouraging participation in the Amsterdam bark sale, with the hope of a reduced prices command creditable attention. Since the October sale in Amsterdam manufacturers have had bark purchased at a cost which the current quotation for quinine did not cover. If the next sale should result in a price for the bark as low as any reached during the last year, 6.20 Dutch cents, the average cost at the four sales would still be above the present price for quinine by more than three-quarters of a cent. Our recently-published summary, showing the average price realized at each of the Amsterdam bark sales during 1903, the estimated cost of manufacture on the basis of each sale and the manufacturers' price as a result, may be of interest in this connection. It is as follows:-

	Average	Estimated	Man'frs"
	bark price.	quinine cos	t. prices.
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First	. 6.45	23.12	23
Second	. 8.20	27.5	28
Third		26.12	26
Fourth	. 7.25	25.12	26
Fifth		22.5	23
Sixth	6.55	23.37	24
Seventh		24.25	25
Eighth.	7.45	25.62	25
Ninth		25.62	25
Tenth		25.37	25

The interest in the next Amsterdam sale diverted attention from the London bark sale which took place on Tuesday, and the result made but little impression locally. About seventy-five per cent of the offerings were sold at prices that were fairly steady, the average being one and three-eighths pence, as against "barely one and a half" at the previous sale. Comparatively results at the London sales during the last year are as follows:—

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September				13/8	13/8	13/8
October				13/8	11/4	15/8
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Another probable factor in the decline of manufacturers' price may be found in the growing competition of Java quinine, which is generally listed at two or three cents below the other. The following schedule of high and low manufacturers' price since 1892 may also be of interest:—

Year.	High.	Low.	Year.	High.	Low.
1892	24	20	1898	25	18
1893	25	20	1899	40	21
1894 / Lamonov	271/2	0.25	1900	37	29
1895	28	25	1901	34	27
1896	27	171/2	1902	28	20
1897 Miles	28	15	1903	28	23

### EASTERN TOWNSHIPS BANK.

Bank books are, as a rule, interesting, the last one to hand being no exception. A neat booklet has been received from the Eastern Townships Bank containing, among other interesting information, the forty-fifth annual report of the Bank, as per last annual meeting on November 14, 1903.

On page 12 we notice a comparative statement of the business of the Bank for the past 44 years—1860 to 1903 inclusive—as shown by the annual reports. The columns of figures resemble pyramids, so steady and strong has been the growth of that institution. For instance, the capital paid up in 1860 was \$133,415, in 1903 it was \$2,426,780. Reserve fund. 1865, \$15,000; 1903, \$1,450,000. Deposits, 1860, \$6,548, 1898, \$1,500,000; 1903, \$8,578,049. Circulation, 1860, \$135,152; 1898, \$895,924; 1903, \$2.021,495. Loans, 1860, \$179,006; 1898, \$6,577,769; 1903, \$10,869,026. Assets immediately available, 1860, \$38,203; 1898, \$911,879; 1903, \$3,309,234. Figures for the intervening cycles of 5 years show like satisfactory gains. A colored map showing the location of the Bank's several branches is another interesting feature of this pretty little volume.

### COMPANIES CHARTERED.

The Dunnville Natural Gas Co., the Consumers' Gas Co., and the Imperial Natural Gas Co., all of Dunnville, Ont., have amalgamated to form the People's Natural Gas Co., with a capital of \$100,000.—James S. Lovell, William Bain, Ernest W. McNeill, Robert Gowans, and Richard Richardson, all of Toronto, have been granted a charter as "Apartments, Limited," with a share capital of \$200 000, for the purpose of dealing in lands and buildings.—Russell W. Langmaid, William J. Bragg, Wesley C. Ashton, and Joseph Langmaid, all of the Township of Darlington; Levi E. Annis, of the Township of Scarborough, and Thomas Treleaven, of the Township of Thorah, have been granted a charter as The Western Canada Land and Colonization Co., Limited," with a share capital of \$500,000. The object of the company is to deal in and colonize Western land, with the right to make loans to and in other ways assist settlers.-The Fairbanks Company, the American scale manufacturers, have taken out a license to manufacture and deal in their specialties in Ontario, their capital being limited to \$100,000.

### CANADIAN AND AUSTRALIAN TRADE.

Under date of Melbourne, Dec. 19th, Mr. D. H. Ross, commercial agent for Canada in the State of Victoria, sends an interesting report to the Department of Trade and Commerce. He says the fact that New Zealand has adopted a preferential duty rate on many lines of British manufactured goods—in which Canada participates—has given importers in Victoria a strong incentive for particulars of Canadian manufactures, it being assumed that Australia may adopt a similar course. Mr. Ross mentions that many representative business men intend visiting Canada during the present year to investigate trade conditions.

The wheat harvest for the whole of Australia during the past year amounted to 73,000 000 bushels, leaving 48,000,000 to 50,000,000 bushels for exportation. The agent points out that there is great improvement in agricultural conditions throughout the Commonwealth. In the six months from July to December Australia exported 8,578 tons of butter, of which Victoria contributed 5,598 tons. During the corresponding period in 1902 the total exports of butter from the Commonwealth was only 266 tons. The gold produced in eleven months was valued at £14,528,000, an increase over the corresponding period of 1902 of £1,308 000. Mr. Ross refers to the visit to Australia of Mr. Reynolds, manager of the Pacific cable, and expresses his regret that no canvassing agents for the cable had been appointed. He summarizes the situation by giving the general opinion amongst business men in Melbourne, that "the State-owned cable is being run on anything but business principles." Mention is also made that Canadian-grown tobacco has appeared on the Melbourne market, and that if the business 14 followed up by Canadian exporters, promising results are sure to follow. The agent has arranged for shipments this year of Victorian dried fruits to British Columbia, and as far east as Winnipeg. if favorable freight rates can be obtained. He urges Canadian producers of carbide of calcium to take steps to get into the Australian market. This product is now being imported from England, Sweden, and the United States.

### DAIRY PRODUCE.

A private London circular, date 15th instant, treating of dairy produce situation, says:—Butter.—The demand for Australian and New Zealand butter is increasing, although sentiment founded on false ideas as to supplies being abnormally large has brought about a further fall in values of about 2s per cwt. It is a pity "The Grocer" should have misled its readers by saying there were last week 150,000 boxes of Colonial butter on sale in Tooley Street. whereas the only vessels which landed Colonial butter was the "Orontes," with about 40,000 boxes. Had not the principal holders of New Zealand butter remained firm there would have been a thorough "slump." Prices now are 96s per cwt. for choicest New Zealand, with an occasional shilling more for fancy brands, and for finest 92s to 94s is being made. Australian, which this season appears to have definitely settled down to second place, is making only 92s to 94s for choicest, with finest at 88s to 90s.

The Danish committee in Copenhagen, finding a brisk market, has declined to make any further reduction in the official quotation, which stands at exactly the same figure as in the corresponding week of 1903. The selling price in British markets is the same as it was twelve months ago, but Australian and New Zealand are both 14s per cwt. less. Such a position is absolutely ridiculous and cannot continue.

Cheese.—The cheese market is on the turn and it looks as if higher values will speedily rule. With stocks little in excess of last year the price to-day is 10s to 11s per cwt. below the corresponding week of 1903, which position is very strange. Quotations are: Canadian choicest, 53 to 54s: finest, 51 to 52s. Corresponding week, 1903, choicest sold at 64s.

### MAKES WOOD FIRE-PROOF.

There are ways of making wood resist the heat, but if these ways are too expensive the change is not practical The latest in this regard is from Chicago, a good centre at present for such tests. Joseph L. Ferrell, of Philadelphia, has, a report states, thrown handfuls of excelsior on a hot gas fire in the rooms of the Western Society of Engineers. It smoked, but it did not blaze. Then putting shavings on the excelsior on the fire, and piling pine splinters on top of them and piles of pine shingles and slabs of pine on the supposedly inflammable material below, until he should have had a goodsized bonfire started. There were no flames, however, except the blue ones from the gas. Mr. Ferrell has been asked to address the Engineers on the subject of fireproofing wood and combustible fabrics. To show that theatre scenery could be made as impervious as wood the chemist held a piece of canvas in the flame, and while it smoked a little around the edges, there was no flame. Sulphate of aluminum is the composition Mr. Ferrell had used to fireproof the wood and cotton. His plan is to saturate the material under a pressure. Sulphate of aluminum is cheap, costing 75 cents a hundredweight, and the expense comparatively is small.

### SUGAR IN COURT.

Judgment was rendered in the Superior Court, here, some days ago in the case of Gordon et al. vs. Pinder & Co. The firm of Gordon, Grant & Co., sugar exporters, Port-of-Spain, sold to Messrs. Pinder & Co., a large quantity of sugar, as per sample. When the sugar arrived it was not up to sample, regardless of whether the market may have dropped meantime, for sugar, though sweet, is known to be erratic in other ways. The agent, or broker, took his commission on the sale, through the letter of credit he held. The ruling went in favor of Messrs. Pinder & Co., and the sugar subsequently found its way into local warehouses.

### INSOLVENT ESTATES.

A meeting of the creditors of Rubinovich Freres of St. Guillaume d'Upton, Que., was called for recently at Sore!, to name an assignee and inspectors. A motion asking for the appointment of Wilks & Michaud, was granted, and the following Montreal men were chosen to advise the assignee as inspectors: W. A. Maltby, representing Ames, Holden & Co.; Arthur Barsalou, representing Benning & Barsalou; Ernest Hedzberg, representing H. H. Wolff & Co.; H. P. Picken, representing Gault Bros. & Co.; James Robinson, A. I. Hart and Mr. Glickman.-We learn from St. John, Que., that the creditors of the insolvent estate of the late T. A. Cousins are to realize on the immovables of the estate in St. Johns by way of licitation, as they consider it the cheapest mode, and in the interest of all concerned, instead of the costly system of judicial process. An opposition to present proceedings will be filed.

—We learn from Toronto that an interim report on the construction work of the Electrical Development Company at Niagara Falls has been issued. Mr. W. T. Jennings, right of way engineer, reports that he has acquired 85 per cent. of the right of way from Niagara to Scarlett's Road, Lambton, a distance o 5½ miles. This cost about \$70 an acre, and has a minimu width of 80 feet, which allow not only the transmission pole line but a double track for a railway. About sixty acres have been acquired at Lambton for terminal facilities. The company has acquired 530 acres on the Chippewa River to manufacturers who may use their power,

### THE CROWN BANK.

The Crown Bank of Canada, with headquarters in Toronto, about being organized, will have as general manager Mr. G. de B. O'Grady, formerly with the Bank of Commerce branch in Montreal, and for some years manager of some of its most important branches in Ontario.

### FIRE LOSSES.

Carleton Place, Ont., suffered severely by fare on the 25th instant. The fire originated in the Maguire Block, in the I. O. F. Hall on the third floor, eventually destroying three blocks, causing a loss of at least \$60,000. The principal losers are R. McDiarmid & Company, general merchants, stock and building, \$15,000; A. W. Bell, buildings, \$10,000; Bell Telephone Company, central exchange, \$3,000; Allan Bros., boot and shoe stock and furniture, \$6 000; J. A. Dack, jeweller, stock, \$1,500; Taber & Company stock removed, \$3,000; T. C. Maguire, building and stock, \$7,500; J. Struthers, damage to building, \$1,500; P. Keay's confectionery stock, \$1 500; J. H. Tucker, jeweller, stock, \$500; W. H. photographer, \$500; Dr. Winters, dentist, \$750; W. B. Smart, druggist, \$250; W. J. Muirhead, hardware, \$2,000; R. E. Box, boots and shoes. \$2,500; W. J. Hammond, photographer, \$200; H. Chapman, \$100; M. Reid, \$100; J. S. Dolan, merchant tailor, \$300; I. O. Foresters, \$500; Chosen Friends, \$360; J. L. Murphy, \$100; R. Carmichael, \$200. Most of the losers were insured, except Maguire & Sons, who lose everything.-Winnipeg, Jan. 25.-The offices of the Arbuthnot Lumber Company were partially destroyed by fire, and the most valuable portion of their stock, which was housed in a small building at the rear of the offices, was also destroyed; loss about \$5,000.

—We learn from Edmonton, N.W.T., that the Bank of Commerce is calling for tenders for the erection of a new branch building in that town.—The Grand Trunk Pacific survey staff have moved into their new office. Every arrangement has been made for equipping the draughting-rooms for the important survey work to be carried on in the country lying south and west of Edmonton during the coming month. With such extensive office arrangements, and with these quarters, it would appear that the Grand Trunk Pacific management had determined to make Edmonton the permanent headquarters not only for survey work but for construction work as well.

-Peterboro', Ont., advices state that at a meeting of the Trent Water Conservation Association, held there recently, Mr. David Gilmour, of Trenton, the president, and other members from Lakefield, Hastings, Warsaw, and Bobcaygeon were present. Mr. R. B. Rogers, superintendent of the Trent Valley Canal, gave information in regard to the lakes in the northern country, which might, with properly constructed dams, better conserve the waters than at present, and thus render possible a more uniform plan in the Trent River system than at present. Resolutions were passed requesting the Governments to make no further grants of lands adjoining the reservoirs, or if such grants were made, to retain flooding rights, and also calling upon the Dominion and Provincial Governments to agree to some arrangement whereby the dams in the north would be placed under one control, and that an appropriation be placed in the estimates whereby the building and repairing of new dams might be carried on, as in the interests, principally of navigation, but also of manufacturers. A committee was appointed with the object of forming a deputation of lumbermen, navigators, manufacturers, Boards of Trade, and Municipal Councils interested to urge the importance of these questions before the Dominion Government.

# Meetings, Reports, &c.

84th ANNUAL STATEMENT OF

# The Royal Bank of Canada,

31st DECEMBER, 1903.

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To the Shareholders:	Net profits for the year, after de- ducting charges of management,
Capital paid up \$ 2,481,000.00 \$3 000,000.00	and accrued interest on deposits
Reserve fund	and after making full provision
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# THE DOMINION BANK.

PROCEEDINGS OF

# The Thirty-Third Annual General Meeting of the STOCKHOLDERS.

The Thirty-Third Annual General Meeting of the Dominion Bank was held at the Banking House of the Institution, Toronto, on Wednesday, January 27th, 1904.

Among those present were noticed:-

Messrs. Wm. Ince, Wm. Spry, E. B. Osler, M.P., W. D. Matthews, Thos. Walmsley, W. G. Cassels, David Smith, G. W. Lewis, A. R. Boswell, P. Leadlay, G. N. Reynolds, A. Foulds, J. J. Foy, K.C., Jno. T. Small, Anson Jones, H. Gordon McKenzie, J. Gordon Jones, W. Crocker, J. F. Kavanagh, Ira Standish, E. W. Langley, Lt.-Col. Pellatt, Wm. Hendrie, J. G. Ramsay, W. C. Lee, W. C. Crowther, F. J. Phillips, Richard Brown, G. B. Sweetman, J. A. Proctor, H. B. Hodgins, H. Johnson, T. G. Brough, Miss H. M. Robinson, and others.

It was moved by Mr. Wm. Ince, seconded by Mr. Anson Jones, that Mr. E. B. Osler do take the chair, and that Mr. T. G. Brough do act as Secretary.

Messrs. A. R. Boswell and W. G. Cassels were appointed Scrutineers.

The Secretary read the report of the Directors to the Share-holders, and submitted the Annual Statement of the affairs of the Bank, which is as follows:—

To the Shareholders: Spinish Land

The Directors beg to present the following Statement of the result of the business of the Bank for the eight month ending 31st December, 1903:

Balance of Profit and loss Account, April 30, 1903 \$353,355 48 Premium received on new Capital Stock..... 16,135 00 Profit for eight months ending Dec. 31, 1903, after

deducting charges of management, etc., and making provision for bad and doubtful debts. 321,073 86

\$690,564 34

Dividend 2½ per cent., paid Aug. 1, 1903 \$74,710 50 Dividend 2½ per cent., paid Nov. 2, 1903 74,853 05 Dividend 1 2-3 per cent, payable Jan. 2,

1904 (2 months)..... 49,963 16

\$199,526 71

Transferred to Reserve Fund . . . . . 16,135 00 \_\_\_\_\_\_ \$215,661 71

Balance of Profit and Loss earried forward ....\$474,902 63

RESERVE FUND.

Balance at credit of account, 30th April, 1903 .: \$2,983,865 00 Transferred from Profit and Loss Account: ... 16,135 00

\$3,000,000 00

Branches of the Bank have been opened during the past eight months in Fort William and St. Thomas, Ont.

All Branches of the Bank have been inspected during the past year.

E. B. OSLER,

President.

Toronto, 27th January, 1904.

The Report was adopted and the thanks of the Share-holders were tendered to the President, Vice-President and Directors for their services and to the General Manager and other Officers of the Bank for the efficient performance of their respective duties.

The following gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year:-

Mesrs. A. W. Austin, W. R. Brock, M.P., T. Eaton, J. J. Foy, K.C., Wm. Ince, Wilmot D. Matthews and E. B. Osler, M.P.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. E. B. Osler, M.P., was elected President, and Mr. W. D. Matthews, Vice-President, for the ensuing term.

### GENERAL STATEMENT.

### Liabilities.

Notes in Circulation
Deposits not bearing interest\$ 3,083,422 68
Deposits bearing interest (including
interest accrued to date) 23,293,718 57
26,377,141 25
2,257,00
Total Liabilities to the Public 29,099,015 25
Capital Stock paid up 3,000,000 00
Reserve Fund 3,000,000 00
Balance of Profits carried forward 474,902 63
Dividend No. 85, payable 2nd Janu-
ary (2 months)
Former Dividends unclaimed 28 75
Reserved for Exchange, etc 21,664 61
Rebate on Bills Discounted 99,623 95
3,646,183 10

\$35,745,198 35

### Assets.

Assets.				
Specie	\$1,059 462	14		
Dominion Government Demand Notes	1 806.243	00		
Deposit with Dominion Government	1,000,210			
for security of Note Circulation	140,000	00		
Notes of and cheques on other banks	1,209,662			
Balances due from other banks in				
Canada	548,570	29		
Balance due by London agents	182,337	54		
Balances due from other banks else-				
where than in Canada and the				
United Kingdom	678,909	02		
Provincial Government Securities	94,296	37		
Canadian Municipal Securities and				
British or Foreign or Colonial Pub-				
lic Securities other than Canadian	671,028	79		
Railway and other Bonds, Deben-				
tures and Stocks	3,332,217	51		
Loans on Call secured by Stocks	lels Journal			
and Debentures		18		1
	To .08 201	The state of	813,843,796 64	k
Bills Discounted and Advances cur-	2 100 000	-		
rent	21,409,271	20		
Overdue debts (estimated loss pro-	0.005	00		
vided for)	9,995	20		
Real Estate, other than Bank Pre-	43,106	55		
mises		99		
Mortgages on Real Estate sold	6,000	00		
by the Bank	425,000			
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T. G. BROUGH,
General Manager.

Toronto 31st December, 1903.

Seventy-Second Annual Report.

1832-1903

# Bank of Nova Scotia.

CAPITAL, \$2,000,000

**RESERVE FUND, \$3,100,000** 

### GENERAL STATEMENT, DECEMBER 31st, 1903.

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und Labilities to the Public of the public o	4	Investments (Provincial, Municipal
\$23,739	,903 21	and other Bonds) 3,603,251 25
Capital paid up	II.	Call Loans, secured by Bonds, De-
Reserve Fund		bentures and Stocks 2,969,748 54
Profit and Loss 41,638 40		Call Loans, secured by Grain and
Rebate of Interest at 6 per cent on(adding)		other Staple Commodities 1,102,659 84
Time Loans		\$15,264,935 17
Dividend No. 100, payable 1st Febru-		Loans to Provinces and Municipali-
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### PROFIT AND LOSS.

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1903	Dec. 31. "	Dividend No. 139, payable 1st August, 1903.  "No. 140, payable 1st February, 1904.  Contribution to Officers' Pension Fund.  Written off Bank Premises Account.	70,000 00
	9,925 26 " 65,100 55	Transferred to Reserve Fund	\$423,633.40
		RESERVE FUND.	All Branches of the
1902.	00 000 554	Balance	0,000 00 0,000 00
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1903.	Dec. 31. To	Balance carried forward, = 155 per cent. of Capital	\$3,100,000 00,

W P. HUNT,

UNT,
Manager Montreal Branch.

H. C. McLEOD,
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General Manager.

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AMONG THE SPRING NOVELTIES

The time is past when spring styles began with spring. Nowadays the first sprinklings of summer begin to be noticeable in the shops shortly after Christmas, and by February we can if we like begin our sewing. From the united evidences of these first displays and the prophecies of fashionable dressmakers everywhere it seems probable that the light-colored linen suits will repeat their last season's success. Pale blues, pinks, lavenders and ecru are named as possible favorites.

Fashion appears to have reverted sharply from the white wave which engulfed us so completely for a twelvemonth, and it is not out of the way to suppose that white linen will be less used than the tinted. A change is foreseen in skirts. These will, say the authorities, be shorter and laid in plaits of varying width. The styles seen in the spring walking suits of cloth are likely to be reproduced with more or less exactitude in these linen costumes. The vogue of the skirted coat as a feature of the walking suit is said to be waning. The latest Paris models are most of them without a suggestion of it. Short jackets, some cut off at the waist line, others coming a few inches below this point, are used for all trottier styles. The principal exceptions to this rule are the bittle "Louis," or "Directoire" coats, cut to waist line in front, skirted in different patterns and depths in the back and over the hips.



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The 1904 Swisses and dimities are already with us. The selection is, of course, less wide than it will be later on, but these first things are very charming. Some white grounds, with very Dresdenish sprigs and sprays, are seen Large dotted effects of various kinds are also coming in. These comprise blue, pink, yellow or lavender dots upon white ground, or grounds in these colors having the dots in white. Many of the Swisses and materials of similar consistency will be made up with skirts gathered in no ungenerous measure around the waist line. It is to be fervently hoped that this fullness will not be introduced for the new linens, or for anything more bulky than the airiest of summer fabrics. The woman who is wise will kilt her linen skirt or keep it plain, however she may elect to treat her thinnest frocks.

Every Pair Warranted.

A noticeable feature in 1904 trimmings is the return of the bertha effect, so becoming to so many women. This finish, which seems to be superseding the stole ends of last year, is applied in a number of charming ways. It is used both for high neck and decollete waists. A lovely French blouse recently seen had a bertha in soft point lace so arranged in waves or scollops, the deepest point being directly in front. At the top, all along the line of the Jecol'ete, the lace was caught through with a wide ribbon, drawn through a buckle in the front to form a stiff little bow. Other imported waists have berthas of their own material or chiffon edged with billows of narrow crepe de lisse ruching. A delightful decollete waist for a young girl, in tulle point d'esprit, had a deep bertha of self-material laid all along in narrow plaits, beginning at the shoulder and terminating just below the bust line. This was finished around the upper edge with ruchings, a second row of which bound it in just below the shoulder. Another smart and simple way to give a suggestion of a bertha upon a bodice is to apply bias bands of velours across the shoulders, having them form deep points in back and front. This is especially good looking in the case of a very full or tucked blouse.

One of the favorite chatelaine ornaments of the moment is the tiny coin purse in the shape of a watch. These cases are just large enough to hold the modest coins required for car fare. Some of these are made with a real watch face in most deceptive style. The woman who prefers good looks to novelty will select hers from the gun metal articles set, with turquoises. A new ornament has been discovered for the pyrographic expert to expend her labors upon. Those miniature grandfather's clocks, which have become so popular in cherry wood and other materials, are now prepared in favorite pyrographic mediums for the ambitious worker. The prettiest designs perhaps are those for which mineral paints and the pyro pencil are used in combination. The little inTelegrams: "WINTERINE, LONDON."

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### FINANCIAL.

Montreal, Thursday Evening, Jan. 28, 1904.

The bank reports will, in future years, be a leading feature in the month of January. Those published are all exceptionally favourable. The older banks have done exceedingly well, while those of less mature years have developed rapidly. With probably only one exception there are no signs of competition having so far affected any of the banks as to have hindered their growth in business proportionately with their neighbours. There are unmistakeable proofs, however, that, in these days, a public institution must keep actively and persistently in touch with the public of to-day, and will suffer if it relies wholly upon its past record or the prestige won in earlier years. The ex-President of the Board of Trade, in his valedictory, expressed his opinion to be that there was no reason to fear any reaction from the present prosperity. When the expenditures commence in earnest on the

Grand Trunk Pacific there will be an impetus given to trade in certain directions, and if, as seems likely, settlers continue to flock in to the North-West as in 1903, there cannot fail to be an enlargement of business. The sentence on Whitaker Wright and his suicide in the precincts of the Court will strike terror into the ranks of the new class of financial vampires who have made a profession of floating fraudulent enterprises. Wright is the third of the class who have ended their career by suicide—as many of their victims have done.

War rumours seem to have lost their power over the market, as such exposures of their unreliability as we published last week have discredited them and reduced the output. The stock market is inclining towards improvement, but the movement is very slow and timid. Pacific has been selling in small lots at 119½ to 119%; Montreal Power, 73 to 73%; Twin 93% to 94¼; Toronto Street 101; Dom. Iron, preferred, 25; Coal, 62 to 64; Cable. 187½; Dom. Iron bonds, 55½ to 56; Montreal Street, 204½; Royal Bank 203½; Toronto 225½; Merchants 151; Commerce 150½; Dominion 226½; Standard 225; Hamilton 206½; Western Assurance 97. Consols, 87 to 88. Paris, exchange on London, 25f 16½e; Berlin 20m 49½pf. Money on call in New York is ruling about 2 per cent. Time loans 3½ to 4½. Foreign exchange, 60's, 85%, demand, 9 3-16. Money rates unchanged.

The following is a comparative table of stocks for week ending Jan. 28, as supplied by Chas. Meredith & Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal:

Shares Banks. Sales. Highest. Lowest	Average same date 1903.
Montreal	270
Molsons ,16 196 196	214
Toronto 9 228 225	
Merchants 22 152 1501/8	180

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Lighter and after some in the Language	ten ben	war d	Tire basses	7000
Royal	3	2031/2	2031/2	45
Eastern Townships	5	159	159	
Commerce	106	150	1491/2	
Hochelaga	25	133½	133½	135
Sed. \$7.50 talks mar short.				
Miscellaneous.				
	2577	1203/4	118½	1363%
Canadian Pacific Ry. Co	1315	75	73	90
Montreal Power Co	644	207	2041/2	2781/2
Montreal St. Ry	3	198	198	
Do. new 3 p.c. pd.	283	102	1001/2	116
Toronto Street Railway	25	90	89	100
Halifax Street Railway		221/4	21	36
Toledo Railway	375	951/2	931/2	122
Twin City Transit	. 2445	9572	82	100½
Richelieu & Ont. Nav. Co	397	190½	183	171
Commercial Cable	641	THEFT	72	1
Trinidad	1500	72	1041/2	1281/2
Montreal Cotton	68	105	33	53½
Dominion Cotton	25	33		18
War Eagle	. 1000	12½	121/2	10
Payne	1000	12½	12½	1291/2
Dom. Coal, common	1646	67	61½	114
Do., pref	25	110	110	
Switch, pfd	. 27	93	92	
Windsor Hotel	3	85	85	
Detroit United Elec. Ry	225	671/4	66	89
Dominion Iron & Steel, com.	175	9	83/4	551/8
Do., pfd		25	25	941/4
Nova Scotia, common	. 230	82	801/4	1081/4
Do. pfd	5	601/4	601/4	0.
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Montreal 4 p.c. Harbour	25000	100	100	bodo
	. 2000	105	105	the
Dom. Iron & Steel	30,000	56	55	861/2
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### MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Thursday Evening, January 28, 1904.

Severe cold with heavy snowstorms have seriously interfered with traffic throughout country points, and in Western Ontario generally. Shortness of coal, through the same source is now confronting many Western factories. But few changes in prices. Molasses is lower. Turpentine is a shade higher. Hardware prices show a number of changes. Wool is being sold at advanced prices at the London auctions. Cotton is still soaring upward, so that all textiles must be dearer as the year advances.

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BUTTER.—The market shows improvement, not because of any outside or export demand, but because owing to comparatively light receipts the heavy accumulations of the early part of the month have dwindled down under good local buying. It would seem as though the inhabitants of Montreal, as a whole determined to live better, owing to the prevalence of diseases which are apt to linger longest where living is low. The result, however, is a better local demand. Best creamery is worth 21½ to 21%c, with winter make selling at 19¼ to 20½c. Roll butter 16 to 16%c as to grade.

CHEESE.—Under a steady movement stocks are being reduced, and the views of holders are centering on improvement in price in the near future. The English markets favor the same views. Actual quotations are not changed from a week ago. Finest October is worth 101/4c, Septembers being held at 103/4c to 11c.

DRESSED POULTRY.—Trade rather quiet, but with supplies not so heavy as in former weeks, owing to lighter fresh receipts. We quote:—Fresh plucked turkeys, 14 to 14½e; scalded stock, 12½ to 13½c; chickens, at 10 to 12c; fowls, at 7 to 8c; ducks at 13 to 13½c, and geese at 9 to 11c per lb. Partridges, \$1 to \$1.10 per pair, and hares 20 to 22c.

EGGS.—The weather has much to do with values about this time of year, the exceptionally severe cold of the past month interfering greatly with receipts of fresh stock, and consequently adding much to the value of other grades. Just now there is an actual shortage of the better kinds. Fresh are quoted all the way from 35c to 39c; selected fall 27 to 30c; cold storage 24 to 26c, and limed 23 to 24c.

FLOUR AND FEED.—The high prices for flour, reached last week, still prevail and a good demand exists, although the snow blockades in the country greatly interfere, with busi-

ness. Feed keeps steady at the o'd figures and has not advanced with flour and oatmeal. Winnipeg closing prices for Manitoba wheat in that market were as follows:—No. 1 northern, 83c; No. 2 do., 80c; No. 3, 76c, ex store, Fort William, for January delivery. Baled hay rather quiet, with no change in prices to note. We quote:—No. 1, \$9.50 to \$10; No. 2, \$8 to \$9; clover, mixed, \$7.50 to \$8; and clover, \$7 to \$7.50 per ton, f.o.b., in car lots.

GREEN HIDES.—Last week's advance in calfskins still holds, with beef hides unchanged, on basis of 8c lb. for No. 1.

GROCERIES .- Sugars unchanged at \$4 for standard granulated brls.; yellows \$3.35 to \$3.90 as to grade, with bags 5c less. The feature of the week has been a further reduction of 2e in Barbadoes mo'asses, bringing present price to 38c for puncheons, with open price for car lots. The market opened le higher at Barbadoes, being 16c as against 15c a year ago. Canned tomatoes are firm at \$1.05, with \$1.10 being asked for canned corn in some instances. Evaporated fruits of all kinds are unchanged; apples 6c; apricots, 12c; peaches, 9c; prunes 5 to 8c as to size. Rice market unchanged. The mills recently withdrew prices on all Japan rice and lowered prices on all Patna's 1/4c lb., leaving lower grade rice for the present unchanged. Rolled oats are very firm at the recent advance; millers and sellers having more export business on hand than they can take care of, are indifferent as to the local market. The present basis of prices is \$2.25 per 90 lb. bag, and \$4.75 per brl. of 180 lbs. Rolled wheat, \$2.50 per 100 lb. brl.; granulated wheat, or wheatine \$2.50 per 100 lb. brl. Pot barley \$2 per bag and pearl barley, \$3.50 per bag. Fish markets are reported very quiet, present prices being in favor of buyers. No. 1 Shore and Labrador herring are practically on same basis at present; \$5 brl. and \$2.75 for half-brls. Green cod, No. 1, \$6.25; B.C. salmon \$13 brl., halves \$7; skinless cod \$4.75 for 100 lb. cases; boneless cod from 6c lb. up as to grade.

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LEATHER.—Local trade dull. Shoe men are cutting plenty of leather, but are apparently using up all available lots before replenishing. Export trade was never better, and prices are quite firm. Jobbing demand in the country has fallen off, the heavy snowstorms presumably interfering.

OILS, PAINTS, ETC.—Turpentine has scored another fractional advance, being now quoted at 95c. Linseed oils unchanged. Travellers are moving slowly, owing to impeded traffic, and returns are but meagre on that account.

PROVISIONS.—The severe storms had the effect of curtailing shipments, and prices have been well maintained. Orders are numerous in a small way, except for hams and bacon, which are in less inquiry. Fresh killed abattoir dressed hogs are worth \$7.25 to \$7.75 per 100 lbs., country killed \$6.50 to \$7. We quote: Heavy Canadian short cut back pork \$18; Canada short cut back pork \$17.50; light Canada short clear pork, \$16.00; finest kettle land, in 20-lb. pails, 91/4c; extra pure lard, in 20-b. pails, 73/4c to 81/4c; choice refined compound lard, 7 to 7½c; hams, 11 to 13c, and bacon 12½ to 13½c. Chicago, Jan. 27.—Provisions were 3 to 7½c lower. Futures closed: -Pork, January, \$13.20; May, \$13.3 321/2. Lard-January, \$7.271/2; May, \$7.471/2; July, \$7.471/2. Ribs-January, \$6.47½; May, \$6.72½ to \$6.75; July, \$6.82½. Cash quotations—Mess pork, \$13.20 to \$13.40; lard, \$2.271/2; short ribs, sides, \$6.45 to \$6.70; short clear sides, \$6.871/2 to \$7.12. Liverpool, 27.—Bacon—Cumberland cut, steady, 36s 6d; short ribs quiet, 36s; clear bellies, quiet, 46s 6d. Lard, prime western, in tierces, trong, 38s 3d.

—Branches of La Banque Nationale have recently been opened at Marieville, Trois Pistoles and St. Charles Bellechasse, Que.

The municipal by-law granting certain privileges and a bonus in land to the Singer Sewing Machine Company, of Elizabeth, N.J., was unanimously adopted by the electors' real estate owners of St. Johns, Que., on Monday last.

—Mr. A. Ross Crawford has been appointed general agent for the English Department of the Confederation Life Association in Montreal. Mr. Crawford, who is well known in Montreal, was lately Canadian manager for the Powers Regulator Co., of Chicago, and formerly connected with the Bank of Montreal here. He is grandson of the late John Crawford, well-known in banking circles.

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J. F. X. Trotier, telegraph transmit- be provided for their generation. Water ters. American patents .- J. Bennitt, sad iron; G. F. Clarke, suspending attachment for game bags, etc.; L. F. Decarie, garbage crematory; J. Dudley, hydraulic propeller for vesels; H. V. Hilcoat, combination ball and roller bearing; H. A. Johnston, inkstand; N. S. Nash, regulating-valve; H. Power, convertible car; G. A. Roedde, loose leaf binder; J. J. Shannon, Can.

#### CHEAP MOTIVE POWER.

Never has there been so great a demand for power as at the present time. But power is costly, either to obtain or sources of energy that cost nothing, or

power may be had for a mere trifle, but its transmutation into electricity and its transmission to distant places cost money. And falling water, moreover, is not available in all countries, nor in level districts. Wind costs nothing, but its power is too irregular for general use, being limited chiefly to mills, raising water, and working agricultural machinery. Oil from the wells of America and Russia is not cheap, and as yet it only competes with steam to a relatively slight extent for large power purposes.

Among all the recognized sources of power there is none so promising as water, but it has its limitations. In this article we wi'l consider those sources of energy which are regarded by most men as of a very problematic next to nothing, by comparison with character, or which, though employed coal. Both steam and common coal gas considerably, are as yet little known are expensive, because costly fuel has to outside technical circles.

Return of Canadian Bank of Commerce. Amount under heading "Other assets not included under foregoing heads" includes gold bullion.

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The figures for the Dawson City Branch are taken from the last returns received, viz.: 12th Dec., 1903.

STOCKS	

NAME.	Par Val'e,	Capital Sub- scribed.	Capital paid-up,	Rest.	Div. last 8 Ms	Dates of Dividends,	Per Cent. Price Jan. 28 (Bid)	Cash value per S.
British North Am	243	4.865,666	4,266,666	1,898,000	3 314	Apl. Oct	185	328 60
Can Bank of Commerce	50	8,700,000	3 00 ,000	8,000,000	21/2	June Dec	1491/4	122 00
Dominion	103	3,000,000	2,426,78	1,450,000	4	Jan July	170	85 00
Bastern Townships	:00	2,235,000	2,206,851	1,875,823	5	June Dec	2321/4	232 50
Hamilton	100	2,000,000	1,981,000	1,050,000	31/6	June Dec	131	131 00
Imperial	100	1,000,000	2,983,896 1,000,000	2 636,312	to it be	oune Dec	950	240 00
Metropolitan	100	6,000,000	6.000,000	2,900,000	31/4	June Dec	150	150 00
Moisons	50	2,940,000	2,923,085	2,720,778	11/2	Oct April	1951/2	97 50
Montreal	200	14,000,000	1,500,000	10,000.000	3	June Dec May Nov	247	494 00 32 40
Nationale	100	500,000	500,000	700,000	6	Jan July	300	300 00
Nova Scotia	100	2,000.000	2,000,000	3,100,000	416	Feb. Aug.	270	270 00
Ontario	100	1,500,000	1,500 000	2,389,179	21/4	June Dec	135	213 00
Ottawa	100	2,492,100	2,471,310 180,000,	165,000	4	OT THE PARTY OF	250	375 00
Provincial	25	871,537	823,332		3	June Dec	110	
Quebec	100	2,500,000	2,500,000	900,000	314	-	118 218	119 00
Royal	100	1,300,000	3 000,000	3,192,705 324,807	9*11/4	Feb. *	919	618 00
Sovereign	100	200,000	200,000	45,000	1/4	April Oct		
Standard	50	1,000.000	1,000,000	925,000	5	April Oct June Dec	246	123 00
Traders	100	2,977,400	2,954,430 1,980,000	450,000	3	June Dec	125	250 00 125 00
Union (Halifax)	50	1,339,050	1,320,700	505,606	81/8	Mch Sept	168	84 QU
Union of Canada	100	2,500,000	2,497,500	1,030,000	3	June Dec		132 00
Western	100	500,000	431,889	175,000	31/4	Apl Oct	140	133 00
Agri. Sav. and Loan Co	50 100	5.000,000	630,200 5,000,0±0	222,000 800,000	48/8	Jan *	150	58 50 150 00
Bell Telephone Co Brit. Can, Loan & Inv. Co	100	1,937,900	398,481	120,000	21/4	Jan July		
Brit. Mortg. Loan Co Can. Colored Cot. Mills Co	100	450 000	389,214	130,000	3	Jan * July	128	128 00 44 00
Can. Colored Cot. Mills Co Can. Landed & Nat'l Inv'tCo.	100	2,700,000	2,700,000 1,004.000	350,000	3	Jan July	108	108 00
Can. Per & W. Can. M. Corpn.	10	6,000 000	6,000,000	1,490,057	3	Jan July	120	12 00
Can. Sav. & Loan Co	100	750,000 2,500,000 1,000,000	750,000 1,250,000	250,000 450,000	39/8	Jan July Jan July	114	57 00 136 00
Central Can. Loan & Sav. Co. Dominion Sav. and Inv. Co.	50	1,000,000	934,200	40,000	2	July Dec	72	36 00
Dominion Telegraph Co	50	1,000,000	1,000,000		11%	Jan •	124	62 00
Dominion Cotton Mills Co	100	3,333,600	3,333,60 0 1,100,000	340,000	3	Mar * Jan July	32	32 00 119 00
Hamilton Prov. and Loan	100	2,000,000	200,000	200,000	31/6	Jan July		135 00
Home Sav. and Loan Co Huron & Erie Loan & Sav.Co	50	3,000,000	1,400,000	925,000	41/6	Jan July	183	91 50
Imperial Loan and Inv. Co	100	839,850	734,590	174,000	3	Jan July Jan July	70	70 00
Landed Banking and Loan Lond. & Can. Loan and Ag.	100	1,000,000	700,000 877,267	210,000	3	Jan July	68	34 00
London Loan Co	50			87,500 160,000	3	Jan. July	110	50 00
Manitoba & North-W. Ln Co	100	679,700 1,500,000	375,000	51,000		Jan July		75 00
Montreal Telegraph Co	100	2,000,000			2	Jan. *	7234	63 50 72 75
Mont. Heat, Light & Power Co	40	3,000,000	2,998,640		5	April Oct		122 50
Montreal Gas Co	50	5,000,000	4,500,000	560,318	214	Feb. *	204	100 00
Montreal Cotton Co	100	3,000,000	3,000,000		4 & 1	Mch. * Aug	100	101 50 35 00
Merchants Cot. Co	100	1,250,000	500,000	360,000	314 &1	Mch Sen	18714	34 37
Out. Indus. Loan an Inv	100	373,000	271,993	150,000	3	Jan July Jan July		61 00
Ont. Loan and Deb. Co	50	2,000,000	1,200,000	560,000 40,000	18	Jan July	122	61 00 21 00
People's Loan and Dep. Co. Real Est. Loan Co	40	578,840	373,720	50,000	2	Jan July	76	30 40
Richelieu and Ont. Nav. Co	100	2,088,000	2,088,000	162,355		May Nov	0.00	82 00
Toronto Electric Light Co	100	2,000,000 1,120,860	2,000,000 724,000	250,000	214		154	154 00 44 50
Toronto Mortgage Co Toronto Street Railway	100	6,000,000	6,000,000	250,000	275	Jan. • July	9914	99 25
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The problem of tapping sources of energy other that that obtained by the combustion of coal may appear as yet of no very pressing importance, except from the point of view of lessening costs. But it will become a burning question ere the close of the present century, when the shallower seams of coal have been worked out in all the coal-producing countries. Concurrently with the demands for increased power, the coal supplies of this and other countries are being drawn upon at the rate of more than 700,000,000 tons annually.

Everyone knows that cast iron is smelted from ore in tall blast furnaces, which run day and night, for years in succession. Until recently, the vast quantities of heated gas produced by the burning of the coke in these furnaces was belched forth in its enormous volume to poison the air and blacken the landscape. But now huge gas engines are built to use up this waste gas, and produce considerable power from it, the engines ranging from 100 to 1,500 h.p. Then along comes electricity. dutiful handmaiden, ready to receive and distribute the energies of these big engines in the transmuted form of light and electrical power, for the use of the factories and towns. The number of furnaces from which the gas is thus used is not large, but additions to the list are constantly going on, and in a few years a large amount of power will be distributed from this course.

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The gas engine is such an efficient machine that its numbers and size are ands of square miles surrounding the increasing with great rapidity, displacing the more wasteful steam engines. Cheap gas is, therefore, a much desired thing, and many efforts are being directed towards the production of eco- the dust and garbage of cities, the stuff nomical gas plants, specially for driv- being consumed in furnaces of boilers ing engines.

ence recently, is a most promising are greatsource of cheap power. It is produced from cheap slack, costing about 7s a ton. There are valuable by-products recovered, which sell profitably, so lessening the actual cost of production.

Another cognate source of power, in the immense accumulations of slack which lie around the pit mouth on the coal fields, and which can now be used successfully for the production of power gas. It costs very sittle, and one of the great developments of the future that is beginning is the utilization of this also, to drive large gas engines, which will generate electricity for transmission to towns, factories and tramways within hundreds of thousgenerating station.

Going lower still the very refuse of cities can be burnt to produce power, as it is already in a few towns. It is practicable to get light and power from which produce steam for driving en-

The Mond gas, coming into promin- gines. The future posibilities of this

The idea of making use of the direct rays of the sun is not Quixotic, though it has not yet been found worth while to do so on any extended scale. It has, however, been done experimentally, with success. A conical mirror of large available for a considerable time, lies dimensions receives the sun's rays, and concentrates them upon a copper boiler, in which steam is produced, driving a steam engine close by. Heated air has been produced and utilized similarly. The mirror is moved by an astronomical clock to follow the course of the sun It is estimated that every 100 square feet of such a mirror will yield one horse power. The difficulty due to the uncertainty of continuous sunlight does not affect the rainless regions of the earth. There the solar might be stored, and transmitted by electric currents over long distances.

It may even happen that the exhaustion of the present coal supplies may have as one result a readjustment of the centres of population. Time was when the Asian plateau was the hub of the earth; then the centre shifted to

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Montreal N. Brunswick Quebec Nova Scotia. St. Stephen's	\$3,317,452 135,140 301,488 1,589,385 17,115	\$4,677,717 240 101 425,431 2,080,316 13,000	\$454,634 25,000 97,060 101,126 10,242	\$2,318,888 84,644 368,175 1,613,484 12,456	246,571 20,583	\$ 14,875 133,450 61,430 1,000 44,773	\$ 1,268,692 33,148 90,842 1,211,643 159	\$3,992,569 246,729 67,654 1,072,862 17,657	\$ 432,244 146,193 150,633 293,340	\$353,519 80,451 127,655 864,055	187,172 620,997	790,754 1,702,406	18,685,87 175,00 2,565,79
B.N.A Toronto Molsons E.Townships Union Hfx	943,358 622,503 487,399 153,418 190,490	1,611,246 -1,278,772 1,258,733 564,591 410,147	146,276 122,000 124,000 85,000 67,124	720,103 862,086 980,146 325,043 277,715		20,897 119,701 839,217 281,411 196,505	191,267 289,310 101,318 4,858	643,551 749,537 392 605 299,645 9,101	1,045,541 235,748 376,244 167,073 644,937	1,419,766 33,007 999,694 282,398 280,047	332,555 2,440,306 1,515,342 87,262 279,000	2,074,107	3,823,15
Ontario Nationale Merchants Provincial People's Hfx	123,452 77,872 503,035 20,935 74,225	284,880 229,172 2,108,250 47,969 169,411	70,000 75,000 236,000 40,987 40,000	543,196 382,583 1,734,241 74,634 199,491	619,377	396,044 41,381 3,304 264,308 44,749	2,290.476 19,222	80,120 52,335 71,405 56,244 23,863	50,000 653,450 129,895	784,741 308 038 45,892	1,024,496 5,104,799 224,105 19,370	707.307 261,256 3,576,305 1,407,217 148,180	1,680,64
People's N.B. Yarmouth Union Can Commerce Royal of Can	7,688 18,678 234,539 2,574,654 1,086,597	38,950 15,212 1,801,159 3,694,273 1,182,234	9,600 4,315 114,000 391,400 101,844	7,075 5,926 853,414 3.771,952 870,687		18,380 13,626 117,092 33,898 77,271	2,813 2,092,343 396,3.6	13,407 7,315 250,654 1,711,208 328,832	36,327 19,400 2,046,434 385,000	5,000 43,771 628,679 971,170	19,867 14,250 57,642 4,213,190 3,055,759	581,722 2,992,099 1,681,622	7,225,51 785,42
Dominion Mcht.P.E.I. Hamilton Standard St. Jean	1,059,462 27,086 373,929 222,922 9,375	1,806,243 53,923 1,561,616 539,799 4,890	140,000 14,000 100,000 50,000 7,136	1,209,662 23,682 874,798 457,522 15,871		548,570 126,328 563,785 284,317 28,786	182,337 11,361	678,909 14,530 537,483 168,881 1,272	94,296 129,311 579,654	671,028 1,773,013 1,599,220	3,832,217 494,641 741,023	4,121,069 1,854,380 341,569	
D'Hochelaga St. Hyacinthe Ottawa Imperial Western	147,170 12,591 626,170 728,608 28,016	466,055 48,401 666,462 2,780,443 24,994	85,000 16,260 125,000 140,000 21,655	755,999 20,407 511,422 1,145,073 61,313		92,497 34,491 351,383 586,299 912,427	59,565 368,236 623,571	283,763 11,873 215,066 475,713 17,293	767,958 452,117 823,485 127,758	260,125 1,172,224 1,180,672 485,305	303,000 656,464 1,282,806 215,570	831,561 1,304.716 3,051,972	
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India, then to Southern Europe, and so capture of the solar rays for the pro- sent. It seems but a step from wateron. Similar changes will doubtless occur again. The civilization of centuries to come may probably not be located in Northern Europe and America, but possibly in Africa and Australasia, being compelled to follow the wake of new sources of energy.

scheme seems hardly practicable, but of power from the restless ocean, at a leading dairymen, who are on the board either this or some other kind of util- low cost, without the smoke and smell of directors of the association, dealing isation of the heat will doubtless be of the chimneys. Or the energy may mainly with the subject of care of milk. evolved in time. The accomplishment be sent to distances inland by electric-

duction of power.

The tides upen up another vast field for future engineers. In their rise and fall they would be capable of supplying all the world's power, provided they

falls to tidal power.

#### DAIRYMEN MEET.

The twenty-first convention of the could be utilised. An immense fortune Eastern Ontario Dairymen's Association awaits the man who should show the had a very successful meeting at Belle-There is an enormous store of heat in way to do this. The most apparent ville recently, the attendance being the the centre of the earth, which some method is to fill immense tanks by the largest in its history, the farmers from scientific men have proposed to draw rising tide and use the fall of the water all parts of that flourishing section of upon. Suggestions have been made to to drive turbines. Wave power is an Ontario attending. The deliberations of bore deep holes in the earth's crust, al- other form of energy which will be the morning session were taken up mainmit water to these, and utilize the utlised in time. We shall then see fac- ly with President Derbyshire's annual steam which would be produced. The tories by the sea taking their supplies address, and short practical talks from

Mr. John Clendenning, of Manila, said of the tapping of this inexhaustible ity, and used for lighting our cities that the secret of the rejection of so heat would be a great boon to the race, and homes, driving trains and rail-many cheese, about which patrons of practically as much a triumph as the ways, just as the waterfalls do at pre-factories were always complaining,

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7 Toronto 8 Molsons 9 E.Townships 10 Union Hfx 11 Ontario	17,039,843 16,922,775 17,434,870 10,935,165 7,150,428 10,813,658	378,764	7	9,903 70,8 13,0 183,4 141,0 11,9 11,8	116,787 25,730 4,950		712,403 338,000 300,000 333,285 112,158 148,315	15,696 15,866	38,457,902 25,662,293 26,744,970 14,533,647 10,461,436	N11 892,888 430,264 145,082 463,292	839,643 621,984 484,451 155,676 186,893	1,657,632 1,379,304 962,689 563,767 427,994	3,174,580 2,883,700 2,802,007 1,858,315 1,296,342
12 Nationale 13 Merchants 14 Provincial 15 People's Hfx. 16 People's N.B. 17 Yarmouth	7,796,887 19,351,387 1,969,654 4,481,756 767,508 662,243	167,666 25,600		61,7' 608,2' 5,79 38,04	79 41,417 13 10,942 11 20,888 12 14,197	11,007 49,483 6,899 51,844	201,510 859.768 130,000 71,274 13,500	127,517 99,568 153,567 3,502	14,435,564 9,359,720 40,513,096 4,750,463 5,555,698 969,887	484,934	81,400	233,900 269,800 2,097,000 39,867 132,342 37,590	1,448,165 1,367,044 5,213,196 810,840 918,781 151,331
18 Union Can 19 Commerce 20 Royal of Can 21 Dominion 22 Mcht. P. E. I.	16,417,855 47,860,404 12,867,971 21,469,271 1,747,290	1,674,290 826,878	298	69,05 341,29 311 9,65 9,99 5,42	39,836 7 166,285 3 4,589 43,106 8 235	19 812 167,838 26,159 6,000	8,000 634,954 1,000,000 268,427 425,000 21,132	480 343,080 10,000 8.028 28,600	791,091 20.734,027 83,224,326 25,166,736 35,745,198 2,073,690	48,114 866,141 1,475,314 280,819 395,000 153,537	18.042 234,800 2,285.000 706,915 1,057,000	13,389 1,198,259 3,098,000 1,069,494 1,823,000	71,994 2 462,871 7,859,000 2,490,643 2,958,000
Hamilton Standard St. Jean Children of the standard St. Jean Children of the standard St. Hyacinthe St. Ottawa	15,064,467 9,814,533 637,064 9,180,196 1,200,750 14,222,263	12,026	062 147	19 62 21,58 49,676 11,94	28,876	30,475 8,848 8,573 39,900 5,124 27,766	560.865 100.000 14,170 196,756 22,500	120,155 85,612 9,093 113,769 57,222	24,111,689 14,963,530 757,319 13,661,865 1,481,013	107,449 351,954 27,260 465,051 35,420	26,775 368,000 222,841 8,800 159,116 12,585	38,583 1,150,000 523,240 4,000 397,961 53,807	325,927 2,122,000 943.593 142,888 1,828 (83 265,820
Imperial Western Traders Sovereign Metropolitan	16,497,052 2,548 057 10,370,966 4,482,960 1,656 977	29,100	86	741 23,400 1,624 360 8,511 11,895	37,837 15,006 6,011	89,385	324,411 568,901 18 230 190,000 49,757 233,032	5,360 76,211 40,123 10,199 1,447	21,179,209 30,127,326 4.536,720 17,383,136 7,331,207 3,496,913	284,582 142,040 Nil 74,650 94,762 111,680	626,904 723,227 28,131 196,10 38,093 49,892	1.189,386 2,740,898 26,170 967,827 213,118	2,440,176 2,980,556 430,815 1,973,095 1,263,500
Total	384,419.677	13,616,518	2,708,	299 2,229,568	779,993	724,446	-	-			15,140,495	98,787 29,647 360	600,992 3

could be traced to themselves. It was the dirt and carelessness of some slovenly farmer which tained the milk of other patrons and resulted in cuts or rejections of the output of particular factories. He could say ditto to every thing that the president had pointed out The gospel that the association had to preach now, if they were to raise their standard, was cleanliness and coolness in regard to everything about the factory, and about the factory's raw product—milk.

W. Eager, of Morrisburg, dwelt emphatically upon the necessity of paying each patron according to the value of his milk He was well aware that many farmers considered that the relative value of different lots of milk could not be accurately determined. If they only gave the matter careful consideration they would see that this was not so. Every factoryman or patron in the knew that

milk procured in September made finer cheese than that of any other period of the year. They knew also that this was owing to the richer quality of the milk. Now this same quality of richness prevailed throughout the year in a relative degree, so why should not the individual patron get the benefit of any superior qualities that his milk might possess? If the farmer kept it clean and cool, also, say at a temperature below 60, the cheese maker, when he received it at the factory, would be able to make a more accurate test of its cheese producing possibilities.

J. R. Dargavel, of Elgin, saw no reason why the Canadian dairyman should lose the 10 and 12 per cent which English domestic cheese realized over Canadian. They should produce just as good cheese, and it would pay them to do so, for this difference of one cent per pound in the average price meant a lot of money

on an output of \$28,000,000 worth of cheese. The association ast year had introduced the syndicate method of inspectorship and instruction Last season they had twenty-one men out, each serving twenty-five factories. The resulf had been encouraging, but it was only a beginning, for if the dairymen as a body only took up the idea they might have an inspector and instructor for every twenty, nay, for every ten factories. It only cost each factory \$15 per year, and he felt certain that the results would more than recoup it for this small outlay. The benefits to be derived were great, for no matter how fine a cheese a certain factory in a section turned out, it was the average quality which made the price, and this rule applied to the entire Canadian output. It was easy to see, therefore, that every factoryman and patron was interested in raising this average by improving the standard of the

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general output. This could only be done by the patrons observing common rules and well-equipped factory. A chain was only as strong as its weakest link, and it was his hope that before long they would have regulations under which the opening and running of a cheese factory or creamery would be governed by a license system, whereby none could engage in the business unless certain reasonable stipulations covering the points discussed were observed.

J. W. Ruddick, assistant commissioner of agriculture at Ottawa, strongly endorsed the point that the average quality regulated the price, and also held that for every dollar lost through skimming and watering the milk, the farmers lost \$100 through the carelessness and dirt of the lazier members of the community They should bear in mind that the great progress they had made dur-

to the remarkably cool weather, which was a low set, blocky animal, while a had facilitated the production of a very of cleanliness, and having an up-to-date fine cheese. Now they could not depend on the permanence of such climatic conditions, so the farmers should lack nothing in their methods to enable them to surmount this obstacle of warmer average weather when it had to be met.

> The proceedings during the afternoon session were significant of one interesters of this section of eastern Ontario are well informed and up to date.

> An interesting address was given by Mr. Hy. Clendinning, of Manila, one of the largest farmers of the section, and the questions and discussion which it led up to developed this clearly indeed.

> Mr. Clendinning spoke at length on

milk cow was a thin wedge-shaped one. If he might so put it the latter was essentially feminine in appearance, her head long and lean, mouth wide and strong, and with large nostrils. The wide mouth was wanted to cut lots of verdure, and the large nostrils to convey lots of fresh air to the lungs, to materialize in healthy milk eventually. Her face should ing fact, and that was that the farm- be sharp and clean cut, with a placid bright eye to show that she was not irritable, but of an even-tempered disposition, with less likelihood of turning sulky and shutting off her milk fountain. Various other interesting and necessary anatomical points were dealt on, such as the necessity of large lung power short, soft, silky hair, and the skin unthe cow and her case, starting off with derneath of a golden yellow, this latter a description of the differences in the fact having a good deal to do with the general appearance and structural form color of the milk, though not with its of animal designed to produce beef, and richness. In short, an animal which, ing the past few seasons was mainly due one fitted to produce milk. A beef cow though long and lean-shaped, would have

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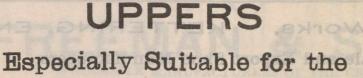
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Drugs & Chemicals	
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Borax, xtls. Brom. Potass	1 40 1 75
Camphor, Ref Rings	0 00 0 75
Citric Acid Citrate Magnesia lb	0 75 0 80 0 36 0 40 0 25 0 45
Cocaine Hyd. (oz)	5 00 5 50
Cream Tartar	0 22 0 26 1 25 1 75
Glycerine Gum Arabic per lb " Trag	0 15 0 40
do per keg. 1b	0 25 0 40
Menthol, 1b	8 00 9 00
Oil Peppermint lb Oil Lemon Opium	1 00 1 10
Oxalic Acid	0 08 0 10
Potash Bichromate	
Quinine	0 65 0 80
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Stick, 4, 6, 8, 12, & 16 to lb., 5 lb. boxes,	2 00 0 00
Licorice Lozenges, 1 51b. cans	1 50 0 00
Heavy Chemicals. Bleaching Powder.	1 75 2 50
Bine Vitriol	5 00 7 00 2 50
Caustic Soda	2 00 3 00 0 00
Soda AshSoda Bicarb	1 50 2 50 1 75 2 25 0 75 0 85
Concentrated	1 50 % 00
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a barrel wieh lots of room for the heart and lungs, for respirative and a good abdomen to digest the liberal supply of food necessary for a large production of milk. The speaker, in answer to a question, declined to discuss particular breeds because experience had shown that the most profitable cow did not belong to any particular one noted in the dairy line, adding that kind and careful treatment was essential at miking time, because that was the time she secreted her milk. His experience had demonstrated also that a rapid process of milking was, in the long run, the best method. It was an advantage also to have the same person always milk the same cows, the animal being more kindly in the matter of milk to a person it was familiar with than a stranger. With regard to the care of cows, the farmer, apart from the above particulars, need not have much bother during the summer, as they practically took care of themselves. But a careful and intelligent observation of the habits of the animals during the summer months was a matter that no farmer should neglect. There was generally a good reason for every thing they did. For instance, the animals frequently sought a sandy spot, pawed it up and threw it over themselves. This was their natural mer thod of currying themselves to get rid of vermin.

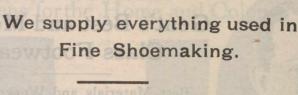
Close observation would also show clear evidences of gratification on the part of the cow during the fine, warm MONTREAL WHOLESALE PRICES OURRENT THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1904.

Name of Article.	Wholesale
Chip Logwood Indigo (Bengal) Indigo Madras Gambler	0 70 1 00
Madder. Sumac. Tin Crystals.	50 00 55 00
Fish.	
Bloaters, per box	0 00 1 00 0 00 5 50 3 00 0 00
Mackerel No. 2, bris	6 00 6 50
No. 2	5 00 0 00
Large dry Gaspe per quti. Salmon, bris Lab. No. 1. Salmon, (half bris) Brit. Col bris	000 000
Boneless Fish	00 00 14 40 0 00 7 50 0 04 0 00
Skinless Cod, case	0 00 0 06 4 75 0 00 1 10 1 15
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Ogilvie's Royal Household Ogilvie's Hungarian Ogilvie's Glenora Patent Manitoba patents	0 00 5 20 0 00 5 00 0 00 4 70
Strong Bakers	0 00 4 90 0 00 4 60 4 20 4 40 4 00 4 20
Superfine	1 95 2 00 8 65 3 75
Bran, in bags	4 45 4 75 7 35 1 40 00 00 18 00 00 00 20 00
Farm Products.	23 00 24 00
BUTTER: Choicest Cr	0 20 021 0 19 0 191/2
Western Dairy	0 17 0171/4 0161/4 0163/4 0 18 0 14
Frenh Rolls	0 16 01614

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Name of Article.	Wholesale
Farm ProductsCon.	LY.
CHEESE:	S c. S c. U 10140 11
Finest Western	0 9 0101/2
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EGGS: Best selected	0 80 0 35
Straight Gathered	0 26 U 28 0 18 0 20
Cold storage	0 22 0 24
No 2	0 15 0 16
SUNDRIES:-	0 60 0 75
Potatoes, per bag of 90 lbs Honey, White Clov., Comb	0 13 0 14
	0 09 0 10 0 25 0 30
Baeswax	0 25 0 30 1 35 1 45
Beawax Beams: prime	0 00 00 0
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Bags (100 lbs). Ex Ground, in brls. in bxs.	0 00 4 50
66 66 in bxs	0 00 4 60
Powdered, in bris	0 00 4 20 0 00 4 40
Therete I mans in bris	0 00 4 25
66 66 half bris	0 00 4 65
66 ° 100-10 DAB	0 00 4 55
55 50-lb bxs	0 00 4 65 3 35 3 90
Branded Yellows	3 35 3 90 0 38 0 00
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Evaporated Apples,	0 06 0 00
Raisins:	WEAR HEATS
Sultanas Loose Musc. Malaga	0 09 0 12
	0 00 0 08 0 00 1 50
Con. Cluster	0 00 2 00
Extra Dessert	0 00 2 75
Royal Bucking'm	0 00 3 25
Valencia	0 00 0 00
Layers "	0 00 0 00
Con. Cluster. Extra Dessert. Royal Bucking'm Valencia. Selected Leyers Currants, Provincials Filiatras Patras. Vostizzas. Prunes, Cal. French. Go French.	0 00 004%
Filiatras	0 00 0 00
Patras	0 054 0 064
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do French	0 04 0 05
Figs in bags	0 034 0 00 0 17
THE C. C	3 20 3 30
standard B	8 80 8 40
" Patna \$ 100 lb	4 35 4 85
Burman "	4 10 4 20 4 60 0 00
Prines, Cal.  do French.  Figs in bags  new layers  standard B.  Patha  Torystal Japan  Carolina  Carolina  Pet Barley, bag 98 lbs.  Pearl per lb.  Taploca, Pearl "  Flake  Corn, 2 lb. tins.  Peas, 2-lb tins.  Salmon, 4 doz. case  Tomstoen, 3s. per dos.  String Beans	0 00 3 07
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Pearl " per lb	0 03 0 05
Taploca, Pearl	0 023 0 00 0 023 0 00
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Page 2-lb tins	0 00 1 00
Salmon, 4 doz. case	0 00 0 00
Tomstoes, Ss. per dos	1 05 0 00 0 80 0 85
String Beans	0 00 0 80

it was a naturally cleanly animal and liked a nice showerbath. A few weeks in an ill-kept stable in the winter season exhibited a vest difference in the appearance of the animal to any intelligent man. The advisability was clear, therefore, of trying to substitute during the winter season in the stable the natural conditions so acceptable to the cow, under which she gave her most liberal flow of milk. Efforts intelligently directed could easily do this. should be curried daily and kept clean about their bodies because this was not only grateful to them, but should also be to the human attendant if he really was a man. The stables should be clean and bright and well ventilated; his experience being that best milk results were obtained where the temperature was maintained around the normal summer degree of the cow. He did not think either that the dairy cow required much exercise, because she used up a lot of her energy in the continual production of milk. The action of his own herd in the winter showed this; with the ex. ception of one cow that was dry, they were all being milked. They were let out once a day, and the milkers after walking sedately around the yard for about a quarter of an hour, invariably returned of their own will to the stable, the doors being left open. The dry cow, however, was not satisfied with this, she wanted to kick up her heels and frisk much longer. In fact, she showed clearly a lack of responsibility, if he might put it so. Dwelling on the matter of feed the speaker held that the same rule held good. The heaviest and the cheapest flow of milk was in June, when the natural food was more prevalent acceptable to the palate and digestion of the cow. In feeding in the winter the closest approach to the same economical conditions as prevailed in the summer was essential.

summer showers. This was proof that MONTREAL WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT it was a naturally cleanly animal and THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1974.

Name of Article.   Wholesale				
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	Hardware,	\$ c	15.1	
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1878. Block	Straits.	0 00	0 33	
Strip	rot 66	0 00	0 88	
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6 and 7d "		0 15 0 30	0 00	
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8 and 9d 6 and 7d		0 65	0 00	
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A few remarks from J. W. Ruddick on the question of ventilation brought the afternoon session to a close.

An address by the Hon. Jno. Dryden was the main feature of the evening session. He congratulated the association on the advancement it had made, and was glad to state that the organization under the new syndicate system was working smoothly, and had done prompt work this season in neutralizing and counteracting new obstacles and defects which cropped up every year, which if not attended to, would have seriously injured the reputation of their products. In fact, he was prepared to predict that in three years this new system would demonstrate itself as one of the greatest advances that had yet been made in the methods adopted in the running of

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over the work kept up by this close system of inspection, kept every one wide awake and ready to put into practice the principles and theories discussed at conventions like the present one. In other words, they would not only talk, but do things as well, for it was the men who did, that the results came from. Cooperation was also secure to a large extent by this same method, for when it was in the perfect working order that they hoped to attain it would reach every man who had anything to do with the milk in the cheese factory. Urging the dairymen in doing anything they lad to do, to exert their utmost ability, Mr. Dryden concluded by laying down five essentials as imperative for the success of the dairy business. The first was education, not coercion or law, but persuading the careless dairyman that ne was destroying his own profit. Secondly, there should be unity or an understanding between all the associations in Canada toward the accomplishment of the best interests of the industry. Third, the instructors had to show diligence and be seized of the importance of their office. Fourth, everyone engaged in the besiness should persevere, for without perseverence they could not maintain the high quality of their output, and retain the profits now enjoyed. Fifth, every farmer, every son of a farmer, or anyone else in the trade, should be enthusiastic. Without it there would not be that recognition of the importance of their work to the general interests of their country that it deserved.

There were interesting addresses from J. W. Ruddick and W. McGillieuddy also during the meeting, and Mayor Graham, Mayor-elect Chown, and C. M. Stork, president of the Board of Trade, extended a warm welcome to the members of the convention to the city of Belleville, and predicted a most successful meeting. F. O. B. London or

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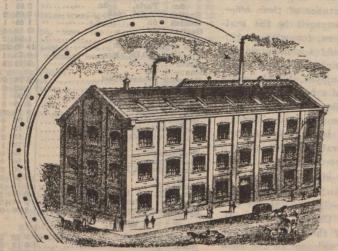
in the quality of the cheese and butter be made quite serviceable. The trouble, however, arises from cutting too thin. the veneer being six or seven to the ments of the export butter trade (confactories can sell their product in the inch instead of five. Also the wood is not always properly boiled to permit

the cheese boxes arriving in Montreal the east, besides being nearer break apart while being unloaded from board, do not have to contend with There is urgent need for improvement the cars. In the United States a box the drawbacks of the cream gathering boxes that are supplied by manufactur- troduced by a Michigan firm. It is said consequence maintain their high reers Mr. J. W. Steinhoff and Prof. Rud- to endure the rough handling incident putation in the English market. Mr. dick both spoke out strongly on this to shipment remarkably well. Boxes Smith drew a lesson from the differpoint at the dairymen's meeting at St. with paper sides and wooden ends do ence in the prices obtained at cream-Thomas, Ont., recently. The boxes used not endure so much strain. The cost eries. If the thirty creameries of westfor cheese are mostly of elm, which when of these paper boxes would be little if ern Ontario had received the top price well seasoned and straight grained can any in excess of what is paid for those that was paid to a few of the best kept now in vogue.

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gulations will be hard to live up to. Mr. Shutt has found that the churning temperature influences the water content, the higher temperature resulting in about one per cent. more water being left. A high temperature no grievances of their own for the purples." The refusal to tolerate the "open of wash water and overchurning have pose of coercing one employer by doing shop," or to permit union and non-a similar effect. Butter that is light-injury to another; in boycotts upon the union men to work together might be ly salted or unsalted is also higher in the percentage of moisture contained. The opinion of experts is that a high an interference with the rights and in- non-union men, but it goes far beyond not conclusively proved.

#### THE MENACE TO LIBERTY AND LAW

The demonstration of labor unionism during the past year in places where it has gained most strength point to the greatest danger that threatens our founded upon liberty, protected by law, a New York writer, have appeared in large industrial centres like New York, Chicago and Pittsburg, and in mining districts in the west, but they have brok- lies not with the ignorant and thought- ism by corcing the whole community en out spasmodically wherever there have less in the ranks of organized labor, who into a scheme for ruining the business been strikes in manufacturing towns of are largely the sufferers from them, but of those who have refused to submit.

lent attacks upon person and property guides and counsellors. These teach docto prevent non-union men from being trines that lead directly to the subveremployed where union men have refused sion of liberty and law. They include to work on the terms offered; in sym- the "union shop," the sympathetic strike pathetic strikes of workmen who have and the boycott among "union princibusiness of those who refuse to submit excusable if it were confined to the percentage is not conducive to the terests of whole communities regardless that. It extends to efforts to prevent keeping quality, though the point is of law and order, entailing serious eco- non-union men from working at all in in cities and towns are akin to those liberty of both employer and employed of brigandage in the rural parts of coun- which is sure to take form that is opin their disregard of the rights of per- of equal rights and the equal protection extortions enforced by the terrorism of pathetic strike is injustice to one under institutions, which are supposed to be fiance of law and public authority. They other, and it involves bad faith, the both from encroachment and abuse. These of ate in the teamsters' strike in Chi- business of those who are not responsible demonstrations in their worst form, says cago and were but little less flagrant in for the alleged wrongs that they are inof that city.

does not exceed 12% per cent., there Connecticut, New Jersey and other East- with the organizers and leaders, those is no occasion for anxiety that the re- ern States. They have consisted in vio- who stand before the public as their to the dictates of labor unions, and in peaceable refusal of union to work with nomic damage as well as discomfort and their trades, even with employers who suffering. These doings of labor unions prefer them. This is an interference with tries in a backward state of civilization pressive and that outroges the principle sons and property, in their exactions and of the law. The very essence of the symthe few over the many, and in their de- the pretext of securing justice for auhave been exhibited in their culmination breach of contracts and damage to the the recent strike on the street railroads tended to correct. The boycott is nothing but a lawless and barbarous method The responsibility for these abuses of enforcing the decrees of labor union-



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when successful; when the reverse, he makes his bow and retires, and inveighs against the conditions that have made him what he is; he forgets that he himself is the greatest factor in the circum-

One man succeeds where another fails. On the same ground, representing the same house, selling the same merchandise at the same prices, and under identical conditions, one man will sell one hundred thousand dollars' worth of goods in a year where another sells ten thousand dollars' worth. One will get his business for two per cent., where the other costs twenty per cent on the sales. One will condemn the goods he sells, prices his principals fix, and seek (and find) fifty causes for his failure, and his successor will laud the self-same goods, the self-same conditions, to the skie's. We do not ignore established houses with spotless reputations, names of a hundred years, but a bad traveller can no more sell their goods than those of a house founded yesterday; a good man will sell the goods of a new firm as well as those of an established house, always provided, of course, that the prices are no higher than those of competing houses.

A bad shopkeeper—a failure as a tradesman-will often make a good traveller, and where can we find a place for better experience than a retail shop? In his daily life he comes in contact

with scores of travellers; sees by comparison the good points of a good traveller and the bad points of a bad one; profits equally by both, and when failure comes in his own business, he goes on the road fully equipped with the knowledge that makes a successful Ambassador of Commerce. If he has the ability to use that knowledge in combination with his own talents, it may mean the turning point of his career.

Out in all weathers, subject to many vicissitudes, the butt for many a harsh and often unnecessary remark from his actual and prospective customers, the life of the traveller has its disadvantages, but he is the one representative above all others of the commercial fabric who has his freedom. He is the creator of his destiny and the maker of his future, and it is in his own hands whether he shall be branded as one of the successes-with unlimited possibilities in the way of partnerships and increased emoluments-or as one of the failures of his profession.

#### A FACTORY FIRE DEPARTMENT.

A Milwaukee, Wis., paint company has a fire department of its own and an established way of fighting fire and of getting its employes out of its houses. The idea originated with Ludington Patton, the active head of the company, and was proposed in the council of employes about a year ago, says the Milwaukee Free Press. They now have a complete plan of action mapped out for every person in the building. They do not know of any way to improve it.

When they first began to sound the fire alarm for practice there was some confusion. It is said that many girls turned pale and some fainted. Now every employe knows that whether it is a real fire or a false alarm, he or she is safe. Every one now knows his or her task in case of fire, as well as in case of closing up for the night. A false alarm is almost a weekly occurrence. It must be obeyed, too, and the penalty of disobedience is the loss of one's position.

The company set about its fire system by running an electric wire beside its telephone wires all over the building. It has sixteen telephones, consequently sixteeen places from which a fire alarm can be rung at the gong in the engine room. A red button on the telephone switchboard indicates the alarm and a notice above shows the ring that will tell where the fire is. The engineer at once blows the same signal on the whistle, and several men are there to see whether he happens to be away when the gong rings. At once everyone in the building begins his work.

All who have anything to do with pooks catch them up and run to the fireproof vaults. The person who turns in the alarm runs to the city fire alarm, rings it, and waits to show the city firemen where to go. Meanwhile fifteen impromptu firemen, in shining rubber caps, under the leadership of Chief Samuel Anderson and Assistant Chief Jacob Van Achre, who were elected by the employes' council, hasten to the site of the fire. Every one carries a bucket of sand, as sand is better than water for putting out a fire of paint and oil. Hose has been placed in all parts of the building and there are also patent extinguishers.

When the alarm sounded about 80 girls were quietly at work on the third floor. They at once rose in their paces and waited till a young man appeared, whom they followed, single file, like school children from their seats, down the front stairs, out over the roof, or anywhere he chose to go. It is positively against the rules for anyone to go back for anything.

Officers believe that not only are their employes safe, but that no fire could seriously damage the factory during the daytime. They also believe that a state law should compel such drill and protection in every large establishment in the state.

Not long ago the directors of the company were at the factory and a false alarm was turned in for their benefit. They were nearly knocked down by the men hastening to put out the fire and were so surprised by the excellent action that they refused to believe that it was a job put up on them.

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for making the various determinations, or who may object to them on the ground of their being "too scientific" for him, and who demands a simple test that can be carried out in the store, it may be pointed out, says a professor, that if he will perform the following three simple tests he will be able to form a not inaccurate opinion as to the quality of the oil furnished him:

1. Place half an ounce of the oil in a test tube and allow to stand in shaved ice for two hours. A pure non-freezing oil should remain perfectly clear.

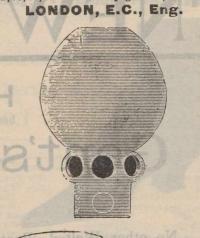
2. Boil one fluid drachm of the oil with half an ounce of a 5 per cent. solution of caustic potash in alcohol until the solution is clear. Dilute with two ounces of water and heat until the alcohol is expelled. Then add an excess of hydrochloric acid and note the odor of the fatty acids. A strong herring-like odor or a bad smelling liquid indicates adulteration with seal or other oils. A faint herring odor may be disregarded. Pure cod liver oil usually yields a soap and fatty acids of a fishy smell, with no bad odor.

3. Place 20 drops of the oil on a watch glass and add 5 drops strong nitric acid. Stir well and note the color. Pure cod liver oil gives a beautiful rose red color which changes in about half an hour to lemon yellow. A dirty brown or blackish mixture indicates adulteration with other oils.

#### A REMARKABLE TRANSACTION.

The story of the attempt of President Townsend, of the Stapleton National Bank, Richmond Borough, New York City, to have the depositors of a failed bank write checks for the amount of their balance's in it in favor of his own institution, and then have these checks paid by the New York Clearing house agent of the suspended bank, is about as "slick" though it may prove ineffectual, as any performance in the way of promptitude and action, says the American Banker, that we ever heard about. A section of the constitution of the New York Clearing-house provides that a bank which acts as clearing agent for another, in no case shall discontinue its service without notice; "which notice shall not take effect until the exchanges of the morning following the receipt of such notice shall have been completed." The National Bank of Commerce was the

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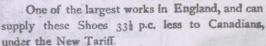


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clearing agent of the Bank of Staten Is bank had failed, was compelled by the unexpectedness of the performance. This land. That bank closed its doors on Decelearing-house rule to each the checks incident alone should show that the cember 31, and about one hour after the though it did so naturally under proclearings were completed for that day. test. It should be added that the balary routine, nevertheless affords opportine next day was a holicay. Meantime once to the credit of the suspended bank or tunities for strategic movements of rothe president of the Stapleton National on deposit with the National Bank of mantic power-while Mr. Townsend's Bank canvassed the depositors of the Commerce was sufficient to pay these midnight visits to the depositors of the suspended bank, procured many of them presentments. to transfer their balances to his own. The swiftness to transfer their balances to his own. The swiftness and lucidity of concepwhich, doubtless, the most saturaine and
bank, and sent these checks to his retion exhibited by the president of the serve agent the National Park Bank. National Bank of Stapleton in this litton Saturday morning, January 2, the tle banking comedy and his energy of National Park Bank presented these items realization are highly creditable. Aside Commerce. The latter, though the drawee we like the dramatic completeness and

for settlement to the National Bank of from the legitimacy of the transaction

banking business, so dull in its customary routine, nevertheless affords opporsuspended bank had a humorous side regarded as comical enough to chuckle over. But for this quick-witted president there was also a serious side to this performance. It is stated that one of these depositors not only consented

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A dispatch from Hartford City, Ind., says that the six window glass blowing machines at factory No. 3, of the American Window Class Company in that city made 1,400 rollers and over 100 pieces in two shifts in one night.

When out, this will make over two hundred boxes and represent more than the work of a shop of hand workmen for a full mouth, the limit being 192 boxes. Six machine tenders and six snappers, three of each for each shift, with wages of \$1.50 a day or \$18 for all. made this amount of glass. The wages of a blower, gatherer and snapper under the Phildelphia scale, or even last year's seale, would have been at least \$350 to make the same amount of glass. The difference in wages of over \$300 on two hundred boxes of glass shows how, with even its large investment in machines, the American can turn out glass by machine cheaper than can be done by hu-

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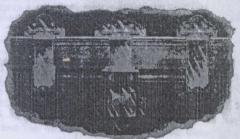
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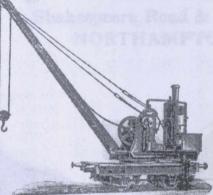
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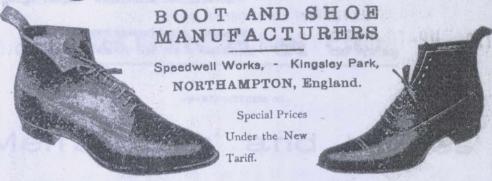
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