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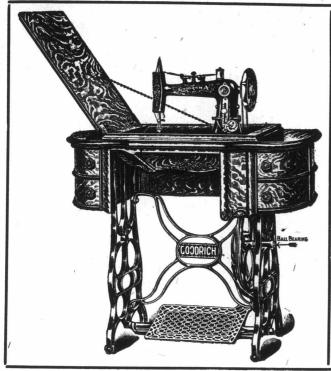
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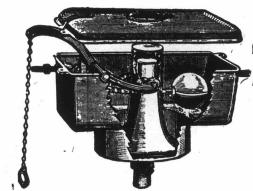
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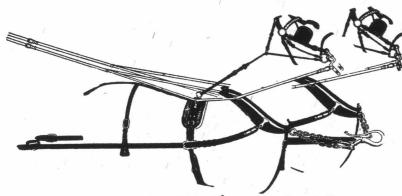
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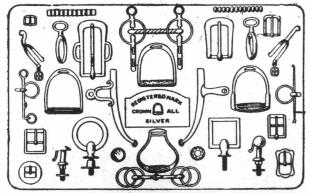
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COMMERCIAL SUMMARY.

The driveway to Rideau Hall, Ottawa, will be improved, at a cost of over \$91,-

—Counterfeits of Dominion two dollar notes have recently been put in circulation in the Maritime Provinces.

—Ottawa clearing house total for week ending July 11, 1907, \$3,436,048; corresponding week last year \$2,844,742.

In 1906 Canada exported to Australia \$1,518,755, an increase of \$363.850 over 1905. The imports to Canada from Australia were \$363,440, an increase of \$147,000

—The Government has let contracts for about one million dollars' worth of new rolling stock for the Intercolonial Railway, including some twenty-two locomotives and a large number of freight-cars of various kinds.

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--At, the annual meeting of the Maritime Wholesale Hardware Association, held at St. John, N. B., Friday last, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. John Keefe, St. John, president; W. G. Robertson, Halifax, vice-president; executive committee, T. Douglas, M. O. Crowell, Halifax; F.R. Murray and Geo. C. Weldon, St. John.

-- The official announcement is made that the production of gold of the Rand Mines in June amounted to 507,000 fine ounces, against 524.447 fine ounces in May and 475.975 in June a year ago. Last month's figures, based on the market value of \$21.25 per ounce, represent \$10,647.000, against \$11,145,136in May and \$7,989,468 in June last year.

-A report from London says: The Phoenix Assurance Co., Ltd., and the Pelican and British Empire Life Insurance Co. have entered into a provisional amalgamation agreement whereby the Pelican shareholders are to receive one new fully paid £5 share for every seven Pelican shares . Both companies have been closely connected for over a century through their boards of directors.

-Returns furnished to the Trade and Commerce Department by the chief warehouse commissioners at Winnipeg, show the total number of cars of Western grain inspected for the ten months ending June 30th to be 70,198, as compared with 64.021 for the same period last year. Of this quantity 59,572 cars were wheat, 7,892 oats, 1,862 barley and 872 flax. The C. P. R. carried 54,100 cars and the C. N. R. 16,098.

-The following appointments have been made in the Bank of Montreal: F. G. Woods, accountant at Lethbridge, to be acconutant at Calgary. W. H. Jackson, accountant at Sarnia, to be accountant at Chatham, N.B. R. S. Mabee, acting manager at Millbrook, to be accountant at Lethbridge. J. M. Clancy, accountant at Calgary, to be manager at Ray-H. K. Austin, accountant at Chatham, N.B., to be accountant at Sarnia.

--The post office department. Ottawa, began July 11 issuing to post masters special newspaper wrappers for exclusive use of publishers when pre-paying postage on second class matter addressed to the United States . These wrappers, which are considerably larger than ordinary post band, are printed in three denominations, 1c., 2c., and 3c, and bear each following restrictive clause: "This wrapper to be used only by publishers and for sole purpose of mailing second class matter to the United States."

-Notice is given in the Canada Gazette that the G. T. R. Co. will apply to the Railway Commission for authority to construct a branch line from St. Lambert to Portland, Me. Notice is also given in the Canada Gazette that a meeting of shareholders of the Quebec Bridge and Railway Co. will be held at

Quebec on August 5th to sanction a resolution asking the Government to advance to the company by way of loan the sum of \$6,678,200 in return for the deposit with the Government of the company's bonds in accordance with the Act passed at last session of Parliament.

-Plans of Governor MacGregor, of Newfoundland, for tour to Labrador, where he will personally investigate the conditions relating to the delimitation of the Labrador boundary, now an unsettled question between the Newfoundland and Canadian Government were announced last week, Governor MacGregor will go first to Bay of Islands, where he will confer with Earl Grey, Governor-General of Canada. From there Governor MacGregor will go to Hamilton Inlet, to remain about two weeks, and later he and his party will proceed to places figuring in the boundary dispute.

-Work on the Canadian Northern and Quebec Railway is progressing very favorably. It is expected that much of the tracklaying will be completed this fall, and that the road will be ready for operation by June of next year. Work is just now being pushed on the portion of the road between Lorette and Cap rouge, where the road connects with the Grand Trunk Pacific. The greater portion of the right of way between Quebec and the bridge terminals has been secured, most of the proprietors having come to terms with the road, while the rest will have their claims settled by arbitration.

-Cable despatches from Madrid on the 5th inst. announced that the Spanish government had decided to follow the example of Frange in the matter of special legislation for the control of foreign insurance companies doing business in the country. Minister of Public Works Besada read a bill in the senate to require foreign life insurance companies to deposit \$100,000 in cash or acceptable securities, and fire and accident companies to deposit \$50,000 in addition to, and independent of, the reserve fund of 25 per cent of the premiums. The plan is for a special department for the rigorous inspection of the operations of foreign companies.

-The statement of operations of the Dominion Bank for the half year ending June 29, shows the profit for the six months after the usual deductions was \$297,505.09, or at the rate of 17.57 per cent. on the average paid up capital. To this has been added the balance at credit of profit and loss. December 31st, and premium on new stock of \$696,377.82, making a total of \$1,022,681.24. From this two half-yearly dividends took \$203,127.99, and \$696,377.82 was transferred to reserve fund, which is now \$4,956,377.82, leaving a balance of profit and loss to carry forward of \$123.175.43. The general statement shows an increase of some \$4,000,000 in deposits for the year, the total being now \$36,184,487. The cash assets of the bank total \$7,966.960.91.

-- The Ontario Railway and Municipal Board will start on a tour of all the electric and steam railways under their jurisdiction . The territory covered will extend from Cornwall to Sar-

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mia. The object of the board is to see that the railways are carrying out the law in respect to appliances, equipment, rolling stock, fares, etc. As a consequence of the tour there will be no meeting of the board until July 29, and following that there will be another intermission until September 3. All correspondence will, however, be attended to and arrangements will be made for cases in which speed is urgent. The board has received a request from Waterloo that the demand of that municipality on the town of Berlin for compensation for the right to run the Berlin Street Railway along some of its streets be dealt with by the board.

—Patent Report:—Below will be found a list of Canadian and American patents recently granted through the agency of Messrs. Marion & Marion, Patent Attorneys, Montreal, Canada, and Washington, D. C. Information relating to any of the patents cited will be supplied free of charge by applying to the above named firm. Canada: Asahel E. Scouten, Riding Mountain, Man. Coupling Device. Lawrence M. Adams, Fort Steele, B. C., Clothes Washing Machine. David C. Burpee, Gibson, N. B., Building Apparatus. Denis Frappier, Maskinonge, Que. Visc. Rosaire Leclerc, Quebec, P.Q., Collapsible Box. United States: Myer Moss, Lunenburg, N. S., Wrist Protector, Joseph Belauger, Springfield, Mass., Innersole for shoes. Victor Guertin, Montreal, Que., Manifold Counter Sales Check Book. Carl Jentz. Canton, N. C., U.S.A., Pulp Screen Plate Fastening.

—The Scottish ship-building industry, if one may judge by the amount of tonnage being launched from month to month, is in as prosperous a condition as ever it was. During the half year just closing the output has been exceptionally satisfactory. The tonnage floated reached the large total of 326,067 tons, which is only 34.422 tons short of the record reached during the same period last half-year, when the circumstances were somewhat exceptional. The Clyde figures for the six months are rather interesting from several points of view. The total tonnage launched, 302,847, is far in excess of that for any similar period, with the single exception of last year, when the amount was 336,258 tons. Thus, while the output is less by 33,438 tons than for the first half of last year, it exceeds the highest previous total—that in 1902—by 66,838 tons.

—A study of the English cider industry is to be made this autumn by J. A. Ruddick, of the Canadian Department of Agriculture. In England as much attention is given to cider-making as is given to wine-growing in France, and English cider is made from apples especially grown for the purpose. They are handled with as much care as apples intended for eating, the cider which produced has many of the characteristics of champagne, and it commands a good price. It is thought there may be a profitable opening for the Canadian orchardist in this field of industry. Next month Mr. Ruddick will attend a conference in Brussels, at which methods of ensuring sanitary conditions in the milk supply of cities will be considered, and after this he

will attend an international dairy congress at The Hague. This will be the first time Canada has been represented at the Congress, which was held for the first time three years ago.

—The monthly returns of the manufacturers of pig iron to the Iron Age shows that production in June was practically at the same rate as it was in May. The output in the thirty days of June was 2,231.575 tons, or 74,385 tons per day, while it was 2.295,505 tons in May, or 74,485 tons per day. When charcoal iron is included, the total production of pig iron during the first half of 1907 was 13,500,000 tons, against 12,675,000 tons during the second half of 1906, and 12,582,000 tons during the first half of 1906. At the rate of production at which the industry entered the second half of 1907, and even larger output will be available. On July 1 the active coke and anthracite furnaces had a total capacity of 527,830 tons per week, the largest on record. It must be noted, however, that a good many of the furnaces did not in June come up to their usual tonnage.

—The Canada Gazette says: New Zealand has decided to adopt the title which Canada gave to the Empire in 1867, and abandon that of "Colony," which, being applicable to the offshoots of Downing Street rule, like Trinidad and Jamaica, is unsuited to a self-governing State like New Zealand. As it is, New Zealand probably prefers "Dominion" to "Commonwealth" because, since the federation of Australia, "Commonwealth" has acquired the sense of a federation of States rather than of a single State. The fact is recalled that the Australian Federal Convention in 1891 was at first criticised for choosing the name "Commonwealth" because it smacked of its association with Cromwell's type of republicanism; but in New South Wales it was objected to as suggesting too incomplete a unification, and the Legislative Council substituted "Dominion," the term already applied to the Canadian Federation.

-The latest improvement in railroad ties is a combination of wood and metal which, it is claimed, solves the present difficulties. The amount of wood employed is quite small as compared with that entering into a full tie, and yet it is said to be sufficient to impart the same elasticity to the roadbed as is experienced when the wooden ties are used. In addition to this, the wood used in the combination is so protected that its life is greatly prolonged. The steel tie is of the same length as the wooden one, eight feet, and consists of steel channels five inches deep. The wood made use of is in the shape of bearings, which are two feet long, eight feet wide and six feet deep, and these form a solid foundation for the rails. The tracks are spoked in the usual manner. The wooden bearings becoming damaged by use or otherwise may be replaced by the removal of one bolt without disturbing the tie. Its increased length of life as compared with the tie is due to the fact that it does not come in contact with the ground.-Pittsburg Despatch.

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-Our Teeswater correspondent/writes:--It had been pretty generally prophesied that there would be no hay, very poor fall wheat and very backward spring crops generally. It is pleasing to report that these prophesies are not likely to be fulfilled, having has just commenced and the new meadows are yielding fairly well the older ones a scantier crop. If the fall wheat statements are generally made that although the straw is somewhat short apparently a finer crop of fall wheat likely to be harvested could not be wished for. Of the spring crops peas are spoken of as very fair, barley and oats short and very backward. The results of these crops depends upon the weather. Rain is wanted. The prospects for a good apple crop are very fair indeed. Commercial life at Teeswater is quiet, the only item of interest is a rumour that a prominent merchant is about to go into a larger sphere of business in Toronto in partnership with a relative, in a general wholesale dry goods business. It is likely the business at Teeswater will be continued.

The rose beetle, omnivorous, multitudinous and practically indestructible, is having his annual feast in the Stamford district, Ontario, and fruit-growers are suffering heavily. In past years the grapevine blossoms have been gone and the fruit set before the rose beetles appeared, and so suffered little harm. This year the grapes are a week or ten days late in flowering, but the rose beetles are right on time, so the two came together with disastrous results to the grape-growers. All the sandy belt of Stamford township, including the Lundy's Lane section and part of Niagara township, are swarming with rose beetles, and the tiny bunches of green blossoms on the grapevines are hidden in clusters of grey bugs. Some grape-growers employed large forces of people to pick the insects off the vines and burn them, but the work proved to be costly and ineffective and has been generally abandoned. The air on sunny days is full of flying beetles, and nothing is safe from them. Though they are hatched out only in sandy soil they fly to vineyards on clay ground, and sweep them clear of blossoms, too.

—Four of the seven companies granted incorporation this week under letters patent have their headquarters at Montreal, as follows. Societe Canadienne d'Entreprises Generales a Responsabilite Limitee, with a capital stock of \$500,000. The incorporators are Hon. Raoul Dandurand, Martial Chevalier, and Louis Beique, all of Montreal; and Hubert Biermans and Beaudry Leman, both of Shawinigan Falls. The DeWitt con-

struction and Realty Co. (Ltd.), with a capital stock of \$80,000. — W. D. McLaren (Ltd.), with capital stock of \$40,000.— The Progress Manufacturing Co. (Ltd.), with capital stock of \$49,000. Other companies incorporated are: The Argenteuil Lumber Co. (Ltd.), with head office at Morin Flats, Que., with capital stock of \$10,000.—Canadian Distilleries (Ltd.), with a capital stock of \$10,000 000 and head office at Winnipeg.—Steamship Cabot Co. (Ltd.), with capital stock of \$55,000 and head office at Sydney, N. S. Supplementary letters patent have been granted authorizing The Provincial Construction Co. (Ltd.), to change its name to that of The Montreal Suburb Construction Co. (Ltd.).

-Express Tariffs:-Mr. Cartwright, secretary of the Railway Commission, sent out the following circular July 12 by direction of the board: - Under section 352 of the Railway Act, the Board of Railway Commissioners is empowered to prescribe what is carriage or transportation of goods by express within the meaning of the Railway Act. I am directed to state that the board thinks it would be advisable that "Express Traffic" should be defined before the express companies' tariffs are approved by the board, and that the board desire to receive the views of the various companies interested as to the division which should be made between express traffic and ordinary railway traffic, and between the kinds of the traffic to which express tariffs are to apply ,and those to which railway tariffs are to apply. The board desires that the companies give the board the benefit of their views upon these matters on or before the first of September next, and suggests that, for the purpose, a conference might be had between the various interests and some attempt made to arrive at a harmonious settlement of these questions for submission to

-There was another heavy death rate among children in the city last week. The total number of children under five years of age, who passed away was one hundred and thirty-one. Even for Montreal this is considered unusually high. The total deaths for the week, among all classes, numbered 184. principal causes of death were: Intestinal diseases, 92; typhoid, 1; measles, 1; whooping cough, 3; consumption, 25; cancer, 1; bright's disease, 2. The contagious cases reported for the week were: Diphtheria, 3; scarlet fever, 5; typhoid, 1: measles, 19; whooping cough, 3; tuberculosis, 3; erysipelas, 1. Speaking of the heavy death rate among children, officials of the health department said that the heated term had much to do with the mortality. In addition to this it was necessary that arrangements should be made so that milk could be delivered to customers in the poorer districts of the city, in a cooler condition than it was at present. With this end in view steps

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were being taken to get the railways to run refrigerator cars.

It is also claimed that the many privy pits in the city are responsible for deaths; they contaminate the air and create sickness. The city has passed an enactment which will eventually put an end to the pits.

Occurred in the loading of teams with outward freight. We feel justified in making the statement that some merchants at least are endeavoring to conduct a largely increased business in premises totally unsuited to present requirements, and in which no additional provision as compared with some year

-- The great central valleys of North America, whether to the north or the south of the line, are very much dependent on the same sources for their supply of coal and timber. It is therefore reassuring to find from the bulletins of the latest United States census, taken in 1905, that after so many prophecies concerning their early disappearance, the forests of the Republic were still producing the handsome value of \$580,000,-690 of timber and lumber. Nor has the source of production changed to any alarming extent. The six leading States in the industry, with the value of products manufactured in each were: Washington, \$49.572,512; Wisconsin, \$44,395,766; Michigan, \$40,569 335; Louisiana, \$35,192,374; Minnesota, \$33,183,-309, and Pennsylvania, \$31,642,390. It will be noted that out of these six lumber producing States four are contiguous to Central Canada. The output of the sawmills of the United States during the year was valued at \$491.524,662. Although our own sawmills increased during the last five years by 100 per cent., it was still only \$20,128,295 in 1905. The comparison points eloquently to the possibilities in the development of the Canadian lumber industry. A recent report of the geological survey of the United States is not less interesting to Canadians. It states that the coal resources of Montana are extensive, although the coal varies greatly in quality. Many of the fields containing the lower grades have been but little prospected and their extent and value are largely unknown. Mines have been opened by the railways and copper smelting interests in fields carrying coal of the better grades, and the areas that lie near the railroads are fairly well known. As abundance on one side of the line affects to some extent prices on the other side, the reports are equally satisfactory to Canadians and

--The divisional freight agents and general freight agents of the G.T.R. and C.P. railway systems last week addressed the following memorandum on the subject of freight congestion at the Montreal terminals to Mr. George Hadrill, secretary of the Montreal Board of Trade:—The volume of freight consigned to manufacturers and merchants in the city of Montreal, received over our respective railways during the last year or more, has increased to a very considerable extent. It has been found necessary for the cartage companies to provide additional men and teams to meet the situation. On the other hand, the serious delays to the teams which have taken place within the period referred to, in our opinion, clearly demonstrates the fact that the facilities at the warehouses of many of the consignees are altogether indequate to permit of the prompt unloading of the freight. Similar delays have also

occurred in the loading of teams with outward freight. We feel justified in making the statement that some merchants at least are endeavoring to conduct a largely increased business in premises totally unsuited to present requirements, and in which no additional provision as compared with some years ago, has been made for the prompt unloading of teams. Manufacturers and merchants will realize it is not in their interests that teams should be delayed in loading or unloading. The natural result, where teams with inward freight are not promptly handled, is delay in supplying teams for outward shipments and consequent dissatisfaction on the part of the shipping public. We bring this matter to the attention of the board in the hope that some steps will be taken which will result in an improvement in the unsatisfactory conditions which at present exist. We shall be glad to hear from you in regard to this matter at your convenience.

-Boil the milk.-Pasteurization of all milk was strongly recommended in a report prepared by the foremost experts in the U. S. and indorsed and officially promulgated by A. D. Melvin, chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, and James Wilson, secretary of agriculture. In taking this stand the federal government adopts the policy that has been persistently advocated for fifteen years by Nathan Straus, the New York philanthropist, who supplies pasteurized milk for the poor of that city. The report says flatly: "The committee, in the interest of public health, strongly advocates clarification and pasteurization of all milk." Referring to the prejudice among some medical men against pasteurization: "The advantages and disadvantages have been exhaustively stadled by Dr. M. J. Rosenau, director of the Hygenic Laboratory of the U. S. Bureau of Public Health, and in his opinion the advantages so far outweigh the disadvantages that he unhesitatingly recommends compulsory pasteurization of all milk not certified." For certification the report specifies certain definite conditions, including the requirement that the milk be produced from cows proved free from tuberculosis by the tuberculin test. "Certified milk is reasonably safe, but this is no guaranty that it may not occasionally contain germs of disease, and those who desire to guard against this slight risk should pasteurize it in the home." On the dangers of raw milk the report is clear and emphatic saying: "Such hydraheaded disease as cholera infantum, scarlet fever and diptheria have been disseminated in the milk supply . Typhoid epidemics have been thus caused, and milk may be the vericle of the germs of tuberculosis and other infectious diseases and morbific agents." The establishment of pasteurizing plants is urgently recommended, and the committee being "so strongly impressed with the manifold dangers connected with the milk supply," recommends to the public: Subject all your milk to home pasteurization, by simply bringing it to the boiling point. This will destroy germ life and reduce the chances of milk-borne diseases to a minimum.

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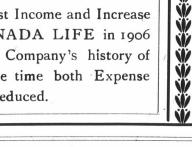
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THOUGHTS ON BOOTS AND SHOES AND RUBBERS.

The increased demand for leather from over the border lately, although balanced by a quietor tone, to the market in Great Britain, does not seem to have much effect upon most qualities and prices in the Canadian market. Tans are scarce locally, tanners' stock being too green as yet for use by the manufacturer.

There is an evident desire, especially among Montreal manufacturers, to compete in quality, style and symmetry with the very highest class of goods made latterly in the United States, and for which people seem not unwilling to pay as much as \$7 to \$10 and even \$15 a pair. These goods are now being matched in the best Canadian factories to sell at \$7 to \$10 per pair, and many experts would be puzzled to detect any difference in material or finish between them. Wearers are no longer tempted to go from home to buy the clegantly finished article which they have admired on the feet of the exquisites of Boston, New York or Philadelphia, who visit us, a product which even our yet low tariff would not warrant being imported.

The improvement in quality and volume of trade, noticeable latterly in the best Canadian shops of Toronto and Montreal, must be due to the 5 per cent encouragement granted our manufacturers not long since by the Government. It is believed by many of our people that with reciprocity in this line of goods or,

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what amounts to the same thing, an equality in customs duty, Canadian makers could hold their own market against all comers whether as to quality or price.

As there is ever a considerable proportion of the population who look to cheapness first, with quality and comfort afterwards, manufacturers are compelled to provide a neat-looking cheap article which in the course of a little while proves anything but satisfactory to wearer or maker. These are the products which soon afford a job to the cobbler who does not often hesitate to inform the owner that the "stuff in them won't hold the nails or the stitches." The well-built boots or shoes of prime material, on the other foot, will bear being placed upon the dry dock however long the intervals between their make and total annihilation.

The changes in fashion are a serious consideration with manufacturers, some of whom turn out as many as 1,000 pairs a day. What with the varieties of upper leathers of late years this feature has been more trying than in the times when the general prosperity of our people had not yet begun to develop so rapidly as of late. To-day we have blacks and tans, moroccos and white canvass-not always immaculate, - calves and kids and other attractive materials; but while theseoften and again-submit to much improvement at the hands of the descendants of these legions of Julius Caesar which remained to him after his return from

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Gaul, and who now seem to monopolize the polishing off of the other extremes of the population. It is only, however, as in the case of precious stones, the best qualities that will submit to the polish.

But it is a different story where it comes to making a narrow-toed pair of boots or shoes look other than ridiculous when the change of style has turned to the more sensible broad toe, or even to that known as the "bull-dog." It can't be done; neither can the broad toe be narrowed to the opposite/fashion with which the fickle goddess afflicts us from time to time. But narrows have their uses occasionally, even if the beggar at our gates will not give a "thank-you" for them.

Rubber shoe manufacturers have somewhat similar troubles with their toes; but they do not hesitate to apply the only remedy-namely to convert them into cash before they have an opportunity of causing mischief more or less extended among consumers or remote retailers. A number of cases of narrow-toed rubbers are sent to each of many auction houses. The department storekeepers, always alive to bargains and bargain-days, buy them in promptly—generally at equal to five cents a pair; they advertise so many "thousands of pairs of rubbers at ten cents" for a certain day, and great is the rush to the cases and counters early on that morning. All are disposed of at a glance; and the Misses Miriam and Elizabeth with their friends and relatives are consoling themselves during the next few hours as best they can,—recalling that they now have rubbers that will fit over the narrow-toed boots they had laid aside some weeks before, and conceal the distorting hideousness of the old-fashioned articles of last season's style, some of which are not much the worse for wear.

Men's boots and shoes for city use are fully dearer by the amount of the duty recently put on by the Government, but the improvement in material and finish is worth all the difference.

THE GREAT BRITISH SHIPBUILDING COMBINE.

At a time when everybody who thinks Imperially feels more or less interest in shipping schemes for cementing the Empire and promoting trade relations with its various parts, some account of what is going on between two shipbuilding companies in the United Kingdom may be of interest. We shall postpone more than mere passing reference to the all-red service here, and devote some little space to the doings of the great enterprise of Harland & Wolff, of Belfast, Ireland, and

the scarcely less important industry of John Brown & Co., of Clydebank, and Sheffield. These, the two largest shipbuilding concerns in the world—the latter are also makers of structural materials for modern shipshave just formed a combination.

What is termed in our transatlantic exchanges the odd thing about the combine is its indirect association with the great United States adventure in shipping. Some five years ago the U.S. combine, as formerly referred to in these columns, secured possession of the White Star Line, the Anglo-American Transport, the American Leyland, the Dominion Line (so well known in Canada), and the Red Star Line. Intimately associated with this combination were Harland & Wolff, the builders of the White Star, the Red Star and the Anglo-American steamers. They were also practically constituted the builders of the International Maritime Co. of New Jersey, that busy little neighbour of New York which cradled many of the greatest U.S. corporations whose roots and branches spread all over the great northern industrial belt along our southern border, the connection to continue as long as U. S. yards could not turn out vessels as well and as cheaply as British or German shipbuilders can do.

While owned by a U. S. company, the ships of these lines were, by a twist in the law, permitted under the British Joint Stock Co. Acts, as formerly explained, to be kept on the British Register, thus creating the anomaly of the British Government's being under mail and naval contract with an "American Trust." came that Government and the Curnarders, by which the owners of that Company were to be accorded a loan of equal to nearly \$10,000,000 to enable them to build two of the largest and swiftest steamships affoat, to be employed in the Atlantic mail service and, at the same time, to be held at the disposal of the British Admiralty as might be required for the purposes of the navy.

One of the heads of the Cunard agreement is to the effect that the company pledges itself until the expiry of the agreement to remain a purely British undertaking, and that under no circumstances shall the management of the company be in the hands of, or the shares of the vessels of the company held by, other than British subjects. It is under these conditions that the Lusitania has been built by Brown and Co., Limited, Clydebank, and just as the Lusitania is preparing for her first vovage Brown and Co. have concluded a sort of semi-amalgamation with the shipbuilders of the Morgan Shipping Combine, whose promotion was one cause for the State assistance granted for the building of the Lusitania and Mauretania. Of course, Messrs. Brown and Co., had nothing to do with the contract between the Government and the Cunard Company. It is pointed out that (while they as builders derived benefit from that contract) they are now preparing to receive as much work as they can get out of the opposition camp.

In short as the Economist puts it, the Clydebank and Belfast Combine has something uncommonly like an It is an American parentage — or say sponsorship. tolerably certain that there would have been no combination between Harland and Wolff and John Brown and Co. unless the former had their hands something more than full. The International Maritime Company intend to build some nine very large and fast steamers for the Atlantic trade. They cannot get these in America except for 20 or 25 per cent more money than in the United Kingdom, and if they build in the latter country they must order from Harland and Wolff, whose order books are already full, and who besides are at loggerheads with the Belfast Harbour Commissioners about the deficiency of graving dock accommodation. However that may be, and whatever intention the Belfast firm have of ultimately extending their yard there, it has doubtless been found not only expedient but necessary to have an alternative building place elsewhere for the enormous amount of work in prespect.

While the arrangement referred to in the report recently issued by John Brown and Co. is commonly referred to as a combine, it is really more like the "community of interest" established a few years ago by an exchange of shares and directors by Vickers, Sons, and Maxim, of Sheffield and Barrow, and Messrs. William Beardmore and Co., Glasgow and Dalmuir. This, again, was followed by a similar exchange of shares for co-operative purposes between the Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering Company, of Glasgow, and Messrs. Cammell, Laird, and Co., of Sheffield. The difference is, at any rate, not material.

The firm of John Brown and Co. was formed in 1864, but it was not until 1899 that it went into shipbuilding by acquiring the works and business of the Clydebank Engineering and Shipbuilding Company, Limited, which had succeeded the well-known firm of J. and G. Thomson, Clydebank. In 1902 the company acquired seven-eighths of the ordinary shares of Firth and Sons, Sheffield, and thereby enlarged its scope of supply of shipbuilding material. The capital now consists of £1,750,000 (equal to about \$8,700,000) in ordinary shares of £1 each, and £750,000 of 5 per cent cumulative preference shares of £10 each. On 1,160,-000 ordinary shares issued 15s per share has been paid up, and 590,000 shares are fully-paid up. All the preference shares are paid up. Since 1898-9 the dividends have been 10, 15, 20, 15, 10, 81/2, 10, and 10 per cent. Harland & Wolf, being a private company, do not publish their accounts. In their report for the year ending March 31st last, the directors of Brown & Co. say that, "with a view of strengthening the shipbuilding connection of the company, we have arranged for the acquisition of an interest in the firm of Harland and Wolff, Limited, of Belfast," and that for this purpose, as well as for completing the purchase of a field of ironstone, and for building two blast furnaces at Frodingham, additional capital will have to be created, for which special resolutions are to be submitted to the shareholders at the approaching meeting. The financial aspects of the arrangement are as yet unrevealed, but we understand that Brown & Co. take shares in new capital to be created by Harland and Wolff, while Harland and Wolff take up the greater part of the new shares to be issued by Brown and Co.

The interest among shipbuilders and ship wners in the affair is not financial, but individual. What effect will it have on the shipbuilding industry generally? Brown and Co. have a large Admiralty connection, and a world-wide circle of mercantile clients, although they

can hardly hope to retain the Cunard Company now among their customers. Harland and Wolff have, of course, the American Combine connection, and they also build frequently for the German transatlantic companies, as well as for most of the great British lines in other trades. Both concerns are equipped for turning out the biggest and swiftest steamers that marine architecture has yet attained. They run in the same groove, except that Clydebank is better acquainted with warship work than Belfast, having had more experience. Moreover, Brown and Co. at their Sheffield works turn out the heaviest known plates rolled, and, by their association with Firth and Sons, have at their hand the supply of most other structural steel for shipbuilding. What advantage the Belfast concern will derive out of the steel branches of the Clydebank concern is not revealed, but we may assume that it will have a preferential claim in the matter of delivery when orders are pressing. If Belfast turn over some of its Atlantic and other contracts to Clydebank, the latter will have to reciprocate somehow. There is to be a division of contracts, so as to ensure continuity of work at both yards. But there is more than constructural work, for Harland and Wolff do most of the repair work for the numerous fleet of the International Maritime Company, and repair work is supposed to be more profitable than building; at all events, it keeps the works and hands employed when building orders are scarce, as well as when they are numerous. An amicable division of this kind of work may also be possible, but not, we think, very probable. The Belfast concern expect to buy a large proportion of their material from Brown and Co. without the intervention of middlemen, but that does not necessarily mean a saving. It is well known in the trade that middlemen are often cheaper sellers than manufacturers, especially of shipbuilding material. They sell ahead on terms often lower than the current market, and cover themselves by hedging in pig-iron. It is speculative of course, but a kind of business that shipbuilders have encouraged for many years past, because it preserves them from being at the tender mercy of steelmakers at all times.

The extensive works at Belfast are to be enlarged by the addition of 50 acres of ground, if terms can be made with the Harbour Commissioners. If not, it seems not improbable that the shipbuilding yard may be removed from Belfast altogether. Indeed, repairing works have already been established at Southampton by Harland and Wolff, who have from time to time inspected various areas in Scotland in search of a site for their shipbuilding yard, should they decide to remove it. As the removal of this great industry from Belfast would be a serious loss to that place, we may assume that the local authorities will make an effort to do what is necessary to retain it. But in the meantime it seems that Belfast's present necessity will prove Clydebank's opportunity, and that Brown and Co. will have a bountiful supply of orders for their shippard during the next year or two, even if they do lose the Cunard orders. Industrial combinations have their immediate and individual advantages, no doubt, but, from an economic point of view, the situation is not so favourable.

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Advices to the 15th instant, from H. Nordlinger, of New York, give the following table of statistics:-

Crop movement July 1st to June 30th.	1906-07	1905-06
Brazils		(A)
Receipts at Rio, Santos, Victoria and Bahia	20,215,600	10,837,200
World's withdrawals for consumption	12,985,093	12,087,196
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Arrivals in Europe and U. S.	4,093,562	4,302,012
Deliveries from port stocks (including trans-shipments)	4,560,678	4,680,963
Recapitulation	/	
Total Into-sight movement	24,309,162	15,139,212
Withdrawals for consumption. (including trans-shipments)	17,545,791	16,768,159
World's visible supply		
(end of crop year)		
	*14,723,295	7,492,788
Milds	1,676,659	2,143,775
	16,399,954	9,636,563

Bremen Stock is now included for the first time. **Of Brazils 7 to 8 millions bags are owned by the Government of Sao Paulo, Rio and Minas.

It will thus be seen that there has been a steady increase in the consumption of Brazil coffee, whilst the consumption of Milds has shown a tendency to decrease. The world's production exceeded consumption 63/4 million bags. All' this excess of the production and more is held out of the market by the three coffee growing States of Brazil, whose Governments have bought the whole surplus of last year's production, and are holding it out of the market presumably until consumption should require it, leaving the available supply for the trade at a lower figure than in recent years.

The antagonism of the trade and the public in general to the so-called Valorization scheme, has been persistent since its inception, and during the whole period of Government buying. All hands allowed their stocks to run down to a low ebb, and speculators have liquidated their holdings to a very large extent, which leaves the invisible supply in the world, as well as the speculative commitments, exceptionally small.

The Government purchases ceased about a month ago. Financial arrangements were made to carry the acquired 7 to 8 million bags for a year at least if it be true that the banking house of Rothschild (which has been opposed throughout to the hazardous undertaking of buying coffee for Government account) is coming to the aid of Brazil, it is probably done with the strict understanding that no more is to be purchased by the Government. The eventual winding up of this venture would also be left to the sagacity of the above named Bankers, in which event a throwing overboard at low prices need not be feared. The question until the Government coffee becomes available, will be purely a question of supply and demand.

The consumption of Brazil coffee amounts now to about 13 million bags, with a prospect of its reaching 131/2, million bags during the present fiscal year. What the production this year will amount to, cannot be stated with any degree of certainty. Reports vary considerably. Nordlinger estimate the Rio and Santos crop from 10 to 16 million bags, with the majority of the estimates towards the lower figure. After the experience of the past year, when an increase in the production of over 100 per cent was witnessed for the Santos crop, the world at large will be slow to believe that a series of small crops will be encountered, crops small enough as to be millions of bags below the world's requirements.

After the necessary period of rest and recuperation, the trees can doubtless produce, with the same favorable weather conditions that they had for the past crop year, a like bumper crop in a few years hence, and this belief cannot be eradicated unless some catastrophe should destroy a large number of the trees under cultivation. But a successful winding up of the Government Coffee deal will require an uninterrupted series of small crops-not small in comparison with the bumper crop behind us, but crops below the 111/2 million bag

mark.

Calculating the average consumption of Brazil Coffee during the next four years at 14 million bags (including Bahias and Victorias which is certainly a liberal figure, we would have to have a production of Rio and Santos of not more than 111/2 million bags to use up the Government holdings during that period, and this would still leave a visible supply in the world of 81/2 million bags of all kinds. This is a more favorable aspect than we can reasonably expect to realize; but the folly of the Government undertaking will become more apparent as time rolls by. Each year interest and warehousing expenses will add to the burden, and it is within reason to calculate this expenditure at \$10,000,000 per annum.

The Government started out to establish an equilibrium of values, that the price should not vary much for large and small crops. It paid the planter a very remunerative price, far more than he could have obtained in the open market, for the bulk of his last year's production. But now we are supposed to be entering a small crop, and this crop is started at the lowest milreis price which has been ruling in twenty-five years, a sufficient proof that the Government's plan has miscarried. Whilst it enriched the planter on the large crop, it is likely, that the smaller crop will entail a considerable loss upon him.

-The reduction of letter postage in France last year from three to two cents has not resulted in the augmentation of mailed letters expected, but has created an enormous deficit which has seriously raised the question as to the advisability of continuing the reform. The diminution in postal receipts from first class mail matter for the first nine months under the new law is \$4,457,280, to which must be added the increased cost of service, amounting to \$871,720. The increase in the percentage of letters mailed under the reduced rate of postage was less than ten per cent.

CANADIAN LIFE INSURANCE LEGISLATION.

It has been semi-officially announced at Ottawa, that preparations are being made to secure data upon which the brand-new Life Insurance Act is to be based. The new measure, we have some ground for hoping, will not be the ridiculus mus proceeding from the mountainous evidence piled up by the costly Royal Commission. It is also hoped there will not be much thought wasted upon the draft Bill submitted by the Commission. That production followed closely in the wake of the hasty New York legislation, which was designed mainly to satisfy public outcry, and to deal with special facts. The Armstrong Commission had to deal with suspected abuses of public trust and to probe festering political and other sores, such as were never supposed to disgrace Canadian insurance business wherever cradled. The legislation recommended by Mr. Hughes, was intended to deal with such evils as his enquiry revealed. That similar legislation is required in this country, does not appear from the evidence collected by Judge McTavish and his colleagues in their investigation into the business of Canadian companies only. There may be, and in all probability there are, evils in connection with life insurance work in Canada, but though given every facility to act as a fishing commission, their report does not reveal any marked success in discovering them. Yet their draft-Act adopted most of the distinctly local features of the New York

Insurance men are publicly claiming that under that Law insurance business has already shrunken over \$300,000,000 in the State, mainly owing to the "Limitation of Expenses" clause. The objectionable class of business known as "term insurance," i.e. where policies are in force for a short term of years only, has already increased surprisingly, because the limitation clause does not prevent the managers using as much as they please of those premiums for expenses.

It is evident also, that the uniform standardization of policies, is a blow directed against all progress. One has only to consider the varied forms of policies now available to the candidate for insurance, and the progress made in that respect of late years, to see how puerile and unfairly limiting such a measure must be. With the object before him of preventing the accumulation of vast funds which might be used in huge salaries, or for corrupt political purposes, Mr. Hughes was probably justified in preparing these enactments. But already they are seen to be working badly, and it is not apparent that life Insurance funds have been largely diverted to political purposes in this country.

Nevertheless, both these clauses have been adopted from New York in the draft recommendations of the Commissioners. It is of course pretty well understood that Mr. Shepley, who was appointed as managing attorney to a Commission evidently innocent of the subject it was to investigate, was a servile admirer of the Armstrong Commission. His introduction of Mr. Miles Menander Dawson, Mr. Hughes' actuarial friend, and probably his nominee, meant the following of New York methods in most particulars.

There are however gleams of an independence in the Report which, of itself, bears the marks of preparation

by Mr. Shepley for the Commission. But unhappily where these occur, is just where the experience of Mr. Miles Menander Dawson might possibly have been of some slight value. For instance, the New York law, restricted the investment of insurance funds to bonds and debentures, forbidding any hazardous buying up of stocks. The Shepley-McTavish combination, recommends also the investing of policyholders' money in Bank Stocks. In the face of the double liability of bank-stock holders, this exception is singularly child-like and bland.

Then, the New York Act makes rebating a crime, punishable as such. The suggestion from Messers. McTavish, Shepley & Co. is that, for rebating, the penalty in every case shall be a fine of \$1,000, payable — the idea is sweetly subtile—by each and every director of the Company. No punishment for the agent who gave the rebate out of his fees,—but half the fine goes to the informant. Truly a magnificent prospect is here opened for the "grafter" of the future.

Again, the New York Law forbids holding, as a margin of safety, more than five per cent of its assets over direct liability to policyholders. It must be remembered that investments can only be in bonds and debentures. How is shrinkage in these securities to be provided against? The "News Bureau" of New York tabulates the prices of twenty-five representative bonds, and shows that in twelve months they depreciated 6.18 per cent in value, The margin of safety must in such a case be more than wiped out. Yet the Shepley-McTavish recommendations is, that Canadian companies shall not retain—unappropriated to policyholders—over 4 per cent of their funds as a margin of safety.

A representative of the Journal of Commerce stood recently in a steel vault wherein was stored the Bonds and Securities held by a large Canadian Life Insurance Co. Their net value was something over \$20,-000,000. It presupposes preternatural sagacity in the management to forbid by law a proper safe-guarding by a proportionate rest-fund against unforeseen shrinkages in such an enormous mass of investments. Common sense teaches in the case of a bank, that the larger the Rest, the more stable is the institution. Whence is the teaching that in an insurance company, a rest is an element of danger? Evidently if we were to adopt the Socratic principle that "vice is ignorance," we should be compelled to convict the amiable gentlemen of the Commission and their managing attorney, of appalling viciousness.

While the McTavish Commission was at work, the Managers of our Insurance Companies met in several busy sessions and prepared a series of suggestions which were respectfully submitted to the Commission. That was before the discovery that the Commission might be turned into a useful political instrument,—and when it was thought that its purpose was to systematize and safeguard Insurance, and not to hunt for reasons for incriminating its managers. Their suggestions have never more been heard of. Instead, there is the draft of recommendations, in part the product of Mr. Miles Menander Dawson,—that is, the new New York State law; in part the work of Mr. Shepley,—that is, New York State law "hashed, and warmed over."

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decre in 18 name the p sending representatives to wherever the new Act is being prepared, at Ottawa, in order that its makers may have at hand such expert assistance as the combined Insurance experience of the Dominion can furnish. This is following along the lines adopted by a former Government when the Canada Banking Act was being blocked out, and Bank Managers were summoned to give their advice. But so far it is not clear that anything is being done, or will be done until the return of the Honourable the Finance Minister.

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Business acumen would seem to demand that the views of the men of experience should be received, that expert advice might well be sought among the prominent accountants of England, and that a great purely-Canadian Act should be submitted to the next session of Parliament. In the face of the world-wide amusement with which the report of the Shepley-McTavish Commission has been received, it is to be hoped that a suffering people will have heard the last of its recommendations.

At a meeting of prominent gentlemen in New York not long ago, Mr. Miles Menander Dawson was explaining why the Life Insurance business was leaving the New York Companies since the passing of the Hughes' legislation. He showed that this would be the case until all the States passed similar laws, which he hoped would be the case before long. We have heard similar advice before — in fable. But there is no apparent necessity for Canada's following the advice of the tailiess Reynard, and sacrifice its own caudal ornament for the sake of assisting to arrive at a sad uniformity. We do not certainly need to look to New York for lessons in Legislation, with our own Banking Aet before us as a model.

IMPROVED LIFE TABLES.

The British Registrar-General's Report on life tables shows that the annual death-rate per 1,000 in England and Wales has decreased since 1840 from 21.74 to 18.19 in 1900, and that the chance of life at birth has increased during the same period, but not yet reached the proverbial years. Women, it is noticed, may expect to live three years longer than men. The following figures give the expectation of life (in years) at birth for England and Wales as a whole, and for selected healthy districts:—

/	1838-	1881-	1891-
	1854.	1890.	1900.
Men, England generally	39.91	43.66	44.13
Women, England generally	41.85	47.18	47.77
Men, healthy districts 4	18.56.	51.48	52.87
Wemen, healthy districts	49.45	54.04	55.71

What are the healthy counties? A table of annual death-rate per 1,000 from 1891 to 1900 shows the healthiest to be Rutland, and the least healthy Lancashire, to which London — remarkable to state—comes next.

The death-rate from tuberculosis per 1,000,000 has decreased since the decade 1850-60 from 3,457 to 2,010 in 1890-1900; from cancer averaged 758 in the lastnamed decade, or more than one-fourth greater than in the preceding 10 years.

TRUSTS AND COMBINES IN THE U.S.

These be hard times for the Trusts, Mergers and combines in the United States. Their lines are not running in pleasant places. The Federal Government courts are industriously prosecuting them for what is called violation of the Interstate Commerce laws, and the railways are being convicted and fined in tens of thousands of dollars for preferences in giving rebates and other things.

Many of the State governments are following in similar course, but in different directions and forfeiture of charters in some cases is sought for. Among them is that of the great Standard Oil Company which under a late decision is liable to fines which may be imposed to the extent of millions of dollars, the number of which has not yet been decided.

One of the latest decisions announced comes from Toledo, Ohio, where twenty-three wealthy and prominent citizens—lumbermen, manufacturers and tradesmen, have been convicted and sentenced to nine months' imprisonment for combining to raise their prices and in restrainment of competition in trade, and nine others heavily fined for similar doings.

Now the Federal Government has just commenced proceedings in New York against the Tobacco Trust which is capitalized, as reported, at \$230,000,000 and which practically controls all the branches of that business in the United States, and largely in England, from the leaf to cigars, smoking tobacco and snuff. The profits to the few individuals who control this immense concern are said to be enormous and such a monopoly under the astute management, that the Federal Government has determined, if possible, to break it up.

The matter is now before the courts, the main application of the Government being the breaking up of the Trust and the appointment of receivers to administer its affairs, so that the many individual companies in the combine which form the Trust will be released in order that a healthy competition in trade may follow to the general public advantage.

The latest move in these regards comes from New York City, where the State Attorney-General has, under instructions, entered an action, a few days ago, to declare illegal the recent amalgamation of interests of the three chief means which the people of that great City have for their personal movements to and fro. These three systems are the elevated tracks — the surface tracks and the subways, recently put in operation.

The contention of the Attorney-General is that the intention originally was that these different systems should be competitive so as to promote the convenience of the citizens and the general welfare. It is contended that by the recent amalgamation a virtual monopoly has been created, and so powerful that it is in a position to defy the public interests and disregard the just complaints of citizens as regard the want of proper facilities for travel, besides the poor management. The court is therefore asked to declare the amalgamation of those three systems to be illegal, that it cease to be in effect, and the former competition of the different systems be restored.

So this peculiar war goes merrily on. Whatever may be the outcome, for good or for evil, one thing is

certain — the lawyers engaged so largely in all these cases throughout the country are so far fortunate that they stand to reap a glorious harvest of fees, no matter who may win or who may lose.

THE STRUCTURAL STEEL STRIKE.

The strike of the structural steel workers is not considered formidable. So far the companies refuse to meet the demands of the men on ordinary bridge construction. The plea of the men in demanding a nine hour day at 40c an hour is mainly based upon the scale of wages paid in the United States. There, however much of the work is extremely hazardous, on account of the height of buildings, and expert workers only are employed. In ordinary bridge work, on the level not much skilled labour is required. In city work however, conditions are different. Contracts contain heavy penalty clauses, masons must be kept employed, and delays are to be avoided. If the men would allow discrimination between skilled and unskilled labour, matters would probably soon be adjusted.

LIABILITY FOR PAYING A STOPPED CHEQUE.

The case of Curtius v. London City and Midland Bank, which came before an English divisional court on June Sth, is one of importance to bankers and commercial men in general as to the liability of a bank which pays a cheque after they have received notice to stop payment. Unfortunately, however, as there were only two judges, and they differed in their opinion, the question of Hability is still left in doubt, unless the parties see fit to take the case to the Court of Appeal. The case was one in which the defendants appealed from a decision by the judge of Marylebone County Court.

It appeared that the plaintiff, who was a farmer, bought certain horses on October 31, 1906, paying for them by a cheque for \$315 on the defendant bank. While on his way home he sent a telegram to the bank directing them not to pay the cheque. The telegram was sent after bank hours, and the County Court judge found that it was put into the bank letter-box, and that it did not, in fact, come into the hands of the bank officials until the morning of November 2nd, whereas it ought to have come to their hands on the morning of November 1st. On November 1st the cheque was specially presented to the bank by post through another bank, with a telegraph form attached, the defendant bank being desired to wire whether the cheque was all right. The cheque was, in fact, paid by the defendants before they had any intimation of the attempt to stop it. They having so paid it, the plaintiff sued them to recover the amount, the form of action being for money had and received by the defendants to the use of the plaintiff.

The Court judge gave judgment in favour of the plaintiff, holding that the telegram was put in the letter-box of the bank on October 31st, and was overlooked by the cashier in clearing the box on November 1st, and that defendants must be taken to have received it when they opened their, letters for that day; a banker receiving a telegram purporting to stop a cheque disregarded it at his peril, and if defendants, in fact, received, or must be taken to have received plaintiff's telegram before the cheque was presented for payment they were responsible for having paid it. For the defendants it was contended, first, that a telegram was not an effective countermand of the general authority given to the bank to pay the cheque, even assuming that the telegram reached the hands of the bank officials before the cheque was honoured. The bank had no means of ascertaining the sender of a telegram. Anyone might wrongfully send a telegram to a bank

requesting a cheque not to be paid, and in such case, if the bank acted upon that, it would be placed in a serious difficulty. The second point was, that payment of a cheque was not countermanded until the banker had, in fact, received the order countermanding payment. For the plaintiff it was contended that on the facts there was evidence of a countermand of payment. The difficulty arose from the negligence of the cashier, but for that payment of the cheque would have been stopped. There was no negligence on the part of the plaintiff. If the officers of the bank did not choose to read a document which was on their premises, they could not be heard to say that it was not brought to their notice. The judge pointed out that an action might perhaps have been brought against the bank for negligence, but the action in the present case was for money had and received; therefore, the point was, whether it was necessary that the countermand of the order to pay should, in fact, be brought to the notice of the bank.

As their lordships differed, they each delivered judgment. Mr. Justice A. T. Lawrence was against the contention that a cheque could not be countermanded by telegram. He thought that a telegram which had in fact reached the bank, was sufficient as a countermand under Section 75 of the Bills of Exchange Act, 1882. On the second point, as to whether a countermand was good which had not in fact reached the mind of the manager of the bank, his lordship held in favour of the bank. Mr. Justice Darling agreed with Mr. Justice Lawrence on the first point, but held on the second point that there had been a countermand. If the case goes to Appeal, it is suspected that the judgment of Mr. Justice Darling will be maintained.

INTERNATIONAL RATE CASE.

The Railway Commission, through Mr. Hardwell, chief traffic officer, has handed down a memorandum of judgment in what is known as the international rate case. The decision will have an important and far-reaching effect on the commerce of the Dominion east of the Great Lakes. It is well known that for many years it has been a cause of complaint against the railway companies that their freight rates from Windsor and other western Ontario frontier points to the eastern Canadian. markets have been higher-considerably higher in many cases than the rates charged to the, same markets from Detroit and other cities on the opposite side of the boundary line. The order of the commissioners abolishes this discrimination and makes the Detroit and Port Huron rates the maxima to be charged from Windsor, Amherstburg, Courtright and Sarnia to practically all points east, from Chatham and London down to Halifax and Sydney. The same readjustment is to be made at the Niagara frontier, except that in consequence of the position of Buffalo relatively to Detroit, the rates from the Niagara peninsula, while considerably reduced, will still be slightly higher, in some cases, than from Buffalo, but this could not be avoided without a disarrangement of the whole plan of adjustment. In order to produce uniformity of rates, at the frontier a uniform classification became imperative; the Canadian freight classification will, therefore, apply from Detroit, Buffalo, etc., and on all American traffic into Canada through those gateways, instead of the United States official classification as heretofore. The adoption of the Canadian scale will have the effect of advancing the lower classes on this traffic from American to Canadian points, but the new international rates will be scaled on the first class rates now in force This was unavoidable under the Interstate Commerce law of the United States, for the American companies could not be expected, nor could they be compelled, to reduce their rates into Canada. It is understood, however, that the rates on American raw material into Canada will not be advanced by reason of the basic changes ordered by the commission, The new rates will apply the year round, except that between water competitive points the railway companies will have the power to meet the competition of the water carriers by special commedity rates under the authority of the Dominion Railway Act, and the summer class tariffs from Toronto and Hamilton will be so continued. The so-called "town" or distributing tariffs at such points as Toronto, Hamilton, Guelph, St. Catharines, Brantford, London, etc., are to be revised on a uniform

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reduced scale, with the object that each of these points shall have the same rates for the same distances. The following is a comparison of a few of the first class rates to Montreal, other points being correspondingly reduced, the other classes correspendingly scaled, namely, From Windsor, present winter 70, present summer 60, new rate 58 cents; from London and St. Thomas, present winter 66, present summer 56, new rate 54; from Woodstock and Stratford, present winter 64, present summer 56, new rate 52; from Guelph, present winter 58, present summer 50, new rate 48; from Hamilton, present winter 54; present summer 42, new winter 46, new summer 42; from Toronto, present winter 50, present summer 40, new winter 44, new summer 40; from Kincardine and Southampton, present winter 70, present summer 60, new rate 58; from Owen Sound, present winter 70, present summer 60, new rate 56 cents. From Windsor as the basis the first class rate to Halifax will be $78\frac{1}{2}$ cents, as against the present rate of 92. The differences over Montreal to Quebec points are also considerably reduced; thus. St. Hyacinthe, instead of being 8 cents first class over Montreal, will be 4 cents; Sherbrooke will be 8 cents instead of 12; Three Rivers 8 cents instead of 12, and Quebec 10 cents instead of 14 cents. Some time must necessarily elapse before the railway companies can revise and re-print their numerous tariffs, but no time is to be lost in getting through with this work.

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TRADE SECRETS ARE A TRUST.

An interesting legal decision has been rendered by the New Jersey Court of Errors and Appeals in the case of the Vulcan Detinning Co. against the American Can Co. The litigation has extended over a series of years and arose out of the use by the American Can Co. of a process of separating and recovering tin and steel from tin cans and waste scrap which the Vulcan Detinning Co. claimed to own. This is an electrical chemical secret process which was purchased in Holland by the organizers of the Vulcan company. This company, soon after its organization, began to buy scrap tin from the American Can Co. and made large profits in detinning, but the American Co. established a plant of its own for that purpose, and, it is alleged, employed two former superintendents of the Vulcan Co. and another of its employees, who had become thoroughly familiar with its processes . The Vulcan Co. applied for an injunction, and the case went to trial. In the lower court it was decided adversely to the Vulcan Co., but an appeal was taken and the decision handed down sustains the Vulcan Co. on every point. In other words, the New Jersey court finds/ that the former employees of the Vulcan Co. who received knowledge of the secret process in confidence became itstrustees, with all the duties and obligations of such position, and that their trusteeship continued after their period of employment expired. This is a matter of importance to every employer of labor The haunting fear lest trade secrets be disclosed to rivals through employees who are unscrupulous enough to sell those secrets along with their services would be set at rest if the courts would take the same view as now taken by the New Jersey court of the trust nature of such confidential knowledge imparted to a workman in the course of business.

THE HUDSON'S BAY DIVIDEND.

The report of our old friends, the Hudson Bay Co., last year showed that the receipts from land sales had risen from \$1,066,700 in 1902-3 to \$1,485.000 in 1905-6. while in the same period the trading profit had increased from \$357,465 to \$951,035. The preliminary statement for 1906-7, which was issued recently, indicates that further progress has been made, and the full dividend of \$21.20 per \$50 share is \$1.20 more than was paid for the year preceding. The extra dividend requires \$125,000 and \$125.000 is placed to the credit of building account, and \$50,000 allocated to the employees' benefit fund, these appropriations being of the same amount as in the previous year. No provision is apparently made on the present occasion for irrigation, while last year \$75,000 was applied to

this purpose. On the other hand, the carry forward is increased by \$108,000 namely, from \$481,500 to \$589,500, and altogether the year must have been a highly profitable one. Stock Exchange speculators, however, were disappointed with the handsome dividend, and although the quotation of the shares was about 40 points lower than the figure at which it stood at one time in 1906, the price fell on the announcement. In dealing with the company's prospects a year ago we expressed doubt whether there was justification for the rushing up of the price which was then in progress. At 129 the shares were absurdly high, but at the current quotation of 89½ they yield, allowing for the dividend of \$16.20 shortly to be paid, \$24.44 per cent., which is a good, but not an excessive return.

SCARCITY OF HANDS IN SMALLER FACTORIES.

Skilled labour has become scarce to a degree that makes many of the smaller manufacturers anxious concerning their ability to fill orders for the approaching season. Operatives on luxurious furs, especially on coon coats-now so much in request-demand enormous advances on last year's wages; and they are hard to secure at any figure, for no sooner does one of them attain skill in the work, and disabled one machine after another in the endeavour to turn out a maximum of articles by piece-work, than in goes the demand for an advance, failing which she or he betakes her or himself to a rival house, or turns up a week or two later in a dusty ill-smelling loft close by, where he may be seen working away on his own account with the assistance of some newly arrived compatriots. on material obtained for him by a citizen much of whose business is done in that manner, the rate of interest being double the bank discounts plus a commission of 2 or 3 per cent. A Toronto wholesale merchant has been in town this week seeking a foreman for his establishment, fancying labour to be cheaper here than in the west. The first skillful man he interviewed wanted \$50 a week, or \$10 over what he had believed to be too high a price in Toronto. This is but a single case The country is advancing in population and among scores. wealth, money is more in evidence than ever, and many persons who are largely benefitting by the general prosperity among work-people everywhere, have little thought beyond the mor-

UNCLAIMED BALANCES.

The amounts of unclaimed balances, including dividends remaining unpaid, and unpaid drafts and bills of exchange in chartered banks of the Dominion of Canada for five years and upwards, prior to Dec. 31st, 1906, are as follows (cents omitted): Bank of Montreal, \$129,102; Bank of New Brunswick, \$6,068; Quebec Bank, \$16,346; Bank of Nova Scotia, \$18,764; St. Stephen's Bank, \$406; Bank British North America, \$72,-971; Bank of Toronto, \$1,472; Molsons Bank, \$18,049; Eastern Townships Bank, \$14,802; Union Bank of Halifax, \$7,665; National Bank, \$8,550; Merchants Bank of Can., \$52,193; Provincial Bank of Can., \$1,255; People's Bank (New Brunswick), \$57; Union Bank of Can., \$8,798; Can. Bank of Commerce, \$46,-441; Royal Bank of Can., \$16.263; Dominion Bank, \$4.489; Bank of Hamilton, \$45.699; Standard Bank, \$3,734; Bank of St. John, \$60; Hochelaga Bank, \$2,395; Bank of St. Hyacinthe, \$5,095; Bank of Ottawa, \$5,582; Imperial Bank, \$9,287; Western Bank of Can., \$230; Traders Bank, \$3,219; Montreal City and Dist. Sav. Bank, \$90,480; Savings Bank of Notre-Dame de Quebec (Caisse d'Economie), \$12.204. Total \$601,679.

—Indications are that the salmon pack will be small this year. W. H. Barker, head of the British Columbia Packers' Association, who has just returned to Vancouver from the north canneries, says the season is away behind there and a shortage of labor exists, as well as on the Fraser River.

AN EXACT BALANCE.

The winding up of a small east-end estate, completed a few days ago, furnishes an example not often witnessed. The knight of the needle had to face his creditors a few weeks ago with the confession that he could not pay them the \$700 to \$800 he owed them. Seeing no silver lining to the cloud, they determined on having the affair wound up. After finishing the liquidation, in which a fair share went to pay for the use of legal machinery, the trustee had before him the grueful exhibit of a 0 per cent to the creditors; but everybody else was made as comfortable as the magnitude of the estate would allow.

THE DEWDNEY VICISSITUDES.

The prosperous period through which the country has been passing during the last few years proved specially favourable to dealers in luxuries; failures in the jewellery trade were therefore unexpected. The collapse of the Toronto firm of A. H. Dewdney and Bros., jewellers, 44 Colborne street, is a surprise to those in the trade who had no opportunity of peering behind the scenes of late. The liabilities are upwards of \$100. 000, direct and indirect. Of this sum it is believed that the Union Bank of Canada is interested to a large amount; but as Mr. Frank W. Strathy, for some time in the Toronto branch (now manager of the Montreal branch), sagely remarks, "no bank lends money without security," the Bank is doubtless amply secured against loss. The trouble was precipitated by the issuing of two writs against the firm. A consultation of creditors was held and some weeks ago it was decided to place Clarkson and Cross in charge of the business, to prepare a statement of affairs, as the firm claimed to be able to make a satisfactory settlement and resume business. This statement was completed and presented to the creditors last Monday, but was considered by them to be of such an unsatisfactory character that an assignment in the interests of the creditors was deemed advisable. Several Toronto wholesale houses are creditors and some retailers are expected to suffer by the failure as they were being practically carried as supply houses by Dewdney and Bros. The members of the firm are A. H. Dewdney, who had the controlling interest, and A. R. and A. A. Dewdney. The firm have been in business in Toronto some 15 years.

As a sequence to the Dewdney troubles, come the failure of the Fulton Jewel Company and the personal assignment of Mr. A. H. Dewdney. The Fulton Company was formed some few years ago to carry a line of goods which the Dewdney firm did not have in stock.

Mr. Henry Pearce, a wholesale jeweller of Montreal, is the creditor who would not wait, and therefore forced the Dewdney assignment. The account was for about \$600. His total claim is \$1,017. Another creditor is Homan, who claims \$2.000.

The firm was estimated worth about \$15.000, with "high credit" the latter of which they must have put to some use of late years. Temptation to speculation in such circumstances, at home and abroad, is difficult to withstand when everybody is in it. The affair would appear to be made much of by the press in the absence of rumours of war alarms from the Orient with strikes and society scandals everywhere.

—The spacious grounds and residence on Mountain Avenue, Westmount,— formerly the property of Mr. Penfold, local manager of the Bank of British North America, and until lately tenanted by Mr. Wm. M. Ramsay, while local manager of the Merchants Bank—has been sold to Mr. Thos. Forde, builder and contractor, for \$25.000. The building is being divided into two dwellings.

U. S. SILVER COINS AGAIN.

The circulation of United States silver coins in Canada appears to be recovering its former magnitude. The efforts put forth by the chartered banks some months ago to drive them over the border proved to be of but temporary effect. They seem to enter chiefly by the street railways and the drinking resorts.

STANDARD OIL DIVIDENDS.

Subjoined are the holdings of the 15 principal owners of the Standard Oil Co. based upon the capitalization of \$70,000,000 previous to the formation of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey, and total dividends over the last ten years on an authorized capital stock of \$100.000,000:

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W. C. Andrews					11,312,000
Charles Pratt					31,108,000
H. H. Rogers			٠.	2.6	10.504,000
Wm. Rockefeller					18,584,000
O. B. Jennings					9,292,000
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J. A. Botswick					19.796.000
Chas. Lockhart (deceased)					15,756,000
W. G. Warden					16,968,000
J. V. Harkness					33,936.000
H. M. Flagler					34,744,000
O. H. Payne					28,684,000
John Huntingdon			1	1.7	6 868,000
J. J. Vanderbilt	٠.			1.4	5.656,000
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It is fair to assume that there has been a readjustment of Standard Oil holdings since the capital stock was increased to \$100,000,000. through ordinary market channels, private transfers of stock, and the shifting of shares resulting from deaths.

As it is probable that there is another side to the question as latterly expounded in the U.S. and other papers, we may expect to hear something from Mr. Rockefeller on the subject before long, but the affair has been so persistently hammered that it is difficult to suspend judgment.

FIRE RECORD.

The barn of Mrs. C. Cook, Niagara Falls, Ont., and used by Gargarman of Buffalo, a cap manufacturer as a storehouse was burnt July 10. Loss \$2,000, insured for \$1,000.

Louis Feigehen's saw mill, Maple Valley was burnt July 11. Loss \$3,000.

Fire did \$1,000 damage to Robertson and Co.'s. store, St. John. N. B., July 11.

The Dye and storehouse of the St. Croix cotton mill at Milltown N.B. were burned Friday last. Loss \$10,000.

Fire did \$2,000 damage to the stables of the Hamilton Brewery Association, Hamilton, July 12.

The grocery store of St. Onge and Guilbeault, Ste. Cunegonde, was damaged by fire Sunday to extent of \$1,000.

A \$10.000 automobile was destroyed by fire Sunday in a carriage house, near Brockville.

The Kemptville Milling Co.'s premises at Kemptville was burned Saturday. Loss \$50,000 partly covered by insurance.

Fire that is said to have been of incendiary origin, did great damage at Hartland, N. B., Monday. The blaze broke out in W. F. Thornton's drug store, and it is declared that this place was found saturated with oil, and that the fire apparatus had been tampered with. The buildings destroyed included Thornton's store. Keith and Plummer's produce establishment, Mc-Millan's bookstore, Orsen's hardware store, Nixon's grocery, Chat's newspaper office, post office, Massey-Harris agency, E. H. Perkins' monument works, Sipper and Miller's blacksmith

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shop. D. W. Letson's harness store, Mayward's law office, McCormick's implement agency, McLaughlin carriage agency, telephone office, J.W. Montgomery's provision store, and G. C. Watson's furniture and casket factory. The upper stories of many of these buildings were occupied as dwellings and the occupants lost all their effects. Loss \$80.000.

Eight buildings including branch of the Metropolitan Bank were destroyed by fire, at the Village of Maynooth, Ont., Monday. Loss \$10,000.

The furnishings and contents of T. Duncomb's drug store, St. Thomas, were destroyed by fire Monday. Loss \$19,000 with insurance of \$8,000.

The farm-house of A. Napper, in Enniskillen Township, Ont. was burnt July 14. Loss \$1,500.

BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES.

In Ontario, the Aylmer Cigar Co., Ltd., of Aylmer has assigned. A. Goldhammer, fancy goods, dealer at Owen Sound is offering to compromise at 25c in the dollar. Joakim Lukald, contractor, Port Arthur, has assigned to G. H. Rapsey. F. E. Ellis and Co., dry goods, Oshawa, have assigned. Cullen Bros., foundry, Lindsay, have assigned to L. R. Knight.

In Manitoba and Western Provinces, E. Dodson, general store, Goodlands./Man., and Alfred Pack, general store, Ochre River, Man., have assigned. P. E. Stevens, meats, etc., Winnipeg, assigned. The Rouleau Supply Co., of Rouleau, Sas., is asking for 12 months' extension.

The Deep Sea Fisheries, Ltd., Vancouver, B.C., have assigned. In Quebec Province, Fortier Freres, dry goods, Montreal, have assigned to Chartrand and Turgeon. Fournier and Frere, dry goods, Montreal, also assigned. E. and D. Dufour, general store, Metabetchouan, has assigned. The assets of the American Cloak Co. are to be sold this week. A winding up order was applied for last week by a New York creditor against the Reliance Cigar factory, Ltd., of this city. Clovis St. Louis, President and Treasurer, which order was unopposed. On the same date a writ for \$367 was issued in favour of H. Laporte. The business was incorporated in 1903 with an authorized capital of \$50,000. Losses were experienced through the failures of jobbers, here and in British Columbia.

With liabilities amounting to about \$10.000, Harry and Morris Zimmers, doing business on McGill St., as the French Art Embroidery Co., have absconded. A demand of assignment was made against the firm last week and on Sunday the partners, who are father and son, disappeared, it is alleged, from the city. Judge Tellier, sitting in the Practice Court, Tuesday, issued an order for the placing in liquidation of the French Art Embroidery Co. The claims against the firm have been taken over by Messrs. Wilks and Michaud, accountants. The assets will probably be small. The principal creditors are:—Montreal Jobbing Co., \$2,500; British-American Import Co., \$1,000; Samuel Matty, \$700, and the Standard Pleating Co., \$500

On the demand of Davies, Ltd. Joseph Delonchamps, butcher, St. Catherine St., City, went into liquidation, Tuesday, with liabilities amounting to between \$000 and \$1,000. It was found, however, that he had no movable property nor outstanding claims against any one. Mr. Robert Watt has been appointed provisional guardian.

Messrs. Theodore Laurence and Alf. Belanger, City, partners in the restaurant business under the style of Laurence & Belanger, have consented to make an assignment in bankruptcy.

Commercial failures this week in the U. S. as reported by Dun and Co., are 202, against 166 last week, 162 the preceding week and 202 the corresponding week last year. Failures in Canada number 18, against 20 last week, 22 the preceding work and 21 last year. Of failures this week in the U. S. 58 were in the East, 64 South, 57 West, and 23 in the Pacific States, and 69 report liabilities of \$5,000 or more. Liabilities of commercial failures reported for July to date are \$2,339,957, compared with \$2,014,525 a year ago.

—Mr. Acland Oronhyateka, son of the late Doctor Oronhyateka, founder of and Supreme Chief Ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters, died recently at his residence, on the Island, in the Bay of Quinte, one time owned by his distinguished father. The succeeding Supreme Chief Ranger, Dr. Stevenson, who has been visiting the transatlantic branches lately, left London some days ago on his returning voyage to the head-quarters of the Order in Toronto.

—D. A. McCaskill, for many years successfully engaged in the varnish manufacture in Montreal (McCaskill, Dougall and Co.), died at Lausanne, Switzerland, on the 12th inst. in the 74th year of his age. The deceased gentleman had had some political aspirations, but was engaged in money lending for some few years past. Mrs. McCaskill survives him.

—For the first six months of 1907 there has been a flattering increase in both the exports and imports of France over those of the same period of 1905, for the six months just ended. The imports were \$618,826,600, and the exports \$552,-119,000

—A writ has been issued by the Bank of Commerce against John M. Grant of Woodstock, as the surviving partner of the firm of J. and T. Grant. The claim is for \$94,383 on a covenant on a mortgage made by the firm to the bank some years ago.

—An order-in-council has been passed chaning the homestead regulations in the West so as to allow of home-stead entries being made by proxy by the father, mother, brother, sister son, or daughter of the intending homesteader.

—Canadian Pacific Ry. Co., return of traffic earnings from July 7 to 14, 1907, \$1.551,000; 1906. \$1,326,000, increase \$255,000.—Grand Trunk Ry. System traffic earnings from July 8 to 14, 1907, \$912,285; 1906, \$845,539, increase \$66,746.

—The G. T. P. have purchased from R. L. F. Strathy a block of land at Port Arthur, Ont., on which it is the intention of the company to locate their station and freight houses.

—A dairy company is preparing to commence a \$100,000 dairy farm in the district of Ottawa, one of the finest in Canada. Three hundred cows will be kept.

—The following changes are noted in the official staff of the Bell Telephone Co.: Mr. W. H. Black becomes secretary and W. G. Slack treasurer.

-Montreal is getting a record for deaths by violence, no less than seventy-five such cases having occurred in June.

--Montreal clearings for the week ending July 18 were \$33,-131,489; 1906, \$29,999.092; 1905, \$23,644,502.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW.

Montreal, Thursday, July 18th, 1907.

The only notable feature of the week on 'change is the advance in the dividend rate of the Light, Heat and Power Co., which now establishes a 1½ per cent quarterly dividend, the first one being due August 15th. What significance this may have as bearing on the negociations with the Montreal City government is as yet shrouded in obscurity. The quotation rose to 94%, under the influence of sales aggregating 3,265 shares. There be those seem to believe that all that water will in time evaporate. Look at that Toronto street stock.

The Sterling Bank of Canada has declared a quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent being at the rate of five per cent per annum, payable August 15.

At Toronto the Commerce is quoted at 171; Dominion, 233; Toronto, 2163/s.

The local money market continues firm at 6 per cent for call loans, with very little obtainable.

Closing exchange rates were: -Sterling sixties, 83/4; sight, 91/2; cables, 95% to 921-32; francs, 5.167/8; marks, 953-16; New York funds, 1-32 discount to 3-64 discount. In New York:-Money on call, easy; highest, 31/2 per cent.; lowest, 21/2 per cent; ruling rate, 3 per cent; last loan, 3 per cent; closing bid, 3 per cent; offered at 3 per cent. Time loans, dull and steady; $60~\mathrm{days},~4\frac{1}{2}~\mathrm{to}~5~\mathrm{per}~\mathrm{cent}$; $90~\mathrm{days},~5~\mathrm{to}~5\frac{1}{4}~\mathrm{per}~\mathrm{cent}$; six months, 6 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 51/2 to 6 per cent. Sterling exchange, firmer, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.86.85 to 4.86.90 for demand and at 4.83.55 to 4.83.60 for $60\,\mathrm{day}$ bills. Posted rates, 4.84 and $4.87\,1\!/_{\!2}.$ Commercial bills, 4.833%. Bar silver, 681/8. Mexican dollars, 527/8. Government bonds, steady. Railroad bonds, irregular. U. S. Steel, com, 36, pfd., 100. In London, Spanish 4's, 931/2. Bar silver steady, 31%d per ounce. Money, 2 per cent. Discount rates: Short bills, 3% per cent. Three months bills, 3% per cent. Gold premiums are quoted as follows: Madrid, 12.25; Lisbon, 2.00. Berlin exchange on London 20 marks 46 pfgs. Paris exchange on London 25 francs 161/2 centimes.

Consols 841/8 for account and 84 3-16 for money.

STOCKS.

Banks:

The following is a comparative table of stock/prices for the week ending July 18, 1907, as compiled by Messrs. Merredith & Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal:—

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Commerce	20	171	171	171	175	
Molsons	28	205	202	205	229	
Eastern Townships	1	162	162	162		
Toronto	5	216	216	216		
Merchants	27	161	161	161	170	
Royal	50	$232\frac{1}{2}$	2321/2	$232\frac{1}{2}$	$235\frac{3}{4}$	
Quebec	2	130	130	130	1431/4	
Nova Scotia	3	281	281	281		
Dominion	10	$233\frac{1}{4}$	2331/4	$233\frac{1}{4}$		
Miscellaneous:						
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Can. Pacific	523		1741/4	$176\frac{1}{2}$	$158\frac{1}{4}$	
Mont. St. Ry	55	205	204	205	273	
Do. New	1	204	204	204		
Toronto Street	438	103	102	102	$115\frac{1}{2}$	
Rich & Ont. Nav. Co	84	661/2	653/4	$66\frac{1}{2}$	84	
Mont. Light H. & Power.	3265	943/4	92	943/4	97	
N. S. Steel and Coal	116	68	66	673/4		
Do. Pref	25	111	111	111		
Dom. Iron & Steel, com		213/4	203/4	211/2	261/4	
Do. Pref	75		48		77	
Dom Coal, com	230	57	57	57	76	
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Dom. Coal, pfd 25	109	109	109		
Mont. Teleg. Co 50	158	158	158		
Bell Telep. Co 9	131	131	131	152	
Ogilvie, pfd 60	115	114	114		
Textile, com 100	45	45	45		
Textile, pfd 87	88	86	88		
Lake of Woods 10	721/2	721/2	$72\frac{1}{2}$		
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Bonds:					
Dom. Cotton 8,500	93	923/4	93	97	
Dominion Coal 3,000	97	97	97		
Dom. Iron and Steel 1,200	74	73	74	83	
Mont. Street Ry 1,000	102	102	102		
Laurentide Paper 16,000	1041/2	104	1041/4		
*Lake of Woods 1,000	100	100	100		
*N. S. Steel & Coal, com. 6,500	1001/4	100	100		
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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Thursday, July 18, 1907.

The usual midsummer depression of trade is now on. Travellers are in many instances keeping holiday. Wholesale dry goods houses are however busy unpacking and filling orders received. Builders and contingent industries are (more or less steadily) engaged. There is a great deal of renewing of railway viaducts this year and the structural steel industry is especially busy. Pig iron is in steady demand as well as steel ingots, the price for Scotch pigs remaining firm at \$24 to \$25. The leather trade continues dull and hides are not passing on. The price for No. I quality is still 10c, however and though heavy stocks will force a decline, there is a hopeful base to the market. Grocery men are still speculating upon what the end of present fluctuations in sugar prices will be. The cheese trade is being actively prosecuted with prices well maintained.

ASHES.—Receipts small, market quiet and firm. Pearls, \$7; first pots, \$6.15 to \$6.25, and seconds, \$5.50 per 100.

PACON.—Prices are still increasing in the British market, and the demand is maintained at an advance of 1s to 3s. Canadian Wiltshire 57s to 64s. We quote English boneless breakfast 14c; do., thick. 13½c; Windsor bacon, backs, 15c; spiced rolled bacon, beneless short, 13c; do., long, 14½c to 15c; Wiltshire bacon, 50 lbs., sides, 14½c to 15c.

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Stocks, Bonds and Securities dealt in on the Montreal Stock Exchange.

BONDS.	Interest per Amo annum. outst'		Interest payable at:	Date of Redemption.	Market Quotations, July 18 Ask. Bid	REMARKS.
Bell Telephone Co Can. Colored Cotton Co	6 2,0	00,000 2 Apl. 2 Oct.	Bank of Montreal, Montreal Bank of Montreal, Montreal Bank of Montreal, Montreal	2 April, 1912	106# ·/··· 98 ····	Redeemable at 105 & Int. after May 1, 1910.
Dominion Cotton Co	6 1,3	54,000 1 Jan. 1 July		1 Jan., 1922	95 93	atter may 1, 1910.
Dominion Iron & Steel Co. Dom. Textile Series A Do. B	6 7	58,500 1 Mch. 1 Sep.	Bank of Montreal, Montreal Royal Trust Co., Montreal Royal Trust Co., Montreal	1 Mch., 1925	$ \begin{array}{ccc} 75 & 74\frac{1}{4} \\ 91 & 87\frac{1}{2} \\ 90 & 89 \end{array} $	Redeemable at 110 & Int. Redeemable at par after
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Mexican Light & Power Co. Montreal Lt. H. & Power Co.			Bank of Montreal, Montreal Bank of Montreal, Montreal		82½ 82 97¢	Redeemable at 105 & Int.
Mont. Street Ry. Co N.S. Steel & Coal Co	4 1,50 6 2,50	00,000 1 May 1 Nov. 00,000 1 Jan. 1 July	Bank of Montreal, Mentreal Bank of Nova Scotia, Montreal or Toronto		102	atter 1912.
Ogilvie Milling Cc	6 1,00	00,000 1 June 1 July	Bank of Montreal, Montreal		119	Rédecmable at 115 & Int.
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Winnipeg Electric	8 8,50	00,000 1 Jan. 1 July	Bank of Montreal, Montreal		105	. 8

BEANS.—Prices advanced owing to bad crop reports. Three pound packers, \$1.60 to \$1.65. Jobbing lots \$1.70 per

BUTTER.—Receipts were slightly larger, but the trade is listless, with prices down about 1/8c on most of the boards. Last week 21,142 packages were received by the local trade, as against 35,447 for the same week last year. Prices range between 201/4c to 201/2c for Quebec and 203/4c to 21c finest Townships. English market dull, with fair local supplies.

EGGS.—Large receipts. Prices steady, 161/2c to 17c for No. 1, and 14c to 16c for No. 2 ; candled No. 2 straight, $12\frac{1}{2}c$. Selects keep up at 20c to 21c.

FLOUR. — The local trade is very good, the demand spring wheat grades being exceptionally good. There is much enquiry also from foreign buyers. Choice spring wheat patents. \$5.10 to \$5.20; seconds, \$4.50 to \$4.60; winter wheat patents, \$4.85; straight rollers, \$4.10 to \$4.25; do., in bags, \$1.90 to \$2; extras, \$1.60.

CHEESE.—Under the stimulus of a satisfactory cable price list, prices have been maintained in the face of large offerings, though trade has been by no means brisk. Specimen cables show slight variations. London: Market dull but prices steady, Canadian 50s to 57s . Bristol, Canadian 56s to 58s. Liverpool, Cheese, Canadian finest white, new, steady, 55s 5d; old, 65s. Canadian, finest, colored, new, steady, 57s; old, 67s. Brockville, coloured 11%c; white 11%c; Alexandria, white, 11e; Eelleville, white, 11 1-6c to 111/8c. Cowansville, 1015-16c to 111/4c. St. Hyacinthe, coloured, 11 1-16 to 111/8c; white, 10 15 16c. Local dealers quote Ontario, coloured, 111/2d to 111/8c; white, 111% c. Eastern, 11c. Receipts for week 112,842 boxes against 112,080 boxes, corresponding week last year.

-COAL -- Business fair and prices unchanged. Grate is quoted by dealers at \$6.75 net and egg, stove and chestnut at \$7 less 25 per cent. discount, \$6.75 net. Best American steam coal \$4.75 gross, duty paid on track.

DRY GOODS.—The trade is busy, but hampered somewhat by slow deliveries from mills of some lines. Woolen goods for fall delivery will not be fully delivered it is feared, much before the end of the month. Buyers in American markets and at mills report cottons as very firm and unyielding as to futures. Collections are very fair. United States woolen yarn mills complain that the electrical supply orders for insulating are being held over, but prices are firm particularly in men's furnishing lines. New York gives the following quotations for cottons. Cotton, mid. uplands, spot, N. Y., 13.05c Print cloths, 28-inch, standard (nom), 5c; Gray goods, 381/2-inch. stundard, 71/8c; Brown sheetings, South, standard, 73/4c to 9c; Denims, 9 ounces, 16c to 161/2c; Tickings, 8 ounces, 14c to 141/2c; S'an-

dard prints, 61/4e to 61/2e; Dress ginghams, 101/2e to 121/2e; Kid-finished cambries, 5c to 51/4c; Brown drills, standard, 8c.

FISH.—Trade fair, prices variable especially for fresh fish. We quote Haddock, express, 4c to 5c; market cod, express, 4c Haddock, express, 4c to 5c; market cod, express, 4c to 5c; steak cod, heads off, 6c; halibut, express, 8c to 9c; new mackerel, 8c; grass pike, 8c; lake trout, 9c; whitefish, 9c; dore or pickerel, 12c; flounders, 10c; brook trout, 22c; Salmon, 13cSmoked and Prepared Fish -New haddies, 15 and 30 lb. boxes, per lb., 8c to 9c; Yarmouth bloaters, 60 in box, per box, \$1.10; kippers, per half box, \$1; smoked herring, new, in small boxes, 10c; boneless cod, 1 and 2 lb. bricks, assorted "Favorite" brand, 20 lb. boxes, per lb., 6c; boneless fish, 20 lb. boxes, 2 lb. bricks, 51/2c; boneless fish, 25 lb. boxes, loose, 41/2c; shredded cod. 2 dozen cartons, 1/2 lb. each in box, per box, \$1.80; skinless cod, 100 lb. cases, \$5.50. Pickled Fish - No. 1 Labrador herring. in brls., \$5; half brls., \$2.75; No. 1 N.S. herring, half brls., \$2.50; No. 1 mackerel, in pails, \$1.75; No. 1 sea trout, in 100 lb. kegs, \$5.75; No. 1 sea trout, in 200 lb. brls., \$10.50; Labrador salmon. in brls., \$12.50; Labrador salmon, half brls., \$6.50; No. 1 green cod, per 200 lbs., \$6.50; small green cod, per 200 lbs., \$4.50; large green cod. per 200 lbs., \$8; No. 1 green haddock, per 200

GRAIN.-Wheat and flour exports from the United States and Canada this week were 1,312,000 bushels in excess of the corresponding week last year. Corn exports showed a gain of 817,000 bushels, compared with a year ago. Cable advices show a stronger feeling with prices advanced. Liverpool spot wheat, steady; No. 1 Northern Manitoba spring wheat, 7s 41/2d to 7s 5d; No. 2 northern. 7s 21/3d to 7s 3d; No. 2 western winter wheat, 7s 2d to 7s 21/2d. There has been a fair demand from exporters, but though there has been a slight decline in western prices, Chicago declining nearly 2c : trading is not considered remunerative enough to warrant a large genuine trade. There was no change in the local out situation. prices being well maintained under a fair demand. Manitoba No. 2 white sold at 49c to 491/c. Ontario No. 2 at 481/c to 49c; No 3 at 471/2c to 48c. and No. 4 at 461/2 to 47c per bushel,

GREEN FRUITS.—Oranges are still in good demand, prices advancing. Lemons are weakening in price. Consdian berries are poor this year but arriving in fair quantities. We quote: ORANGES-Valencia, large, 420s, \$6.50; 714s. \$7.00; 714s, oval bloods, \$7; Sorrentos, Val. style. C-S. \$3 75; Messinas, ovals, 100s, \$2; do. ovals, 200s, \$4; Valencia, lates, 126s, 150s, 176s, 200s. \$5.50; do. ordinary. 420s, \$5.50; do. 420s, extra extra large, \$6.50; Sorrentos, 200s. \$3.50; limes, per 100, \$1.25, Messina ovals, \$150 to \$2.25. LEMONS-Extra fancy, \$5.25 : extra large, 330 size, per box, \$4.75 : do., 300 size Messinas:

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British North America	4.866,666	4,866,666	2,238,666	46.04			31	April. Oct.	155
Can. Bank of Commerce	10,000,000	10,000,000	5,000,000	50.00	243 50	85.50	2*	Mch. June Sept. Dec.	175 171
Crown Bank of Canada	955,000	954,580	**********		100	88.00	2	Jan. July	
Dominion	3,690,900	3,600,000	4,600,000	127.77	50	233.00	3 *	Jan. April July Oct.	
Eastern Townships	2,952,000	2,948,120	1,860,000	66.82	100		2 *	Jan. April July Oct.	1621
Farmers	607,200	385,219							
Hamilton	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	100.00	100		21*	Mch. June Sept. Dec.	
Hochelaga	2,456,900	2,000,000	1,600,000	80.00	100		4	June Dec.	147
Home	906,600	847,550	175,000	20.66	100		3	June Dec.	*************
Imperial	4,974,100	4,825,000	4,825,000	100.00	100		23*	Feb. May Aug. Nov.	
La Banque Nationale	1,794,180	1,787,124	750,000	41.98	30		12*	Aug. Nov. Feb. May	
Merchants	6,000,000	6,000,000	4,000,000	66.66	100	161.00	2*	Mch. June Sept. Dec.	161
Metropolitan	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	100.00	100	101.00	2*	Jan. April July Oct.	
Molsons	3,359,700	3,305,840	3,305,840	100.00	100	202.00	21*	Mch. June Sept. Dec.	208 203
Montreal	14,400,000	14,400,000	11,000,000	76.38	100		21.*	Mch. June Sept. Dec.	248
New Brunswick	709.800	709,300	1,195,295	168.47	100		3*	Jan. April July Oct.	275
Northern	1.250,000	1.199,042	50,000	4.17	100			out. April outy oct.	
Nova Scotia	3,000,000	3,000,000	5,250,000	175.00	100		3 *	Jan. April July Oct.	283
Ottawa	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	100.00	100		5	June Dec.	***********
Peoples Bank of N.B	180,000	180,000	180-000	100.00	100		4	Jan. July	
Provincial Bank of Can	1.004,287	1.004.212	150,000	14.94	100		14*	Mch. June Sept. Dec.	
Quebec	2,500,000	2,500,000	1,250,000	50.00	100	130.00	14*	Sept. Dec. Mch. June	130
Royal	3,900,000	3,900,000	4,390,000	112.56	100		21*	Jan. April July Aug.	235
Sovereign	3,000,000	3,000,000	25,252	8.04	100		11 *	Feb. May Aug. Nov,	
Standard	1,548,350	1,540,420	1,640,420	106.49	50		3 *	Mch. June Sept. Dec.	
St. Stephens	200,000	200,000	50,000	25.00	100		21	April Oct.	
St. Hyacinthe	504,600	329,515	75,000	22.79	100		3		
Sterling	860,600	774,724	171,151	22.09	100		14*	May Aug. Nov. Feb.	***************************************
Toronto	4,000,000	4,000,000	4,500,000	112.50	100		21*	Mch. June Sept. Dec.	2164
Traders	4,441,600	4,349.760	1,900,000	43.68	100		34	June Dec.	
Union of Halifax	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,143,752	76.20	50		2 *	Feb. May Aug. Nov.	
Union of Canada	3,000,000	3,000,000	1,600,000	53.33	100		31	June Dec.	143
United Empire	594,000	455,642			100	,			
Western	550,000	550,000	/ 300,000	54.54	100	·	$3\frac{1}{9}$	April Oct.	
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^{*} Quarterly.

\$4.50; fancy, 300 size, \$4.75; do., 260 size, \$4.00. BANANAS—Jumbo's Extra, \$2.00; No. 1, \$1.75; Pine Florida's, 24s, \$5.50; 30s, \$5; 42s, \$3.75. Strawberries, 10c to 12c per box. California fruit scarce. Pears, \$4.50. Plums, \$2.50. Peaches, \$2.50. Apricots, \$2.50.

GROCERIES.—The sugar market has not yet found its level but though fluctuating; prices are still showing symptoms of hardening last week's decline of 10c having been absorbed and re-imposed. Present price \$4.35 granulated, bags. Despatches show: London, Raw sugar, muscovado, 9s 9d; centrifugal, 10s 9d: beet, July, 9s 51/4d. New York, Raw, quiet; fair refining, $3.33 \frac{1}{2}c;$ centrifugal, 9.5 test $3.83 \frac{1}{2}c;$ molasses sugar, $3.08 \frac{1}{2}c;$ refined steady, No. 6, 4.60c; No. 7, 4.55c; No. 8, 4.50c; No. 9, 4.50c; No. 10, 4.65; No. 11, 4.30c; No. 12, 4.25c; No. 12, 4.20c; No. 14. 4.15c; confectioners' A. 4.80c; mould A. 5.65c; cut loaf, 5.70c; crushed, 5.70c; powdered, 5.10c; granulated, 500c; cubes. 5.25c. Coffee show a slight decline, in a fairly steady market. New York prices being about: July at 5.60c; December at $5.60e\ to\ 5.65$; March at 5.75e ; April at 5.75e ; and May at 5.80c to 5.85c. Spot, quiet; Rio. No. 7, 6%c; Santos. No. 4. $7\frac{1}{2}e$; mild, dull; Cordova, 9e to $12\frac{1}{4}e$. The production of tea in India during 1905-6 was 240.849,894 lbs. Canada took 14.493. 701 lbs. Cuba's sugar crop this year is 1.400.000 tons valued at \$70,000,000. Canned fruits are scarce, old stocks being low. Orders come in fully, but collections are rot as brisk as might

HAY.—The trade in baled hay is fair, supplies good. Prices here are \$16.00 to \$16.50 for No. 1 timothy; \$14.50 to \$15.50 for No. 2, and \$13.50 to \$14 for clover mixed; pure clover, 12 to \$13 per ton, in car lots.

HIDES AND TALLOW.—Business moderate. Quotations for fresh city stock: "No. 1 hides, 11c; No. 2 hides, 10½c; No. 8 hides, 9½c; No. 1 cartskins, per lb., 14c; No. 2 calfskins. per lb., 10c; lambskins, 95c; No. 1 horsehides, each \$2; No. 2 horsehides, each \$1.50; tallow, rendered, per lb., 3c to 5c; tallow, rough, per lb., 1½c to 3c.

HONEY.—The market is very dull at former prices. White clover, comb, 12c to 15c; buckwheat, 9½c to 10c; and extracted, 8½c to 9c. Extracted white clover comb, 11½c to 12c per lb.

IRON AND HARDWARE.—This department is greatly under the influence of the season, and trade is dull, and featureless.

Orders are placed for fall delivery, at about former prices for hardware. Heavy metals are firm, but there is little doing just now. On the New York Exchange, pig iron certificates remained dull: For standard foundry, cash, \$22,50 bid; October, November and December were offered at \$2350; regular August and September \$22.50 bid; October to December, inclusive, \$22 bid. In bar iron prices were well sustained though trading was dull. For car lots for early delivery sales are made on the basis of 1.65 a 1.70c base Pittsburg, or 1.81 a 1.86c tide water, base half extras. The jobbing trade is fair at 2c base full extras from store. The copper market is quiet, with an undercurrent of feeling that a heavy decline in all grades, is necessary before much can be done. Copper wire has already fallen 3c; sheets 4c to 28c. Brass show symptoms of a sympathetic decline. Since July 1st New York figures 5,927 tons of copper have been exported from Atlantic ports. Cables report Standard copper, spot £95 10s, 3 months £88 15s, a decided cut from last week's prices. Tin is in fair demand at slightly lower prices. In New York spot tin was offered at 401/4c, with 40.90c bid; July at 411/4c, with 41c bid; August at 41c, with 411/2c bid; September at 401/4c, with 40c bid, and October at 401/4c, with 393/4c bid. The London market opened firmer and closed steady at a net decline of 5s/on spot and a ..et advance of £1,10s on futures. Lead is quiet, prices steady. July 5.15c to 51/4c. In London the prices are fairly well maintained. Soft Spanish at £20 15s against £16 4s 3d on the same day last year. Refined spelter quiet and easy. New York quotes

LIVE STOCK.—Despite the hot weather and large offerings, prices are well maintained, and no traces of decline in the future are perceptible. Cables from England show prices firm, though business is slow and Western advices are buoyant. Last week's receipts were 2,786 cattle, 1.303 sheep and lambs, 3.462 hogs. 1,188 calves. Prices, prime steers $61\!/\!_{\!4}c$, choice $51\!/\!_{\!2}c$ to 6c, fair 5c to 51/4c, low grades 33/4c to 43/4c. Sheep were in good demand for export at 41/2c. Lambs were quickly picked up for local use at \$4 to \$6 each. Calves were also eagerly looked for at from \$2 to \$10 each. Hogs are dearer, owing to wants of local packers and supplies are small, selected lots bringing \$7.25 to \$7.50 per 100 lbs. weighed off cars. Messrs. Price and Coughlan's cables quote : market firmer for Canadian cattle at 121/4c to 131/2c per lb. Chicago telegrams: steady but slow. Common to prime steers \$4.75 to \$5.20; bulls \$3.15 to \$5.25. Calves \$3 to \$5. Hogs 5c to 10c lower. Sheep steady to 10c higher; lambs \$5.50 to \$7.75.

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MEAL .- Rolled oats quiet, market unchanged at \$2.25 to \$2.27½ per bag. Cornmeal, \$1.45 to \$1.50.

MILL FEED.-Trade fairly active; prices firm. Manitoba bran, bags, \$19.00 to \$20.00; shorts, \$23.00 to \$25.00 per ton; Ontario bran, in bags, \$18.50 to \$19.00; shorts, \$22.00 to \$23.00; milled mouillie, \$24.00 to \$28.00 per ton; and straight grain, \$30.00 to \$32.00.

NAVAL STORES.—Prices keep firm and the demand is fair. Pine pitch, \$3.75 brl.; pine tar, \$4.50 brl.; oakum, 4c to 7c per lb.; coal tar, \$4 brl.; roofing pitch, \$1 per 100 lbs.; cotton waste, coloured, 5c to 7c per lb.; white, 8c to 11c. Rope: –Sisal 7-16 and upwards, $10\frac{1}{2}$ e ; $\frac{3}{8}$, 11e; 3-16, $11\frac{1}{2}$ e. Manilla, 7-16 and larger, 15c; 3/8, 151/2c; 1/4 and 5-16, 16c. Lath yarn, 10c to 101/2c.

OlLS and TURPENTINE. - Business is slightly better in most lines. Soap makers are taking only what is needed for present use of Cocoanut and other vegetable oils. New York quoting 10 for Cochin and 7c for Ceylon. Raw Linseed, 65c to 75c. Boiled, 68c to 70c. Turpentine is quoted at 85c to 95c. Savannah, Ga., turpentine, firm at 571/4c. Rosin firm at former prices. Pale Seal, 55c to 60c. Straw Seal remains firm at 45c. In London: Calcutta linseed, July and August, 43s 9d. Linseed oil, 25s. Sperm oil, £34. Petroleum, American refined, 6%d; do., spirits, 71/2d. Turpentine spirits, 42s. Rosin, American strained, 10s 10d; do., fine, 15s 3d.

POTATOES .- Market quiet, with light demand at about former prices. New crop appearing at varying prices. Old crop supplies small but sufficient. Quebec white potatoes are selling

MAPLE PRODUCTS.—Market dull. Syrup, 51/2e per lb. in at \$1.10 to \$1.20 per 90 lbs. on track, and at \$1.20 to \$1.25 in a jobbing way, while red stock, in car lots, brings \$1 to \$1.05 on track, and \$1.15 to \$1.20 in a jobbing way.

> PROVISIONS. - Business is fair ; prices remaining steady on the whole. Abattoir fresh killed hogs at \$9.50 to \$10.25. Heavy Canada short cut mess pork in tierces, \$32 to \$32.50; brls \$22 to \$23.50. Compound lard in tierces, 375 lbs., 10c to 101/4c; tubs, 50 lbs., parchment lined, 101/4c to 101/2c; kettle lard, tierces, 13c; pure lard, tierces, 12c to 121/2c. Hams, extra large sizes, 25 lbs. and upward, 131/2c to 14c; large sizes, 18 to 25 lbs., 14c to 15c; medium sizes, selected weights, 12 to 18 lbs., 141/2c to 151/2c; extra small sizes, 8 to 12 lbs., 15c to 151/2; English boneless breakfast bacon, 15c; Wiltshire bacon, backs, 15c; Wilshire bacon, 50-lb. sides, 141/2c to 15c.—Dry salt meats: Green bacon, boneless, 121/2c; green bacon, flanks, bone in, 111/2c; long clear bacon, light, 40 to 60 lbs., 111/2c. Chicago markets quiet and easier, prices ranged 71/2c to 12c lower. Future quotations closed: Pork, July, \$16.121/2; September, \$16.321/2. Lard, July, \$8.95; September, \$9.00. Ribs, July, \$8.50; September, \$8.621/2 to \$8.65.

> WOOL .- Trade is dull at nominally former rates: - Canada fleece, tub washed, 26c to 28c; Canada fleece, in the grease, 18c to 20c; Canada pulled, brushed, 30c; Canada, pulled, unbrushed, 27c to 29c; pulled lambs brushed 30c to 32c; pulled lambs unbrushed 30c; N. W. merinos 18c to 20c. The auction sales in London monopolized attention. Inferior grades have fluctuated, greasy combings steadying to slightly increased prices from 7d to 1s 3d. Tasmanian merinos are bringing "extreme prices." Scoured has been sought after. Natal and Cape 1s 1d to Is 91/2d; New Zealand Is 1d to 2s; Australians 1s 31/2d to ls 111/2d.

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Red lead, ... 60 06 50
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Venetian Red, English 1 50 2 25
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Whiting, ordinary 0 65 0 50
Whiting, Gilders' 0 85 1 00
Whiting, Faris, Gilders' 0 85 1 00
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English Cement 1 18 1 90
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 North-West
 0 18 0 20

 Buenos Ayres.
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 Natal, greasy
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 Cape, greasy
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OILS-

PETROLEUM-

GLASS-

PAINTS, &c.-

\$ c. \$ c.

Industries with products of \$200,000 under \$500,000 per establishment:

Value of Average products. per establishment. Agricultural Implts. \$ 1,423,000 \$237,167 Asbestos..... 1.109,025 Axes and tools... 1,587,056 277,256 Baking powder and flavoring extracts 765,786 255,262 Boilers & engines... 994,000 248 500 Boots and shoes.. . 7,553,637 314,735 Bread & confect'y.. 4,226,766 352.230 334,757 Car repairs 2.678.056 Carriages & wagons 2,492,050 356,007 Cement,.. 1.620,103 325.821 Clothing, men's.. .. 3,007,908 273,446 Clothing, women's . 2.005.000 286,428 Coffees and spices . 1,030,000 257.500 Condensed milk ... 751,409 250,469 2 059,119 343,186 Cottons.. 886.961 295,654 Drugs.. Elect. light & power 1,102,614 Fish, preserved . .. 1,125,000 375,000 Flour & grist prod.. 7,751,620 276.844 F'dry. & mach. prod. $6\,939{,}758$ 303 902 Fruit & veg. canning 818,000 272.667 Furniture. 2,850,661 316.740 Harness & sadlery. 1.436.812 287.362 355 868 Hats, caps, furs.... 2.846.947 345.637 2.073.824 Hosiery... 275,119 1,375,598 Iron and steel... .. 950,423 237,606 Jewellery 6,101,784 Leather.. Liquors, distilled ... 732.589 244,196 Liquors, malt 3.348.698 304,427 Log products 19,105,083 308,308 Lumber products. . 3,053,825 254.485 Metallic roofing. ... 745,850 249,617 Musical instr. 1.431.928 286.386 326,642 Paper..... 1,601,189 320,238 Plumbers' supplies . 2,005 730 286,532 Plumbing & tin, etc....1,377,112 275,422 Printing & binding. 1,478,581 Printing & pub'g... 2.818,245 1,265,000 316,250 Slaughtering & pack 1.309,000 327,250 Soap.. Sugar, refined. 1,021,000 340.333 Tobacco, cigars, &c. 2,171,491 271.436 Wood pulp.. 2,115,945 423.189 Woollen goods . . . 1,041.788 260,447

All others... 27,382,362

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Sherries-		
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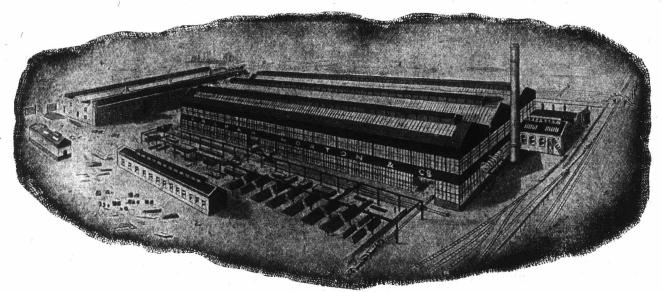
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THE SHIPPING REGISTER.

The decline in the U.S. mercantile marine, to which the commercial marine world has paid much attention, is being repeated in the case of the Canadian deep sea trade. The list of shipping issued by the Department of Marine yearly tells of an increase in the number of vessels on the registry, but it does not yearly tell of an increase in tonnage. In 1906, for instance, according to the returns, there were 7512 craft on the list, steamers, sailing ships, diedges, and burges, with a registered measurement of 654,179 tons. Compared with 1905 this Showed an increase of 187 vessels, but a decrease in measurement of 15.646 tons. The number of vessels built during 1906 was 397, measuring 21.741 tons. The 68timated value of these craft, at \$45 a ton, was \$978.345. Taking the average Agricultr. Implts. ..\$ 5.177,211 \$1.725,737 of all vessels, new and old. at \$30 a ton, the value of the investment was \$19,625,-Cars and car works 12,177,947 4,059 316 370. The growth is confined to the coast-. . . 6,861,330 1,715,333 lake and inland navigation business. The

built for ocean service. It began when the steel tramp steamer showed itself to be a commercial practicability in competition with the wooden sailer. It is likely to continue till steel making in Canada reaches a stage of development something near to that which it has attained in Great Britain, says the Gazette. As one result of the conditions, the Maritime Provinces are no longer markedly in the lead as shipping owners. The tonnage record stands as follows:

	Vessels.	Tons.
Nova Scotia	.2,159	187,328
Ontario	1,978	180,340
Quebec		143.340
British Columbia		77,746
New Brunswick	. 939	44,471
P. E. Island	. 149	10,761
Manitoba	149	8,341
Yukon	. 11	1,763
Saskatchewan	. 1	89

The largest steamers on the register are the Hazel Dollar of 2,804 tons and the Bessie Dollar of 2,798 tons, owned in Victoria, B.C. Next to these come the grain carrying craft of the upper lakes, running from the W. D. Matthews of 2,450 tons and the Huronic of 2,211 tons register, downward. In all there are only about thirty steamships owned and registered in Canada of over 1.000 tons measurement. It is rather a small showing. It should be remembered,

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however, that Canadians own or have Nova Scot'a, while parts of New ownership in many ships registered in Brunswick and Prince Edward Great Britain, where the art of naval were not far behind. The glory Edward architecture is most highly developed is gone from the old yards, how-and where the best value for the ship ever, and when through age and stress buyer's money can be obtained. It is a ship's name is removed from the list when the register of sailing ships is it is seldom that a new one is entered. studied that the heart of the ancient The thousand ten ships that used to mariner sinks within him. It is doubt- earn their cost in one voyage sometimes ful if any community of the same size and then work to make their owners ever put so much capital into wooden rich are getting fewer and fewer and with them will go most that made sailing ships, or took so much out, as their white sails are rarely seen in a for romance in the sailor's life.

home port. Taking full-rigged ships and barques there are now less than fifty on the register. Only about thirty reach the 1,000 ton limit, the greatest being Canada, of Windsor, of 2137 tons, the next in size being the King's County, of 2.061 tons, also of Windser. In a few years most of these also will be gone,

ANTHRACITE DEPOSITS.

He urges manufacturers to use bituminnuisance will soon be abated as a result shown their versatility of production by of experiments now being conducted in New York. "Hard coal will never be cheaper to consumers than it is now," said Mr. Parker. "The production of anthracite in 1906 was 63,645,010 tons. According to one coal expert, the anthracite available for mining in 1901 was 4,765,-216.750 tons." Commenting on these figures, Dwight T. Randall, engineer in charge of smoke abatement, geological survey, said : "There is evidently not enough anthracite coal in the country for power purposes in the large cities of the East. In 1905 New York city burned 9,000,000 tons of anthracite coal and 3,-500,000 tons of bituminous. This ratio has already changed and will continue until bituminous coal is in the ascend-It is estimated that New York and Philadelphia are now using one-fifth of the total yearly production of anthracite. Thus it is seen that we must conserve the hard coal, if we wish it to last any length of time. "We have found it entirely feasible to abate smoke in power plants, great and small," continued Mr. Randall, "but it is next to impossible to prevent smoke issuing from the chimneys of residences burning soft coal. Therefore, it would seem that the logical thing would be to utilize the rapidly waning supply of hard coal for the homes and use the soft coal in the factories and power plants. The real problem before the East is the abatement of smoke from soft coal. New York is now showing that this can be done in the experiments that are being conducted by the New York Edison Co. "There are a number of ways to solve the smoke evil. The burning of soft coal by improved methods in large central heating stations, in place of many small. poorly conducted plants, is one of the promised solutions of the problem. In a number of cities these plants have been installed and are doing good work. Another method is to convert the fuel into gas and coke at a big plant, selling the gas and coke (both of which are smokeless) to the consumers. Still another method is the establishment of great gas producers, gas engines and electric generators at the coal mines, the gas producers operating the engines and the latter in turn the generators , sending the electricity into the cities for power, light and heating purposes. Electricity can be sent in this manner a distance of 250 miles. It is also hoped that in the near future the railroads will use such power in operating their trains. This would do away with a big part of the smoke nuisance."

CANADA AND THE WEST INDIES.

Edward T. Parker, the coal expert, of Canadians must always have an inthe U.S. Geological Survey, predicts that terest in the progress and prosperity of at the present rate of consumption the their fellow-subjects in the West India anthracite deposits of the United States Islands. The islands have passed through will be practically exhausted in 75 years, commercial changes which at times were felt to be staggering, but after each blow ous coal, and declares that the smoke these fertile spots of British ground have changing their staple and /thus saving themselves from what looked like impending ruin. So all-important at one time was the cultivation of sugar cane that the West Indies were universally known as the sugar colonies. This predominancy of one product is passing away. The determination of some of the principal European countries to make their own sugar by means of beets and bounties made it barely possible to compete with them by producing cane sugar. The outlook for a time seemed dark, but gradually other lines of cultivation were found, and once more the planters and commercial people of the islands are seeing light ahead. In Jamaica, for example, the banana crop has become more important than the sugar. crop. In others of the islands cocoa has become a prominent item of export, and cotton is expected in no long time to be a leading article of shipment from all the islands. In the adjoining colony of Demerara, British Guiana, rice-growing in the last five years has attained great proportions. Formerly considerable quantities of rice were imported, but the importations have fallen from 8,600 bags in 1905 to 535 bags in 1907. In the meanwhile rice has become an increasingly valuable commodity of cultivation and export. In the last fiscal year it stands fourth in the list of exportations, ranking with such articles as gold, balata, and timber. During this summer a number of Canadian commercial men have been touring the islands, and have been much impressed by their capacity for the furnishing of tropical products. They have had interviews everywhere with merchants and others, and it is believed that the effect on the exchanges between Canada and the islands will be most beneficial, says the Toronto Globe. There was some disappointment when it was learned that the preference of 331-3 per cent. could not be confined wholly and entirely to sugar directly from the islands. The intention of the framers of our customs act was that the rebate should be allowed to the British colonial sugar producer alike. The fact is, however, that the islands are now selling a great deal of sugar in Canada. and as a consequence Canadian goods are going back in greater volume as return cargo. This is a wholly satisfactory development, and the wish will be that it shall continue and increase.

RAILWAYS PROTECTION AGAINST FIRES

The Railway Commission has issued new regulations to govern all Canadian railways in respect to better protection against fires in connection with the railway service. It is provided that there must be a fire extinguisher at either end of each passenger coach, which must be of a pattern approved by the board and be recharged every three months. Six months is allowed the railways to comply with this order in the case of cars now being built or repaired and eighteen months in other cases. A penalty of \$25 for non-compliance is provided . In the case of trains run over wooden trestles it is provided that each trestle shall be inspected as quickly as may be after the passage of every train during the months from May to September, inclusive. A watchman must be provided for every two and one-half miles of track unless he is provided with a track bicycle, when he may have five miles under his care. He must be provided with two pails, and there must be a barrel containing not Yess than 45 gallons of water at every trestle, unless it be a pile trestle over a waterway. If the trestle is over 200 feet long there must be a water barrel every 100 feet. The companies are required to keep the whole width of the right of way near any such trestle clear from brush. Failure of the watchman to report non-compliance with these rules is punishable by a penalty of \$20. It is also ordered that inspectors must be provided at terminal points to specially examine locomotives at least once a week. It is also ordered that no lignite coal shall be burned . This order goes into technical details as to the style of equipment of fire-boxes of engines. The whole is designed to minimize fires from locomotives. The C. P. R. has secured authority from the Railway Commission to replace the present trestle over the Rideau near Merrickville with a permanent steel bridge with stone abutments, with a subway which will have a 24-foot opening. The board has issued an order that the G. T. R. build a 30-foot subway over Henry street, Brantford, and a 40-foot subway over Elgin street.

-The U. S. Department of Agriculture reports conditions on crops on July 1st as follows :- Corn, acreage 98 090,000, condition 80.2; winter wheat, condition 78.3; spring wheat, 87.2; all wheat, 81.6. Amount in farmers' hands, 54,853,000 equivalent to 7.5 per cent. of the crop of last year.

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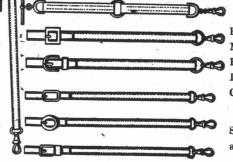
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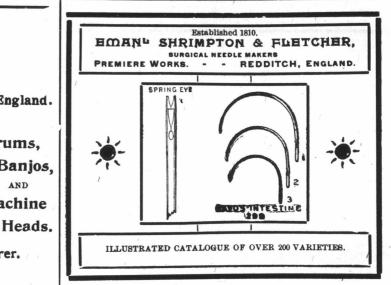
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British American Fire and Marine Canada Life Confederation Life Western Assurance Guarantee Co. of North America	15,000	3½-6 mos.	350	350	97
	2,500	4-6 mos.	400	400	160
	10,000	7½-6 mos.	100	10	277
	25 000	5-6 mos.	40	20	80
	13,372	2-3 mos.	50	50	160

British & Foreign-Quotations on the London Market, July 6, 1907. Market value p. p'd up sh.

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Alliance Assurance	250,000 4	10s. p.s.	20	2 1-5	111	114		
Atlas	120,000		10	248	5	5#		
British and Foreign Marine	67,000	20	20	4	18#	191		
Caledonian	21,500	12s, p.s.	25	4				
commercial U. Fire. Life & Marine	10,000	45	50	5				
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ondon Assurance Corporation	35.862	20	25	124	16.	47		
ondon & Lancashire Life	10,000	204	10	2	82	. 9		
Liv. & Lond. & Globe Fire and Life	£245,640	90	ST.	2	414	42		
Northern Fire and Life	30,000	90 32	100	10	75	77		
North Brit. & Merc. Fire and Life	110,000	34/6 p.s.	25	64	381	39		
Norwich Union Fire	11.000	£5	100	12	108	111		
Phoenix Fire	53,776	35	50	5	311	32		
	130,629	634	20	9	49	50		
Royal Insurance Fire and Life			10	10	114			
Sun Fire	240,000	88 6d p. s.		10		12		
Union	45,000	15 p. s.	10	10.0	:71	28		
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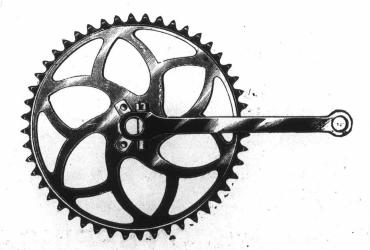
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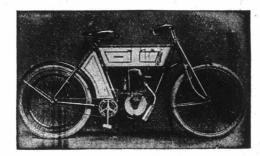
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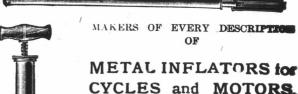
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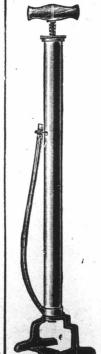
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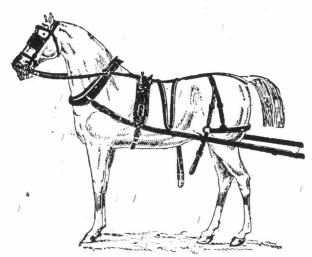
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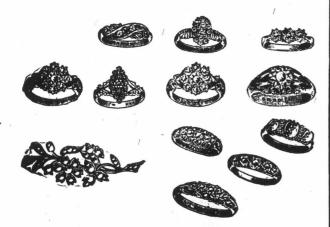
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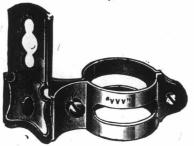
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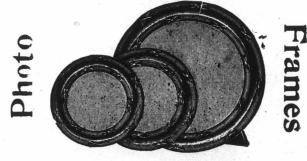
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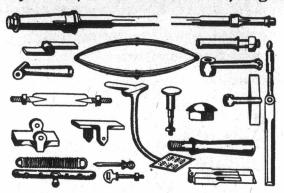
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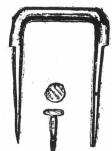
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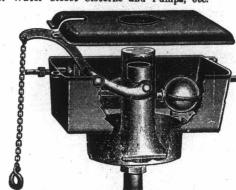
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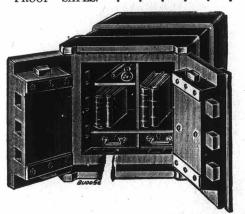
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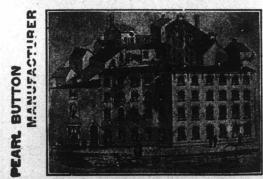


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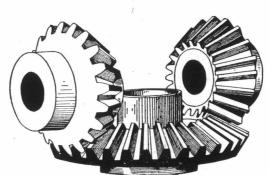
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