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SOME INSURANCE FALLACIES EXPOSED.
 The application of Mr. Wm. Loom M.P., on behalf of the Canadian Policyholders of the Massachusetts Benefit Life Association, for an investigation into that company's affairs and its methods of doing business, has aroused public attention in regard to the assessment system generally. It is in view of the objections that have been raised by the policyholders in the Massachusetts to the largely increased assessments that they have lately been called upon to pay that the Ontario Insurance Department has issued a bulletin to show what the cost of insurance really is. According to the figures presented by Mr. Hunter it is quite evident that many of the friendly and mutual societies operating in the province are undertaking to insure lives at a rate which is altogether out of proportion to the risk assumed. The Massachusetts Association and the Canadian Mutual Aid Association, which was absorbed by the former in 1892, started out with a rate that was absurdly low. For some years everything went on swimmingly, but latterly there has been an increase in the assessment from year to year until the present time, when many of the policyholders think the rate is unbearable, and they have called on the Government to investigate the system and afford what relief the company has had a long experience in the life insurance business, and the figures that it has submitted to the Insurance Department in connection with its business ought to be especially interesting to those who are connected with mutual companies. The Canada Life's experience shows that the death rate per thousand among policyholders who insured between the ages of 23 and 27 during six successive periods, each of five years, was as follows: 1st, 4.9; 2nd, 4.8; 3rd, 4.7; 4th, 4.8; 5th, 4.8; 6th, 4.8. On this basis there is figured out a table of rates of the actual cost of insurance, without allowance for profit, management or extra charges, including interest on loans, at \$10.63 per \$1000 for those who enter at the age of 20, and rises to \$38.60 at the age of 55.

In the conduct of a life insurance business no company can go below these figures without coming under some sharp rebuke from the company that starts with low rates will either have to raise them in the course of time or else it will be forced to go out of business. The Massachusetts Association has reached this stage of its business, and it is quite evident that increased assessments to make good the shortages occasioned by the absurdly low rates of the first years of its existence.

THE WHOLESALE HOUSE AND THE DEPARTMENT STORE.
 The wholesale drygoods houses have been recommending to the Tariff Commissioners reductions in the duties on many textile articles. They no doubt believe that such reductions would do much to help the business of the wholesaler. For the causes that have disturbed the wholesale business and brought about some notable failures of late, we must look elsewhere than to the tariff. The wholesaler suffers more from taxation imposed by the Government or by municipal corporations. It is said there are 7000 commercial travelers in Canada. A conservative estimate places the expense of maintaining this vast army of itinerant salesmen at ten million dollars a year. The credit system of doing business with their customers is responsible for a great many losses among wholesale men. The credit system is a very heavy tax, for which the wholesaler themselves are responsible. With this method of conducting business let us contrast that pursued by the department stores. They have no army of commercial travelers to maintain. They lose nothing by giving credit. The big department store can buy as cheaply as the wholesaler. In selling they enjoy a great advantage over the wholesaler in these two particulars. In addition to this the big department store will turn over a great deal more goods than the average wholesale house. The difference in the business methods of the department store and the wholesale house is a real and substantial one. It is so much in favor of the department store that it enables it to sell to the consumer at near the cost of the goods. The wholesaler man has to sell to the retail merchant. The wholesaler merchant will eventually have to change their business methods.

ECONOMY OF THE METRIC SYSTEM.
 Great Britain and the United States will soon be forced to adopt the metric system of weights and measures. The consults of these two countries agree in reporting that the foreign trade of each would be greatly benefited by the adoption of this system. In Europe nations with the exception of Great Britain and Russia use the metric system, which, by practical experience, extending over many years, has been found to be vastly superior to the cumbersome tables of British weights and measures. A committee of the British House of Commons investigated the merits of the new system last year. The testimony given before the committee was so convincingly in favor of the reform that it is

very likely England will soon follow the example of the continental countries. The House of Commons committee asserted that the adoption of the metric system would save one year's schooling of all the children in the United Kingdom, and houses engaged in foreign trade testified that its adoption would enable them to get on with fewer clerks. If we introduced the metric system into Canada and adopted phonetic spelling our public school education would be simplified by 50 per cent. One-third of the time spent by children in primary education could be saved, and our educational machinery would be at least 25 per cent. less expensively operated. These simple reforms would mean the saving of a great many thousand dollars annually to the people of this city. The republics of Central and South America all use the metric system. Its adoption by Canada would help our merchants in securing the trade they are now trying to cultivate with these countries.

A COMMISSION SHOULD BE APPOINTED.
 It is said that hydraulic work is forming a channel between the St. Lawrence and the Ottawa Rivers. It is claimed that the water power of Lake Simcoe can be utilized to create a channel through the ridges which the work of bringing the water to Toronto is comparatively inexpensive. Mr. Kivas Tully's estimate for excavating a channel through the ridges is \$15,825,000. By using the water of Lake Simcoe to do the work, it is estimated that the cost would be \$2,000,000. In a letter submitted to the Board of Trade Committee it is shown that formerly the natural outlet of the Georgian Bay was into Lake Ontario via the Humber. In the course of time a deposit of drift transformed this valley into a marshy plain. The idea now is to use the waters of Lake Simcoe to re-open this old river bed. The appointment of a commission by the Government to investigate the feasibility of re-opening this old channel is advisable in the light of the possibilities of modern hydraulics. It is just possible that the excavation of these ridges, which in the past has been held to be an insurmountable difficulty, may be both an easy and comparatively cheap piece of work. Let a commission be appointed by the Government to ascertain the facts.

WESTERN CANADA LOAN AND SAVINGS CO.
 The thirty-fourth annual meeting of the shareholders of the Western Canada Loan and Savings Company, which was held at the head office in this city yesterday morning. The Hon. Senator Allan was the chief speaker. The directors showed that the net profits of the company during the year amounted to \$200,000. Out of this two dividends, one of 4 and one of 3 per cent. per annum, were paid. The directors reported that the company's business was satisfactory. In the course of the report, the directors alluded to the death of the late Mr. Wm. B. Newsome, whose connection with the company extended over a period of 31 years. The report was read by the Hon. Senator Allan, who in the course of his remarks, and in the late department of business and the depreciation of real estate in both town and country, and stated that, although it had continued longer than had been anticipated, the course of the company's affairs was such as to give him an alibi supporting his charges, and endorsed every act of this gentleman in this connection. President C. G. Robinson asserted that Mr. Newsome had a happy knack of turning up whenever there was any trouble in the club, and did not hesitate to express the opinion that he had been the power behind Mr. Newsome. The report of the Executive, after several clerical amendments, was adopted, and there being no business, the report was as follows: "The Executive Committee of the Toronto Liberal-Conservative Club report as follows: That the committee have heard the evidence produced in connection with the charges laid against Mr. W. B. Newsome by the chairmen of the House Committee, and after fully considering the same, have arrived at the following conclusions: "1. That there was no evidence produced to show or to indicate that the allegations made by Mr. W. B. Newsome as to the membership and assets of the club on account of the same, were true in any sense. "2. That, from what was stated in evidence, your committee finds that the attack upon the club was premeditated, and made with the intention of injuring the same. "3. That your committee believes that the allegations made by Mr. W. B. Newsome against the club and certain of its members are unfounded. "4. That your committee, however, believes that Mr. Newsome allowed himself to be made a tool by others, who were anxious to cause the downfall of the club, and that these others are equally, if not more, guilty than Mr. Newsome. "5. That, while your committee finds that the attack upon the club was unjustified, and such as would warrant expulsion or suspension, it is the opinion that, taking into consideration the former loyalty to the Conservative party of Mr. Newsome, and the fact that he helped to found this club, it is sufficient that he be severely censured, and the matter henceforth allowed to drop. "Resolved, That Mr. Newsome, then formally expelled from the club, be readmitted." The club, by resolution, then formally adopted the report.

BRAM STILL HOPE.
 Boston, Mass., Feb. 15.—Thomas Bram is receiving flowers and letters from admirers, and is also pictures to decorate his art. A package received yesterday from Mrs. Bram has recovered his nerve and these messages from outside seem to give him hope.

A NAPSOME MAN'S OLD BILL.
 Editor World: In reply to O.R.L. of Napsome, who inquired as to value of \$1 million note, I would say that I do not think it would be worth the paper it is made of. I have seen bills of the same issue sold within the last two or three days for 10c. I will give \$125 for this one, however, as I will if in good condition. E. M. Bittman. Picking, Feb. 13.

BETTER THAN RECIPROcity.
 Canada Need Not Worry About the States When She Has Such Great Resources of Her Own.
 There is no doubt that one of the coming industries of the future in Ontario is the wood pulp business. There are only two other countries in the world which are exporters of wood pulp, namely, Norway and Sweden. In Germany there are 600 pulp factories. The largest one at Mannheim produces 120 tons of pulp per day. To show how the trade has grown: In 1870, England imported only 12,000 tons. In 1886 she imported 297,000 tons, amounting to \$1,574,400 sterling. "Chambers" for February tells us that most of the pulp imported into England and Germany came from Norway and Sweden, but they are now looking towards Canada for the bulk of their supplies. We read from a German paper that a certain wood-pulp works and paper mill in Germany cut down the pulp into paper, on which the morning edition of the local newspaper was printed, all within the short space of two hours and twenty-five minutes.

In Germany there are manufacturing factories for building purposes, mixed with sulphate of zinc and other chemicals. They claim it is far superior to clay. In Lanescaire it is being used for finishing certain lines of cotton goods. In France, also in England, they are making artificial silk out of pulp, which is used in the manufacture of dress silks, neckties, ribbons, etc. They are also making buckets, casks, tubs, door panels, boats, cars, ratters, buttons, underground tubes for telephone wires, and billiard balls for the use of the game, while Hing and when dead wood were less than formerly, but were more than sufficient, after paying all charges and writing off all losses, to pay out two half-yearly dividends of four per cent. each on the paid-up Capital Stock, which, together with the income tax thereon, amounted to \$212,257.33. The surplus profits, with a portion of the Contingent Fund, were applied to the clearing of certain properties not immediately productive in accordance with an established usage, no interest has been charged against any uncertain accounts.

In consequence of the lack of demand for real estate, either for use or for investment, not excepting even such as are yielding a remunerative return, a considerable number of properties remain unsold, the great majority of which are bringing fair prices. A slight improvement in the agricultural and industrial conditions of the country will enable the management to largely reduce this class of assets, although it has never been found practicable to extinguish it entirely.

Directors desire to recognize the faithful and efficient services of the Company's employees at the Head and Branch Offices, as well as of the large staff of local appraisers, in protecting practice to the Company's interests during an exceedingly difficult and trying period; and also to acknowledge the valuable and influential services of the representatives of the Company in Great Britain.

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 There is no doubt that one of the coming industries of the future in Ontario is the wood pulp business. There are only two other countries in the world which are exporters of wood pulp, namely, Norway and Sweden. In Germany there are 600 pulp factories. The largest one at Mannheim produces 120 tons of pulp per day. To show how the trade has grown: In 1870, England imported only 12,000 tons. In 1886 she imported 297,000 tons, amounting to \$1,574,400 sterling. "Chambers" for February tells us that most of the pulp imported into England and Germany came from Norway and Sweden, but they are now looking towards Canada for the bulk of their supplies. We read from a German paper that a certain wood-pulp works and paper mill in Germany cut down the pulp into paper, on which the morning edition of the local newspaper was printed, all within the short space of two hours and twenty-five minutes.

In Germany there are manufacturing factories for building purposes, mixed with sulphate of zinc and other chemicals. They claim it is far superior to clay. In Lanescaire it is being used for finishing certain lines of cotton goods. In France, also in England, they are making artificial silk out of pulp, which is used in the manufacture of dress silks, neckties, ribbons, etc. They are also making buckets, casks, tubs, door panels, boats, cars, ratters, buttons, underground tubes for telephone wires, and billiard balls for the use of the game, while Hing and when dead wood were less than formerly, but were more than sufficient, after paying all charges and writing off all losses, to pay out two half-yearly dividends of four per cent. each on the paid-up Capital Stock, which, together with the income tax thereon, amounted to \$212,257.33. The surplus profits, with a portion of the Contingent Fund, were applied to the clearing of certain properties not immediately productive in accordance with an established usage, no interest has been charged against any uncertain accounts.

In consequence of the lack of demand for real estate, either for use or for investment, not excepting even such as are yielding a remunerative return, a considerable number of properties remain unsold, the great majority of which are bringing fair prices. A slight improvement in the agricultural and industrial conditions of the country will enable the management to largely reduce this class of assets, although it has never been found practicable to extinguish it entirely.

Directors desire to recognize the faithful and efficient services of the Company's employees at the Head and Branch Offices, as well as of the large staff of local appraisers, in protecting practice to the Company's interests during an exceedingly difficult and trying period; and also to acknowledge the valuable and influential services of the representatives of the Company in Great Britain.

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Reported the Business of the City Was Largely Beneficial—Hill's Carriage Firm Who Paired His Wife's Hat Got Fined and Bound Over New York Herald

Reporter Tramping Dead Broke for \$1000—False Trial Swallowed and Recovered—Personal and Other Gossip.

HAMILTON, Feb. 15.—(Special.)—City Treasurer Stuart is making efforts to keep the tax rate down to 25 mills. He is in favor of the 20 mill rate, but the Board of Finance is in favor of the 25 mill rate.

At the last meeting of the Finance Committee, that body while acknowledging that the city needed the 25 mill rate, recommended the payment of any bonus, for the purpose of the leading business men of Hamilton expressed themselves to The World on the matter as follows:

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THE FIGHT IS OVER.

Springhill Miners and Managers Have at Last Come to an Arrangement That Ends the Strike.

Springhill, Feb. 15.—N. S., Feb. 15.—Grand Secretary Drummond, accompanied by Grand Master Moffatt, arrived in town to-day and immediately held a meeting with the men. After the meeting the committee and Grand Secretary had a long conference with the management and discussed the situation. A second meeting was held with the men and, after a warm discussion, certain compromises were agreed to. To-night the management and the committee and the men signed an agreement, which ends the strike, and the strike, which has now continued for five weeks. It is to be hoped peace being restored, that harmony will long continue.

HAMILTON BOY IN CHICAGO. He Proved That He Was a Jockey in Hard Luck.

Chicago, Feb. 15.—When Frank Jones, 17 years old, was arraigned before Justice Underwood yesterday on the charge of robbing a man of his horse, the boy went through the various formalities of satisfying the court that his business was that of a jockey. The proceedings included the weighing of the boy, an examination as to his physical condition, and as to his abilities as a jockey. The boy went through the examination successfully, and efforts will be made to secure him a position.

Jones is an intelligent young fellow and his appearance indicates that he had a hard time making both ends meet. The boy formerly lived in Hamilton, Canada. Three years ago his mother died, and his father, who was in the mercantile business, followed her to the grave, and the boy was left to care for himself as best he could. Just recently he took personal interest in the horse and will probably assist him.

NIAGARA FALLS NOTES. Electric Power Will Help the Development of the Town.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—A couple of resolutions re the granting of the privilege by the City of Hamilton to the Electric Railway Company to dispose of the surplus power will be considered by the council to-night. The purpose of the resolution will be to show the Government the necessity of securing electric power. The Electric Railway Company can produce from 4000 to 5000 horse-power immediately and branches of two factories across the river will be started on this side of the river during the coming summer season providing they can get electric power.

E. Scott, trainmaster, of St. Thomas, was in town to-day. Thomas Connelly, aged 75, employed in the C. T. R. baggage room, suffered from three paralytic strokes yesterday and died from the effects last night. Deceased was the oldest employe of the C. T. R. yards here.

CHARLES WORTH-RYAN. Well-Known Journalist Weds a Daughter of St. Margaret's Church yesterday afternoon was celebrated in a quiet way at the residence of Mr. Charles Worth-Ryan, 177 St. George Street, St. Thomas. Both of the contracting parties are well known and popular young Torontoians.

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HAPPENINGS OF A DAY. Items of Passing Interest Gathered in and Around this Busy City.

The Board of Fire Underwriters transacted their business yesterday afternoon at 12 o'clock. A. S. is named in the title of the new historical volume, "The South American Continent," which is being published by the publisher of the "New York Herald."

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An induction at St. Thomas. Rev. J. A. Macdonald, editor of the West-Indian, left yesterday for St. Thomas, to attend the annual meeting of the West-Indian Association, which is being held at the residence of Mr. Charles Worth-Ryan, 177 St. George Street, St. Thomas. Both of the contracting parties are well known and popular young Torontoians.

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Mr. Hanson, who had been working at the Kingsport Hotel, near the Woodbine, arrived at the General Hospital yesterday afternoon. He is suffering from a severe case of pneumonia, which is being treated by the medical staff of the hospital.

Indian Families Found. The South American Continent, which is being published by the publisher of the "New York Herald," is a volume of 1000 pages, containing a detailed account of the history and geography of the continent.

He Will Prove it Free of Charge to Every Sufferer in Toronto. A Leading Physician's Discovery.

It is but natural that sufferers from that terrible disease known as "Asthma," after consulting with doctors and trying without avail numerous remedies advertised as "cures," have come to the conclusion that they must try the most reliable and most successful remedy known to the world. This is the "Cure for Asthma," discovered by a leading physician in Toronto.

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SOME OF THE MOST DESIRABLE GOODS are in the list that follows. Usually cottons will not stand discounting in price—we make special prices throughout the department this month. Here is the evidence:

60-in. Unbleached Table Linen, reg. 40c, for 35c. 60-in. Bleached Table Linen, new designs, reg. 40c, special 35c. 60-in. Pure Linen Table Cloth, reg. \$1.25 a doz., special 1.00. 18x72 Duck Sheet Covers, reg. 175c, special 150c. 20-in. Heavy Twisting, striped, heavy, reg. 50c, special 45c. 18x72 Chambray Table Covers, reg. \$1, special 85c.

WEDNESDAY SPECIALS IN THE MANTLE DEPARTMENT. These particular lines at the special prices quoted, are for Wednesday's selling only. We would strongly advise, as quantities are limited, that you shop as early in the day as possible.

18-in. Fine Twilled Roller Towel, fine flannel borders, reg. 1.00, special 85c. 20-in. Heavy Twisting, striped, heavy, reg. 50c, special 45c. 18x72 Chambray Table Covers, reg. \$1, special 85c.

When circumstances make it necessary to remain down town over lunch hour, you will think of Simpson's Lunch Parlors as the most desirable place to visit.

The ROBERT SIMPSON CO., Ltd. Southwest Corner Yonge and Queen Streets. 170, 172, 174, 176, 178 Yonge Street. 1 and 3 Queen Street West.

Identify the owner of the dog I would have entered an action. Subscriber.

Our Street Car Service. Editor World: We may well be proud of the street railway system in our city, as we are told by a party who has returned from Europe, that we have the best system in the world in the most orderly manner and with marked civility.

FIREMEN KEPT BUSY. A Young Ladies' Seminary at Ottawa Set on Fire Three Times in a Few Hours.

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—(Special.)—An extraordinary case of incendiarism occurred here last night and to-day, on both occasions the fire brigades being called out by private alarms to the Harmon School, a young ladies' seminary, which has a large number of boarders. The first alarm was at 10 o'clock last night to a fire in the basement of the building, which was quickly extinguished. Then at 1:30 a.m. the brigade was summoned for a fire in a class room. One of the girls was suspected, and at 3 o'clock this afternoon Miss Harmon sent her maid to a stairway where a second fire in one of the class rooms. Fortunately this time the flames were extinguished. To-night, as a matter of precaution, all the girls are sleeping away from the building.

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\$20,000 worth of fine Imported Woolsens in WORSTEDS, plain and fancy SCOTCH TWEEDS in light and dark colors, CHEVIOTS suitable for overcoats and suitings in black and grey only, PANTINGS in every weight, SERGES in Irish, Scotch and English, VENETIANS in fawn, brown, black and blue. Fancy vestings and high-class trimmings.

The lot was purchased by our Mr. A. M. Hobberlin in Montreal—has been rushed to town—opening up to-day and on sale to-morrow. Every yard of the goods is the highest in quality and every pattern is the newest. Now to convert it into high-class clothing to order in the shortest possible time in our anxiety. There'll be some snap prices the like of which men accustomed to paying for clothing to measure never had a chance at before. Watch the papers for price details. We're going to make it well worth your while to make us open up Spring trade with a full head of steam almost before we've tasted Winter. Look in and see this \$20,000 worth.

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Your Money's Power to Purchase Clothes Has Grown.

Winter Stocks are rapidly disappearing under the influence of February price reductions.

Men's Ulsters, broken down, 10.00, 12.00, 14.00, 16.00, 18.00, 20.00, 22.00, 24.00, 26.00, 28.00, 30.00, 32.00, 34.00, 36.00, 38.00, 40.00, 42.00, 44.00, 46.00, 48.00, 50.00.

Men's Double-breasted Heavy Tweed Ulsters, 8.00, 10.00, 12.00, 14.00, 16.00, 18.00, 20.00, 22.00, 24.00, 26.00, 28.00, 30.00, 32.00, 34.00, 36.00, 38.00, 40.00, 42.00, 44.00, 46.00, 48.00, 50.00.

Youths Ulsters—The new styles, 7.00, 8.00 and 9.00.

Youths Long - Pant Suits, a dozen or more patterns to choose from at 5.00, 6.00 and 7.00.

Boys' Old Knee Tweed, 25c. 35c. 45c. 50c. 60c. 70c. 80c. 90c. 1.00.

THE SECRETARY GIBSON BRINGS DOWN HIS BILL PROVIDING FOR INSPECTION

County Council. The act provides that in towns of over 4000 population the council shall consist of a mayor, two councillors elected by general vote, and two councillors from each ward...

No Children With Criminal or Vicious Taints are Wanted.

Mr. Gibson (Hamilton)—Bill for the removal from Crown lands of persons unlawfully thereon. Enquiry from the Ministry—Has the Government received any notice from the Postoffice Department limiting the franking privilege on Government and departmental reports and papers...

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MINING SCHOOL CROWDED

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Forrestalians There. Eastern Canadians continue to drift into the Kootenay and Rossland gets many Torontoans.

OFF FOR ALASKA. Another Rush to the Yukon to Take Place.

Once again the miners and searchers for fortunes are getting ready to enter the gold regions of Alaska.

AFTER DR. SELWYN. Proof That This Geologist Was Often Mistaken.

Rat Portage Miner. Enthusiasm expressed by the feeling of those who have had to contend with the adversity respecting our mineral resources.

For years he was head of the Geological Survey Department of the Dominion, and his reports respecting the various districts examined were strongly adverse to the idea that there were any gold deposits in Western Ontario which would pay the cost of mining.

Well-known Toronto Boy Has a Mishap at Rossland. Alex Shields was showing his friend, B. J. Greenwood of Helena, Mont., the sights of the city, the mines and the suburbs all day yesterday.

MINES SHORT-HANDED. In the Selkirk River District—Rich Ferguson Ore. "Mine Centre, Feb. 7, 1897.—They made two very rich strikes at the Ferguson mine last week in the Daisy and Gwynne veins, both of them.

IN EASTERN ONTARIO. Gold and Silver in Addition and Frontenac. As a sort of supplement to the World's series of articles on the mineral resources of Hastings County, Mr. E. F. Coxwell, prospector, writes a letter to The Canadian Miner on the ore deposits of Addison and Frontenac.

Memorandum Clerk. A few days ago the City Clerk received a death certificate signed by Dr. T. B. Richardson, a prominent physician, that a 4-year-old child, Myrtle Kendrick, who lives in the village of Selkirk, had died from "membranous croup."

Robeyson Independent. Miss Clara Dietz Martin of Toronto, Canada, a cousin of the late Mrs. Martin, has been called to the bar. After being in the law for some time she has been called to the bar.

Now, go southwest four miles and you will come to the Marquette mine, a very strong well-defined vein of quartz, fully nine feet wide.

A DEVELOPMENT COMPANY WITH TWO MINES UNDER OPERATION.

The GROMMEL 3 1/2 Mining and Development Company.

The "TRAIL HUNTER" is 1/4 mile from Rossland, South B.C. The "GROMMEL" is on Salmon River, Nelson Mining District.

SILVER BELL 7c. In our hands for immediate sale. RED EAGLE 10c. Shows remarkably high assays and promises to be a great success.

Toronto Mining Agency, 69 Yonge St. TEL. 2204. OUT-OF-TOWN AGENTS WANTED.

Western Canada Loan & Savings Co.

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS. The Annual General Meeting of this Company was held at its offices, No. 76 Church-street, Toronto, on Monday, the 12th inst., at 10 o'clock a.m.

After deducting cost of management, interest on debentures and all other charges, the net profits of the Company amount to \$14,762.55. Out of this sum the directors have recommended that the shareholders receive a dividend of four per cent.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT For the Year ending on 31st December, 1896.

Table with columns: Liabilities and Assets, Capital Stock, Reserves, etc.

IT IS A BITTER FIGHT.

Will Mr. Greenway be able to secure the Re-appointments to the See of Archbishop Langens? Winnipeg, Feb. 15.—Special.—Mr. Prendergast's resignation of his seat in the Legislature has precipitated a bitter contest in St. Boniface and feeling is running very high.

That Tuberculosis Scare.

The World: In your issue of Jan. 27 there appears an article which I consider reflects upon me in my professional capacity, and which I wish to make clear before the public.

Barbados, Bermuda.

The third of the Quebec S.S. Company's cruises to Bermuda, the West Indies and the Bermudas, left New York to-morrow with a full complement of passengers.

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OUR MOTTO: Honest Principles. OUR DIRECTORATE: Experienced Business Men. OUR FIELDS: Ontario Free Milling Properties.

Proposed Capital Stock, \$2,000,000, in 2,000,000 Shares of \$1 Each. Stock will be issued fully Paid Up and Non-Assessable.

Charter Applied For under the Ontario Joint Stock Companies Letters Patent Act and the Mines Act and Amendments, and therefore with ABSOLUTELY NON-PERSONAL LIABILITY.

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An Enormous Ore Body, Susceptible to Treatment at the Minimum Cost. Natural Advantages Unsurpassed on This Continent. Most Economical Management.

THE CO.'Y HAS ALL THE POWERS OF A DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

The Stock is non-assessable, and without personal liability, under and by virtue of a contract dated January 7th, 1897, between Alexander H. Dixon, George H. Mayer and the Smuggler Gold Mining and Milling Company (Limited), of the other part, duly filed with the Provincial Secretary for the Province of New Brunswick.

The sale of Development Stock will only continue until a sufficient sum is in the Treasury to provide for the equipment of the mine and mill and preliminary working expenses, and is subject to withdrawal from the market at any time.

PRESENT PRICE 25 CTS. PER SHARE. Price Will Advance After Feb. 20.

Remit by Bank Draft, Marked Cheque, Postal Order or Telegraph. Certificates will be mailed upon receipt of order by

Geo. H. Maurer, Secretary, 59 Victoria-Street, Toronto.

Justice of the case demands, and I trust the next case of newspaper tuberculosis will get the facts of the case from competent authority. Then, and only then, will you be justified in taking the steps you have taken in this case.

