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# How Canada's Bond Markets Have Changed 

> GREAT BRITAIN Took 73 Per Cent. and United States 10 Per Cent. of our Securities Issued During the First Four Months of Last Year-This Year to date the United States Has Taken 55 and Great Britain $30^{-P P e r ~ C e n t .-A n a l y s i s ~ o f ~ S a l e s ~ a s ~ C o m p i l e d ~ b y ~ T h e ~ M o n e t a r y ~ T i m e s ~}$

CANADA is keeping busy its new banker, the United States. During the first four months of $19{ }^{1} 5$, it has sold 29 issues of high-grade bonds aggregating $\$_{47,589,947 \text {. The beginning of December really }}$ saw the commencement of the new trend of the Canadian bond market. Between August and December practically no sales were made. Then the buying commenced, and the British market being closed to practically all except war loans, Canada had to place its securities in the United States. Since December, the sales of high-grade Canadian bonds in that market have totalled $\$ 73,179,947$. As bond statistics are usually given for the calendar year, however, the sales as compiled by The Monetary Times may be divided as follows :-

Sales of Canadian bonds in
December, 1914
January-April, 1915

## Total

Amount:
\$26,590,000
$46,589,772$
\$73,179,772

The records of these sales have been carefully revised and corrected in the light of the most recent information received. It is understood, for instance, that a little more than half of the $\$ 4,533,696$ Toronto issue of $4^{1 / 2}$ per cent. long-term bonds is being placed in the United States. Early advices told of a sale of $\$ 3,000,0006$ per cent. oneyear notes of Edmonton. Negotiations were in progress for this sale when a hitch occurred and to date only $\$_{1}, 000,000$ of these notes have been placed in the neighboring market. These are typical examples of the revision made of the figures previously published in these columns.

Taking the total sold during the first four:months of ${ }^{191} 5$, we have the following result:-

## Borrowers.

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Numerically, the municipal borrowers have been the strongest, 20 of them having raised over $\$ 16,000,000$. Seven provincial government issues account for $\$_{21,-}$ 375,000 . The Montreal Tramways and Power Company's
issue has been the only important one this year in the public utilities class. The amount was $\$ 7,000,000$. Of issues in the near future there are probably many provincial government and municipal loans. The corporation issues are not likely to be heavy.

The maturity of the 29 issues made this year is an interesting question. The following table classifies the same loans with that point in view :-


Only eight of 29 issues mature in a period longer than 10 years. They represent securities aggregating $\$ 6$,190,000 of a total of $\$ 46,589,77^{2}$. There are 3 ten-year issues, accounting for a little more than $\$ 10,000,000$. Eighteen loans are for 5 years and less and account for over $\$ 38,000,000$ of the total. The tendency to invest in short-term securities, therefore, is very marked although brokers state that investors are now beginning to seek longer terms.

The rate of interest is another important phase of the present bond market. The following table shows the rates carried by the 29 loans under review:-

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The change in rates in recent years is clearly reflected in the comparatively high rate of $41 / 2$ per cent. for the $\$_{5,000,000}$ Dominion five and ten-year loan made in London last month. As was pointed out in The Monetary Times last week, it is a long time since the Dominion government had to issue a loan with such conditions attached as $41 / 2$ per cent. at a discount. In 1860 a 5 per cent. loan was issued for the purpose of consolidating the various outstañding loans. This was followed by an issue of
£4,800,ooo of 4 per cent. bonds in 1868-1875 guaranteed by the British Government, and between 1868 and 1875 $£ 4,500,000$ of 4 per cent. bonds were also issued in London, whilst at the end of 1875 there were two outstanding earlier issues bearing 6 per cent. interest. Afterwards, the Dominion Government was able to borrow in the London market upon reasonable terms, and an increasingly high status. A prolonged period of cheap money enabled our finance minister to arrange a loan in the English market in 1897 upon a $21 / 2$ per cent. basis at an average price of about $911 / 2$, following upon issues in 1884 and 1888 at the rates of respectively $31 / 2$ per cent. and 3 -per cent. Up to 1912 -with the exception of the loan offered in January, 1909, upon a $3 \frac{3}{4}$ per cent. basis -the Dominion was able to satisfy all her requirements in London at $3^{1 / 2}$ per cent. Towards the end of $1913^{-4}$ per cent. had to be paid, and that rate has since remained operative.

## Markets' This Year and Last.

Coming now to sates of Canadian bonds, not only in the United States but also in other markets, it is found that the neighboring republic has done the lion's share of Canadian financing this year to date. The following table, compiled by The Monetary Times, shows a complete change during the past year in the market situation, so. far as Canadian bond sales are concerned:-

Sales of Canadian bonds in<br>Great Britain<br>United States<br>Canada

Great Britain was our chief banker during the first months of 1914, as it had always been previously, but owing to war conditions, the United States has assumed that role during the current year.

## War and Railroad Financing.

The only Canadian loan in Great Britain since the war has been the $£ 5,000,0004^{1 / 2}$ per cent. bond issue maturing in to years and underwritten at $991 / 2$ last month. This has been the only Canadian issue in London since August. The Canadian government's war financing, as previously pointed out in these columns, is being done under a special arrangement with the British government by which Canada is receiving loans of $£ 2,000,000$ monthly. These will be repaid later by the issue of -Canadian war loans in the London market.

In the matter of railroad financing, there has been some difficulty. While the Canadian Paeific Railway is pretty well supplied with funds, the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern are not so well off. In the session of 1914, parliament authorized the government to guarantee bonds of the Canadian Northern Railway to the
amount of $\$ 45,000,000$, and bonds of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway to the extent of $\$_{15}, 000,000$. The former company succeeded in floating $\$_{15}, 000,000$ of bonds in the London market at $911 / 2$. However, the underwriters under the English moratorium were able to withhold payment. The Grand Trunk Pacific Company was unable to float any of its bonds. Both companies asked the Dominion government for loans last fall.

## Banks Were Unwilling.

The government endeavored to have the loans made through the banks, pointing out that the bonds were guaranteed by the Dominion of Canada and the Dominion notes could be issued to the banks on the security of those bonds under the legislation passed last. August. The banks, however, declined to intervene. The government thereupon passed an order-in-council whereby $\$ 10,000,000$ in Dominion notes was advanced to the Canadian Northern on the security of $\$ 12,000,000$ of guaranteed bonds and $\$ 6,000,000$ in notes was lent to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway on the security of $\$ 7,500,000$ of guaranteed bonds. Had the money not been supplied by the government the two railway companies would have had to cease construction work and thus thrown 12,000 men out of employment.

Sir Robert Borderf, premier, recently pointed out that the bonds of the two railways could have been sold at an advance of eight or ten per cent. over the figure at which the loans were made, but that it had been felt that by a delay a better price might be obtained and more money would be available for the construction of the roads.

## United States as Bond Market.

While the United States is not likely to supplant London as Canada's banker after the war, it seems reasonable to expect the neighboring republic from now on to be an important purchaser of Canadian bonds. This supposition is strengthened by the fact that Canada is the second best customer of the United States in the matter of trade and commerce.

Discussing the Canadian bond statistics of The Monetary Times, the New York Annalist says: "It appears certain that Canada must look to the United States to fulfil the most of her monetary requirements during the war period. It seems reasonably sure that she will of necessity continue to do so for a long time after the war is ovec., The demand for capital which will follow to replace the property destroyed by war will in all probability be so pressing as to preclude the possibility of Europe's exporting it for a long period. Meanwhile, tariff changes are tending to increase Canada's merchandise exports to us, and if that rovement should grow to any extent, the United States, even under normal conditions, would be the natural place for Canada to seek the funds necessary to develop her great natural resources."

Mr, Lyndhurst Ogden, for over thirty years secretary of the Toronto Stock Exchange, died last week.

Mr. A. A. Adams, of Hamilton, has received a letter from Mr. Sydney W. Pascall, of the London wholesale house, James Pascall, Limited, which reads in part: "The other day I was rather amused to receive an article from a Canadian trade paper in support of the 'made-in-Ganada' campaign, counselling all its readers to buy Canadian products and eschew foreign manufactures. From the figures, etc., it appeared that one of the chief foreign countries aimed at was Great. Britain. By the same post I had a request from
the same paper for an advertisement. Naturally, I declined (with proper courtesy) to enter into competition in its advertisement columns with the opinions expressed in its leader columns. Fortunately, most people in this country who read this sort of thing understand that it is-what do you call it -hot air! They realize that the desire to keep out British goods at a time when Britain wants all the help she can get is merely the passing crank of a few people, and that the real mind of Canada is expressed by the fine young fellows in khaki who are spending themselves so nobly for the United Empire,

# Confidence and Facts Back Canadian Situation 

After nine Months of War the Position in the Dominion Shows Strength Rather than Weakness-Signs of the Times

NINE months of war have shown how many of the business fears of last August were groundless. Then, Canadian business and finance almost threw up hands in despair, the despair largely of predicted future events rather than of existing facts. With a great effort, business kept its head but towards fall, commenced to worry again about what bad things might happen after the Christmas trade had passed. The prophets of pessimism having proved wrong again, persisted, and forcasted poor spring business.

After nine months of war, and bearing always in mind that the country was due for a drastic economic readjustment, Canada is rapidly assuming a healthy condition. It is beginning to realize that speculative froth is not prosperity. After a wild gallop along the bridle path of easy money, it is settling down to a staid pace in the avenues of legitimate trade, business and finance. It is realizing that the recognized principles of business are, after all, the correct ones, and that the new-fangled ideas
of finance jerked into the country by some young men who are now among the wisest and saddest, were nice but not nourishing.

Spring finds Canada with business and finances in fairly good condition. There is an increased demand for bonds and a growing volume of stock exchànge transactions. Money continues to accumulate for investments. Wholesale and retail trade in staple lines is good. The agricultural outlook is excellent. War orders are stimulating industrial activity for the time being at leasst. Preparations are being made for the new trade movement after the war. Exports are increasing.

Little confidence, then, need be placed in the views of those predicting duli business this spring and summer. Ear has been given to these prophets for nine months and they have been found wanting. While we have war and are undergoing changes, that there are also favorable facts, confidence and good business sentiment in Canada must not be overlooked.

## NO DIFFICULTY IN FINANCINC

Despite the fact that the London market is closed to Canada except for war purposes, the Dominion is having little trouble in financing its requirements. As will be gathered from the leading article in the current issue of The Monetary Times, Canada has sold $\$ 83,000,000$ worth of its bonds during the first four months of 1915, compared with $\$ 152,000,000$ worth sold in the first four months of 1914. In view of prevailing conditions, that is a gratifying achievement. It means that Canada has been able to find, with little trouble, a new money market to take the place of the oldjone during war time. After the war, we are likely to have the benefit to a greater extent, of both the British and United States markets.

Stick to business and business *ill stick to you.
Why spoil good business prospects with a Dominion election which nobody wants, except the politicians?

## MORE FUNDS FOR CANADA

Mr. A. M. Eedy, secretary of the Mutual Life and Citizens Insurance Company of Melbourne, Australia, is visiting Canada in the interests of his company. Mr. Eedy, who granted an interview to The Monetary Times this week, has until recently been travelling on this continent with Hon. James Ashton, a fellow director of the company, which is one of the oldest and most substantial in Australia. Mr. Ashton is now on his way home, but Mr. Eedy will remain for some time yet visiting the Western provinces and British Columbia and returning to Australia from San Francisco.

The Mutual Life and Citizens have for some years had investments in Canada. About three years ago, the company established a Canadian office at Montreal in charge of Mr. J. P. Moore, A.I.A., and obtained a Dominion license. Since then considerable sums of money have been invested by the company in the Dominion. The present trip of the company's directors has resulted in the investment of a further $\$ 1,000.000$. Their funds have been placed in city mortgages in Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa, Winnipeg and Vancouver and in farm mortgages in the West. This is being done through several Canadian trust companies. The company also has blocks of provincial government and municipal bonds including those of Alberta; Saskatchewan, Toronto, Hamilton. Ottawa and Brandon. Mr. Eedy and Mr. Ashton are well satisfied with their Canadian investments
and have no doubt as to the stability and future prospects of this, country.

Both gentlemen were given- a tastè of the enterprise of Canadian bond houses, two of which had. heard of their pro= posed visit to Canada and had representatives camping at their hotel in New York. They were greatly impressed by the clean-cut and businesslike type of salesmen employed by the Canadian bond house.

A visit was paid by Mr. Eedy to Canada's exhibit at the San Francisco exhibition. He describes it as magnificent and doubts whether there is a more effective exhibit-anywhere in the fair grounds.

Mr. Eedy is an official delegate to the world's insurance congress at San Francisco and was also appointed official representative, of the Life Officers' Association of Australasia and of the Melbourne Insurance Institute, for the purposes of his present trip.

Even half of the faith displayed in the palmy days of r912 would be of service now.

## COOD TRADE RETURNS

The statement of Canadian trade shows a total for the fiscal year ended March. 31, 1915, of $\$ 1,078,173,240$, as compared with $\$ 1,112,562,107$ for the previous year, a good showing in view of the dislocation of the world's trade by the war and the unfavorable economic conditions which prevailed before the war.

In the last month of the year a decided improvement was noticeable, the trade total being $\$ 110,540,998$, as against $\$ 92,887,053$ in March, 1914.

The exports of manufactures increased from $\$ 6,239,290$ to $\$ 15,600,790$; agriculture from $\$ 6,512,546$ to $\$ 12,438,145$, and animals and products from $\$ 3,202,060$ to $\$ 5,471,249$.

Now that the farmer's important place in the country is being recognized by the city man, we may hope for prosperity on a more substantial basis.

## CROP OUTLOOK IS COOD

Sir Thomas Shayghnessy interviewed in Vancouver said that advices to him showed that in Canada business was proceeding with renewed confidence and special investigations carried out by the Canadan Pacific Railway during the
last few days show that the outlook for the crop in the West this year is of the very best.

To each man who is a producer of wealth, will come a turn in the general distribution.

## BIC CEMENT ORDER

An order for 2,500.000 barrels of cement has been awarded to the Canada Cement Company by the Dominion govermment for the Welland Canal enlargement. The company has been doing a fairly good business, and the management report improvement,

Confidence is an intangible asset, but it helps the tangible ones.

## SAVINGS ARE ACCUMULATINC

An examination of the March bank statement shows that the savings deposits in the chartered banks now total $\$ 676$,-

000,000 , compared with $\$ 646,000,000$ a year ago. This is one of many indications that savings are accumulating. There is likely to be a good demand this year for first-class securities. Highly speculative stuff will find it hard to get buyers. Even after the heayy war loans are provided, there should be a substantial surplus for investment in sound and legitimate enterprises.

British faith and endurance never lost anything yet.

## TORONTO BQNDS ABSORBED

The Monetaxy Times is informed by Messrs. Wood, Gundy and Company, Messrs. A. E. Ames and Company and Messrs. Osler and Hammond, Toronto, that a large proportion of the city of Toronto issue which they purchased on joint account two weeks ago, has already been sold. This was an issue of $\$ 4,533,696.4 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. long term bonds. A little over half of the amount will probably go to the United States and the demand in Ontario for these securities has been excellent.

Business isn't half as bad as the man who wants yours says it is.

## LOOK TO CANADA AFTER WAR

## Chairman Smithers of Grand Trunk Sees a Prosperous Future for Dominion's Development

The year's gross receipts on the Grand Trunk Railway proper as reported by Mr. A. W. Smithers, chairman of the company, at the annual meeting were $£ 8,596,767$, as compared with $£ 9,620,176$ in 1913 , or a decrease of $£ 1,023,408$, and the working expenses were $£ 6,841,919$, compared with $£ 7,261,810$, or a decrease of $£ 419,891$. The net traffic receipts were $£ 1,-$ 754,848 , as compared with $£ 2,358,366$, or a decrease of $£ 603$,518. Receipts from passengers showed a decrease of $£_{314 \text {,- }}$ 000 ; mail and express traffic a decrease of $£ 1,500$; freight and live stock traffic a decrease of $£ 700,000$; and from other miscellaneous traffic a decrease of $£ 7,000$. With the décline in the gross receipts economies were effected wherever possible, but, it was absolutely impossible to immediately reduce expenses commensurate with the falling off in the receipts. The reduction effected is, well distributed over all the items of expenditure. Maintenance of way and structures decreased $£ 53,000^{\circ}$ maintenance of equipment decreased $£ 90$, 000; traffic expenses decreased £13,000; conducting transportation decreased $£ 266,000$; taxes decreased $£ 7,000$, the only item of increase being $£ 10,000$ under the head of general expenses, which is accounted for by our keeping on the pay-rolls for five months those of our men who had joined the Canadian Forces for service at the front, and which amounts to $£ 17,000$.

## Accumulation of Troubles.

Then there is the unsatisfactory result of the working of the Grand Trunk Western Railway, which shows, including the debit balance brought forward from the previous year, a net revenue deficiency, of $£ 135,000$, the net revenue deficiency for the year thus being $£_{112,000 \text {. This line runs through the }}$ State of Michigan and partly through the States of Indiana and Illinois. All the lines running through these states have severely, felt the effect of bad trade in the United States and of the increased expenses caused by the requirements of the federal and state authorities, the poorer lines having been hit most severely. These results are unsatisfactory, and the railways have brought, and are bringing, all the pressure possible to bear on the authorities to remedy this state of things.

Mr. Smithers when commenting on these returns said: "When *we met in April" of last year there were signs that business in Canada was quiet. Traffic receipts were falling off, and we had already commenced cutting down expenses. As the year progressed the hopes that were entertained of a good harvest gradually faded, owing to a long contipued drought in the north-west. When that broke, there was still time for some of the damage to be repaired, but early frosts
in August did considerable damage in the north-west, and the wheat harvest, which jwas expected to reach a total of over $210,000,000$ bushels, eventually turned out to be a total of only $140,000,000$ bushels, with oats, barley and other crops decreased in like proportions.
"Notwithstanding all this, we still thought we should be able to earn the dividend on the first preference stock and a portion of the dividend on the second preference stock, but these hopes were seriously dashed when the terrible catastrophe happened in the early days of August of the outbreak of the war on a scale unparalleled in history. Even then, during September and October, the traffic receipts, although bad, kept up better than one could have expected considering the outbreak of war and the colossal interests involved, but our worst forebodings were more than realized when we received the traffic statements in. November and December, with results most disheartening and disappointing.

## War Orders Are a Benefit.

"There are indications, however, that the requirements both of the mother country and her allies are leading to rénewed activity in the United States and Canada, and there is every sign that the money which will be spent in requirements for the war by Great Britain and the allies in the United States and Canada will reach large sums. The price oflwheat and foodstuffs has caused the people of the northwest to prepare for seeding a larger acreage than in 1914. I do not wish to neglect the warning not to prophesy unless you know. Well, no one can know what is going to happer. Still, I think," suggested Mr. Smithers, "it is my duty to point out that a new country like Canada is subject to fluctuations of adversity, and prosperity to an extent which it is difficult for people living in an old country to gauge. As I have shown. in 1914 there was an accumulation of adverse fortune. beyond the power of ary man or body of men to control, but these would have all been met, with comparatively small adverse results, but for the culminating disaster of the war. It has hit with terrible force the whole world, but it has hit hardest the new countries in process of development. Of the new countries none have seen such progress of development as Canada has experienced in the last twelve years, and consequently she was the most vulnerable to the effects of such a catastrophe as this war. Not onlv. has Canada had to bear the shock upon the culmination of a period of great devlopment, but she has, in addition, undauntedly taken upon herself the patriotic task of helping the Mother Country to the utmost extent of her resources. The question that transcends all others is the cessation or continuance of the war. While the war contirioes it is true Canada will reap some commercial advantage from the large orders placed there by Great Britain and her alljes, but it is to the cessation of the war we anxiously look, and when that day arrives, and if we are blessed with good, or even average, harvests, I feel confident that Canada will soon show to the world a different state of things from that which exists to-day."

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## RAILROAD TROUBLES

If Mr. A. W. Smithers, chairman of the Grand Trunk Railway, is correctly reported by cable, he is wrongly blaming the war for Canadian and Grarfd Trunk troubles. The war is the governing cause of his company's ills, he said. But decreased railroad earnings are not due alone to the European struggle. Indeed, some of the railroad companies have benefited by the transport of troops and army supplies. That fact has been refleeted periodically in the returns. Railroad financing naturally has been made difficult on account of money market conditions due to the war, but war or no war, the railroad companies had to face the problem of getting enough business to pay interest charges on a heavy debt-one which, with the help of a little more foresight and less politics on the part of both parties at Ottawa and of the railroads themselves, need not have been nearly so large. The railroad companies will have to develop traffic and help to create freight. They are vitally concerned in the movement for more production. Practically every bushel and every ton has to be hauled somewhere.

Professor Adam Shortt, chairman of the Civil Service Commission, is correct in his counsel that Canada stiould begin at once to consider the question of immigration and the best. means of turning it to the interests of the Dominion. At the Canadian Club, Montreal, this week be recalled the exodus from Europe to America that followed the Crimean war, when many thousands of British-born subjects came to Canada. Owing, for the most part, to Canada's lack of preparation to meet their wants, these immigrants became dissatisfied with their lot in Canada and drifted over to the United States, where they became prosperous and contented. The Canadian immigration authorities have an important task before them., After the war, we want the proper type of immigrant and, more than that, we want him in the right place, producing wealth on the agricultural lands.

## SINKING FUNDS AND MORTGAGES

Several Western cities were inclined to be sensitive when The Monetary Times in the "good old days" criticized the tendency to invest their sinking funds in first mortgages. Legitimate criticism then was conisidered out of keeping with the paces In the annual statement of Mr. A. M. Mouatt, city audito of Edmonton, appear some striking figures which strengthen the opinion frequently expressed in these columns. The inventory of sinking fund investments shows the value on December 31,1914 , to be $\$ 1,554,208$, of which $\$_{1,071,000 ~ c o n s i s t s ~}$ of nineteen first mortgages on real estate within the city. An examination of these mortgages reveals the fact that on the date mentioned there was in arrears the interest on no less than twelve of them, representing sinking fund investments to the amount of $\$ 621,000$.
"There is every indication," says Mr. Mouatt, "that a number of these mortgages will require to be nursed along for a number of years. The condition of these, together with the shrinkage in values of real estate, must decrease that margin of security which originally formed the basis of the loans, and it is necessary that attention be directed to the undesirable nature of. this class of investment for the city's sinking funds."

Mr. Mouatt points out that the city of Edmonton's charter permits of investments being made in more liquid securities than in real estate mortgages, and very properly recommends for the serious consideration of the civic authorities, that no further loans on real estate be made. Here, then, is a concrete case of trouble as a result of unwise municipal practice.

Seven hundred and four pages constitute the report on certified cheques, dividends, unclaimed balances and drafts or bills of exchange remaining unpaid in the chartered banks of Canada for five years and upwards prior to December 31, 1913. The publication and çirculation of this weighty volume is a heavy and unnecessary expense. It has no interrest for the general public. The banks should make their returns to the government and the" returns should be open to inspection by the public, who will never inspect them. . The present system is a waste of public time and money.

## GERMAN WAR FINANCING

'If this is to be a war of silver bullets, Germany is prepared. The German people have over-subscribed two war loans. They stand ready to over-subscribe a third, should a third prove necessary." This is the opinion expressed by Dr. Earl Helfferich, secretary of the Gierman treasury. The statement was made to Carl W. Acken man, of the United Press service. Dr. Helfferich is a leading financier of Germany and was a director of the Deutsche Bank until appointed to handle Germany's. war finances. Speaking of the war loans, he stated that the money already subscribed, will last until October or November. "If the war is continued," the interview continues, "and more money is needed, a third loan will be floated. And it will be also over-subscribed. Let me tell you why," he said, leaning forward through puffs of बigarette smoke - "there are two deasons. German" money istays in Germany, as everything the army needs is made in Germany. When supplies are purchased the money goes to German industries and to German workmen."

Lopdon, with good reason, is inclined to regard the statements of Dr. Helfferich as "bluff." There are facts to confirm that view. Mr. Lloyd George has said that the silver bullet is an important factor in the present struggle. It is. Great Britain is able to pay her large expenditures on the war for five years, if necessary, even allowing a substantial sum for depreciation, out of the proceeds alone of her investments abroad. France is also able to carry on the war for two or three years at least, out of the proceeds of her investments abroad. Both countries still have something to spare to advance to their allies.

On the other hand, it was stated authoritatively soon after the outbreak of war, that the financial measures which Germany was passing might live in the event of victory, but that in the event of defeat, they would bring disaster. Since then, it has also been stated that a percentage of the German people's savings has been appropriated for investment in the German war loans, while Swiss and other creditors of Germany have been informed that their debts have been invested also in those war loans.

Finally, the "Kolnzeitung" recently published a circular which shows to what straits the German government is put to obtain subscriptions for the new loan. A means has beetn found to spread over a long period payments by instalments. To allow this to be carried out, certain institutiohs are offering advances on the future savings of public officials, civil servants and others in a position to put by money out of their salaries. The following is the text of the circular :-
"In order to facilitate subscriptions to the Imperial Loan the German Life Assurance Company for civil servants is prepared, with the consent of the Secretary of State for War, to facilitate subscriptions to the Imperial loan by officers, public qfficials and civil servants generally who may not be at present in a position to provide the money for such subscriptions. The company is prepared to subscribe-on behalf of the above class of personssums of up to 1,000 marks in the new Imperial loan on, the understanding that the subscribers shall reimburse to the Assurance Company the sums so advanced, on or before 27 th December, 1915 . Every officer, public official or civil servant is thus given the opportunity of utilizing in advance his savings. Until the advances made by the Assurance Company shall have been repayed the scrip shall remain the property of the company."

In other words, Germans are asked to hypothecate their future savings in order to subscribe to the Imperial loan. The puiffs of cigarette smoke which the United Press correspondent was careful to note in the interview seem to have separated Dr. Helfferich from the facts.

An amusement park to be operated in connection with the Regina municipal street railway in order to make that utility a revenue-producer is a suggestion that is receiving the consideration of the civic authorities. It is an old idea, one which has been tried by private corporations and by municipal bodies, and usually without success.

## FINANCIAL MEN ON HONOR ROLL

Major E. C. Norsworthy, who was killed in the heavy fighting in France, in which the Canadian contingent distinguished themselves by their bravery, was the Montreal manager of the Dominion Securities Corporation, and was well known in financial and social circles. His death is a


Major E. C. Norsworthy.
matter of keen regret, expressed everywhere by his many friends.

Amongst the other offcers slain were the following Lieutenant J. K. Cronyn, a son of Mr. B. B. Cronyn, Toronto, vice-president of W. R. Brock Company. Lieut. Cronyn went from Ridley College, St. Catharines, to the Royal Military College, graduating from there last "spring. When war' broke out he joined the Royal Grenadiers, and went to Valcartier, where he was first attached as a supernumerary, later getting his commission and going overseas with the first contingent. Capt. George Crowther Ryerson, the eldest son of Licut.-Col. George Sterling Ryerson.

He was a member of the firm of Messrs. Mitchell and Ryerson, insurance brokers. Lieut. Alex. Douglas Kirkpatrick, of the Queen's Own Rifles, the son of Mr. A. M. M. Kirkpatrick, Toronto, and of the firm of Messrs. Wood and Kirkpatrick, insurance agents. The late Lieut. Kirkpatrick was attached to the Goyernor-General's Body Guard until war broke out, when he was transferred to the Queen's Own Rifles, known as the Third Battalion, Lieut. Guy Drummond, son of the late Sir George Drummond, president of the Bank of Montreal. Lieut. W. ("Bill") D. P. Jarvis, eldest son of Mr. Emilius Jarvis, of the well-known financial house, and one of the most prominent of Toronto's athletes. Lieut. Jarvis was a member of the Governor-General's Body Guard. He had been in the regiment for the past four years.

Among the wounded reported were: Lieut. Arthur Ryerson, who was wounded, is a younger son of Lieut.-Col. George Sterling Ryerson. After graduating from the Royal Military College he entered the service of the Dominion Bank, and was connected with the Broadview branch.

Captain C. E. H. Morton, who is reported wounded, has been connected with the Royal Grenadiers for the past five years. For the past two years he has been the secretary of the military institute. For the eight years previous to his enlistment Captain Morton held a position in the Home Bank. and when the war broke out was a supervisor in the head office. His late father was connected with the Merchants' Bank.

Capt. Eric McCuaig, who was slightly wounded, is a son of Mr. C. J. McCuaig, of the Montreal Stock Exchange. He is a science graduate at McGill, and Lieut. Melville Greenshields, who was also slightly wounded, is a member of the Montreal Stock Exchange. He was an officer with the 5th Royal Highlanders.

Major A. J. E. Kirkpatrick, who is reported missing, was second in command of the 3rd Battalion. He was connected for about twenty years with the Queen's Qwn Rifles. He was Manager for Canada of the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company.

## MORE CANADIAN BONDS FOR UNITED STATES

The Monetary Times is informed that $\$ 48,000$ worth of bonds of the Taber Transit Company have been placed in Philadelphia. This company proposes to build 48 miles of railroad between Taber and Bow River, Alberta. Arrangements are being made to construct io miles of the line.

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APRIL FIRE LOSSES

## Total Was Smaller Than Previous Month-Numerous Deaths

The Monetary Times' estimate of Canada's fire loss durIne April amounted to $\$ 1,463,747$, compared with March loss of $\$ 1,631,696$ and $\$ 1,916,235$ for the corresponding penod of last year. The following is the estimate for the April losses

Fires ${ }^{\dagger}$ excceding $\$ 10,000$
Small fires
\$1,159,500
Estimates for unreported fires
113.324

190,923
$81,463,74 \frac{4}{7}$
The Monetary Times' estimate of the fire loss in each province for the first four months of 1915 is as follows :-

## Ontario <br> Quebec

\$2,112,180
British Columbia
New Brunswick
Manitoba
Saskatchewan
Nova Scotia
Alberta
Prince Edward Island

1,253,055
576,834
361,109
272,951
290,990
198,621
159,441
$\begin{array}{r}159,441 \\ \quad 89.704 \\ \hline\end{array}$
$\$ 5,314,885$

The fires reported in April at which the fire loss was estimated at $\$ 10,000$ and over were as follow :-

Magrath, Alta., April ${ }_{1}$ Cudworth, Sask., April 4 Saskatoon, Sask., April 4 Eyebrow, Sask., April 5 Comaplix, B.C., April 6 Killaloe, Ont., April 6 Niagara Falls. Ont., April 8 Folding, Ont, April 9 Sedgewick, Alta., April to Chatham, Ont., April 10 Collingwood, Ont., April 11 Toronto, Ont., April 11 Windsor, Ont., April 14 Moose Jaw, Sask., April 14 St. Mary's, N.B., April 21 Swan Lake, Man., April 21 Winnipeg, Man., April 21

Toronto, Ont., April 22 St. John, N.B., April 22 Montreal, Que., April $2_{3}$ Toronto, Ont., April 25 St. Julienne, Que., April 27

Business section
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| :--- |
| 18,000 | 125.000 \$0,000 87,500 40,000 10,000 10,000 50,000 20,000 100,000 20,000 10,000 40,000 100,000

The following exclusive Monetary Times' record shows the loss by fire for the month of April during the past seven years :-


The following table compiled by The Monetary Times shows deaths caused by fire during the last six years :-

|  | 1910. | 1911. | 1912. | $19^{13} 3$. | 1914. | $1915{ }^{\circ}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 27 | 27 | 27 | 14 | 26 | 3 |
| February | 15 | 12 | 1 t | 21 | 18 | 11 |
| March | 20 | 17 | 24 | 22 | 27 | 23 |
| April | 37 | \% | 15 | 11 | 22 | $14^{\text { }}$ |
| May | 15 | 128 | 18 | 33 | 8 |  |
| June | $52^{+}$ | 13 | 6 | 18 | 12 |  |
| July | 15 | 110 | 9 | 9 | 8 | . |
| August | 11 | 22 | 16 | 29 | 3 |  |
| September | 10 | 13 | 6 | 27 | 9 | . . |
| October | 16 | 17 | 21 | 15 | 9 |  |

November
December
Totals

| 1910. | 1911. | 1912. | 1913. | $\checkmark 1914$. | 19.15. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 19 | 20 | 22 | 24 | 14 |  |
| 19 | 17 | 28 | 13 | 19 |  |
| 256 | 317 | 203 | 236 | 175 | 51 |

The fires at which fatalities occurred were:-

Montreal, Que., April 3
Niagara Falls, Ont., April 4 Toronto, Ont., April 6 Frankford, Ont., April 14 Leamington, Ont., April 14 Watrous, Sask., April 14 Rapid City, Man., April 17 Saskatoon, Sask., April 19 Winnipeg, Man., April 25

Lighting fire with tar
Clothing set alight
Clothing set alight
Burning building
Clothing set alight
Burning building
Burning building
Bush fire
Burning building

The structures damaged and destroyed included 63 residences, 22 stores, 19 stables and barns, 5 factories, 5 sheds, 3 club houses, 3 lumber mills, 3 banks, 3 hotels, 2 apartment houses, 2 picture theatres, 2 churches, 2 warehouses, 2 schools, 2 garages, 2 newspaper offices, 1 woolen mill, 1 post office, 1 evaporator, 1 boathouse, 1 tannery.

Among the presumed causes 6 were prairie frres, 4 defective wiring, 4 incendiary, 4 lightning, 4 spontaneous, 4 bonfires, 3 children and matches, 2 burning grass, 2 sparks, 2 gas jets, 1 overheated stove, 1 defective stove pipe; 1 engine backfiring, I candle I dropped cigarette stub, I defective grate, 1 electric iron, 1 overheated boiler, I exploded oil stove.

## ALBERTA AMENDS LAND TITLES ACT

The Alberta legislature has passed an amendment to the land titles act of that province. The new legislation is a step in the right direction. Sales, in the event of trouble, can be effected with much speedier action than theretofore and long delays will be avoided. The amendment will also tend to reduce considerably the expenses in connection with sales. Altogether, the act will help greatly to restore the confidence of investors $\boldsymbol{i n}$ Alberta securities and the provincial government is to be commended for its action.

## RAILROAD EARNINCS

The following are the earnings for the first three weeks of April:-

Canadian Pacific Railway

| Canadian Pacinc |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April | $\begin{gathered} 1915 . \\ 81,766,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\stackrel{1914 .}{\$ 2,237,000}$ | Decrease. <br> - 8471,000 |
| April ${ }_{14}$ | 1,701,000 | 2,234,000 | 533,000 |
| April 21 | 1,623,000 | 2,100,000 | 477,000 |
| Grand Trunk Railway |  |  |  |
| April 7 | \$1,008,320 |  |  |
| April 14 | 864,658 | 1,025.515 | 160,857 |
| April 21 | 869,772 | 993,502 | 123,730 |
| Canadian Northern Railway |  |  |  |
| April 7 | \$ 335,700 | \& 371,000 | - 835,300 |
| April 14 | 342,400 | 367,400 | 25,000 |
| April 21 | 321,000 | 366,200 | - 45,200 |

The Canadian Northern Railway's March return shows the following results :-


The Canadian Pacific Railway's gross earnings for March are $\$ 7,852,898$, being a decrease of $\$_{1,594,471}$ compared with the same period in 1914. The net earnings are $\$ 2,973,014$. being a decrease of $\$ 126,224$.

The following companies have changed their names:-Snider-Dohan, Limited, with Saskatchewan charter, to Trotter-Dohan, Limited; A. M. Shaver, Limited, with Alberta charter, to Murray Brothers, Calgary, Limited: The Internnational Insurance Company, Limited, with Alberta charter, to The Alberta Life and Accident Insurance Company, Limited.

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## NEW INCORPORATIONS

## Twenty New Companies Receive Charters-Oil is Still an Attraction

Canada's new companies incorporated this week number 70. The head offices of these companies are located in five provinces. The total capitalization amounts to $\$ 10,748,000$. The largest company is:-Meeting Creek Oils, Limited, \$1,000,000.

Grouping the new concerns according to provinces in which the head offices are situated, we have the following
results :-

Province.
Ontario.
British Columbia
Quebec
Alberta
Saskatchewan

No. of

| companies. |  |
| :---: | ---: |
| $\cdots$ | Capitalization |
| $\cdots$ | $71,550,000$ |
| $\cdots$ | 6 |

The following is a list of charters granted during this week in Canada. The head office of the company is situated in the town or city mentioned at the beginning of each paragraph. The persons named are provisional directors :-

Olds, Alta.-Moor's Drug, Limited, \$20,000.
Coronation, Alta.-J. Dillon \& Son, Limited, \$40,000.
Swift Current, Sask.-Green \& Mitchell, Limited, \$2,000.
Macoun, Sask.-Macoun Oil Syndicate, Limited, \$10,000.
Killam, Alta.-Standard Lumber Company, Limited, \$10,000.

Wauchope, Sask.-The Wauchope Oil Supply Company, 86,000.

Kindersley, sask.-Kindersley Hall Company, Limited, \$10,000.

Meeting Creek, Alta.-Meeting Creek Oils, Limited, $\$_{1,-}$ oóo,000:

Nanaimo, B.C.-The Model Furniture Company, Limited, \$10,000.

Strathmore, Alta.-The Chicago Farm Company, Limited, $\$ 35,000$,

Saskatoon, Sask.-The Qu'Appelle Valley Farms, Limited, \$20,000.

Medicine Hat, Alta.-The Cypress Grain Company, Limited, \$25,000

Oshawa, Ont.-Brooks, Limited, $\$ 40,000$. L. M. Brooks, J. Stacey, W. L. Brown.

Aurora, Ont.-Office Bureau, Limited, $\$ 250,000$. W. P. Gillespie, H. C. French, H. Melville.

Sherbrooke, Que.-Julius Kayser \& Company, Limited, $\$ 25,000$. J. Kayser, E. S. Bayer, M. A. Myers.

Kingston. Ont.-M. G. Higgins, Liríted, \$40,000. G. G. Reid, H. E. Stokes, Asbury, W. E. Buckingham.

Huntsville, Ont.-The Bigwin Inn Company, Limited, $\$ 400,000$. C. O. Shaw, J. W. McKee, Jennie L. Shaw.

Morrisburg, Ont.-Dundas Co-operative Association, Limited, $\$ 10,000$. E. Thompson, T. L. Deeks, D. Wells. Moose Jaw, Sask.-Great West Farms, Limited, \$15,ooo. The Dominion Salvage Company, Limited, $\$ 20,000$.

Ottawa, Ont.-White Marble Company of Canada, Limited, $\$ 150,000$. T. A. Beament, A. H. Armstrong, Carrie D. Hendry.

Regina, Sask.-The Commercial Credit Rating Association, \$10,000. The Regina Engineering Company, Limited, \$20,000.

Calgary. Alta.-The Cow Butter Dairy, Limited, \$20,doo. "O. E. Holdings, Limited, \$11,000. Alberta Sheep Association, Limited, \$20,000. The Standard Tool \& Supply Company, Limited, $\$ 20,000$.

Vancouver, B.C.-Turnour Island Logging Company, Limited, \$25,000. Ohio Lumber Company; Limited, \$300, ooo. Patterson, Chandler \& Stephen, Limited, $\$ 25,000$. Blair \& Armstrong. Limited, $\$ 10000$. The V. A. Wardle Company, Limited, \$10,no0. Johnston \& Salsbury, Limited, \$25.,

Edmonton, Alta.-McCoppen, Lambert, Limited, \$50,000. McGill-Driscoll, Limited, $\$ 20,000$. The Bremner Manufacturing \& Rendering Company, Limited, \$20,000. The Northern Alberta Natural Gas Development Company, Limited, $\$ 500,000$. The Owl Drug Company, Limited, $\$ 20,000$, Underwriters, Limited,' \$5,000.

Montreal, Que.-Weredale Park, Limited, $\$ 20,000$. D. P. Gillmor, F. G. Bush, G. R. Drennan. St. Lawrence Realty Company, Limited, $\$ 99,000$. H. B. Mussen, T. A. Ward, W. F. Hamilton. Camwick Lumber Company, Limited, $\$ 50,000$. G. L. Alexander, E. Lafontaine, H. J. Murphy. Murdoch \& Wildridge, Limited, $\$ 10,000$. J. M. Curry, L. H. Boyd, A. R. Johnson. Saml. M. Oguinik \& Company, Limited, \$100,000. J. A. Engel, J. McNaughton, M. Bernfeld.

Toronto, Ont.-Hydro-Electric Radiation, Limited, \$500,ooo. J. Templeton, H. C. Long, J. McDonald. A. N. D. Pipe Company, Limited, $\$ 50,000$ I. E. Fairchild, W. H. Webb, G. Leaver. The Italian Mosaic \& Marble Company of Canada, Limited, $\$ 25,000$. G. DeSpirt, E. Marchesini, V. T. Goggin. Playhouses \& Theatres, Limited, $\$ 50,000$. J. H. Fraser, G. M. Willoughby, F. H. Hurley. Somers School of Physient Training. Limited, $\$ 40,000$. J. M. Somers, Elizabeth H. Henry, Ellen E. Pardoe.

Saskatchewan.-The following rural telephone companies have been incorporated, the particulars given being in order, name of company, capital, head office, and number of shares :Strongfield, \$300, Strongfield, 60 ; Bigford, $\$ 300$, Bigford, 60 ; Midale, \$250, Midale, 50 ; Glenrose, $\$ 400$, Glenrose, 80; Marchwell, \$250, Marchwell, 50 ; Kindersley, 8600 , Kindersley, 120 ; Qu'Appelle, $\$ 200$, Qu'Appelle, 40 ; Hanley, $\$ 350$, Hanley, 70 ; Frobiskur, $\$ 200$, Frobisher, 25 ; Halbrite, $\$ 200$, Halbrite, 40 ; Kípling, $\$ 500$, Kipling, 100 ; Amulet, $\$ 500$, Amulet, 100 ; Wawota, $\$ 500$, Wawota, 100 ; Colgate, $\$ 150$, Colgate, 30 ; Wapella, $\$ 160$, Wapella, 32 ; Kronau, \$400, Kronau, 80; Lockwood, \$450, Lockwood 90; Melfort, \$50, Melfort, 10; Cut Knife, $\$ 500$, Cut Knife, Ioo: Saskatoon, \$175, Saskatoon, 35. The words" "Rural Telephone Company, Limited," appear after the name of the company in each case.

Application for letters patent is being made by $\$ \mathrm{~W}$ F. Dibblee \& Son, Limited, Woodstock, N.B., \$20,000.

## LAW UNION AND ROCK INSURANCE COMPANY

Founded in 1806, the Law Union and Rock Insurante Company has been through many trying tests, such as all corporations are experiencing ñow and largely on account of the war. A reputable careet of over a century and a business built on sound and conservative underwriting principles, have given the insuring public a corporation in which implicit faith may be placed. Last year, Mr. Alexander Mackay, who had been general manager of the company for many years, retired, and was succeeded by the deputy general manager, Mr. Robert Stirling, and 1914 was his first year in office as general manager. The year was an exceptionally trying one, but the results obtained under his management are very gratifying to all who take an interest in the company.

The company's 'results during 1914 are detailed on another page. In the profit and loss account $\$ 1,350,893$ was brought forward from 1913. To that amount was added: from the fire account, $\$ 220,355$; from the employers' liability account, $\$ 51,200$; from the accident account, $\$ 24,054$; from the general account, $\$ 28,312$; and from the fixed term assurance fund, $\$ 52,350$; making, with $\$ 184,161$ of interest, $\$ 399.565$ shareholders' proportion of life profits and transfer fees, $\$ 335$, a total of $\$ 2,31_{1}, 225$. Therefrom were paid for dividends to shareholders, $\$ 422,492$; for interest on debentures, $\$ 53.948$; for expenses of management, $\$ 20,000$; for income tax, $\$ 24,390$; and after providing $\$ 297,463$ to meet depreciation in securities, and carrying $\$ 126,964$ to an investment reserve fund, there remained a balance of $\$ 1,315,968$ to be carried forward as a general reserve, and to support future dividends. The assets of the company at the close of the year amounted to $\$ 48,698,186$, and the total income to \$6,781,350

The company's Canadian brånch, under the management of Mr. J. E. E. Dickson, of Montreal. has, as usual, done well; contributing its share to the total business and doing jts part to uphold the company's good reputation.

## THE DOMINION BANK

Sir Bdmund B. Osier, M.P., President. W. D. Matthews, Vice-President

C. A. bogert, gen. Manager.

## Trust Funds Should be Deposited <br> in a Savings Account in The Dominion Bank. Such funds are safely protected, and earn interest at highest current rates. <br> When payments are made, particulars of each transaction may be noted on the cheque issuied, which in turn becomes a receipt or voucher when cancelled by the bank,

## THE STANDARD BANK OF CANADA <br> QUARTERLY DIVIDEND NOTICE NO. 98

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of THIRTEEN PER CENT. PER ANNUM upon the Capital Stock of this Bank has this day been declared for the quarter ending the 30th April, 1915, and that the same will be payable at the Head Office in this City and its Branches on and after Saturday, the 1st day of May, 1915, to shareholders of record of the 23rd April, 1915.

By Order of the Board,
G. P. SCHOLFIELD, General Manager. Toronto, 3oth March, 1915.

## The BANK of TORONTO

## Dividend No. 135.

Notice is hereby given that a DIVIDEND OF TWO AND THREE-QUARTERS PER CENT. for the current quarter, being at the rate of ELEVEN PER CENT. PER ANNUM, upon the Paidup Capital Stock of the Bank, has this day been declared, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after the ist day of June next, to Shareholders of record at the close of business on the 14th day of May next.

By order of the Board,
THOS. F: HOW, Gep̧eral Manager.

The Bank of Toronto, Toronto, April 28th, 1915.

## Royal Bank of Canada

 INCORPORATED 1869Capital Authorized ................ $\$ \mathbf{2 5 , 0 0 0}, 000$
Capital Paid-up.................... $11,560,000$
Reserve and Undivided Profits.... $13,174,000$
Total Assets
$180,000,000$
HEAD OFFICE, MONTREAL
Sir Herbert S. Holt, Pres. E. L. Pease, V. Pres. \& G. Mgr. 340 Branches in Canada and Newfoundland.
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BRITISH WEST INDIES
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## ONTARIO HYDRO COMMISSION'S FINANCES

## Results of Operation on the Part of Sixty-nine Municipalities Last Year

According to the seventh annual report of the HydroElectric Power Commission of Ontario, which will be issued next week, the accounts of 69 municipalities have been consolidated into one balance, sheet on the standard form as at December 31st, 1914, as follows:-

Assets:. Lands and buildings, \$791,732.20; sub-station equipment, $\$ 1,476,087.84$; distribution system, overhead, $\$ 3$,422,763.93; distribution system, underground, $\$ 807,153.53$; line transformers, $\$ 787,613.52$; meters, $\$ 1,172,475.11$; street lighting equipment, regular, $\$ 1,071,255 \cdot 37$; street lighting equipment, ornamental, $\$ 270,386.55$; miscellaneous equipment and construction expense, $\$ 2,062,035.90$; steam or hydraulic plant, $\$ 420,108.33$; old plant, $\$ 47^{8,881.56 ; \text { other miscellaneous }}$ assets, $\$ 140,631 \cdot 56$; total plant, $\$ 12,901,125 \cdot 40$.

Bank and cash balance, $\$ 422,350.12$; inventories, $\$ 561$, 873.08 ; accounts receivable, $\$ 615,226.76$; sinking fund, $\$ 625,217.03$; other assets, $\$ 123,410.97$; total liquid assets, $82,348,077.96$; total assets, $\$ 15,249,203 \cdot 36$.

Liabilities: Debenture balance, $\$ 10,678,078.36$; accounts payable, $\$ 1,682,150.29$; bank overdraft, $\$ 228,622.50$; other liabilities, $8113,838.66$; total liabilities, $\$ 12,702,689.81$.

Reserves: Debentures paid, \$320,129.10; sinking fund reserve, $\$ 625,217.03$; depreciation reserve, $\$ 850,618.07$; surplus, $\$ 750,549.35$; total reserves, $\$ 2,546,513.55$; total liabilities and reserves, $\$ 15,249,203.36$.

The operation of the municipalities consolidated into one report shows the following results:-
Number of mynicipalities
included ifrreport...
Operating and mainten- Operating and maintenance expense $\ldots \ldots$.
benture charges and Debenture charges and
interest

Dec. 31st, Dec. 31st, Dec. 31st, 1912.1913 .1914.

Total annual expense.
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Total revenue } \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1,617,674 \\ \begin{array}{ll}\text { Surplus for year } & \ldots . . . \\ \text { Depreciation charge } & \$ 240,506 \\ \text { Den } & 124,992\end{array}\end{array}$

## Surplus less depreciation

## charge

Total assets
 Net debsture balance and other debt


5,822,1


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## RECENT FIRES

## The Monetary Times' Weekly Register of Fire Losses and Insurance

Bow Island, Alta.-April 18-Mr. T. W. Dyer's stable. Loss and cause not stated.

Calgary, Alta.-April 18 -Baker block, 626 Sixth Avenue East, Loss, 400. Cause, mice and matches.

Eagle River Valley B.C.-Forest fire. Loss not stated. Cosfield south Township, Ont.-April $23-\mathrm{Mr}$. E. Thorpe's barn. Loss, $\$ 3.500$, partially insured. Cause not stated.

Hull, Que.-April 24 -Messrs. Dupuis and Son's lumber yard. Loss $\$ 3,500$. Cause unknown.

Imperial, Sask.-April $12-\mathrm{Mr}$. L. Cameron's barns. Loss and cause not stated.

King Township, Ont.-April $27-\mathrm{Mr}$. T. Klinck's barn. Loss unknown. Cause, lightning.

Leaside, Ont. - April 25 - Mr. W. Meaghèr's farm buildings

Marmora, Ont.-April 21-Public school. Loss, \$5000. Cause unknown

Montreal, Que.-April 23-Messrs. A. Dosterts' furriers premises, 516 St. Paul Street. Loss, \$10,000. Cause unknown.

Mount Salem Ont.-April $27-\mathrm{Mr}$. F. Heffer's barn. Loss and cause not stated.

Preston, Ont.-April 21 -Messrs. Pattinson and Company's woollen mill. Loss and cause not stated.

St, John, N.B.-April 22 -Messrs. C. H. Peters and Son's warehouse. Loss, $\$ 20,000$. C fuse not stated.

St. Julienne, Que.-April ${ }_{27}$-Roman Catholic church. Loss, $\$ 100,000$; insurance, $\$ 24,000$. Cause, lightning.

St. Mary's N.B.-April 21 --Three dwellings, barns, etc. Loss, $\$ 10,000$. Cause not stated.

Shoal Harbor, N.B.-April $23-\mathrm{Mr}$. A. Butler's residence. Loss and cause not stated.

Sombra, Ont.-April 21-Mrs. O: McKellican's barns. Loss, \$2,000. Cause burning grass.

Swan Lake, Man. April 21 -Business section, including Mr. W. W. Shirley's bakery, Mrs. Couche's restaurant, an empty store, post-office, Mr. P. J. 'Halleman's general store and the Echo newspaper office. Loss estimated $\$ 50,000$. Insurance: W. W. Shirley, $\$ 800$; P. J. Halleman, $\$ 8,000$; Echo office, $\$ 800$.

Tuckersmith Township, Ont.-April $22-\mathrm{Mr}$. D. Fotheringham's barns, London Road.' Loss and cause not stated.

Union, Ont.-April 22-Mrs. Hathaway's barn. Loss, $\$ 4,000$; insured. Cause not stated.

## CANADIAN BANK CLEARINCS

The following are the bank clearing house returns for weeks ended April 22nd, 1915, and April 23rd, 1914, with changes:-


| Week ended | Week ended |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April 22, 1915. | April 23, 1914. | Changes. |
| 849,550,538 | \$57,020,320 | - \$7,469,782 |
| 35,964,769 | 46,725,394 | - 10,760,625 |
| 35.722,195 | 25,248,110 | $+10,474,085$ |
| 4,885,770 | 9,158,658 | 4,272,888 |
| 4,578,575 | 4,133,033 | + 445,542 |
| 3,108,119 | 4,135,303 | 1,027,184 |
| 2,609,568 | 3,649,879 | 1,040,311 |
| 2,094,069 | 2,821,813. | 727,744 |
| 2,947,418 | 3,008,270 | 60,852 |
| 1,541,936 | 2,818,170 | 1,276,234 |
| 1,972,049 | 2,104,922 | 132,873 |
| 1,324,493 | 1,928,722 | 604,229 |
| 1,673,263 | 1,809,238 | 135.975 |
| 1,539,928 | 1,685,139 | 145,211 |
| 798,350 | 1,316,618 | 518,268 |
| 781,652 | 971,673 | 190,021 |
| 495,960 | 731,529 | 235,569 |
| 532,922 | 657,524 | 124,602 |
| 544.374 | 465,728 | + 78,646 |
| 343.908 | 446,560 | 102,652 |
| 283,245 | 466,010 | 182,765 |
| 240,683 | 432,734 | 102.051 |
| .8153,533.784 | 8171,735,347 | \$18,201.56 |

## Weyburn Security Bank

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Branches in Saskatchewan at
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A GENERAL BANKING BUSINESS TRANSACTED
H. O. POWBLL, General Manager


## THIE BANK OF OTTAWA

Capital paid up, $\$ 4,000,000$. Rest, $\$ 4,750 ; 000$. Total Assets over $\$ 50,000,000$ :

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## THE QUEBEC BANK

 Quarteriy dividendNotice is hereby given that a Dividend of One and Threequarters per cent. on the Paid-up Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the current quarter, and that the same will be payable at its Banking House in this City, and at its Branches, on and after Tuesday, the 1st day of June next, to Shareholders of record of 15th May.

By order of the Board,
B. B. STEVENSON

Quebec, 20th April, 1915 $81 \quad$ General Manager

| Acton | Galt | Lucan | St. George |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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| Belleville | Glencoe | Meaford | Thamesville |
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Bankers in Great Britain-The London Joint. Stock Bank, Limited Toronto Branches-A. B. §ATTERSON, Mańager.

## INVESTMENTS AND THE MARKET

## News and Notes of Active Companies-Their Financing, Operations, Developments, Extensions, Dividends and Future Plans

La Rese Consolidated Mines Company. The La Rose April statement shows a cash surplus of $\$ 938,728$ in the treasury on April 1st. Ore in transit and at smelters, as well as ore sacked at the mine ready for shipment, is given at $\$ 126,958$, making a total surplus-of $\$ 1,065,686$.

Montreal Light, Heat and Power.-The eleven months' net income of the Montreal Light, Héat and Power Company, it is stated, available for dividends is $\$ 200,000$ greater than at the same time in the preceding fiscal year.

The surplus, affer allowing $\$ 133,000$ for the dividends on the new stock, is $\$ 70,000$ greater than in the same months of 1914.
ح Western-Canada Power Company.-The annual repor of the Western Canada Power Company for the year ended December-31, 1914, shows gross earnings of $\$ 315,800$, which, with a balance of $\$ 23,848$, made a total of $\$ 339,649$. Operat ing expenses were $\$ 87,149$, leaving a surplus of earnings for the year of $\$ 228,650$ and a total of $\$ 252,500$ available for distribution. Interest on the first mortgage bonds took $\$ 250$, 000 and $\$ 2,500$ was set aside as a reserve for doubtful accounts.

At the annual meeting the shareholders will be asked to approve of an increase in the authorized issue of common stock, from $\$ 5,000,000$ to $\$ 10,000,000$, and for the creation of $\$ 5,000,000 \cdot 7$ per cent, cumulative preference shares. Provision will be made for the conversion of preference shares into common shares at the wish of the holder. The company has been unable to market the $\$ 1,000,000$ additional first mertgage bonds authorized in December.

Duluth-Superior Traction Company.-The DuluthSuperior Traction Company's tgross passenger earnings for the second week of April were $\$ 20,107.17$, as compared with $\$ 25,432.53$ for the corresponding week in 1914, there being a decrease of $\$ 5,324.36$.

Baker and Company.-At the annual meeting of the stockholders of Walter Baker and Company, of Canada, Limited, the following officials were elected: Directors : Messrs. H. C. Gallagher, Nathaniel H. Stone, Rodolph L. Agassiz, Robert F. Herrick, Thomas Nelson Perkins, William L. Putnam and Ellerton P. Whitney. Secretary-treasurer, Mr. Herbert Dabney.

Porto Rico Raliways Company, Limited.-The Porto Rico Railways Company, Limited comparative statement of earnings for March, 1915, shows the following decreases :-


Robert Simpson Company, Limited.-The annual report of the Robert Simpson Company, Limited, Toronto, for 1914 shows a decrease of $\$ 100,545$ in merchandise profits from 1913. The figures of results are as below :-

|  | 1914. | Increase or decrease. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Merchandise profit | 652,205 | -\$ | 100,545 |
| From subsidiaries | 68,880 | - | 29,060 |
| Interest and dividends | 486,074 |  | 81 |
| Carried forward | 422,208 | $+$ | 140,588 |
| Current liabilities | 904,915 | $+$ | 535,323 |
| Current assets | 4,014,393 | + | 573,934 |
| Total assets | 9,029,739 |  | 1,575 |

The assets show merchandise on hand of $\$ 3.440,575$, against $\$ 2,685,000$ a year ago, the increase being due to the fact that spring goods passed into stock before the inventory this year, and stocks have been added to in anticipation of possible inability to secure them later owing to interruption to the textile industry.

Dominion Lirens, Limited.-The financial statement of the Dominion Linens, Limited, which has factories at Guelph and Tillsonburg, has been published and covers the period August 18th, 194, to December 31st, 1914. The company's real estate, buildings, plant, machinery and equipment are valued in the assets at $\$ 230,050$. Twenty thousand dollars is the sum allowed in the balance sheet as representing trade marks and goodwill. The other assets are as follow: Cash on hand and in bank, $\$ 1,143.27$; accounts and bills receivable, $\$ 9,856.21$; sundry debtors (since paid), $\$ 4,350.49$; inventories, $857,405.35$; insurance premiums unexpired, 81, 310.77 ; and deferred expenses, $\$ 2,174.95$.

The liabilities include accounts pavable, $\$ 6,706.76$ loans and bank advances, $\$ 22.082 .36$ : contingent reserve, $\$ 22.600,12$ : capital stock, paid up (authorized, $\$ 300,000$ ), preferred $\$ 130,800$, common $\$ 125,000$; total stock issued, $\$ 255.800$

The surplus is $\$ 14.138 .50$, and the balance at credit of profit and loss account. being net gain for $4^{1 / 2}$ months ended December 31st, 1014, is $\$ 4,872.74$

The contingent liability on bills receivable discounted is $\$ 8,047.93$

With regard to the item "sundry debtors" in the assets, this was for stock subscriptions, and was guaranteed by Messrs. Ferguson and Sanson, the Toronto investment house and in Januąry last was paid in full.

Real estate and buildings are down separately from plant, machinery and equipment. The preferred stock ranks for dividend from September 1, 1014, with the exception of that part that was issued in October last, which ranks for dividend

## BANK OF HAMILTON

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Capital Authorizmd ................................... $\$ 5,000,000$
Capital Paid Up . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $3,000,000$
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..........................
How JOHN S. HENDRIE, C.V.O., President.
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { George Rutherford } & \text { A. BIRGE, Vice-President. } \\ \text { C. C. Dalton } & \text { Turnbull } & \text { C. Newton }\end{array}$
c. C. Dalton W. A. Wood Robert Hobson
and J. P. BELL, Gegtral Manager.

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only from date of issue by the company. In addition to the preferred stock dividend, the statement shows earnings of between 4 and 5 per cent. on the common stock.

Messrs. Ferguson and Sanson, investment bankers, Toronto, who handled the company's offering of preference shares last year, will probably sell a small amount by private sale in the near future. For the current year to date the company's business showed a considerable increase over the period covered by last year's balance sheet.

Wm. A. Rogers, Limited.-The annual report of the Wm. d. Rogers Company, Limited, shows that net profits for the year 1914 were $\$ 85,468.32$ as compared with $\$ 171,530$ net profits on operations in the year previous.

That the decrease in the year's earnings was due partly to a shrinkage in the volume of business which the company suffered in common with other manufacturers, and also because of the unusually large inventory carried over from the previous year, the cutting down of which necessitated the operation of the factories on a half-time basis throughout part of the syear.

The profit and loss account is augmented by $\$ 175,000$ previously transferred from that account to a real estate and plant reserve account. The appraisal of the company's properties made during the year showed that the depreciated values exceed the book values by a substantial amount and permit of the re-transfer to profit and loss account of the above amount.

A special reserve has been created to provide for the guarantee upon the preferred stock of Canadian Wm. A Rogers, Limited, for two years.

A surplus of current assets over all liabilities of over $\$ 1,000,000$ is indicated in this return.

President, Mr. S. J. Moore, suggests that , in view of improvements since the end of the year and of the present outlook for the company's business the directors believe that they are justified, in continuing the dividend on the common stock at the rate of 6 per cent., and unlesis conditions become less favorable this rate can be maintained throughout the year.

## CANADA'S CANAL TRAFFIC

Over $37,000,000$ tons passed through the various canals of Canada last year, a decrease from the tonnage of the pre vious year, when $52,053,000$ tons passed through these water ways. In 1914, the share of each canal was as below :-

Sault Ste. Marie, $27,549,000$ tons; Welland, 3,860,000 tons; St. Lawrence, $4,391,000$ tons; Chambly, 437,000 tons; St. Peters, 54,000 tons ; Murray, 84,000 tons; Ottawa, 335, 000 tons; Rideau, 151,000 tons; Trent, 67,000 tons; St. Andrews, 42,000 tons.

Of the decline of $15,000,000$ tons in 1914, compared with 1913, the whole was in the business of the Sault Ste. Marie waterway, which showed a falling away of $15,100,000$ tons. This was the result of the depression in the United States iron trade: The Welland Canal showed an increased traffic of 290,000 tons, and the St. Lawrence Canals of 89,000 tons.

This may have been associated with the activity of the grain trade at the port of Montreal. The figures in this connection are interesting. The quantity of Canadian wheat passing through the two Sault Canals in the past two years is given as follows :-

Bushels.
1913
141,726;000
$141,726,000$
$05,032,000$
This decline was the result of crop conditions. The comparison of the records of 1913 and 1914 is as follows, the shipments of Canadian grain from Duluth being included:-

Montreal
Georgian Bay
Other ports
Buffalo
Totals
1913.
Bushels

Bushels. 26,054,000 28,973,000 71,522,000

41,726,000
1914.

Bushels.
10,283,000
24,864,000
34.350,000

25,533,ogo
95,032;000

Provincial sanction has been obtained for the expenditure of $\$ 7.000$ on stockyards, at London, Ont.; provided the ratepayers agree to same

## BRANCH PLANT FOR CANADA

## Corn Products Refining Company of United States to Establish at Toronto or Hamilton

The Corn Products Refining Company, of New Jersey, will build a branch plant in Canada. The company manufactures glucose, starch and similar products. Its Canadian plant will treat about 15,000 tons of grain daily. As the fac tory will need a very large supply of water, Toronto or Hamilton will probaby be the company's shoice.

Mr. Alex. Lewis, secretary of the Toronto Harbor Commission, visited the company's New York office last week and holds high hopes that Toronto will secure the industry In the meantime, it will not be the fault of Mr. H. M. Marsh, Hamilton's industrial commissioner, if Hamilton does not get the plant.

The company's stock and bonded debt are as follow :-

|  |  | Authorized. | Issued. |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Common stock $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $\$ 50,000,000$ | $\$ 49,777,333$ |  |
| Cumulative preferred, $7 \%$ | $30,000,000$ | $29,826,867$ |  |
| Bonded debt | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $\cdots \ldots$ | $8,126,320$ |

At the company's annual meeting last year the shareholders passed a resolution to reduce the share capital sub stantially. The directors, it is understood, approved the proposal, but in the absence of a plan which was considered by their attorneys to be feasible, no action was taken.

## History of Company.

The Corn Products Refining Company was incorporated in February, 1906, in New Jersey to consolidate under one man agement the Corn Products Company, the New York Glucose Company, and other companies engaged in the manufacture of corn syrup (glucose), starch, and kindred products. The company has now legally absorbed all its subsidiaries, with the exception of the National Starch Company, practically all the stock of which it owns. Among the companies absorbed are the Corn Products Manufacturing Company (which had previously absorbed the properties of the Glucose Sugar Refining Company, the Illinois Sugar Refining Company, the Charles Pope Glucose Company, and the American Glucose Company), the Corn Products Company, the St. Louis Glucose Company, the Warner Sugar Refining Company (of Maine) and the New York Glucose Company. The company manufactures 75 per cent. of all the glucose made in the United States, of which about 30 per cent. is sold to confectioners for the making of candy. In rgio the company acquired control of the Novelty Candy Company, with factories in Jersey City, Pittsburg. Chicago and Memphis. The company owns in fee plants at Pekin, Granite City and Argo, Illinois, and Edgewater, New Jersey

## United States Covernment Case.

The United States government on March 1st, 1913 , filed a suit with the United States District Court in New York City against the Corn Products Refining Company, the National Starch Company of New Jersey, the St. Louis Syrup and Preserving Company of Missouri, the Novelty Candy Company of New Jersey, and Penick and Ford, Limited, of Louisiana, and twenty-three individuals, charging the defendants with a conspiracy to destroy competition in violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust law, and asking for the dissolution of the company. Judge Mayer, in the-United States District Court at New York on May IIth, 1914, appointed Rowland W. Phillips as special master to take testimony in the suit brought by the government.

## Results of Operations

The company's income account for the year ended December 31 st, 1913 , showed the following results: Profits from operation, $\$ 3,579,667$; other income, $\$ 86,045$; total income \$3,665,712 ; depreciation, etc., $\$ 749,767$; bond dividends, $\$ 1,853,248$; taxes and insurance $\$ 277,841$ and surplus for year, $\$ 784855$ and insurance, $\$ 277,841$; and

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# WHY ASSESSMENT INSURANCE SOCIETIES FAIL 

## Inadequate Rates Are the Cause of Most DifficultiesNineteen Companies Survived Out of Thirty

Ampng the varied requests for information received by The Monetary Times during the past few days was this enquiry, "Can you tell me the number of assessment insurance societies that have gone out of business since 1867 or if not since some later date?"

The year 1867 is a long way back to look for the origin of the modern assessment sotiety. There are a few such. The Capadian Order of Oddfellows, of Toronto, was or ganized in 1852, on some sort of beneficial basis, but has only operated in a small way, having only 3,532 members in 1914, where in 1908 it had 4,955 . Its assets are only $\$ 192,140$ and insurance $\$ 2,517,656$. The Ancient Order of Foresters, of Toronto, startedt in 1871, and is on a fairly sound basis, with assets of $\$ 398,699$ and insurance of $\$ 2$ 371,402. The Canadian Order of Foresters, of Brantford, and the United Workmen, of Toronto, both began business on the assessment plan in 1879, and they have, respectively now in force $\$ 90,889,000$, with assets of $\$ 3,276,256$, and $\$ 36,239,303$, with assets of only $\$ 913,177$. The assets per $\$ 1,000$ of the one is $\$ 58.05$, and of the other only $\$ 25.20$. Four years ago the Workmen had assets of $\$ 1,595,110$ as compared with the above $\$ 913,177$, so that they appear to be considerably on the decline. In 1903 they had $46,125 \mathrm{mem}-$ bers, and now have only 28,020 , and these, no doubt, pretty well up in years. In 1903 the deaths came to only $\$ 742,800$, and in 1914 were $\$ 006,029$, upon little over half the former year's membership. During ' 1913 and 1914 the new members numbered 2,545 , while the' terminated ones were 9,050 .

## Should See to Foundations.

The Orange Grand Lodge Benefit Fund, of Toronto, dates from 1830 , the Sons of England, of Toronto, from 1874 , and the Sons of Scotland Benevolent Association, of Toronto, from 1876 . But all three together carry only about $\$ 16$, 000,000 of benefits at risk. The united assets of the first two come to only $\$ 136,869$, while the third one makes a better show, having $\$ 544,472$. In 1914 their new members, com bined, numbered only 1,271 , and those who dropped out were 1,801 .

Five other similar societies, and ${ }^{\circ}$ of nearly equal moderate, size, have survived quite a long time, as follows: The Oddfellows' Relief Association (1874), of Kingston; the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association (1880), of Kingston; the Chosen Friends ( 1887 ), of Hamilton: the Commercial Tra vellers' Mutual Benefit Society ( 1871 ), of Toronto ; and the Home Circles (1884), of Toronto. Putting these five societies into the form of a table, we find their present standing to
be as follows:-

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Members. Insurance.
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table, four of the five societies look weak, compared with table, four of the five societies look weak, compared with
the first one. But all five are eking out a living, from year to year, upon very inadequate rates. Something should be done at once to bring them somewhere near the standing of, for instance, the Ancient Order of Foresters, with its $\$ 168.09$ per $\$ 1,000$; or the Independent Order of Foresters, which, by its rearrangement two years ago, has raised its per $\$ 1,000$ from $\$ 80.51$; as formerly, to $\$ 215.40$. It is doubtful If this increase is equal to, its increasing death losses, which are now, with a smaller membership than in 1905, almos double in 1914 what they were then

## Thousands of Societies Disappeared

Quite a severe crisis has occurred in the Home Circles of Toronto, during the past year. Beginning the year with 19,145 members, they ended with only 7,757 , as above, the insurance carried dropping from $\$ 24,818,633$ to the above $\$ 0,311,951$. The new members numbered only 137 , and the outgoers were 11,525 . All this resylted from the change of
rates, which took effect on the Ist of May last. Previously
the rates were exceedingly inadequate, being only about half of what contemporaries were receiving. Therefore, the adoption of the National Fraternal Congress rates, applied to each member at his attained age (which is the only correct way to do it), was bound to make a greater disturbance than would be the case if applied to any other society.

From other causes, and the fear that similar action must soon be taken to improve their assets per $\$ 1,000$, the other four societies all show a decline in membership during recent years. During the past year alone 5.545 members came in and 7,154 went out

Turning to the question of the correspondent, as to how many assessment societies have disappeared, the number, taking the whole continent, may be safely fet down as many thousands in all. Two charts issued by the "Bulletin" Publishing Company, Toronto, one in 1895 and the other, of recent date, embracing only the associations which were issuing certificates in Canada, show that during that period more than one-third of the societies doing business in Canada in 1895 have disappeared, and that others have lost a large share of their membership of former years, apart from losses by death.

## Nineteen Left Out of Thirty.

In the 1895 chart particulars are given respecting 30 associations then operating, of which number only 19 are found in the 1915 chart, showing a disappearance of eleven. Those that have survived are carrying a much smaller amount of insurance than ten years ago. Ten years ago the Royal Arcanum carried $\$ 660,848,000$ of insurance, and now has only $\$ 467,713,600-$ a drop of $\$ 193,435,000$. Seven years ago the Independent Order of Foresters, of Toronto, carried insurance of $\$ 264,027,884$, and now have only $\$ 196,412,733$, making a drop of $\$ 67,615,151$. During the past two years alone 93,251 members dropped out, by death or lapse, while only 51,073 new ones came in. But by the change of two years ago there is much better security for the diminished 200,875 members than there was for the 257,267 of seven years ago, the assets showing a material increase.

Two charts of assessment fraternals doing business in the United States are available, one issued in 1905, and the other eight years later-in 1913. The first gives particulars respecting 169 societies, and the last of 174 . Of the 169 in the first chart, only 114 are found in that of 1913. The bal ance, 55 in number, have disappeared. That is a mortality of one-third in the short space of eight years. And that is apart from the great decrease of business on the books of the remaining 174 .

## Remedying the Wrong Basis,

For instance, the Modern Woodmen of America had in force, in 1912, no less than the astonishing amount of $\$ 1,863$, 194,000 of insurance on its books. One year later it had only $\$ 1,545,759,000$, being a loss of $\$ 317,435,000$ during twelve months-equal to the total failure of a dozen or fifteen ordinary associations. It paid death claims in that year of $\$ 12$, 359,055. Its assets were only $\$ 1_{3}, 228,817$-an inadequate amount with which to help meet the increasing losses due to the increasing age of the 962,966 members. It is the aged and diseased who cling to a society in such cases, for they cannot get acceptance as the healthy, young members can.

Much controversy always occurs among the officers of societies when they discover that their rates are inadequate, and that every year's operation is bringing their pet society nearer and nearer to the point where the outgo in death calls will exceed the income. Some of them think that all that is needed is a slight increase of the rates or an extra call. so as to provide a small temporary addition to the boasted surplus. Others think the Narional Fraternal rates should be used, but applied only upon ages at entry, while others again believe the more drastic plan of applying those increased rates to the attained ages, as the Home Circles have done. But none of these expedients will ever meet the difficulty arising from the large deficiency produced by the absence of the surplus that should have been saved up at compound interest for twenty or thirty years previously out of the additional rates, or additional calls that were not received, and not saved up.

When an actuary is called in and an attempt is thus made to find out how large the shortage of surplus really is, most people are astonished at the large amount needed to render the society solvent. The actuary cannot tell how much the society has lost in the past by careless management, but he can compute the present worth of the rates being collected at present in a single premium or sum which would yield

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those rated if invested at, say, $4^{1 / 2}$ per cent, interest during the time each member, according to his age, is supposed to live. This done, if the result is, say, $\$ 200$ when the proper single premium to produce solvency is on the average, $\$ 300$, then it becomes evident that the rates should, at least, be increased by one-third from that date onward. Also, that current expenses should be fully provided for, month by month, in some other manner, or else be added to the new rates thus determined.

To afford a good idea of what the rates of any society should have been from the beginning (but not after it has failed to collect a proper amount from thousands of members who have died, or who are now actually diseased, or on their death bed), a table of net premiums follows, based upon the American Mortality Table and $41 / 2$ per cent. interest. The first two columns are from "Principles and Practice." The third column is the National Fraternal Congress rate, and the fourth column gives what is called the Hunter 4 per cent. rate, found in the Ontario Insurance reports. The fifth column gives the ordinary life rate, without profits, but including all expenses and special benefits, as used by an ordinary life insurance company. The sixth column is the rates of the Royal Arcanum :-


The old line company, whose rate is given in column 5 , gives a liberal cash surrender if the party should drop out three years, $\$ 18$; Fore example, upon age 35, after three years, \$18; after five, $\$ 37$; aften ten, $\$ 107$; after twenty, $\$ 41$. This is a liberal return to the man who pays
about $\$ 5$ a year above the net rates.

## COMPANIES INCREASED CAPITAL

Increases in capital stock have been made by the following, companies:-Scythes and Company, Limited, with Dominion charter, from $\$ 75,000$ to $\$ 250,000$; the Gleaner, Limited, with New Brunswick charter, from $\$ 30,000$ to $\$ 09$, ooo; Georgetown Silver Black Fox Company, Limited, with Prince Edward Island charter, from $\$ 60,000$ to $\$ 08,000$, the Howatt Dalton Silver Black Fox Company, Limited, from $\$ 165,000$ to $\$ 250,000$; Young Karakule Sheep Company Limited, with Prince Edward. Island charter, from $\$ 150,000$ to $\$ 200,000$.

George Weston, Limited, with Ontario charter, has reduced itsf capital stock from $\$ 250,000$ to $\$ 125,000$

The following companies have been authorized to do business in Quebec:-Van Oppen and Company, Limited head office at Montreal, chief agent, Mr. Sydney Redman, of the sáme city ; John R. Thompson and Company, head office at Montreal, chief agent, Mr. Edward Baldwin Savage, of

The following companies have been licensed to do business in Manitoba:- The Excess Insurance Company, Limited, of London, England; the Canada Weather Insurance ompany, of Toronto, Ont.
The Doctor C. C. Young Karakule Sheep Company Limited, with Prince Edward Island charter, has changed it\$ name to Young Karakule Sheep Company, Limited

The surrender of the, charters of the following companies have been accepted;-A. H. Read, Limited; the Oak Park Stock Farm Company, Limited; La Compagnie Robinet Freres de Sandwich, Limited; Merchants' Supply Company Limited, all of Ontario.

The estimated value of German property in Great Britain now in the custody of the public trustee is $£ 85,000,000$. Mr Russell Rea, who, on behalf of the Imperial board of trade gave these figures in response to a question from Lord Charles Beresford, assured the questioner that "these Ger man assets will be available for such-disposal as seems

## VANCOUVER BANK NEEDED HALF MILLION

In connection with Mr. Ewing Buchan's explanation of his appointment as curator of the Bank of Vancouver liquidation, Vancouver reports stated "that Mr. Buchan had used his best efforts to try to induce capitalists to put up $\$ 50,000$, which would have been sufficient to meet payments and carry the bank through. Mr. Shatford (president of the bank) had also tried to secure capital for this purpose in eastern Canada, but had failed. During his trusteeship he had redeemed notes in circulation to the amount of $\$ 56,000$, reducing the liability to $\$ 660,000$.

Mr. Buchan informs The Monetary Times, that the sums he stated to be sufficient to carry the bank through was $\$ 500$,000 , not $\$ 50,000$, and that the amount of notes redeemed was $\$ 66,140$.

## MILLING INDUSTRY IN SASKATCHEWAN

Alone among the chief industries of Saskatchewan, the milling business has shown an increase in the volume of its business in 1914, as compared with the previous year. Since 1911, when the bureau of labor first began to collect statistics, this industry has shown a steady growth. In that year, there were operating in the province 22 mills, with a gross produce of $\$ 3,596,934$. In 1914 there were 37 mills operating, three less than the previous year and employing 510 men instead of 520 , and less capital, but the number of working days in the year was increased on the average by 16 , and the 1914 output was $\$ 7,276,859$, as compared with $\$ 6,118,320$ for 1913. An industry which seems to be making progress in this province is that of the foundries and machine shops, and though until the year 1914 it had not been considered sufficiently important to include with the other industries by reason of the probable smallness of the figures, still the amount of business done in 1914 has been recorded. There are such establishments in the province employing altogether 54 men , and the gross value of the output was $\$ 202,380$.

## FIVE MILLION SHELLS FOR RUSSIA

The $\$ 83,000,000$ contract now being handled by the Canadian Car and Foundry Company for the Russian government calls for $5,000,000$ shrapnel and howitzer shells at an average cost price of $\$ 17.85$. According to the New York Journal of Commerce, the Canadian Car and Foundry Company's profit will be, it is said, 25 per cent. The following are the principal sub-contracts sublet by the Canadian company, and their value:-

Hydraulic Pressed Steel Company, \$475,000; American Rolling Mill Company, $\$ 930,000$; Barney and Smith Car Company, \$1,122,000; Dayton Manufacturing Company; \$463,000; Federal Pressed Steel Company, $\$ 1,850,000$; Northern Electric Company, Montreal, $\$ 275,000$; United Lead Company, New York, \$280,000; Recording and Computing Machine Company, Dayton, Ohio, \$6,000,000; Michigan Brass and Copper Company, \$2,400,000; American Brass Company, $\$ 375,000$; Auto Parts Manufacturing Company, \$650,000; Vermont Farm Machine Company, \$650,000; Consolidated Manufacturing Company, \$550,000; United States Steel Products Company, \$840,000; Mead Morrison Company, $\$ 000,000$; Crocker, Wheeler Company, $\$ 450,000$; Platt Iron Works, \$630,000; Lauzon Engineering Company, Levis, \$180,000; Dayton Manufacturing Company, \$320,000; Worcester Manufacturing Company, $\$ 480,500$; Bridgeport White Metals Company, $\$ 360,000$.

The total of these and other contracts awarded is $\$ 21$, 724,000 . Contracts still being negotiated include American Locomotive Company, \$10,000,000; Pressed Steel Car Company, \$10,000,000; United States Cartridge Company, \$10, 000,000 ; Dayton Manufacturing Company, $\$ 104,330$; total, \$30,104,330.

The remainder of the $\$ 83,000,000$ contract, not shown above, is to be filled directly in Canada by the Canadian Car and Foundry Company, with the assistance of other Canadian firms.

For new paving works, etc., the city of Westmount, Que., has appropriated $\$ 49,486$.

# March Bank Statement Maintains Deposits Record 

## Total Deposits Exceed a Billion Dollars-Current Loans are over Eleven Millions less than a year ago-Loans to Municipalities Have Increased

## Deposits on demand Deposits after notice <br> Current loans in Canada <br> Current loans elsewhere <br> Loans to municipalities <br> Call loans in Canada <br> Call toans elsewhere <br> Circulation

THE above are the changes in the principal accounts of the chartered banks' statement to the Bominion government for March. Generally speaking, the statement follows the lines of the February document, although call loans out of Canada and loans to municipalities show marked increases. Savings deposits made a further gain and current loans show another slight decrease. Compared with a year ago, the call loans abroad are 30 per cent. lower while municipal loans are $3^{2}$ per cent. higher and current loans abroad, 22.6 per cent. less. After notice deposits are over $\$ 30,000,000$, or 4.6 per cent. more than in March a year ago.

The following table shows the trend of the Canadian loans account for the past thirteen months:-

| Loans. | Current in Canada. | Call in Canad |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 14-M | \$823,490,422 | \$69,088,240 |
| April | 835,705,064, | 68,523,774 |
| May | $838,462,686$ | $67,210,504$ |
| June | $838,276,428$ | 67,401,484 |
| August | 836,574,099 | $69,229,045$ |
| Septemb | 826,514,621 | 70,063,414 |
| October | 816,623,852 | 70,201,939 |
| November | 794,269,220 | $69,394,407$ |
| December | 786,034,378 | 68,511,653 |
| 1915-January | 770,118,911 | 66,154,891 |
| February | 771,635,208 | 67,591,769 |
| March | 769,138,883 | 68,245 |

Current logns in Canada, which give a good idea of the general volume of business, are $\$ 54,000,000$, or 6.5 per cent. smaller than a year ago, the decline during March being about $\$ 2,500,000$ or 0.25 per cent. The March figures were the lowest during the ' 13 months period. Two years ago these loans were $\$ 121,000,000$ larger than they were last month. Call loans in Canada increased slightly in March, probably as a result of the gradually growing activity on the stock exchanges.

The following table shows the fluctuations of loans at home and abroad during the past five years :-

|  | Current loa | s | Call loans | Call loans |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| March | in Canada. | elsewhere. | in Canada. |  |
| 1911 | 8710,604,072 | \$35,512,495 | 858,369,712 | \$ 85,250,789 |
| 1912 | 815,948,308 | 34,209,383 | $69,846,338$ | 94,667,027 |
| 1913 | .. 890,513.446 | 38,277,672 | 70,731,030 | 109,227,927 |
| 1914 | . $823,490,422$ | 53,279,411 | 69,088,240 | 145,218,223 |
| 1915 | 769, 138,883 | 41,745,737 | $68,245,26 \mathrm{I}$. | 101,938,685 |

Canadian current loans last month were lower than in any March of the past four. They are $\$ 59,000,000$ greater, however, than in March, igir. Current loans abroad fluctuate but little and do not have a vitally important bearing on the domestic loan situation. Call loans in Canada do not show any violent changes. Call loans abroad fituctuate considerably, as the above figures

indicate. Compared with those of a year ago, the figures show a decrease of 30.3 per cent., although during March last these loans increased 13.4 per cent. The following table shows the course of call loans abroad since July :-

## Call loans <br> abroad.



The following table shows the course of domestic deposit accounts for the past thirteen months:-

|  | On demand. | After notice |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April : .... |  | \$646,143,604 |
| May | 340,748,488 | 663,045,753 |
| June | 355,006,229 | 663,650,230 |
| July | 346,854,051 | 671,214,125 |
| August | 338,984,418 | 659,390, 151 |
| September | 348,284,206 | 658,401,501 |
| October | 348,732,830 | 659,806,682 |
| December | $350,884,153$ $340,909,053$ | 665,994,852 |
| 1915-January | 329,916,730 | 666,060,482 |
| February | 331,415,179 | $671,088,613$ |
| Mar | 339,514,286 | 676,875,790 |

The deposits accounts are agaie an interesting study. The tendency in the past few months has been for demand deposits to decrease and after notice deposits to increase. Last month, both accounts increased, the former by approximately $\$ 8,000,000$ or 2.4 per cent., the latter by nearly $\$ 6,000,000$ or 0.89 per cent., a total increase in the two accounts of about $\$ 14,000,000$ during the month. After notice deposits, which are generally understood to be the savings, are $\$ 30,000,000$ or 4.6 per cent. larger than they were a year ago. Demand deposits, a business account, are only about $\$ 6,000,000$ or 1.7 per cent. less than a year ago.

The deposits record for the past five years for the month of March is given in the following table compiled by The Monetary Times :-

| March. | On demand. | After notice. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1911 | \$278,171,792 | \$553,032,466 | \$831,204,258 |
| 1912 | 331,896,238 | 606,044,932 | 937,941,170 |
| 1913 | 357,756,659 | 630,434,708 | 988,191,367 |
| 1914 | 345,590,642 | 646,143,604 | 6 |
| 1915 | 339,514,286 | 676,875,790 | 1,016,390,076 |

The total deposits still exceed a billion dollars. This is the first March on record during which such a high mark has been reached. Total deposits have exceeded a

## Chartered Banks' Statement to the

Total.

|  |  | Current sid | Gold and diary Coin | ${ }_{n}^{\text {d }}$ Sub- | Dom | inion N | otes |  | $\frac{7}{0}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 들 } \\ & \text { ged } \end{aligned}$ | Dep'sits made | Due | Due from |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NAME OF BANK | $\begin{aligned} & \text { In } \\ & \text { Canada } \\ & \text { nen } \end{aligned}$ | Elsewhere | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { In } \\ & \text { Canada } \end{aligned}$ | Elsewhere | Tótal |  |  | - Notes of other banks | Cheques on other banks |  | and bal. due from other banks in Canada | and banking correspond'ts in the United King. | banking correspond'nts elsewhere than in Canada and U.K. |
|  | Bank of Montreal. <br> Quebec Bank. <br> Bank of Nova Scotia. | $\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 12.074,687 \\ 361.586 \\ 2,844,234 \end{array}$ | $\stackrel{8}{5,336,379}$ <br> $1,980,134$ | $\begin{gathered} 8 \\ 17,411,066 \\ 361.586 \\ 4.824 .369 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 8 \\ 30.42 \pm 8037 \\ 6888776 \\ 9.256 .533 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8 \\ & 1,508 \end{aligned}$ $6.809$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 30.429 .545 \\ 688.767 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 790,000 \\ & 121,000 \end{aligned}$ | 1,500,000 | $\begin{array}{r} 1,168,398 \\ 109,231 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2.709 .629 \\ 571,138 \end{array}$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 6,956,558 \\ 190,463 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 7,431,663 \\ 340,769 \end{array}$ |
|  | Bank of Brit. North America | $1.822,243$ | 1,137,354 | 4.824,369 | 9.256 .533 $6.095,919$ | 6,809 | 6,263,342 | 342.638 1.424 .581 | 1,500,000 | 863,949 259.478 | $2,390.057$ $1,539,685$ |  |  | 1,062.816 | 2.209.0n0 |
|  | Bank of Toronto | (915,463 |  | 915,463 | 6.385,922 |  | 6,385,922 | 240,000 |  | 239,4784 | $1,5357.814$ |  |  | 158,998 328,830 |  |
|  | Molsons Bank | 1.059, 137 |  | 1,059.137 | 3.610.794 |  | 3,610,794 | 200,000 |  | 257,196 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Banque Nationale. | 197,686 | ${ }^{11,156}$ | 208,823 | 1,044,860 |  | 1.044,860 | 100.000 | 900,000 | 204,995 | 1,595,783 |  | 16,813 2,336 | 358,042 | $\begin{array}{r}1.289,779 \\ \hline 134.718\end{array}$ |
|  | Merchants Bank of Canada | 2.710,478 | 1.297 | 2,711.776 | 11,205,936 |  | 11.205,936 | 335.000 | 1,000.000 | 533,940 | 2,083,516 |  | 4,559 | 393,219 |  |
|  | Banque Provinciale du Canad | 72,584 <br> 882,34 | 372,959 | 1,325,294 | $\begin{array}{r} 154.960 \\ 9,464.876 \end{array}$ |  | 154,960 $9.464,876$ | 54,000 28000 |  | 168,429 585 | 252,438 |  | 842,856 | 43.344 | 95,164 |
|  | Canadian Bank of Com | 4,913.937 | 11.564,704 | 16,478.641 | 9,424,967 | 9.558 | 9,464,876 | 280,000 | 150,000 | 1.766,725 | 1,612,049 $5,954,996$ |  | 79,492 | 10.29? | 2.619,360 |
|  | Royal Btink of Can | 5,007, 876 | 6,268,398 | 11,366,24 | 13,684,007 | 321 | 13,684,329 | 760.641 578.000 | 1,500.000 | 2.489,016 | 5,9845,746 |  | 18,247 8,960 | 673,181 | 5,397,045 4.549695 |
|  | Dominion Bank | 1.509 .424 655.914 | 1.030 | 1.610,454 | 9.286, 123 |  | 9,256,123 | 265,850 |  | 446,351 | 1.653,102 |  |  | 181 | ${ }_{2}^{4,632}$ |
|  | Bank of Hamilton | 6553140 793.100 |  | 655,914 798,100 | $3,290,946$ <br> $3,497,716$ |  | 3.290 .946 3,497 | 155,000 | 100,000 | 224.275 | 917,993 |  | 206,808 | 1,301,379 | 2,369.982 |
|  | Banque d'Hochelaga | 363.684 |  | 363.684 | 2,827,081 |  | $3,497,716$ $2,827,081$ | 150.000 | 100,000 | 216,547 | 1.730,991 |  |  | 823,523 | 349,929 |
|  | Bank of Ottawa | 1,106.035 | 250.000 | 1,356,035 | 3,729,965 |  | 3,827,081 | 200. |  | 243.597 <br> 291570 | 967.647 |  | 134,672 | 154,760 | 400,047 |
| 18 | Imperial Bank of Cana | 1.611.479 |  | 1,511,479 | 10,813,114 |  | 10,813,114 | 200,000 325,664 |  | 281,570 | $1.649,654$ 1.915 .619 |  | 5.097.249 | 497.125 | 815.640 |
|  | Home Bank of Canad | 129,442 |  | 129.442 | 640,061 |  | $10,615,14$ 640,661 | 325,669 89,600 |  | 434,236 118,835 | 1.915 .619 352.304 |  | 334.346 103,421 | 1,119,143 | 3,693,858 |
|  | Northern Crown Bank | 356.975 |  | 356,954 | 1,125,821 |  | 1,125,821 | 116,000 |  | 130.701 | 352,304 582,368 |  | 103,421 127,807 | 31,770 38,749 | 88.3 45.2 |
| 21. | Sterling Bank of Canad Weyburn Security Ban | 54,778 14,845 | .... | 54.778 | 658,767 |  | 658,767 | 56,400 |  | .97,917 | 255,387 |  |  |  | 45 |
|  | Weyburn Security E |  |  | 14.845 | 99 |  | 99,577 | 13.388 |  | 9.512 | 8.423 |  | 113,202 |  | 45.7 |
|  |  | 747.860 | 25,923,411 | 671.275 | 37.394,749 | 18,271 | 137,413,021 | 6,739,411 | 5,550,000 | 0.797,00n | 36,899,206 |  | 313,048 | , 63,785 | 53.6 |

ASSETS

Of the deposit in Central Gold Reserves $83,500.000$ is in gold coin : the balanice is in Dominion Notes.
billion dollars during other months in recent years, but never before in the month of March. A similar record was made in February last. Demand deposits are nearly $\$ 61,000,000$ larger than they were four years ago, while after notice deposits are abput $\$ 123,000,000$ greater than four years ago.

The March bank statement again reflects a healthy condition, although it would be more gratifying to see an increase in current loans as a result of a larger business movement generally. The gain in after notice deposits seems to be another indication of the increasing accumulation of savings. With more definite news from Europe, the banks may be asked to release some of these savings for investment purposes.

## TWO BANKS PAY A BONUS

With the regular dividend at $21 / 2$ per cent, for the second quarter of its fiscal year, the Bank of Montreal announced a bonus of its isercal year, the Bank of Montreal announced
poth payable June ist to shareholders of record April 2oth.

With the regular quarterly dividend of $21 / 2$ per cent. the Canadian Bank of Commerce has also declared the usual halfyearly bonus of i per cent. Both will be payable June ist to shareholders of record May 17th.

A useful office card, bearing the names of all the fire insurance companies licensed to do business in Canada with their head office location, has been issued by the Hamilton Fire Insurance Company, of which Mr. R. T. Kelly is the enterprising manager.

## Dominion Government---March, 1915



## T. C. BOVILLE, Deputy Minister:of Finance.

## BANK OF SCOTLAND'S REPORT

The Bank of Scotland's latest annual statement shows liabilities aggregating $£ 28,381,829$, made up as fol-lows:-Note circulation, £1,556,979; drafts issued payable within fourteen days, $£ 566,183$; deposits and credit balances, $£ 21,103,759$; acceptances, $£ 2,522,997$; paid-up capital, $£ 1,325,-$ 000 ; reserve fund, $£ 1,200,000$; half-yearly dividend, at the rate of 16 per cent. per annum, payable 15 th April, 1915, (making 18 per cent. for the year), $£ 95,488$; balance of profits carried forward, £11,422.

The bank's assets are gold and silver coin, currency notes, notes of other banks, cash balance with the Bank of England, and cheques in course of transmission, $£ 2,165,206$; British government securities, and money in London at call or payable within twenty days, $£ 8,215,566$; Indian and
colonial government securities, and other stocks and investments, $£ 3,478,747$; bills discounted, cash accounts, and other advances, $£ 11,309,582$; bank premises at Edinburgh añd branches, $£ 293.526$; freehold property, Bishopsgate, London $£ 197,676$; heritable property yielding rent, £198,526; liabilities of banking and other customers for acceptances by the bank as per contra, $£ 2,522,997$.

This substantial and veteran institution was constituted in 1695 . Its head office is at Edinburgh, and it has important offices at London and Glasgow, together with numerous branches.

The authorized expenditure on public works, which are likely to be carried out this summer in Calgary, amounts to $\$ 465,000$.

## 1914 Annual Report of the Directors of the LAW UNION \& ROCK INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED

The Directors have the pleasure to submit their Report upon the operations of the Company during the twelve months ended 31st December, 1914, together with the Reyenue Accounts, Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet for that year.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.-The Fire Premiums, after deduction of Reinsurances, amounted to $\mathbf{\$ 1 , 2 3 0 , 0 0 6}$. The Losses by Fire, less Reinsurances, were $\mathbf{\$ 5 8 5}, \mathbf{2 9 9}$, or $\mathbf{4 7 . 5 8}$ per cent. of the Premium Income. The expenses of every description, including Commission, amounted to $\mathbf{\$ 4 7 1 , 8 1 2}$, and wére at the rate of $\mathbf{3 8 . 3 5}$ per cent. of the Net Premium Income. The Fire Reserves amount to $\mathbf{\$ 1 , 4 9 2 , 0 0 0}$, and $\mathbf{\$ 2 2 0 , 3 5 5}$ has been carried to the Profit and Loss Account.

EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY DEPARTMENT. - The Income of this Department amounted to $\mathbf{\$ 1 8 5 , 4 9 4}$, and the outgoings of all descriptions to $\mathbf{\$ 1 2 1 , 6 4 8}$. The Reserve for Unexpired Risk has been increased to $\mathbf{\$ 7 1 , 8 1 0}$, and $\mathbf{\$ 5 1 , 2 0 0}$ has been carried to the Profit and Loss Account.

ACCIDENT ACCOUNT.-The Income afmounted to $\mathbf{\$ 8 3 , 2 3 1}$, and the Claims Commission, Expenses and Bonus to Policyholders to $\mathbf{\$ 5 8 , 4 7 7}$. The Reserve for Unexpired Risk amounts to $\mathbf{\$ 3 2 , 5 4 5}$, and $\mathbf{\$ 2 4 , 0 5 4}$ has been carried to the Profit and Loss Account,
 amount has been added: from the Fire Account, $\mathbf{\$ 2 2 0 , 3 5 5}$; from the Employers' Liability Account, $\mathbf{\$ 5 1 , 2 0 0 ;}$ from the Accident Account, $\mathbf{\$ 2 4 , 0 5 4}$; from the General Account, $\mathbf{\$ 2 8 , 3 1 2}$; and from the Fixed Term Assurance Fund, $\$ 52, \mathbf{3 5 0}$; making, with $\mathbf{\$ 1 8 4 , 1 6 1}$ of Interest, $\mathbf{\$ 3 9 9 , 5 6 5}$ Shareholders' proportion of Life Profits, and Transfer Fees, \$335, a total of $\mathbf{\$ 2 , 3 1 1 , 2 2 5}$. Thereout has been paid for Dividends to Shareholders, $\mathbf{\$ 4 2 2 , 4 9 2}$; for Interest on Debentures, $\mathbf{\$ 5 3 , 9 4 8}$; for Expenses of Management, $\mathbf{\$ 2 0 , 0 0 0}$; for Income Tax, $\mathbf{\$ 2 4 , 3 9 0}$; and after providing $\mathbf{\$ 2 9 7 , 4 6 3}$ to meet depreciation in. Securities, and carrying $\mathbf{\$ 1 2 6 , 9 6 4}$ to an Investment Re serve Fund, there remains a balance of $\mathbf{\$ 1 , 3 1 5 , 9 6 8}$ to be carried forward as a General Reserve, and to support futyre Dividends.

ASSETS AND INCOME.-The Assets of the Company at the close of the year amounted to $\mathbf{8 4 8 , 6 9 8}, \mathbf{1 8 6}$, and the Total Income ${ }^{0} 0 \mathbf{\$ 6 , 7 8 1 , 3 5 0}$.

Old Serjeant's Inn, Chancery Lane,
London, 8th March, 1915.
C. C. HAMILTON, Chairman.

## REVENUE ACCOUNTS, 1914

## FIRE ACCOUNT



# The Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Limited HEAD OFFICE - LONDON, ENGLAND 

T. M. E. ARMŚTRONG - Manager and Secretary

## Ðr. BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1914

To Shareholders' Capital:-

## Authorized-

200,000 Shares of $\$ 25$ each

## Subscribed-

12,000 S
es of $\$ 25$ each fully paid
$\qquad$ ach
\$ 300,000.00
112,308 Shares of $\$ 25$ each
( $\$ 5$ per Share paid)
2,807,700.00
$\frac{1}{124,308}$
\$3,107,700.00
Less Unçalled Capital $2,246,160.00$

To Sundry accounts pending .............
861,540.00
$300,210.75$ :218,787.12
841.73

77,187.50
77,341.22
To Staff Provident Fund
To Capital Redemption Fend
d
To General Insurance Fund, viz. :-
Provision for claims
Investment Reserve and
General Contingency
Fund
$600,000.00$
\$4,450,000.00
1,500,000.00
Reserve Fund
Balance from
Revenue Ac-
count, in
cluding $\$ 4$,
$\circ 69,1 \circ 5.68$,
proportion
of Premiums
Unearned ..
Less Amount transferred to
Investment
Reserve and
General Con-
tingency
Fund above 233,429.29
above $\xrightarrow{233,429.29} \quad 8,987,232.06$

By Investments, viz,

British Government Securities
Indian and Colonial Government Securities

" " " Municipal
Foreign Government Securities
" Provincial $\quad$ "
Railway and other Debentures and Debenture Stocks-Home, Indian and Colonial
United States Railway Bonds
Railway and other Debentures and Debenture Stocks-Foreign
Railway and other Preference and Guaranteed Stocks
Railway, Ordinary Stocks and Shares
By Mortgages on Freehold and Leasehold Properties
By Freehold and Leasehold Premises (less Depreciation) being the Corporation's Head Office and Branches
By Rents due from tenants and other Bal ances

1,075,586.45 591,862. 58 147,732.93 440,288.85 887,864.96 141,500.00 $823,663.06$

891,924. 14 $4,9^{81,939.00}$
$1,669,475.64$
201,221.70
405,464.28
614,216.02

1,371,960.62
$273,427.66$
$1,184,075.85$

693,6or 32
77,341.32

## PACIFIC COAST FIRE LOSSES

## How Fires Start in British. Columbia's Largest CitiesValues and Insurance

Fire Chief Carlisle's report shows Vancouver's fire loss and insurance involved last year were as follow:-

Loss on buildings
Loss on contents
Total loss
Insurance paid, buildings
Insurance paid, contents
Total insurance paid
Valuer of buildings
Value. of contents $\ldots \ldots$.

Total value property involved Insurance carried, buildings Insurance carried, contents

## Total insurance carried

8 175,128 502,643

## \& 677,77

142,337
306,378
8 538,715
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## Classes of Buildings.

The causes of fires included: unknown, 64 ; overheated stoves, furnaces and ranges, 24 ; overheated stove and furnace pipes, 20 ; defective flues and chimneys, 11 ; defective grates and fireplaces, 8 ; defective boiler, 1 ; live coals falling from grate, 1 ; hpt ashes, 13 ; spontaneous combustion, 9 ; electric light left on inflammable material, 2; carelessness with matches, 12 ; rubbish fires, 8 ; tar pots, 7 ; coal oil lamp and stoves exploding, 12 ; drying clothes too close to fires, 9 ; carelesspess with lighted cigars and cigarettes, 9 ; defective wiring, 8 ; flying sparks, 23 ; back-fire in carburettor, 14 ; chimney fires, 104 ; false alarms, 49; gas pipes and mains leaking, 8 ; stump and bush fires, 50 ; smoke scares, 24 ; gasolene and chemical explosions, 16 ; curtains blown against lamp, 3 ; men smoking in bed, 4 ; incendiary rigin, 7 ; meat left in oven, 2; fires outside city limits; 17 ; exhibition runs, 2 ; overheated bearings, 3 ; heating inflammable matter, 3 ; electric irons left turned on, 5 ; fires, broke out again, 6 ; sparks from chimneys, 54 ; lime getting wet, 1 ; short circuit, 7 ; overload of current, 2 ; steam pipes bursting, 1; grease boiling over on stove, 3 ; lamps upsetting, 2 ; fire crackers, 1 ; house struck by lightning, 1 ; overheated smoke room, I; second alarms, 8; ) third alarms, 3 .

The buildings where fires occurred and damage resulted during 1914 were: warehouses, 10 ; dwellings, 104 ; stores (miscellaneous), 11; elevator motor, 1 ; second-hand stores, 6 ; automobiles, 5 ; hotels, 1 ; launches, 1 ; tug boats, 2 ; cafes, 3 ; rooming houses, 15 ; Y.M.C.A., 1; woodsheds, 3 ; studios, 2 ; tailor shops, 4 ; apartments, 6 ; offices, 4 ; street car, 1 ; garage and machine shops, 4 ; stores with rooms above, 13 ; foundry, 1 ; dairies, $2 ;$ wharf, 1 ; moving picture theatres, 2 ; saw mill and dry kilns, 9 ; renovatories, 4 ; vacant houses, 2 ; grocery 1 ; department store, 1 ; barn, 1; produce merchant's stores, 2 ; city hall, 1; church, 1 ; storehouses, 2; cabins, 2; Salvation Army barracks 2 ; motor cycle, 1 ; paint shop, 1 ; power house, 1 ; bandstand ${ }^{1}$; manufactories, 4; freight car, 1 ; bake shops, 2 ; laundries, 2 .

## Losses in Victoria.

Fire Chief Davis's report shows Victoria's fire department responded to 276 alarms, an increase of 11 over that of last yéar, of which 61 were box alarms and 215 were telephone alarms, making a total of 276 .

The total loss by fire on buildings and contents for the year ${ }^{-914} 1$ amounted to $-\$ 46.952$, being $\$ 400$ less than that of the previous year

> Loss by fire on buildings
> Loss by fire on contents
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## Lumber is One of the Chief Commodities Passing Through the New Waterway

The initial benefits to Canada of the Panama Canal are indicated in results of the first six months of operation. Nearly five hundred vessels and over two and a quartor million tons of cargo is the record. The canal was formally opened to traffic August 15th, 1914, and from that date to the close of business on February 14th, 1915, a report of the Isthmian Canal Commission shows the passage of 496 vessels other than canal vessels and launches, carrying $2,367,344$ tons of cargo. Slightly more than one-half of this traffic, both in vessels and cargo tonnage, was eastbound, the figures being: Eastbound, 252 vessels carrying $1,340,625$ tons of cargo, and westbound, 244 vessels, $1,026,619$ tons.

Somewhat more than 22 per cent, of the vessels and over 41 per cent, of the cargo handled was in the movement between ports of the United States, in what is classified as coastwise trade. In a general way this domestic traffic was equally divided between eastbound and westbound, in regard to both number of vessels and cargo tonnage.

## Largest Traffic Eastwards.

Over 21 per cent, of the cargo passing through the canal was in the movement between the Pacific Coast of North America, principally the United States, and Europe, the exact figures being 66 vessels carrying 444,855 tons of cargo. The traffic in the other direction over this route was but a little more than one-eighth as much. Approximately 21 per cent., 69 vessels and 378,386 tons, was on the route between the west coast of South America and ports on the Atlantic seaboard of the United States and Europe. Traffic the other way was represented by thalf as many vessels carrying onethird as much cargo. Traffic between the Atlantic seaboard and Far Eastern ports amounted to 12 per cent, of the total traffic through the canal; the figures being 48 vessels and 287,782 tons. Only two vessels carrying 14,500 tons of cargo passed the other way over this route.

Six commodities-grain, nitrates, coal, refined petroleum products, lumber and cotton-says Commercial America, accounted for approximately one-third of the total tonnage through the Panama Canal in the first six months of its operation.

## Trade with Orient and Europe.

Grain, consisting principally of wheat and barley, amounted to 303,124 tons, nearly all bound from the west coast of North America. Nitrates, shipped from the west coast of South America to various ports on the, Atlantic seaboard of the United States and Europe, aggregated 204.441 tons. Coal, amounting to 151,745 tons, on the other hand, was exclusively westbound, 54 per cent. of the shipments originating on the Atlantic seaboard of the United States and the remaining 46 per cent. in the United Kingdom. Refined ppetroleum and like products, amounting to 102,456 tons, were likewise westbound almost exclusively, being shipped from the Atlantic ports of the United States to China, Japan and Korea.

Lumber shipments totalled 56,078 tons, nearly all being eastbound, originating on the Pacific Coast of the United States and Canada. Raw cotton shipments, on the other hand, amounting to 38,239 tons, were principally en route from the Atlantic seaboard of the United States to the fat east, 70 per cent. being destined for Japan.

New York advices state that J. P. Morgan and Company, the Bank of Montreal and Brown Brothers and Company, have bought: the $\$ 6,000,000$ province of Quebec 5 -year 5 per cent. bonds for which Tucker, Anthony and Company, of Boston were the successful bidders at the sale recently, A public offering of thends will probably be made shortly.
"First and phramount, absolute security to policyholders" is a good introduction and foundation for the thirty facts which have been concisely treated by Mr. Clifford Elvins in a little booklet dealing with the Imperial Life Assurance Company's policies: A series of miniature photos of kings, premiers and other personalities add to the effectiveness of the publication, which is entitled "A. Few Facts."

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MUNICIPAL BOND MARKET

## The Mǫnetary Times' Weekly Register of Municipal Activities and Financing

The bank loans to municipalities in March were nearly $83,000,000$, or 7.8 per cent., higher than in the previous month, Compared with a year ago, the figures are nearly $\$ 9,000,000$, or 32.2 per cent., larger. Only four times in the past 20 months have bank loans to municipalities been higher than they were last month.

The following table, compiled by The Monetary Times, gives the details of bank loans to municipalities :-

| Month. | Bank loans to municipalities. |
| :---: | :---: |
| ${ }^{191} 3$-August | . $\$ 41,310,281$ |
| September | 37,465,383 |
| October | 37,846,369 |
| November | 35,173,817 |
| December | 30,518,573 |
| 1914-January | 29,301,620 |
| February | 30,372,854 |
| March | 31,890,843 |
| April | 30,168,812 |
| May | 33,689,577 |
| June | 37,260,571 |
| July | 36,372,334 |
| August | 39,664,534 |
| September | 44,338,873 |
| October . | 47,316,076 |
| November | 44,706,055 |
| December | 38,256,947 |
| 1915-January | 35,952,805 |
| February | 38,437,903 |
| March | 31,437,903 |

During January, February, March and April \$13,247,028 of municipal bonds. were sold in Canada and $\$ 16,214,772$ in the United States. The increase in bank loans to municipalities last month may have been due partly to municipal borrowing from the banks in advance of cash collections, while blocks of municipal bonds remaining unsold, Western especially, are also reflected in the figures.

Truro, N.s.-Tenders are desired for an issue of $\$ 36,000$ 5 per cent. 3o-year bonds. H. McDougall, clerk.

Shawinigan Falls, Que.-Tenders are desired for an issue of $\$ 150,00051 / 2$ per cent. 30 -year bonds. A. J. Meunier, sec-retary-treasurer.

Vegreville, Alta.-Tenders are desired for $\$ 10,2006$ per cent. bonds. T. Hermann, secretary-treasurer. (Official advertisement appears elsewhere.)

Rossland, B.C.-An issue of $\$ 20,000-5$ per cent. 20 -year school bonds has been sanctioned by the provincial municipal department. J. A. McLeod, city clerk.

Hamilton, Ont.-In addition to $\$ 350,000$ bonds recently purchased, Messrs. Wood, Gundy and Company are negotiating for a further purchase of a similar amount.

Saskatchewan.-The following rural telephone bonds have been sold: Bienfait, $\$ 1,000$; Ellsworth, $\$ 1,500$; Saskatchewan River, $\$ 6,600$; Deep Lake, $\$ 11,500$; East Milden, \$3,000 ; Juniata \$200.

Stratford, Ont.-The by-law to wipe out the hospital indebtednessl of $\$ 7,000$ has been passed by the council. The new tax rate is 27 mills for public school supporters and 25.3 new tax rate is 27 mills for pu
for separate school supporters.

North Vancouver, B.C.-The following bonds, $\$ 35,000$ 5 per cent. 50-year for street improyements, and $\$ 8,0256$ per cent, io-year for local improvements, have received provincial authorization. J. F. Collins, clerk.

Windsor, Ont.-Tenders are desired for issues of $\$ 100$, $\infty 005$ per cent. 30 -year school bonds and $8144.0985 \pi / 2 \mathrm{per}$ cent, 20-year light bonds. Closing date for bids, May 7 th M. A. Dickinson, acting clerk. (Official advertisement appears on another page.)

The Pas, Man.-Tenders are desired for $\$ 00,0005$ per cent, 20-year electric light, sewer and waterworks bonds The bonds are the unsold balance of an issue of $\$ 130,000$ H. H. Elliott, secretary-treasurer. (Official advertisement appears on another page.)

Brandon, Man.-In connection with the sale of bonds noted in the last issue of The Monetary Times, the city council's resolution was: "That the tender of the Dominion Securities Corporation, Toronto, of 92.30 with accrued interest to the city of Brandon, payment for $\$ 92,000$ 20-years sewer debentures 5 per cent, and $\$ 13,600$ boulevard 7 -years 5 per cent. with option on Gordon McKay debenture for 60 days at par, city to sell mo further bonds for three months, be, accepted ${ }^{\prime \prime}$

Lethbridge, Alta.-The auditor's annual report shows that the city has total debentures outstanding amounting to $\$ 3,869,558$, and when these deductions: Local improvement debentures, $\$ 445,044$; public utility debentures as follows: Waterworks, $\$ 523,787$; electric light and power, $\$ 689,665$; street railway, $\$ 463,438$; industrial building, $\$ 51$,379 ; coal mine, $\$ 1,500$; weigh scales, $\$ 986$; sinking fund on general debentures, $\$ 142,020$, are made, the net debenture indebtedness is shown to be $\$ 1,551,736$; and the city's bor rowing power is 20 per cent. of total assessment of $\$ 25$, 368,650 , or $\$ 5,073,730$, thus leaving remaining borrowing power of $\$ 3,521,994$.

Toronto, Ont.-Mayor Church and the controllers desire an interview with the Ontario Government to secure its consent to changing the date of the waterworks debentures. Although the ratepayers sanctioned the spending of $\$ 6,000$, 000 on the construction of a duplicate system in the east end, little of the work has yet been undertaken. About $\$ 1,000,000$ has been spent on new mains and on the extension of the filtration plant at the Island. The result is that $\$ 5,000,000$ of the debentures have not yet been marketed, but, under the law, the city is required to provide sinking fund and interest on these bonds. It is proposed to ask the Government to consent to the changing of the lifetime of the bonds from 40 to 38 years, which will result in a saving of about $\$ 500,000$.

Berlin, Ont.-Nine tenders were made for the issue of $\$ 6,000$ debentures of Berlin mentioned in last week's issue of The Monetary Times as awarded to Messrs. Jarvis and Company, Toronto. The bids were :-


Montreal, Que. -The city of Montreal sells to-day $\$ 6$ 100,0003 -year 5 per cent, gold bonds. The purpose of the loan is to retire $\$ 3,650,000$ maturing treasury bills and to provide for the construction of public works. The bonds are dated May 1st, 1915, due May 1st, 1918, with interest payable half-yearly on November ist and May ist. Principal and interest are payable in gold at the city treasurer's office, Montreal, or at the agency of the Bank of Montreal, 64 Wall Street, New York, at the option of the holder. Bonds are in the denomination of $\$ 1,000$ each, with interest coupons attached. The city retains the right to redeem at par and accrued interest the whole, but not part, of this issue at any time upon giving 60 days' notice by advertisements to be published during three consecutive days in two daily hewspapers in each of the cities of Montreal, New York, Boston and

## hiladelphia.

Verdun, Que.-The'second reading of a by-law to permit a loan of $\$ 400,000$ for public works has been passed by the Verdun, Que., council. The yearly appropriation for interest and sinking fund will have to be increased by one-third, while the present taxation rate of $71 / 2$ mills will probably have to be raised to 10 or 11 mills to meet the requirements of loan.

Mayor Manning urged delay, stating that few of the improvements to be made with the money realized from the ond issue were absolutely necessary at the present time. He gave three other reasons for postponing the loan till better times, namely, that the loan could probably be made only at a heavy discount; that additional taxes would be involved to meet the interest and sinking fund expenses, and finally obligations imprudent to saddle the city with any further obligations until a report of the accountants, who are preparing a statement of the city's receipts and expenditures during the last three years, was received. He suggested that, if the council insisted on the issuance of these bonds, a detailed plan of what improvements were intended should first be prepared for the information of the ratepayers.

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## PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT BONDS

Ontario's Recent Sale-Balance of Quebec Issue OfferedAlberta to Help Railway

Ontario has sold another $\$ 1,000,000$ of its bonds as reported exclusively in The Monetary Times last week, this time privately to various bond houses. The secfarities are 5 per cent. 5 -years and the price was 100.25 , no commission being allowed to the bond brokers. The following table gives details of Ontario issues during 1914 and 1915 to date: Amount. Rate Term. Price. Marketed in Sold. per cent.
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## Quebec Province Bonds.

The $\$ 6,000,000$ Quebec province 5 per cent. 5 -year gold bonds, recently sold, are now being handled by Messrs. J. P. Morgan and Company, Messrs. Brown Brothers and Company, New York and the Bank of Montreal. They state that they have already received applications for a large part of the issue, and offer the balance subject to prior sale at roos 1 and interest, yielding about 4.85 per cent. These bonds are a direct and primary obligation of the province of Quebec and are payable from the general revenues, which amounted and are payable from the general revenues, which amounted
in the year ending June 30 , 1914, to $\$ 0,000,377$. For the last ten years the province has had an average annual surplus over ordinary and extraordinary expenditures of \$533.342.

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of the bonds are payable at the Bank of Montreal in New York, Montreal or Quebec.

Mr. Clarence McCuaig, Montreal, who is understood to have interested in this issue Messrs. Tucker, Anthony and Company, Boston, the original purchasers, states that in a short time he will be able to announce that some of the large United States firms who have participated in this purchase will make further large investments in Quebec province, as they now realize that this is the opportune moment for investment in the stable enterprises of the country.

## Alberta to Assist Central Railway.

The recent legislation of the. Alberta Government in reference to a loan to the Central Canada Railway Company provides that an amount or amounts not exceeding so per cent. of the cost of construction, shall be advanced to the company by the provincial government, pending the disposad of the guaranteed securities of the company, and that this loan shall bear $4^{1 / 2}$ per cent. interest and be secured by a bond, debenture covenant or other security of the company, guaranteed by the Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia Railway, the due payment-whereof shall be further secured by a first mortgage or charge upon the line.

The previous act of October, 1914, stated:-"That it was expedient that that portion of the said line of railway from a point on the line of the Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia Railway to the Peace River, a distance of about 50 miles, should be completed as speedily as possible for the purpose of connecting with the navigation of the said Peace River." The Alberta government in - 1913 guaranteed the company's bonds to the extent of $\$ 20,000$ per mile in respect to 100 miles of railroad.

The total sales of Canadian provincial securities this vear to date, according to the records of The Monetary Times, have been $\$ 22,375,000$, all made in the United States.

Kaministiquia Power Company has declared the regular quarterly dividend of $1^{1 / 2}$ per cent. on its stock, payable May 15 to stock of record April 30 .

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## APRIL-MUNICIPAL BOND SALES

## Total Marketed in April is Three Times Greater Than Same Month Last Year

The municipal bond sales in Canada for April, as compiled by The Monetary Times, amounted to $\$ 6,123,774$, compared with $\$ 2,573,357$ for March and $\$ 2,847,953$ for the corresponding period of last year.

Comparing the record of April, 1914, with that of the month just ended, the bond sales are as below :-

> Canada
> London
> United States

The April sales of municipal bonds in the home market have been as below during the past seven years:-

| 1909 | \$4,033,988 |
| :---: | :---: |
| $191{ }^{\circ}$ | 6,805,078 |
| 1911 | 3,910,288 |
| 1912 | 927,160 |
| 1913 | 3,693,857 |
| 1914 | 2,847,953 |
| 1915 | 6,123,7674 |

The bonds sold in the home market for the first four months of this year, compare with the previous year as follows :-

|  | 1914. | 1915. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 1,953,137 | \$ 909,886 |
| February | 5,995,336 | 3,642,011 |
| March | 5,123,176 | 2,573,357 |
| April | 2,847,953 | 6,123,774 |
|  | 15,919,602 | \$13,249,028 |

## Home Sales by Provinces.

The following are the particulars of the April municipal bond sales in Canada, by provinces :-

| Ontario |  | 83,130,084 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Manitoba |  | 1,641,000 |
| Saskatchewan |  | 817,340 |
| Quebec |  | 375,000 |
| Nova Scotia |  | 160,350 |
|  | 7 | 86,123.774 |

The following are the details of sales in Canada :-

| Pembroke | \$ 4,735 | 5 \%/2 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mimico | 17,200 | 6 |  |
| Newmarket | 15,000 | 6 |  |
| Berlin | 6,000 | 6 | 1925 |
| Berlin | 6,000 | 6 | 1930 |
| Sault Ste. Marie | $-83,000$ | 5 | 1930-35-45 |
| Saltfleet Township | 12,000 | 51/2 | 1927 |
| Aurora | 8,000 | 31/2 | 1935 |
| Toronto | 2,033,696 | $4 \%$ | 1945-55 |
| Hamilton | 7,500 | . |  |
| Waterloo | 63,000 | 534 | 1930 |
| Waterloo | 5,878 | 534 | 1935 |
| Waterloo | 5,853 | 534 | 1945 |
| Waterloo | 6jouo | 5\% | 1935 |
| Galt | 29,999 | 5 | 1935 |
| St. Thomas | 85,750 |  |  |
| Midland | 40,000 | 51/2 | 1945 |
| Hamilton | 666,000 | 5 | 1945 |
| Dunnville | 34,473 | 5 |  |

Ontario.

Saskatchewan.

| Estevan | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . .8$ | 42,350 | $51 / 2$ | 1935 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Melville | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | 20,000 | $6^{2}$ | -1930 |





## Nova Scotia.

Dartmouth, N.S. $\ldots \$ 160,350 \quad 5 \quad 1940$
Sales in United States.
The sales in the United States market compare as follow:-

| January | 1914. | $\$ \quad 340,000$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| February | \$50,000 | 6,390,000 |
| March | 18,000 | 6,943,947 |
| April | 25,000 | 2,940,825 |

The details of the United States sales are as follow :-
British Columbla.
$\begin{array}{lrrrrr}\text { North Vancouver } & \ldots & \$ & 19,825 & 6 & 1925 \\ \text { North Vancouaver } & \ldots & 75,000 & 6 & 1918 \\ \text { New Westminster } & \ldots & 346,000 & 6 & 1918\end{array}$

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3 Accumulated Sinking Fund ........................................... $15,038,150$
4. Value of City's Assets ......................................11,710,655
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DWIGHT W. PARDEE, Secretary.
Detroit, Mich., April 6, 1915.

## PENMANS, LIMITED DIVIDEND NOTICE

A Dividend of $11 / 2$ per cent, has been declared on the Preferred Shares of the capital stock of this Company for the quarter ending April 3oth, 1915, payable May 1st, 1915. to sháreholders of record of April 21st. 1915 ; also a Dividend of 1 per cent. on the Common Shares of the capital stock of this Company for the quarter ending April 30th, 1915, payable May 'I5th, 1915, to shareholders of record of May 5th, 1915.

By order of the Board
C. B. ROBINSON,

Secretary-Treasurer
Montreal, April 14, 1915.

## CANADA CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED

## PREFERENCE SHAREHOLDERS

DIVIDEND No. 21
Notice is hereby given that a dividend of $13 / 4 \%$ for the three months ending March 31st, 1915, being at the rate of seven per cent, per annum on the paid-up Preference Stock of this Company, has been declared, and that the same will be paid on the 'ifth day of May next to Preference Sharehatders of record 1st day of May, 1915.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from May ist to 1oth, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
H. L. DOBLE,

Secretary
THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

## Dividend No. 113.

Notice is hereby given that a quarterly dividend of $21 / 2$ per cent. upon the capital stock of this Bank has been, declared for the three months ending 31st May next, together with a bonus of one per cent., and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after Tuesday, ist June, 1915. The Transfer Books of the Bank will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May next, bpth days inclusive. By Order of the Board,

ALEXANDER LAIRD,
General Manager.
Toronto, 23rd April, 1915.

## BANK OF MONTREAL

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Two-and-onehalf Per Cent., uponathe paid up Cápital Stock of this Institution hàs been declared for the three months ending 3oth April. 1915, also a Bonus of One Per Cent., and that the same will be payable at its Banking House in this City, and at its Branches, on and after Tuesday, the FIRST day of June next, to Shareholders of record of 3oth April, 1915.

By order of the Board,
FREDERIGK WILLIAMS-TAYLQR,
General Manager
Montreal, 20th April, 1915.

## UNION BANK OF CANADA DIVIDEND NO. 113.

NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of eight per cent. per annum upon the Paid-up Capital Stock of the UNION BANK OF
CANADA has been declared for the current quarter. and that the same will Ca payable at its Banking House in the city of Winnipeg and at its branches on and after Tuesday, the ist day of June next. to shareholders of record at the close of butiness on the fifteenth day of May next.
1915, The transfer books will be closed from the 17th to the 3ist of May,
By Order of the Board
G. H. Balpour,

General Manager
Winnipeg. 16th April, 1915.

## THE HOME BANK OF CANADA

## NOTICE OF QUARTERLY DIVIDEND

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend at the rate of SEVEN PER CENT. ( $7 \%$ ) PER ANNUM upon the paid up Capital Stock of this Bank has been declared for the THREE MONTHS ending the 31st of May, 1915, and that the same will be payable at the Head Office and Branches on and after Tuesday, the ist of June, 1915. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May, 1915, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
JAMES MASON.
General Manager.
Toronto, April 2rst, 1915.

## COBALT ORE SHIPMENTS

The following are the shipments of ore, in pounds, from Cobalt Station for the week ended April 23 rd, 1915 :-

Dominion Reduction Company, 88,000; Peterson Lake Mining Company, 72,465 ; McKinley-Darragh-Savage Mine, 167,380; Mining Corporation of Canada (Cobalt Lake Mine), 136,240; Mining Corporation of Canada (Townsite City Mine), 60,620 ; La Rose Mines, Limited, 203,940. Total, 728,645 pounds, or $364-3$ tons.

The total shipments since January ist 1915, are now $9,193,583$ pounds, or $4,596.7$ tons.

## BOARD AUTHORIZES BORROWINGS

The following is a list of debenture applications granted by the Saskatchewan local government board:-

School Districts.-Oleksince, No. 3455, \$1,200. N. Letwin, Stoneyview ; Norbury, No, 3326, \$1,000. V. L. Whitcomb, Norbury; Ufford, No. 3332, \$1,500. A: Manson, New Ufford; Greenwood, No. 2025, $\$ 300$. T. Thorn Lloydminster; Kandahar, No. 3333, $\$ 2,000$. C. O. Monroe, Kandahar; Scotsguard, No. 3444, $\$ 1,800 .{ }^{\top} \mathrm{Wm}$. Jentoft, Scotsguard; Gravelbourg, No. 2244, \$1,000. A. Gravel, Gravelbourg; Lumsden, No. 449, \$1,200. W. T. Balfour, Lumsden; Acton, $\$ 1,650$. Alf. J. Sibley, North Battleford; Lost Lake, $\$ 1,500$. V. H. Hryvnak, Hafford; Kelso, $\$ 2,000$. W. D. Hunter, Drinkwater; Fusileers, \$1,600. Ed. A. Thurlow, Scandia; Kieville, $\$ 1,600$. Andrew Young Harnett; Mule Creek, \$1,2oo. Geo. H. Berg. Shaunavon; Broomfield, \$1,500. H, Weldon. Donavion.

Rural Telephone Companies.-Bienfait, \$1,000. Arthur Nelson, Bienfait; Gledhow, $\mathbf{\$}_{1,000}$. Roland Keevil, O'Malley ; Starrs Point, \$1,200. Thos, Bray, Qu'Appelle; Lone Corner, $\$ 3.500$. C. G. Bu'stride, Qu'Appelle; Walpole, $\$ 2,0 c 0$. J. J. Ferguson, Walpole:

Towns.-Watrous, $\$ 13,77$ 1:26. D. C. McDonald, Watrous.
Villages.-Bienfait, $\$ 3.000$. A Nelson, Bienfait; Cabri, $\$ 5,000$. J. W. Hopton, Cabri.

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Bids must be in the hands of the undersigned not later than June 1st, 1915.
H. H. ELLIOTT,

The Pas, Manitoba.

## DEBENTURES FOR SALE

Tenders will be received for $\$ 10,200$ six per cent. debentures of the town of Vegreville, Alberta, in four separate items of $\$ 700, \$ 2,000, \$ 3,000$ and $\$ 4,500$, two on sinking fund and two on equal annual payment plan. For particulars, write-
T. HERMANN,

Secretary-Treasurer.
Vegreville, Alberta, April 19th, 1915.

## TENDERS WANTED

Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned will be received by the Corporation of the City of Windsor up till noon on Friday, the 7 th day of May, 1915, for the purchase of the following debentures:-
\$100,000 five יper cent., School Debentures, thirty years, equal annual instalments, semi-annsual interest coupons.
$\$ 144,098.64$ five and one-half per cent., Ornamental Street Lighting Debentures, twenty years, equal annual in stalments, semi-annual interest coupons.
( Both blocks of debentures may as far as practicable be made of the denomination of one thousand dollars each.

Tenders must be for each block of debentures separately
No tender necessarily accepted.
Further particulars furnished on application to
M. A. DICKINSON,

Acting Clerk
Windsor, Ont., April 26th, 1915.

## HOTEL FIRES IN SASKATCHEWAN

Six hotels in Saskatoon have been destroyed by fire since banish-the-bar policy was announced, and in every case save one an investigation is now being conducted by provincial fire commissioner McLean, says a Saskatoon despatch, which adds: Several fire insurance companies have taken alarm and cancelled all hotel policies in this province, while others have scaled down their risks.

Mr. A. J. Trotter, of the Willoughby-Sumner company, made the above statement, and said also that a large number of applications for new policies had been rejected. "Quite a large number of hotels are insured either by mortgage companies or by breweries which are interested in them," he said, "and in these cases the insurance companies have been more inclined to continue the policies, but where a hotel is in private hands and its profit depends on the bair receipts, insurance companies have become exceedingly careful."

The Marquis of Aberdeen has re-joined the London board of the Canada Life Assurance Company as chairman, a position he occupied until he was appointed viceroy of Ireland.

## LEGAL NOTICE

## CANADIAN WALLBOARD COMPANY, LIMITED.

PUBLIC Notice is hereby given that under the First Part of chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1906, known as The Companies Act," letters patent have been issued under the Seal of March, 1915, Incorporating Harry Riley and Willis Bertram Sturrup, law clerks, Alfred Bicknell, barrister, Thomas Stewart Hagan Glles, accountant, and William Charles Harold Swinburne, student-at-law, all of the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, for the following purposes, viz:-(a) To manufacture, prepare, buy, sell, export, import and deal in wood pulp, either mechanically or chemically prepared, paper and wood particles in the making of which wood, wood pulp or paper can be utilized, including wallboards, sheathing papers, roofing, building, materials, wrapping paper, sacks, bags, order papers, tisues, wax papers, tags, paper specialties and other products of wood, wood pulp, straw, may seem to the company capable of being conveniently carried on n connection with the company's business, or calculated directly or indirectly to enhance the value of or render profitable any of the company's properties or rights; (c) To issue paid-up shares, debenture stock, debentures, in payment or in part payment for any property, rights or asements which may be acquired by or for any services rendered o or work done for the company or in or towards the payment or satisfaction of debts or liabilities owing by the company; (d) To sell, lease, turn to account or otherwise cispose of the whole or any and franchises of the company to any other person or company for such consideration as the company may think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures or securities of any company having objects similar to those of this company (e) To apply for, purchase or otherwise procure or acquire any patents of invention, processes, icenses, concessions and the use or any secret or other information as to any invention, process or idea which may seem capable of being used for any of the purposes of the company, or the acquisition of which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to benent the company, and to use, exercise, develop or grant licenses in respect to or otherwise information so acquired; (f) To subscribe for, purchase, take in exchange or otherwise acquire, take and hold bonds, debentures or other securities of any other corporation, and to sell or otherwise dispose of shares, stock, debentures, bonds and other obligations of any other company having objects similar in whole or in part to the objects of this company, or carrying on any business capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectiy to bempany notwithstanding the provisions of section 44 of the sald Act, and to vote all shares so held through such agent or agents as the directors may appoint; (g) To enter into partnership or any arrangement for sharing profits, union of intergst, cooperation, Joint adventure, reciprocal concession or otherwise with transaction which this company is authorized to carry on or engage in, or any business or transaction capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to beneflt this company, and to lend money to, guarantee the contracts of or otherwise assist any such person or company, and to take or otherwise acquire shares and without guarantee, or otherwise deal with the same; (h) To lend money to customers and others having dealings with the company and to guarantee the performance of contracts by any such persons; (i) To invest and deal with the moneys of the company not immediately required in such manner as from time to time may be resolved, any assets of the company among its members and particularly the shares, bonds, debentures or other securities of any other company formed to take over the whole or any part of the assets or liabilities of this company; ( $\mathbf{k}$ ) To enter into any arrangements with any governments or authorities, supreme, municipal, objects, or any of them, and to obtain from any such government or authority any rights, privileges and concessions which the company may think it desirable to obtain, and to carry out, exercise and comply with any such arrangements, rights, privileges and concessions; (1) To do all or any of the matters hereby authorized for any other companies or persons or by or through any factors trustees or agents; ( $m$ ) The powers in each paragraph to be in no wise limited or restricted by reference to or inference terms of any other. paragraph; (n) To do all such othe are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the things as The operations of the company to be carried on throushout the Dominion of Canada and elsewhere by the name of "Canadian Wallboard Company, Limited," with a capital stock of fifty thou sand dollars, divided Into 500 shares of one hundred dollars each mpany to be at the

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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9-16 pre. | 19-32 pre. | \% pre. |
| 10 c dis. | Par. | 3/6703/4 |
| 4.813 | 4.82\% | 4.84 |
| 4.821/4 | 4.82\% | 4.84\% |
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\begin{tabular}{|c|c|}
\hline \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{\multirow[t]{2}{*}{\begin{tabular}{l}
Profit and Loss Balance brought forward from 1913 \\
Net Profits for the year
\end{tabular}}} \\
\hline & \\
\hline Realty and Plant Reserve returnied to Profit and Loss Account & \(\xrightarrow{175,000.00} \quad 260,468.32\) \\
\hline \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{The Appropriations were as follows : \(\quad\) \$429,089.06} \\
\hline Dividends on Preferred Stock Nos, 53, 54, 55 and 56 & 863,000.00 \\
\hline Dividends on Common Stock Nos. 49, 50, 51 and 52 & 120,000.00 \\
\hline Transferred to Reserve for Canadian Wm. A. Rogers, Limited & 70,000.00 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}

Balance carried forward to 1915
\$176,689.06

\title{
Balance Sheet December 31, 1915 Liabilities
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Capital Stock:
Preférence Stock
Ordinary Stock
Reserve Account
Reserve for Canadian Wm. A. Rogers, Limited Dividends:

Preference Stock, No. 56, payable January 2nd, 1915. Ordinary Stock, No. 52 , payablé January 2nd, 1915.

Debts Payable, including all accrued wages and charges.
Profit and Loss Account-Balance carried forward


\section*{Assets}

Realty, Factories and Plant, as appraised by American Appraisal Company, 3oth November, 1914;; Trademarks, Goodwill and Investments. .
Stock in Trade and Prepaid Charges
Accounts and Bills Receivable
Cash at Bankers and in Hand
\$1,850,742.68
1,115,258.42
385,355.45
137,918. 37

Audited and found correct,
CLARKSON, GORDON \& DILWORTH,
Chartered Accountants.

\section*{Extracts from the President's Address.}

In speaking to the Annual Meeting of the Shareholders, Mr. S. J. Moore, the President, said in part:
"The shrinkage in Net Profits resulted from a considerable reduction in our volume of business, coupled with the fact that we were obliged to carry over from 1913 a heavy inventory. For these reasons our factories were operated at the rate of only 50 per cent. of their capacity throughout the greater part of the year.

The reduction in our turn-over was caused by the depressed condition of trade which resulted in our customers purchasing smaller quantities than normally, and was in spite of a substantial increase in the number of customers on our books.
"During the past three months conditions in the trade have improved, and our shipments have shown increases over the corresponding months of last year. The shipments for March and April are larger than those of any March and April since 1910. We are looking forward to a steady return of normal trade conditions.
"Present indications justify the view that the 6 per cent. dividend on the Common Stock will be uninterrupted during the year.
"The Balance Sheet reveals a continuance of the strong liouid condition which the Company has shown for some y'ears past. The net surplus of liquid assets (consisting of-merchandise, receivables and cash) over all of the Company's liabilities, including the January dividends, amounts to \(\$ 1,095,946.38\), which is equivalent to \(\$ 121\) per share on the Preferred Stock. This, of course, does not include the Company's Real Estate, Factories and Factory Equipment.'

The Board of Directors and Officers were refelected as follows :-S. J. Moore, President ; C. H. Duell, VicePresident ; Robert Kilgour, W. C. Ely, H. S. Duell, W. A.Jameson, and C. W. C8lby, Directors.

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The report of the company's operations for the past year shows revenue of over \(\$ 11,000,000\), an increase of about \(\$ 290\), 000 , a very satisfactory record in view of the general conditions last year. Had the company not greatly restricted its underwriting on this continent, because they did not believe that the rates were sufficient to cover the risks which were here being assumed, much larger figures could have been shown. The expenses were again reduced, the percentage being \(35-90\) per cent. as against 36.35 per cent. for 1913 .

The financial statement shows the following interesting figures :-

Gôvernment securities, \(\$ 4, \operatorname{tos}, 498.83\); railway debentures, \(\$ 8,150,024.76\); mortgages and other assets, 82,336 ,945.62 ; agents' balances, \(\$ 1,184,075.85\); cash in banks and offices, \(\$ 693,601.32\); total assets, \(\$ 16,473146.38\). Reserve for insurance in force, \(\$ 4,069105.68\); reserve for undetermined losses, \(\$ 3 ; 850,000.00\); orther liabilities, including capital \(\$ 2\), \(135,914.32\); total liabilities, \(\$ 10055,020.00\); surplus, 86,418 , \(126.38, \$ 16,473,146.38\).

The outstanding features of the report are an increase in premium income, increase of reserves for outstanding claims unearned premiums, and reserve for depreciation of securities, which is now placed at \(\$ 600,000\). After provision has been made for all active and contingent liabilities there is a surplus to policyholders of \(\$ 16,473,146\); a remarkable record.

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Mr. George S. Harrison, manager of the Vancouver branch of the Merchants Bank, gave an excellent address to the local branch of the Credit Men's 'Association recently. "They say," he remarked, "that the Canadian banks are in a trust. Well, we haye sixty-five bank branches in Vancouver handlipg the business of a population of 200,000 . In. Seattle with a population of 350,000 , there are but fifteen banks. Every bank has money to loan to honest, capable men, but the banks want to be sure of getting their money back. We lrear charges of colldsion, but in Vancouver we cannot get any two banks to agree as to the rate of exchange on Chinese business.". Mr, Harrison's humorous reference to notes, "those old fellows with leather backs, containing a promise to renew, instead of a promise to pay," caught the fancy of his audience.
'Mr. J. RS Davison, industrial commissioner, Vancouver, speaking at a recent meeting, said: "Vancouver more than most places needs to encourage a-greater variety of industries. We are, as yet, dependent on one or two intlustries, and in the off seasons there are many men unemployed. If, a variety, of industries were here, employment would be more continuous the year round. Again, the prairie provinces furnish a great demand for labor in the summer and very little demand in the winter. Because of the milder climate, the men drift here in the winter time and have to be supported by the community. This will be true for many years, and unless we do something to encourage industries that, can run in the winter time, this unemployment will winter after winter, be a severe tax on the ratepayers of this community. It is good business to spend a little money to prevent this.; These are sound contentions.

Montreal and Toronto Stock Transactions
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Beveriley S.D., Alta. \(-825,0006\) per cent. 20 -instalments, to Messrs. Macneill and Young, Toronto.

Hamilton, Ont.- \(\$ 666,0004^{1 / 2}\) per cent. 15 and 20 -instalments, to Messrs. Wood. Gundy and Company, Toronto.

Hon. A. E. Kemp, M.P., has been appointed chairman of a purchasing committee of three members in charge of all purchases under the government's war appropriation. Mr. Kemp is a member of the government without portfolio, and has had a long experience in business and in public affairs. The other members are Mr. H. Laporte, Montreal, and G. F. Galt, Winnipeg. Mr. Laporte has had a long business and municipal career in Montreal. Mr. Galt some time ago retired from active commercial life, and will be able to devote his full time to his duties.


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