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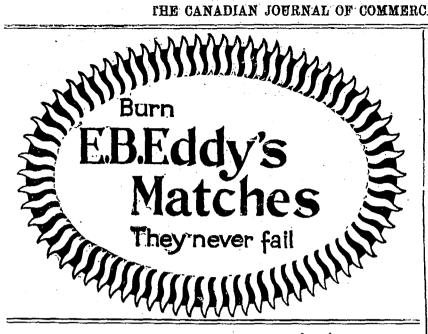
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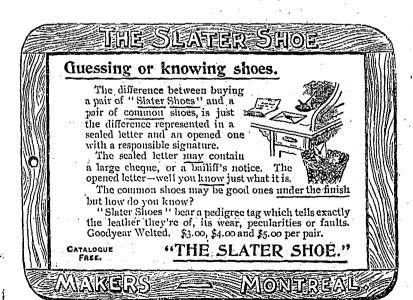
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THE Grand Trunk has chartered two special steamers to take grain from Portland Me., to Hamburg.

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- -Deseronto has voted a bonus in aid of local smelting works.
- -THE St. Cunegonde Council has decided to petition the Minister of Railways and Canals for a new bridge over the Lachine Canal, to cost \$85,000.
- -ONE of the largest combines yet known in the iron trade is being organized in the States. It will embrace the manufacturers of foundry iron who do not work Bessemer ore.
- -THE manufacture of machine made lace at Calais which fifteen years ago was valued at twenty million dollars annually has dwindled down to eight millions owing to the severity of German and Swiss competition.
- -Trie Grand Trunk authorities have decided that all advertisements of patent medicines and other notices must be cleared out of the waiting rooms at all stations along the line and nothing will be allowed to be put up except railway tables and notices of special rates, etc.
- THE Elder-Dempster line steamer "Queensmore" salled from Avonmouth on 14th inst. for this port, and will be due here about the 25th or 26th. She will be the first of their line to arrive in port this season. She will sail for London on 7th of May.
- -THE Premier has announced that the Peterson Company has arranged to commence building the vessels required for the fast Atlantic service on 1st July next. The new vessels will meet with competitors such as were not anticipated when the contract was arranged.
- -THE tender of the Caisse d'Economie, Notre Dame de Quebec has been accepted for \$250,000 debentures of the city of Quebec, the price being 106.83 per cent. These debentures are authorized by 61 Vic., bear 4 per cent interest, payable every six months. They are redeemable in 30 years.
- -THE Bank of British North America, with characteristic enterprise, has sent an expedition to the Yukon country to establish a branch in Dawson City. The branch will be opened in a month in charge of Mr. James Cran, as manager, and Mr. David Doig sub-manager. The bank is now prepared to issue drafts for the use of travellers to that district.
- -THE American department stores are reported to be selling liquor to their lady customers for consumption on the premises. It is charged that the facilities thus afforded to ladies for drinking alcoholic beverages in a private manner, has developed bibulous habits to an alarming extent. Ladies are said to be getting into the regular habit of going to a department store for a drink like old topers, the results of which are deplorable.

- THE municipal taxes collected in Toronto last year amounted to \$2,671,922; the water-works yielded, \$463,985; street railway mileages, \$145,792; rentals, \$88,146; liquor licenses, \$32,387, and others, \$30,566. The sum of \$918,764 was paid for interest on debentures and loans. The finances of Toronto are improving.
- —Fancy insurances are developing as a result of the Cuban trouble. Long Branch Cottages are seeking insurance against bombardment, which is absurd, as Spain would not waste ammunition at such a point. The insurance companies will do a fine business, nearly all clear profit, if the seashore cottages of the States are underwritten against bombardment.
- -Messas. Elder, Dempster & Co., managing agents of the African Steamship Co., received a vote of thanks at the annual meeting held recently in London for the satisfactory results of the year's business. The company cleared a net profit last year of \$458,000, out of which a 5 per cent dividend was paid for the year.
- -The contest between various municipalities to offer the most inducement for the removal of industries from one place to another is becoming markedly pronounced, so much so indeed as to be prejudicial to the prosperity of many small towns. In view of this it is within possibility that the Government may be obliged sooner or later to control the giving of bonuses.
- -THE Ontario & Quebec Bridge Co. has been refused incorporation by the Rallway Committee, Ottawa. The Committee objected to a bridge being built which might injure the one being constructed by the Interprovincial Co. some distance up the river. A second bridge as proposed would be a very great public convenience and will have to be built some day.
- -An explosion of dynamite took place at the Ottawa Powder Company's works about midnight of the 17th, which shook that city like an earthquake, breaking innumerable windows, but happily doing no serious injury, though the shock was most alarming. Works of this kind should be placed at a greater distance from any city, town, or group of dwellings.
- -What China has lost in territory since 1858 .comprises the Amoor region, 288,830 square miles; Saghalien Island, 24,550 square miles; Formosa, 14,978 square miles; French Indo-China, 140.530 square miles, have been absorbed by foreign Powers. The same fate is likely to overtake Korea, I-li, and Manchuria. But even denuded of this territory China is still almost as large as Europe, or next in size as an Empire to Russia which is second only to the British Empire. It has coalfields twenty-five times as large as the United Kingdom, it is rich in gold, silver, lead, iron and tin. Moreover, it contains 300,000,000 of people, the greatest single market in the world.

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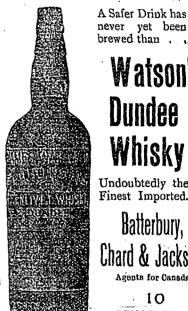
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-THE Great Georgian Bay &c. Company, which has caused endless discussion in Toronto for years, an enterprise which called for several million dollars of capital, has been wound up under a claim for advertising! Balloons are kept affoat by gas. The strange thing about this one has been that while there was no sign of its having any solidity, or basis, except aerial, it was regarded by so many persons as a substantial enterprise.

-Mucu is expected from experiments going on in the treatment of arsenical ores by a new process in North Hastings. The plant has so far produced arsenious acid, chemically pure, commonly called white arsenic, realgar or yellow arsenic, and orpiment, which is red arsenic. It is the intention to erect a ten furnace mill. The principal source of supply of this valuable necessity is Great Britain and the Kingdom of Saxony.

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-Twenty knit goods mills in the U.S. have agreed to unite in a single company, capitalized at \$30,000,000. It is said that the mills which have already signed have an aggregate annual output of \$7,000,000. The new company can, perhaps, hardly be called a trust, as it will by no means have a monopoly of the knit goods business. There are 284 knitting mills in the country. The new company, if formed, will manufacture only underwear.

-THE Bank of Commerce has made the following changes in its staff: Mr. Manson, some years manager at Peterboro, has taken charge of the North-West Toronto branch. His successor in Peterboro is Mr. R. C. McHarrie, who has been manager of several of the subordinate branches of the bank in Toronto, latterly of the Market Branch, King street. Mr. McHarrie is succeeded by Mr. H. W. Fitton. Mr. G. A. Holland leavest he North-West Toronto branch to become manager at Blenheim.

-An English M.P., the member for Stepney, has set an example to other members whose pre-election pledges are embarrassing, which, though remarkable for frankness, is equally so for dishonesty. He has withdrawn a promise he made to support a certain cause on the excuse that "it was made during the elec. tion excitement." As he secured his election by his now repudiated promise, his constituents might very justly demand his resignation on the same ground, that they gave him their votes "during the election excitement."

-MR. D. R. WILKIE, general manager of the Imperial Bank, has pointed out that the expenses of management, and of keeping up a reserve cause the actual cost of deposits to the Government to be 3.6 per cent as against 2.75 the cost of its last loan. When the rate of interest on deposits is put down to 21/2 per cent their actual cost to the Government will be 8.1 per cent. Mr. Wilkie points out that the classes who are not able to deposit money are the principal contributors to the excessive rate of interest paid to those who are better off.

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Bay of Fundy not yet sold, and the price available is not more than \$5 or \$6 per ton loose, with \$1.50 per ton added when the hay is pressed. These figures are from \$2 to \$3 per ton less than was paid for hay at this time a year ago, says the Halifax Herald. The surplus on hand and the low price are attributed to the introduction of electric railways and the bicycle. The depreciation of hay however will likely turn the attention of farmers to stock raising with more profit.

-THE House of Commons has thrown out the bill to incorporate the Kettle River Valley Railway Company. The line was intended to run from British Columbia into the States by which it was alloged there would be a drain of business from Canada across the boundary. Sir William Van Horne stated that the C.P.R. proposed to extend its system to the district which the Kettle Valley line would tap. The House seems to prefer that the service should be in the hands of a Canadian company by which Canadian trade will not be liable to be drawn off to the States.

-Fon the fiscal year ended March 31, the chancellor of the British exchequer reports a continuous improvement in the receipts and a steadily growing surplus. The revenue of the United Kingdom in the past fiscal year reached a total of \$580,-081,570, the largest yield ever reported. Of this amount, \$47,-011,550 was diverted for local uses, and \$583,070,020 went to the exchequer, in comparison with \$519,794,420 the previous year, an increase of \$13,320,600. The growth is spread over the various sources of revenue, every class showing increases with the exception of the miscellaneous receipts which show a decrease of \$1,798,510. The expenditures mark an increase of \$11,366,-555, and the surplus displays an increase of \$1,953,945.

"-Tun East Coast towns of Great Britain have always depended on the whitewood of the Baltic for its main lumber supply. But prices of that kind of lumber have so advanced that it has given the spruce of the maritime provinces a chance to compete in the trade of eastern England. Heretofore, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia spruce which went abroad for a market was mostly purchased for the west of England trade. Now that it is being worked into the eastern part of the island it is probable

that it will hold a place in that trade if the manufacturers but eater to the peculiar demand in respect to sawing special sizes. This demand the Baltic mill operators have always humored. Should the Canadians conform to this special method of sawing,. maritime spruce will probably become as common in eastern England as it now is in the western part thereof.

-Any advantage which Canada would enjoy by freight and passenger traffic being diverted this way, would be offset by serious injury being done to the coasting trade of the Maritime Provinces. There is a considerable business done in shipping lumber to U.S. ports, and bringing back return cargoes. The vessels too that run from Canadian ports to the West Indies and South America would be liable to be overhauled by the combatants, a chance which would keep many of them from running the risk. Canada has no desire to profit by the war troubles of the States, her desire is to see peace maintained. If hostilities unhappily break out the people of Canada will desire that our neighbour will come through the conflict with her honour untainted and her mercaptile interests uninjured.

-Norming is being said here of the preferential tariff as a discrimination against American imports, but American newspapers are beginning to look at it in that aspect. The N.Y. Evening Post says: We agree that it is time to do something to save our Canadian trade. That we shall lose an important part of it unless we meet the Canadians half-way, and in a fair spirit, there is no room to doubt. If the preferential duty of 25 per cent does not prove sufficient for the purpose which the Dominion Government had in view, it will be very easy to make it higher, and if it is made higher, we shall still have no cause of complaint. They are merely giving us our own medicine. We are even now negotiating treaties whose object is preferential duties for this or that country in return for some advantage offered to us. We are not admirers of that policy, but, being in it, we see no reason why we should restrict ourselves to countries where our trade is, and must continue to be, relatively small, and omit one which is coterminous with us for a distance of 3,500 miles, and which, under a more liberal policy, would be a purchaser of our products to the amount of 100,000,-000 dols. per year.

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-A WESTERN Ontario contemporary published in a recent issue no less than seven paragraphs taken from this journal without any acknowledgment.

-LAUNCHING a big battleship is not a bad thing for some markets. At Chatham the other day it took no less than six tons of oil and tallow to grease the slipway of H.M.S. "Goliath."

FRANK COOMB, of Kincardine, has been appointed manager of the Furniture Exporting Company of Ontario, recently formed to work in the English market, with headquarters in London

-Drought and unusual heat in California have so injured the prospects of the wheat crop that the home supply will not be enough for local consumption. Other crops will also be in jured. California as a wheat importer will have an effect on the value of next harvest.

-Six hundred thousand cubic feet of square timber will be shipped from the Queen's Wharf, Toronto, this month. Three rafts are ready containing 30 000 cubic feet each. They will be towed to Kingston, and if the timber holds together well on the trip down Lake Ontario, the rafts will be towed on to Quebec.

-THE case of Ponton vs Dominion Bank involving a claim of \$50,100 for arrest and imprisonment on a charge of robbing the bank, is to be tried at Belleville, not Napance, as the Toronto Court has decided it to be prejudicial to the defendants for the trial to take place at the latter place when feeling runs high in favour of the plaintiff.

-LARGE shipments of potatoes have been made recently from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia to Havana. The freight from Halifax is 65 cents per barrel and the customs duty at Havana on good and bad allke is \$1.60 per barrel. Port and other charges at the Cuban capital send the price up dangerously close to \$5 per barrel. The potato in Cuba is thus somewhat of a luxury.

-Insurance Commissioner McNall, of Kansas, who has for some time been engaged in harrying the insurance companies doing business in that State, has been told by 24 of them that they will not give him the information he has demanded as to the salaries paid their officials. If he insists in carrying out his threat these companies will have to withdraw, from Kansas, when not a single reputable fire insurance company will be represented there.

-THE commercial zeal that inspires U.S. Consuls is in evidence in their reports as to trade conditions wherever they are situate. A striking example that American consuls are on the alert to be of practical service to the industrial element of their country is the offer of the Consul at Tampico Mexico to make room in the consulate chamber for exhibiting convenient samples of U.S. products, such as soap, grain, foods, cutlery and any small sized article. Accompanying the proposal to Wash. ington, the Consul adds: "If mannfacturers desire to take advantage of this either I or my clerk will be glad to invite local merchants to call and examine the articles, and will personally represent their good qualities to the best of our ability. While we are very busy most of the time, I think it would not interfere with our regular duties, and, if necessary, I would take time in the evening to explain anything I could." Whilst this and many more features of American activity in business prevails, the longer Canada puts off bringing its goods before foreign buyers, the more difficult will be the task when the advisability of doing so is beyond question.

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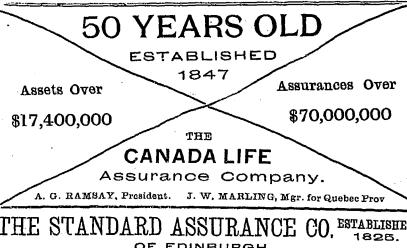
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-WHOLESALE firms who are still on the look out for that rara avis, a salesman who can sell goods and not make excuses, will envy the employer whose representative the other day was brought before a magistrate in Belleville charged with infringing the Peddler's by-law. The accused had been selling dustless brooms in the city and upon being charged not only convinced the magistrate that he was acting strictly within the lawinasmuch that he sold on order and delivered goods on invoice. but succeeded in so impressing His Worship with the good qualities of the broom, that he took his order for one. The acquittal and success of the salesman moves the Intelligencer of that town to warn its readers to keep out of his way, lest they should buy something they do not want.

-GEO. B. McCullocu, sole owner of the retail drug firm of Hamilton & Co., Hamilton, has assigned to John Mack. At a meeting of creditors held on 16th inst., he showed assets of \$10,-214, and liabilities of \$12,000, amongst which is a claim by Mrs. Geo. B. McCulloch for \$7,500. The business was established by the late Alex. Hamilton, who died in 1893. McCulloch, who came from Bufialo, N.Y., and who was a son-in-law of Hamilton, bought the tusiness. He had but little capital when he commenced, though he got the business on advantageous terms. Had to vacate his premises however, in fall of 1896, through which he made quite a loss, also met with other reverses and went behind.

-Tur following notes on the carpet trade of Belgium may be of some little interest to carpet manufacturers in this country. The demand for Brussels carpet is large, for moquette and velvet it is much less, but still considerable, Wilton and ingrain seem to be unknown at least by those names. England and France supply the greater portion of carpetings used in Belgium, the native production being small. Germany also supplies some, but its trade is not noteworthy. The standard width for moquettes and Brussels is 273 inches. Carpeting of this width sells per yard, wholesale: Moquette 55c to \$2.30; Brussels, 75c to \$1.15. These prices are delivered in Belgium, duties paid by the seller. The Belgian duty on flax and jute carpets is 10 per cent; on woollen 15 per cent. There is also another kind of carpet manufactured in Belgium known by the name of "handtied." which at wholesale sells in the width of 391/3 inches for from \$2.30 to \$9.15 per yard.

-Noteworthy among the steamers drafted from the east coast to augment the Pacific-Alaska fleet is the S.S. "Alpha" owned by the Halifax and West Indian Steamship Co. "Alpha" carried the mails from Halifax to the West Indies under the management of the Cunards for a period of a dozen years or more, receiving subsidy from the British Government. In 1880 the subsidy was withdrawn, and the Cunards retired from the Halifax West India route, disposing of the ship to a syndicate who held her in shares, for \$38,400. In two years after her purchase the shareholders had received back not only all their purchase money but from 10 to 15 per cent besides and until a couple of years ago, when the syndicate formed itself into a chartered company, its dividends were 30 per cent annually. The steamer is still good and promises to continue its prosperous: record. The demoralization of rates ruling at the present time, however, in the Klondyke trade on the Pacific indicates that such prosperity will not materialize immediately.



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BRITISH AND AMERICAN IRON PRODUCTION.

Although the expansion of iron production in the United States in recent years has been enormous, with a consequent lowering of imports from Great Britain, there has not been as much injury done to the British iron trade by this restriction as some writers have represented. One of the marvellous features of the trade of the old country is the rapidity with which the closing, or restrictions of one market are followed by expansions in other directions. No sooner is one channel blocked than the streams of trade force their way into others by either the home consumption increasing, or new outlets being found. There however can hardly be a doubt that the production of iron in Great Britain from native ores is fast reaching its utmost capacity. One of the consequences of the enormous inroads made in the stores of iron ore in England, Scotland and Wales in the last half century for supplying the smelting furnaces, has been their reduction to an extent which has given rise to the question where future supplies can be producted. The production last

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year exceeded that of 1896 by 44,000 tons, while the consumption increased about 600,000 tons. The exports of iron in 1897 were larger than in previous year by 140,000 tons. It is then not at all surprising to find that to meet such conditions there were 100,000 tons imported of American iron. Germany which is so ambitious of grasping a share of British trade had to import 350,000 tons of iron last year from Great Britain, with every prospect of being for a length of time an importer of iron. So far then as importations of iron go, England is in the position of a "middleman," who does not buy for his own consumption but to distribute amongst customers. There seems in these facts to be a promise of Canadian iron finding ere long a good market in England, though we are handicapped by fuel conditions.

It is alleged that although the wages paid in America to iron workers is more than in Great Britain, still the labour cost of iron produced in the States is less than-in-the-old-land. This is explained, or attempted to be explained, by the higher productive results of American intelligence, more skilful management and better machinery. We take little stock in this theory, as the great bulk of the labour in iron production is so exceedingly mechanical and routine as not to allow scope for any such advantage to "intelligence" as some imagine, if by intelligence is meant the superior education of American work people. It is well known in England that many of the most highly skilled workmen in the iron industry are quite illiterate. We have known men who could neither read nor write advance to affluence by their skill as workmen. Intelligent they were so far as their work was concerned, but it was the intelligence of a naturally quick brain exercised for years in observing processes chiefly requiring manual dexterity. Men with their qualifications are not made by school training. The greater productive value however of superior machinery no one doubts, but we have expert authority for affirming that the equipments of the British iron trade are fully as complete and efficient as those found in American mills, the proprietors and managers of which have done little more than copy British precedents and practices, with adaptations to local conditions. Were the United States to admit British iron products free we should soon see which country was the more economic producer, but the tariff of the States proves that British competition in iron and steel goods is feared. As the iron trade is a trade barometer we are glad to see the iron production of the States to be increasing beyond precedent.

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The U.S. blast furnaces this month have a weekly capacity of over 235,000 tons. We trust the war troubles will not throw any of them out of blast, as we regard the prosperity of the iron trade of the States with much gratification, though we hope to see the day when in this business Canada will be a lively rival.

FEDERATION OF AUSTRALASIA.

Five of the Australasian colonies have sanctioned a scheme for their federation as the Commonwealth of Australia. We are not enamoured of this title as it is too closely associated with the anti-monarchical period of English history and with the Republic to the South. This association is however wholly adventitious. That it is not intended by Australians to imply republican leanings is shown by their earnestly desiring to have a member of the Royal Family appointed Governor-General of the Commonwealth. The colonies which have approved this scheme, are New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia, West Australia and Tasmania. New Zealand stands aloof as the people think they are too. distant to join in such a federation. Queensland also declines, as its sugar plantations being worked by negro labour it is thought some difficulty might arise there-

The Commonwealth will be governed by a Parliament of two Houses, a Senate and House of Representatives. The senators would be elected for a six years' term, half to retire every three years, but eligible for re-election. To get over the tariff difficulty, one Colony, N. S. Wales being Free Trade, and the others with protectionist leanings, it is proposed after the second year to introduce internal Free Trade, and to establish uniform Customs duties on all goods entering any port of the Commonwealth. To avoid N.S. Wales being stocked with goods imported free, to be held for .. distribution when a common tariff is established, it has been decided to render all such goods when re-exported from N.S. Wales to the other colonies, or members of the federation, liable to the Federal tariff. We see an opening in this scheme for serious difficulties, but as those on the ground deem it practicable we prefer their judgment to our own. It is provided that no amendment of the Constitution shall be made without the approval of an absolute majority in both Houses, in addition to a majority of the electors in each State. Should the Senate reject measures from the House of

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Representatives after an anneal to the country which has resulted in favour of the latter House, the Senate is to be dissolved.

The powers of the Commonwealth Parliament will be much the same as those of that of Confederation. but larger; as there will be no division of authority between it and Provincial Assemblies as in Canada. The Commonwealth will unite 2,500,000 British subjects. It will cover 2,304,409 square miles of territory, which produces 20,000,000 bushels of wheat and has 10,000 miles The shipping which enters and clears of railway. from the ports of federated colonies, amounts to 16,000,-000 tons annum. The Commonwealth will open its career with a debt of about \$750,000,000 an annual revenue of \$115,000,000 and a yearly foreign trade of \$250,000,000. When this very significant federation has been consummated, as it is hoped to be this year, Canada will send greeting of heartiest congratulation and good wishes to the Commonwealth of Australia.

SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS CONDEMNED.

Although the school system of Ontario is admirable on the whole, it is associated with a very grave evil, which has not only militated against its educational success, but has had a highly mischievous effect upon the health of pupils, both physical and mental. It has also worked most unjustly by discriminating between children and youths by a vicious standard. The schools have become cramming factories, their aim has been to crowd the memory of pupils, in order to prepare them for examinations which exhaust their young brains like a vacuum pump. It is a melancholy sight to see young folks on their way to school carrying:a small library of text books their knowledge of which must be highly superficial, and the effect of studying which must be far from educational. The system has led to a mechanical habit of memorising lessons without the pupils acquiring any thorough knowledge of any one subject. Thus well educated parents who take an interest in their children's school work are constantly pained to find the youngsters rattling off answers and solutions to problems set them, like parrots without having any grasp of the principles upon which real knowledge must be based to be lasting as a mental acquirement. The system does not draw out, develop, or cultivate the higher mental faculties, but simply exercises the memory in a mechanical way, a way which is wearisome to a pupil with a good memory, and to one less gifted in that respect is a cruel drill. Cases are known to us of pupils trained in Ontario schools who had been rushed through a course in arithmetic, who had passed examiinations with credit; but who on being put to practical work in an office were incapable of applying their assumed knowledge to the successful solution of quite elementary questions. Their excuse was that "there was nothing of that sort in the school arithmetic," they having no idea of the principles which when thoroughly grasped, are the key to any variety of arithmetical problem. Take an actual case. A youth was asked to ascertain what profit would be made by exchanging so many shares of a certain cost and market value, paying देशीय हुन हो हो है जिल्ला है जिल्ला है जिल्ला है जिल्ला है जो है है जो है है जो है जो है जो है जो है

a given percentage of dividend, for a number of other shares of which the neces sary particulars were given. Although he had "gone through," as he said, a wellknown text book, he was completely "stumred" by this problem, and all he could say was, "Oh! I have forgotten all about percentages, it is so long since I learnt all about them !" That is the Ontario school system, it carries pupils across a continent of learning in an observation car at express speed, so that at the end of the trip they have no exact, thorough abiding knowledge of any section they have passed through. As to their grammatical training the schools are scandalously deficient. It requires a training in metaphysics to understand modern grammars. Pupils patter away at the terms required without the ghost of an idea of what they really mean, in which they are excusable, as the authors of these philosophical text books seem themselves to have been badly mixed. Alice in Wonderland is not more outside nature than the technicalities of some school grammars. Hence we find that pupils are equally unable to write or speak "with elegance and propriety," on leaving school as when they entered. The Ontario Minister of Education has at last had his eyes opened to the evils of the examination system, which is at the root of the present educational inefficiencies of public schools. He is hent on education being something higher and truer than memorising and cramming for examinations. Should he be successful, the Ontario school system will be worthy of the eulogies which have been passed upon it by those whose judgment has no value as their sphere of observation seems to have been confined to that province.

THE METRIC SYSTEM OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

The National Association of United States Manufacturers at its recent meeting in New York received a report from a Committee on the metric system of weights and measures. The report is a remarkable one inasmuch as it dilates upon the origin of numbers; the words used in various countries to express numerals; the history of weights and measures in general, and a variety of other topics, while not one word is said relating to any of the specific weights and measures now in use in the States, Great Britain and Canada. They are condemned in general terms, but no allusion is made to the reasons why they are so firmly adhered to, or why they are considered objectionable.

There must be something more than the mere obstinacy of custom for our weights and measures to remain so long in use side by side with a currency based on a different system. The convenience of a decimal currency is incomparably greater than one like the British. It is not clear however that metric weights and measures are as comparatively superior to those in use in Canada, the States and Great Britain. The whole question seems to turn upon the convenient divisibility of weights and measures, which is so necessary to the economy of trade.

A measure for instance of 12 inches can be divided by 12, 5, 4, 3 and 2 without a fraction being created, but one of 10 inches can only be divided by 10 and 2.

without a fraction. Thus a yard measure of 36 inches can be divided by 36, 18, 12, 9, 6, 4, 3 and 2 and leave no fraction, while a yard of 50 inches can only be divided by 50, 25, 10, 5 and 2 without a fraction. Then in a further division of the parts of a 36-inch yard measure we can divide into halves the 18th, 9th, 6th, 3rd and half parts without a fraction, whereas only the 25th and 5th parts of a 50-inch yard measure, divided as above, can be subdivided into halves without a fraction. The extra convenience of the old fashioned yard of 3 times 12 inches over one divisible by 10 thsis too obvious to need comment.

This element of easy divisibility with a minimum of fractions was, we believe, the reason why the present measures and weights in use in Great Britain, the States and Canada came to be adopted. They are all based upon the progression of length and size by multiples of 2, which is a natural system, and peculiarly convenient for commercial purposes. Although the metric system has undoubted advantages, and its claims for adoption are serious in view of its use in so many countries, it has grave drawbacks which are familiar to and acknowledged by those who have a practical knowledge of buying and selling by metric measures and weights. The eminent Civil Engineer, ex-President of the British Association for the advancement of science, Sir Frederick Bramwell, some time ago emphatically condemned the metric system of weights and measures as far less commercially convenient than the old one. Theoretically the metric system is the more scientific, but until there is an outcry for its adoption, and the substitution of weights and measures divisible by tenths, by our producers and merchants, we see no likelihood of a change in this respect.

PARLIAMENTARY MANNERS.

There seems to have been an epidemic of violence and disorder prevailing of late in Parliamentary circles. The first serious outb eak was in Austria, where the legislators became so riotous that their sittings had to be suspended. Then there was a scene of violence in Congress caused by two representatives mauling each other like toughs in a Bowery saloon fight. Not to be outdone by the Lower House, two Senators flew at each other after exchanging the lie direct, and were only kept from fisticuffs on the floor of the Senate by the police. A few nights later a Minister of the Crown at Ottawa gave almost the lie direct to another member by charging him with saying what he knew to be false. The incident passed off without blows, as the offender had the good sense to withdraw his words. On Friday night last the House of Commons witnessed a spectacle without parallel in Parliamentary annals. Mr. Davin wished to have the Budget debate adjourned, while the Government and the members generally, preferred its being closed that night. Thereupon the very able, but irrepressible member from the North-West determined. to talk so long as to compel the House to adjourn from sheer weariness. On and on he went quoting and reading and spinning out comments by the hour, to the unatterable annoyance of the leader of the House and a corporal's guard of weary, somnolent and indignant members. While this illustration was going on of,

"Men may come, and men may go, but I flow on for ever," refreshments were introduced liquid and solid, the liquid being alleged to be "ginger ale," but the brand was new, as the bottles bore the label. "Carling's Amber Ale," while, we are informed, there was an aroma near some desks indicative of spirits having been called from the vasty depths of an adjacent cellar. Attention having been called to one bibulous M.P. who was noisy, Mr. Davin said: "I do not know whether under the influence of beer, the honorable member is much worse than when in his sober senses!" One member who appears to have mistaken the House of Commons for a saloon, a pardonable mistake, began to smoke, which was also a mild innovation under such circumstances, but the speaker drew the line at ginger. ale, &c., so the M.P.'s pipe was put out. As a display of Parliamentary manners it is a question which is most discreditable, the violence, the insolent language, or the "refreshments" episode. It would have been well had the Speaker pro-tem at Ottawa stopped "ginger ale" from circulating. Having failed to maintain the dignity of the House of Commons at the right, time, he should have demanded an apology from those members who had caused this scandal.

WAR.

The "dogs of war," which have been barking de fiance at each other so long, are now only held back by a weak cord which their own impetuosity will probably snap in a few hours. The Spanish Ambassador to the United States is already on his way home, full doubtless of painful fears as to the result of the conflict at The situation indeed has probabilities which cannot be regarded without dread by the civilised world. Human life is now incomparably more sacred than it was in days gone by when constant familiarity. with its destruction on battle-fields, and in sea fights bred contempt for the value of the lives sacrificed by carnage. The phrase used in speaking of the rank and file of the army as "food for powder," indicates the heartlessness prevalent when this phrase was coined and came into popular use; War is however fatal to the nobler sentiments of humanity: Those engaged in its operations are only too ready; to take the advicegiven to his soldiers by King Henry V when preparing to storm Harfleur; เรียน ของ ละเกร แนน วิทาล 1₃₅₀

"Then imitate the action of the tiger:

"Stiffen the sinews, summon up the blood, which is new to be blood, which is been been also be blood to be blood t

The almost insane rage excited by the prospect of war was manifested by a declaration that the people of Havana would imitate those of Moscow by destroying their city rather than suffer it to fall into the hands of Americans, and by General Weyler's remark: "Fever will kill half the Yankee troops, and we will finish the rest." Both these incidents presage "the action of the tiger" being certain to be displayed when hostilities commence. Spain doubtless has shown of late a disposition to give the Cubans some measure of political liberty. This however having only been done under pressure of fear, loses its merit. The repentance of Spain has come too late. Had she been wise she would

have profited by the history of British Colonies, especially of Canada, and one colony which is a near neighbour of Cuba. To their warnings and lessons Spain paid no heed. She had not prescience enough to realize how impossible it was to perpetually maintain a tyrannous control over the people of Cuba when they were living so directly under the influences and inspirations of a country like the United States. Doubtless the rebellions in Cuba have been fomented and the rebels materially helped by citizens of the United States. We of the British race are not so innocent of a like interference with other countries as to be consistent in reproaching Americans for their political operations in Cuba. During the stormy times following the French Revolution of Feby. 1848, the most open sympathy was shown in Great Britain with the revolutionists of Europe, and the leaders of the rebellion movements in eastern Europe received material assistance from the British people. Garibaldi and Kossuth were the heroes of the day. Had a plebiscite been taken there would have been an overwhelming vote for war against the rulers of Poland and Hungary in the name of liberty and humanity. As General Hays said at the Mansion House dinner on the 20th inst., "the pride of the States only shows what stock we are of," so too their indignation at the tyranny of Spain only shows that Americans have in their blood the passion for liberty, of which Britons so justly boast. Whether Cuba is fit for self-government; whether the war is likely to give it the Cubans; whether the invasion of the island will be welcomed or resented by the inhabitants; what will be the ultimate results of the war; are problems we must leave time to solve. In the words of a great statesman when the Crimean war was decided upon by England, we now say, "God defend the right !"

THE BANK STATEMENT FOR MARCH.

The March bank statement reached us too late for a close examination and analysis to be prepared for this issue. The note issues remain much as they were at the close of l'ebruary. A considerable drain occurred in March from the demand deposits, which indicate a lively demand for money for mercantile purposes. The decline was from \$78,939,572 to \$76,471,017. This is more shown by an advance of current loans and discounts from \$211,659,749 to \$218,035,643, an increase of \$6,375,894, as compared with the increase of \$4,500,064 in March, 1897. Last year in the same month the demand deposits increased over two millions, so that considering there was a withdrawal from credit balances this year of 21 millions, and an increase in discounts of 65 millions, there was about 9 millions made available for mercantile purposes this year as compared with 24 millions in the same month last year. The balances held in the States were reduced from \$20,793,570 to \$19,482,365, and those in United Kingdom were decreased from \$12,109,646 to \$8,200,145. Call loans also decreased one million. There is every prospect of a very active business being done this summer, especially at this port where, if a state of war prevails, there will probably be a large influx of trade diverted from American channels. Our usual comparative table is subjoined :--

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	Mar., 1898.	Feb., 1898.	Mar., 1897	Mar., 1888
Capital authorized	R 74.258.681	S 74,253,651	78,458,631	\$176,079,999
Capital subscribed	63,050,149	63,030,148	62,706,948	62,948,249
Capital paid up	64,296,736	62,291,922	61,893,256	60,965,611
Amount of Rest	27,631,683	27,580,999)	26,728,799	17,966,215
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Notes in Cinculation	35,930,035	35,823,923	31,0S2,521	41 ADE 905
Notes in Circulation	3,561,703	3,976,950	4,109,091	31,985,285
Bal. due to Provincial Govts	2,453,726	2,812,180	2,989,034	3,140,113 3,506,418
Deposits on demand	76,471,017	78,939,572	67,456,325	46,624,036
after notice	140,525,489	140,799,375	126,191,346	260,250,300
Loans from banks in Can. sec.			5,000	****
Dep. on demand, in Can. banks	2,555, 165	2,821,895	2,652,299	931,387
Bal, due Can, banks dly exch.	162,689	185,007	132,577	*******
Bal, due agencies, &c., abroad	509,463	509,533	471,211	262,330
Bal. due agencies, &c., in U.K.	3,853,429	2,047,557	3,581,556	1,185,766
Other Habilities	520,342	731,315	514,556	250,490
Total liabilities	266,051,461	268,697,463	239,038,192	151,631,698
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Specie	8,954,889	9,619,193	8,347,126	6,201,115
Dominion notes	14,566,151	14,673,331	15,956,329	10,248,485
Deposits securing circulation.	1,883,067	1,883,067	1,816,218	
Notes & cheques on other baks	7,937,640	9,775,703	6,902,150	5,625,285
Loans to other bks. in Can.sec		**********	**********	1,428,597
Dep. on demand in Can, bke.	3,483,965	3,918,650	3, 131, 674	3,603,129
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Bal. due from bks &c. in U.K.	8,200,145	12,109,616	7,965,774	1,600,478
Dominion Govt. Deb. Stocks.	4,890,233	4,802,656	2,794,416	2,184,852
Can. Municipal & public secs.	1,000,000	1,001,000	-,,,,,,,,	-1101,000
(not Dominion)	16,033,025	15,396,899	11,380,760	
Cana., Brit. & other R.R. sers.	16,883,839	17,433,300	12,508,735	
Call loans on bonds & stocks.	20 337,515	21 497,953	114,069,277	10,703,133
Current Loans & Discounts	218,035,613	211,659,749	213,232,433	138,616,346
Loans to the Govt. of Canada.	*****		***********	771.552
	1,377,638	1,281,401	481,029	491,950
Overdue debts R. E. besides bank premises	8,237,576 2,143,340	3,232,918 2,153,406	3,869,078 2,040,177	3,863,932 1,161,733
Mortgages on real estate	630,441	581,283	503,278	703,791
Bank premises	5,651,498	5,731,886	5,655,703	3,683,073
Other assets	1,903,457	1,520,786	1,947,001	3,499,509
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Total Assets	355,876,759	857,575,974	328,471,452	232,085, 295
ine to directors & their firms	8,122,579	7,592,900	8,231,610	8,035 243
Average specie for month	8,926,759	8,639,817	5,310,380	6,120,312
A'vge-Dominion notes for mo	11,012,510	15,592 185	15,909,960	10,329,919
Gre'st circulation during mo	36,939,261	36,068,921	31,750,563	******

THE WESTERN BANK OF CANADA.

The 16th annual Report of the Western Bank shows the business of the past year to have had no special or exceptional features. The net profits of the year were \$39,746, which is 10.34 per cent on the paid up Capital, which is a satisfactory result. After payment of the usual dividends at the rate of 7 per cent per year, the sum-of \$13,591 was left out of profits, \$6,000 was carried to Reserve Fund which now stands at \$118,000, and \$7,591 was added to Profit and Loss Account. The deposits increased \$100,000, but trade loans not being in demand to an equal amount the money was invested in debentures. The Directors however seem confident that as business is expanding more profitable channels for surplus funds will be opened. The Western Bank stands in a strong position by holding \$1,178,607 of cash and readily convertible assets, against deposits of \$1,368,473. As business at Oshawa, the headquarters of the Western Bank, is reported to be flourishing, the auticipations of the Directors that the current year will be even more profitable than the past one, are likely to be fulfilled.

[—]In Manitoba failures are increasing, among others who have found it impossible to keep in the swim being A. G. Munroe, general store, Stockton, who has assigned to E. C. Crawford, and Atkinson & Co., general store, Hamiota.

[—]The North American Life Assurance Company has issued its annual report in pamphlet form embellished by exterior and interior views of its new head offices and portraits of its leading officials. The publication is most tastefully printed and is highly creditable to the staff of the *Mail* and *Grip* printing companies, by whom the typographical and illustrative sections were executed. The agents of the company will find this helpful in their work as it will attract readers who will be favourably impressed by the excellent report presented.

IMPORTS OF BUTTER INTO UNITED KINGDOM.

The last weekly circular of a leading London firm of importers of dairy produce, states the imports from September, 1897, to April, 1898, to have been less than in corresponding period in 1896-97. Although there is a shortage of supply the markets are dull and sluggish. Some difficulty is expressed by Messrs. Weddel & Co., who are large importers, in explaining the dull markets, but a fear prevails that the depression is owing to margarine mixtures. No direct intimation is given as to the source of the adulterated goods, but we judge that the responsibility for them rests upon the British dealers. This is implied by the statement that the rise in prices in Feby. last was followed by a rapid increase in the supply of margarine mixtures, which points clearly to the manipulation having been carried on by British dealers. This condition is a possible source of danger to Canadian butter, as the mixtures complained of may be palmed off as the product of this country. The total imports from Canada from September, 1897, to March, 1898, were 87,256 cwts., as compared with 66,745 for same term a year ago. We are still below the figures for Victoria, Australia, which for the months referred to amounted to 106,345 cwts. The other Australasian Colonies sent to the United Kingdom 115,847 cwts., making a total importation from the antipodes of 222,192 cwts. Out of a total importation of foreign butter amounting to 3,170,802 cwts., between the end of September, 1896, and end of August, 1897, no less than 2,811,699 cwts. were sent from foreign countries, and from the colonies 359,283 cwts. The following table shows the sources from which Great Britain drew its supplies in 1896-97:

	cwts.		. cwts.
Australia	194,846	France	442,414
Canada	93,508	Germany	58,312
N. Zealand	71,029	Holland	281,323
Argentine	11,922	Norway	26,134
United States	169,025	Russia	180,312
Belgium	31,918	Sweden	304,208
Denmark		Others	2,983

It is manifest from the above that there is practically an unlimited market for Canadian butter in Great Britain, the conditions for securing a much larger share of the trade of which are, high quality and prices to meet competition.

A SITE OFFERED TO THE G. T. RAILWAY.

The City Council has passed a resolution offering the land occupied by St. Ann's market to the Grand Trunk Railway for a site for its general offices, without any exemption from taxation. The resolution informs the G.T.R. that if the above site is not suitable, "the city has other sites which it may offer." The latter part of the resolution is peculiar. The railway officials will naturally wish to know where the other sites are, as the one offered to them by the Council may not be as eligible as some other, the location of which is not revealed. The St. Ann's market site we regard as highly suitable, it is near the Bonaventure Station, and within a short distance of the Custom House, the wharves, Board of Trade building and the mercantile districts of the city.

THE PREFERENTIAL TARIFF.

The Minister of Customs has submitted to the House of Commons the following schedule showing the duties to be levied under the preferential tariff giving a reduction of 25 per cent on British and other importations:

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Field rollers	30	25		lo colored		2617
Horseshoes	30	35		mask of liner		$22\frac{1}{2}$
Threshers & cut	ters 30 🕟	25	Co	ton quilts, w	hite 25	22/2
Separators	[30	25	(lo coloured.	30	$22\frac{1}{2}$
Separators Potato diggers.		25	Sh	eets	821/6	221/2
Grain crushers.	185	25	Нε	adkerchiefs	ვე	264
Fanning mills.		25	Cu	rtains	30	2614
Hay tillers		25		ien, silk and		/
Soap, laundry.		34c		on clothing.		$26\frac{1}{4}$
Soap, n.e.s	95	281/4		llars		2614
Dino	11/0			ffs		2614
Rice			Sil	irts	961/	2014
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Tarred paper	20	18%		fabrics		221/2
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Boots and shoe	s25	$18\frac{1}{2}$		or scamless c	otton 20	15
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		2014		awis		22 1/2
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Locks, bolts	and		~	wool or cotte		2614
hinges	32½	22/2		arpets, n.e.s.		$26\frac{1}{4}$
Cutlery	35	221/4		il Cloth		22
Files and rasp	s 35	221/2		lindow shad		261/4
Adzes and			U	mbrellas	35	$26\frac{1}{4}$
tools	35	2221/2	G	loves and m	itts 35	2614
Scythes	35	1834	- L	lats and bonn	ets 30	221/2
Reaping hooks	85	3318%		races		226 W
Edging knives	35	18%	F	ur goods	25	$22\frac{1}{2}$
Hoes and fork	85	18%	Č	omba	35	261/4
Shorale and ar	adec 26	2614		rushes		1834
Shovels and sp		10017	Ī	ertilizers	10	71/2
Lamps and lau	1 terus 00	221/2	- n	wings gowla	to 95	1817
Clothes wring	ers. 507	2074	- 7	wines, corda	ge, we 20	1837
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wood	25	18%	Ī	Sarbed wire. Rape seed	10	. free
wood Pails, tubs, &c	3 20 T	15	1	lushroom sp	awn 20	· free
Clocks and wa	tches 25.	二 18%	(alvanized in	on or	
Furniture	30	221/2		steel wire,	9, 12,	
Cotton waddin	ng 22 !	√ 18¾		13 gauges .	\dots 25	free

Having given the above statement of the Minister of Customs showing the advantages which will accrue to importers from the preferential tariff, it is only fair to give one compiled by Mr. Clancy, M.P. He has selected 31 articles from the list compiled by the Minister of Customs in order to compare the imports from Great Britain with those from the United States as follow:—

•	Great Britain,	United States.
Saws	\$ 3,612	\$ 72,365
Wire nails	746	13,961
Carpenters' tools	18,050	165,489
Files and rasps	9,349	42,695
Cordage	2,820	48,505
Fertilizers	1,375	52,747
Furniture	20,559	249,394
Seeds, farm and garden	11,852	524,227
Scythes	2,572	15,282
Braces and suspenders	21,138	86,048
Brushes	12,269	38,792
Tools of all other descriptions	7,149	54,613
Spades	1,601	21,276
Other agricultural tools	1,509	38,115
Clocks	4,658	89,279

Cotton cordage, all kinds	2.811	. 12,976
Paper hangings, all kinds	6,271	81, 99
Locks, all kinds	4,845	54.148
Boots and shoes	12,787	299,760
Miscellaneous	4,457	187,606
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Total..... \$156,260 \$2,098,922

*According to the above schedule less than 71 per cent of the articles above enumerated came from England, so that assuming a like proportion will be maintained in the future between British and American imports, the preferential tariff will only apply on importations of \$156,260 as against importations of \$2,098,922 of the same class of goods. The Minister of Customs however expressed his belief that the preference given to British goods will so far discriminate against those from the States as to largely increase the importations from the old land. Certainly if this effect is not realized, if American goods continue to come in as heavily as before the preference was given to Great Britain, the preferential tariff to that extent will be a dead letter. Mr. Clancy whose practical knowledge gives weight to his opinion, declares that no such increased importation of British goods will occur as the English manufacturers do not make a class of goods suited to the Canadian market. English farm implements, buggies, carriages, ploughs, and goods of this class are not made in England of a style which adapts them for use in Canada. It may, of course, be replied that British makers will manufacture goods suitable to Canada if there is a profitable market opened. It would be incomparably preferable however for this vexed question to be settled by Canadian enterprise, capital and skill being so actively developed as to provide for all the needs of the home market.

TWO SIDES OF THE LUMBER QUESTION.

The Lumber World, an American publication says: "On this side the border no one desires Free-Trade in lumber except a few wealthy men who have secured large timber limits in Canada. These few men are perfectly willing and anxious to bring about another such period of stagnation in the lumber mills of the United States as prevailed from August, 1893, to August, 1897. Such a period would enable them to clear their limits in Canada, rush the logs and lumber across the border, and enrich themselves, while hundreds and thousands of saw mill owners here would be driven to bankruptcy. We think it will be a long time before this country will repeat the unpleasant Free-Trade experience of 1893 to 1897." Without having any desire to see any of our U.S. neighbours "driven to bankruptcy" it seems the duty of Canadians to bring about such a condition of trade in Canada, as would enable those engaged in the lumber business in this country to "enrich themselves" by those industrial operations which would be set in motion by our raw materials being manufactured in our own country.

A WILD CAT SCHEME.

Numerous schemes for raising money to be lent to farmers at a low rate of interest have been proposed, but none more footish than the one which is before the Legislature of British Columbia. The bill in question provides for the formation of joint stock companies of not less than twenty-five members, who are to subscribe for as many shares as they may be regarded as good for: Each subscriber is to pay \$5 entrance fee, which money is to be deposited with the Government upon which interest is to be paid, and to be held as guarantee that the subscriber will pay calls on his shares should any be made. On the strength of this flimsy deposit the company is to be authorised to issue debentures at 3 or 41 per cent to be guaranteed by the Government, and the funds so raised are to be lent to farmers or others, as may be approved by a committee. The promoters of the bill

urge that as this committee will share in the responsibilities of the company and will be the neighbours of those to whom money is lent, the members will be certain to exercise the greatest care and judgment in making loans. The innocence of the latter plea is infantile. The managers of the Farmers' Loan Co. shared in its responsibilities, and the loans they made were made to neighbours on properties at their own doors, yet they brought the concern to ruin by reckless loans. The scheme is simply one designed to create wild cat debentures for the purpose of raising money for a wild cat class of borrowing. If the Government guaranteed the debentures the Government would soon have to pay the interest, as all experience shows that money procured so easily would be disbursed imprudently. The Government would guarantee payments of interest on securities over the issue of which, and over the disposal of the proceeds of which, it had no control. The scheme is only a variation of the old one for getting the Government to open a farmer's: loan bureau, to lend this class public money at a cless rate than private capitalists. The British Columbia Bille is a device to get hold of public money for the special use and benefit of one class of the community by issuing securities having no financial basis other than the Government guarantee, the inevitable result of which would be saddling them on the Government at maturity as a charge on the public revenue, or leaving investors who held such wild cat debentures to realize how they had been defrauded. The Legislature of British Columbia owes it to the honour of the Province to kill this scheme.

GROCERY NOTES.

A review of Valencia raisins for season 97.98 is furnished by Wm. Rogers & Co., Denia, as follows :- Owing to a very mild apring the vines developed very quickly and shipments commenced in the third week in July. At the outset of the season it was rumoured that the crop would again be short but it proved quite unfounded, as the yield resulted in about 1,140 tons more than last year or say, a total of 23,764 tons. The weather was very favorable throughout the season, consequently, the quality of the fruit was good, sound and of good keeping. At the opening prices ruled at \$4 as usual for sample lois, gradually falling to \$3.50 and owing to the demand not being brisk actually fell to the minimum of \$3. Subsequently however, speculators manipulated the market to such an extent that prices rose to \$1.50 which figure was maintained until the end of October. Afterwards prices gradually fell to \$3 which created a fair demand but the few raisins now remaining cannot be bought under \$4:

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	Cwts.
Exported to London	174,665:
" Liverpool	75,962
" Other parts in Great Britain &	,
Ireland	82,064
" United States	20.160
" Canada	47.004
" Sweden, Denmark and other parts	77.072
" Ports on Mediterranean	42.437
Estimated Stock in Growers & Packers hands	
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, Total	475,293
EXPORTED FROM 1890 TO 1897.	•
	Cwt.
1890	867,006
18/1,	685,421
1892	591,881
1893	496,634
1894	651,881
	457,501
1895	452,504
1896 1897	475,293
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"With more rain," says a California dispatch "a good crop of prunes may be expected, otherwise it will be short and the fruit no doubt small."

Regarding the situation in cured fruits on the Coast, apricots have been very generally damaged by frosts and the spot stock of cured apricots being light prices are firmer, and growers who have fruit on hand refuse to part with it except at a price far

Shove the present market, or even the views of speculative bayers. There is no corner on cured apricots, as dealers are willing to part with their holdings. Apricots can be purchased in carload lots at reasonable figures. The prices at which growers are holding this fruit at present has virtually withdrawn a good quantity from the market, causing somewhat of a speculative idea as to prices. Peaches are firm but have not actually improved in either demand or prices as yet. The outlook for the growing fruit crop is improving as time passes, and no doubt a fair crop will be forthcoming.

A Glasgow (Scotland) grocer is selling small tins of potted meats, salmon, turkey and tongue, chicken and ham, etc., for 2 cents each, and 30 yards of clothes rope for 9 cents. The Grocery World sees in cheap potted meats and a rope a very useful combination. The cutters of our own land are less thoughtful. They sell the 2-cent meat, but provide no cheap rope, thus forcing their customers to kill themselves at their own expense.

Mail advices from Sicily state that the reports of frost in the South of France affecting the almond have been exaggerated for speculative purposes.

All the principal holders of dried Lima beans in New York have withdrawn offers owing to small spot supplies, prospect of a short crop and increased demand.

Late cables from Patras indicate a slightly easier tendency in currants. There is no pressure to sell however. The statistical position of the article is still very good, with stock in Greece of about 10,000 tons, a much lighter stock than has been known there at this time for many years, and with European continental countries having taken somewhat less than their usual supply, it is probable the remaining stock can be cleared before the season is over.

Stocks of currants throughout England are very small. There is little change in spot quotations, but for future shipments there seems to be a tendency to harden after the decline of last week.

A letter from Smyrna under date April 1st, states that parties just returned from a visit to the interior report that the fig trees have been seriously injured by the severe winter and that from present appearances the crop of figs would not exceed 50,000 camel-loads, against 80,000 last season. "If this news proves true," the correspondent writes, "figs will cost high this year."

Within the past week a large quantity of tea has been shipped from Hamilton to the United States. It is expected that a war tax will be put on tea, although the last time this move was anticipated tea was left alone.

Latest advices from Japan in regard to teas indicates a firm market for new medium teas, though when the market opens in May much will depend upon the demand for the United States. The tendency to shut out low grade teas will, it is expected, lead to a strong demand for teas of a quality just good enough to pass inspection, and these grades are expected to rule 10 to 20 per cent higher.

—Our highly valued contemporary the New York "Journal of Commerce" had the following in a recent issue relating to the right to draw against a deposited check:

NEW YORK, March, 24, 1898—A is a depositor in B bank in this State, and deposits a check for \$3,000 on a Texas bank. B bank enters the same on his pass book, and A immediately draws against this deposit to the amount of \$2,500. B bank refuses to pay the check and A claims he has a right to draw against any deposit credited on his pass book, and says the law upholds. Who is right?

F. F. & Co.

Reply. When a check is endorsed in blank, or by any absolute and unrestrictive indorsement, and deposited by the payee upon a general account in a bank in which such payee keeps an account, and is with the payee's knowledge and without dissent on his part credited in his pass book as so much cash, then the title to the check vests in the bank, and the depositor is immediately entitled to draw against it. The transaction smounts, in effect, to a sale of the check, and if it is not paid the only recourse of the bank against the depositor lies in his obligation as indorser. If the depositor wishes to retain title to his check he may do so by indorsing it "for collection." If the bank does not wish to become liable until the proceeds of the check are actually in its hands it may accomplish this end by the simple device of crediting it as a check and not as cash. But if they enter into

any arrangement by which the check becomes the property of the bank and the bank credits the depositor with an equivalent amount of cash the courts will not relieve either of them of any inconvenience which may arise out of the transaction. See 90 N.Y., 530, and 99 N.Y., 133.

—The following other failures occured in Ontario during the week:—Chas. Hendry, general store, Stirton, has compromised at 60c on the dollar cash—Receiver is in possession N. P. Finch & Co., drygoods, Aylmer—Chris. Hunter, general store, Painswick, has assigned to Alex. Brownlee—W. J. Green, tailor, Peterboro, has assigned—Williams, Joseph & Co., hosiery, Glen Williams, are offering compromise—Joseph Hicks, general store, Collander, has compromised at 49 cents on the dollar—Kealy Bros., confectioner, Ottawa, and J. J. Knowles, Stirling, have assigned.

—The O'Keefe Brewing Co., Toronto, have entered suit against one S. E. Townshend, who was employed by the firm in the capacity of auditor. They allege that through negligence the defendant made it possible for their ex-bookkeeper Gibson—now a convict in Kingston penitentiary—to continue his depredations. The action has a peculiar significance, and in the event of the plea being sustained, a new complexion will be put upon the audit profession as regards its responsibility for defalcations.

--F. CLOUTIER, clothing, &c., Winnipeg, has assigned to Wm. Georgeson, of Thompson, Codville & Co., of that city. The failure has caused some surprise, as he was supposed to be in a fair position though a little widespread. He was at one time of the firm of Clouthier & L'Heureux, but for some eleven years past has been carrying on business alone. He recently gave a chattel mortgage to his brother, the Rev. G. Clouthier for \$10,000, covering stock in trade, and this forced matters to a crisis.

—FAILURES in Quebec province this week were few and small—J. A. Grenier & Co., general store, Louiseville, have assigned to Kent & Turcotte—J. C. Cheval, general store, Waterloo, is offering compromise—P. A. Perron, general store, Carleton, has assigned—Emile Depocas, hardware, Westmount, district Montreal, has compromised.

—It is reported Gray, Carrie & Co., drygoods, London, are being urged to continue the business at Woodstock, either as a branch of the London house or as a separate business in charge of a competent manager. It is not known what decision the firm will come to.

—The Plebiscite Bill will provide for a straight vote on prohibition being taken without reference to the financial issue, The provincial lists will be used, and the date of voting will be fixed by the Governor General in Counci!.

—FURNESS, WHITHY & COMPANY, agents for the Manchester Steamship Line, have leased a portion of the Great Northwestern building on St. Francois Xavier street. J. H. Hugill, now manager of the Halifax office, will have charge of the Montreal end of the business.

—TORONTO fire underwriters have offered \$500 reward for such information as shall secure the arrest and conviction of the author of a fire which occurred in Belleville a month ago.

BUSINESS trouble have overtaken the following firms in the Maritime provinces: Butler & Co., builders, Halifax; R. Young & Son, general store, Caraquet, N.B.

-ESTATE of W. J. Armstrong, hardware, Vernon, B.C., is offering 70c in the dollar.

-THE Bank of Montreal has declared its usual half-yearly dividend of 5 per cent payable on and after 1st June.

THE Spring clean up at the Klondike is expected to realize \$10,000,003.

-The Standard Bank has declared a dividend of 4 per cent for the half year, payable on and after 1st June.

DRY GOODS NOTES.

The whim of fashion in Gotham has decreed that loud check and stripe golf hose is in bad taste, preference being given to plain colors and random mixtures with fancy plaid tops. Goods of the former description are retailing at 50c, whilst the latter being no better in wearing quality bring \$1.50 a pair. It doesn't take long after a wearing apparel of any sort is established as among the necessities before it comes under the ban,

Extreme summer wear fabrics are receiving attention: Lawns, plain swisses, organdies, piques, mulls and other filmsy textures, as well as foulard and printed China sliks.

The glove manufacturers of Ontario held a meeting in Toronto on Tuesday last to consider the prospects of forming an association to prevent price cutting. Negotiations with principal manufacturers in Canada are going on.

Providence, R.I., business men are interesting themselves in a proposal to start the weaving of lace curtains. Very few lace curtains are manufactured in the States, and there is an enormous sale of imported goods paying 60 per cent duty. It is put forward in approval of the venture that Scotch manufacturers employing only a few machines make large profits. The machines cost close upon \$2,500 on the other side.

A New York retail house has brought out something new in the bosiery line in what they term ladies' socks. The goods are shown in fancy plaid and check effects, trimmed with fancy tops that turn down similar to golf hose, which are meant to hold them in place. The idea is to wear them over tights, which have been adopted by ladies in the place of hose.

BUSINESS CHANGES.

QUEBEC-M. Raymond, hats, &c., Granby, commenced business; J. J. Beauregard, grocer, Montreal, commencing business; Daoust, Lalonde & Co., wholesale shoes, Montreal, dissolved and new firm formed; John McLaughlin, grocer, Montreal, commencing business; Paquette Bros., drygoods, Montreal, commenced business; P. H. Theoret, grocer, Montreal, commenced business; G. Tremblay & Son, wholesale hay, grain, &c., Montreal, dissolved-Emery Lavigne continues under same style; Perron & Frere, general store, St. Theele, succeeded Mederic Perron; Levi Kert, shoes, Calumet, opening branch at Montreal; J. Moisan & Co., drygoods, Drummondville, De. Eva Moisan sole owner; J. E. Michaud & Co., general store, Laprairie, Mrs. J. E. Michaud sole owner; Bousquet & Malhiot, grocers, Maisonneuve, commencing business; T. Dudevoire & Co., grocers and butchers, Maisonneuve, have sold out grocery; Central Millinery Parlor, Montreal, Mary J. Fitzpatrick ceased doing business, as above, Alf. Rowe, continues under same style; Michaud & Filteau, shoes, Montreal, dissolved; Millette & Co., general store, St. George de Windsor, have given up business; Millette & Godbout, lumber, St. George de Windsor, about removing to Windsor Mills; Sherbrooke Cigar Co. Ltd., Sherbrooke, incorporation granted; L. A. Casavant, drygoods, Sorel, commencing business; G. A. Cameron, general store, Adamsville, commencing business; J. G. Duquette & Co., roofing Montreal, dissolved, Major, Duquette & Co., new co-partnership; G. Lachance & Co., prepared flour, Quebec, dissolution registered; Chas. Martel & Co., groceries and liquors, Quebec, retired from business; Hayes & Marchessault, general store, West Shefford, sold out Adamsville branch; L. N. Duconder, hardware, Joliette, has sold out to J. E. Theriault; Reliance Cigar Factory Ltd., Montreal, seeking incorporation; Sauvageau & Toupin, dry goods, Three Rivers, dissolved, Sauvageau & Normand, new co-partnership; H. Prevost & Co., general store, Montreal, commencing business.

ONTARIO-Thos. Cale, drygoods, Glencoe, has sold out ; Geo. Forsyth, shoes, Haysville, dead; W. H. Elliott, shoes, St. Thomas, out of business; John O'Brien, shoes, Tamworth, succeeded by F. Gonyon; Toronto Furniture Supply Co. Ltd. Toronto, style now Toronto Upholsterers Supply Co. Ltd; H. R. Davis, shoes, Woodville about moving to Toronto; John McPhail, general store, Alvinston, dead; H. Malcolmson, grocery, &c., Chatham, canning business now conducted under style Kent Canning Co. Ltd.; W. W. Lawrason, grocer, Galt, style now Lawrason & Roelofson; Mrs. Price H. Whipple, mnfr. cigars, Hamilton, out of business; John Dillon, grocer, Toronto, advertises business for sale; Ryan & Russell, grocers, London dissolved, J. E. Ryan continuing; W. McCausland, grain, Tara, about moving to Regina; R. J. Weir & Co., groceries, &c., Ashburnham, sold out to J. T. Pue; W. A. Ostrander, grocer, Dutton, sold out to W. A. Cavers; E. J. Malone, general store, Inglewood, succeeded by Jno. McEachren; Thompson Bros. & Co., general store, Orangeville, Jno. Thompson, dead; Chas. Boeckh & Son, mufr. brushes, &c., Toronto, dissolved, style now Boeckh

Bros. & Co.; H. J. Lehman, general store, West Montrose, sold out to J. Dickie.

British Columbia—Moyie Supply Co., general store, Moyie City, starting; John Profitt, teas, &c., Trail, given up business; Hall Bros., general store, Valdez Island, succeeded by Pidcock Bros.; Vancouver Biscuit Co. Ltd., Vancouver, plant &c. purchased by M. R. Smith & Co; John Earsman & Co., commission pork curers, Victoria, L. H. Hardie admitted as partner, style now Earsman, Hardie & Co.; J. R. Dalton & Co., flour & feed Vancouver, giving up business; Ramsay Bros. Co. Ltd., wholesale confectioners, Vancouver, adding biscuit plant; G. E. Munroe, grocer, Victoria, sold out to J. Townley.

NEW BRUNSWICK—Reed & Co., mnfrs. brooms, Fredericton, sold out to W. H. Lawrence; F. L. Flewelling, groceries & meats, St. John, sold out to James Gault; O. V. D. Jones, drugs, St. John, business closed and reported to have left the country; Walter Scott, dry goods, St. John, sold out to D. A. Kennedy; Street & Co. wholesale liquors, St. John, dissolved—C. N. Beal W. D. Foster continue as C. N. Beal & Co.

Manitoba—Thorburn & Sons, Ltd., general store, Broadview, adding millinery; J. Y. Griffin & Co., pork packers, Winnipeg, opening branch at Vancouver; Chisholm & Copeland, general store, Grenfell, adding millinery; Thornton & Carmichael, shoes, Portage la Prairie, dissolved; Crawford & Breakey, general store, Souris, dissolved.

Nova Scotia—McCormack Bros., general store, Sydney Mines, dissolved, John McCormack continues; Angus Cameron, general store, Beaver Harbor, dead; J. S. Coombs, drugs, Halifax, opening business May 1st; Blackadar & Co., general store, &c., Meteghan, dissolved; Treen & Patterson grocers, New Glasgow, new co-partnership; Somers & Smith' general store, Oxford, new co-partnership; F. H. Rudderham, drugs, Parrsboro, removing to North Sydney, R. J. Turner, hardware, &c., Truro, stock advertised for sale en bloc; McNeil Bros., & Lowe, lumber, &c., Millville, Aylesford, B. R. McNeil, has sold out his interest in this firm to J. W. Lowe; Salter & Elliott, general store, Pugwash, succeeded by J. H. Clark; Alex. Beaton, grocer, Weymouth, opened business; Dimick Bros., general store, &c., Windsor, new co-partnership registered.

Meetings, Reports, &c.

THE WESTERN BANK OF CANADA.

The sixteenth annual meeting of the shareholders of the Western Bank of Canada, Oshawa, Ont., was held at the head office of the bank, on Wednesday, the 18th day of April, 1898.

The following shareholders were present:—John Cowan, Esq., W. F. Allen, Esq., T. H. McMillan, Esq., Thomas Patterson, Esq., C. W. Scott, Esq., John McLaughlin, Esq., W. F. Cowan, Esq., Thomas Conant, Esq., Dr. McIntosh and Robert Dillon, Esq.

The President, John Cowan, Esq., occupied the chair, and Mr. T. H. McMillan, acted as secretary to the meeting.

REPORT.

The directors have pleasure in submitting the sixteenth annual report for the year ending 28th February, 1898.

The business of the bank during the year has been of an average nature. Deposits have increased \$100,000, compelling an increased investment in debentures of a corresponding sum. A slight improvement is shown in the net earnings, which have been about equal to 10½ per cent on capital.

Profits have been adversely affected by the large amount of cash assets carried for which legitimate investments could not be found on desirable mercantile securities. Your directors feel warranted in hoping that the increasing volume of business exhibited in every branch of trade will provide profitable channels for absorbing surplus funds before the expiration of another year.

The net earnings have amounted to \$39,746.42, leaving (after payment of the usual seven per cent dividends, amounting to \$26,676.94,) a balance of \$18,591.41. Out of this balance the sum of \$6,000 has been added to the Rest Account, which now stands at \$118,000, and the difference (\$7,591.41) has been carried forward to credit of Profit and Loss Account.

The employees of the Bauk have discharged the several duties

pertaining to their positions to the satisfaction of the directors.

Joun Cowan, President,

Oshawa, 18th April, 1898.

STATEMENT OF ASSECT AND LIABILITIES	, ,	WRITS ISSUED, ONT.
Statement of Profits for the year ending 28th of	Feb , 1898.	Ashtield Tp—C. E. Dobbs vs John Hutcheson 4,25
Balance at Credit of Profit and Loss Account on the 28th February 1897	\$ 524.93	Campbellford—A. McCall et al vs Duncau McCall 30 Cobourg—F. F. Meehan vs J. A. McWilliams 37
Net Profits of the year	39,746.42	Fort William—W. S. Piper vs J. H. & Emma Ollis 38 Frankford—D. E. Grass vs H. H. Alger 65
· .	\$40,271.35	Gostield Tp—N. H. Stevens vs W. Clark et al
LIABILITIES.		Hawkesville—R. Hume vs Alex. Paterson et al
Capital Account	\$ 384,140.47 118,000.00	& C. Sifton, \$420; M. J. Kent vs J. N. Tamlin, (settled
Rest Account	265,700.00	\$847. London Tp—B. S. McKay vs W. H. Abray & Co 66
Deposits with Interest	1,868,478.27	Mount Forest—H. Ryan vs Luke Madigan 1.25
Due to Agents in London, England Dividend No. 81	8,880.66 13,442.75	Norway—F. Kay vs Ira Bates. 2,63 Ottawa—C. Magee vs F. C. Clemow. 5,80
At Credit of Profit and Loss Account	7,591.41	Paris-Christina M. Anderson vs Henry & Christina Olive
•	\$2,166,228.56	\$885. Sarnia Tp—Industrial Mortgage & Sav. Co. vs J. D. Cronin
To Dividend No. 30	\$ 132,37,19 13,442,75	\$509. Toronto—S. Alexander vs C. D. Lennox 78
Carried to Rest Account	6,000.00	April 16.
Balance at Credit of Profit and Loss Account	7,591.41	Arnprior-L. W. Shannon vs A. J. Jeffrey
•	\$40,271.35	Ashfield Tp-D. McInnes vs Alex. McLean (dmgs) 1,((
ASSETS.	• •	Cornwall—P. Sauriol vs D. I. McDonell
Specie	25,390,51	Dummer—T. Weir vs Robt. & Ada Hitt
Logals	23,470.75	Guelph—H. Corby vs David Martin
Notes and checks of other Banks Due from other Banks in Canada	12,277.02 $459,450.42$	Lindsay-Laxton, Digby & Longford vs J. H. & Sarah Calve
Due from Banks in Foreign Countries	3.051.16	\$305. Mildmay—Mildmay Athletic Assn. Financial Co. vs Jol
Circulation Redemption Fund	18,500.28 31,523.80	Schneider, as assignee, \$497.
Provincial, Municipal and other first-class Deben-		Nissouri E.—R. Neill vs John Neill
tures	604,948.15	Rat Portage—W. J. Green vs W. G. Cameron et al 9
Assets Readily Convertible	1,178,607.09	St. Catharines—J. M. Brinker et al vs Ellen McCarthy. St. Thomas—Elzth, Smith vs George Calvert
Bills Discounted Current	900,022.77 26,297.40	Sarnia—Ellen Morris vs Thos. Kenny 5
Real Estate	50,186.75	Seneca Tp—Agnes M. Watt vs Archd. Spittal & Isabel Nickles, \$3,991.
Mortgages on Real EstateOffice Safes and Furniture	4,250.00 6,864.55	Toronto—H. G. T. Glazebrook vs G. L. & M. Hillman, \$10,59 I. Alexander vs John Maloney, \$1,702; J. Sidley vs Elzti J. Peters, \$425.
T. H. McMillan,	\$2,166,228.56 Cashier.	Windsor—E. Boisseau & Co. vs J. O. Peck
Moved by the president, and seconded by the vithat the report as read be adopted, printed and circ		April 19.
the shareholders.—Carried.	•-	Chinguacousy Tp-W. H. McFadden vs Francis Nixon et a exrs., \$610.
Mr. McLaughlin, seconded by Mr. Conant, mov thanks of the shareholders are due and are hereby	ted, That the	Esquesing Tp—Hon. C. Moss vs Michael Kaley 6
the president, vice-president and directors of the	bank for the	Fredericksburg—Molsons Bank vs Jno Milling
manner in which they have conducted the affairs during-the past year.—Carried.		Huntsville—J. G. Ramsay vs R. J. Hutchison (dmgs) 1,0
Mr. Patterson, seconded by Mr. McLaughlin,	moved, That	Madoc—C. Thompson vs C. W. Bacon (dmgs)
the thanks of the shareholders be given to the cash officers of the bank for their attention to the int	terests of the	ford, \$2,000. Port Arthur—G. Claret vs Adolphe & Celina St. Louis 3,7
bank Carried.		Sault St. Marie - Duncan Bole et al va David Murray
Mr. Conant, seconded by Mr. W. F. Cowan, more meeting do now proceed to elect, by ballot, seven d		Toronto—Bank of Hamilton vs Gall, Anderson & Co., \$1,068; H. Syms vs A. W. H. Gianelli, \$345; J. Adams vs II.
the place of those retiring, and that Messrs. C. V	V. Scott and	Greene, \$1,184; G. S. Crawford et al vs W. K. Murpl
John McLaughlin be scrutineers for said election, poll remain open for one hour to receive the votes		\$402. Writs Issued Man. & N.W.T.
holders, but that should five minutes elapse at any	time without	April 14.
a vote having been taken the poll shall be declare that the scrutineers be paid \$4 each for their servic	es —Carried.	Hamiota-Lake Woods Milling Co. vs Armstrong & Basis \$2,000.
The scrutineers reported the following seven g having received the unanimous vote of the shareho		April 19.
John Cowan, Esq., R. S. Hamlin, Esq., W. F. Cow	an, Esq., Dr.	Hamiota—Harvey, Vanorman Co. vs Atkinson & Co
McIntosh, W. F. Allan, Esq., T. Patterson, Esq., a son, Esq., who were duly elected directors for the		JUDGMENTS RENDERED, QUEBEC.
A vote of thanks was then tendered to the chairma	n for his able	April 14. Levis—Corp'n. de Levis agt J. B. Caron, \$324; Corp'n. de Le
conduct in the chair, and the meeting then adjourn At a subsequent meeting of the new board, John	ned. Cowan Esa	agt Flavie Turgeon, \$220.
was unanimously elected president, and R. S. I vice-president.	Hamlin, Esq.	Montreal—C. Sheppard agt Damase Beaupre, \$326; F. Racic agt Hermenegilde Messier, \$281.
		April 16. Montreal-De. E. Legault agt Geo. Carslake, \$210; Wind
THAT DRAWN		Hotel Co. agt W. D. Gordon, \$302; A. Bissonnette a

LEGAL RECORD, &c.

Week ended April 20, 1898.

The following is a record of transactions and cases in our Canadian courts of law, comprising Writs Issued and Judgments Rendered for sums of \$300 and upwards, (Montreal, from \$175, and upwards), and Chattel Mortgages, and Bills of Sale for sums of \$550 and upwards), as taken from the public records It will be understood that the actions or items do not necessarily affect the credit and soundness of the persons or concerns named, as they may have been paid or otherwise settled, and that good defences may exist in cases of writs, &c., 1st class Writs cover sums over \$1,000; 2d class, over \$400 to \$1,000; 3d class, over 200 to \$400:

Hotel Co. agt W. D. Gordon, \$302; A. Bissonnette agt Jacques Lafontaine, \$190; J. Will agt Stadacona Water & Light Power Co., \$867; J., Burgess agt J. P. Whelan, \$251; J. Burgess agt J. P. Whelan,

Clarenceville-Perm. Bldg. Soc. of Iberville agt C. B. Jameson,

JUDGMENTS RENDERED, ONTARIO. April 16.	Toronto—Henry Schofield to Lyman Bros. & Co 3,093 Watford—H. O. & Fanny Baker to J. B. & J. W. Scandrett exrs.,
Osnabruck Tp-S. Warren agt W. A. Eamon	\$689. Woodstock—A. J. Gordon to M. Wilson, \$4,100; A. J. Gordon to E. W. Nesbitt, \$4,500.
St. Catharines—J. M. Brinker agt J. J. McCarthy 850 Woodstock—Diana Chambers agt E. W. Chambers 6;225	FORECLOSURE WRIT, NOVA SCOTIA. April 16.
April 19. Kenyon Tp—Sarah McDonell agt John McDonald 371	Halifax—Shand & Umlah, builders
London - Walker Sons agt J. A. Moody	Bills of Sale, Province of Ontario. April 14.
Life Ins. Co. agt. J. J. Kehoe, \$1,987. Ottawa—J. E. Smith agt Wm. & Susan Bradley 558 Toronto—Albrecht & Albrecht agt Jas Blackhall, \$894; E. F.	Toronto—W. H. Oliver foreman to H. M. Oliver for \$1,000 April 16.
Fauguier agt Ellen Thompson, \$2,438.	Hamilton-C. S. Scott assignee to Elzth. McKeown, for. 900 Perth-J. A. Allan et al to Kate E. Allan, for 898
JUDGMENTS RENDERED, B. C. April 19.	Port Huron—Laing Fish Co. to P. J. Jones, for
Kaslo—Phoenix Consolidated Mining Co. Ltd	April 19.
April 14. Fredericton—J. Edgecombe & Sons	St. Joseph's Island—W. Archibald to N. Macdonald for. Westport—Joel Clark, manufacturer, to H. W. Lockwood et al
April 19.	Bills of Sale, B.C.
Campbellton—W. P. Gray	April 14. Sandon—Chas. & Harriette McInnis, hotel, for \$ \$00
JUDGMENTS RENDERED, N.S.	April 19. Kaslo—H. C. Ross et al, restaurant, for
April 16. Lockeport—C. Locke & Co	B 31.0
Ritcey's Cove—Sam'l. Ritcey	April 16. Amherst—Jas. Currie, grocer, for 600
Halifax—Geo. Hirchfield & Henry Hechler	Amherst Head-H. W. Chapman, mill, for 1,531
Red Islands—J. J. Johnson	Kentville-Sam'l. Boak, grocery, &c. for \$150 & 444 Popes Harbor-J. L. Abriel, general store, for 1,000
April 14. Montreal—De. Mary Quinn et vir agt J. R. Duggans, \$830; J.	BILLS OF SALE ! .E I. April 14.
A Observious and Da D. Describerto di Ori	Summerside-John McKenzie tailor, for \$ 950
Montroal—R. A. Mainwaring agt A. J. Corriveau, \$200; The Queen agt Alfred Denis, \$400; Cie Massey-Harris agt L.	BILLS OF SALE, N.B. April 14.
A. Duteau, \$186; C. Shepperd agt Louis Paquette. \$574; De. Virginie Deroux agt Avila Roy, \$1,831; J. H. Charle- bols agt Adolphe Valois esql., \$3,800.	Glassville—Peter Duffie, general store & laundry \$ 600
April 19.	TRADE OPPORTUNITIES.
Montreal—J. A. Chevrier agt De. Bridget Dunningham. \$1,251; F. Leroux agt P. O Giroux. \$505: Artizans Dwelling House Co. agt Lewis Myers, \$690; De. Virginie Leroux	A new butter factory is to be erected in Boushaw, Prince Edward Island.
ngt Avila Roy, \$1,881. CHATTEL MORTGAGES, PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.	A prominent Brockville lumber dealer states that during the
Belleville—Morey Sine to Margt. Sine	past seven or eight years he never experienced a more gloomy outlook for building operations in Brockville than this season.
London—A. P. Yeo to N. F. Yeo	Commencing May 1st the Grand Trunk Railway will relay its rails throughout Ontario, using heavier material than heretofore.
Toronto — Melville Durell to J. Davis, \$580; Dav'l. Fitzgerald to Cosgrave Brew. Co., \$2,050; Harvie & Co. to R. Thom-	The Ottawa City Council will compel the Electric Ry. Co. to
son & Co. \$2,497. Walters Falls—Jas. Shepherdson to A. C. Paterson 638	put down 70 lb. rails instead of 56 lb. rails in future. On these conditions permission will be given to track York street.
Killarney—Neil Mc Villan to W. Smillie	Wm. Pugsley, London, Ont. will build a brick vencer addition to his residence—The London, Ont. Gas Company have con-
April 16.	tracted with the McClary Manufacturing Company for the supply
Edwardsburgh Th—Sarah Shaver to Mary A. Selleck. 1,500 Guelph—James Stirton to J. A. Torell 900 Hamilton Fleth & A. H. McKenwar to G. Brazzard 900	of 200 gas stoves this season—J. A. Matthews has taken out a building permit for the erection of two one and a half story
Hamilton—Elzth. & A. H. McKeown to G. Brazzard 900 Luther W—Peter Rohles to J. A. Halstend 624 Humberstone—Mrs. M. A. & Albert Harwood to Emma Noble,	brick veneer dwellings—Andrew Sharp will build a two story brick dwelling.
\$500. Peterbro.—J. H. Armstrong to W. A. Stratton et al, \$1,009; Mrs.	A pulp mill is spoken of as likely to be erected by a syndicate
Irene Henry to T. Henry, \$1,600; H. A. Walker to Gould Bicycle Co., \$558.	at Tufts Cove, N.S. Ground has been broken to receive the foundation of a mill at Mispec.
Prescott—W. S. Brown to H. N. Brown	Building permits have been granted in Hamilton—T. Allen to build a house on Walnut street; F. J. Rastrick & Son, a brick
Smith's Falls—Mrs. Kate E. Allan to J. A. Allan	house on King street; William & Walter Stewart, alterations to
Toronto—Jas. Beding-field to G. Beding-field, \$1,000; Jos. Heighington to J Stark, \$1,190; E'zth. McConnell to Supreme Court I.O.F., \$3,228; Walter Page to J. J. Page, \$1,063;	216 Jackson street west. Geo. H. Hees, Son & Co., mfrs. of window shades, Toronto,
Mrs. Walter Page to J. J. Page, \$1.053; Fred'k. Tremble to L. Reinhardt, \$2,103; Fred'k. Tremble to Cosgrave	recently burned out propose erecting a large new building at once.
Brew. Co., \$2,167. Whitby—Bella McGeary to Bank of Montreal	Tenders for the erection and completion of a new Presbyterian
April 19. Almonte-Mrs. A. J. & John Gemmill to R. Chisholm 678	Church will be received until 25th inst., addressed Dr. Lawlor, Chairman Building Committe, North Sydney, C.B.
Collingwood—Wm. Hayden to J. Hayden	It is said the Hudson's Bay Co. contemplate establishing a creamery in one of their buildings at Lower Fort Garry, Man.
merce, \$50, Ottawa-J. L. Currie to J. McFarlane	It is reported that the Manitola government has decided to aid
St. Joseph's Island—Waller Archibald to C. F. Farwell 3,750 Sault St. Marie—A. S. McCaig to F. H. Scherk	the Southeastern railway to the extent of guaranteeing bonds to the amount of \$3,000 a mile, for one hundred miles from Lake
Springfield—Geo. Butler & wife to G. J. Foy	of the Woods to Winnipeg. This road is proposed to connect

with the Ontario and Rainy River railway, thus forming a through line to Lake Superior in Canadian territory.

It is reported that a stock company will be organized to operate the Osgoode Glove Works at Preston, Ont.

The Barnston Woollen Mill Co. will rebuild its recently burnt factory at Way's Mills, P.Q.

A pulp and paper mill to employ 300 hands will probably be established at once at Dartmouth, N.S.

The new pulp and paper mill at East River, Sheet Harbor, N.S., is now in course of erection.

The Takush Harbor Lumber Co. will probably put up a pulp and paper mill at Vancouver, B.C.

The stock lists for the new pork packing industry at Middleton, N.S. are being circulated for signature from Windsor to Yarmouth Public meetings are to be held at all the places, including Digby. About \$5,000 has already been subscribed.

The Canadian Pacific railway company is considering a proposal for the enlargement of the depot building in Winnipeg.

The contract for the Trust & Loan company's building to be erected in Winnipeg has been let to Phil. Burnett; Jas. Mc-Diarmid will have the carpenter work. The amount is estimated at \$18,000.

The City Board of Health has decided to call for tenders for the water supply and drainage of the new scavenging stables on the Amos property. The tenders for the repairs of the incinerator chimney at the Gregory farm were opened and found to be as follows: N. Major, \$1,700; O. Charpentier, \$1,000; Beau mont & Wand, two offers of \$2,500 and \$2,000 respectively; Boyer & Martial, \$1,450; F. X. Aube, \$1,600; L. J. Pothier, \$1,250, and B. Brigon, \$999. The contract was awarded to Mr.

Frigon, the lowest tenderer, provided he would furnish angle bar and braces, the extra cost not to exceed \$200, and to give a guarantee of the job for five years.

Thos. Wilkey London, has taken out two building permits for brick veneer dwellings for Mr. S. Sercombe and Mr. Henry Freeland of that city.

Hamilton is anxious to have stock yards in that city on the same lines as Montreal and Toronto, and with that object in view, a deputation of the City Council and the Board of Trade interviewed the management of the Grand Trunk this week in the matter of securing the necessary railway facilities for the purpose. The stock yards require considerable siding facilities.

Work has been commenced on the warehouse which will be erected this season on McDermot street, Winnipeg, for Geo. D. Wood & Co.

Tenders will be received until April 25th for the erection of a greenhouse Parliament Grounds, Ottawa, Addressed Sec. Dept. Public Works.

Until April 30th tenders will be received by the Dept. Railways and Canals for the works connected with the widening, straightening and deepening of the Upper Entrance of the Cornwall Canal and the River Reaches between Cornwall and Coteau Landing.

FIRE RECORD.

The Roman Catholic church at Sayabec, County Matane, was destroyed by fire on Sunday night. Loss \$1,800.

Gaws planing mill, Kingston, was destroyed by fire on Tuesday last. The mill and plant were insured for \$5,000 and the loss is estimated at between \$3,000 and \$9,000.

Tinancial.

Thursday E'vg, April 21st, 1898.

No parallel can be found for the steadiness and quietude of the money market on the eve of war between two great powers, such as now prevails. There is not a sign of the disturbance which has hitherto been manifested at a similar crisis. There is no reason indeed why the money market should be agitated over a war between Spain and the United States. The securities of the former country have for a length of time been out of favour, they will be more so before the war is over, and some of them will be practically repudiated. Spain cuts no figure at all in the financial world. On the other hand there is no reason to apprehend any material disturbance of American credit by the coming war. Gold has been flowing into the States all the time the danger of war was increasing. The exports from the States of merchandise have been unprecedented. while imports have fallen off. The whole business of the country is in a most promising condition, and we see no reason why any serious check to it should be given by hostilties, Money will be dearer but not so much so as to disarrange commerce to any material extent. If the States wish to borrow for war purposes they will, find lenders largely amongst their own people, as never before were the American people so well supplied with money. The steadiness of the stock market at this crisis is a remarkable evidence of this, as holders are evidently too well able to hold on to be scared into selling at any sacrifice. An impression pre-

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vails that the war will be short, and will be followed by an advance in prices, in anticipation of which there is no disposition to unload. The March bank statement just to hand gives evidence of money having been in unusually active demand for business purposes during March, as we show on another page. The banks are beginning to announce their dividends for past half year, in the rates of which no change have been made, and none anticipated. Transactions have been livelier in bank stocks this week than for some time past, but the sales have been small. In Canadian Pacific, Commercial Cable, Toronto Street Railway and Montreal Street Railway, considerable sales have accurred, advances being looked for. Local rates remain as last week, 41/2 to 5 for call loans, and 6 to 7 for trade dis-

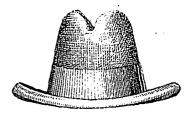
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Toronto		4	228	2 8	229
Merchants		38	179	173%	170%
Eastern Tow	nships	20	155	155	150
Quebec		15	125	125	120
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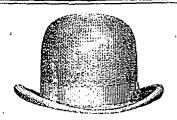
MISCELLANEOUS, Can. Pacific..... 5151 80 $75\%\,52$ 168 4 163 166 177 177 166 9134 9134 97 254 147 284 Comm. Cable 750 7 75 Telegraph Rich. & Ont..... 1655 1050 251 1/2 244 800 183 1/2 178 182 5 144 144 145 1224 93 1/2 87 73 110 121 120 90 " (New Stock) Montreal Gas Co... 5 2224 Royal Electic Toronto St. Ry... 2224 Halifax Tm. Co... 100 " Bonds \$13,000 95 95 92 92 92 95 95 95 95 95 95 95 95 95 95 80 Dom. Coal Co pfd. Dom. Cotton Co. 100

MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS. MONTREAL, April 21st, 1898.

Business since our last has been of the waiting kind—usual when ocean commerce and open canals are near at hand—The circumstance of war in its aspect of unsettling lines which United States emergency duties would influence, has also tended to cause passing duliness, whi st wet and cold weather has materially interfered with normal movement, particularly in dry goods. In the markets, paint and oil lines are steady, with the exception of turpentine, which owing to increased shipments north from Savannah has declined \$c_i\$, and is now quoted at 47. Leather and hides are quiet, the movement in both being limited. Shoemen however report sustained activity and favorable outlook for trade in fall lines. Hardware men have nothing to complain of business so, far this month having turned out 25 per cent, better than similar period last year. There is no pronounced change in schedules. The grocery market is quiet, sugars have gone up 116c, and with brightening demand, further enhancement would not come: unexpected. In produce lines, butter is weaker owing to heavy receipts, cheese on the other hand is firmer; holders views are in the neighborhood of 8½c. Cable declined 2s on Wednesday, after advancing the same amount the day previous. Eggs are active and in most instances bring fractionally more than last week owing to receipts falling away somewhat.



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BUTTER AND CHEESE, -Butter has dropped 4c since last writing consequent upon large receipts, factories having entered into heavier production encouraged by the relatively better values obtainables for butter than cheese. Transactions are based upon 17c with 18c for exceptionally fine lots. Cables from Britain report the market weak at 85s for finest and 75s for for good. Townships dairy butter is bringing equal prices to creamery; roll butter is scarce and sells at 16c to 16%c. Nothing of any moment has transpired in cheese since the large sale last week, and It is given out that balance of stock is now held in one hands. This has induced greater firmness and ideas to-day compared to a week ago are ½c better at 7%c to 8½c. In a jobbing way 8¾c to 8½ is wanted. Cable is unchanged at 38s colored advanced 2s at 40s, on Tuesday last but lost it next day. It is satisfactory to note that little fodder cheese is being made this season, the more so as is being made this season, the more so as the news comes from England that Cana dian cheese has lost much of its prestige owing to the marketing of hard immature

Drugs and Chemicals.—The under parallel indicates the present position of drugs at first hands. The near future will possibly develop serious fluctuations in the United States market, and pending enlightenment as to emergency duties to be put upon many articles, there is no inclination to deal largely.

Advanced.

Opium, Potash peri Formaldehyde, Oil sassafi Soap bark, Senega, Mustard seed, Oil citrone Thiol, Oil lemon, German chamomiles Oil cloves,

Potash permanganate
Oil sassafras,
Senega,
Oil citronella,
Oil lemon,
Oil cloves,
Oil orange,
Lady slipper,
Oil lemongrass,
Shellac,
Sabadilla seed,
Acid pyrogallic,
Cocaine,
Oil bergamot,

Declined.

In chemicals most interest is being paid to importations now at hand. Crude brimstone is still quoted high and firm on the other side.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—Export flour trade is improving somewhat and sales are recorded this week of some 3,000 sacks or more for London and Liverpool. The local demand is fair for small lots. There is a report that Ontario millers will likely endeavour to get a stiff advance, on the strength of the bullish aspect of the market when war commences. Oatmeal is quiet and unchanged at \$3.90 to \$4 in barrels, and \$1.90 to \$1.95 in bags.

GROCERIES.-Owing to the increase in duty on raw sugars a stronger feeling provails in the sugar, and refineries have advanced prices 1-16 cent on Standard granulated, and 3-16 on Germ in imitation granulated. Yellows have also been advanced 1 16c with prospects of more improvement to come. Granulated is quoted at 4 7-16, Canadian German 41/4c, and yellows 3 9 16 to 4 1-16 at factory. London cables beet improved 3/d with April shipments quoted at 9s. 34d., and May 9s 11/d. In New York holders of raw are waiting for higher figures, and importers are not willing to sell at under 4 1-16 for Centrifugals 96 degree The rea market locally is very There are some shipments being made of consigned teas across the lines from western consigned teas across the items from western points in anticipation of a duty being imposed because of the war. There is again talk that the outlook is for high values prevailing in Japan for new season teas, but whilst some truth is behind such speculations, there is no evidence of any excitement. Coffee and spices are other commodities whose future is unsettled for the same reason. Besides an import tax in the States for revenue ourposes, it is proposed States for revenue purposes, it is proposed to collect internal duties on coffee, and if either or both of these come about, values locally would naturally rise in sympathy. The distributing business in dried fruits is small. Patra's advices note a decline of 1s. 6d, to 2s. per cwt., consequent upon a 1s. 6d. to 2s. per cwt., consequent upon a heavy realization of holdings, and abstention of consuming markets. The market there, however, is now reacting under improved exchange. Reports from primary sources indicate dearer figs next fall in consequence of severe frost damage to vines. Denia advices denote that the Valencia industry may possibly be seriously interfered with by the necessities of war,

Trade Sale

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DRY GOODS

Etc., Etc.

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Conscription service having already drawn upon considerable labor. California dried fruits are firm but quiet. The reports of frost and drought have been greatly exagerated, and all crops promise an ample yield. The syrups and molasses market is dull. News from Barbadoes is disturbing, natives who do the manual work in getting molasses to the seaboard, and placed upon ship, being in a state bordering upon insurrection, which has long been smouldering. In Porto Rico, business is almost at a stand still, and shipments from this source will probably be very small this season. These incidents tend to improve the outlook for molasses. The trade doing in rice is at full values, stocks in miller's hands are small. In canned goods there is more easiness in-vegetables, the Klondyke demand having shown signs of being something of an air bubble.

LEATHER AND HIDES.—The leather trade has been moderately active for the season and while there have been no large transactions there are frequent calls for small lots. Shoemen are busy on spring orders and fall samples, and look for a good fall trade. Prices of sale are firm, but black leather is a little easier. Stocks are not large in any line. The hide market is steady but quiet. Tanners and dealers give only limited attention to supplies on offer, preparing to go slow meantime. Stocks are small.

LIVE STOCK. Buying was brisk all round on the market this week. Prime beeves sold at 4c per lb, with a few of the best at 4%c. Useful beef cattle bought

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HY. BARBEAU, Manager

Montreal, April 1st, 1898.

31/c to 31/c per lb. Calves sold at \$4 to \$6 each, an advance of \$1 per animal over last week, common veals sold at from \$1.25 to \$3 each. Most of the sheep offered in the market were shorn, and these sold at. from 31/2c to 41/2c per lb.; those with their flow 5/2c per 10., those with their fleeces still on them brought about half a cent per lb. more. Spring lambs sold at from \$3 to \$4.25 each. Fat hogs sold to-day at from \$4.50 to \$4.00 per 100 lbs. day at from \$4.50 to \$4.90 per 100 lbs. Cattle shippers are speculating as to the profit possibilities there may be for them in the war. Of course large shipments will go from this port and money will be made by the diverting of so much more business, but it is likely the steamship people will raise rates, and in this case, profits might be more chimerical than real. At present rates to Liverpool are 40s, Glasgow 45s, London and Bristol 35s.

METALS AND HARDWARE, - New features in the iron and steel market are lacking. Structural steel and lighter mill products are being moderately contracted for, ducts are being moderately contracted for, but in the main the present unsettled market, due to U. S. and Spanish amenities, is restricting movement. In copper, there is no sign of change from the strong position noted in previous reports. London cables quote still higher prices for bars, and state large business doing. Pig lead is backward for the season, and jobbers are outy buying to limited extent. The tin plate market is slow and inquiries are only for small lots for immediate wants. In hardware lines the demand from agricultural sections is the demand from agricultural sections is keeping up well, but further west reflects curtailed business, competition in lines most wanted at the moment being keen there. Sisal rope is kept at former values, owing, Sign rope is kept at former varies, owing, it is said, to what amounts practically to a combine being in existence, which controls allke the Canadian and the American article. Hemp and jute in primary markets are depressed and values to-day are much lower than at beginning of month.

PAINTS AND OILS .- Turpentine has declinded another 3c, and is now quoted at 47c. Receipts of new spirits are com-

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The Standard Bank of Canada.

DIVIDEND No. 45.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Four Fer Cont. for the current half yes, upon the psid-up capital stock of this bank, has been de lared, and that the same will be paya-te at its banking house in this city and at its agencies, on and after

WEDNESDAY, THE FIRST DAY OF JUNE NEXT.

The transfer books will be closed from the 17th to the 3ist days of May, both days inclusive

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at he bank on WEDNE DAY, THE 18TH JUNE NEXT, the chair to be taken at twelve o'clock noon.

By order of the Board,

GEORGE P. REID, General Manager.

Toronto. 19th April, 1898.

ing upon the market rapidly, and these are being actively bought up in view of the possibilty that the price is likely as near of the war, and the incidental inplation to values which this will likely cause, the United States Government having it is said the Savannah trade, Southern advices state that the rush to get turpentine out is so great that there is a scarcity of freight room. Linseed oil is still scarce on spot room. Linseed oil is still scarce on spot and prices are firm at former quotations. Crude material continues co aparitively high in price and that fact doubtless presents weakening in prices of oil. Liverpool quotes 16s 9d. Paints in oils are selling fairly well, but some cessation to demand is noticeable this week compared to last, when exceptionally fine weather brought buyers along freely. The paris green association in the states have as yet not made known the basis of cost, but innot made known the basis of cost, but in-dications are that this will be somewhat higher than formerly. Glass is steady and unchanged. Advices from Belguim state unchanged. Advices from Belgulm state makers are full up with orders, at firm prices.

Propucs.-The demand for eggs is PRODUCE.—The demand for eggs is fairly active, and arrivals meet with good attention. Values are steady at 90 to 940 according to quantity. Beans have dippped another 5c at 70c to 75c, with hand picked at 85c to 90c per bushel. There is still a steady request for maple products. Syrap in wood brings 43c to 5c per lb and 45c to 50c in this as to size. Sugar moves freely at 6c to 64c per lb, Honey rules dull and without quotable change. White clover 11c to 12c, dark 8c to 10c, white, stramed 6c to 7c and dark 4c, 65 5c. 40.10 50.

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TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.

(Revised by Telegraph).

TORONTO: April 21, 1898.

The wholesale trade of the city was fairly active the past week. The volume in nearly all departments is greater than during corresponding periods of late years, and merchants generally are very hopeful. The sorting-up trade in drygoods was active, while hardware is in moderate demand. Groceries are more active, with good demand for teas and sugars. Leather steady. Prices generally rule firm, and payments are good. The money market is firmer, with call loans quoted at 5 per cent and prime commercial paper 6 to 7 per cent. Sterling exchange is steady at unchanged rates. Business was a little more active yesterday on the Stock Exchange, and prices recovered somewhat from lowest prices. Final sales :- Bank of Montreal 286, Ontario 103, Commerce 136 1/2. Dominion 2471/4 xd, British America Assur. 1271/2, Western Assurance 1611/2, Dom. Telegraph 132, C.P.R. 7634, Cable 163%, Toronto Ry. 88%, Toronto Elec 130, General Elec. 110, Northwest Land pr. 49, Ont. & Qu'Appelle 50, Western Canada Loau 120.

BUTTER, &c-Trade has been quiet this week, with prices a trifle weaker. The best tub is quoted at 17 to 18c, and pound rows at 18 to 20c. Large rolls 16 to 18c for best qualities, and at 10 to 12c for inferior, qualities, and at 10 to 12c for interior. Creamery unchanged, with tub quoted at 18½ to 19c and rolls at 20 to 22c. Eggs unchanged at 01½ per doz. in case lots. Clieese 8 to 8½ in a jobbing way.

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DRESSED Hous -Offerings light and prices steady. Small lots of choice qualities \$5.75 to \$5.85 and heavy \$5.50.

FLOUR AND GRAIN -Flour quiet, with offerings restricted. Straight rollers are quoted at \$4.10 to \$4.25 middle freights. Ontario patents \$4.25 to \$4.35. Manitoba patents \$5.30 to \$5.40, strong bakers \$4.90 to \$5. Bran unchanged at \$11.00 middle freights. Wheat firmer with sales of red winter at 90 to 91c high freights, spring at 92c Midland, and goose at 85c Midland. No. 1 Manitoba hard is quoted at \$1.15 North Bay, and at \$1.09 to \$1.09

Midland. Oats steady at 31c west for white and at 30c for mixed. Peas firm at 56 to 57c north and west. Corn firm at 38c on track for American. Rye is nominal, with none offering. Buckwheat scarce and nominal. Barley is quoted at 35c north and west for No. 3 extra, and at 38c for feed. Oatmeal \$3.00 in bags.

GROCERIES-Business is fair, with values steady. Sugars sell well and rule firm; granulated is quoted at 41/2 to 4 11-16c, and yellows at 3% to 4%c, according to quality. Rio coffee 9 to 12c. Teas-are firmer for Japans, with fair demand for medium grades. Canned goods are firm; Tomatoes are quoted at \$1.20 to \$1.25; peas at 950

CURRENT-THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 1898 MONTREAL PRICES WHOLESALE Name of Article. Name of Article. Wholesale. Name of Article. Wholesale Wholesale Name of Article. Wholesale. \$ c. \$ 0 05 0 06 0 05 0 06 0 10 0 13 0 16 0 18 0 13 0 15 0 12 0 15 \$ c. \$ c. 0 45 0 50 0 38 0 34 0 624 0 63 0 514 0 52 0 00 0 00 0 00 0 00 \$ c. \$ c. c 24 0 25 0 26 0 25 0 00 0 00 0 00 0 00 0 24 0 25 2 c Farm Products. 0 09 0 12 0 06 0 08J 1 50 1 75 2 20 0 60 2 50 0 60 5 50 0 00 Ratsins: Sultanas... Loge Muac, California Layers, London... Con. Cluster... Extra Dessert... Royal Bucking'in Clust. Uhocolate Vanilla, yel, wrap. 24 x ½ lb do Chamois do do do Pink do do do Blue do do 1 lp. Van, Green do o do Lilac do do uo do Bronze do do do do White do do Unsweet'd blue prem do 0 34 0 36 0 43 0 48 0 50 0 56 0 58 0 66 0 50 0 56 0 58 0 66 0 65 0 74 0 73 0 83 0 38 0 42 | Croceries | Tea (Hf.-Chest & Cad.) | 0 | 15 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | Groceries. Roos: Fresh laid. 0 693 0 10 0 04; 0 00 0 00 0 07; 0 00 0 07; 0 00 0 00 0 23 0 00 0 23 0 00 0 23 0 00 0 25 0 00 0 25 0 00 0 0 25 0 00 0 0 27 0 00 0 07 0 00 0 07 0 00 0 07 0 00 0 07 0 00 1 3 00 3 20 2 80 3 00 2 85 0 00 3 2 85 0 00 3 2 85 0 00 Sundmes:— Potatoos, perbag (Car)... Honey, Beeswax Brans: white ordinary bus ' hand-picked... Maple Sugar Maple Syrup in wood... Maple Syrup in tins... 0 80 0 75 0 07 0 11 0 08 0 00 0 70 0 75 0 85 90 0 06 0 061 0 041 0 05 45 50 Grain.

to \$1.00; corn at 90 to 95c; beans at 75 to 90c; and salmon (Cohoos) at 95c to \$1.10. Valencia raisins, offstalk 5 to 5½c, and selections 6 to 6½c. Currants, 5½ to 6c. Dates 5½ to 5½c.

HARDWARE—The volume of business is larger than usual for the season of the year and prices continue firm.

Hides and Skins—The hide market is quiet with cured quoted at 8c. Green steady at 7½c for No. 1, 6½c for No. 2, and 5½c for No. 8. Calfskins 9c for No. 1 and 7c for No. 2. Sheepskins \$1.15 to \$1.40. Tallow quiet at 3 to 3½c for rendered.

LIVE STOCK — The cattle market is quiet, with prices unchanged. Exportors are quoted at 3½ to 4½c. Bulls for export 3 to 3½c per lb. Stockers rule at 3 to 3½c and feeders 3½ to 3½c per lb. Butchers' cattle are steady, choice selling at 3½ to 3½c per lb., medium at 3½ to 3½c, and common at 2½c to 3c. Milch cows \$25 to \$38 each according to quality. Sheep steady, with choice owes 3½ to 3½c per lb and bucks 3 to 3½c. Lambs firm at 5½ to 5½c per lb. Spring lambs \$3 to \$4.50 each. Hogs steady at \$4.63½ to \$4.75 for the best selections 4½c for light, and 4½ to 4½c for heavy. Sows 3 to 3½c, and stags 2 to 2½c.

Provisions — Trade quiet with prices firm. Mess pork \$15.75 to \$16.00, short cut \$16.25 to \$16.50, and shoulder mess \$18.50 to \$14.00. Bacon is unchanged at 734 to \$14.00. Bacon long clear. Rolls 8½ to 9c. Hams smoked 10 to 111c. Lard 7½ to 8c according to size of package. Dried apples 4½ to 5½c per 1b. and evaported 9 to 9½c per 1b. Potatoes 50c per bag in car lots, Beans 75 to 85c per bushel.

Woon—The market is quiet, with fleece nominal at 19 to 20c. Pulled supers 20 to 21c, and extras 21 to 22½c.

A Moment with the Thoughtful.

Several manufacturers of house heating bollers are vieing with each oth in an attempt to see how cheaply their products can be made, and give no thought to their enduran e, efficiency or economy.

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Hardware-Continued.	\$ c	\$ C	Toil Chain—14		26 guage Lead: Pig, per 100 lbs; Sheet, Shot, per 100 lbs	0 00 0 00 8 75 8 90	No. 2 B. A. Sole No. 3 B.A. Spanish Sole	0 22 0 23
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Base Price, per Keg		0 00	1/2	3 00 0 00	V V V	less 12 p.c.	I No a	0 19 0 21
Extras—Over and above 30d, 4.d, 50d, 60d and 70d Nails.	1	-	Morawoode Lion No. 98	5 00 5 10	Lead Pipe, per 100 lbs	7 09 0 00 Jess 971 n.c.		0 28 0 28
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THE freight department of the Canadian Pacific has just issued a circular announcing a reduction in rates on eastbound grain on the Ontario division from Owen Sound Stations on the C.P.R. to Richford, to (and including) Newport and to Boston, and to stations in New England, taking Boston rates. The tariff is operating over the C.P.R., the Boston & Maine and the Maine Central. A new eastbound freight tariff for corn and oats from Owen Sound to stations on the C.P.R. and the Government system of railways, has also just been made effective. These rates will apply only on grain brought to elevator by steamer or sailing vessels, and include cost of transfer from vessel to cars, and ten days free storage, but are exclusive of expense of shovelling to elevator leg, and also exclusive of fire risk while in elevator.

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The U.S. marine which is engaged in the river, lake, and coasting trade, including fishing vessels, is about 7,500,000 tons. A considerable number of these are over 2,000 tons burden. The American navigation laws give these veessls a monopoly of the trade between U.S. ports, that is they are protected from foreign competition. Their tonnage largely exceeds that of a similar class of ships owned by Great Britain, or any other country. In regard to ocean going vessels the States are poorly supplied, 80 per cent of their trans-oceanic freight being carried in foreign bottoms.

-THE political adventurers who, since the deposition of the Emperor and abolition of Imperial institutions in Brazil, have controlled the destinies in a fashion of the so-called "United States of Brazil" have blundered so much of late that they seem to have brought financial matters to a deadlock-at least so far as Customs duties are concerned. During the past three or four years they have constructed at least three tariffs, each one more complex and higher than the one that went before. The last, which came into force shortly before the close of 1897, has proved quite unworkable, neither officials nor importers being able to comprehend it. It has, therefore, quite broken down. It is stated however that the tariff is being amended, doubtless with a view to still further taxing incoming merchandise. The trade "Canada might do with Brazil," is reasonably productive of more trouble than it is worth; everything considered. 10

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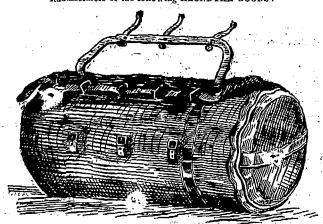
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