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## mercantile Summary.

The Canada Jute Company has applied for supplementary letters patent to increase its capital stock from $\$ 50,000$ to $\$ 100,000$.

A nember of Americans are scouring the Maritime Provinces purchasing all the good horses they can get hold of and shipping them to the United States.
The atmosphere in the vicinity of Windsor should be cool this summer, the quantity of ice in store being as follows: H. Walker \& Sons, 1,100 tons; Bell Ice Company, 4,800; St. Clair Ice Company, 1,700 ; British-American brewery, 1,200 ; Windsor brewery, 1,300 ; G. T. R., 800 ; C. Gauthier. 1,400 ; total, 12,300 tons.

Lunenberg, N.S., a purely German town on the Atlantic coast of Nova Scotia, has caught the infection of electric lighting, and has formed a company with $\$ 50,000$ capital to provide light, water, and sewerage to their thriving town. Lunenburg has long been famed for her fishing vessels, which are formidable rivals to the Gloucester clippers. A new steam line to Halifax is also projected.
Ir is related by the Amherstburg Echo that Gardner Bros., hardware dealers, traded their brick block in Essex Centre to Williams Bros., of Gosfield, for their farm of 150 acres on Talbot road, who sold it a few days after for $\$ 8,000$. Williams Bros. will shortly move into Essex Centre and open a tobacco store in their new property, in the store formerly occu-
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The capital stock of the St. Lawrence sugar refinery, Montreal, is increased from $\$ 100,000$ to $\$ 750,000$.
Since the budget speech of the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, a marvellous increase has taken place in the number of new companies registered at Somerset House, so as to avoid the payment of the new duty of $£ 1$ per $£ 1,000$ of nominal capital, which comes into operation with the Act.
In view of the great growth of Toronto in recent years, a late map of the city, showing new streets, the recently annexed suburbs, \&c., was often sought for. This has now been supplied by the publication of Bryce's Index Map of Toronto, showing every street in the city and how to find it, also showing public buildings, street car routes, \&c., as well as the villages within a radius of several miles. It is for sale at 25 cents, 50 cents, and $\$ 1.00$, according to style.
The big timber raft now being constructed at the Joggins, N.S., to replace the one which went to pieces in the Atlantic last fall, and whose fragments are still reported as drifting over the wide expanse of ocean, has come to a standstill from a peculiar cause. It seems that an epidemic of that infantile disease the " measles" has broken out among the men constructing the raft. It will be an expensive attack for the owner of the monster, as every
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The novelties of Manitoba continue to delight our traveller, Mr. Oliver, who writes in warm terms about the promise of that coun. try, especially for the farm settler. He has been at Brandon, and thirty-seven miles below that is the village of Carberry, the county seat of Norfolk county, Manitoba. Here there are three general stores, three hardware shops, and several groceries, besides two drug stores, s furniture and a few smaller establishments of various kiñds. The Milling and Brewing Co., too, have a fine rolling mill and elevator. They ground and shipped since the last season some 600,000 bushels of wheat and 180,000 bushels of oats, besides several hundred bushels of barley which was shipped to their brewery at Portage la Prairie. He continues: " Immediately adjoining the village of Carberry is the largest single field of growing wheat I have yet seen, containing some 400 acres, just appearing above ground; I have called it a 'field' because it is fenced; 295 acres were cultivated last year and the yield was 11,440 bushels, nearly forty bushels to the acre. A coal field has just been discovered some eighteen miles from here on the Assiniboine River. A piece of coal which was taken from the surface was shown me; it is of the brown lignite character, and too soft for steam purposes. It seems to contain a large percentage of saltpetre, and is expected to better in quality further down. Excavations are now going on to test its qualities."
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Messrs. R. H. Smith \& Co., sew manufacturers, St. Catharines, have resolved themselves into a joint stock company, limited, with a capital stock of $\$ 75,000$.
There will shortly have to be a serious ad. vance in the price of spirit varnishes, into the composition of which methylated spirits enters so largely. The Government has made new legislation with regard to the manufacture of methylated spirits by which the cost of this article will be enhanced by some forty cents a gallon.

A change of firm has taken place in the well-known brewery concern of Wm . Dow \& Co., Montreal. The firm, as now constituted, is composed of Messrs. Gilbert Scott, J. Philip Scott, A. W. Hooper and Geo. R. Hooper. In the same city, Mr. Wm. T. Costigan has assumed a special partnership in the wholesale spice business of C. A. Liffiton \& Co.
A person named Ockerman purchased the general store business of J. M. Bastedo at Milton about a month ago. The consideration was $\$ 6,800$, none of which, it appears, was paid to the oxner. But Ockerman managed to raise money by chattel mortgage and is reported to have decamped with the proceeds, and Mr. Bastedo finds himself rather cleverly done out of the purchase money, as the holder of the chattel mortgage has foreclosed.
The suspension is announced of Messrs. Jno. Silver \& Co., wholesale dry goods, Halifax. The firm is one of long establishment and in its earlier days prospered and made money, but they fell upon evil days some ten years ago, and meeting with heavy reverses were obliged to suspend, subsequently arranging a settlement at 40 cents on the dollar. Mr. Sil. ver subsequently retired, the basiness being continued by Messrs. Payne and Crowell, under the old style. The present indebtedness of the firm is placed at $\$ 65,000$, some $\$ 20,000$ of which is preferred.

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A letter dated Montreal, Tuesday last, announces the death of Mr. Alexander Gowdy, auctioneer, after only a few days' illness, of diphtheria. Mr. Gowdy was well-known to the commercial community and much respected. He had been for years a travelling sales. man for leading Montreal houses, and had only of late years gone into business for himself. He took a strong interest in the Dominion Commercial Travellers' Association, of which, if we recollect aright he was one of the founders, and occupied its presidential chair.
Авоит three months ago W. McEdwards \& Co., hardware merchants at Sarnia, effected an arrangement with creditors on a basis of 75 cents in the dollar, without security. They have not been able, apparently, to meet the payments and they are now about to make an assignment.-Two Toronto boot and shoe dealers, named A. H. and E. E. Green, respectively, have assigned owing to the troubles of J. Green \& Son, boot and shoe manufacturers, whose failure was chronicled last week. ——In Woodville, A. Stewart, also in the boot and shoe line, has failed, while it is said that J. O. McConnell, similarly engaged at Midland, is about to make an assignment.
St. Andrew's, N. B., is making decided progress, and coming into increased favor as a watering-place. The St. Andrew's Land Company, of which Governor Tilley is President and a number of American and New Branswick capitalists shareholders, have purchased tracts of land about the town and are laying out a park, erecting an hotel, and providing bathing conveniences. Lots of land have quadrupled in value, and a large number of modern cottages are to be built. The proximity of St. Andrew's to the United States border line will make it a convenient resort for jaded Americans, wishing to inhale the free and stimulating air of Canada.

The business community of Wiarton is anxious that some chartered bank should considers its necessities for bank accommodation and establish an agency thers. At present the merchants of the place are compelled to transact their banking at Owen Sound and Walkerton, a state of things, they contend, which should not exist in a thriving place of 1800 inhabitants. It is said that during last season upwards of a million dollars changed hands for lumber in that neighborhood, the trade in fish also involves considerable capital, while operations in grain give promise of assumming large proportions. There are about 100 traders in the village who would consider the branch of a chartered bank a great boon.
A neat procedure in its way, seems to have been the plan of L. A. Landon \& Son, of Belleville, Coe Hill, \&c., storekeepers and peddlars. For a good while this firm had been buying goods from various Toronto houses, at thirty days. We hear of six firms from whom he had so bought, and who got paid. Last month he enlarged his circle of creditors, giving the older ones, as references, to the newer, and bought a considerable aggregate. This week he professes to be unable to pay, and offers his wife and some Belleville property as security for a
settlement. Enquiry shows that neither wife nor alleged property is trustworthy security. The case is a clear "plant." We are told that the agencies had an unfavorable record against this man, but he put creditors off the scent by professedly "buying for cash."
Hawley \& Son, general storekeepers of West Potton, Que., who only engaged in business about two years and a half ago, have been served with a demand of assignment. They owe about $\$ 2,400$, assets stated at $\$ 2,200$.
J. P. Bogart \& Co., grocers, of Chesterville, Ont., are reported in difficulties. Bogart is the only partner and succeeded his father about 1885. He was formerly a school teacher and had little business knowledge at starting. His liabilities are stated at $\$ 9,000$.
We note the advent of a new French wholesale house in the Montreal dry goods trade, Messrs. Isidore Thibadeau \& Co. being about to open. Mr. Thibadeau was for many years buyer for the old established house of Thibadeau, Freres \& Co., and is the only partner in the new concern.
W. J. Elliott, of Newington, Ont., is a shoemaker by trade, and worked on in that line in a modest way for several years. Fired by ambition he bought out a general store business, less than a year ago, principally on time. Being without any business training or any great natural ability, the result is not to be wondered at. The sheriff has called a meeting of his creditors and the estate will likely pan out poorly.
Three years ago, R. F. Ferguson, a general trader at Cayuga, failed and settled his then existing debts at 75 cents on the dollar. His second failure is just announced and creditors were to meet on the 23rd. -Joseph Pearson, of Chatham, bought a bankrupt stock of boots and shoes about a year since. He has not been able to make a success of the venture and has assigned.——The creditors of J. B. Dolan, a dealer in dry goods at St. Catharines, have been called together. Mr. D's experience in this line dates from February last, previous to which time he was employed in a cotton mill. W. Fowler, a maker of paper boxes at Brantford, is in trouble and the holder of a chattel mortgage has foreclosed and will continue the business as the Brantford Box Co.
A roung man in the county of Victoria who appears from his subsequent conduct to have been a good-natured, happy-go-lucky fellow, and amorous to boot, resolved a year ago to try the shoe business. He had $\$ 250$ of his own, borrowed $\$ 450$ from an uncle, and represented the whole $\$ 700$ as his own "capital." With this sum in cash he easily got boots, shoes, leather and findings to three or four times the amount. His holiday behind counter and desk did not last long, however, for he paid a visit to his creditors the other day and asked them to compromise, having collected a lot of his outstandings, and sold his stock at 75 cents in the to a man from whom he had borrowed $\$ 500$ and who had paid himself thereby. "Why did you borrow this money?" asked a creditor, "and what did you do with it'"? The answer came back in a whisper the questioner's ear, "It was a girl scrape, Sir, and it cost me $\$ 500$ to get out of it." The indignant creditor responded, "And so you expect your Montreal and Toronto creditors to pay for your girl scrapes do you?" The culprit smiled-and even blushed, at this; but he never blushed-though he may have smiled, when he offered 45 cents in the
dollar, cash, and 15 more on time, to his sympathetic and accommodating creditors. They took it, we dare say.
-The general manager of the Citizens In. surance Company of Canada writes us that judgment in the Moore case, to which reference was made in our columns under "Recent Legal Decisions," was in favor of four contesting insurance companies, and not in favor of the Citizens alone.
-We learn with regret that Mr. J. Grant Macdonald, manager of the London and Canadian Loan and Agency Co., having been advised that the state of his health, long enfeebled, required that he should refrain from mental labor, has felt it necessary to resign his position in the company. At the inception of this company, as far back as $1873, \mathrm{Mr}$. Macdonald worked faithfully and energetically to place it upon a good footing. He has since done much in its interests and the company has has the advantage of able assistant managers as well as shrewd and influential directors in Mr. Macdonald's enforced absences. Mr. Kirk, who had previously been appointed assistant-manager in place of Mr. Turnbull, will conduct the business of the company until a manager is appointed. Mr. Kirk has been chief accountant for many years, and has a thorough knowledge of the company's business, He will, for the present, have the assistance and advice, for a portion of the time, of Mr. Turnbull, the late acting manager, who is now cashier of the Bank of Hamilton.

## THE GROCERS' AGREEMENT.

To the Editor of The Monetary Times:
Sir,-I beg to take exception to some por: tions of your article last week on "Combines," especially that part which refers to the grocers. Permit me to give you some facts which may help to bring you to believe that Canadian wholesale grocers are seeking nothing unressonable when they aim at a living profit on sugar.
For years past, every pound of Canadianmade tobacco, and every pound of granulatod sugar which went out from warehouses wad sold by the wholesale grocer at an absolate loss. For years, too, every dozen of Crosse \& Blackwell's pickles, a leading line, bore only profit of 5 cents per dozen bottles, and the 121 per cent, profit upon so well known an article as Cook's Friend Baking Powder, previously obtainable, was reduced by competition to $2 t$ per cent. and in some cases to nil.
By mutual and universal agreement, the wholesale grocers of the country raised prioes for domestic tobaccos to figures which yield an average profit of 5 per cent. No one is aggrieved thereby, no one howls about "combination tyranny," and we get a profit where before we got none. Perceiving the situation, the proprietors of the Cook's Friend voluntarily issued a circular stating that no one who sold their powder without profit should thereafter bo
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be done to pat a stop to the handling of sugar came into that over ninety wholesale buyers while into the arrangement to regalate price, while only three stayed out, one of whom has since come in.
By an unfortunate misprint you make it appear that 30 per cent. was made on sugar by this combination. It should have read " 30 cents per 100 pounds," which is equal to only five per cent. But even this is placed by the combine committee too high. The advantage which we grocers get who have agreed to act together, is exactly $\frac{1}{8}$ cent per pound plus lost in selling, because thut this advantage is lost in selling, because there is no combination on yellow sugars, which constitute two-thirds of the whole sugar sold, and the competition in yellows continues as great as before. So that the actual average advance at which sagars are sold is only 2 to $2 \frac{1}{2} \%$. I ask you, Mr can be profitably wholesale business in Canada can be profitably conducted upon an average profit of $2 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent.?
I must object to be classed with those who Ire " grinding the faces of the poor," because I am struggling for the reasonable right of making a small profit on what I sell. If you knew more of the shrewd operations of one of the two grocers who pose as martyrs, you would admit that he has small claim to consid. eration as an aggrieved person. The grocers of Ontario and Quebec are not prepared to admit that they have, as you say, "encroached upon the rights of others," when those others by their own mad folly would impose upon us a continued annoyance and loss. Yours truly,

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Toronto, May 24th, 1888.

## FIRE RECORD.

Ontario.-Napanee, May 17th. - Leonard blook damaged last night, $\$ 2.50$. P. Slaven \& Co.'s stock of dry goods and Sexsmith \& Co.'s gents' furnishing stock damaged by smoke and water. Wartman's dental rooms, and A.O.U.W. and I.O.O.F. lodge-rooms, in the upper storeys, also damaged. All covered

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by insurance.-Seaforth, 17th.-The flour mill and contents, owned by L. Murphy destroyed. Loss, $\$ 5,000$; insurance, $\$ 3,000$.Collingwood, 17th.-The pumping and engine house of the Collingwood Drydock and Shipyard Co. destroyed this morning. Loss, \$1,400 ; insured for $\$ 600$ in Royal and $\$ 300$ in Royal Canadian. $\$ 600 \mathrm{in}$ Royal and $\$ 300$ in Royal', Canadian.-Ingersoll, 18 th. - Mcinnes $\&$ Co.'s storehouse burned. Loss, $\$ 1,000$; in-
sured for $\$ 500$. The storehouse contained 500 barrels of flour belonging to J. Cawthorpe, of Thamesford, not insured. - Ottawa, 21st.-A fire in Laughran's bakeshop spread to some sheds belonging to Mr. Chevrier. The loss to the bakeshop and sheds is about $\$ 1,000$.-Oshawa, 19th.-Farmhouse of T. Conlin burned to the ground yesterday with contents. No insarance. Trenton, 19th.-Capt. Cuthbert's boat house buined; a yacht just completed and another partially finished were consumed. Loss about $\$ 900$. No insurance.-Hamilton, 20th.-A small fire occurred in a building in rear of the stone house on Cannon street occupied by Mrs. Ross. Loss about \$150.-Cornwall, 16th. -James Dillabough's handsome farm baildings in Matilda destroyed, together with live stock, implements, and produce. Loss, $\$ 4,400$; insured for $\$ 2,400$ in Royal on buildings. Toronto, 20 th.-Fire gutted a part of P. R. Lamb's sandpaper, blacking, and glue factory early this morning. Loss not far from $\$ 20,000$ insured in the Liv. Lon. \& Globe for $\$ 6,000$ N. B. \& M., $\$ 3,000$; Gore District, $\$ 1,500$, and

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Queen, \$1,500.-Wallaceburg, 19th.-The most destructive fire ever known here began last night and burned nearly a block. Sixteen shops were destroyed. The loss it is believed will amount to $\$ 20,000$ or $\$ 25,000$. Cause, explosion of a lamp in Bassett's photo. Callery. explosion of a lamp in Bassett's photo. gallery.
T. Forhan, building total loss, insured $\$ 500$ in G. \& L.; stock of harness and fixtures for $\$ 700$. G. A. McCann's building insured in Northern $\$ 1,000$, Ætna $\$ 1,000$, and Cal. $\$ 500$. John Burgess, shoe shop, has $\$ 300$ in Mercantile. J. W. McLellan, tailor shop, fixtures slightly damaged, insured in G. \& L. \$200. A. McDonald, restaurant and confectionery, stock and furniture damaged, insured $\$ 1,000$, same. A. D. Brander, druggist, stock badly damaged, insured in Mercantile for $\$ 500$, Northern $\$ 700$, Glasgow and London $\$ 500$, Caledonian $\$ 500$. W. Anderson, grocer, stock damaged, has $\$ 800$ in B. A. A. Hay, dry goods, building total loss, insured for, dry in the Ont. Mut.; stock insured in the Cal. $\$ 1,000$, Northern for $\$ 1,000$, Brit. Amer. for $\$ 2,000$. Joseph Beattie, buildings total loss, insured in the G. \& L. $\$ 1,850$. James Beattie, confectionery, insurgnce $\$ 1,700$ in Quebec and C. U., on dry goods $\$ 500$ in Royal, and on the billiard stock and fixtures $\$ 500$. W. R McKay, grocery, insured in Mercantile $\$ 800$, Cal. $\$ 500$; loss $\$ 500$ over insurance. Bassett's photograph gallery, stock and fixtures, loss of 8500 , insured in Ont. Mut. for $\$ 200$. B. Martin, shoe shop, loss $\$ 100$ on stock and fixtures, insured for $\$ 200$ in the Ont. Mat. H. E. Johnson, total loss $\$ 500$, insured in the Glasgow and London for $\$ 200$. J. Murphy, building damaged $\$ 200$, insured in the Guardian for $\$ 2,000$. J. W. Robinson, plate glats, loss fully insured. A dozen other firms suffer losses on stock and building ranging from $\$ 100$ to $\$ 500$ each, but all are fully insured.
Other Profinces.-Winnipeg, May 17th.Bissett \& Son's warehouse was destroyed by fire. Loss $\$ 3,500$; insurance $\$ 2,000$. Sutherland's residence, adjoining, badly damaged. Portage la Prairie, May 20th.-Fire destroyed the old Marquette flour mill, Pratt's block, the Lorne hotel and stables, the Lorne store, Young \& Urquhart's blacksmith shop, a Chinese laundry and the clab hotel. The loss will be over $\$ 20,000$. No insurance on loss will be over $\$ 20,000$. No insurance on
the mill, Pratt's block, or the Club hotel. The fire was probably the work of an incendiary.

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## THE SITUATION.

An offer of the C. P. R. company to lease the Emerson branch to the Manitoba Government has produced a peppery cor. respondence between the parties concerned, and ended in failure. The figure asked was $\$ 50,000$ a year. If the Government would construct $a$ line to Portage la Prairie, the company offered to afford trackage on reasonable terms. To the first proposal, the Government roplied that if this implied the abandonment of the Red River Valley road, it could not be entertained. As to the other, the Government did not intend to enter on a general system of railway building. But it was anxious to see the branch lines of the company extended, and for that purpose would be willing to render every assistance in its power. Mr. VanHorne replied that the proposal to lease the Emer. son branch did not necessarily involve the abandonment of the Red River Railway, but he did not suppose the Government would want two competing lines, and the competition of this line would disable the company to the extent of $\$ 1,000,000$ extending lines elsewhere; that the offers of aid were not likely to prove acceptable, and that if the Red River line were built and the Emerson branch left on the company's hands, it was useless to discuss fature railway building. The Premier then asserted that if the C. P. R. will not accept the terms of the Railway Act of 1885 for the extension of branches, other companies are ready to do so.

Extension of area and increase of the price of real estate has brought the Toronto tax rate for the year down to $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cents in the dollar. This is the lowest figure for many years, and Parkdale unannexed would scarcely reach down so far. Toronto is increasing rapidly in population and wealth from a number of causes: Manufactories are increasing, and people of all sorts from all parts of the province are making the city their residence, especially men of force and money. Even farmers, who have made enough to retire on, are among the new comers; wealth is attracted by facilities of investment, and people who wish to
see something of life come to the city, where they have the best opportunity of doing so. The city extends its area rapidly, the price of real estate goes up, and as a consequence of all the foregoing the assessment goes down to the very acceptable figure of $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cents in the dollar.

The estimates of the Sault Ste. Marie canal are going up apace; they have already reached $\$ 2,800,000$ for a 16 foot canal and $\$ 3,800,000$ for a 20 foot canal. And these are confessedly not reliable; for the Government has promised not to begin the work till an accurate survey has been made. It would not be surprising if the cost were to run op to four or five millions. In this state of matters, the Government may well pause till it is tolerably sure of its ground.

Sweden has followed Germany in finding excuses for doing its best to exclude American pork, by means of a duty so high as to be almost prohibitory. It appears that Sweden claims to have the tonnage duty on its vessels, in the United States, reduced under some old treaty stipulations, which it does not get, and the high pork duty is thought to savor of retaliation. Be that as it may, it is a real and unpleasant fact.

Mr. Clarke Wallace introduced his anti. combination bill on Friday, but of course it is left over till next session, when there is little doubt it will become law. These combinations have assumed an alarming magnitude in the neighboring States. There the sugar combination is said to have boasted its readiness to expend a million dollars to get its own way in Congress. This single fact gives some idea of the enormous power of corruption wielded by these Trusts. The U. S. Sugar Trust pays its secretary $\$ 25,000$ a year, and he is on hand in Washington to lobby when lobby. ing has to be done. Our only safety, in Canada, is to crush the monster in its infancy, before its power of resistance is serions. Mr. Guillett has given notice of his intention to move next session to make the anti-combination legislation retroactive, so as to cover all transactions which may take place from the present time. Retroactive legislation, as a rule, is to be deprecated; but prior notice of its coming is a warning which it may be well not to neglect. The acceptance of the report of the committee by the House and the public is an indication of public opinion not to be mistaken, and is itself a notice that the condemned practices will not be permitted to continue. Meanwhile a notice stands on the paper of the Toronto Board of Trade to dissolve the coal section for irregularities, which the board could not overlook.

Already the development of Russian oil wells is telling on American exports of petrolenm, the total exports last year showing a falling off of $10,000,000$ gallons. Northern Canada is destined to be one of the principal sources of supply of petroleum in the world's market, not this year, nor the next, but in the near future, as tests are made and communications are opened

The early closing by-law passed by the Toronto city council is being attacked in the courts for irregularity. Under the statute, the council is obliged to pass a bylaw to enforce early closing when a petition making the demand is presented, with a prescribed proportion of signatures. Complaint is made that the petitions were irregular and insufficient, and that the bylaw exceeds the limits of the authority under which it is passed. The hearing has been postponed till Tuesday. The object of the legislature in passing the early closing statute was to shorten the hours of labor to a large number of workpeople. So far as it affects girls and persons of tender years, and indeed the great body of employees, the relief from over-pressure wears a humane aspect; but the element of compulsion is carried to an extent that is found to be inconvenient, and in some cases gravely injurious. Small storekeepers, who do their own work, are prevented from serving their customers at hours when alone the latter can attend; with the result of incon. venience on one side, and loss on the other. Should the present by-law be declared invalid, another may be enacted, if numbers favor it. The regulation of commerce is under federal authority, and the question is asked whether the Ontario statute encroaches on the federal preroga. tive. The answer when given will bring the final solution of the constitutionality of the legislation and the by-laws that may be passed onder it.

Reports are in circulation which point to an early dissolution of the cotton "combine." The Dundas cotton mill is said to have giv. en notice of its intention to withdraw from the combination, and the St. Croix mill has got liberty to sell certain lines below the fixed rate, and in these lines competition will get play. If, as all sged, the combina. tion agreoment requires ratification every year, in the month of August, at which time it is usual to execute bonds for the carrying out of the arrangements, it certainly becomes a question whether, in the present state of public opinion, it is wise to take any step of which the propriety, not to say legality, is open to doubt. There are signs of over-production in Canadian cottons. There are said to be signs, also, that the deposits of $\$ 1,000$ each will not all be made. According to some accounts the combination is not working harmoniously, and its existence is apparently bang. ing in the balance.
-French fishermen who have been deprived of the privilege of purchasing bait in Newfoundland are getting their supplies, it appears, surreptitiously at Canso and other places in Nova Scotia and Cape Breton. Newfoundland fishermen are suffering greatly from being unable to dispose of their small fish, which constitute a large portion of the bait used by the Frenchmen. Chemistry is now being introduced to preserve fish bait, and it is said that a process has been discovered by which bait can be kept fresh for six months. This discovery if correct will revolutionise the fishing business in deep
waters. waters.

BANKING REVIEW.
abstract of bank returns.
30th April, 1887. [In thousands.]

| Description. | Banks in Que bec. | Banks in Ontario. |  | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Capital paid up.. | 35,200 | 18,277 | 7,506 | 60,983 |
| Circulation | 15,644 | 10,480 | 4,344 | 30,468 |
| Deposits | 52,316 | 45,407 | 11,162 | 108,885 |
| Loans \& Discounts | 87,468 | 68,404 | 16,829 | 172,701 |
| Cash and Foreign balances (Net).. | 17,832 | 6,138 | 3,551 | 27,521 |
| 30th April, 1888. |  |  |  |  |


| Description. | Banks <br> inQue- <br> bec. | Banks <br> in On- <br> (tario. | Banks <br> in <br> other |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Capital paid up. |  |  |  |  |
| $\$$ | 35,214 | 17,823 | 7,930 | 60,967 |


| Capital paid up.. | 35,214 | 17,823 | 7,930 | 60,967 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Circulation . . ... | $\mathbf{1 6 , 4 8 1}$ | $\mathbf{9 , 7 9 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 , 4 6 6}$ | 30,742 |

Deposits . . . . . . . . 62,053 42,738 13,378 118,169
Loans \& Disc'ts.. 94,659 62,669 19,243 176,571
Cash and Foreign

| balances (Net)... 21,133 | 7,531 | 3,656 | 32,320 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

The long and cold period of backward spring has been dragging on for weeks, and reports have been rife of injury to the growing crops in consequence. There may be some measure of truth in what has been said of damage to the fall wheat in some of our counties. Almost always, however, a certain amount of damage is done during the winter in some quarters. But it has often been the case that when two farmers had their fall wheat so injured that one of them thought it desirable to plough it up, the other let it alone and ultimately reaped a fair crop. So uncertain are appearances at this early period of the season. But the general experience has been that a coll and backward spring has resulted in a good harvest. That has been established again and again. Every rule has exceptions, and it would not be safe to count upon this as a certainty. But it is an undoubted fact that such a spring as we are having has generally been followed by good growing summer weather.
The rise in the price of grain has been steady, and will result in considerable profit to Canadian holders, including farmers who have not sold their product. It is altogether too soon to forecast the future of this uncertain market. But there are some shrewd judges who are inclined to think that the era of abnormally low prices for wheat may be drawing to a close. The prices prevailing for several years back have been below the cost of production in most localities. This can scarcely go on year after year without bringing about a change of some kind. It is well known that in England the farmers are giving up the growing of wheart extensively and tarning their lands into pasturage. A significant fact is this, that amongst the items in the late successful Budget of the British Chancellor of the Exchequer was included a large sum for a remission of income tax to English farmers who had made no profit out of their lands. It was stated that many farmers had made no profit even when they owned the land themselves. Whatever may be the cause, a quiet and steady upward movement has already given life to the grain trade, while the increase of cost to the consumer of this one
amongst many other articles of daily use will be of small importance so far.

The apprehension that money might become dearer as spring progresses is not likely to be realized. On the contrary there is a perceptible ease in the money market which should naturally lead to a reduction in the value of money held on deposits by the banks. The Government has brought in, at a very seasonable time, its bill empoweri g it to reduce the rate of interest on savings' bank deposits. But indeed, it had become altogether absurd to maintain a costly and widespread machinery for the purpose of gathering up money repayable on demand at 4 per cent., when it could be obtained in England without any machin. ery at all at $3 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. or less. All the world over, and at all times, men pay less for money when borrowed for a short time than they do for long periods. It is exactly thus that the difference arises between money lent by the banks repayable on demand, and money lent repayable in three or six months. There is a difference of 2 to 3 per cent. between the rate for one transacti in and the other, and very reasonably so. Our Government has apparently uverlooked this distinction, and has been carrying on its savings' bank department rather on principles of benevolence than of business, for some time back. Benevolence is good in its proper sphere ; but it can hardly be the duty of the Government to distribute gratuities to each of the vast crowd of depositors who lodge money in its care, all over the Dominion. Yet this is what the Government has for some time been doing. There can be no doubt that sound reason and common sense would dictate that depositors with the Government here should be paid 1 per cent. less than the Government could borrow for in England. All that has been allowed over and above this amount has practically been a gratuity. These gratuities have amounted during the last year to more than $\$ 250,000$; and they have all come out of the pockets of the taxpayers of the country. It was high time for such a system as this to come to an end, and we trust the Finance Minister will have the courage to put this great department of the Government on a business-like and rational footing, namely, by adopting the rule already spoken of, allowing at least 1 per cent. less than the rate at which debentures are floated. In fact the Government might safely adopt the rule of allowing 1 per cent. less than the rate allowed by the banks.

It is singular how such an event as the lowering the rate on English consols has widespread and unforeseen indirect effects. This has had more to do with the present ease of money in Canada than any other reason. Investors in England were led to seek out securities bearing a higher rate of interest than consols. This rendered it easy to raise money in London for many Canadian purposes and schemes. Provincial Governments have floated their bonds without difficulty, and other enterprises which have been dragging for years on the London money market have lately been put through with success. By this means some millions of money has been brought into Canada and added to the resources of the banks. As might be ex.
pected, a large share of this has fallen to the Bank of Montreal, whose deposits have increased over $\$ 3,000,000$ during the month. This large sum has been partly employed in making municipal loans and partly in adding to the general volume of discounts. In addition, the bank has become a very heary holder of sterling bills.

Considerable discussion has been taking place as to this bank contenting itsolf simply with paying a dividend of 10 per cent. for the year, without declaring ${ }^{*}$ bonus. Many inconsiderate remarks hape been made with regard to this. A bond in the nature of things is a gift, bestowable from time to time, which may or may not be bestowed, as circumstances fall out favorably or otherwise. There are such numerous chances and unforeseen events in the course of a year's banking when carried on on such an enormous scale, as is the case with our leading bank that no one can be surprised at these chances sometimes going against the bank, as at other times in its favor. It is to be regretted that the position and management of the bank have been criticised, evidently with strong political bigs in one of our daily journals. A reasonable and business like discussion of bank manag $\theta^{\circ}$ ment would be serviceable. But when the criticism becomes a mere matter of politics it ceases to be either serviceable or worth serious notice. The stockholders and customers of the Bank of Montreal hare evidently rated this criticism at its trae value.

THE WORK OF THE SESSION.
When the session opened at Ottawh Manitoba was in a state of preternatura excitement over the vetoing of the Be d River Valley Railway bill; at the close it tranquilized. The exercise of the veto cas scarcely be regarded as a voluntary act; it arose out of the obligation which the country had contracted towards the Csir adian Pacific Railway Company. The federal constitution of the United States con tains a clause, that no State shall pass and law in violation of the obligation of $\mathrm{cos}^{\circ}$ tracts, and some of the State constitution provide that no law shall be passed in $\mathrm{viO}^{-}$ lation of acquired rights. The Canadial Pacific had bargained for a monopoly, Manitoba, for a given period; but so rapid is the development of the new region, company became unable to perform all the duties which may be exacted even from * legalized monopoly; it was temporarily, all events, unable to meet all the deman upon it for the conveyance of freight. this did not place the C.P.R. in the wrodg it brought that company to the extre verge of its rights, with public dissatisf tion as a result. The company was in wa of money, and a Government endorsem of its bonds would enable it to borrow the best terms. The secarity of the lap might not be readily, if at all, taken by ${ }^{\xi}$ general public, but the Government inc no actual risk in taking it. Bymeans of endorsement of land grant bonds to amount of $\$ 15,000,000$, the Governm gets rid of the company's monopoly, removes the bar to the construction of Red River Valley Railway.

The veto becomes dormant, but it does not cease to exist; it retains all the potentiality it ever possessed. Attacks were made on the right of veto with a vigor which recalled those levelled against "Monsieur and Madame Veto," in the dawning of the French revolution. But no province, as represented at the recent Quebec conference, objects to the veto or asks for its abolition; what is asked is that it may be transferred to a new depository, the Imperial Government. The change is asked in the belief that it would lead to the veto being exercised less frequently. Properly speaking, an imperial veto should be confined to matters of imperial interest. But the extent of that interest may be variously conceived. If we go back to the time when the imperial veto was not infrequently exercised over Canadian legislation, some half a century ago, we shall find that it went beyond mere imperial interests; for instance, one of its arowed objects was to prevent bank charters being granted on principles which the Lords of the Treasury, or the head of the Colonial Office, considered unsound. Sometimes it was exercised in spite of the colonial Administration. We cannot go back to the veto in that form ; but there are two conceivable occasions on which the imperial veto might be exercised, if the proposed transference were made. The veto might be exercised from the imperial standpoint, as it is at present liable to be, or from the point of view of the federal Administration. For a knowledge of the weak or objectionable points of local legislation, the Colonial Minister would have todepend upon reports of the GoveruorGeneral, based on information and advice tendered by his constitutional councillors; he could have no intuitive knowledge on the subject, and must rely on information conveyed through this channel, the only one open for its passage. That the Im. perial Government would sometimes object to act upon a recommendation to exercise the veto is probable, if indeed it should consent to accept the trust, which had been practically relinquished, and of which a new tender is now made. The most probable answer to the offer will be that colonial institutions derive their best guarantees of success from the free play which they have been allowed by the removal of the friction of outside direction by which they were previously impeded.

It is more pertinent to enquire whether a federal veto had not better be dispensed with. In the United States it does not exist. The question of a federal veto on State legislation was raised when the present American constitution superseded the old confederation, and it was decided in the negative, wisely we think the event has proved. Some of the leading minds of the Republic favored the veto, among them, if our memory serves, Hamilton and Chancellor Wallworth. It is one of the few points on which experience has proved them to be in the wrong. If the separate States may be trusted without the check of a federal veto, could not the same liberty be safely allowed to the Canadian Provinces? The United States rely on the constitational rule that the several States shall not be at liberty to violate the obli-
gation of contracts, and on the justice of the Supreme Court. Whether we can safely follow the American example or not, the veto power of the federal Government, at Ottawa, remains suspended but is not broken.
The Dominion loan of $\$ 25,000,000$, for which authority has been taken, is in greater part required to meet existing obligations. But there is a balance of $\$ 9,000,-$ 000 applicable to the possible reduction of the deposits in the Government Savings' Banks, under a reduced rate of interest. This looks to a change of the form of the loan, not to an increase in the amount, a change, too, accompanied by a reduction in the rate of interest paid. This movement is called for by an obvious rule of economy not less than by the needs of com. merce. It is entirely in accord with public sentiment, to which it is a somewhat tardy homage.

The Lake St. Peter's canal debt has been assumed by the Government, to which it properly belongs. The channel is to be still further improved, and the port of Montreal is put in a position to compete with foreign rivals. A larger class of ocean vessels than any heretofore employed will soon be able to reach that port. The larger the vessels the more economical for carrying purposes, and the further ocean freight is carried inland the less it will cost to reach its destination. The improvement of Lake St. Peter canal is a matter in which the whole country is interested.
Justice to a hard-worked and underpaid class of public servants has at length been done, in the raising of the salaries of the Superior Court Judges. Of late, we have been obliged to accept for the bench men who occupied secondary positions at the bar; and they will now get salaries which might have tempted abler men to accept seats on the bench. The salaries of the Canadian county judges remain without alteration for another year. That they are inadequate will scarcely be contested. A few of the county judges have their remuneration supplemented by pay for outside work which the law throws upon them; but the majority of them derive little or nothing from this source. One county judge may perhaps receive as much as a chief justice of a Superior Court; but such an exception does not count in the aggregate. The salaries of the county judges will have to be revised before they can be deemed fitting remuneration for the work done and the positions held.

## THE GROWTH OF MONTREAL.

Three centuries and a half ago, the elevation which gives its name to the City of Montreal was ascended by the gallant Jacques Cartier, first of Europeans to ascend the height and fix the noble site. Two centuries later, the French settlement upon the Island of Montreal was a con siderable one, cultivated and well planted with trees. A fort had been built, with batteries commanding the streets. A handred years ago, at which time the place had passed under English rule, the fortifications were increased and both the lower
and upper towns showed signs of improvement. Fifty years since, the population was about 30,000 , increasing to 90,000 in 1861, to 140,000 in 1881, while to-day, counting the population of the territory recently annexed to the city, there are in Montreal probably not less than 200,000 souls.

Her commanding position at the head of ocean navigation and the commencement of river and lake travel, early ensured to Montreal the advantages which made her the chief city of Canada. And from the early days of the century to the present she has never lacked for men of far-sightedness and enterprise to broaden her foundations and make the utmost of her natural advantages. As early as 1826, the Assembly of Lower. Canada was memorialized by her merchants to deepen parts of Lake St. Peter, and so make Montreal accessible to ocean-going craft ; and in 1838, Austin Cuvillier, chairman of the Board of Trade, secured a grant for a survey. But not till 1844 was a begin. ning really made, and by 1856 a depth of 16 feet in the channel was reached. For thirty years the Harbor Commissioners toiled at this important work, with the result that there is to-day a 25 -foot channel from Montreal to the Atlantic Ocean. This great achievement has cost over $\$ 4,000,000$, and another million will be spent to make its depth, in another year or two, $27 \frac{1}{2}$ feet. At last the Government at Ottawa has recognized that this channel is properly a national undertaking, and what remains to be accomplished will be paid for out of the public purse.

Sixty years have passed since Hugh Allan's father laid the foundation of the Allan Line of ships, by means of sailing brigs of 300 tons. In 1851, Hugh and Andrew Allan determined upon steamers for the St. Lawrence trade ; and two years thereafter their first steam vessel, the "Canadian," made her earliest trip, the line obtaining a Government subsidy of $\$ 120,000$ annually. The enterprise thus modestly begun has expanded into the 30 iron and steel steamers of the Montreal Ocean Steamship Co., of an aggregate tonnage of 96,820 tons, besides 12 sailing ships of 17,430 tons. The Dominion Line, established in 1872, numbers ten steamers of 31,720 tons; and there are in addition eight lines of ocean steamers, with a tonnage of 100,000 tons, plying between Montreal and various Atlantic and trans-Atlantic ports, carrying passengers, cattle, coal, and merchandise. The craft clearing from Montreal for sea in 1887 numbered 409, of 621,000 tons, flying British, French, Norwegian, German, Spanish, and Russian flags. The extent of Montreal's connection with Canadian and American inland navigation by river, canal, and lake is shown by the following compend of her receipts by canal and river within the last ten years of:

 Alour. Ashes..
Wheat.
Corn... Corn.
Peas. 60,617

............ 7,138,535 "
Of the railway interests of Montreal there is little need to write at length. Forty
years have almost passed since the first link in the magnificent Grand Trunk system was begun. The present day sees nearly 3,000 miles under this management, and with what effect upon the trade of our chief city we do not need to say. The fame of Canada's other great railway, the Canadian Pacific, is world-wide. Stretching from the Atlantic ocean to the Pacific, with feeders in every province, it is bound up with the growth of the Dominion, and must, with its ocean lines, provided and projected, influence in no small degree the carrying trade of the world. With all this growth of what may be termed external commerce, it was to be expected that the importing and manufacturing trade of the city must by this time be great. And so it is. There are 30 boot and shoe factories in the city, employ $n g$ four thousand persons and with an output of 4,500 ,000 pairs per annum. Rolling mills, machine shops, sugar refineries, cotton factories, breweries, flouring mills, pour their smoke heavenward. And this great city, apart from her investments in such industries within her own borders, furnishes capital for many more in various parts of the country. Banking capital, too, she furnishes in abundance, from the Bank of Montreal, seventy years old, with its $\$ 12$, 000,000 capital, to the later and smaller French banks. The aggregate capital of the eight banks with headquarters in Montreal is over $\$ 27,000,000$. This, of course, is not all Montreal capital, but the institutions mentioned furnished, last year, over $\$ 53,000,000$ in discounts. Many of these particulars we gather from the Daily Star of Friday last, which in its forty columns devoted to the subject gives a most interesting historical and statistical survey of one of the great cities of North America.

## NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE REPORT

Parts II. and III. of the annual report of the Superintendent of Insurance for the State of New York have been issued in a handsome volume. They deal exclusively with the life insurance and accident companies and assess. ment associations, part I. being devoted to the fire insurance companies. The number of life insurance companies embraced in the report is 29, of which 11 belong to New York State, 18 hail from outside places, 5 from Massaohusetts, and 5 from Hartford, Conn. The number of companies is the same as it has been each year since 1880, though some changes have occured. The Homœopathic Mutual of New York city has retired, and the Imperial Life Insurance Company of Detroit has entered the State to compete for business. Both of these companies are of small proportions.

The Homooopathic began in New York city in July, 1868 , with a capital stock of $\$ 200,000$, its special hobby being to give the disciples of Hahnemann their life insurance at ten per cent. less rates than to other mortals. It seemed to be doing fairly well for ten years, getting a total business put in force of $\$ 4,782$,000 , but at too great an expense. Its margin of assets was thus rendered too small, and to correct this one-half the capital was surrendered by its owners, but the public has never since been able to put full confidence in the company's pulling through. It ceased taking new business a year ago, and appears fully
able to re-insure all its policy-holders, or to return them their full surrender value. None but its stockholders stand to lose, but their loss will be almost if not quite total. The assets are $\$ 174,353.30$ and the liabilities about $\$ 20$,000. Its remaining policies are for only $\$ 419$,685 , no less than $\$ 2,367,079$ having gone off the books during the year of suspension, chiefly by surrender. The item of $\$ 221,679.51 \mathrm{ap}$ pearsias paid in cash for surrenders during 1887, and another of $\$ 34,302.64$ for deaths and endowments. Both the company now winding up and the Atlantic Mutual, which preceded it by ten years, were conducted upon similar experimental class lines-advantage to homœo-pathists-and both have failed. In other words, neither of them was able to give such benefits as both foolishly promised, but they might have lived on and been of some service in the world had they provided against the wintry day of the future by a better reserve fund than the mere $4 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. N. Y. State requirement.
Hereafter all companies doing business in N. Y. State must possess a four per cent. reserve, the same as has been the standard from the first in Massachusetts and most New Eng. land States. Now that the best Government securities can no longer be had to yield better than four per cent., it will not be long before the leading States will be discussing a three and a half per cent. reserve; and as our Canadian standard has now practically no backers at four and a half per cent., it may well be urged that steps should at once be taken to bring it nearer to the prevailing standard. Already several New England companies, and notably the Connecticut Mutual, have bid good bye to four per cent. for private use, and transact no new business on other than the safer three and a half per cent. basis. The result will be smaller dividends to members the first ten years, but much larger ones later in life, and more safety all the way through.
The rapid growth of the life insurance business, as represented by the regular companies, is clearly brought out by the following recapitulation of the 29 companies reporting to the N . Y. superintendent in

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| No. of policies in <br> force $\ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 608,681 | 929,853 | Amount of insur.

ance........... $\$ 1,475,995,172$ \$2,474,507,120 Gross assets..... 417,951,009 595,679,478

## NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE

 INSURANCE COMPANY.As the years pass by the figures in this grand old company's report continue to increase to very large amounts. Last year the net premiums of the company reached $£ 1,189$,926 , or not far from six million dollars, being a gain of about $£ 47,000$ on the year. But we find that this amount was by no means all asved, for there was a corresponding increase in the fire losses, which were $£ 667,020$. However, taking the results of the company's seventy eighth year, the balance to credit of profit and loss has by them been increased from $£ 282,997$ to $£ 316,470$.
Out of the latter sum the directors have placed $£ 100.000$ to the credit of an account called dividend reserve fund. This is no doubt intended for the purpose of equalizing the dividend in the event of an unusual amount of fire losses. In addition to this, the shareholders will receive $£ 1$ per share and a bonus of $15 /$, which will absorb $\$ 175,000$, leaving $£ 41,470$ to be carried forward. After all these sums are provided, the reserves, undivided profits, and the paid-up capital will
amount to $£ 2,413,112$ 17s. 4 d. Certainly a very handsome accumulation.
The life department, too, shows careful and prudent management. There has been an increase in the number of policies during the year from 876 to 1,057 , assuring in 1887 the sum of $£ 740,429$, as against $£ 683,633$ in 1886. The income of the life assurance branch has increased during the year from $£ 488,815$ to $£ 502,399$, and thus, after paying nearly $£ 300,000$ in claims and bonus during the twelve months, the total amount of the life assurance fund is now $£ 3,772,579$, being an increase on 1886 of $£ 126,860$.
-The Wallaceburg Record man is a lively fellow, but he reads too fast, or else he does not digest what he reads. At any rate, his translation of part of a recent article of ours is " away off." He says that when a young man who wanted to go into business wrote to The Monetary Times for advice, " that journal advised him to keep out, for in all this broad land there is no room for him." Having this condensed version of our column article in his mind, the Record man expresses his contempt for it as so much twaddle, and declares in his energetic way, that "for a good, energetic business man, with capital, there is always room in any town. If he does his business on business principles, he will secure his part of the trade." Granted, 0 Record. But there is a mighty difference between an experienced and competent business man with adequate capital, and a sanguine youngster, "rising" twenty-one, whose knowledge of business was acquired by three years' tuition in a backwoods store. The Monetary Times tries to recollect what sort of a person asks advice, and gives advice accordingly. If requested to advise so sharp a customer as the Record man, we should probably say, with old Davy Crockett, "Be sure you're right, and then go ahead."
-Referring to a recent paragraph about counterfeits of the Bank of B. N. A. $\$ 5$ bill, dated 1877, circulating in the Maritime Provinces, it appears that this is a more recent attempt to work off bogus bills, some of which were put afloat as early as 1884. The bank had a new note prepared and issued upon the discovery of that counterfeit, and since that date, we are told, every $\$ 5$ note of 1877 issue, which has be en redeemed, has been cancelled. A genuine $\$ 5$ note of the issue of 1877 is indeed now seldom seen.
-A suit is pending before the courts in New Brunswick in which the Dominion Government claims a preference for $\$ 50,000$ deposited by the Government in the defunct Maritime Bank. The liquidators resist the claim, and the probabilities are that the latter will be able successfully to resist the claim tention of the Treasury to the preferential payment.
-A comparative statement of the exports and imports of merchandise at the port of Halifax for the months of April, 1887-88, shows a large increase for the present year. Total exports 1888, $\$ 301,706$; total imports 1888, \$560,451 ; total imports 1887 , $\$ 453,052$; increase 1888, $\$ 107,399$. Duties collected 1888 , $\$ 176,756$; duties collected in 1887 , $\$ 165,738$; increase, $1888, \$ 11,018$.
-The quotation from the Combines Committee Report, in last issue, third paragraph, should manifestly have read 30 cents per 100 pounds instead of 30 per cent. per 100 pound.

| NAME OF COMPANY． | Total CashIncome． | Net Cash received for Premiums | Net Amount Date． | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Net Amount } \\ & \text { of Loosses } \\ & \text { incurred } \\ & \text { during the } \\ & \text { Year. } \end{aligned}$ | Unsettled | Claims． | General Expenses． | Reserve of <br> Unearned pre－ <br> miums（F．I． <br> O．）and other <br> liability． | $e$ Excess of <br> Assets over <br> Liabilities． <br>  | e Excess of Income over Expenditure | $\begin{array}{c\|} \text { Total Assett } \\ \text { in } \\ \text { Canada. } \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Nature } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { Business. } \end{gathered}$ | Ratio of Loss to Prem． | $\begin{gathered} \text { Ratio } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { Prem. } \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Risk. } \end{gathered}$ |
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| British America | ${ }_{903,795}$ | 11 | ， | ${ }^{8}$ |  |  |  |  | \＄ | \＄ | \＄ |  |  |  |
| Citizens＇ | ${ }_{277,221}$ | ${ }_{207,801}^{211,580}$ | ${ }_{22}^{21,844,695}$ | 145，600 | 17，620 | ${ }_{\substack{8,271 \\ 2,000}}$ | ${ }_{94,82}^{50,301}$ | ${ }_{154}$ | 192,668 4.959 | a  <br> $d$ 27,734 | 1，130，912 | Fire，Inland \＆ 0 | 68.81 |  |
| London Mutual Fire | 123，453 | 118，618 | ${ }_{43,225,614}^{21,814}$ | 105.792 | 13，031 | None． | 40，899 | ${ }_{281,348}^{154}$ | 97，268 | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { d } \\ d & 38,085\end{array}$ | 391，647 | do．and Accid＇． | 89.20 |  |
| Quebec ．．．．．．． | 95，439 | 84，670 | 8，907，236 | 67，779 | None． | 10，361 | 25，098 | 67，097 | 113，752 | ${ }^{\text {d }}$ d ${ }^{\text {alt }}$ | 192，691 | do． | 80.05 |  |
| Royal Canadian | $\begin{array}{r}464,706 \\ \hline 1.617896\end{array}$ | 162，212 | 16，471，229 | 123，687 | 7，763 | 2,250 1 | 11,079 79 | 1655848 |  | d 11，907 | 702，323 | do．Inland \＆ 0 ． | 76.25 |  |
|  | 1，617，896 | 338，010 | 41，348，370 | 173，956 | 19，052 | 1，500 | 79，386 | 762，9：0 | 536，417 | 39，052 | 1，442，915 | do．do． | 51.46 |  | BRITISH COMPANIES．


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STATEMENT OF BANKS acting under charter, for the month ending 30th April, 1888, according to the

| NAME OF BANE. <br> ontario. | CAPITAL. |  |  |  |  |  | LIABILITIES. |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Capital authorized. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Capital } \\ & \text { sub- } \\ & \text { scribed. } \end{aligned}$ | Capital pap. up. | Reserve Fand. | Notes in circulation. | Dominion Governm't deposits payable on demand. | Dominion Governm doposits payable after notice or or a fixed day. dad | Deposits <br> held as <br> security <br> fer Dom <br> Govern't <br> oontracts <br> and Ins. <br> Co's. | Prov. Gov'nt. deposits payable on demand | Prov. Gov'nt. deposits payable atter no tice a ice or on Axed day. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Other } \\ \text { doposits } \\ \text { payable on } \\ \text { demand. } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Other able after notice or on a fixed day. |
| Bank of Toronto............ | \$2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | 1,250,000 | 1,080,391 | 30,518 |  | 2,250 |  |  |  |  |
| Can. Bank of Commerce... | $6,000,000$ 150000 |  |  |  | 2,308,928 | 95,665 |  | 393 | 78,838 | 300,000 | 3,41, $4,125,967$ | 6,073,447 |
| Dominion Bank Ontario Bank .................. | $1,500,000$ $1,500,000$ | $1,500,000$ 1,50000 | $1,500,000$ $1.500,000$ | 1,150,000 | 1,209, 8665 |  |  |  | ${ }^{26,004}$ | 100,000 | ${ }_{2} \mathbf{2}, 521,383$ | 4,553.485 |
| Standard Bank................ | 2,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 340,000 | 579,600 | 21,563 |  | 710 | 63,439 | 159,571 | $1,670,085$ 1,355723 | 2,616,538 |
| Federal Bank ............... | 1,250,000 | 1,250,000 | 1,250,000 | 150,000 | 97,607 | 197 |  |  | 52 | 17,680 | 30,795 |  |
| Imperial Bank of Canada Central Bank of Canada.. | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 | 1,500.000 | 550,000 | $\begin{array}{r}1,145,369 \\ \hline, 4.3 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 40,348 |  | 51,960 | 11,628 | 100,000 | 2,365,701 | 2,919,672 |
| Traders Bank of Canada... | 1,000,000 | 506,300 | 502,022 | 10,000 | 457,740 |  |  |  |  |  | 327,514 |  |
| Bank of Hamilton. | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 340,000 | 822,853 | 24,402 |  | 4,650 |  |  | 1,457,779 |  |
| Bank of Ottawa ${ }^{\text {Western Bank of }}$ | $1,000,000$ 1,000000 | $1,000,000$ 500000 | 1,000,000 | 310,000 | 814,024 | 13,247 |  | 1,425 | ...... |  | 655,248 | 1,303,924 |
| Bank of London in Canada | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 241,101 | Nil. | ${ }_{6,200}$ |  |  | . |  | ........... |  | 627,386 |
| Bank of Montreal | 12,000,00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4,667 | 17 |
| Bank of B. N. A. ... | 4,866,666 | 4,888,66 | 4,866,666: | 1,174,565 | 5,467,743 | 2,485,526 |  | 80,904 | 398,979 | 700,000 | 11,028,962 | 8,337,507 |
| Banquedu Peuple | 1,200,000 | 1,2200,000 | 1,200,000 | 300000 | 902854 | 7,660 |  |  | 208,312 | 330,0 | 1,516,504 | 4,685,518 |
| Banque Jacques-Cartier... | 500,000 500,000 | 500,000 500,000 | 500,000 | 140,000 | 424,672 | ${ }^{26,470}$ |  |  |  | 50,000 | 626,527 | 498,041 |
| Banque Ville-Marie | 1,000,000 | 710,100 | 710,100 | 100,000 | 442,741 | ${ }_{25,231}^{25,048}$ |  |  |  |  | 145,934 | 589,162 |
| Molsons Bank | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | 875,000 | 1,509,121 | 25,432 |  |  |  |  | 53 |  |
| Merchants Bank | 6,000,000 | 5,799,200 | 5,799,200 | 1,700,000 | 2,925,921 | 239,722 |  | 20,661 | 12,202 |  | 3,272 |  |
| Banque Nationale. | 2,000,000 | 2.000,000 | 2,000,000 | Nil | 509.223 | 1,903 |  | 7,7 |  |  | ${ }^{3} 1$ | , 0501,618 |
| Quebec Bank. | 3,000,000 | 2,500,000 | 2,500,000 | 325000 | 712.197 | 28,038 |  | 72,121 | 9,818 | 300,000 | 3,367,802 | 690,138 |
| Union Bank Banque de St. Jean | $1,200,000$ $1,000,000$ | $1,200,000$ 500,200 | 1,200,000 | S0,000 | ${ }^{804,158}$ | 24,659 | 100,000 | 20,085 | 121,059 | 181,000 | 695,926 | 1,203,218 |
| Banque de St. Hyacin | 1,000,000 | 504,600 | 264,370 | Nii. | 199,793 | 240 |  |  | ${ }_{87,224}^{8,925}$ | 25,000 | 7,656 59,25 | - 30,960 |
| Eastern Townships Bank. | 1,500,000 | 1,483,550 | 1,468,134 | 425,000 | 811,509 | 32,566 |  | 875 | 12,972 |  | 397,724 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 434, 61 } \\ & \mathbf{1 , 7 2 9 , 9 6 0} \end{aligned}$ |
| NOVA SCOTIA. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| a of Nova Soo | 1,250,000 | 1,114, | 1,114,800 | 400000 | 1,091,601 | 230,980 |  |  | 3,988 |  | 722,319 |  |
| Merchants Bk. Of Halirax | ${ }^{1} 8000,000$ | $\begin{array}{r}1,000,000 \\ 60000 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 1,600,000 |  |  | 5,958 |  | 2,911 |  |  | 658,273 | 1,571,955 |
| Union Bank do | 500,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 40,000 | 154,751 | ${ }_{6,916}^{9,397}$ |  |  |  |  | 129,846 | ,821 |
| Halifax Banking Co | 1,000,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 100,000 | 441,4 | 27,124 |  |  | 50,204 |  | 148,649 | 1,059,049 |
| Bankof Yarmouth.......t.i. | 300,000 28000 | 300,000 280,000 | 300,000 245,945 | 30,000 30,000 | 80,473 | 28,13 |  |  |  |  | 77,799 | 308,135 |
| Piotou Bank........ |  |  |  | 30,000 | 34,914 |  |  |  | ........... |  | 61,894 | 34,266 |
| Commercial Bk. | 500,000 | 500,000 | 260,000 | 65,000 | 63,098 | 16,514 |  |  |  |  | 33,53 | 153,26i |
| NEW BRUNSWICK. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bank of New Branswick.. | 500,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 350,000 | 476,726 | 77,718 |  |  |  |  | 545,45 | 573,662 |
| St. Stephens Bank. | 200,000 | 20 | 200,000 | 25,000 | 165,410 | 18,09 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MANITOBA. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 65,52 | 45,000 |
| m.Bk, of Man.,Winnipeg RITISH COLUMBIA. | 1,000,000 | 500,100 | 276,370 | 25,00 | 3,780 | ....... |  |  | 3,62 |  | 306,24 | 1,214 |
| Bank of British Columbia | 8,733,333 | 2,433,333 | 2,433,933 | 486,650 | 632,663 | 350,461 |  |  | 39,522 | 400,0 | 1,083,028 |  |
| Grand total | 876,079,999 | 68,948,349 | 60,967,011 | 18,041,215 | 742,577 | 4,122,246 | 100,000 | 364,541 | 1,089,731 | 2,858,251 | 49,035,746 | 60,600,304 |

ASSETS.

| BANK. <br> ONTARIO. | Specie. | Domin'n Notes. | Notes of and <br> Cheques <br> Banks. | Balances dre from other Barks in Canada. | Balances dua from agencies of the Bank or from other banks or agancies in foreign countries. | Balances due from agencies of the Bank or from banks or agencies in the United Kingdom. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Pomin'n } \\ & \text { Govern } \\ & \text { moent } \\ & \text { meben- } \\ & \text { tures or } \\ & \text { tures or } \\ & \text { stock. } \end{aligned}$ | Pablic Pecuri- ties other than Caua- dian. |  | $\square$ | Loans secured by Mu- nicipal, Cana, dian or Foreign bonds. | Loans on ourrent account to Mu nicipa- ities. | Loans \&c., to rations. $\qquad$ | Loans to or doepos- its in other banks secured | $\begin{gathered} \text { Loans or or } \\ \text { deposite } \\ \text { in othher } \\ \text { banks } \\ \text { ansee } \\ \text { oured. } \end{gathered}$ |
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| Bank of Toronto | \$221,759 | 1,166,142 | 290,705 | 71,828 | 293,175. |  |  |  |  |  | 358,615 | 9,39 |  |  |  |
| C. Bk of Commer | 474,883 289050 | 683,841 601351 | 593,146 | 91,898 | 1,082,856 |  | 479,765 | 494,184 |  |  | 1,146,883 | 60,589 | 1,042,967 | 195,000 |  |
| Ontario Bank | 220,655 | 390,133 | 227,167 | 127, 198 | ${ }_{88,48}$ |  | 112,780 | ${ }_{296,051}^{356,008}$ |  |  | 1,544,637 | 21,502 | 365,728 | 76,68 |  |
| Standard Bank | 144,816 | 244,019 | 140,427 | 64.290 | 51,377 |  | 75,000 | 322,865 |  | 33,382 | ${ }_{843,567}$ | 80,839 157,463 | 107,333 85,00 | 170,000 |  |
| Federal Bank ${ }_{\text {Imperial }}$ | ${ }^{320,722}$ | 2,311 588,134 | 22,597 | ¢,428 283,782 | 3,912 231,090 | 83,370 | 109,690 | 128,858 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Central Bk, of Can. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 426,658 |  |  | 776,540 | 139,229 | 363,174 | ¢000 |  |
| Traders Bk. of Can. | 78,056 | 84,118 | 99,044 | 25,301 | 10,788 |  | 110,111 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bank of Hamiton. | ${ }^{138,651}$ | 137.115 | 92,679 | 57,470 | 20,064 |  |  | 320,625 |  |  | 80,842 | 10,426 | 301,064 |  | 517 |
| Bank of Ottawa ${ }^{\text {Westa }}$ | 115,997 | 110,244, | 87,985, | ${ }^{123,675}$ | 141,237 |  | 122,88 |  |  |  | 177,248 | 99 | 654,161 |  | 236,517 |
| Western London, Can. | 24,698 | 36,131 |  | 254,977 | 3,738 | 21,175 |  |  |  |  |  | 5,800 |  | 40,539 |  |
| QUEBEC. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 22,474 |  | 1,50 |  |  |
| Bank of Montroul. | 1,835,998 | 1,872,016 | 1,138,971 | 178,563 | 9,788,295 | 1,333,576 |  |  | 837,820 |  | 1,281,863 | 1,418,358 | 8,673,164 |  |  |
| Bank du Peuple | 323,406 | ${ }^{374,918}$ | 260,851 | 74,074 | - 136,457 | 133 |  | 383,500 |  | 73,866 | 1,065,060 | 127,984 | 613,066 | 41,209 |  |
| Bk. JacquesCartie | 19,919 | 58186 | 71,040 | 94,714 | 16,694 | 18,345 |  | , |  | ...... | 516,812 |  |  |  |  |
| Bank Ville-Marie | 17,697 | 24,506 | 49,349 | 96,493 | 8,561 |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{2000036}$ | 2,878 |  |  |  |
| Br de Hochelaga... | 41,796 |  | 91,877 | 38,222 | 41,467 | 15,033 |  |  |  |  | 164,129 |  |  | -... |  |
| Molıons Bank | -284,872. | 492,355 809670 | - ${ }^{466,3685}$ | 74,863 67936 | 63.529 | 48,969 | 104,375 | 100,000 | 1,895 |  | 110,369 | 50965 | 769,137 | 7,000 | 5,000 |
| Bank Nationale. | 1 $28,6388^{\text {! }}$ | 211,667 | 103,872 | 292, 210 | ${ }_{35,173}$ | 457 |  |  | 26,882 | 102 | 1,095,953 | 186,467 | 2,079,785 | 85,000 |  |
| Quebeec Bank | 78,584 | 254,245 | 187,542. | 16,545 | 89,523 |  | 148,433 | 75,398 | 6,523 |  | 499,079 | 882,477 | 615,032 |  |  |
| Onion Bk of L. C | 60,610 | 276,566 | 343,629 | ${ }^{67,550}$ | 32,368 | 21,253 | 120,000 |  |  |  | 9,563 |  |  | ...... |  |
| B.de St. Hyacintie | 12,728 | 15,045 | 25,062 | 69,281 | 12,743 |  |  | ..... |  | ........ |  |  | ........ |  |  |
| Eastern Tp. Bank. | 129,043 | 83,407 | 41,055 | 338,131 | 121,607 |  | 13,000 |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 5,000 \\ 32,330 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 65,700 \\ 1,702 \end{array}$ | 200,463 |  |  |
| NOVA SCOTIA. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bk. of Nova Sootia | 183,770 | 254,213 | 129,766 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Merchants Bk. Hal . | 140,122 | 416,110 | 98,188 | 53,197 | 220,128 | 15,414 |  | 162,937 | 38,666 | 40 | 208.538 416,061 |  |  | 211,58 |  |
| People's Bk of Hal. | 30,739 <br> 29884 | - 878,012 | ${ }_{21}^{38,389}$ | 75,062 | 30,877 | 31,626 |  |  |  | 8,577 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Halifax Bank'g Co. | 31,1:28: | 77,133 | 94,167 | 21,770 |  | 16,270 | 1,000 | 221,400 |  |  | 7,516 |  |  |  |  |
| Bank of Yarmonth | 13,966 | 20793 | 11,188 | 122,507 | 24,324 | 434 | 19,200 |  |  | 6,981 | 16,436 | 59,195 | 150,7 |  |  |
| Exchange Bk Yar. <br> Piotor Bant | 6,405 | 4,268 | 23,223 | 33,560 | 84,975 |  |  | 15,000 |  |  |  |  | 15.03 |  |  |
| Com. Bk. Windsor. | 14,574 | 9,290 | 6,170 | 15,495 | 13,927 | 5,080 |  |  | 863 |  |  |  | 156,179 |  | ............. |
| N. BRUNSWICK. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bk of N. Branswiok | 121,632 | 152,294 | 49,074 | 44,816 | 383,102 | 36,041 |  |  | 16,000 |  | 235,269 |  | 40,369 |  |  |
| 8t. Stephen's Bank |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MANITOBA. |  |  | 11,958 | 16,997 | 6,137 | 400 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Com. Bk. of Man... | 13,203 | 14,513 | 60,485 | 23,396 | 10,905 | 3,985 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bk. of B. Colnmbia. | 199,709 | 135,491 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grand Total . | 6,294,255 | 10,435,657 | 6,288,404 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 12, | ... ... | 561,236 |  | ............ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 2,347,876 | 2,085,206 | [,842, 340 | 1,007,408 | 555,218 | 10,651,015 | 2,718,447 | 17,866,234 | 1,218,639 | 241,517 |

Keturms furnished by the Banks to the Auditor of Publio Accourts.
LIABILITIES.

| LIABILITIES. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Loans from or deposits made by otherbanks in Canada. Secured. | Loans from or deposits made by other banks in Canada ansecured. | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \text { Due to } \\ \text { other banks } \\ \text { in } \\ \text { Canada. } \end{array}$ | Due to agen- <br> cies of bank <br> or to other <br> banks or <br> agencier in <br> forienn <br> countries. <br> coun | Due to agen cies of bank or to other banks or agencies in the United Kingdom. Kingdom. | Liabilities not included under foregoing heads. | Total liabilities. | Directors liabilities |
| .... | 2781,156 <br> 255,216 |  | 5419 |  | $\begin{array}{r} 176 \\ 2,642 \end{array}$ | 6,857,674 | 145,399846810 |
| ........ |  | 12,649 |  |  |  | $13,581,863$ $8,488,688$ |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 322,798 \\ 42,603 \\ 165,189 \end{gathered}$ | ................. | 5,756,430 | $\begin{aligned} & 40,061 \\ & 40,1601 \end{aligned}$ |
| 983,973 |  |  | 90,621 | 165,189 5,149 988 | -1............... | $\begin{aligned} & 3,00,4,04 \\ & 1,26,946 \\ & 6,645,978 \end{aligned}$ | 111.549 |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 7,180 \\ 11,301 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 11, r 50 \\ & 169,334 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} 35,112 \mathrm{I} \\ 8,900 \end{gathered}$ | .................. | $\begin{array}{r} 57,868 \\ 149,351 \end{array}$ | -...................... | .....1,40,399.. | 44,25125,830 |
| ..... |  |  | .................. |  |  | 3,549,190 |  |
|  |  | 77 |  |  | -5,131 |  | 485,62944,872 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ............... | 694,563 | $\begin{gathered} 148788 \\ 78.38 \\ 15,548 \\ 5,268 \\ 5,279 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 29,342,969 \\ 7,448,857 \end{array}$ | 847,000 |
|  | ... |  | 63,461 |  | ....................... |  |  |
|  |  |  | -1............... | 17,381 | 7,463 1,494 | 4,341,017 | 234,157 |
|  | .................... | 1,769 | S | ....................... | ¢,060 <br> 8,095 | $1,033,37$ $1,207,947$ $1,6356,656$ | - 119,907 |
|  |  | 84,494 | 32,376 | $\begin{array}{r} 283,781 \\ 108,745 \\ 4,577 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |
|  | 625,578 |  |  |  |  |  | 286,100 $1.233,772$ |
|  | .... | $\begin{gathered} 27765 \\ 16,708 \\ 9,218 \end{gathered}$ | (.............., 1,081 | $\begin{gathered} 4,577 \\ 267,118 \end{gathered}$ | 6,437 | $\begin{array}{r} 12,038.445 \\ 2,22975 \\ 5,461,448 \\ 5,46 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}1,203,772 \\ 9006 \\ \hline 50,608\end{array}$ |
|  |  |  | ....................... |  |  |  | 237,4031 |
| ............ |  |  |  | ......................... | 92 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{N}, 10,19,2 \times 20 \\ & \mathbf{9 5 , 6 8 6} \end{aligned}$ |  |
|  |  | 7,547 | *......e.....**.......... | $10,437$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 748,072 \\ \mathbf{3 , 0 0 3 , 5 8 4} \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 68,085 \\ 255,597 \end{array}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - |  | $\begin{array}{r} 6,787 \\ 102597 \\ 9,894 \\ 2,238 \\ 1,057 \end{array}$ | 14,184 | $\begin{aligned} & 52,712 \\ & 28,540 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8,744 \\ & 2896 \end{aligned}$ | 5,299,884 | 240,598 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 3,482,036 |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 999 \\ 1,446 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 29,820 \\ & 68,268 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 86,660 \\ \hline 994 \end{array}$ | ,591,402 | $\begin{array}{r}87,367 \\ \hline 33,365\end{array}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 1,883,630 | 6,550 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1,907 | 494.539132,982 | 48,751 |
|  |  | 1,051 | ........................ |  | 1,403 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | ................ |  | 268,860 ${ }^{\circ}$ | 113,597 |
|  |  | 59,583 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 1,733,141 | 143,485 |
|  |  |  | 16,076 |  |  | 310,107 | ............. |
| 55,000 |  | 1,671 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{r}1,671 \\ 45,578 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 10,866 |  |  | 631,533 | 22,662 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 28,625 |  | Nii. |
| 1,035,973 | 1,853,515 | 816,777 | 227,364 | 1,874,763 | 220,760 | 154,942,544 | 7,780,252 |

ASSETS.

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Other } \\ & \text { current } \\ & \text { loans, } \\ & \text { discounts } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { advances } \\ & \text { tothe } \\ & \text { public. } \end{aligned}$ | Notes, \&c. overdue and not specisilly secured. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Other } \\ \text { over- } \\ \text { dure } \\ \text { debta } \\ \text { dot } \\ \text { npeci- } \\ \text { speci- } \\ \text { ally } \\ \text { secur'd. } \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Overdue } \\ \text { debts } \\ \text { secured. } \end{array}\right\|$ | Real Etatate other thana the Bank Pre- miseg.) |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bank } \\ & \text { Pre- } \\ & \text { misees. } \end{aligned}$ | Other Assets not includ'd before. | Total Asgets. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Average } \\ \text { amoungt } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { specie } \\ \text { held } \\ \text { during } \\ \text { the } \\ \text { month. } \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { Average } \\ \text { amount } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { omin } \\ \text { ion } \\ \text { Nones } \\ \text { held } \\ \text { during } \\ \text { month. } \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7,915,574 | 3.403 |  | 2,76: | 8,648 | 6,521 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13,335,205 | 73,581 |  | 139,346 | 41,824 | 90,841 | 328, 229 | 131,312 | 10,485,404 | ${ }_{450}^{223.635}$ | 936,353 |
| 6,691,852 | 33,301 |  | 36,462 |  |  | 156,888 | 2976 |  |  | 806,000 |
| 5,439,350 | 42, 446 |  | 85,017 | 97,402 | 4,000 | 170,050 | 68,957 | 7,996,223 | 220,100 | 344,000 |
| 3,567, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 172,959 |  |  | ${ }^{20,000}$ | 5,974 | 90,000 | 80, 887 | 5,325,735 | 144,321 | 344,5200 |
| $4,883,419$ | 21,513 |  | 68,09, | 83,489 60,426 | 19,774 3898 | 116,772 | 36,919 | 2,613,930 | 893 | 5,760 |
| 1.503 .129 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 317,910 | 535,527 |
| 3,451,575 | 28,564 |  | 5,387 41353 |  | ........... | 12,999 | 18,025 | 1,962 359 | 75,603 |  |
| 2,997,234 | 3,254 |  | 3,696 | 16,677 | 2,665 | 55,011 45,835 | 29,295 | 5,037,257 | 138,428 | 141,373 |
| 964,5 | 6,674 |  |  |  |  | 46,835 | 9,425 | 4, $1,383,886$ | 114,701 | 107,283 |
| 16,805 | 61,849 | 83,794 | 1,660 |  |  |  |  | 239,834 | 24,370 | 35,519 |
| 17,929,810 | 116,626 |  | 181,381 | 22,944 | 112,896 |  | 1,826,397 |  |  |  |
| 7,836,406 | 98,845 |  |  |  |  | 200,00 | 1,820,3 | 12,288,546 | 1,825,000 | 2.118.000 |
| 4,883,731 | 87,116 | . | 288 | 752 | 6,213 | 54,444 | 7,183 | $5,912,960$ | 41,411 | -844,805 |
| 1,043,921 | 36,264 | 22.508 | ${ }^{2 \pi 7,236}$ | E8, ${ }^{\text {ent }}$ | 34.808 | 82,365 | 188,928 | 2,304,813 | 18,891 |  |
| 1,866,948 | 8,223 | 12,045 | 4,206 | ${ }_{5}^{67,334}$ | $\stackrel{8,211}{3,279}$ | 21,245 | 279,911 | 1,720,278 | 25,250 | 14,169 |
| $8,636,248$ | 28,522 |  | 110.703 | 43,421 | 64,602 | 180,000 | ${ }^{32.538}$ | 2, ${ }^{2,789,935}$ | 39,218 |  |
| ${ }^{12,288,360}$ | 145,468 | 8,9 | 64,206 | 175,547 | 46,4833 | 444,023 | 109,558 | 20,080,409 | 482,600 | 557,321 |
| ${ }_{5,631,766}^{2,84212}$ | 2103,664 |  | ${ }^{205,521}$ | 130,588 | 9,538 | 97, 96 | 32,492 | 4,311,376 | 130,00. | 230,000 |
| 3,779,285 | 58,062 |  | 73155 | 37,614 | ${ }^{31,288}$ | 116,448 | ${ }^{801,700}$ | 8,690,050 | 71.795 | 349,344 |
| 236,415 | 31,317 | 1,801 | 25,468 | 2,450 | 1.700 |  | 4,885 | 4,337,864 | 57.4 | 210477 |
| 760,387 | 7,740 |  | 30,968 | 26,506 | 9,026 | 10,978 | 4,218 | 1,055,404 | ${ }_{10}{ }^{3} .208$ | 2,950 |
| 3,736,472 | 37,556 |  |  | 17,575 | 91,049 | 100,000 | 10,532 | 4.982,330 | 130,922 | 82,659 |
| 3,671,348 | 14,232 |  | 20,701 | 15,081 | 30,046 | 93,372 | 1,394 | 6,815,321 | 182841 |  |
| 2,7c4,796 | 10,468 |  | 4,723 |  | 100,000 1,000 | 64,000 | 14,603 | 4,743,130 | 104000 | 325,000 |
| 2,020,562 | 16,864 |  | 30,231 | 9,348 |  |  | ${ }^{12} 215$ | ${ }_{2,539811}^{1,38,911}$ | , | 24,245 |
| 498,629 | 6,743 |  | 11,297, |  |  | 8,000 | 14,973 | -853,988 | 13,700 | 85,000 |
| 260,893 | 1,899 | 637 | 6,912 |  |  | 22,881 |  | 415,681 | 6,288 | 4,532 |
| 340,759 | 17,729 | 1,585 | 17,429 | 1,600 | ......... |  | ........... | 600,667 | 13,006 | 10,002 |
| 1,517,603 | 225 |  | 6,008 | 11,258 | 4,000 | 30,000 | 2,075 | 2,855,997 | 121,802 | 139,585 |
| 456,40 |  |  | 500 | 6,000 | 1,926 | 12,000 |  | 8,688 | 31,760 |  |
| 688,472 | 6,580 |  | 15,662 |  | 12,000 |  | 4,472 | 946,999 | 11,699 | 8,398 |
| 1,309,333 | 00 |  |  | 12,500 |  | 96,740 | 63,409 | 3,342,928 | 3,67 | 157,392 |
| 138,546,438 | 1,765,960 | 141,317 | 1,880,362 | 1,143,637 | 711,163 | 3,691,375 | 3,338,357 | 235,389,608 | 6,195,680 | 10,395,239 |

J. M. COURTNEY, Leting Deputy Minister of Finance.

## LORD LANSDOWNE'S FAREWELL.

The following portion of the GovernorGeneral's recent speech at the Ottawa fare-
well banquet deserves reproduction. It is
rather hard rather hard on Imperial Federation :
I would ask you for a moment to consider how the policy of centralizing Imperial business at Westminster would work if you were to push it too hard. Take, for example, a great question which is now engaging the Government at public, and of her Majesty's our Imperial defences. Theren the question of our Imperial defences. There is, I think, room or a great deal of improvement in the existing condition of things. There is no reason why the Governments of the great colonies and the United Kingdom should not agree beforehand what measures are to be taken by the military and naval forces at their disposal for the protection of different portions of our imperial possessions. (Hear, hear.) The vustralian colonies have lately commenced a very useful movement in this direction by providing themselves with a small naval force of their own, which would, under a pre-arranged system, co-operate with the Royal Navy in Australian waters. The part to be taken by the British and colonial forces might with great advant the different positions might with great advantage be determined, and there are many other steps of the same
sort which will readily suggest themselves to sort which will readily suggest themselves to you. But if we are to go further than this, and to have a covenant binding, let us say, $t$ country to place a certain number of men Government whenever it is called upon, I say frankly that I do not believe that such an arrangement would work. (Applause.) If the safety of the Empire was menaced, and if the people of this country felt that our canse was a just one, you would net choose that moment, when the Empire was in peril, to share in your relationship, or to avoid your applause.) In such circumstances, I wonld Boner trust to the spontaneous action of Crust to getting a couple of regiments becanse you were under a hard and fast bargain compelling you to supply them. (Renewed applause.)
Or again, let us suppose an experiment of the same kind to be tried in regard to the fiscal system of the Empire. I have said the fiscal system of the Empire, but there is no such thing. The fiscal arrangements of the possessions of the British Crown are at present chaotic. You have colonies which are free traders, and colories which are protectionistsyou have colonies with ad valorem duties, and colonies with specific duties-you have British possessions like India with only seven articles in its tariff list, and you have British possessions like Canada with a list of four hundred and fifty. Let us suppose that you are going to try your hand at the introduction of a uniform system. You will have two tremendous obstacles to encounter. In the first place, if you are going to propose that the parts of the British Empire shall join hands and adopt a common tariff against other of Great Britain that you are not going to lead them intoin that you are not going to lead them into a morass. The United Kingdourths of its trade with at present threeand one-fourth with British possessions Self-preservation is a pretty strong instinct Cansda, and you will find that not a few of our friends will hesitate to disturb the three. fourths of their business which they do with the foreigner on the chance of making the remaining quarter a little larger than it is now. (Hear, hear.)
details case is still stronger if you go into them. Take the great of life and death to Why should not Great Britain admit wheat from the North. West duty free, and tax that coming from foreign countries? Now, Great Britan only grows one-third of the wheat required for her own consumption-of the remaining two-thirds she takes every year remaining one-fourth from British possessions. From this country it takes only about three per cent. of the whole. We should, I am afraid, find some difficulty in convincing the public sentiment of Great Britain that we phould venture to tamper with the larger share

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of those supplies, and probably increase the cost of every bushel sold in Great Britain for many years to come, for the sake of doing a good turn to those who are at present able to supply as only with a fraction of our re quirements. (Hear, hear.) That is the first obstacle; let us assume that it has been overcome. There follows an even more formidable assumption, namely, that we have been able to devise a system adjusted so ingeniously as to suit the Mother Country as well as her possessions on this continent, in Australasia, in Africa, and in British India. If you take the trouble to compare the existing tariffs, and if you will remember that these represent the decided preferences of the different communities concerned, you will see what a tremendous assumption that is. Bnt there is worse to come. You have got the whole of the British colonies into line. Are you sure they will stay there? We all know that there is no such thing as finality in these fiscal arrangements. Circumstances alter, new discoveries are made, new trade communications and connections arise, and your. Imperial tariff will stand in need of revision and adjustment to circumstances as they alter from time to time. Who is to make this alteration? We mast have an Imperial Council, which might in itself be no doubt a very admirable thing. When I look round these tables, I feel inclined to submit a list of Canadian representatives which would take away Lord Rosebery's breath and stagger Lord Dunraven. (Laughter.)
But of this I am convinced, that the public sentiment of the Canadian people would not permit such an assembly to tamper with what would be regarded here as the domestic busi ness of the Canadian Parliament. (Loud applanse.) It would be almost possible to draw in our imagination a humorous picture of the return of the Canadian delegates to their own country, after the adjournment of the Imperial Council. They might find themselves in the painful position of having to report that the duties upon some articles in which you were interested here, some carefully reared offspring of the Canadian tariff, had been removed or reduced, and they would add that they deplored the decision greatly themselves, but that there had been some log rolling at Westminster, and that they had been outvoted, perhaps, because the South African and Australian delegates were anxious that ostrich feathers and opossum skins should be admitted duty free into a foreign country. I suspect that before long they would wish themselves safely back in their own legislature again. (Laughter and applause.)

And now, Mr. Mayor, it remains for me to thank you once more for your kindness to us, and for all the kindnesses which we have received at the hands of your citizens. We shall leave you, but nothing can rob as of the memories and associations which have grown

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up since we have lived amongst you-memories and associations which we shall preserve amongst the most treasured reminiscences of our lives. (Loud applause.) How many and how pleasant will be the Canadian visions which, in years to come, will float across the field of our imaginations when we are far from hence. Visions of the Canadian spring, and of wood and field, bursting as they are burst ing now, into leaf and flower. Visions of sum mer and of delightfnl rambles among your mountains and rivers. Visions of autumn, and of hillsides clothed in hues which no eastern splendor could surpass. Visions of winter with its clear skies, its exhilarating sports out of doors, and within the bright fire of Gatineau logs, with our children and friends gathered around us. (Applause.) Visions of all these and many more will come back to us as we roam unconsciously through the past. But, sir, above all and through all there will stand out clearly, as it were, in the foreground of the picture, the recollections of the people with whom, during these years, we have lived in the happiest and most unconstrained relstions a people kindly, hospitable, and generous to a fault.
-The Laundry. Herald is the title of a new trade journal. As its name implies, it is devoted to the interests of the laundry bnsiness, and it contains much entertaining reading matter, with considerable that is wishy washy. -The Journalist.
-Owls, which have lately become fashionable in Paris, appear to be coming into favor here once more. Owl-head scarf-pins, in enamel, with either raby or diamond eyes, are again being shown.-Jewelers' Weekly.
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Perm the opinion of the shareholders of the Permanent Mortgage Company of Manitoba which held its annual meeting in Winnipeg the other day, the manager and directors deserved, as they received, a vote of thanks for the company." The ress which has attended the company." The statement shows $\$ 68,000$ under mortgage and the reserve fund to be
$\$ 4,600$ $\$ 4,600$.

- An old farmer, who had given a note for a new patent "reaper and binder," came into the honse to pay up. "How does she go ?" asked the cashier, as he handled the bill. "Well, ye see, this time last year I sot on the fence with cigar in my mouth and an umbrella over me, and watched thirty men reapin' my field. This year I reaped it myself, and thirty men sot on the fence and watched me."


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## MONTREAL MARKETS.

## Montreal, May 23rd, 1888.

Ashes.-The market has made a slight gain in strength, the lowest figure in first quality pots now being $\$ 3.85$, seconds $\$ 3.50$ to 3.55 with little doing in the latter. Pearls it is not easy to quote, the few sales made having been on private terms; probably the figure would be something over $\$ 7.00$. Shipments are of fair volume ; stocks in store end of last week, 475 brls.
Boots, Shoes, and Leather.-Boot and shoe travellers have been heard from with fair results from the Lower Provinces, and the more westerly sections of the Dominion will now be engaging their attention, bat as yet there is
little cutting being done for fall goods, and the demand for leather continues of a quiet unevenstifl character. Stocks still show fullness, except in best grades of upper leather, and thongh the production of leather is undoubt. edly being restricted, the effects are not yet sufficiently marked to give any firmness to prices. We quote:-Spanish sole, B. A., No. 1, 24 to 25 c.; do. No. 2, B. A., 19 to 20c.; No. 1 ordinary Spanish, 21 to 23 c. ; No. 2 do., 18 to
19c.; No. 1 China, 20 to 21 c .; No. 2,17 to 19 c . ; No. 1 China, 20 to 21 c. ; No. 2,17 to
18 c ; hemlock slaughter, No. 1,23 to 26 c . oak sole, 40 to 45 c . ; waxed upper, light and medium, 30 to 35c.; ditto, heavy, 28 to 33c.; grained, 32 to 36 c .; Scotch grained, 33 to 37 c . ; splits, large, 16 to 24 c . ; do., small, 12 to 18 c . ; calf-splits, 32 to 33 c . ; calfskins $(35$ to
46 lbs.), 55 to 65 c . ; imitation French calfskins,

70 to 80 c . ; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 40 c . harness, 24 to 33 c .; buffed cow, 12 to 14 c . pebbled cow, 10 to $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; rough, 22 to 25 c .; usset and bridle, 54 to 55c.
Cements, \&c.-Sales of large lots of Portland cement have been made at $\$ 2.25$ ex ship, but these could not be duplicated, and from $\$ 2.40$ to 2.60 would probably be a fair range for moderate lots. Firebricks easier at $\$ 20$ to 22.50 a large sale at $\$ 18$ ex ship was reported a few days ago.
Dry Goods.-City retail trade has improved with the finer weather of this week, and is now pretty good, but warmer seasonable weather would make a still further improvement Sorting orders from districts near the city and complaintern Ontario are fair, but general complaint is made as regards Western busi ness. In spite of this however, some honses tell as their trade is up to that of last year, and wholesale stocks are not likely to be over full at the close of the season, as imports have been made on close and careful lines. Pay ments took a turn for the better at the end of last week, and are coming in fairly.
Druas and Chemicals.- There are indications of a very general firming up in most lines in which dulness and weakness have been so long apparent. Even quinine, which for a long time past has been abnormally dull and lethargic, shows some signs of growing activity and strength ; the London bark sales show an advance of 20 per cent, and it is thought prices, so long low, must take an upward turn. Opiam remains very dull and crop reports conflicting. Methylated spirits much dearer owing to new excise regulations. We quote :-Sal soda, 85 c . to $\$ 1$; bi-carb soda, $\$ 1.80$ to 2.00 ; sode ash, per 100 lbs., $\$ 1.70$; bichromate of potash, per 100 lbs., $\$ 11.00$ to 13.00 ; borax, refined, 10 to 11 c .; cream tartar crystals, 34 to 36c.; do. ground, 36 to 38c. tartaric acid, crystal, 54 to 55 c . ; do. powder,
55 to 60 c . ; citric acid, 65 to 70 c .; caustic soda 55 to 60 c . ; citric acid, 65 to 70 c .; ; caustic soda,
white, $\$ 2.40$ to 2.60 ; sugar of white, $\$ 2.40$ to 2.60 ; sugar of lead, 10 to 11c. to 1.70 ; copperas, per 100 lbs ; alum, $\$ 1.65$ flowers sulphur, per 100 lbs $\$ 2.10$ to $\$ 1.00$ roll sulphur, $\$ 2.00$ to 2.25 ; sulphate of copper, $\$ 6.00$ to 6.50 ; epsom sulphate of
salts, $\$ 1.25$ to 1.40 ; saltpetre $\$ 8.25$ to 8.75 ; Amer. ican quinine, 55 to 60 c .; German quinine, 55 to 60c. ; Howard's quinine, 60 to $\begin{array}{ll}70 \mathrm{c} ; \\ \$ 2.25 & \text { to } 2.50 ;\end{array} \$ 4.50$ to 5.00 ; morphia, to 90 c . ; white, $\$ 1.00$ to $\$ 1,25$ sorts, 80 acid, 55 to 65 c . i 1.00 to $\$ 1.25$; carbolic per lb. ; iodine, $\$ 5.25$ to 5.75 ; iodoform, $\$ 5.75$ to 6.25. Prices for essential oils are:-oil lemon, $\$ 2.00$ to '.50; oil bergamot, $\$ 3.00$ to 3.50 ; orange, $\$ 2.75$ to 3.00 ; oil peppermint, $\$ 3.50$ to 4.50 ; glycerine, 25 to 35 c . ; senna, 15 to 255. for ordinary. English camphor, 40 to 45 c . ; American do., 36 to 40 c . ; insect powder, 70 to 90 c .
Funs.-Receipts of raw furs are getting smaller as the season advances, and in the course of a few weeks the entire spring collection will be in. There is nothing new in the ituation to create any firmness, and the the look is not any more promising than the out. been for last few months. We quote it has kins :-Beaver, $\$ 30$ to 4.00 ; We quote prime cub ditto, $\$ 4.00$ to 5.00 to 4.00 ; bear, $\$ 10$ to 12 ; cub ditto, $\$ 4.00$ to 5.00 ; fisher, $\$ 5.00$; red fox, $\$ 1.00$ to 1.25 ; cross ditto, $\$ 2.00$ to 3.00 ; lynx, $\$ 2.00$ to $\$ 2.50$; marten, 60 to 65 c . ; mink, 50 to 60 c . ; fall muskrat, 8 c . ; winter muskrat, 12c.; spring, 17c. ; raccoon, 25,50 and 75 c .; skank, 25,50 and 75 c . ; otter, $\$ 8.00$ to 10.00 .
Grocerirs.-Orders being received are still marked, as a rule, by moderation on the part of buyers, and the market does not show any special activity, though there is a fair any gate of business of a healthy charseter Sugars are steady on the basis prevailing for the last few weeks; there is no great variety of yellows to be had, and in some grades granulated still 6 ; the range is $5 \frac{1}{8}$ to $5 \frac{7}{g}$ cents ; granulated still 6 zic to guild buyers. Molasses about 35 to 37c. for Barbadoes, which is not in plentiful supply, and first direct cargot in probably not be here much before the middle of June. Teas show a rather better enquiry, though the bulk of the movement is in moderate lots; there is a general steadiness in trade is being done under which the tea change; being done seem to be undergoing change; whereas in former years the bulk of import orders were generally placed in March, we are now told that at this date hardly an order for new season Japan teas has yet been booked. While this may be partly due to the
more direct and speedier ronte afforded by the C. P. R., there is no doubt that the peculiar-to use a mild expression-manner in which many of the younger houses who have lately engaged in the trade in Japan do their busi ness has a good deal to do with it, as it is notorious that many lots of teas consigned to this market bave been sold at prices lower than they could be bought at the producing point, and perhaps the trade may be holding off in hopes of some such bargains. Dried fruits continue dull but firm as to values Rice firm at mill at $\$ 3.50$ and scarce at that, new crop is expected to be on the market about the 10th prox. Canned goods, tobaccos, and spices show no change.
Hides.-Demand from tanners is a little better, as the quality of hides coming in im proves, but prices are no firmer, as stocks are rather accumulating. Green hides are being bought by local dealers still at 6 c . for No. 1 , lambskins, 20c. ; sheepskins, 90 c . to $\$ 1.20$.
Metals and Hardware.-The movement of iron and heavy metals does not show much gain in activity, and large consumers are not disposed to buyat all freely in face of generally declining values. Pig and manufactured iron remain at last week's prices, and the tendency of the home market is if anything to a lower basis. I. C. coke tin plates can be bought at $\$ 3.75$; tin itself has if anything recovered a little, and cannot be had under 28 cents; English cables quote $£ 96$ a ton; lead and copper as last quoted. We quote:-Coltness, $\$ 19$; Calder and Summerlee, $\$ 18.75$; Eglinton and Dalmellington, $\$ 17.50$; Gartsherrie, $\$ 18.50$; Siemens, $\$ 18.50$ to 19.00 for No. 1 ; Carnbroe, $\$ 17.75$; Shotts, $\$ 18.75$; Glengarnock, $\$ 18.25$; Middles boro, No. $1, \$ 17$; cast scrap, railway chairs, \&c., none; machinery scrap, $\$ 16.50$ to 17 ; common ditto, $\$ 16$; bar iron, $\$ 2$; best refined, $\$ 2.25$; Siemens, $\$ 2.00$. Canada Plates-Blaina, $\$ 2.50$ to 2.60 . Tern roofing plate, $20 \times 28$, $\$ 7.00$. Tin plates-Bradley charcoal, $\$ 6$; charcoal I.C., $\$ 4.00$ to 4.50 ; do. I.X., $\$ 5.25$ to 5.50 ; coke, I.C., $\$ 3.75$; galvanized sheets, No. 28, $4 \frac{1}{2}$ to 7 c ., according to brand; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, $5 \frac{3}{4}$ : ; No. 26, $6 \neq \mathrm{c}$. ; the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs ., \$2.20. Staffordshire boiler plate, \$2.75; common sheet iron, $\$ 2.50$ to 2.75 ; steel boiler plate, $\$ 2.75$; heads, $\$ 4.00$; Russian sheet iron, 11c.; lead, per $100 \mathrm{lbs} .$, - ; pig, $\$ 3.85$ to 4.00 ; sheet, $\$ 4.50$; shot, $\$ 6.00$ to 6.50 ; best cast steel, 11 to $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. ; spring, $\$ 2.50$ to 2.80 ; tire, $\$ 2.50$ to 2.75 ; sleigh shoe, $\$ 2.40$ to 2.50 ; round machinery steel, $\$ 3.00$ to 0.00 ; ingot tin, 28 to 30 c . ; bar tin, 30 to 35 c . ; ingot copper, $18 \frac{1}{2}$ to 19 c .; sheet zinc, $\$ 5.00$; spelter, $\$ 5.00$;antimony, 13 to 15 c . ; bright iron wire, Nos. 0 to 8, $\$ 2.15$ per 100 lbs . ; annealed do., $\$ 2.20$ to 2.25 .
Oils, Paints, Glass.-Receipts of linseed oil have been fairly liberal thas far this spring, but have been pretty well absorbed as soon as received. We quote: Raw, at 55 to 56 c . boiled, 58 to $59 \mathrm{c} . ;$ turpentine, steady, at 58 c . in small lots; olive, castor, and fish oils are unchanged and no special demand for them; leads and glass also as before. There will be a heavy advance in spirit varnishes shortly owing to the increased duty the Government have put on the manufacture of methylated spirit. We quote: Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), $\$ 5.75$ to 6.00 ; No, $1, \$ 5.25$; No. $2, \$ 4.50$; No. $3, \$ 4.25$; dry white lead, $5 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. ; red do., $4 \frac{9}{4} \mathrm{c}$.; London washed whiting, 50 to 55 c .; Paris white, $\$ 1.00$. Cookson's Venetian red, $\$ 1.75$. other brend Venetian red, $\$ 1.50$ to 1.60 ; yellow ochre, $\$ 1.50$; spruce ochre, $\$ 2.00$ to 3.00 . Window glass, $\$ 1.50$ per 50 feet for first break ; $\$ 1.60$ for second break; these are straight prices, the usual discount on 50 box lots being discontinued.
Wool.-The market shows no gain in activity, and business rules on the quiet side. The market is still void of palled domestics and fleece has not yet begun to come in, Cape may be quoted at $14 \frac{1}{2}$ to 17 c ., Australian $15 \frac{1}{2}$ to 19c.
'TORONTO MARKETS.
Toronto, May 23rd, 1888.
Dry Goons.-The course of wholesale trad for a week or two has been jerky; a sunny day or two would bring in orders for spring and summer things, and the cold days succeeding would dampen all demand. Business has been disappointing in volume. The only feature to be noticed is a probable disturbance in cotton
prices caused by the coming withdrawal of on or more companies from the "combine."
Flour and Meal.-More activity has been shown in this market than for some time past. Extras, straight roller and patent flours have been mostly in demand from outside points. Extras have sold during the week at equal to $\$ 3.75$ to 3.85
Fish.-Dealers attribute the present quietness to the holiday, (Queen's Birthday) and do not look for much activity until the lst of June. There has been considerable white fish and trout received from the north and readily taken up at $6 \frac{1}{2}$ and 7c. Large ciscoes are worth $\$ 1.50$ per box and small unsalable
Grain.-Values again show an advance in wheat of several cents all round. Trading has been almost entirely confined to the supplying of local mills which have been buying rather freely. Oats are changing hands at about 51c. and peas are firm at 73c. for No. 2. Corn and rye are purely nominal, and now that the malting season is about over, barley is quite neglected. Bran is lower at about $\$ 12$ to 13 for shipment, although the mills here are asking more money.
Groceries.-Trade in this branch, although quieter than is usual at this season, shows signs of improvement, and some dealers say that they notice a decidedly better feeling All kinds of fruit are firm and in New York values have advanced. While sugars show no change in price the feeling is better. In teas, all good blacks, greens and Japans are in demand, but ordinary grades are not much enquired for. Tobaccos are firm and without change.

Hides and Skins.-Supplies of hides are not so plentiful, but this fact has had no apparent effect on values, which remain at 6c. for present take off and $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. for selected. Very few sheepskins are, also, to be had and the current price is $\$ 1.25$ to 1.40 . There is a fair demand for light calfskins, while heavy grades are neglected. Lambskins sell at 20c. Tallow is scarce and 6c. would be paid for good.
Hardware and Metals.-There is a fair movement in hardware, heavy goods are not yet active. Pig iron is not in large supply; there is no Summerlee, which should be worth $\$ 21.50$; Carnbroe sells at $\$ 20$; Middlesbro can be had at $\$ 18.50$. Prices for tin are nominal ; some ingot sold here this week at 27 c and the price laid down in New York to-day is $24 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. ; no saying what it may be in another week. Copper is also uncertain in price.

Lomber.-Orders and enquiries for lumber are coming in freely. Nearly all the mills are running, with plenty of sawing orders on hand, and the usual spring rush is now being experienced. Beyond the present bustle, most of the manufacturers and dealers see in prospect a very fine season's business. With the opening of trade money seems easier and more confidence felt, credits are being watched more carefully than in former seasons, prices remain about the same

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Wool.-In England and the States the situation of the wool market is not very encouraging prices are likely to open low and the season to be slow and without special activity. Dealers are not anxious to stock up and it is thought that prices will open here at about 18 c . for selected


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