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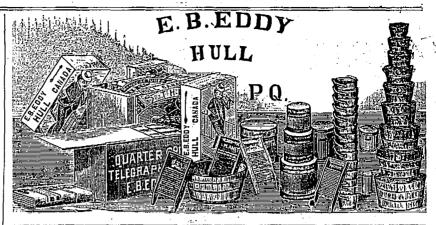


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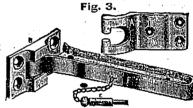
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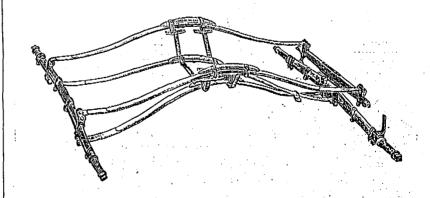
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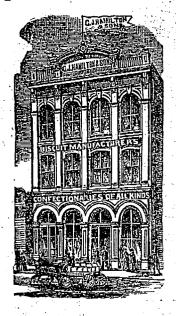
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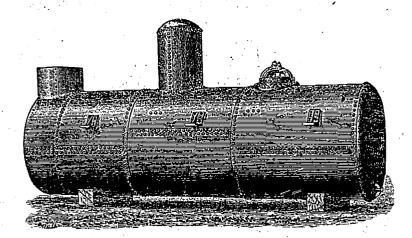
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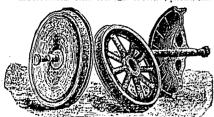
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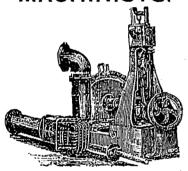


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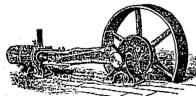
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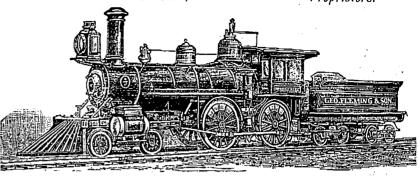
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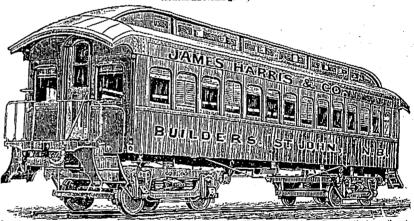
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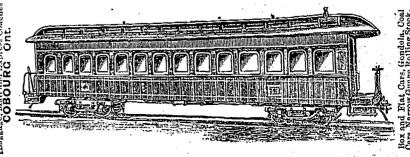
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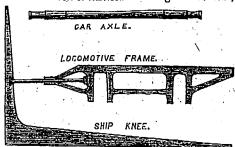
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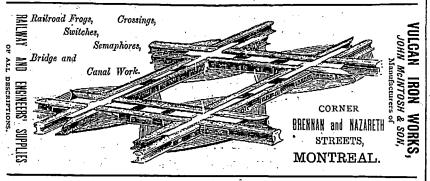
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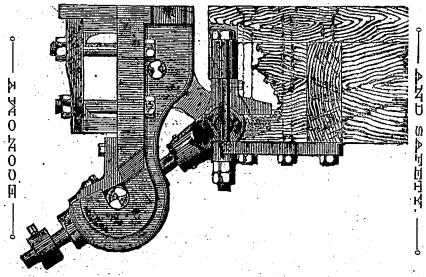


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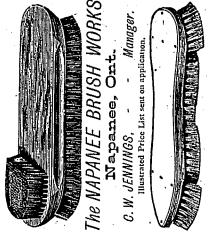


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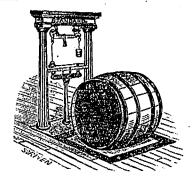
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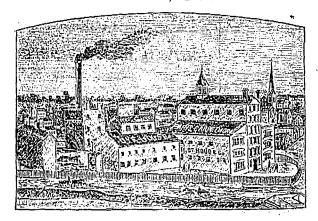
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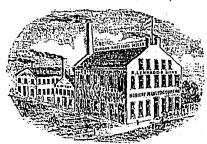
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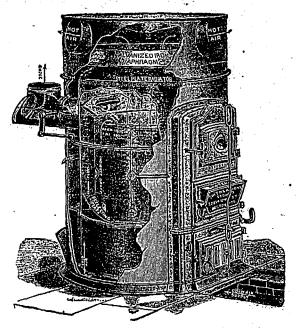
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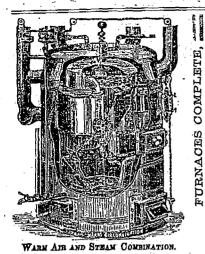
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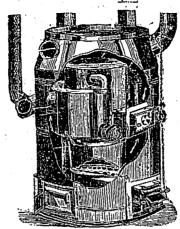
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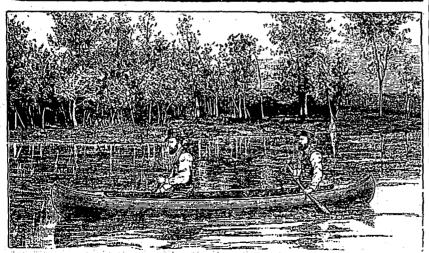
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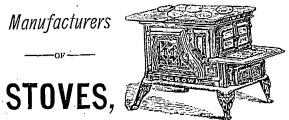
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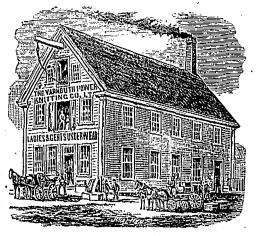
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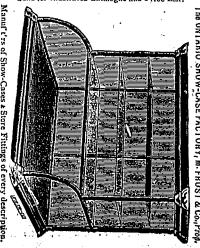
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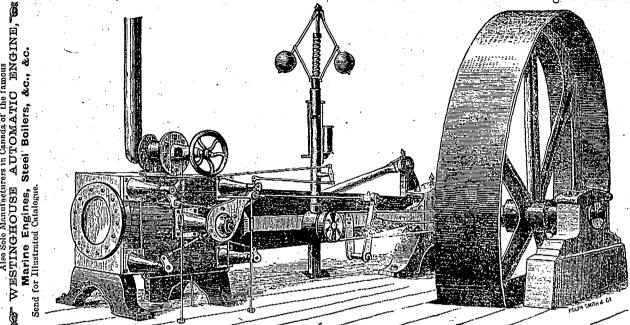
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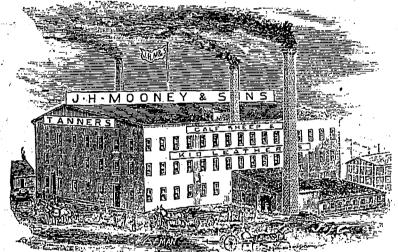
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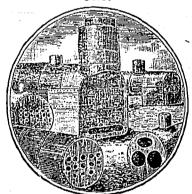
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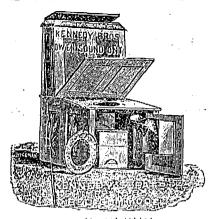
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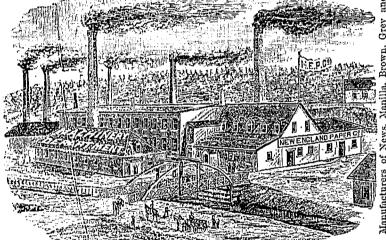
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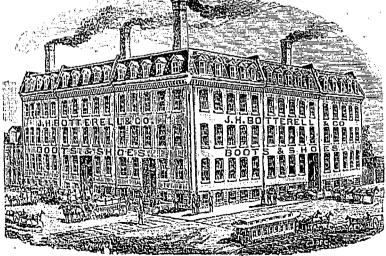
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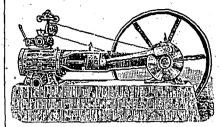
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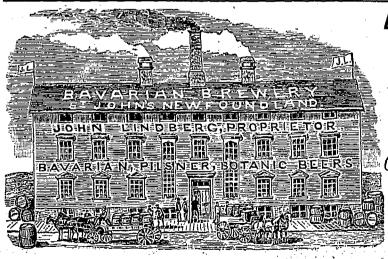
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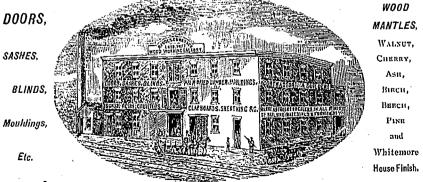
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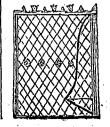


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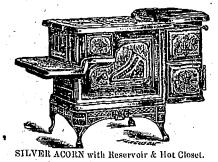
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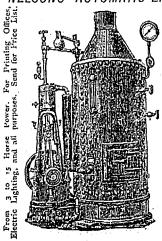
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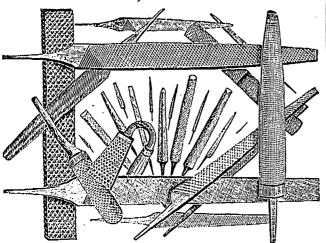
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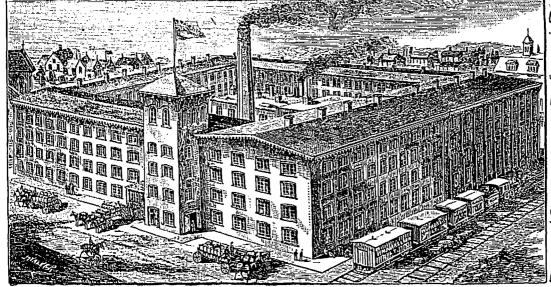
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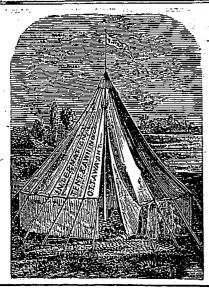
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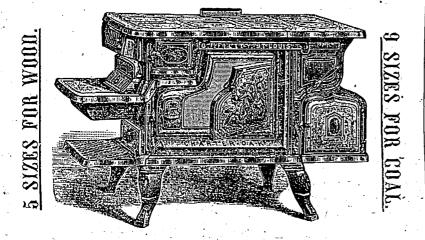
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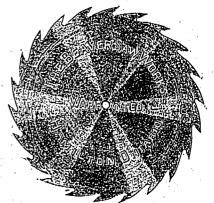
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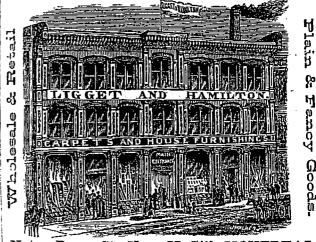
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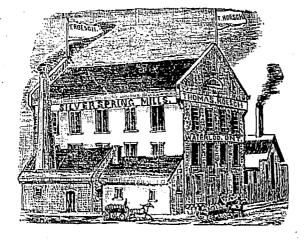
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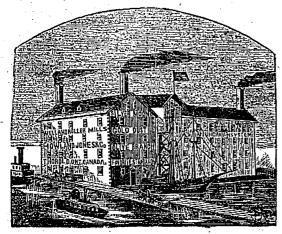
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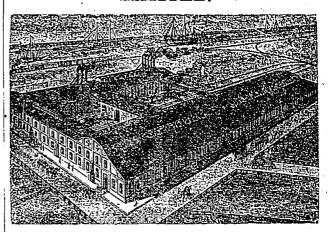
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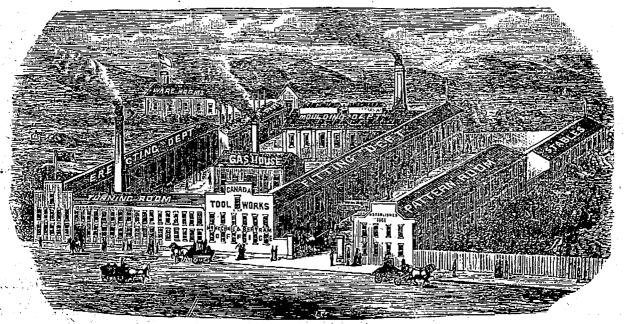
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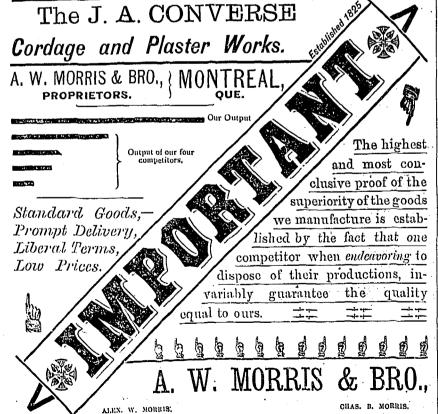
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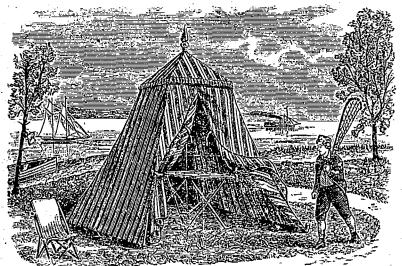
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Commercial Summary.

Tue annual general meeting of the Union Pank of Lower Canada will be held in Quebec on July 12th.

A DIVIDEND of four per cent is declared by the Ontario Investment Association for the current half year.

THE Union Loan & Savings Company has declared its forty-third half-yearly dividend at the annual rate of eight per cent.

The factory, workshops, plant and machinery of the Waterford Manufacturing Co. wil 1 be sold by auction on Tuesday, 29th June.

Apvices from Ottawa report that an additional new cruiser will be put in commission immediately for the protection of the fisheries,

Supplementary letters patent have been granted to the Winnipeg and Western Transportation-Company, decreasing the capital to \$119,040.

A dividend of three and one-half per cent. has been declared for the current half year by the Ontario Industrial Loan and Investment Company.

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Large fares of codfish continue to arrive from the Grand Banks. Four vessels arrived at Lockport on the 9th ulto, averaging 1,700 quintals apiece.

Auguste Martel, a restaurant keeker, of this city, has assigned. Liabilities are under \$1,000, the assets consisting of fixtures and a small stock of liquors.

The bankrupt stock of dry goods belonging to Wm. Holmes, of Dresden, offered for sale, was withdrawn in consequence of only 50c. on the dollar being offered.

The railway-passenger war between the rival lines running between Chicago and St. Paul continues. The fare on the three competing lines to-day is \$4.25 from Chicago to St. Paul.

Letters patent have been granted for the incorporation of the Westbourne Cattle Company, with a capital of \$200,000, for the purpose of breeding and raising stock in Manitoba and the Northwest.

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Dunean McGaegou, a struggling carriage dealer, of Paisley, Ont., has assigned. He had very little credit or resources to back him .-Peter Robb, a Clinton grocer, has assigned after six years experience.

F. H. LAWRENCE, general storekeeper, of Baysville, Muskoka, has assigned. The firm was originally Salmon & Lawrence, but dissolved eighteen months ago, Lawrence continuing. Liabilities are about \$2,000.

Joseph Tanner, a watchmaker and jeweller, of Prescott, Ont., has assigned. He did a small repairing business and never made more than a bare living although he has been 10 or 12 years in the place.

John Charters, a Toronto grocer, has called a meeting of his creditors. He was formerly in business, but sold out and recommenced a year or so ago. He began renewing almost at once, and has always been slow pay,

Josuua Leach, a shoe-dealer, of Caledonia, has assigned. He was in difficulties some years ago, and since then has done little good. His eyesight failing him of late years is probably an important cause of his failure.

I. H. Moneau, general storekeeper, of River David, Que, has assigned after a brief experience of business. He only started his present venture last September Liabilities are placed at \$2,700 and assets will show a small deficit.

THE Quebec Government have introduced a bill to fix the tax of licenses under the Canada Temperance Act as follows: Druggists' licenses in cities, \$70; towns, \$50; parishes, \$25; wholesale in cities, \$80; towns, \$70; par-

CURRIE & GOULDEN, grocers, of Brampton Ont., have assigned. They started about a year ago, but their chances of success were always considered doubtful, as they had but little capital or experience of business. The liabilities are only small.

THE annual meeting of the shareholders of the Ontario Bank was held this week. It is expected that the dividend will be increased from 6 to 7 per cent this year, as the rest now stands at half a million, equivalent to 33 1-3 per cent of the paid up capital.

WILLIAM MOODY, general storekeeper, of Twin Elm, Nepean, Ont., has assigned. His wife ran the store while he dealt in agricultural implements. Neither of them had much experience and appear to have run behind until an assignment was necessary.

E. Henoux, physician and druggist, of Sorel, Que., has assigned, somewhat to the surprise of his neighbors, as he was thought to be doing a snug business and had been in his present stand for over nine years. Liabilities are \$8,000 and assets nominally the same.

THE annual output of coal by Nova Scotia has doubled since 1870. In that year the returns were 625,769 tons, while in 1878 they reached 1,389,295 tons. Last year 300,000 tons of Nova Scotia coal were sold in Montreal, and a small quantity came as far west as Brockville.

AMENDED letters patent of incorporation have been issued to the Winnipeg & Western & Transportation company, decreasing the capital from \$173,000 to \$119,000, and letters patent have been issued incorporating the Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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Secretary.

West Bourne Cattle company, with a capital of \$200,000.

TWENTY-FOUR cargoes of wheat, aggregating 1,069,000 bushels, have been shipped by lake out of Milwaukee during the last month. This is an enormous shipment as compared with any month for many years, and nearly equal to the aggregate charters from May to December of last year.

DR. H. THERIEN, of Grand Piles, Que., whose financial troubles and commercial history were given in our last issue, has been unable to arrive at any arrangement with his creditors, and is consequently obliged to assign. His liabilities will reach \$8,000, while the assets are nominally equal in value.

F. Nicholas, a wood dealer, of Hamilton Ont, has assigned, a meeting of creditors being called for this week. He started in 1884 but it is said did not give his undivided attention to his business. Some time ago he bought a new engine but, being unable to pay, for it, the bailiff was put in and he assigned.

IT is stated that the Canadian Pacific Railway engineers have commenced the final survey of the proposed route of the West Ontario and Pacific Railway, between London and Ingersoll, and will push the work through as speedily as possible. This will put the C. P. R. in direct communication with the Forest

Notice is given of application to Parliament

to incorporate a company to build a railway from Columbia River to Columbia Lake, also from Columbia River to Kootenay River. Notice is given of application for letters patent to incorporate the Northern Contracting Company, with a capital of \$60,000, and headquarters at Montreal.

JAMES WEBSTER, tailor, of Windsor, Ont., has met with bad luck in his business career. About eight years ago he got an extension and in 1882, he was hurned out losing every thing, owing to want of insurance. From this calamity he has never recovered and now assigns. Business men who are not insured will please take note of this.

The fire waste for last month was not much short of \$7,000,000 in the United States and Canada. For the past eleven years the average waste during May has been \$8,000,000, so that May, 1886, shows a reduction of \$1,000 .-000. At the same time the fire waste so far during 1886 is about \$150,000 more than during the same time in 1885.

JOSEPH SIMON, trader and peddler, of this city, has made an assignment through pressure of one of his creditors. His liabilities are about \$1,600, with assets showing a small deficit. The assets consist largely of book debts, and are collectable only by himself. An offer of between 30 and 40 cents is expected and will doubtless be accepted.

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his payments for a year past. His liabilities are \$8,012, of which \$3,120 is secured by mortgage and \$103 privileged, while his assets are estimated to be worth between \$8,000 and \$9,000. An offer of 50 cents in the dollar has been made and will probably be accepted.

R. H. Rein, general storekeeper of Upper Musquodoboit, N. S., has assigned with liabilities of \$4,000 and assets consisting of stock and book debts valued at \$3,500. In 1883 he became security for \$600 for a relation but got time to pay it, he also ran a tannery in connection with his store, but gave it up two years ago. Losses on this and other lines have now compelled him to assign,

The statements of the banking institutions of Ontario make a very favorable showing. The Bank of Toronto shows earnings of \$250,-000. The Imperial shows earnings of \$172,-387, and adds to its rest. The Ontario has

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added \$15,000 to its reserve. The Federal, besides increasing its rest to \$125,000 carries a large sum forward. The Central has carned over eleven per cent, on its average capital.

Furry-rwo head of cattle were recently shipped from Walkerton, Ont., and the local paper commented as follows,-"It must be evident to every intelligent farmer that if more attention was devoted to stock and less to the raising of wheat they would be in a better position financially, and a surer return for the investment would be the result."

Full reports on the cotton acreage of the United States have been published. According to best authorities the results show an estimated acreage of 18,994,000 for 1886, compared with 18,710,000 acres last year. The condition of the plant is ascertained to be generally less favorable than a year ago at this time, but the outlook is not unpromising should June weather favor the crop.

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ance Act is levelled directly at those firms or companies doing a plate-glass insurance business without a license. It is said the Handin-Hand Company is the only organization which has obtained a license for doing this description of business, although several glass firms in this city have insured the panes they put in for customers. The new act will doubtless prove a serious bar to this practice.

THE ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC SUPPLY Co., of Toronto, is the high-sounding name of a grocery firm, which has just assigned, The company was composed of W. T. Brownridge, formerly manager of the Consumers Supply Co., who furnished the experience and a Mr. Ferguson who put in the capital. It is said that Brownridge cannot be found at his accustomed haunts, and the other partner after taking stock to see how he stood, decided on making an assignment.

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Tunner Buos., manufacturers of suspenders, of this city, have assigned with liabilities, of about \$10,000. The assets which consist of machinery and plant, with a small quantity of stock, it is feared will realize but little. The two brothers commenced business in 1879, and in 1885, when Wm. Turner bought out his brother for \$5,000, it is claimed that there was a surplus of \$14,000. The brother who retired, is now engaged in preaching in the west while the present member of the firm married a captain of the Salvation Army a short time ago. Severe competition and want of supervision in the business are mentioned as the causes of failure,

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A LUMBER firm from Three Rivers, says the Lachute Watchman, have just bought a sawmill site at the Calumet, and grounds for dwelling houses. It is the intention of the company to work the extensive timber limits on the Rouge, purchased some years ago from Messrs. Hamilton Bros., of Hawkesbury, by Alexander Baptiste, of Three Rivers. The mill will have a capacity to cut from ten to fifteen million feet yearly, and will furnish employment to over 100 workmen, The Calumet will thus have all the manufacturing interests located at the west end: grist mills, shingle mills and two saw mills. The outlay of the company referred to, and that of J. K. Ward, of Montreal, will tell up to about \$150,-000 perannm.

The acreage of flax in Minnesota and Dakota will be much larger than indicated by the May reports, as the decline in the wheat markets induced many farmers to change their

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erop from wheat to flax. In localities in Southern Minnesota and Dakota where the ground was very wet, farmers abandoned the wheat and sowed flax, while some farmers plowed up their fields which had been sown to wheat and promised poorly and put the land to flax. The crop, while uneven, promises fairly well. In some localities the plant is up and looks thrifty and strong, while in others seeding is just finished.

The prospects of the Pacific coast salmon fishery have improved. The boats on the Columbia are averaging 10 to 12 fish daily. This is much less than that of 1885 at this time, not over one-half. There is little doubt, however, that lost time will be made up for later, as it generally always is. The falling

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off in the catch in the last couple of years has been principally on the Sacramento and Frazer rivers. The year 1885 was the first in which there was any falling off on the Columbia. There may be a shortage of 100,000 cases. On the Sacramento there has been altogether 2,000 cases put up, and the spring catch has been a failure. However, it may be, as it was last year particularly, made up in the fall. Alaska will come to the front with 100,000 to 125,000 cases. Frazer river will probably have a good run this year. At present, however, the whole matter is pure speculation, any more than that the pack will probably be shorter; how much cannot be told.

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THE MERCHANTS BANK.

Following closely on the meeting of the Bank of Montreal, and second only to that in importance and interest, comes the annual meeting of the Merchants Bank of Canada. We publish full reports of the meeting elsewhere, and must content ourselves with some general comments.

The outcome of the year's business, if not up to that of some former years, is yet generally regarded as a very fair record, considering the character of the year in respect to profits, both banking and commercial. An addition of \$125,000 to the 'Rest' account, brings that fund up to \$1,500,000, a very substantial protection in case the future earnings should be below, or the future losses above, the capabilities of each years earnings to provide for There is also a contingent account of \$140,000, to cover presible losses which may develope out of the present assets.

The statement shows a substantial increase in deposits, chiefly in those not bearing interest. The total amount of "free" money held by the bank, including deposits not bearing interest, circulation, and undivided profits, is \$7,700,000, equal to 1323 per cent on the capital. In the case of the Bank of Montreal; the free money is

equal to 195 per cent. on the capital, but that institution has the advantage of large government deposits.

The most important change in the statement is the marked increase in the amount of government and other securities held. Of the former there are now \$1,525,000 worth, something more than the entire "rest" and railway and municipal debentures bring the figures up to \$2,033,000.

The directors remark of this development that "the immediate profit of this description of business is smaller than discounting, but it has important advantages in the way of availability and safety." There can be little doubt as to the latter point. The question of profit however is one likely to exercise shareholders somewhat. Mr. Hague defends the practice on the ground of the example of banks in England and Scotland, but there is this important difference. In England the average returns from such investments are much higher than from the discounting business done at London, Liverpool, and other centres, and almost as high as the average rate (5 per cent. as a maximum) obtained at country branches. Here, on the other hand, the discounting rate is usually a good deal higher than that obtained from first-class securities, such as government bonds.

But the policy needs no apology based on English customs. We have before now urged that a reasonable reserve against unforescen demands, either from regular customers for additional accommodation, or, more peremptory, from depositors or noteholders, should be built up in just such securities as these. Its value in case of a run is patent, but scarcely less so to practical men is its usofulness in keeping the bank strong enough at all times to meet in the fullest way the reasonable demands of its customers in troublous times. The way to win and retain the best circle of customers, on which, after all, its success mainly depends, is this very strength to "carry them through," and this is impossible of achievement if the bank is discounting in quiet times to the very verge of its resources. To give up possible profit then in order to keep the business in shape at other times is a wise self-denial.

There is of course a limit to investments of this kind. They not only imply less return in interest, but so far as they go they kill the collateral profits of deposits, exchange, circulation, etc., which ordinary discounting business of the same volume would create. Against this must be set the decrease in cost of administration, for the handling of a large amount of bonds costs a most trifling percentage of the expense of handling an equivalent number of discount accounts; and there are no deductions for losses. In short, the advantages are so far counterbalanced by the

disadvantages that we need not fear to see the banking capital needed for the development of the country unduly locked up in government bonds.

In his address to the shareholders, Mr. Hague calls attention to the ill effect of the high rate of interest paid by the government on savings banks deposits. His remarks are very guarded, and he might have shown more clearly the injury done by a fixed and arbitrary rate on the part of a great borrower like the State. He also makes a good point with regard to the prudent administration of joint-stock companies, iuculcating strongly the necessity of building up a good reserve fund. We cannot, however, agree with him that such accumulated profits should be in saleable securities. The less capital there is fixed in real estate and machinery (economical working being fully provided for), the better; but unless a corporation has sufficient capital to carry its stock of raw material and manufactured goods, to pay cash for its purchases and hold till maturity the bills it receives for its sales, the savings from its profits should be kept in the business, to tal e the place of the capital that would otherwise be borrowed or of the credit that would be taken.

The remarks as to the injury which a too-easy banker usually inflicts on his customer are well-timed in the present days of great competition and plentiful money. There is nothing more injurious than easy credit to a man who is giving credit, for it removes a stimulus which would lead him to credit prudently with an eye to the immediate liabilities to be provided for, while, on the other hand, it serves as a mental excuse for dilatory collecting.

Mr. Hague is perhaps unnecessarily severe on those who endeavor to forecast the future. In these days of universal credit, judgment as to the future, and faith in the judgment, seem to us the most essential factors in carrying on the business of the world. For men in Canada to buy grain futures because they read in the papers of war-clouds in the east of Europe, is simply betting on a blind chance, which does not deserve the name of forecast and that kind of thing is, we take it, what Mr. Hague had in mind. But the warning is well-timed. for it is unfortunately clear that during the past winter and spring there has been more speculation in Chicago amongst Canadians than for many years past, and usually with disastrous results.

THE FISHERY QUESTION

The question of our fisheries has now assumed a more quiet and judicial phase, and the ridiculous blustering and vaporing of the Gloucester fishermen, through their mouthpieces in the Senate, appear to

have served their purposes as election squibs and to have gradually evaporated in more or less windy orations and resolutions.

Probably a good deal of this gradual cessation of buncombe is due to the fact that the United States is now known to be pursuing the very same policy towards Cuba that it condemns so emphatically when practised against itself by the Dominion, and thus the journalists who are compelled to praise the action of the United States Government in preserving the Floridian fisheries against the encroachments of Spanish fishermen, by insisting on the enforcement of the twelve mile limit, feel somewhat embarrassed at having in the same issue to abuse the Canadian authorities for their action in protecting their fisheries from the raids of unprincipled New England fishermen.

The cause of action in both cases is precisely similar. In 1882 the Captain-General of Cuba in accordance with instructions received from the Royal Board of Tariffs imposed a duty of 33 cents per kilogramme on all fish imported into the Island. This was done partly to protect the Cuban fisherman and partly as a setoff to the dilatory policy of the United States Senate in regard to the then pending commercial treaty between the two countries. The Florida fishermen soon found that their best market was practically cut off and the cry of the oppressed American fishermen went up, if not to Heaven, at least as far as the United States Senate, where it found a mouthpiece in Senator Jones who in a speech which, substituting Canada for Cuba, would have been equally appropriate for Senator Frye, demanded that an old enactment should at once be revived preventing the Cuban fishermen from fishing within twelve miles of the Florida coast or of any of the small islands or keys lying off that coast. This enactment was duly enforced and is in reality effectual in preventing the catching of fish by the Cubans in paying quantities, as they principally school and breed inside the keys and up the lagoons. It appears that (as in our case) the Cubans were not molested for several seasons, continuing to fish inside the limit, until the present year, when all hope of a satisfactory commercial treaty between Spain and the United States being given up by the American Government, the law was rigidly enforced and the Cuban fishing vessels are now being seized and heavily fined.

Can any parallel be more exact? save that the United States claim exclusive privileges over twelve miles of sea, measuring according to a recent decision of the United States Supreme Court from headland to headland, while Canada only demands for her fishermen a three mile limit. And yet the same journalist who defends and applauds the United States in their retaliatory policy on Cuba, denounces as a bitter injustice the same legislation on the part of the Canadian Government when it interferes with the interests of Gloucester fishermen. The glaring inconsistency and injustice of such a policy has proved too much even for the elastic consciences of the purely political journals, though anxious to make election capital for their representatives, and consequently there has been a marked diminuof fire eating editorials, and a growing disposition is manifested to submit the whole matter in dispute to the arbitration of the mother country.

Added to this, the majority of the larger and more responsible journals of the west and central States refuse to be identified with the blatherskite utterances of the New England papers, feeling that the matter is a mere selfish demand on the part of the Maine and Massachusetts fishermen and not one which concerns the interests of the country at large. In fact two of the most influential and impartial papers in the United States openly defend Canada in her action, on the ground of political morality and consistency, and point out that the action of Senator Frye is merely intended to increase the profits of his own constituents by obtaining for them a monopoly of the traffic at the expense of the consumers in other parts of the Union who would be compelled to pay an increased price for their fish if the exclusion of Canadian competion be completed.

With such allies on the other side of the border and with manifest right on our side, the success of the Government's policy is assured; already the Gloucester men find that Canada is neither to be bullied nor cajoled, the severe lesson of the present season has been thoroughly taken to heart, and we may now soon hear that diplomatic steps have been taken which will secure to Canadian fishermen the preservation of their fisheries from the depredations of unprincipled foreign competitors, and the re-opening of our neighbor's markets to Canad'an fish products.

THE GRAIN TRADE.

The movement of grain at this port, since the opening of navigation, has been more satisfactory than for some years, and, with the increased facilities offered by the Canadian Pacific, strong hopes are entertained that our export trade in cereals will undergo a revival, particularly, if a moderate scale of elevator charges is enforced, and a liberal and progressive canal policy, is adopted by the government.

The exports of wheat to recent date have reached 1,819,005 bushels, compared with 1,279,841 in 1885, 707,813 in 1884, and

2,292,837 in 1883, and there is now in store here, 627,453 bushels, against 147,004 in 1885. The total shipments of wheat, corn, peas, oats, barley and rye have been 4,900,5566 bushels, an increase of 1,564,011 over the exports for the same period last year. The shipments of flour were less, being 134,612 as against 192,214 brls. Our storage facilities have been improved by these erection of the new C. P. R. elevator and there is now held here 1,071,669 bushels of grain, of all kinds, as against 324,454 at this date in 1885. The quantity of flour in store is 59,761 brls. as against 63,926 last year.

While the augmented volume business, as brought to light by the above statistics, is no doubt largely due to the demand for low priced American grain which caused an increased movement this spring at all the Atlantic sea-ports, there is still reason to believe that with improved methods, and reduced port, elevator and transportation charges, a larger measure of the trade in American grain than heretofore, can be secured to our shippers. Montreal has been a loser by the diversion of the grain trade to other channels, but if she can now secure her fair proportion of American wheat and corn for shipment, and also handle all the grain of Ontario and the Canadian Northwest a very respectable business will be done.

It is seasonable here to draw attention to the fact that a variety of courses seem likely to deprive Chicago of proud position as the chief grain port of America. Among these are excessive charges, the rogery of the great speculators and handlers of grain, and the extension of railways. Every year the trade is being scattered to rival ports offering equal or superior facilities and the circumstances attending this diversion are of peculiar interest to all engaged in the trade and will we trust have due weight at Montreal. The warehousemen of Chi eago, after some years of obstinate refusal to reduce their rates, are now ready to admit that something must be done, that concessions must be made and that excessive tolls upon commerce can no longer be tolerated. Stern facts and a few years experience have taught them a wholesome lesson.

Up to 1874 they handled nearly all the grain that reached Chicago. A dozen years ago the Chicago merchants felt the necessity for reducing the actual charges on grain, and when the product began to be transferred on track the elevator owners found themselves losing business, for during the two years following, 13 per cent of all the grain that arrived in that city was kept out of the elevators. Six years ago 20 per cent had been lost by them, and in the 12 months ending with last October the elevators handled but 43

per cent of all grain arrivals by rail, 90,404 out of 212,270 carloads being taken in store. The Chicago press gloomily refers to these discouraging features and points to the real cause for their existence. The cost of transferring on track is only one-quarter in as much as the regular warehouse charge: For 600 bushels of corn, for instance, (a carload), the cost of the regular storage and handling is \$11; while on the same quantity hatfalled ander the new method of transfer the total is \$2.70. The charges for warehousing are double what they are at New York but it is now proposed to reduce them to the same level, making the fee for the term of first storage half a cent a bushel.

The views of New York merchants having been solicited, one of them said: "I think Chicago, from this time on, will be less important as the great grain point of the Northwest. Grain is going to be equalized more between the various ports, and, going around Chicago as it were, the South and North will hereafter get more. All contract shipments from the wheatgrowing country that can go to the seaboard without paying from two to four cents toll are likely to follow the route that pays. In my judgment Chicago has seen her best days in one sense. If the country grows, she will of course retain a good deal of commerce, but compared with the other ports she will most assuredly fall behind. There is this to be said, however. system of handling grain is probably the best of any port in the United States, but the expenses attending it are greater than the producing community can stand. cheaper outlets now present themselves, and Chicago is beginning to feel and realize this."

An old receiver of grain said of Chicago's traders:

"They have foisted the system of speculations there, drawing grain from the farmers' hands and putting it in the visible supply until they have speculated themselves well nigh out of house and home. This system of carrying grain is a serious weight on the market. There are reasons why there should be enough grain out of the farmers' hands to supply demands, but there is no reason why it should be hoarded up for the purpose I have mentioned. I look for more legitimate business during the next few years than there has ever been before, and when that comes you may look for better times in every respect. In my judgment, Chicago's speculative reputation will hereafter receive a set-back, for it is plain that she has seen her best days."

According to the United States Commissioner of Agriculture, the harvest will be in progress in Texas during the present month, in Tennessee in June, in the Ohio Valley the 1st of July, and in Michigan later in the same month. The world's product of wheat in 1885 was 3,110,000,000 bushels, the requirements of consumption 3,165,000,000 bushels, presenting a deficiency of 53,000,000 bushels, drawn from the previous year's surplus of 125,000,000 bushels. For the supply of the coming year the crops of Australia, India and

South America, already harvested, are probably about 32,000,000 bushels less than those of last year, while those of the United States promise fully, 100,000,000 bushels more than the harvest of 1885. The wheat in the United States on May 1st last was 104,000,000 bushels against 152,000,000 bushels in 1885. The estimated acreage of winter wheat now growing is 24,727,087; spring wheat, 11,800,000; total, 36,527,087; average for winter wheat, 13 bushels per acre.

In Europe, the area of wheat in Great Britain has been reduced 8 to 10 per cent., which means only seven or eight million bushels at best. The averages of yield in Austria, Hungary, France, Germany, Great Britain and Ireland, and Netherlands range from 15 bushels in Austria-Hungary to 28 in Great Britain, and the average of all for five years is nearly 19 bushels. Russia has an area of nearly 31,000,000 acres, and yields scarcely eight bushels per acre. Other countries have an aggregate of about 29,000,000 acres and produce an average of 11 or 12 bushels per acre.

The area planted in wheat, and now harvested or growing, is very nearly as follows:

	ACTOS.
Europe	94,000,000
North America	40,500,000
South America	6,000,000
India	26,000,000
Australasia	3,500,000
Africa and Western Asia	13,000,000

Total 183,000,000

AT HOME AND ABROAD.

The event of the week here was the meeting of the Merchants Bank, and the address of the General Manager. We have full reports of this elsewhere, which we commend to our readers.

The position of affairs is little changed since our last writing. There is a slight relaxation apparent in rates for call money, but otherwise the financial position romains as before. The much-needed rain has come plentifully, and crops throughout the country generally are looking the better for it. In this province the hay crop is greatly improved by the timely change in the weather.

The report of the Agricultural Department in Washington has been issued for the first of June, and is on the whole favorable. The N. Y. Financial Chronicle computes from the averages that have been furnished in the report, that a production of winter wheat amounting to 300,000,000 bushels is indicated, to which must be added 150,000,000 bushels of spring wheat, making in all an estimated crop of 450,000,000 bushels, 100,000,000 in excess of last year's crop.

Commercial affairs in the United States

are brightening steadily. A larger volume of business is being done, and there have been indications that the mania for labor strikes has about spent itself. Efforts to tie up the street, cars in New York last week failed ignominiously. Boycotting is not at an end, but people seem determined to manage their business in their own way or shut up their stores.

The clearing house figures compiled by the Chronicle, to which we have often referred as indicating the movement of commercial and financial business, show a steady improvement in the "turn-over" of the country. The total amount of clearings in New York from 1st July, 1885, to 31st May, 1886, were 42,318 millions, against 34.333 millions in the corresponding period of 1884-85; and the increase in the clearing houses outside New York has been nearly in the same proportion.

The reduction of the Bank of England rate, in the face of so low reserves of gold, has given rise to much discussion. It is, however, clear that even now it is much higher than the rate prevailing in the Continental Exchanges, and must have the same effect in attracting gold as a 3 per cent. rate would have. The reserves are, replenishing very slowly. On the street money is more than plentiful, and the open market rate for best three months bankers' bills is 1 per cent.

Business continues dull, and no change can now be looked for until the elections are over.

The British Trade returns have been treated fully in another column. There is, we fear, little comfort to be derived from them yet.

SHOW WINDOWS.

It was a favorite saying of one of the most successful dry goods merchants that this continent has ever produced that a glance into any of his customers' show windows would give him a better idea of the man's business capability and of the class of trade he was doing, than the most carefully compiled report from a mercantile agency. While not venturing to go so far as that, there can be no reasonable doubt that the aspect of the show windows of a store is a very fair index of the commercial qualities of its owner. A window filled with limp, faded and dusty fabrics, carelessly arranged and bearing evidences of being but rarely changed in position, speaks but poorly for the energy and push of its proprietor, while a bright tasteful, well arranged display is not only attractive to the customer but bears silent testimony to the brisk, atert, business-like character of the storekeeper. A window crowded with a variety of heterogenous articles, jostling one against the other, offending the eye by the mass of discor-

dant color and confusing the senses by the simultaneous display of articles inharmonious in color and incongruous in material, usually points out a merchant lacking in that taste and experience so necessary now-a-days for success in business. Such a man is usually a poor buyer; wanting in artistic feeling himself, he does not recognized what fabrics will make up harmoniously together and therefore will probably be sought for by the public, and thus often loads his shelves with trimmings or fabrics which suit nothing he has in stock and consequently will remain on his hands until the assignee reckons them among the assets.

What a contrast to such a confused mass as this is the artistic display of his more successful neighbor. A few stylish fabrics prettily draped and relieved by clusters of laces and embroideries tastefully grouped, will often attract the attention, and consequently the custom of the passer-by when more pretentious displays entirely fail to impress him. A window like that points to a clever far-seeing buyer, a man who keeps his finger, we may say, on the public Lulse, and who knows apparently by intuition what fabrics will please the popular taste. Such a man is usually a judicious, if not liberal, advertiser, he reads carefully the journals bearing on his particular trade and thus is in a position not only to be posted in every new vagary of fashion. and in the style of every new material (and their name now-a-days is legion) that presents itself as a candidate for popular favor, but is able to dictate to the traveller what goods he desires to purchase instead of being compelled to take that astute gentleman's word for what will probably be the coming style.

The advantages possessed by a commercial journal in the way of becoming acquainted with the latest novelties will be readily appreciated. While the merchant in many cases depends upon one or more trips to town per year for his knowledge of new fashionable fabrics besides what he can learn from travelling salesmen interrested in pushing their particular lines of goods, the trade reporter is daily in contact with the acutest buyers of the leading wholesale houses. Even when in town, in nine cases out of ten, the merchant calls only on those houses from whom he buys, and consequently only sees their stock, perchance not all of that, as in some cases they may not care to show him some particular line, either because they are running out of it or because it may diminish his purchases of fabrics more profitable to themselves. On the other hand the commercial reporter, in his incessant search for "points" is freely allowed to see the very latest styles, and can converse on trade and prospects with a freedom and absence of restraint that could not be

ventured on with a prospective customer. A consideration of these facts will show the advantages derived from a careful and regular perusal of the articles in trade journals.

But it is not only in the manner of display that a show window forms such an index to the store it advertises. The class of goods it contains speaks volumes to the careful purchaser. A window dressed with faced cottons and loaded silks will hardly invite the confidence of any but the most careless buyers, and if, on the other hand, it be filled with oldfashioned or shopworn fabrics, or carelessly and slovenly arranged it will not attract the attention of the public and will therefore fall short of its mission. Nothing is more important in these days of keen and vigorous competition than a continuous and striking advertisement, and of all methods of advertising there is none so successful as a well-arranged, artistically disposed show window.

It may be objected that in these modern days, window dressing has grown into a fine art, practised by men who make it their regular calling and that therefore the ordinary merchant cannot hope to compete in artistic design and elaboration of arrangement with the larger stores, this is undoubtedly true, but at the same time it is no excuse for a slovenly careless, window, or for a kaleidoscopic mass of beterogenous materials jammed into a window in violation of all the laws of taste and harmony. A few well arranged fabrics tastefully draped and constantly changed will draw far more attention than a window crowded with samples of every novelty or staple the store contains, especially if the latter be allowed to remain unaltered for weeks or even months. The eve soon becomes accustomed to any display and ceases to be attracted and when the show window ceases to rivet the attention of the passer-by its usefulness is past. Show but few lines at a time and change those constantly and the additional custom brought in, coupled with the saving from exposure to sun and air of the rest of the stock, will soon make itself felt in the increasing volume of purchases.

With the aid of the pretty summer fabrics now selling, the smallest window can be made a gem of art, while the possibilities of those having a larger space at their command are unlimited. Outside of printers' ink no method of advertising shows better results and a careful attention to this too often neglected branch of store-keeping will soon add to the profits of the most successful merchant.

BRITISH TRADE.

In spite of the feverish and unsettled articles into Great Britain, watches, clocks, state of political affairs both in Great cotton goods and glass show a falling off, Britain and abroad and the consequent but manufactures of paper, iron, gloves,

falling off in the volume of business, the official returns of the imports and exports of the mother country for the four months ending on the 30th April last, cannot be said to be unsatisfactory. It is true both imports and exports show in their totals a small falling off, but this is more apparent than real and a careful consideration of the various items shows that the condition of British Trade is far from disquieting. The lessened imports of food animals and materials, of course effects the trade of this continent, but it is principally owing to the action of speculators controlling the market for cereals, and not to any lack of demand in the English market.

Taking the value of the total imports for the first four months of the present year and comparing them with those of a similar period in 1885 it will be seen that a decrease of 12.9 per cent exists, the deficiency amounting in round figures to nearly eighty-five millions of dollars. Of this large sum no less than about thirty-five millions of dollars are due to the lessened imports of food materials, a decline which seems to be general in all food products but which is especially marked in the important staple food commodities such as wheat, flour, live stock and raw sugar. In the case of wheat this continent is not responsible for all the decrease as the imports of wheat from India have also fallen far below the average, a fact which has caused some surprise when the depressed state of silver is taken into consideration. The returns of raw materials imported for use in the textile manufactures which have placed Great Britain at the head of the commercial world, show that the imports of raw cotton have decreased in quantity 15 per cent, those of flax 32 per cent, while jute shows a decline of 33 per cent and its congener, hemp, one of 29 per cent. It is cheering to note, however, that the imports of silk for the past four months show an increase of no less than 54 per cent, while a small increase of 3 per cent is shown in the imports of wool for manufacturing purposes. In the metals, with the exception of iron ore which shows an increase of 9 per cent, a similar condition of affairs prevails, the largest decrease, 21 per cent, being visible in the imports of copper, while lead, tin and zinc show decreases of four, eight and five per cent respectively. Among other articles for use by manufacturers, hides show an increase of nine per cent, while esparto grass is credited with an advance of about four per cent, but India rubber and tallow have each declined ten per cent and hewn and sawn lumber has decreased over nineteen per cent in quantity and 23 per cent in value. In the imports of manufactured articles into Great Britain, watches, clocks, cotton goods and glass show a falling off,

silk stuffs, ribbons and woollens show marked increases, particularly the last two items. Oil seeds, oils, chemicals, drugs and tobacco also show a decrease in importation with the exception of linseed and flax seed which are credited with a fair advance in volume.

Turning to the exports from Great Britain a more cheerful state of affairs is visible and most lines of textiles, with the exception of cotton and linen yarns in which a trifling decrease is visible, show a fair advance, the total increase, taking the average of all the various lines of textile manufactures being estimated at 1.6 per cent. The manufactures of metals, however, show a total decrease of 2.9 per cent. the heavy falling off in the exports of machinery and engines (amounting to no less than 17 per cent) completely offsetting the increase in iron, steel, telegraphic wire and other metallic products. Cutlery, too, shows a trifling decline of about one per cent. In miscellaneous articles, a total deficit of 14 per cent is recorded as against the figures for 1885. principally due to the falling off in the demand for pickles, refined sugar, boots and shoes, coal, and haberdashery, which overbalance the increased exports of wool. earthenware, patent fertilizers and painters' colors which show increases severally of from three to six per cent. Taking the values of the total exports of all kinds and adding to them the amount of merchandise reshipped we find a decrease of 3.2 per cent, a result, however, due simply to the lower prices obtainable, and not to any dimunition in the volume of exports.

Altogether the figures may be regarded as satisfactory and it is interesting to us to learn that wherever an improvement is noticeable it is due entirely to the increased demand from America. Owing to the manner in which our English cousins persist in grouping us with the United States in their commercial figures, under the generic title of North America, we are unable to state how much of this improved demand is due to Canadian enterprise, but it may be noted that the imports to this continent during the past four months exceeded those of the corresponding period of 1885 by over 25 per cent, and that too at a time when the exports to all other countries showed a conspicuous falling off. The month of April shows this fact most markedly, nearly every important line of exports to this continent showing a considerable increase, while those of other countries were either stationary or exhibiting a positive decline-

That a portion of this advance is due to the present unsettled state of the labor market in the United States is of course true and it therefore cannot be all credited to a legitimate expansion of trade. But it is also undoubtedly a fact that the rapid growth of this country and the steady influx of emigration, both into the Canadian west and into the verritories of the United States, form most important factors in the increased demand for British textiles. Greater Britain, as the colonies of the mother empire have been so aptly called, is destined to be greater still and though, thanks to the enterprise and skill of her sons, Canada supplies many of her wants with her own manufactures, the steady increase in population and riches of this country cannot fail to increase reciprocally the demand for British made articles, while under our present fiscal policy increased imports mean a material improvement in the financial position of the country.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY. - " The revenue statement for the 4 months ending April affords data for forming an approximate estimate of the results of the Grand Trunk for the current half-year. Two thirds of the half-year completed show net profits on the main line £256,252, on the Chicago £32,826, and on the Detroit £17,461 making together a total net revenue of £306,539. As compared with the same period of last year, this is an increase on the whole system of £91,225. Of this sum £77,746 is due to the main line; £7,921 to the Chicago Grand Trunk, and £5,558 to the Detroit Section. For the four weeks ending May 29th, the published gross increase is £27,-633. This brings up the gross increase on the Grand Trunk to £86,478. The receipts for June will, in all probabily, show larger increases, as the receipts will compare with the abnormally heavy decrease of last year. Taking the increase for June, however, as the same as that for May, and the rate of working at the same as the April statement just issued, the result of the half-year's working on the main line, would be an increase in net revenue, of about £120,000. For the June half of last year, the net carnings over the whole system fell short by £48,307 of the amount required to meet the debenture charges, and there was consequently no dividend for the Guaranteed or the Preference Stocks.

If the profits of May and June should be equal to this estimate, the result for the current half-year should should be a surplus over all prior charges of about £70,000; as it requires £104,000 to pay the "Guaranteed" the full 4 per cent. dividend, it follows that there would be a deficiency of £34,000 for this stock, the amount available being sufficient pay only at the rate of 23 tnstead of 4 per cent. for the half-year. The appropriation of increased net revenue is a matter however, which the directors will have to decide upon when the accounts for the half year are to hand, and when the question of arranging for the £94,000 of the Chicago deficit will to be dealt with. Whether any extrancous sources of income may be brought

into the account in aid of revenue we are unable to say. It is probable that the net revenue may be help to some extent by additional credits. On the Detroit section last June, there was a debit balance of £12,055, carried forward. The Chicago section showed a debit balance for the June half last year of £49,459. The amount to debit may be reduced at the end of the current half year, but it can hardly be expected to be converted into a "credit" balance. As compared with the corresponding half of last year there is a increase of net profit on the Chicago section for the four months, of £6,921, which at the same same rate of improvement for the remaining two months of the half year should bring up the increase of profit to about £12,000. The Central Vermont one of the controlled lines of the Company, may reasonably be expected to share to some extent in the improvement shown on other parts of the system, and this may contribute somewhat more to the available net revenue than last year .- Railway.

A well-known and useful citizen of Montreal has passed away in the person of Mr. W. J. Patterson, for the past twenty years secretary of the Montreal Board of Trade and Corn Exchange. He had for some time past suffered from a bronchial affection, and had also complained of inconvenience from an ancurism on the leg. A couple of weeks ago he took to his bed, suffering from his old bronchial trouble, and while under treatment for this, danger developed itself in connection with the aneurism and an operation was performed. This appeared to be successful until Friday, when blood-poisoning, the immediate cause of death, set in. He was 71 years of age. Mr. Patterson was a native of Glasgow, Scotland, whence, after learning the trade of a printer, he sailed for America, first settling in the Western States. At the time of the negro emancipation excitement he published a paper which warmly advocated abolitionist principles, the consequence being that he had to flee the country, his printing establishment being wrecked. After a few years spent in Chicago he removed to Montreal and obtained a position on the Witness. It was while acting as financial editor of that paper, in 1865, that he was elected to the important post which he held up to the time of his death. He was also secretary of the Dominion Board of Trade during its existence. Mr. Patterson published many valuable pamphlets on the trade interests of Montreal and of Canada, and as a clever and precise statistician he had few equals in the Dominion. His annual report on the commerce of Montreal was always sought for. and was recognized as the standard work of the kind. He was essentially the right man in the right place, and the trade of the country has received an impulse in more than one direction from his painstaking researches. His death will leave a void which it will be difficult to fill.

THE wholesale trade of Montreal and Que. bec, has recently seen the necessity of opposing an attempt at fragmentary legislation in Quebec, which would have taken the estate of the insolvent in many instances entirely out of the hands of the creditors chiefly interested. A bill introduced in the House, would make paragraph 3 of article 768 of the Code of Civil Procedure read as follows :-" The abandonment being made, the court or the judge, upon demand of a party interested, shall, after taking the advice of the creditors of the debtor, appoint a curator to the property of such -debtor, which curator must be a resident of the district in which the debtor has his place of business." An influential deputation from both cities obtained the assurance of the Attorney-General, that he would use his influence to have the bill rejected. The following amendment will be submitted and probably carried :- " The court or judge shall name as curator the person nominated by the majority of the creditors in value at the said meeting."

THE FEDERAL BANK .- The twelfth general' annual meeting of this Bank was held in Toronto on the 15th instant. In another column we give the text of the report submitted to the shareholders at length. The report is a very favorable one, and reflects much credit on the directors and officers of the bank, the net profits after deducting charges of management, interest accrued upon deposits and writing off bad and doubtful debts amounting to \$76,650, of which \$25,000 has been transferred to the rest, the remainder being einployed to pay a dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum. With regard to the net profits, it may be stated that profit and loss account has not been credited with accrued interest upon old locked-up accounts, as the bank has adopted the plan of applying all payments on principal, while such a fair degree of progress has been made with these accounts as to justify the directors in transfering \$25,000 from profit and loss to the rest, making the latter \$125,000, or 10 per cent. upon the capital. The usual votes of thanks were tendered to the directors and officers.

TRADE OF THE PORT .-- Ocean vessels trading to the port of Montreal continue to show an increase in tonnage capacity. in 1883, the average tonnage of 74 ships was 1,171 while the same number this year averaged 1,360, or 189 tons more than four years ago, so that for the same number of vessels, the tonnage has increased nearly 15,000 tons. Sixty-two steamships and twelve sailing vessels with an aggregate tonnage of 101,581 tons, had arrived in port up to June 1, against 61 steam and 19 sail with a combined tonnafic of 99,981 last year. The inland vessels numbered 881, against 659 to same date in 1885. Notwithstanding the floods this year, the water by the 31st May had fallen to 29-11, that being the lowest for the previous three years, the differ-

ence being respectively 14.8 and 12 inches less than the three previous years. The government commission to enquire into the causes of the floods has been organized. The net increase in ocean and local traffic to June 1 was \$3,547, or 14:17\} per cent, compared with last year.

THE IMPERIAL BANK OF CANADA. - The eleventh annual report of the Imperial Bank, the full text of which is given in another portion of our columns, discloses a prosperous condition of affairs, and testifies to the skill and capacity of its officers in no slight degree. The statement shows that the net profits of the year, after deducting charges of management and writing off all losses, interests, etc., reach the respectable sum of \$172,388, of which \$110,000 was used in payment of dividends, \$68,938 carried to contingent fund, and \$20,000 added to the Rest, which now amounts to half a million dollars. When the competition for deposits by outside banks at abnormally high rates of interest is taken into jaccount, this statement compares favorably with that of previous years. A motion authorising an appropriation of \$5,000 to form a guarantee and pension fund for the officers of the bank was adopted and the usual votes of thanks to the directors and officers were passed unanimously.

THE MARITIME BANK .- The report of the annual meeting of the share holders of the Maritime Bank, is given elsewhere in extenso. We congratulate the directors on their, action in wiping out the suspense account which has so long figured amongst the assets, and feel that it will add to the confidence of the shareholders. The report shows that after deducting expenses of management, interests, relates, bad and doubtful debts etc., the net profits for the year, amount to nearly 10 per cent on the paid up capital, a most creditable showing for the officers of the bank. A resolution to increase the stock to half a million dollars was carried, the management pointing out that in view of the steadily increasing business at Fredericton and Woodstock, the additional capital could be safely and profitably employed. The usual votes of thanks to the President and directors were passed unanimously.

A DANGEROUS forged ten dollar bill on the Merchants Bank of Canada is in circulation. The frame work is photographed, but the green tint on face and back, instead of being produced by fine green lines on the white paper, is painted by hand all over a pattern printed in dark color. This and the yellower tone of the green are the best means of detecting the forgery.

The traffic returns of the G. T. R. show an increase of \$56,537 as compared with those of the same week of 1885.

MERCHANTS BANK OF CANADA.

The annual meeting of the stockholders, of the Merchants Bank of Canada was held in the Board Room of the institution at twelve o'clock yesterday, when there was a large attendance of stockholders, among those present being Messrs. Andrew Allan (president), Robt. Anderson (vice-president), Hon. J. J. C. Ab-Latt, Jonathan Hodgson, Hector-Mackenzie, John Cassils, H. Montagu Allan, J. H. R. Molson, W. C. McDonald, J. Y. Gilmour, Sheriff McConkey (Barrie), Robert Benny, Thomas Workman, John Crawford (Verdun), Alderman Hood, Wm. Francis, D. J. McCarthy (Sorel), J. P. Cleghorn, Alex. McDougall, Hugh A. Allan, David Rac, Andrew J. Dawes, A. C. Clark, W. B. Cummings, Geo. Hague (general manager), and many others.

The proceedings were opened by the president, Mr. Andrew Allan, who took the chair and asked Mr. J. H. Plummer, assistant general manager, to act as secretary of the meet-

The Secretary, being called upon, read the advertisement calling the meeting.

THE ANNUAL REPORT

of the Directors was then read. The report is as follows:

The directors beg to present to the Stockholders the following Report of the business of the year just closed:-

The net profits of the year, after payment of interest and charges, and deducting approprintions for bad and doubtful debts, have amounted to.....

Balance from last year......

\$524,754.03 7,566.71

\$532,320.74

This has been disposed of as follows:-Dividends Nos. 34 and 35, at 7

\$403,735.50 125,000.00 account for next year

3,585.24

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For the general position of the bank the directors refer to the accompanying balance slicet. A comparison of this statement with that for last year will show that the business of the bank has been well maintained. The directors have this year increased the bank's holding of bonds of the Dominion of Canada so as to bring up the total to an amount equal to the whole "rest" of the bank. They trust their action in this matter will have the approval of the stockholders. They have also considerably added to the other available securities of the bank, and to the amount of money employed in call or short loans on stocks and bonds. The immediate profit of this description of business is smaller than that of discounting; but it has important advantages in the way of availability and safety. The average return from the investments of the bank has been smaller than in former years, owing to the general reduction of the rate of discount and other causes; but safety has been a primary consideration. The net outcome of the year's business has been such as to enable the usual dividend of 7 per cent. to be declared, and the sum of \$125,000 to be added to the "rest," The directors endeavor constantly to keep before them the importance of building up this fund, not only as increasing the carning power of the bank and adding to its stability, but in view of the maintainance of the dividend, and a possible increase at a future day when a larger "rest" has accumulated. The branch at Emerson, Manitoba, has been closed during the year, and the remaining assets of the office transferred to

Winnipeg for collection. The unusual circumstances attending the business of this town have called for heavy appropriations out of the earnings of the present year. The directors trust that the good prospect of the growing crops, together with an influx of desirable emigrants, will favorably affect the business of this neighborhood and every other part of Manitoba. The completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway and the extension of the Manitoba and North Western and other tributaries of the main line into the fine farming districts of the interior must aid in this development. The board have the painful duty of referring to the decease of two former directors of the bank, Mr. Wm. Darling and Mr. Adolphe Masson, both of whom were devoted to its interest. To replace the former, the directors, under the powers conferred by the Banking Act, elected Mr. H. Montagu Allan to a seat at the board. The second vacancy is of recent occurrence, and it has been deemed expedient to defer an election until the annual meeting. During the year, special efforts have been made to get the partially-paid stock ac-counts paid up in full. At the beginning of the year there were 24 shareholders, holding 1,283 partly paid up and unreduced shares :-1,273 of these have been paid up and reduced, and 10 shares cancelled. This brings the subscribed capital of the bank to 57,992 shares, all of which are now paid up in full. The branches of the bank, including the Montreal office, have all been duly inspected. The general manager and other officers of the bank have discharged their duties to the satisfaction of the directors. On behalf of the board,

Andrew Allan, President.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st May,

LIABILITIES.

Notes in circula-\$2,869,308.00 Deposits at interest (including interest accrued to date) \$5,797,675.88 Deposits not bearing interest 3,189,256.17 8,986,932.05 Balances due Canadian banks keeping Deposit Accounts with Merchants Bank of Canada 604,754.62 Balances due Canadian banks in daily exchanges. 19,508,84 Balances_due to Agents in Great Britain ... 292,680,07 Dividend No. 35 . 202,972.00 Dividends unclaimed 5,137.37 \$12,981,292.95 Capital paid-up.. 5,799,200.00 1,500,000.00 Rest.... Contingent Account.... 140,000.00 Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried to next

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G. HAGUE, General Manager.

\$20,424,078.19

The president then moved, seconded by the vice-president:

That the report of the Directors, as submitted, be and the same is hereby adopted and ordered to be printed for distribution amongst the stockholders.

Which was carried unanimously.

Mr. Hague, the general manager then said:
In making a few remarks on the statement and report just presented I will first call attention to the report of last year as compared with the present. The first item is the Circulation, in which there has been little change. Last year it was \$2,896,074; this year it amounts to \$2,869,308. The Directors regard the circulation of the not s of the bank as a matter of primary importance, and, though they avoid any process by which bills can be forced into circulation, they enjoin upon managers of branches to take especial care that within the bonds of their connection this matter receives due attention. The circulation of the bank would be maintained at a higher level if the price of our agricultural commodities was more than it is.

Deposits have considerably increased. A year ago they amounted to \$8,122,000; at present the amount is \$8,986,000. The increase has largely been in such as do not bear interest—a class of deposits generally representing the active turn over of the business of the bank. It is to be regretted that the Government will continue to pay higher rate for deposits repayable at call than the money is worth. It thereby puts itself to a most unnecessary expense. Money at call is not

worth as much by two per cent, as money deposits or loaned for a long period: There can be no doubt that much of the money now deposited with the Government, ought legitimally to find the way to the Banks. The Government might save some hundreds of thousands of dollars a year by better arrangements, besides promoting its own safety. This matter touches the mercantile community closely.

Turning from the liabilities to the assets of the bank'a very considerable difference will be observed in the distribution of the items. To begin with, the balances due to us by our agents in the United States have more than doubled. The rate obtainable for money employed there has somewhat improved, and we have placed a larger amount in their hands. The large increase in the holding of Dominion Government bonds and other available assets I will dwell upon later on, and proceed to notice the diminution in the ordinary loans and discounts of the bank. This has partly arisen from the closing of accounts whose working was not satisfactory to the board, and partly the diminished requirements on the part of our regular customers. The accounts of customers who; have failed during the year (and there always must be such in a bank ' 10se businesr is carried on in so many to cities as ours) will of course have p. . ed out of the ordinary circle of our discounting operations. Against these must be set oil the accession of new accounts at various points; but in a time of such business quietude as the present, the volume of this is not important.

The bank is always ready to listen favor-

The bank is always ready to listen lavorably to applications for business facilities from sound and reliable firms. And customers of this class are finding by experience that the Merchants Bank can be depended on to meet all their legitimate requirements, and to stand by them in any temporary difficulty requiring larger advances, provided this position is essentially sound. All that the bank requires is that its customers shall conduct their business prudently and give the bank their confidence from time to time. The bank will then give its confidence in return.

The overdue debts have somewhat decreased during the year. With respect to this item, let me say that overdue bills not specially secured are in many cases just as good as those for which the bank holds security by mortgage or otherwise. Many of these bills in fact are overdue only for a few days at a time, when arrangements are made for them to be taken up.

From all this it will be apparent that our business taken as a whole has been maintained on prudent and stable lines in every department. The net profits, however, have somewhat disappointed us. It has indeed been a difficult year in this respect. We have had to employ large sums of money at lower rates of interest that formerly, and the mercantile demand for discount has been considerably reduced in volume. This is largely owing to the low valuations prevailing in nearly every staple commodity.

The amount of appropriations required for realized or estimated losses has been considerable. The ultimate result of the whole is that we were able to increase the Rest by a smaller sum than we would have wished. The amount added to the Rest, nevertheless is \$125,000, a sum by no means to be despised. It will be interesting to dwell for a moment on the growth of this item for some years back:—

In -1881 the Rest was \$ 525,000 In 1882 " " 750,000 In 1883 " " 1,150,000 In 1884 " " 1,250,000 In 1885 " " 1 375,000 In 1886 " " 1,500,000 In 1886 " " 1,500,000

From this you will perceive that during the last five years the sum of \$975,000 has been added to this most important fund, being on an average \$195,000 per annum. This, result, I beg to submit, should not be unsatisfactory to the stockholders.

The importance of a fund like this was not appreciated in former days in Canada as it is at present. There was a time when the Bank of Upper Canada distributed nearly the whole of its rest, in the form of a bonus, to the stock-holders. This procedure was highly gratifying at the time, but the shareholders paid dearly for it afterwards. The importance of a large reserve like this, to all joint stock companies, (and in this, not only banks but manufacturing companies must be included), arises from the fact that no dividend can be paid when any portion of its capital, however Hence the larger the small, has been lost. accimulated's fund above the capital, the smaller the possibility of a dividend being passed by, and the greater the certainty of a dividend being maintained. In addition to this, the larger the Rest, the larger is the earning power of the bank. This is obvious. Another fact will be obvious on reflectionthat to make a steady addition to the Rest is the best guarantee of an increased dividend in the future. I say nothing of what may be done when a particular sum has been reached. The Board, to my knowledge, has no partieular policy in that respect, but, on general principles, the opportunity and chance of a better dividend obviously increases with the increase of the sum accumulated over and above the capital.

I have referred to business corporations. The practice is becoming general in Canada, as it is in England, and has long been in the States, of conducting business under the form of a joint stock company. The stability of these companies is important to their stockholders and their workmen, as well as to their bankers and creditors, and nothing will ensure their stability so much as to pay such moderate dividends as will enable them to set aside considerable sums to provide against the chances of trade, and a time of depression when little or no profit is carned. I need not say, however, that such profits, when so re-served, should be kept in an available form, in cash or good saleable securities, so as to be on hand when wanted. This cannot be done when the reserve of a manufacturing company is employed in adding to its fixed property. It is in pursuance of a policy of this nature that the Board have invested the Reserve fund of the bank in Government securities. The bank has increased its holding of these by the sum of \$643,000 during the year. The directors have been guided in this conservative course by several important considerations. In the first place it seems obviously desirable to withdraw a portion, or perhaps the whole of this "safety fund" of the Bank from the risks of mercantile operations. Then in considering how it shall be employed it seems most desirable to invest it in the securities of the Government. It might possible be as well, also, on several grounds (I throw out the suggesttion for consideration), if a larger portion of the loans of the Government could be floated in Canada, and permanently held there, as is the case in the United States. Were this generally done, the way might be gradually prepared for the raising of Government loans in England through the medium of the banks whom it charters to carry on business. This is largely the case with the banks of the Australasian colonies, and it would be to the mutual advantage both of the banks and the Government were it done in Canada.

Up to the year 1871 Canadian banks

were obliged by law to hold a certain amount in Government securities. There seems no need for any legislation on the subject until the period arrives for renewing the charters of the banks, which will be in the year 1891, but if at that time it is thought necessary for the circulation of the banks to be further secured. a covering of Government securities is the most natural mode of attaining the object. Should the policy of the Government lean in this direction, it would be well to announce it at least three years before the expiration of the charters. This time will be short enough the charters. to enable any contemplated change to be provided for.

If it is decined desirable to adopt the general principal of having all bank notes in circulation covered by Government securities, I apprehend that a system can be devised more suitable to the circumstances of Canada than that prevailing in the United States.

With regard to the other investments named in the report, I think it is desirable to follow long established British precedents, and keep, when possible, the funds of the bank partly employed in good bonds and deshentures hearing a fair rate of interest, whose value is either quoted or readily ascertainable, and which can be easily converted into cash. All the large banks of the United Kingdom employ their funds, not only in making loans on such securities, but in the purchase of selected securities on account of the bank itself. Experience shows that in matters of banking, English and Scotch precedents are very safe to follow. This policy has an important bearing on the stability of the bank

In institutions like the joint stock banks of Canada, stability is an all important feature. The business of all sections of the country rests upon them. They are, in fact, its main support, A joint stock banking corporation, is not a kind of thing to be lightly formed, and which may be "here to-day and gone tomorrow." Its responsibilities are so great, and the interests of the community are so closely entwined with it, that those concerned in its management are bound by every consideration to provide for its being stable, if that were possible, as the Government itself. In this connection it is much to be regretted that many charters for banking purposes have been allowed by Parliament with less consideration than the gravity and importance of the subject demand.

Referring again to British precedents, nothing can be more interesting than to notice the stability of banking firms and corporations both in England and in Scotland, continuing, as they have done, some of them for many generations. Childs & Co.'s bank was founded in 1632 and flourishes in London still. The Bank of England was established in the reign of William the Third. The Bank of Scotland was established in the same reign. The Bank of Ireland is more than a hundred years old. These are samples of others. This element of stability has had much to do with the stability of the mercantile business of Great Britain and the steady growth of wealth in the United Kingdom, all political convulsions, wars and domestic troubles notwithstanding. I need not say, however, that this long con-tinued course of stability has not been due to chance or accident. These firms and banks have continued to exist from generation to generation, because of the prudence, sound judgment, and wise knowledge of men and things with which they were managed, and which traditions of management have been handed down from father to son, and from one board of directors to another, not only from generation to generation, but from century to century. These old institutions are inheritors of a vast body of sound rules, wise

precedents and economical maxims, which are themselves of a direct practical monetary value in the present, and are the surest guarantee of stability and success in the future. In a similar manner, though for a shorter period, many banks of the United States have had a steady and unbroken career of solid and conservative progress. I may instance the Bank of New York National Banking Association, the oldest bank in that great city, which commenced its business soon after the Declaration of Independence, and has always been characterized by prudent and conservative management. During all the changing circumstances of the country and the masses of speculative business, by which it was sur-rounded, this bank and others like it in that great city, have preserved their continuity and stability unbroken, and stand to-day examples of all that a bank should be, after an existence of nearly 100 years. These, I humbly venture to say, are the kind of examples for the banks of Canada to follow. We have already begun this. We have seen a good beginning in the history of our two oldest banks—the Bank of Montreal and the Quebec bank-both of whom have now carried on a successful business for more than sixty years.

This bank has only had a comparatively short career as yet, but we may venture to hope that it will maintain a continuous existence also, and that succeeding boards of directors and managers will conduct its affairs with that prudence and knowledge of affairs which will enable it to be of service to its numerous circles of customers, and, at the same time, continuously add to its own profit and stability. In this matter, I repeat, there is no room for the operations of luck, or chance, or accident. Banking has been sufficiently long carried on for its principles to be thoroughly tested by experience. The banker who hopes to succeed must master these principles, and then have the good sense and courage to apply them to the multifarious matters that come before him.

I will not trouble you, for it would be out of place, with any general exposition of principles but I will take time to make one remark of a practical character, viz: That the banker will often consult his customers' interest and further his customers' progress by judiciously limiting the amount of his discounts. Long and bitter experience both of bankers and merchants has proved that the banker who lends a customer too freely is the merchant's greatest enemy. The amount to be loaned by a banker varies of course with the capital and position of the borrower. Ten thousand dollars may be an unreasonable and dangerous amount for one man to borrow, whilst \$100,000 or more may be a small and safe amount for another. But every business has its limits, and it is only a certain amount of interest that any business can profitably When a business borrows too heavily, the interest cats away, in time, the customer's capital. Besides, when money can be borrowed too easily, credit is given too easily in re-A foundation for loss to the cus omer is thus laid which in time will result in loss to the bank. A judicious conservatism is of the highest value to the customer himself, and its exercise has saved many a man from ruin, and enabled him to stand up amongst the merchants of to-day. The opposite of it, when the merchant has been unfortunate enough to deal with an imprudent banker, has been the real and primary cause, though there are sub-ordinate ones, of his ruin. Not long ago, in one of the towns of the Dominion, a resident was remarking to a friend how many of the men who formerly were first in importance in the town had sunk into obscurity or left it altogether in an impoverished condition. The

reply was, and I must commend its shrewdness: "The real foundation of the ruin of those men was that they could borrow all the money they wanted from the banks." This phrase, "borrowing all the money they want," is often used by customers who have not yet learned by experience that the banker who will lend them all the money they want without discrimination sometimes digs a pit for their ruin and his own loss.

I am well aware that there are enterprises and lines of business which cannot usually be carried on without large advances of money. But such enterprises should be in the hands of those who have large capital of their own. It is the undertaking of large operations by people of small capital that brings about the disasters that trouble the country and the banks. If men would proportion their borrowings and their risks to the amount of their means they would seldom fail. But the contrary is only too common amongst us. Here it is that a banker's prudent judgment may well intervene, and check operations that are beyond a customer's means by declining to make the advances required. But if the banker is himself imprudent and carried away by the idea that the more money he loans to the customer the more profit he will make out of him, the end, in nine cases out of ten, will be that both the customer and the bank will be made to smart for their folly.

With regard to the general aspect of business, I need not make any remark; but I may remind you that in every condition of the business of this country-there are a large number of people-the large majority in fact -who are able to go steadily on with their business, come what may. Year by year, on the whole they make steady progress, whether the times are good or bad. Such persons conduct their business with prudence and economy. And they are economical also in their expenditure. In fact, economy in personal expenditure is the key to the whole position in a majority of cases. Such persons can easily tide over a few years of bad times by being more economical than usual, but when the profits of a fluctuating business are spent in a free handed style and a habit of high expenditure become fixed, a year or two of poor business is sufficient to bring about ruin. Nothing can be more unwise than for a high and liberal scale of expenditure to be indulged in by a person of small capital and uncertain position. When a large capital has been accumulated, and a position of solid stability acquired, a corresponding expenditure is reasonable and commendable,

These are obvious truths, and it may seem as if such platitudes were out of place in an address like this, but experience shows them to be practical and pertinent truths. There is no need for such a large number of failures as constantly occur in this country. I repeat there is no need for it. There are thousands of persons who conduct their business successfully in the same trades, in the same localities, and with no better outward chances of success than the people who fail. I have no hesitation, after long experience, in saying that with the exercise of prudence and common sense in business, combined with economy in expenditure, three-fourths at least of the failures that trouble the country might be prevented.

Indeed the exercise of prudence and common sense at the beginning would often prevent men going into mercantile business at all. There are far too many men endeavoring to carn a livelihood by buying and selling merchandise. If one-third of the stores and shops of the country could be closed, and their occupants transferred to the great prairies of our Northwest, it would be a double benefit

It would transfer a mass of workers, who are working to their own and their neighbors' injury, to a sphere where their work would be highly productive and a benefit to themselves and the country. The great want of our Northwestern plains is inhabitants; some of the finest farming regions of the world are there and can be got for a mere trifle. The best thing for numbers of our young men to do, instead of crowding the professions and mer-cantile life, is to go to the Northwest and take up land.

With regard to the outlook for the future, I shall say nothing except this: That the habit of looking out for the future, and basing commercial ventures upon it is a bad one. It has deceived many to their ruin, and is likely to do so again. Forecasts of the tuture in nine cases out of ten, in every line of business, are falsified by the event. Whether it is the condition of the coming harvest, or the future of grain or cotton, or the supposed exigencies of foreign markets, the man who ventures upon commercial operations on such forecasts in a majority of cases will be disappointed, no matter how shrewd the forecast may seem. risks his own money in the venture, and loses it, he does harm to no one but himself; but if he carries on the venture (and such ventures are often large ones) on borrowed money, he runs the greatest risk of losing the money of his banker and creditors. This he has no right to do, for as he did not mean them to share the profits of the venture they ought not to be called on to share the loss. In this conconnection I must again warn all men of business to beware of speculating on margin either in Chicago or New York. This is the most dangerous of all. Chicago is a particularly attractive place for ventures of this sort. The attraction, however, is that of the gas jes to the moth. Every year numbers of traders fall to the ground, stripped of everything, many of them Canadian's who have been entired by specious circulars from Chicago. If men knew the inner history of these circulars they would understand them to read: "Come walk into my parlor said the spider to the fly." Many an unfortunate has been stripped of the savings of a hard-working life by a month of dizzy speculation in Chicago.

I repeat then it is not well to be always forecasting the future. It is as foolish as it is dangerous. Market prophets are as unrelia-

ble as weather prophets.

If persons in business will keep themselves wide awake as to the present they need not trouble themselves about the future. A person can always tell whether the demand for his goods is brisk or dull; whether it is continuous or fitful, and can guide himself accordingly. Laying up large stocks of goods, or increasing manufactured products, in view of a possible demand some months ahead, is not sound trading but speculation. There are certain lines of business amongst us in which trading on the chances of the future is more common than others. In former times of delayed communications, long winters and slow voyages, risks had to be taken which are not necessary now. The cable, the telegraph, the railway, the ocean steamer, have done away with the necessities of former days, and especialy the necessity of risking anything on an unknown future. One of the shrewdest and ablest merchants of Canada, who had accumulated great wealth, was wont humorously to say that he ascribed a good deal of his success to his ignorance—a curious remark to make : but he explained that he sometimes in former days envied competitors whose knowledge of the markets was so extensive that they could tell where every bushel of wheat and every barrel of flour was to be found in the world, and who were able, or thought they were able, to

forecast the market for months to come. For himself he always felt like an ignoramus in talking to these knowing ones, for he was accustomed to guide his own business by the little knowledge he had of what was passing in his own neighborhood, and by his own wants from week to, week and month to month. The result, however, showed that he was the wisest man in the circle. The "knowing ones," who had such great capacity and vast foresight, and ventured accordingly, disappeared from the scene as ruined men one after another, while he managed to steadily accumulate wealth and hand it down to his children.

There is no doubt, however, that coming events to a certain extent cast their shadows before. Men who are alive to the circumstances of the time can usually feel a coming breeze whether of prosperity or adversity. But this you will observe is rather a paying attention to the present than a forecasting of the future. We can spread our sail when a a good wind is blowing; but a man who minds his business will always have it in such shape that he can take in sail in good time.

The maxims of Benjamin Franklin in these

progressive times are well nigh forgotten, but there is one of them in the sayings of "Poor Richard," which has a pertinent and practical application at the present. He is emphasizing the same truth I have endeavored to express, that persons of small means should not be ambitious to launch out into large enterprises." And he puts the whole truth in a nutshell, as follows :

Vessels large may venture more, But little boats should keep near shore."

A word or two on one or two other matters of general interest and I will conclude. This Bank has suffered, in common with other banks during the year, from frauds and forgeries, and the need for the extension of the provisions of our Extradition Treaty with the United States is increasing. In the case of two criminals who fled to Mexico, one of whom defrauded this Bank, I am glad to report that, through the intervention of the British Government, the Government of Mexico was prevailed upon to surrender them to Canadian officers of justice. They have both been brought back to Canada, one of them is now undergoing sentence, and the other will be tried shortly. The necessary proceedings have cost money but I apprehend that fraud would be prevented and money saved if it became known that banks would invariably prosecute offenders.

This year has witnessed the beginning of a movement which has been recommended in this room, namely, the formation of a Bank-ers' association. The association was comers' association. The association was com-menced under the auspices of the Board of Trade of Toronto, and is at present confined

to the banks of that city.

It is to be hoped, however, that before long a general association for the Dominion may be established. Its usefulness to the Banks and to the community would be unquestioned. It could scarcely fail to exercise a conservative influence and prevent a repetition of follies which have been as disastrous to the com-mercial community as to the Banks. Such an association would be the means of diffusing information on the subject of Banking, and preventing the extraordinary misconceptions respecting it which we sometimes find even in influential journals.

While speaking of Toronto I may, without

offence, for this Bank has great interests in the West, call attention to what appears to be the beginning of a Real Estate inflation in that city. Unless I am much deceived, circumstances attending real estate operations in Toronto are becoming much like those which

prevailed there at the beginning of the great boom of 1856, and in Winnipeg at the outset of the boom which collapsed a few years ago. Thirty years have clapsed since the great Toronto inflation. There are some, however, who remember still with the dreadful collapse that followed, and the long wearing years of deep depresseon that succeeded. It took/Toronto more than ten years to recover from the effects of the real estate speculation of 1856. If I raise a warning voice at present it is to be hoped that the mercantile community at any rate will heed it.

As a final word let me add that the Bank possesses already the nucleus of a guarantee or pension fund for the officers. It is growing a little every year, and when it is large enough the Board will have a permanent scheme formulated and set on foot.

Moved by J. H. R. Molson Esq., seconded by J. Y. Gilmour, Esq., and unanimously re-

"That the thanks of the shareholders are due and are hereby tendered to the President, Vice-President and Directors for the manner in which they have conducted the Institution luring the past year."

On the motion of W. C. Macdonald Esq., seconded by Mr. Sheriff McConkey of Barrie, it

was unanimously resolved:

"That the thanks of the shareholders are lue and are hereby tendered to the General Manager for his efficient management during the year."

On n.otion of Mr. Alderman Hood, seconded

by J. P. Cleghorn Esq., it was resolved:
"That Messrs. W. B. Cumming, and John Orawford be appointed Scrutineers for the election of Directors about to take place; that they proceed to take the votes immediately; that the ballot shall close at three o'clock p.m., this day, but if an i terval of ten minutes elapse witcout a vote being tendered, that the ballot shall thereupon be closed immediate-

ly."

It was finally moved by John Morrison, Esq., and seconded by John Crawford, Esq, of Verdun, and carried:

"That the thanks of the meeting are due and are hereby tendered to the Chairman for his efficient conduct of the business of the business of the meeting."

The meeting then adjourned, and the Serntincers shortly after reported the following gentlemen to be duly elected as Directors for the ensuing year:-Andrew Allan, Esq., Robert Anderson, Esq., Hon. J. J. C. Abbott, IL Montagu Allan, Esq., John Cassils, Esq., Jas. P. Dawes, Esq., John Duncan, Esq., Jonathan Hodgson, Esq., Hector Muckenzie, Esq.

A special meeting of the Directors took place immediately thereafter, when Andrew Allan, Esq., was elected President, and Robert Anderson, Esq., Vice-President.

IMPERIAL BANK OF CANADA.

The eleventh annual general meeting of the Imperial Bank of Canada was held, in pursuance of the terms of the charter, at the bank. ing house of the institution, 16th June, 1886. There were present:

Messrs. H. S. Howland, T. R. Merritt (St. Catharines), P. Hughes, T. R. Wadsworth (Weston), Robert Jaffray, Hon. Alex. Morris, Rev. E. B. Lawler, Anson Jones, David Kidd (Hamilton), H. C. Hammond, George Robinson, William Wilson, W. T. Kiely, John Foy, William Ramsay, Jos. Keterson, John Fisken, jr., Robt. Mulholland (CoLourg), Henry Pellatt, Robert Carswell, James Mason, John Smart (Port Hope), O. Gilpin, Thos. Walmsley, Robt. The Wilkie, &c., &c. Robt. Thompson, R. Wickens, D. R.

The chair was taken by the president, Mr. H. S. Howland, and Mr. D. R. Wilkie was requested to act as secretary.

The secretary, at the request of the chairman, read the report of the directors and the statement of affairs.

THE REPORT.

The directors beg to submit to the shareholders their eleventh annual balance sheet and statement of profits for the year ended 31st May, 1886.

Balance at credit of account, 30th May, 1885, brought forward.... \$44,888 86 Profits for the year, after deduct-ing charges of management, and interest due depositors, and writing off all losses 172,387-82

\$217,276 68

From which has been taken: Dividend No. 21, 4 per cent, (paid 1st 'December, 1885) five months..... \$50,000 00 Dividend No. 22, 4 per cent, (payable 1st June, 1886.... 60,000 00

\$110,000 00

Carried to contingent account \$68,937 55 Carried to rest account 20,000 00

\$ 88,937 55

Balance of account carried forward...

\$ 18,339 13

68,037 55

\$107,276 68

REST ACCOUNT. Balance at credit of account, 30th

\$480,000 00 May, 1885 Transferred from profit and loss account 20,000 00

Balance of account carried forward...... \$500,000 00

CONTINGENT ACCOUNT.

Balance at credit account, 30th May, 1885..... \$100,000 00 Written off for ascertained losses 29,148 42

\$70,851 58 Transferred from profit and loss account.....

Balance of account carried for-

The profits of the bank for the year compare favorably with those of the year previous, but have been affected by the low rates obtainable for money, coupled with an active competition, for deposits, outside of chartered Banks, at abnormally high rates of interest.

After providing for a dividend at the rate of eight per cent, per annum, and appropriating sufficient of the net profits of the year to make the rest account \$500,000, your directors have considered it prudent to transfer a portion of the profits to contingent account.

There has been during the year an improvement in the condition of affairs in Manitoba; and, with the completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the construction of branch lines of railway, an increased immigration, and the prospect of an early and excellent harvest, the realization of assets in that province is more assured.

The policy of investing a proportion of the funds of the bank in Government and other first class securities, inaugurated in the early

history of the bank, has been maintained, as evidenced by the item representing such investments, and which now amount to \$721,-474.02.

Branches of the bank have been opened during the year at Niagara Falls, and Galt, and arrangements have been made to open at an early date a branch office on the corner of Yonge and Queen streets, Toronto.

A by-law will be presented for your adoption authorizing the incoming board to appropriate out of the profits of the current year the sum of \$5,000 to establish a guarantee and pension fund for the officers of the bank.

The head office and branches of the bank have been carefully inspected, and your directors have much pleasure in recording their satisfaction at the manner in which the officers of the bank have performed their respective duties.

President.
GENERAL STATEMENT.

31st May, 1886,

LIABILITIES.

Notes of the bank in circulation. \$ 893,122 00 Deposits bearing interest (in-cluding interest accrued to

date.... 3,333,743 44 Deposits not bearing interest... 1,094,237 64 Due to other banks in Canada... 2,588 57 Due to agents in United King-102,485 26

Total liabilities to the public \$5,431,176 91 Unpital stock paid up 1,500,000 00 Rest account..... 500,000 00 Contingent account..... 139,789 13 Dividend No. 22, payable 1st June 1886 (4 per cent)..... 60,000 00 Former dividends unpaid 1,089 27 Balance of profit and loss account carried forward...... 18,339 13

\$7,650,394 44

46,763 87

60,379 29

ASSETS.

Gold and silver coin current.... \$ 276,859 99 Dominion government notes... 359,701 00 Notes of and cheques on other banks 218,547 64 Balance due from other banks in Canada..... 174,963 24 Balance due from agents in foreign countries..... 50,471 07 Dominion of Canada debentures \$202,008 88

Province of Ontario securities 131,831 68 Municipal and other debentures..... 387,633 46

721,474 02

Total assets immediately available\$1,802,016 96 Loans on call 120,429 11 Loans, discounts, or advances on current account to municipal and other corporations 861,686 07

Other current loans, discounts, and advances to the public ... 4,505,724 57 Notes discounted overdue, secured 67,836 29

Notes discounted overdue, unsecured (Estimated loss provided for.) Real estate, the property of the bank (other than the bank

the bank (all bearing interest) 43,429 80 Bank premises, including safes, vaults and office furniture, at

head offices and branches 130,103 97

Other assets, not included under.

77,650,394 44 38, 91 \$7,650,394 44 датерия сертиция D. R. Wilking Gushier.

The report was adopted.

The usual votes of thanks were passed to the president and directors, also to the cashier and other officers for their attendance and zeal in promoting the interests of the bank.

A motion authorizing an appropriation of

\$5,000 to a guarantee and pension fund for the officers of the bank was adopted.

The ballot was then taken for the election of directors, which resulted in the election of the following shareholders, viz.: Messrs. H. S. Howland, T. R. Merritt, Wm. Ramsay, P. Hughes, T. R. Wadsworth, Hon. Alex. Morris, Robt. Jaffray.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors Mr. Henry S. Howland was elected president and Mr. Thomas R. Merritt vice-president for

the ensuing year.

THE FEDERAL BANK OF CANADA.

The twelfth general annual meeting of the Shareholders of the Federal Bank of Canada was held in Toronto, June 15th, 1886.

Among others the following shareholders were present:—S. Nordheimer, J. S. Playfair, J. W. Langmuir, H. E. Clarke, M. P. P., B. Cronyn, Wm. Galbraith, J. M. Chaffee, Jus. Magee, Thos. R. Wood. E. Buchan, N. Kingsmill, Robt. Thompson, A. B. Lee, H. Pellatt, W. J. Baines, James Mason, Wm. Keighley, Wm. Wilson, Geo. Noble, Wnl.-Liamb, Chas. Door. Doan.

Moved by Mr. Keighley, seconded by Mr. James Masson, that Mr. Nordheimer take the chair. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Pelland, seconded by Mr. J. M. Chaffee, Mr. Yarker was appointed se-

On motion of Mr. R. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Wood, Messrs. Pellatt and Baines were appointed scrutineers.

Mr. Yarker then read the annual report as follows :-12.17

The Directors beg to present the Twelfth Annual Report upon the business of the Bank, showing the result for the year ending the 31st May, 1886.

The balance at credit of Profit and

Profits for the year ending 31st . May, 1886, after deducting charges of management, interest accrued upon deposits, and writing off bad and doubtful debts..... 76,650 75

\$175,381 73

Appropriated as follows :--Dividend 3 p.c. paid December 1st 1885 .. \$37,500 00 Dividend 3 per c. paid June 1st, 1886 37,500 00 Transferred to Rest 25,000 00 Account

- 100,000 00

Balance of profits carried forward, \$75,381 73

The business of the Bank in all its features considerably improved during the year, the general statement showing a gratifying increase in deposits, circulation, and loans.

With regard to the net profits it may be stated that profit and loss account has not been credited with accrued interest upon old locked up accounts, as we adopted the plan of

applying all payments on principal, while such a fair degree of progress, has been made with these accounts as justified the Directors in transferring \$25,000 from profit and loss to rest, making the latter \$125,000, or 10 per cent. upon the capital.

The branches of the Bank have been regularly inspected, and in addition to this some of the Directors have made visits to the larger offices. The various officers in the service of the Bank are zealously, performing their adt males aren duties. . .

S. Nordheimer, President.

Toronto, June 15th, 1886.

GENERAL STATEMENT.

31st May, 1886.

LIÄBILITIES.

Capital	31,250,000	00
Rest	125,000	00
Dividend No. 22, payable 1st	•	
June, 1886	37,500	00
Former dividends unclaimed	214	85
Reserved for interest due on deposits . \$37,864 57 Reserved for rebate on bills discounted. 30,000 00		
	67,864	57
Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward	75,381	73

\$1,555,961 15 Notes of the Bank in circulation. 639,710 00 Deposits bearing interest\$2,738,530 52 Deposits not bearing interest.... 782,285 49

\$3,520,816 01 Balances due to banks in Canada. 15,616 38 Balances due to banks in the United Kingdom

125,512 50 to Links \$5,857,616 04 ASSETS. Specie S 82,979 40

276,997 00

Dominion Notes

(legal tenders)...

Notes of and cheques on other banks.. 277,907 11 Balances due from other banks in Canada 38,649 00 Balances due from banks in foreign 42,297 21 countries.....

718,829 72 Loans and Bills discounted current 4,625,400 75 Bills discounted overdue, secured. \$39,335 23 Bill discounted overdue, not, specially secured... 139,581 90 (All old business loss provided for)-178,917 13 Real estate..... 69,075 41

Mortgages on real estate sold by the bank 11,730 75 Bank premises 122,999 78

Other assets not included under foregoing heads 130,662 50

\$5,857,616 04

G. W. YARKER, General Manager. THE FEDERAL BANK OF CANADA, Toronto, 31st May, 1886.

The General Manager then entered into full explanations of the items of the report.

Mr. Nordheimer addressed the meeting, discussed the business of the year, and moved the adoption of the report, seconded by Mr. Playfair, which was carried unanimously after brief speeches from Messrs. Chaffee, Wood, Thompson.

On motion of Mr. Magee, seconded by Mr, R. Thompson, the thanks of the meeting were given to the President, Vice-President, and Directors, for their services during the year.

On motion of Mr. A. B. Lee, seconded by Mr. Geo. Noble, the thanks of the meeting were given to the General Manager, Inspector, Local Managers, and other officers of the

Mr. Yarker briefly returned thanks, and paid a high tribute to the capacity and services of the Inspector, Local Managers, and other Officers, all of whom, he said, were efficient and united in their efforts to further the business of the Bank.

The following Directors were then unanimously re-elected:—H. E. Clarke, M. P. P., B. Cronyn, Wm. Galbraith, Ed. Gurney, J. W. Langmuir, S. Nordheimer, J. S. Playfair.

At a meeting of the Board held subsequently Mr. Nordheimer was re-elected President, and Mr. Playfair Vice-President.

THE MARITIME BANK.

The annual meeting of the shareholders was held at the bank's office, June 4th. There was a good representation of the owners of the stock in attendance. The president, Thomas Maclellan, having been called to the chair, and W. M. Botsford appointed secretary, the minutes of the last annual meeting were read and. on motion, confirmed.

The president presented the following report from the directors :-

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

The directors submit to the shareholders the general balance sheet and profit and loss account, made up to 30th April last.

After dedu ting expenses of management, providing for interest due to depositors, rebate on current discounts, bad and doubtful debts, on current discounts, but and doubtil debts, etc., the profits for the year amount to \$31,-137.80, which is equal to nearly 10 per cent. on the paid up capital. Two half-yearly dividends at the rate of 6 per cent per annum have been declared, and profit and loss account increased \$2,419.45, making the balance of undivided profits now \$6,528.51. The directors appropriated the remaining \$9,404.35 in wiping out suspense account, which has been included in the assets for some years. One item in this account was the bank's interest in the Pictou Coal and Iron Company's mine, which this bank, in conjunction with the other owners, has sold for a small amount compared with the formerly estimated value. There were other items in this account which are expected to yield something, and which, when realized, will be added to profit and loss account.

> THOS. MACLELLAN, President.

GENERAL STATEMENT, 30TH APRIL, 1886.

Liabilities.

314,916	00
• • • • •	
15,197	57
45,538	00
• • •	
183,655	83
308,779	14
7	
10,209	0.4
	15,197 45,538

Total liabilities to the public . . \$ 878,325 58 Reserve for rebate of interest on discounts not yet due, and for

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accrued interest on deposit re-	
ccipts, and for outstanding charges	9,815 28
Dividend unclaimed	9 00
1st June 1886\$321,900 00	9,657 00
Reserve 60,000 00 Profits 6,528 50	•
- 0,520 00	388,428 50
\$	31,286,235 37
Assets.	
Specie	18,781 57
Dominion Notes	119,522 00
Notes of and cheques on other	
banks	27,998 39
Balances due by banks in Can-	an ria 10
ada and United States Balances due in London, inclu-	67,512 19
ding Stg Bills purchased	24,694 00
Loans, discounts and advances	989,271 78
Real estate	30,000 00
Past due bill (estimated loss	• •
provided for)	3,234 58
Sales, furniture, stationery, etc, head office and agencies	5,220 86
	\$1,286,235 37
Profit and Loss Accoun	nt.
By balance brought forward	\$ 4,109 06
By profits for year	31,137 80
•	C 25 010 00
	\$ 35,246 86
To Dividends Nos 12 and 13 To Suspense Account, written	
off	9.404 35
To balance carried forward	6,528 51

35,246 86 After the reading of the report the president expressed his pleasure at again meeting the shareholders (some of whom had purchased stock since last meeting), and at having such a satisfactory report to submit. He referred at some length to the general business and prospects of the Bank. It was satisfactory, he said, that, amidst universal complaints of duliness of trade, the number of accounts and deposits had increased. The volume of business done was fully up to that of previous years and had been conducted without loss, except of a trifling amount. The bank has some valuable customers, notably the government of New Brunswick, the New Brunswick Railway Co., and others, and the stock was deservedly advancing in favor with the investing public. The last of the old suspense account having disappeared from the balance sheet, the shareholders, he thought, might look forward to an annual increase of the reserve fund, and a possible increase in the dividend. Mr. Maclellan concluded his remarks by moving "that the report now read be received and adopted." This was seconded by Jeremiah Harrison, vice-president, and carried.
It was then moved by W. W. Turnbull, seconded by W. H. Thorne, and
Resolved, "That the thanks of the sharehold-

ers are due and are hereby tendered to the president, vice-president and directors of the bank for thair attention to the affairs of the bank during the past year, and that the remuneration to the president for his services be the same as was voted to him for the previous year."

The president and John McMillan acknowledged the vote of thanks, and the latter stated that it had been suggested by some of the stockholders that it would be well to increase the capital stock of the bank to half a

million dollars. This matter was discussed and the feeling seemed to be in favor of it. The president stated that the business of the bank at Fredericton and Woodstock was gradually increasing and the extra capital could be profitably employed and he thought it would do no harm to pass a resolution leaving the matter in the hands of the incoming directors to deal with it as they deemed best.

The following resolution was then moved by John McMillan, seconded by Jer. Harrison

and carried :-

Resolved, That the capital stock of the Maritime Bank of the Dominion of Canada be increased to \$500,000, and that the directors be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to allot such additional stock to and among the shareholders of the bank pro-rate in such sums, at such times and at such rates as the directors may from time to time limit and appoint.

The following gentlemen were duly elected directors for the ensuing year: Messrs. Jeremiah Harrison, Thomas Maclellan, John Me-Millan, A. A. Sterling and John Tapley.

At a meeting of the newly elected board,

At a meeting of the newly elected board, held subsequently, Thomas Maclellan was reelected president and Jeremiah Harrison vicepresident.

Financial.

Timesday Ev'o, June 17, 1886.

The bank rate remains at $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. In the local market, money was nominally $3\frac{1}{2}$ ϖ 4 per cent., but during the week some loans were effected as low as 3 per cent. Sterling Exchange sold to-day at 9.7-16 ϖ 9.9-16 for 60 days sight, $9\frac{1}{8}$ counter; demand $9\frac{1}{8}$ ϖ 10 and $10\frac{1}{8}$ ϖ 10]; cables $10\frac{1}{2}$; New York funds 1-16 ϖ $\frac{1}{8}$ premium. Posted in New York 4.87 and 4.90; actual 4.87 ϖ $\frac{1}{4}$ and 4.89 ϖ $\frac{1}{4}$; cables, 4.89 $\frac{1}{8}$ $\frac{1}{8}$. The stock market here has been extremely dull and generally easier. The following were the total sales and highest and lowest prices of leading stocks for the week:—

Banks.	No. Shares	High'st price.	Lowest price.
Commerce	602	123	*1201
Merchants	416		
Molsons] "	4	130
Montreal			207
Ontario	. 40		
Peoples	68	95	932
Miscellaneous.			• Ex- divid'nd
Accident Insur. Co	2	971	971
Bell Telephone			110
Can. Pacific Ry			
City Passenger	1,200	161	160
Gas	25	195]	195}
Richelieu & Ontario			
St. Paul, M. & M	50		116
Telegraph			1233
Western Union	700	$62\frac{1}{4}$	613

MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

THURSDAY EVG., JUNE 17, 1886.

It has been a week of heavy rains, and the retail trade has suffered to some extent in consequence. Travellers have also done less than they expected. The country is looking its best, and hay is coming on well and promises a heavy crop. There is some fear that low lying districts are getting too much rain, but a speedy cessation of the present downpour is now looked for. Business continues to give evidence of being on a healthy basis. Obligations are, in general, promptly met, and the failures throughout the country are, in the main, unimportant ones.

Asnes.—Receipts continue to be light. Sales of first pots have been made at \$3.40@ \$3.45. Seconds at \$3.20. Pearl sold at \$5.25 for firsts and \$4.25 for seconds. Very few coming in, light demand and sales of very small lots only.

Come and Wood.—The demand for coal has improved and householders are commencing to lay in winter supplies. Prices are lower than for some years and are thought to be at bottom. For round lots our quotations are shaded 10c@20c per ton. We quote Cape Breton \$3.053.10, Nova Scotia \$3.50 and Scotch steam to arrive \$4. Stove \$5.50; chestant, \$5.40; egg and furnace, \$5.25. Scotch grate, \$5.50; Newcastle smiths, \$6. Cordwood—Yard prices per long cord (cartage 50c extra) are as follows:—Maple, \$6; birch, \$5.50; beech, \$5; tamarac, \$4.50; hemlock, \$4. Coke, \$2.50 per chaldron of 36 bush; crushed coke (stove or egg size) \$3.30 delivered.

DAIRY PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS,-Butter has met with a moderate demand at lower values. Creamery has sold in a small way at 17c. A fair business has been done in Western, and 150 pkgs sold for the lower ports at 14c. Good Western has changed hands in the country at 121c@13c, and low grades at 10c. Townships has had slow sales of late. Cheese easy and quiet. There were fair offerings at 74c, but buyers showed indifference. Some business down to 40s. Low grades are quoted here at 51c@54c. Looking at the cheese trade from a foreign standpoint it holds out little encouragement to the producer. The best bacon is selling in Liverpool at 32s, and pork sells at 45s@51s a barrel. It is simply impossible for cheese to be sold much above these products; and when we think of wheat selling at 75c in Chicago, a price that will not net the farmer over 40c to 45c, taking out the freight, com-mission and charges, it is necessary for the dairyman to revise his notion of values, and calculate the prices at which cheese and butter ought to sell in comparison with these other prime articles of food. Were it not for a capital home trade, cheese must have declined more than it has. The ruling price at bitien this week was 63c, 23 lots of 2,819 boxes going at 7c. Local provisions in fair demand. Canada pork, short cut, has sold in jobbing lots at \$13.50.

Day Goods.—A quiet steady market can be reported for the past week, the only disturbing feature being the cut in domestic flannels which bids fair to cause the refusal of lots bought on the basis of former prices. Business may be called a little quieter, but orders keep straggling in from travellers who are out on special trips. The retail trade continues

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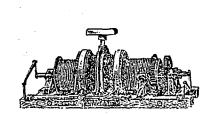
brisk and will probably remain so until the closing of the schools and the commencement of the summer exodus. Remittances are nothing to boast of and some complaints are heard on this score, but the condition of trade all round is healthy, and, although it may be said to be between the seasons, a fair business is doing. The imports for the five months ending 31st May show that the value of the cottons, hats, etc., silk and wollens reached \$3,352,778, against \$3,198,678 in 1885 and \$2,737,103 in 1884. As noted elsewhere an influential deputation of the dry goods trade left for Quebec in order to protest against the proposed amendment to the bankruptcy act, to the effect that the curator of an insolvent's estate must be a resident of the district in which the insolvent transacted business. The trade is unanimously against this amendment which would jeopardise the interests of the large Montreal creditors.

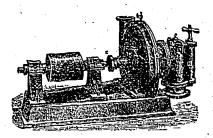
DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.-These markets are quiet and without feature. Quinine is weak, and bulk German has sold in New York at 511c@52c on spot, and 50c to arrive. Opium is easy and unchanged. Gum arabic is again higher, and shellacs are a shade lower. Oil of lemon is about 121c higher, owing to reports of failure of the crops abroad. Chemicals generally remain quiet, and prices throughout stand just about as quoted for some little time past. In dyes there is only a moderate trade passing, and values show no essential change except on cutch. Sales of that article were made at 6c, ex. vessel, in New York, to the extent of 500 bales, and at 64c@64c from store. Gambier sold there at 44c. ex. vessel, and 43c from store.

FLOUR AND GRAIN,-Flour has sold more freely both locally and for export. Recent sales include 1,000 sacks and 400 brisat easier prices for shipment. Extra is in light supply and \$3.80 has been asked in some instances. Grades above spring extra have been enquired for, but at easy prices. Five cars of Manitolm strong bakers' sold at \$4.50, 200 brls superior at \$3.90, 125 extra at \$3.75, and 115 fancy at \$3.521. Wheat has again declined here, and business has been light. The Chicago visible supply of wheat shows a decrease of 1,006,000 bushels compared with a week ago, and a decrosse of 8,419,000 with the same date last year. Corn shows a decrease of 474,000 bushcompared with last week, and an increase of 4,706,000 with last year. Although prices of wheat are undoubtedly low, the market has continued depressed under the influences noted last week. Cables state that late showers have helped the European crops, but a late harvest is inevitable. Trade forward is lifeless.

FISH AND OILS.—There is nothing doing in cured fish in a wholesale way, and little in oils. Some round lots of steam refined sealare mentioned at 45c. Other quotations are nominal, but would probably be shaded to ready buyers. Fresh salmon is selling by the case at 11c@12c. Some movement is reported in canned fish at about previous quotations. A report of the New York fish market says:—"Except in smoked herring, of which some 10,000 boxes have been sold at firm prices, business has been very slow. Mackerel are in uncertain shape, with the hypothecated stock at the East offsetting the natural influences of the poor success of the new catch. Codfish and barrelled herring are taken only in a retailed way."

FREIGHTS. — Rates have undergone little change since our last. The market has been quieter but there is not an excess of tonnage





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and it, was a difficult matter to induce concessions. Grain has been engaged for Glasgow at 2s 9d but the rate to Liverpool, London and Bristol is 3s. Cattle space has been advanced and 60s@70s is demanded. Deal freights to direct ports are quoted at 47s 6d; lumber to South America, \$10.50 @ \$11.50. barrel. A bona fide consumptive demand bay-liverpool, 15s per ton; cheese 25s and butter 30s@35s per ton. Phosphates 7s 6d@8s 9d as to port and quantity.

Green Fruits, &c.—There has been a fair demand for imported fruits and vegetables. Apples quiet; common stock, 75c @ \$1.50; choice, \$3.50 @ \$5.50; oranges, \$10 @ \$11 per case; lemons firm, \$5.50 @ \$6.50 per box, \$6.50 @ \$8 per case; cocoanuts, \$5 per to0; fancy Eleme figs, 1-lb. to 10-lb. boxes, 11c to 12½c per lb. Evaporated apples in 50-lb. boxes, 9c: Brazil nuts 10c. Box dates new, 6½c @ 7c; golden dates in frails, 3½c @ 4c. Aspinwall bananas, \$4 @ \$6 per bunch Jamaica yellow, \$1.50 @ \$2.50; red ditto, 75c @ \$1.50. Pincapples, 15c to 25c each. Strawberries, 14c@16c quart; cherries, \$1.25 @\$1.50 per basket of 10 lbs.; tomatous, large crate, \$4; small ditto, \$1 @\$1.25 Beans, per crate, \$3.00 @ \$4; peas \$3.75 per bag; cucumbers, \$3.50; cabbage, per brl, \$3.50 @ \$4. California fruit sold as follows: Cherries in boxes, \$2.25 @ \$2.50; apricots, \$3.50; plums \$4. Peaches, \$3.50 box.

GROCERIES .- The distribution for the week

turn-over of which was unprecedently large. The trade has been holding back for some time, and in fact seemed determined to abstain from buying until they had sold their last barrel. A bona fide consumptive demand having set in from the country, quite extensive purchases have been in order the past few days, and one large refinery sold as much stock up to the 15th as they usually sell during the whole of June. Better reports have also reached here from England, and beets have advanced 3d @ 41d from the lowest point. Considerable beet sugar has arrived here for local refining purposes this year and last. The impression that sugar has touched bottom, and retail stocks are low, are primary causes of the reaction, and we believe we are co rect in stating that such a large turn-over has not been witnessed for several years. Prices have advanced \$ @ 1, and if a further improvement in the English market is cabled, as expected, quotations here will stiffen in sympathy, as sugars have been selling ridiculously low, and at ruinous rates to refiners. Granulated is selling at 64c @ 64c, yellows at 51c @ 51c, and Paris lumps at 71c @ 71c. Syrups are unchanged. Several lots of new Barbadoes molasses have arrived, and the market is easier at 30c @ 311c. Teas are reported to have been bought more freely, and the Japan market is steady at the advance of \$2, noted last week. The freight rate by the ----Important to Carriage Dealers and Users.-----

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S.S. "Occanie," leaving on the 25th, is 3c, a decline of 1c. The rate by sail and rail via San Francisco, Tacoma or Vancouver, is 13c. Spices continue to go out moderately, but holders are firm and not disposed to concede anything on prices.

HAY, STRAW AND FEED.—Prices were firm under a good demand. We quote choice timothy at \$12, and inferior at \$10, per 100 bundles. In pressed hay a fair business has been done at steady prices. We quote No. 1 at \$13, No. 2 at \$12, and No. 3 at \$11, per ton in large quantities. The offerings of straw were fair, for which the demand was good at \$4.0\$\$6 per hundred bundles as to quality. Pressed straw was quietat \$8 per ton. Mouille was unchanged at \$23 per ton. The demand for bran and shorts at present prices is far in excess of the supply. We quote bran at \$12 per ton, and shorts at \$13 per ton.

HIDES AND TALLOW.—Local hides are unsettled, but our quotations are about the market, though some state that \$9 is nearer the mark for No. 1. The position is decidedly firmer for all classes of stock. A car of No. 1 Chicago cows sold at \$9.50, and a car of June packer steers at \$11.75, which latter is a very considerable rise over the prices of last month. There is a scarcity of stock in the West, and outside reports are all of a "bullish" mature. Tallow continues to meet with a poor call, even at the low prices ruling.

Hors.—There has been no life in the market, which has continued very quiet, with buyers only taking enough for actual requirements. From all accounts it would appear that there is a good supply of last year's crop still in growers' hands. We quote 4c@7c as to quality and quantity.

IRON AND HARDWARE.—The trade in pig iron and heavy metals is believed to be fully as large as in former years at this season, but being in many hands it is not so easy to trace it. As to general hardware and builders' material, we learn from travellers and correspondence that business throughout the country, particularly in the West, is brisk, and the aggregate is said to be larger than for a number of years past. Hardware merchants in all the cities have had considerable difficulty in keeping up with the orders sent in, and longer hours have been the rule. In spite of this, there are complains on all sides that compe-

tition in shading profits has never been so great, and this anomaly, it is to be feared, will continue until a much better understanding is arrived at between the trade. The demand for nails is exceptionally good, and the result of enquiries as to building operations in the various towns and cities encourages the belief that there will be a large enquiry for all kinds during the balance of the year. Tin plate is unchanged and quiet, but the market for tin abroad has been active and strong, and there has been a good seadvance in New York and a rise in the London market to £101 158 for spot, and £102 15s for futures. New York transactions, it is estimated, will reach about 200 tons, including Straits at 22§@22.95c net cash for spot, June and July delivery. From store, Striits was quoted at 23c cash, 23fc 30 days. Australian and Malacca at 23@23 cash. English L. & F. nominally 22c cash, 23 tc 30 days. Banca 23c cash nominal. The pig lead market has gained further strength under the influence of increased demand, and about 500 tons have been placed in New York at 4300 4.80c for June, July and August delivery. At the close there were some lots offering at 4.80c, but the largest holder is not, apparently, a seller at that price. About 7,000 tons of steel rails have been sold by a Western mill at \$37, delivered at Cleveland. No new business with Eastern mills comes to notice, but a contract for about 18,000 tons is expected to be closed at any moment. The market is very firm at \$34 at works. The official report shows that the United States associated mills had from January 1 to June 1 secured orders aggregating 956,606 tons, and it is estimated that 75,-000 tons have been sold since.

LEATHER. - A good trade has been done right along, no particular lines being favored but a fair all round demand. In upper, some round lots have been sold at 36 to 37 cents, and supplies being small prices are well maintained. Shipments of splits and buff to England still continue at fairly remunerative prices which has a tendency to reduce stocks here especially now that the fall trade in boots and shoes has fairly commenced. Sole is firm, owing to the advance in dry hides, and some thousand side lots have changed hands at 21 cents to 22 cents for No. 2, and 23 cents to 25 cents for No. 1. Altogether a firm steady market can be reported with a fair business doing. The value of imports of leather for the five months of 1886 ending 31st May, was \$363,059, against \$252,402 in 1885, and \$248,645 in 1884,

LIVE STOCK .- A fair business has been done and some prime exporters made 51c per lb. live weight, while other sales were at 5c. Butchers cattle were in good demand and higher prices were realized on account of the better quality of the offerings, with free sales at 41c@41c per lb. There was a light run of sheep, which was all taken up at 43c per lb live weight. Lambs in good request at from 21cm31c per lb., with calves steady on a light supply at \$2.6\\$8 each as to quality! The live log market was fairly active land-firm owing to light receipts. There was a good demand and all the offerings were taken at 5160054e per lb. Advices from Liverpool were less encouraging. Prime Canadian steers went at 93c, against 144c a week ago. Fair to choice grades were at 131c poor to the contract ware at 131c poor to the contra to choice grades were at 121c, poor to medium at 111c, and inferior and bulls at 84c@10c. Refrigerated beefin Liverpool is cabled 4d@ 1d lower at 61d for hindquarters and 4d for forequarters per lb., while the London market has declined 6d@10d to 48 6d for hindquarters and 2s 8d for forequarters per 8 lbs. by the

Paints, Glass, etc.—A fair trade is reported in leads and paints. Glass is steady at the reduction made by us last week. Linseed oil has advanced to 60c for raw and 63c for boiled. A further decline has taken place in spirits of turpentine, now quoted at 52½c.

Wines and Liquous.—Several auction sales have been held here of the cargo of the stranded S.S. Avlona. Prices will, it is thought, run little below the ordinary on the bulk of the offerings. The choice clarets bringing high figures were. Margaux, pints, \$5.75; Margaux quarts, \$6.50; superior Margaux, \$8.50; Chateau Dauzac, \$8.75, pints; Chateau Leoville, 1875, \$17.50; quarts; Chateau Leoville, 1875, \$17.50; quarts; Ohateau Leoville, pints, \$17.50; Haut Sauterne, \$10.25; [St. Julien, \$5.50; Chateau Dauzac, quarts, \$8.87]; 4 hhds. Medoc claret, \$1.55; Medoc, 2 hhds., \$1.55. Courvoisin brandy, 200 cases, \$9.50@\$10; 50 do., \$10.

Woon.—The wool market is practically unchanged though some large lots of Australian have changed hands at from 14 to 18 cents. If anything prices are a shade firmer but not sufficient to justify any change in quotations. It is now right between the seasons and therefor difficult to detect any alteration in prices

but the market may be said to have a perceptibly firmer tone.

TORONTO-WHOLESALE MARKETS.

(Revised by, Telegraph.)
TORONTO, June 17, 1886.

In general merchandise the movement is of fair volume. With the exception of fail wheat, crops look well, and the feeling is generally of a hopeful character." The depression in wheat and flour continues, with current prices the lowest of the season. The cheese trade is also rather discouraging. Payments as a rule are fair. The money market is without change. Call loans on stocks 41 to 51 per cent. and on bonds, debentures, &c., 4. Time loans 5 to 6 per cent. Prime commercial paper 6 to 61, and the general run 7 to 71 per cent. Sterling exchange steady; 60-day bills between banks 109 to 1091; demand bills 109% to 110. The stock market continues quiet. The following are prices bid for stocks to-day as compared with those of last Thursday:

Banks.	Bid June ~ 17:	Bid June 10.	Lonn Cos.	Bid June 17	Bid Juno 10.
Montreal.:	207	2073	Can Per	208	2071
Toronto	200	1993	Freehold	166	166
Ontario	115		Western Can		187
Merchants	122		Bldg. & Loan		1073
Commerce			Farmers Loan		1161
Dominion.	208		Lond'n & Can'd		155
Hamilton.	134	133	Landed Credit	1274	1274
Standard.	1 263		National Invt	106	1057
Federal	108	108	Ontario Lonn		1:
Imperial			Hamilton Prov.		120
Molsons	128	<u> </u>	Imporial Sav	1116	116

Ex-dividend.

BUTTER.—The receipts have not been much more than the demands, and prices have ruled steady. There is a fair jobbing business at 11 @13c for rolls and tub according to quality. Round lots of choice are held at 12c in the country. Eggs are in moderate receipt and prices unchanged. Cheese is dull and easy; the business is confined to small lots of new at 84 cm84c.

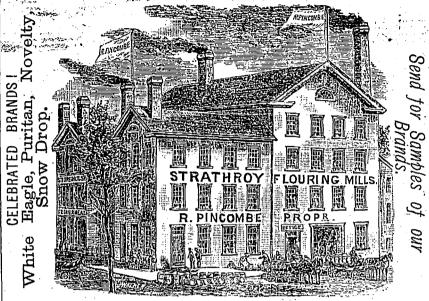
DRUGS.—The market has been rather quiet this week, with no change in prices.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—The flour market has been very dull this week, and closing prices are lower. Superior extras sold at equal to \$3.50, and spring extras at \$3.10. Extras are quoted at \$3.40, and patents at \$3.75.00\$\$4.15, according to quality. Wheat is also dull and weaker; No. 2 full sold at 79c on Saturday, and now offers at 78c. Goose sold at 70c. No. 2 spring and No. 2 red winter are quoted at 78c. Barley is dull with prices purely nominal. Oats offered more freely and are easier; sales were made at 33c, closing with sellers at 33c and 32c bid. Peas are dull and steady at about 57c for No. 2. Oatmeal is quoted at \$3.65.06\$3.70 for car lots, and small lots sell at \$4.80.08\$\$4.90. Bran is dull and nominal at \$8.50.

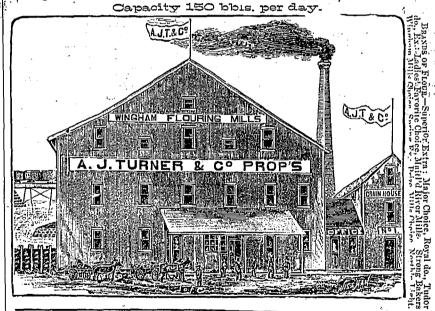
GROCERIES.—There is a limited trade with but little change in quotations. Sugars are still low at 6½c@6¾c for granulated. Fruits and teas stendy. Coffee stendy at 8½c@10c for Rios. Currants are quoted at 6¾c@7c, and Valencias at 9c. Tobacco firm; myrtle [navy 54c, solace 20c@53c.

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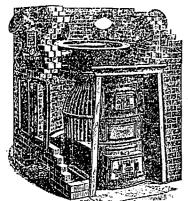
HARDWARE.—Business is moderately active and prices firm. There is a good demand for heavy goods and builders' materials. Tin is firm at 24c@25c for ingot and 27c@28c for bar. Bar iron sells at \$1.05@\$1.75, and pig iron is quoted at \$17.00 to \$18.00.

HIDES AND SKINS.—The market is quiet and prices firm; dealers pay 9c for No. 1 green steers and 81c for No. 1 cows. Cured cows sold at 81c. Lambskins are 5c higher at 35c, and pelts bring; 25c. Calfskins are quoted at 11c@13c for green, and 14c for cured. Tallow steady at 41c@5c for rendered, and at 2c@21c for rough.

Provisions.—There has been a limited number of transactions this week and prices remain steady.

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Wool—The receipts of fleece continue small and prices steady. The bulk of offerings being 18c. Supers are in moderate demand with sales to factories at 22½c, and extras are quoted at 26c@27c.

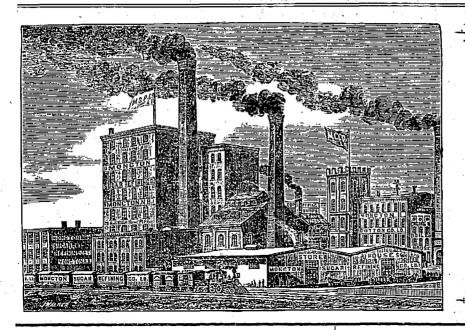
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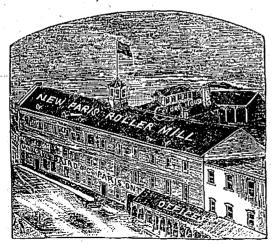
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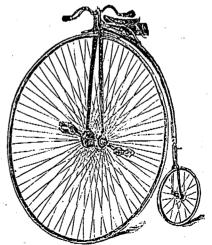


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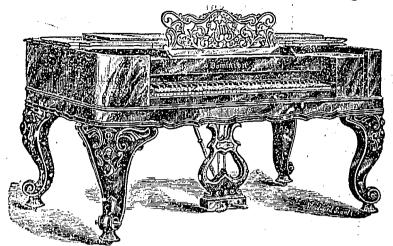
out, their new machinery is unrivalled in Canada, including also locomotive and car machinery. At the International Exhibitiou, Philadelphia, they were awarded a diploma and bronze medal for wood working machinery and machinists' tools, and a Canadian diploma and silver medal was given by the British judges for engineers tools. Parties interested should write for illustrated catalogue. The works employ a large number of hands and have added considerably to the prosperity of the enterprizing town of Dundas. It is pleasing also to remark that the proprietors are deservedly popular, few men in the county of Wentworth enjoying public confidence to such an extent as they do.

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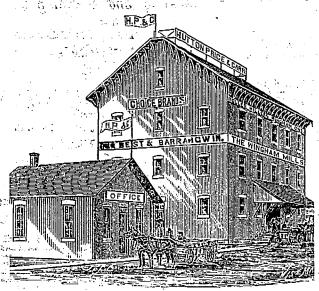
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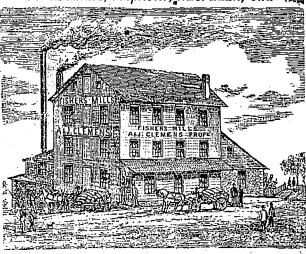


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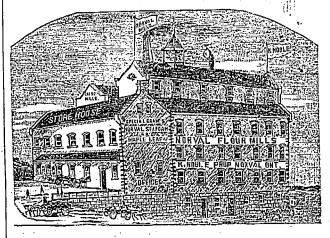
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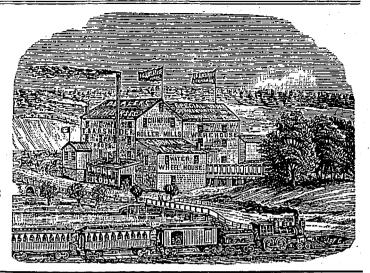
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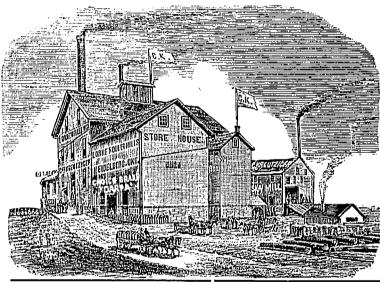
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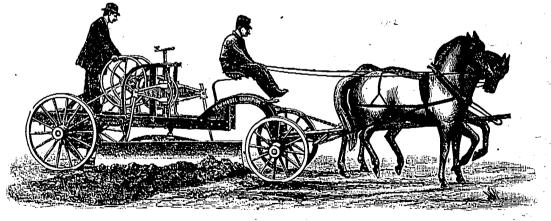
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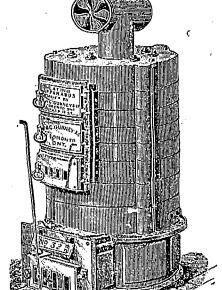
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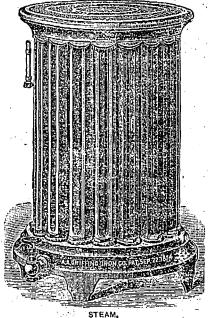
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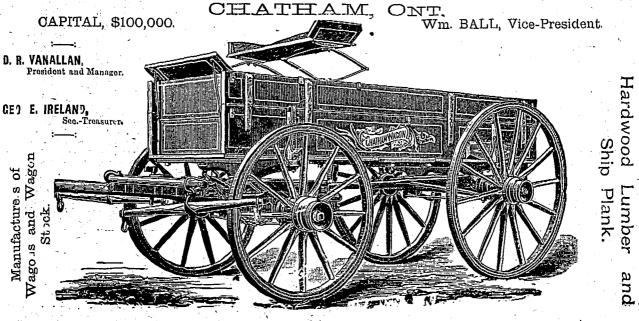
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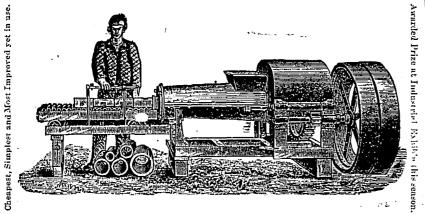


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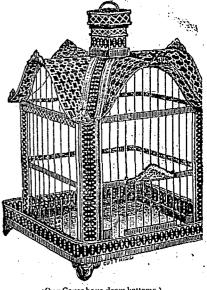
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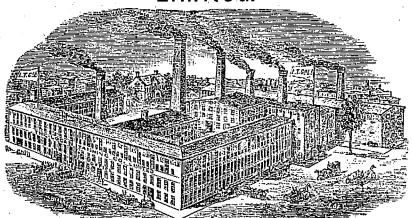
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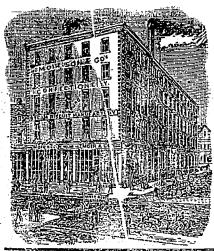
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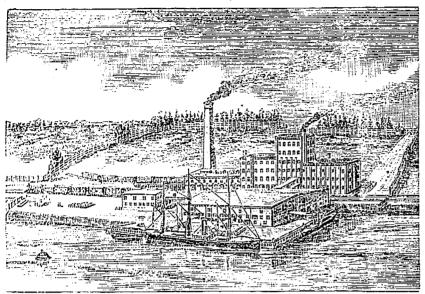
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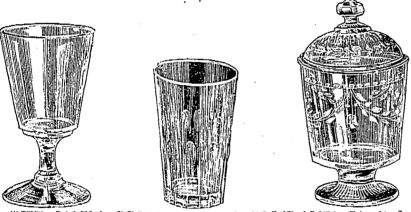
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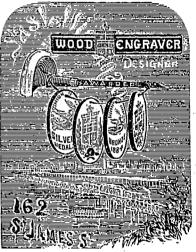
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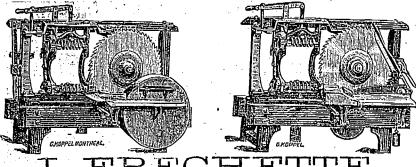
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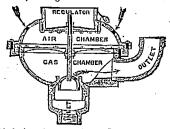
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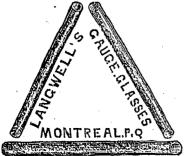
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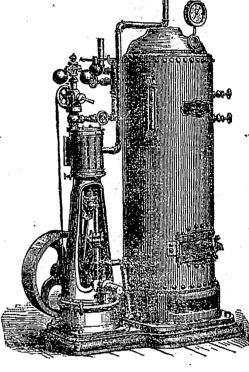
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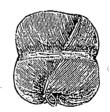
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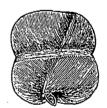


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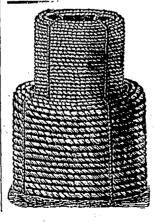
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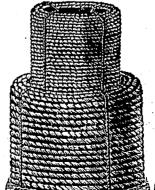


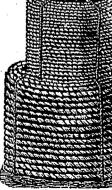




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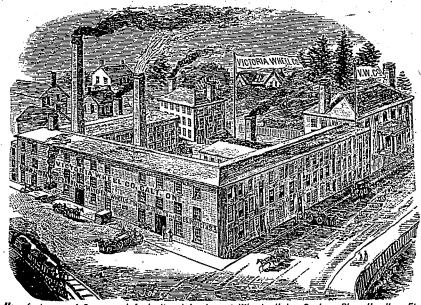
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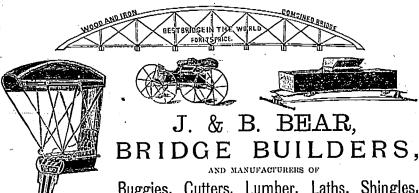
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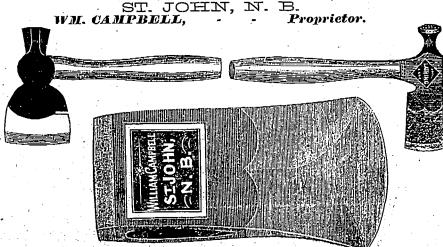
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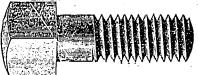
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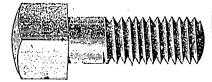
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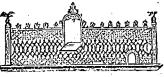
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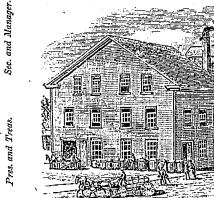
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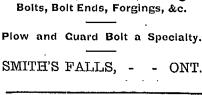
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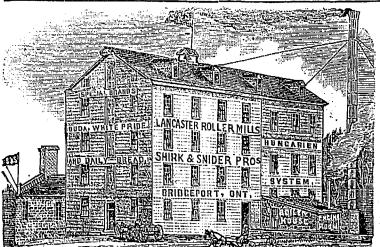
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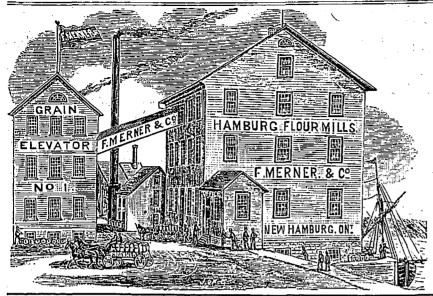
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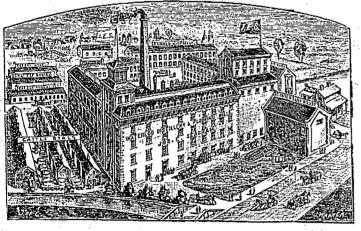
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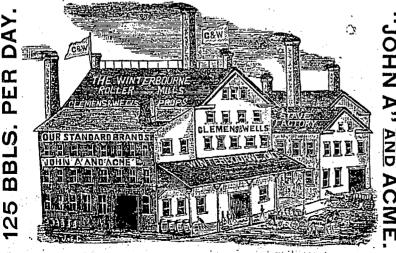
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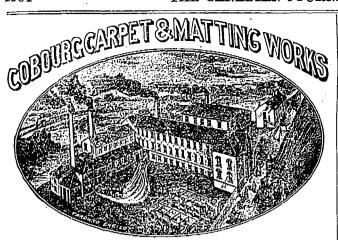
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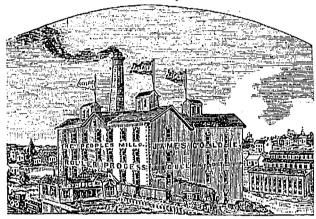
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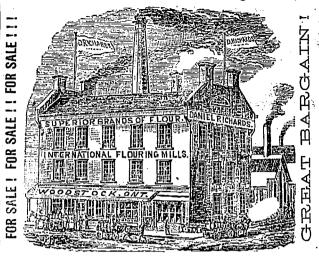
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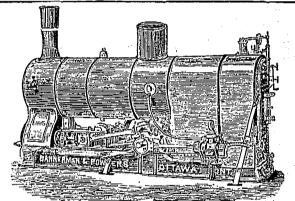


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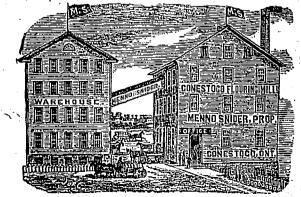
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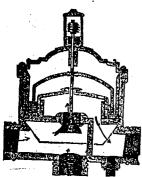
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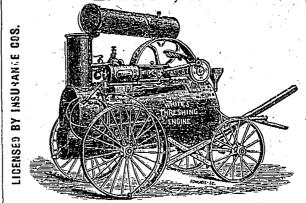
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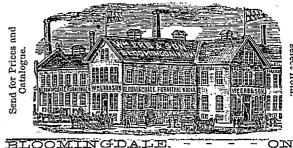
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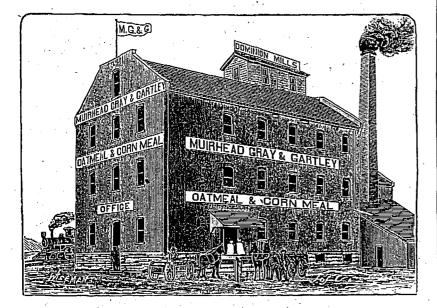
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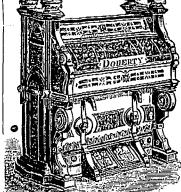
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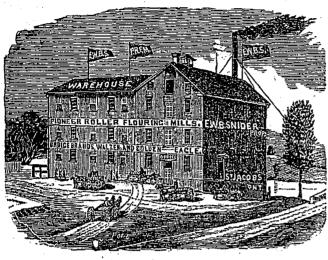
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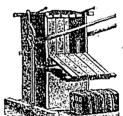
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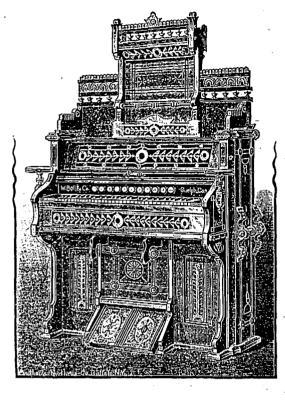
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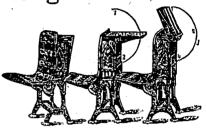
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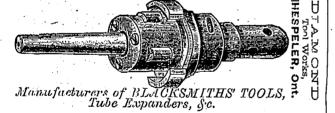
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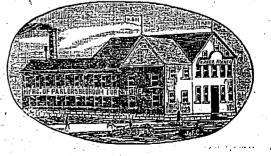
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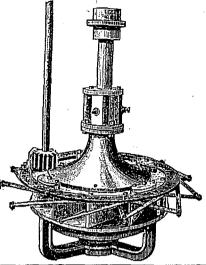
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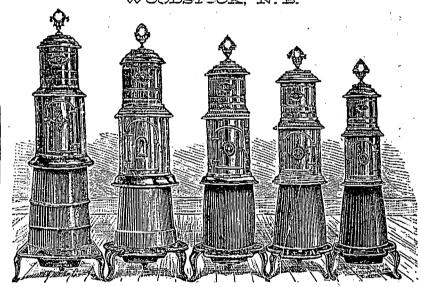
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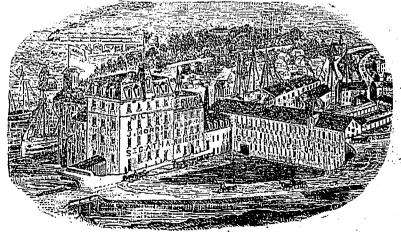
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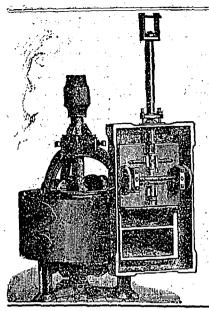
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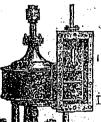
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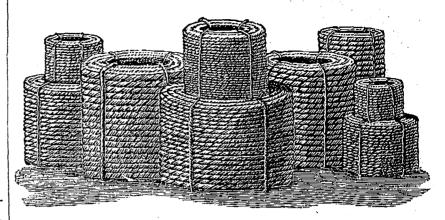
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