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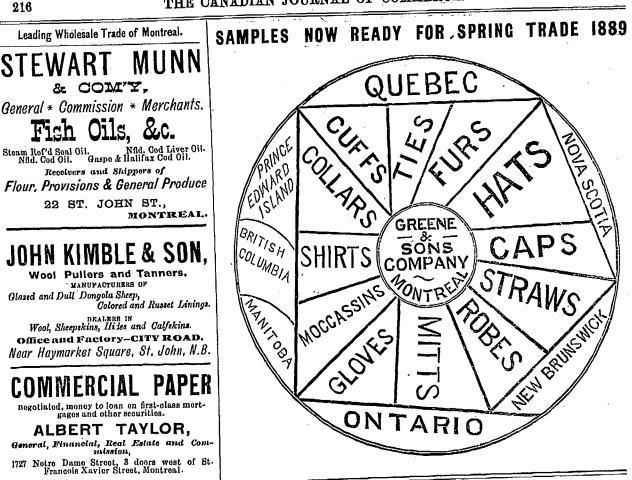
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A WARMANT has been issued for the arrest of Jas. Kerrigan, of the firm of Risley & Kerrigan, hardware dealers, Toronto, referred to elsewhere. He is reported to have left the country consequent on the late troubles with the Customs Department.

THE Canadian Pacific R'y's new depo', on Dominion Square, was opened for passenger traffic on the 4th inst. for trains to and from Toronto and the West and Boston and the South. Ottawa, Quebec and Winnipeg trains will continue using the Dalhousie depot.

A. W. CLARKE, general store, Welford, N.B., has assigned, owing about \$9,000, with assets nominally of between \$6,000 and \$7,000. He had been doing quite a trade in country produce and bark. Had also a store at New Carlisle, Que., probably one iron too many.

This growing commercial importance of St. Catherine street will be further enhanced by the opening of a branch of the Bank of Montreal in the Queen's block about May 1st, but the offices will be only temporarily occupied, as a site has been chosen for a suitable building.

SAMUEL WILSON, cigar manufacturer, Toronto, is asking for an extension which he will probably get, as the business shows liabilities of \$10,000 while the book debts amount to \$30,000. Slowness in collections (it is needless to say) and a recent long illness have caused the embarrassment.

A CABLE to the Gazette, suys :-- Sir Charles Tupper has consented to become a candidate for the position on the Board of the Bank of British Columbia, vacant since the death of Sir John Rose. The annual report recommends a dividend of six per cent. £5,000 have been added to the reserve.

Tux Halifax dry-dock is so near completion that it was filled with water last week. It is expected that it will be handed over to the company about 1st of August next .- St. John is moving in the



matter of a dry-dock, and properties are being examined by engineers with a view to a selection.

The United States Senate has rejected the Extradition Treaty, and there is consequent rejoicing among defaulters and boodlers .- The Fire Alarm Department's offices in the City Hall are being enlarged for additional wires and gongs and new electric light wires, and the facilities will be almost doubled.

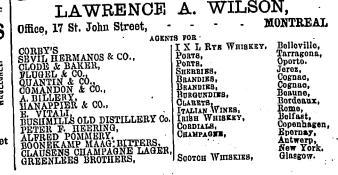
As an evidence that Nova Scotia has not ceased to be a fur breeding province, we notice that one hunter sold in Truro last week 300 mu-krat skins, 79 rcd foxes, 20 coons, 11 minks, 10 skunks, 4 bears, 3 loup cerrier, and 1 otter. It almost reads like Winnipeg or a Hudsons Bay post in the North-West.

A CREDITOR of the Toronto Portable Gas Co., having asked that the business be liquidated, the company has been declared insolvent and liable to be wound up. Further hearing of the petition was postponed for three weeks and the registrar will settle advertisements for creditors, which will be published in the meantime.

MORRIS BLOOM, tailor, Toronto, has been arrested charged with having feloniously received goods with intent to defraud the creditors of Isaac Simon, Brantford, whose assignment was noticed last week. Bloom is alleged to have disposed of the goods shipped to him from Simon's store and the latter had him arrested.

R. N. CURRY, J.P., London South, Ont., has assigned with \$25,000 estimated liabilities and \$2,500 assets .- The creditors of J. G Strong, dry goods, Stratford, Ont., referred to on the 25th Jan., who assigned with about \$20,000 liabilities and \$25,000 assets, have met in Toronto and no over being made will sell the stock at Stratford.

THE liabilities of J. & C. J. Brennan, grocers, Hamilton, Ont. whose assignment was mentioned last week, are about \$8,000. One firm in whose hands they had been for some time holds a \$4,400





chattel mortgage which was renewed last December. They were pushing, active men and did a business of about \$40,000 a year.

H. SHAVER, Sawmill and coal and wood, Hamilton, Ont., has assigned with liabilitics estimated at \$20,000 and assets at \$23,000 .---The stock and estate of H. Johnston, the Thomasyille (Ont) merchant, who absconded last week after assigning with \$10,000 liabilities, have been seized by the sheriff. His creditors, among whom are several local firms, have been badly used.

W. J. ROMBAUGH, storekeeper, North Lunenburg, Ont., met his creditors on the 5th, but particulars have not transpired. He has been respectable but slow, and was generally supposed to have a surplus of a couple of thousand dollars .-- J. E. Moloney, grocer, Ottawa, has assigned. A meeting was called for the 6th inst .-- Latremouille Bros., tailors, Ottawa, have compromised.

JAMES GLOVER, boot and shoe dealer, Uxbridge, Ont., who made an assignment last week, has obtained a compromise with his creditors for 334 cents in the dollar .- J. J. Hanna, boots and shoes, of the same place, was served with a writ for the sum of \$400 a few days ago, we learn, and intends making an assignment, if not already done. We understand he has called a meeting of his creditors.

W. J. MCCOMB, tailor, who moved from Wellington to Trenton to better himself has not succeeded in his small way. He has assigned. -W. A. Doige, general dealer, of Coldwater, Ont., a victim to a desire for building, assigns .- N. Henriod, of Coplesione, Ont., general dealer, assigns after a career of several years in a small way. Claims stock worth about \$4,000. Liabilities are nominally a few hundred dollars less.

LITTLE CURSENT ON Manitoulin Island in Lake Huron is evidently unfavorable to general storekeepers as two assignments in

this line are recorded there: T. J. Patten to Adam Brown, M.P., of Hamilton, and Wm. Malters to W. S. Gibbon, of the same place .- The creditors of Wm. Alexander, jeweller, Toronto, have accepted an offer of 30 cents on the dollar .- Simon Fraser, planing mill, North Toronto, has assigned to Joseph Gibson.

P. GRACE of Gracefield, Que., a general dealer of many years standing, has assigned, owing some \$8,000, after a struggle latterly to keep afloat .- N. E. Morisette, of Three Rivers, Que, dry goods dealer, has compromised at 75 cents in the dollar, spread over 12 months, secured -Michel Chenard, storekcoper, Fraserville, Que., has assigned with liabilities of about \$8,000 .- F. X. Dugal of Little River (Gaspe), keeper of a small store, has assigned owing about \$1,000.

In Toronto, Simon Fraser, planing miller, has been obliged to succumb after a vain attempt of a year and a half to develop a business. The failure to complete the sale of over a year ago threw him somewhat behind. A judgment against him last month for a few hundred dollars has doubtless forced on the assignment .-- F. Qua & Co., stationers, etc., referred to a fortnight ago, have assigned .- J. W. Gale & Co., also referred to last month, having failed to arrange a compromise at 30 per cent. have assigned. Liabilities are set down at \$240,000.

THE failure of Valancy E. Fuller, of Hamilton, dairyman, etc., referred to in these columns some two or three weeks ago, proves to be of more magnitude than at first supposed. The personal liabilities of V. E. Fuller, according to a Hamilton despatch, are estimated at \$300,-000, and of V. E. Fuller, H. H. Fuller and Cynthia Fuller, (the whole estate) at about one million dollars. The affair is badly mixed up. At the meeting of creditors held last Monday, V. E Fuller refused to assign unless employes were paid in full. One claims \$2,400 for 14

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months' back pay, commission and expenses. It is feared the estate will not pay more than 10 cents on the dollar.

THE accounts of the forgeries of A. C. J. Kaufman, dealer in pianos, etc., at Brockville, Ont, read more like fiction than reality. As a dealer in pianos on the installment plan, he was accustomed to handle promissory notes of his customers, but in an evil hour he was tempted to prepare duplicate notes which, with the confidence gained by prompt payment, he had no trouble in discounting with private citizens. The magnitude of his operations is surprising. The total of the spurious paper issued is estimated at over \$80,000. His method was exposed by an accident. Forgery like murder is sure to out. Kaufman has assigned. He is a man of 60 to 70 years of age.

Tue Risley-Kerrigan seizure continues to be a live topic in metal circles A few days ago a private meeting of creditors and others interested was held in a certain office on St. Helen street, when the probable action of the government, etc., was discussed. It appears that the representatives of some large English concerns have been anxious for a settlement all along as they may lose heavily if the estate is wound up. It has been reported here that Mr. James Kerrigan has left Toronto, leaving his partner to bear the brunt of probable trouble. Others state that the absence is only temporary. A meeting of creditors is to be held next week in Toronto, and the estate is now in the hands of a trustee.

EDWARD E. MANHARD of Toronto, Ont. is in gaol in Oswego, N.Y., charged with defrauding John K. Post & Co., lumber dealers of the latter city out of \$2,500. The accused was a member of the insolvent firm of Manhard & Co., lumber dealers, of Toronto, of whom Post & Co. tought lumber. In September last Manhard drew on Post & Co. for \$2,000, alleging that his firm had shipped Post & Co. a cargo. The draft was paid, and later came another which was also paid. The lumber never came and the Toronto firm failed. Manhard went to Oswego to settle up the matter and was placed under arrest. Post & Co. claim to have lost about \$6,000 through transactions with the Toronto firm.

MONTREAL contributes its quota of casualties this week, but they are generally in a very small way. The largest is that of J. B. Blanchard (also of Ottawa) forwarder, who assigns with debts of \$34,000. Last July he obtained an extension spread over 3, 12 and 18 months on his then liabilities of \$42,000.—Jos. C. Dansereau, druggist and physician, assigns owing \$2,300 after a career of 3 to 4 years.—Andre Fontaine, carrying on a small east-end grocery, has assigned with linbilities of \$2,300 also.—W. N. Rioux, a local tailor, assigns with debts footing up the modest figure of \$550.—Jos. Leclerc, dealer in picture frames and cheap engravings on the installment plan, has assigned, owing some \$10,000. His late partner, a young man named Cusson sold out his interest to Leclerc last summer for \$1,500 worth of promissory notes, and now Leclerc complains he was deceived—that Mr. Cusson had kept the books &c.,—while the latter claims to be wholly innocent of the charge. The matter has been before the courts and will probably be decided in a few days.

Among the recent business troubles in Western Ontario are the following :- J. B. Dunham, Woodstock, grocer, late Tate & Dunham, has assigned. He has carried a stock of only about \$2,500 .- Thos. Cowan, harness, Chesley, was hurt by the fire there last summer, and has been slow ever since. He now assigns, owing about \$1,300 .-Fred Zinge, of Hanover, grocer, wants to pay his debts of \$1,100 with half that amount in cash .- Jacob Foster, grocer, Brantford, also wants to settle at 50 per cent .- W. C. Goode, of Goderich, a druggist in a small way, has assigned after a trial of about two years .- Lawrence & Brown, butchers, Parry Sound, have assigned, owing about \$1,000, after about six months' experience of how much easier 'tis to sell than to get the money in -Thos. H. Smith, of Powasson, hardware, &c., assigns after a career of 21 years. He could never in the time reckon a surplus of more than \$300 to \$400. Has been paying interest on property mortgaged .-- J. M. Beattie, of Shelburne, grocer, has assigned after a somewhat uncertain career for several years past.

THERE are more than the usual number of casualties among the small shoe dealers to note this week. Mrs. Jas. McConnell, of St Johns', N. B., widow, has assigned with liabilities of about \$9,000, and assets about \$7,000. An offer of 20 per cent. had been made.—Josh-Waldon, Queensville, Ont., has been execution proof for a long time, and what he expects to gain by his recent assignment was a mystory, unless it be that he was led to believe it would operate as a discharge in full.—J. E. Phillips, of St. Thomas, Ont., succeeded his father,





E. C. Phillips, in November, 1887, and now fails in his turn after a vain endeavor to make a living out of a very small business.—Thos. B. Brophy, of Peterboro, left his position as canal company's clerk to take up a business of which he had had no experience. He succeeded one Griffin about nine months ago and now assigns.—John Couture began a children's shoe factory in a small way at Hamilton about two years ago. He assigns owing \$1,800.—J. A. Glover, Uxbridge, has assigned, and W. H Repburn, of Guelph, has not been seen in that city of late, and is supposed to be visiting the United States.

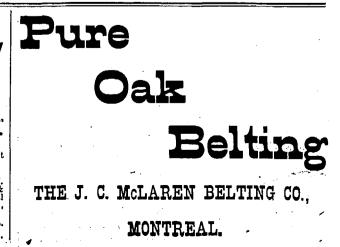
The sheriff has seized the dry goods stock of G. C. Long, Winnipeg, amounting to \$9,000, and it was to have been sold on the 4th inst. The cigar stock of Wishart & Co. has also been seized, and Jos. Tuttle, livery, has sold out to Bell Bros.—The bankrupt general stock of Geo. A. Crosthwaite, Souris, Man, the stock and fixtures amounting to \$3,960 and the book debts to \$4,470, was to have been sold in Winnipeg on the 5th inst.—Hamilton & Co., general merchants, Morris, called a meeting of creditors for the 4th inst.—D. A. Hopper, general dealer, Rapid City, has sold out.—D. Hunter, hotel, Whitewood, has sold out to J. Breckon.—The Emerson International newspaper and plant is offered for sale.—Geo. Murdoch, harness, Calgary,

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is succeeded by R. J. Hutchings of Winnipeg.—Geo. Henderson, miner, Nicola, B. C., has failed owing \$5,000 to workmen and as much more for merchandise.—Mrs. A. Morton, milliner, Kamloops, B. C., and her husband, recently in business there, have left for unknown parts andtheir effects have been seized to satisfy a chattel mortgage. Chas. Aston, Arlington Hotel, has also skipped, to the discomfiture of his creditors.—The Victoria (B. C.) Electric Soap Works are now carried on by Richard Cruickshank —W. R. Bingham, of the "Hub" Restaurant, Toronto, has called a meeting of creditors, principally local brewers and cigar men.

Mr. E. B. EDDY, of Hull, Ottawa, &c., has purchased a new 500 h. p. Field Sterling boiler from Mr J. F. Torrance, agent for the Dominion Safety Boiler Co in this city. One of these boilers is used to furnish power for the illumination of the ice palace and other places during the present carnival week.

THE trade and our worthy tellow-citizen himself are to be congratulated on the appointment of Alderman J. H. Mooney as Hide Inspector for Montreal, vice incumbent deceased. No more suitable appointment could possibly have been made, and our only regret is that the position is not more lucrative and comprehensive.







the subject of international affairs. It may be cortended that this is not necessary, that the well-informed Americans in Boston, New York, Washington and elsewhere are fully alive to the position taken by Canada in respect to the fishery question, which, after all, is at the bottom of the strained relations between the two countries. But this will not avail, for there is no country in the world where the opinions of the masses weigh more with those in power; so that it is not what, Mr. Phelps or Mr. Bayard or Mr. Cleveland or even Mr. Wiman may hold upon the matter that determines the course of any effort for a satisfactory solution, but, rather the joint convictions of the masses of voters or their organizations through these cities and all over the United States, wherever the subject is held of sufficient interest to be brought forward for discussion. Much time is wasted in and out of Parliament in gently chiding the Americans, or speaking at them rather in sorrow than in anger, because they do not come to what is deemed a reasonable agreement on these irritating questions. It is all in vain. Our opposition press will not be convinced; and will continue, notwithstanding all our loyal outpourings, to harp upon reciprocity and other questions, which their friends, when in power, had never been able This inane twaddle is copied occasionally into to settle. American papers, where it is read and accepted as the opinions of the people of Canada, who are firmly believed by the great majority of Americans to be quite ready for annexation. It is not a little singular that all this suppressed opinion, and socalled anxiety for commercial union or annexation should have hitherto found no one in parliament to give it a voice; and one cannot help reaching the conclusion that much of what is said and printed is merely the expression of hunger for a share of the "loaves and fishes." The extravagance in certain directions is doubtless tempting enough.

Our treatment of the fishery troubles, our preparations for an honest observance of the laws, our endeavors to secure a joint discussion and arbitration of the difficulties that govern the case-all our explanations, and our eloquence at Ottawa-are not understood by our neighbors, who feel that we are presuming on the strength of the mother country, to bully and harass their fishermen by denying them the common rites of hospitality while in the pursuit of their ordinary avocations along the prolific shores of our Maritime Provinces, and are falling back upon the provisions of an antiquated treaty wholly inconsistent with the modern comity of nations. We cannot but think that some good might result from such a visit as that alluded to in some recent periodical, however absurd it appears, such a visit to be made by a number of our legislators to their cousins across the border; but it would be preferable instead of visiting the few who understand and appreciate all the difficulties of the situation, to seek in less travelled pathways for the causes that stand in the way of a friendly adjustment. We are convinced that a thorough understanding by both parties, of both sides of the question, would dispel all harshness of feeling that may have arisen, and lead to an adjustment satisfactory all round.

THE TABLES OF TRADE AND NAVIGATION.

Agreeable to a number of requests, we avail ourselves of the immediate receipt of the Customs returns for the fiscal year ended 30th June last, to complete and extend the figures given in our issue of the 11th ult, under the caption, "Our Foreign Trade." The aggregate trade of the Dominion on the basis of goods entered for consumption and goods exported is :---

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Year.	Great Britain.	United States.	All Countries.
1885	\$83,284,000	\$86,904,000	\$191,948,000
1886	82,144,000	81,437,000	184,854,000
1887	89,534,000	82,767,000	195,155,000
1888	79,384,000	91,054,000	193,050,000 -

Following are our principal customers and the amounts of their purchases from us the last two years, hundreds omitted :--

Great Brit.	U. S .	Nfld.	All Contrs.
\$44,571	\$37,660	\$1,718	\$89,516
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The deduction of the "Estimated amount short returned at inland ports and exported to the United States," from the figures in the previous statement will account for the apparent disagreement. The exports to the British West Indies are for the on the list, amounting to \$1,492,000. The only other customer represented by seven figures is the Spanish West Indies. The falling off in exports to Great Britain and Newfoundland is seen to be chiefly in agricultural products. The following table will have some interest in this respect:—

Articles.	Value 1886-7.	Value 1887-8.
Produce of the mine	\$ 4,110,608	\$ 4,339,488
Produce of the fisheries	6,977,674	7,871,105
Produce of the forest	22,248,483	22,880,291
Animals and their produce	25,072,539	25,620,369
Agricultural products	23,719,148	20,875.435
Ma sufactures.	3,507,604	4,616,953
Miscellaneous	877,297	897,503
Total Coin and bullion	5,569	\$87,101,144 17,534
Amount short returned at inland ports	2,996,889	3,084,322
Grand total	\$89,515,811	\$90,203,000

The duty on logs realized \$31,397 in 1886-7, and \$21,772 in 1887-8. Of the products of the mine, British Columbia heads the list, having exported 350,048 tons of coal to the value of \$1,307,340, chiefly to the United States, in the fiscal year ended 30th June last. Nova Scotia shipped during the same period 198 913 tons of coal, value \$386,412, about three-fourths of it going to the United States. It will be observed that British Columbia anthracite averages nearly \$4 per ton, and Nova Scotia bituminous coal a fraction under \$2.

For purposes of comparison, we may say here that the anthracite coal imported into Canada from the United States during the last fiscal year amounted to 2,134,764 tons, valued at 55,286,120, or an average of about \$2.50 per ton. We may also mention in passing that the Province of Quebec pays \$1,294,143for 329,561 tons, or an average of \$3.921 per ton, while Ontario pays only \$3,727,842 for 17,471,822 tons, or at the average rate of \$2.15 per ton.

Among other products of the mine are gold-bearing quartz, dust, nuggets, &c., to the value of \$810,352 exported to the United States, of which \$560,756 worth was from British Columbia, and the remainder from Nova Scotia. Quebec exported 509 tons of fine copper, at a value of \$50,900; Ontario, 13,534 tons iron ore, total value, \$39,590; silver ore, 286 tous, value of \$277,262. Of the total phosphates, 21,849 tons, Quebec shipped 18,638, value \$345,602, to Great Britain; average value, \$18.54. Our plumbago appears to be but little used for export, the total value being \$1,025, from New Brunswick to the United States; in all, 2,314 cwts. Sand and gravel were sent across at the Niagara border to the value of \$32,382, or about 15 cents per ton. The entry fee is likely to discourage future efforts in this direction. Stone and marble unwrought were shipped to the United States to the value of \$64,886, at an average price of \$4 per ton, chiefly from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

The markets for our fish are as follow:-United States, \$3,123,853; Great Britain, \$1,544,901; British West Indies, \$1,130,130; Spanish West Indies, \$919,953; Brazil, \$330,455 France, \$173,082; British Guiana, \$118,979; Australia, \$130,637; Portugal, \$126,492.

Our lumber and other forest products are taken as follow :--By United States, \$10,622,338; Great Britain, \$8,932,177; the Argentine Republic, \$023,800; British West Indies, \$197,405; Australia, \$180,885; France, \$134,249; Chili, \$108,502; countries to which we export under \$100,000 being omitted.

Of animals and their produce, Great Britain takes from us the value of \$17,000,000, or nearly one-fifth of our total exports to all countries. Of this cheese constitutes over one-half; of butter we send her the value of \$631,491; horned cattle, \$4,123,573; sheep, \$211,881; undressed furs, \$1,699,608, about one-half of this being from Manitoba, one-fourth from Quebec, and nearly onefifth from Ontario; bacon, \$028,332; canned meats, \$124,575. Of these products, we sell to the United States about \$7,774,000 worth. Of this horses represent \$2,507,000; horned cattle, \$648,000; sheep, \$1,035,000; cheese, \$124,378; eggs, \$2,119,582 (14,147,739 doz.); hides and skins, \$520,280; wool, \$224,550. Newfoundland buys from us to the value of \$400,000, a large proportion being for horned cattle.

Of agricultural produce, we send Great Britain the value of \$9,618,396, of which, however, \$5,325,756 worth is not the produce of Canada. The principal items are :- Apples, \$520,754 (218,019 brls.); peas, \$1,131,041; wheat (produce of Canada), \$1,244,757; wheat (not product of Canada), \$5,770,489; flour (of Canada), \$1,068,139; not of Canada, \$17,669. The United States is our best market for agricultural produce, our total exports thither being of the value of \$10,400,000 for the year under re-The principal items were :- Apples, §284,252 (chiefly view. from Ontario); flax, \$80,000 (from Ontario); barley, \$6,488,317; beans, \$124,000; peas, \$351,365; hay, \$800,622; potatoes, \$957-570 (2,486,441 bushels), of which Prince Edward Island contributed 1,184,940 bushels, valued at \$311,842, and Nova Scotia, 579,354, valued at \$292,358. Our only other important customer for these products is Newfoundland, who buys from us flour, oats, peas, apples, potatoes, hay, &c., to the value of over \$600,000. For home manufactures our best markets for the year were Great Britain (\$1,762,984), United States (\$1,632,025), Newfoundland (\$242,140), and Australia (\$132,948), which foot up \$3.770.107, out of a total of \$4,161,282. Besides this, we exported goods to the value of \$455,671, not the produce of Canada, \$320,948 worth of these going to the United States. total exports of domestic cottons amounted to \$75,000 for the fiscal year, of which \$54,000 worth went from Nova Scotia to the The respectable shipments to the Orient had United States. not begun till some time later. The cottons sent to Great Britain were of the value of \$10,586, of which Nova Scotia contributed Of the total of furs, \$411,314, Quebec sent \$405,233 to \$9.316. Great Britain.

The markets abroad for our manufactures of iron and steel is yot very limited. The total of stoves exported was 277, valued Of this value, Quebec represents \$599 (to Great at \$3,746. Britain); Ontario, \$508 (to the United States); Nova Scotia, \$998 (to St. Pierre), and Ontario, \$754 (to Australia). Castings (N. E. S.) foot up \$20,732. Machinery (not elsewhere specified), foots up \$110,451, of which \$52,813 worth went from Quebec to Great Britain, and \$21,323 from Ontario to the United States. We exported 6,633 sewing machines, value \$50,002, an average of somewhat under \$S each. Of these Ontario sent 4,051, value \$20,590, to Great Britain, an average of only \$5.081 each. These must be the heads only of the machines. Our next best customer for sowing machines is British Africa, which bought 1,168 for \$9,235, from enterprising Ontario. Of the total of leather, \$299,558, Quebec exported \$170,381 to Great Britain. In boots and shoes, Newfoundland is our largest buyer, taking about \$40,000 out of a total export of \$66,000. Lime and cement, which may have with almost equal justice be included under products of the mine, we exported to the value \$101,547, of which \$91,840 worth went from New Brunswick to the United States. Among the exports of musical instruments, Ontario shipped 2,313 organs to Great Britain, valued at \$170,542, or an average value of \$73.73 each. Quebec exported 340 organs, at \$58.22 each. Ontario also exported 108 organs to Japan, valued at \$4,435, and 525 to Australia, at a value of \$39,696. The total of organs exported was 3,503, at a value of \$253,038. Of home made pianos, we exported 60, at a value of \$17,000.

A gratifying feature of our exports is the number of ships exported. The total was 35, of 14,479 tons, value \$289,969. One of these, built in Quebec, was of 1,406 tons, and was exported to Groat Britain at a value \$100,000. We exported of soap the value of \$17,157; starch, \$15,664; stone and wrought marble, \$18,886 ; household furniture, \$173,215 ; doors, sashes and blinds, \$64,164; the total of manufactures of wood being \$371,995.

- We had expected to find a greater proportion of woollens among the exports from information derived concerning the demand for "Halifax tweeds" in the United States. The total exports of woollens from Ontario to the United States is set down in the volume before us at \$8,000. Of the total exports of woollens for the fiscal year (value \$44,895), \$18,814 worth were takon by the United States, \$1\$,476 by Newfoundland, and \$4,274 by Great Britain.

In our endeavor to afford our readers a comprehensive view of our export trade, we have somewhat exceeded the usual limit of a newspaper article. We must, therefore, withhold any detailed reference to the statistics of imports for another number.

SENATOR DRUMMOND.

In moving the Senate address in reply to the speech from the throne on Monday last, Hon. George A. Drummond, of this city, vice-president of the Bank of Montreal, president of the Board of Trade and of the Canada Sugar Refining Co., gave promise of practical attention to the commercial wants of the community in sentences, so terse, brief and replete with matter, that we cannot do better than make a few bare extracts for our readers.

Many of you may have shared my feelings in the discovery that a life of active commercial engagements precludes the power of ex-pression, that power of marshalling the thoughts in due order, which is of the fulfillment of such a duty as has now devolved upon me. I should most gladly have escaped it and have made myself a silent student of the procedure and forms of this honorable House had it not been that time-honored custom has placed it on the shoulders of a junior member.

It is a subject of regret that the treaty negotiated with Washing-ton for the settlement of the fishery disputes with the United States was rejected by the Senate of that country. It does not alleviate in the least our regret at the reopening of a troublesome question to know that we reached in those negotiations the utmost of concession short of absolute surrender of our rights, rights bequeathed to us by our fathers and the . heritage of our children. We must fully agree that it is our bounden duty to maintain our rights prudently, temper-ately and yet firmly, and to trust to the good sense of our neighbors to the south now that the exigoncies of the party warfare have dim-inished, to avoid any further embilterment of those disputes and facilitate an honorable and fair settlement. It is a subject of regret that the treaty negotiated with Washing.

The expediency of assimilating the laws of the various provinces in regard to bills of exchange, cheques and promissory notes is too obvious for argument. Many of the difficulties now existing are only partially known or understood, and uniformity may be secured with much advantage. Bills of laden are now such an important descrip-tion of security, that any legislation tending to make them more easily and uniformly available will be of the greatest value. I trust that while on the subject it will be found possible to impose limita-tions on terms of those documents themselves, and prevent the possibility of bills of laden being us d which practically exempt the carriers from all liabilities of any kind. Probably no public work has attracted greater attention than the great trunk line on this continent, pupping the continent and connection the there is the parties spanning the continent and connecting the Atlantic with the Pacific ocean. As a necessary consequence it has opened up to us infinite occan. As a necessary consequence it has opened up to us infinite possibilities in the way of extending our trade with China, Japan and Australia, and I trust these efforts will be rewarded with success. A great development of our trade with the West Indies and South America is, to my view, quite practicable without sacrifice, and in this connection let me say that I know of no industry nor any interest in this Dominion which will not hail with satisfaction such an ex-tension on terms of mutual advantage. It is known, honorable gentlemen, that Spain concluded some years ago a treaty with the United States, which failed to pass the Senate. It is within my knowledge that the Spanish West Indies are ripe for such a treaty with this Dominion, and, in my opinion, now is the time to strike for a measure so desirable. We can probably obtain an enormous outlet for our lumber, fish, coal and manufactures in return for the duties now exacted on the staple products of those regions. • • • But no one who has followed the evidence taken by the Labor commission can be altogether ignorant of the facts it has elicited. I venture to state one fact broadly—that during all the period of depres-sion from which we are emerging, capital suffered, dividends disap-peard, but wages did not sensibly, if at all, decline; the products of our farms and factories declined in price; all necessaries that enter into the expenditure ot our working classes were cheapened, and the means to buy with continue to go up as before. I do not believe that means to buy with continue to go up as before. I do not believe that possibilities in the way of extending our trade with China, Japan and

means to buy with continue to go up as before. I do not believe that capital can exist on air, or that a condition such as [indicated can continue for an indefinite period, but that capital should bear the first brunt of the storm and not labor, I accept as right, without grudging. There never was a truer word said than that capital and labor are like the blades of a pair of scissors, the most efficient of tools combined,

the blades of a pair of scissors, the most encient of tools continue, but utterly useless apart. I trust I may be pardoned if I invite the attention of hon, gentle-men to one or two facts of our national life—not widely known— which speak volumes as to the progress of this great Dominion and which will, I trust, give confidence to those who believe in the future and are proud of being in the ranks of her sons, I will take only a few facts. In 1868 our imports of raw materials of all kinds was only 35,365,000. In 1888 they had risen to the enormous value of \$28,-361.347. But this is not all. The enormous increase in our imports 361,347. But this is not all. The enormous increase in our imports of unmanufactured goods bears a significance not always borne in mind in referring to the Labor question: it means this, that every increase in the quantity of raw materials brought into the country, provides so much additional employment for the people. It is known to most of us that large quantities of iron and other metals only partially manufactured, and which might, with accuracy, be classed as raw materials, are not included in the total above indicated, and out of three and a quarter millions of dollars included under that head. I think its just to say that the import of raw materials to be used in our mills and factories now has to be stated as exceeding 31 millions of dollars. It speaks volumes for our national policy that nearly the whole of this enormous advance has been since its adoption, the figures being under the official head only :--

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868 to 33,500,000 pounds in 1888. Finally-may I be permitted to refer to the nostrums which are being persistently urged upon us by our kind neighbors to the south, and a few impractical men among ourselves. We believe—we believe ourselves to be doing well—to be in good health—to be satisfied with our own condition and to need no physician; but we have patent 1 anaceas, for ailments from which we do not suffer, forced upon us—commercial union, uarestricted reciprocity, etc. Now all these prescriptions are to my mind founded on an incorrect diagnosis. Let me state this view in the light of facts : In 1868, of our total exports, principally farming products, 61 per cent. went to the United States, and 34 per cent. to England. In 1887 the position was reversed; 35 per cent only went to the United States, and 60 per cent. went direct to Great Britain. The process was a gradual one during the intervening years, but slowly and surely it has reached its present proportions as stated above. Now, it is notorious that of the exportable products of the Dominion, almost without exception, the United States is a producer and exporter herself. She acted towards this Dominion as a middleman, intervening between the producer and the consumer. The true consumer is Great Britain, and the consequences of the abolition of the reciprocity treaty with the United States, and of all the little measures of hostility which have cropped up of late years, has only been to divert the trade so that the services of the middleman have been dispensed with, and with them the cost of his intervention. Honorable gentlemen, I think that the only result of the blasts which have occasionally assailed us has been to impel us to draw more closely around us the sheltering cloak of our pressnt benign constitution. I express my conviction that, if true to ourselves, the future of this great country is not in any sense doubtful.

OUR TEXTILE INDUSTRIES.

It is a noticeable fact that in spite of the feelings of mistrust in the commercial world, created in some minds, by two successive poor harvests, the inclement weather and slow payments, that the woollen and cotton industries are on a fairly satisfactory footing and seem to be improving their prospects. Only a few years ago the demoralized condition of the market for manufactured cotton was almost the sole weak spot in the business interests of the country. Experience has evidently been a good teacher.

Passing over the subject of cotton shipments to the East, which has been already dealt with in these columns, we will direct attention to the actual position of the mills and the market for their product. Our readers are not ignorant of the fact that there has been a recent advance in several lines, the latest affected being grain bags. The improvement in prices, speaking generally, has been 5@10 per cent. Within the past month the tone of the market has greatly improved, and we are told on good authority that the mills hold no large stocks in any line. The advance is largely due to the position of the factories as regards stocks, and to the fact that in many instances orders have been received by them which will take months to complete. We were shown letters which made it clear that on some goods they have orders which will keep them running up to the first of July. Instead of being loaded up with all classes of cottons, they have got no heavy stocks of anything, and on many goods are working on actual orders. The principle adopted has been to keep the machinery as close to the buyer as possible, and the mill owners and agents anticipate no difficulty in keeping up prices in the future.

Generally speaking, the advance in the price of greys and colored has been 10 per cent. all round. The rise has not yet been felt by the consumer, as a matter of course, but goods are now being sold regularly for delivery at the improved prices. It is scarcely necessary to say that prospects in all branches of the trade are much brighter than at this season last year. To enumerate, the wholesaler and the consumer, as we said before. are much nearer the machinery, there are no stocks to speak of in manufacturer's hands, the mills are sold ahead, and lastly, much smaller stocks are in the hands of jobbers. Something has been said in the press about the revival of a combination to force up and sustain prices, but so far this talk has been more in the nature of a scare than anything else. There is no doubt, that some of the manufacturers have been discussing the matter, but the stronger tone of the market is due to the other causes mentioned. Raw cotton at the moment is easy, owing to the larger receipts at Southern ports. The price has gone off 1-16c within the past few days, and buyers hold the advantage. Any falling off in the receipts would be the signal for an advance, as good middling and better grades are scarce this year. The crop is reported to be a full average one, but there is a large proportion of poor grades.

Tweeds, woollens and underclothing have been gradually advancing in price since the first of December, and are up about 10 per cent. This is due to the rise in the raw material and a slightly improved demand. Of all wools, Cape is the scarcest,

and has advanced 1½c per lb. since the middle of November. There is scarcely any in the market, and the new clip will not be available before June. The designs in tweeds for the coming season are more vigorous in style, with brighter shades and larger patterns. Both woollen and cotton mills are extending their usefulness by making a greater variety of goods, and with due care and discernment there is no reason why they should not continue on the road to prosperity. So far as cottons are concerned, the favor with which they have been received in China gives rise to the anticipation that not only will our surplus find a market there, but that Canadian manufacturers will produce special lines to meet the requirements of the trade of the East.

FOOD SUPPLIES AND PRICES.

The anticipations which were indulged in at the close of the harvest season regarding a possible shortage in breadstuffs and other food supplies, in consequence of unfavorable weather, have not yet borne fruit to any appreciable extent, and prices, instead of being excessive, re in many instances below those of former years.

Dealing first with the position of wheat we find that the large decrease in the visible supply of this continent recorded each week seems to have no effect on prices. This leads us at once to the conclusion that the old conditions governing the trade have passed away. The consuming countries of Europe are no longer dictated to by Chicago, the area of wheat growth has been large'y extended, and they draw their supplies from all corners of the world. Operators and statisticians when they attempt to calculate the "earth's increase," undertake a very difficult task indeed, and in spite of all their figures and statements wheat has dropped lower and lower. It has been above the shipping poi t in the West, and in spite of the speculators and their devious ways, the immense surplus back in the country will, in all probability, remain there if it is not offered to the European buyer at much more reasonable prices than have been hoped for. In this country, at least in the earlier settled portions of Canada, there is a decided scarcity of wheat, but the North-West will supply the deficiency, and the mills will import American wheat for grinding in bond for export.

Reference has already been made in these columns to the potato crop, which although injured by the rains in this Province has been excessively large in other parts of Canada. Last year United States and Ontario buyers required all the potatoes we could spare, but now Ontario is shipping largely to this market. Car lots have been sold at 50c@55c per bag, against 85c@\$1 at this period in 1888; this includes some lots from Nova Scotia. Eggs have also been low-priced this winter owing to the mild weather experienced until quite recently. The American market takes large supplies of fresh and limed eggs as a rule, but this winter this was not the case, and it was difficult to dispose of the surplus left on hand. A shipment of fresh eggs from the States was recently offered here at 19c@20c, thus turning the tables on the Canadian hen. In New York they have ruled very low, selling at 15c@151c for fresh. Egg shipments from Canada have of late proved a heavy loss, but there is now an improvement in the market owing to the col- wave.

Canned goods of all kinds are a cheaper article of food than ever in consequence of enormous supplies in hand. Even the low prices fail to stimulate demand. Contracts for corn were entered into earlier in the season at \$1.20, while recently a round lot was sold at 75c, the jobbing price being 90c@95c. Heavy reductions have also been made in the price of peas, 'eans, tomatoes, meats and fruits. The market can only be described as overloaded and stagnant. It is surprising that the excellent varieties of canned goods now sold do not command more attention from the general public, and in connection with this we might mention that the occasional reports of sickness from using canned goods are mainly due to the folly of not emptying the total contents of the tins as soon as opened. Sugar and tea are staple articles, in which attempts to heighten prices have so far failed, and which have maintained moderate values. Regarding both we might say that statistics have all been on the side of the bulls, or believers in higher prices, but so far they have-not carried their point.

In Canada the winter trade has been a quiet one, and in the United States things have not been much better. Under these circumstances, the demand being merely of a normal character with little European enquiry for American produce, it is scarcely surprising that prices should not only not be excessive, but even

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be below the record of recent years in some staple articles of food.

QUEBEC FINANCES.

In view of the extraordinary sources of income and the reported flourishing condition of the Provincial finances in other respects, the public accounts of Quebec present more than usual interest for the fiscal year ended 30th June last. The statement on the face of it shows a surplus of \$373 000, the ordinary receipts being represented at \$3,738,228 and the ordinary expenditure at \$3,305,032.

The critics of the government are not pleased at such a result. They overlook the apparently honest and praiseworthy efforts made by the administration to settle long standing debts and improve the condition of our affairs financially. The question resolves itself into one of book-keeping, and the public generally will exhibit no feeling of discontent so long as they are satisfied that while the true interests of the Province are served, strict regard is had to economical management and expenditures. Let us take a glance at the special sources of the income. Is the \$100,000 received form Ontario on account of the partial settlement of the Common School fund of the old Province of Canada an ordinary receipt or not? The Government evidently believes it is and treats it as such. Opponents of the administration claim it to be an extraordinary receipt, which should be placed to the credit of the capital. Another large item is \$558,-393 collected under the obnexious commercial companies tax. The ordinary revenue under this head would not exceed \$150,-000 annually, the large amount credited this year being the arrears due for several years past. This is another item which has swelled the "ordinary" revenue this year and helped to turn what would have been a deficiency into a surplus. Howover satisfactory the public accounts may be, it must therefore not be forgotten that fully \$500,000 represent items of revenue, which cannot be calculated upon in the future.

The chief expenditures on capital account were \$537,000 for public works, \$645,275 for railway subsidies, and \$1,500,000 repayments of temporary loans. The gross debt of the Province at the close of the fiscal year was \$21,570,333, the bulk of it bearing interest at 5 per cent.; \$3,500,000 bears 4 per cent., and \$3,\$85,000 41 per cent. The sinking fund amounts to \$9,994,000, and the net debt is \$11,576,333. Although it is not plainly apparent in the accounts this year, it is beyond doubt that there is a large annual deficit between ordinary receipts and ordinary expenditure, which the increasing resources of the Province should gradually reduce if the strife of politics is made secondary to prudent, business-like principles and management. The present government has taken some pride in its financial record, and it will best retain popularity and power by that strict supervision over income and expenditure, which may yet lift the Province out of the slough into which it had fallen.

THE CORN EXCHANGE.

The annual meeting of the Montreal Corn Exchange, held last week, attracted the usual large attendance of members. The President, Mr. Hugh McLennau, in the course of his remarks, referred to the alleged growing feeling that the trade of Montreal was rather on the decline, founded on the figures of the Exchange reports. Some members contended that the amalgamation with the Board of Trade was proving to be rather a disadvantage, instead of which it was one of its elements of strength, as each member was now enabled to extend business and make sales where formerly it was deemed impossible. The completion of the canal system had given a great impetus to trade. The cost of ocean carriage from Montreal was about a shilling, then the cost from the interior to the Atlantic was heavier than the rate across the ocean. He also referred to the change from sail to steam, which obviated the long towage and placed Montreal on an equal basis with New York as regarded the trade of the interior. There was reason to believe that the trade on the St. Lawrence occupied a more promising position than ever before in the history of commerce. This was very encouraging in view of the large increase that would emanate from our own Northwest, for the trade had changed to day from Lake Michigan and now centered on Lake Superior. The Chairman also referred to the losses sustained by the recent break in the Cornwall Canal, which happened at the very worst season of the year, affecting both shipper and consignee. He was happy to say that our trade could exist notwithstanding these hindrances. He testified also to the prompt response made by the railroads in that emergency. The close of Mr. MacLennan's remarks would indicate that he is an advocate of Imperial Federation, or some

arrangement with the United States, and it would be very desirable that he and his fellow members should draw out some plan for a practical carrying out of these notions.

Mr. A. G. McBean, referring to the concessions made by the Canadian Pacific Railway in respect to the storage of grain, which was reforwarded without charging any extra freight, said he had little doubt that the Grand Trunk Railway would also concede as much. In that case Montreal could not only secure the trade of the Eastern Townships, but compete successfully in the trade for Boston, New York and Portland. It was of the utmost importance that we should get as near the producer and consumer as possible in order to avoid intervening commissions. Most dealers were willing to unload a carload of grain at a profit of one cent a bushel. Chicago and Deluth dealers were in communication with people in this country, and so were in fully as good a position to do business as the dealers here. He had never yet been able to buy grain or wheat in Chicago or Deluth and sell it in Europe at a profit. The sterling rate was also sometimes against us. Mr. McBean is also of the opinion that Federation of the Empire is desirable, and concluded his remarks with urging the Exchange not to become indifferent as to the business of this port and the possibilities of the Dominion, but to forward its interests by taking advantage of what our worthy Finance Minister, at Ottawa, terms " the mechanism of commerce."

Mr. Magor referred to the remarks made by Mr. Van Horne at the recent Board of Trade dinner, concerning railway terminals in Montreal, endorsing all that had been said. Grain could be stored in Boston and New York for thirty days giving the shipper an opportunity of finding a market, while in Montreal it had to be removed within twenty-four hours. Considerable discussion was also carried on in respect to our harbor facilitics, and the cumbering of the wharves with railway supplies, &c.

Mr. Edgar Jadge bore testimony to what had been done by the C. P. R. in Toronto to facilitate the handling of grain. He hoped that the city and government would take up the suggestion of Mr. Van Horne in regard to necessary harbor and terminal improvements. In reply to a question by Mr. Judge, the Chairman said, that as the harbor commissioners were now relieved of the burden lately assumed by the government, there would probably be some funds available for carrying forward the work of harbor improvement. A very promising scheme had been proposed, and he knew that the Commissioners fully realized the importance of moving in the matter without further loss of time.

Mr. Hadrill, secretary, read some extracts of Mr. Gould's report to the Board of Trade, from which the following is taken :---

In most of my previous reports upon harbor allairs, much stress has been laid upon the importance to the harbor trust as well as to has been fait about the importance to the harbor trust as well as to the entire business community of the assumption by the Dominion Government of the "Lake and River Debt," in order that the com-missioners, being released from payment of the annual interest on that debt, might be free to appropriate the money so saved to the which debt, might be here of mainting of adverse which is in relief of commerce in the shape of remission of charges on shipping and merchandise and for such enlargement and improvement of harbor accomodation as might from time to time be found necessary. For many years the commissioners have been patiently working for the accomplishment of this object, and during that time they have had the active co-operation and support of the Corn Exchange and the Board of Trade, of the civic authorities and many prominent members of Parliament. I have now to report that these united efforts have finally been successful, and that, at the last session of. Parliament an act was passed authorizing the Government to assume the cost of the ship channel between Montraing the Government to last me the cost of the ship channel between Montrail and Quebec, thus free-ing the harbor revenus from the heavy burden of that debt almost simultaneously with the completion of the channel to the authorized depth of 27¹/₂ feet. The first and most important effect of this action was the removal, early in the season, of all tonnage dues, both on ocean and inland vessels, and also the adoption of a plan for whatf extension below the Hudon cotton mills. These plans have been extension below the hudon cotton mills. These plans have been approved by the Government and the work will be proceeded with during the coming season. The $27\frac{1}{2}$ feet channel was practically completed last autumn, and on the 7th November last was formerly completed has account, and on the test sector of the length from Montreal and satisfactorily tested throughout its entire length from Montreal to Quebec, the royal mail steamship Sardinian having been placed at the disposal of the commissioners for that surpose. On the 1st of January ult. all the works in connection with the ship channel, including dredging plant, was taken over by the honorable the Minister of Paulic Works, who has expressed his intention to com-plete the work at Cap La Roche and Cap Charles, and to do such widening and straightening of the channel as still remains to be done. The exports of grain from this port during the past season were as follows :---were

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Wheat	2,033,325	bushels.
Corn	2,721,282	**
Peas	895,314	44
Outs	3,484	u u
Barley	. 4,824	ũ
•	5,658,227	а.
Total shipments in 1887	11 372 789	"

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A portion of this large decrease is doubtless attributable to the break in the Conwall canal, in consequence of which navigation between Kingston and Montreal was virtually suspended for five weeks at a season of the year when the heaviest movement of grain usually takes place.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :--The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :--President, Mr. A. G. McBean. Board of review, Messrs. John Dillon, J. E. Kirkpatrick, G. M. Kingborn, R. Sims and J. O. Lafreniere. Committee of Management, Messrs. R. M. Esdaile, A. E. Gagnon, J. S. Norris, John Magor, H. W. Raphael, J. Baird and D. A. McPherson.

Clearin	MONTREAL CLEARI	7th February, 1	.889 :
	-	•Clearings.	Balances.
February	1	\$1,435,670	\$ 272,925
February	2	. 1,373,147	203,821
Pebruary	4	1,049,089	239,555
'ebruary	5	1,615,906	265,880
ebruary	6	. 1.748.446	180,614
February	7	. 1,676,557	229,630
Total	. 1999) ••••••••••••••••••••••••••	\$8,988,815	\$1,391,425

Sux -Prices of raw silk continue to rise, and the crop having been below the average in China and the growing demand for silk goods will likely produce a further advance in the raw material. Silk will be abundantly used this year Manufacturers have bought lightly, but are somewhat anxious and have given extensive orders for fear of still higher prices in raw silk. Silk dresses and mantles will be much worn; mattelassés will likely displace silk plushes and will be manufactured in the very best and the very cheapest qualities; a new kind of plush, with a velvet-like finish, which came out for the first time last year, will be much fancied, but is made out of only the best material; satin ribbons for millinery purposes will have a revival, and damas, brocades, brocatelles and moires never had better indications of a large sale. Silks of Scotch designs for toilette printemps are a very elegant novelty and crepés dechine with plain, solid and colored floral designs or embroidered are much fancied. Besides these, white serges, cashemires, foules and flannels, richly embroidered in the multi-colored and floral style, will be all the rage. Another new color called "Ætna," a reddish-brown, is just out, and is used like the white material as fond. Gaze, fleurs velours, Mattelassés d'ete and armures rayées are other novelties, and tailor-made dresses-of-light diagonal like those worn by men are much in favor.

LIFE INSURANCE RETURNS .- The preliminary abstract of Canadian Life Insurance companies given in tabular form elsewhere is an evidence that this branch of the public service is alive to the importance of prompt information. This is seen from the dates of the several returns, which are-Canada Life 12th Jan, Citizens 15th, Confederation 15th, 1 ominion Safety (rec'd) 10th, Federal 14th, London 15th, Manufacturers' 23rd, North American, 21st Dec., Ontario 15th Jan., Sun 17th, Temperance 14th. A foot note attached to the return of the Dominion Safety Fund Life Association, of St. John, N. B, will be of interest. It says :

The question of the renewal of this company's license, which es pired on the 31st of March, 1888, and has not been renewed, is still pending. By a judgment of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick the claim of the Government against the liquidators of the Maritime Bank, in respect of a certain deposit receipt issued by the said Maritime Bank (now in liquidation) which forms part of the com-pany's deposit with the Receiver General, has been allowed as a pre-ferential claim. An appeal on bchalf of the liquidators against said judgment has been argued before the Supreme Court of Canada and now stands for judgment.

In the death of Mr. Charles Ovide Ferrault, at the close of last week, in his 48th year, Montreal loses one of its most prominent citizens, and our French-Canadian fellow-citizens one of the best specimens of the race. Mr. Perrault had been at one time editor and part proprietor of Le Pays newspaper, and afterwards became manager in Montreal of the Stadacona Fire Insurance Co. He subsequently was Vice-Consul of France. In his intercourse with his friends and the public, Mr. Perrault was always the ideal of courtesy and politeness. He had been a widower for some years past, and leaves one son, now in his nineteenth year, who is well provided for. The funeral on Monday last was largely attended by leading citizens of all creeis and origin

THE leases on 1,000,000 acres of grazing lands held for speculative purposes in the Northwest have been cancelled .-- Winnipeg's Custom receipts were \$33,542 last month, compared with \$26,180 the same month in 1888 .- Manitoba's income was \$1,740,448 last year and her expenditure 5991,721 .- Northwest Land Co.'s shares rose 3 shillings recently.

TORONTO MARKETS .- We are obliged to go to press without our usual Toronto despatches. The storm is one of the severest experienced for many years.

Preliminary Abstract of Canadian Life Insurance Companies for Year 1888.

	†Premiums	Number of Policies	Amount of Policies	Number of	+Net	†Net Amount		Unsettled Claims.	
Company. 🥤	for Year.	taken up.	new and taken up.	Policies in force at date.	Amount in force.	of Policies become Claims.	†Olaims Paid.	Not Resisted.	Resisted.
	\$		\$		\$	\$	\$	\$.	\$
Canada Life	1,294,565	1,971	4,410,200	22,292	44,210,575	436,807	398,239	74,885	None.
litizens'	63,423	523	805,500	1,660	2,392,776	19,644	17,044	4,600	None.
Confederation	497,992	1,601	2,390,173	10,806	16,449,421	119,117	138,166	11,248	. 3,000
Dominion Safety Fund	40,568	201	262,000	2,122		22,000	- 22,000	None.	None.
ederal	185,322	1,310	3,335,500	3,563	9,2 <u>3</u> 9,987	55,750	50,750	5,000	None.
London Life { General	36,530 11,637	422 7,325	514,000 842,375	1,578 4,772	1,586,622 548,750	7,962 1,349	9,933 1,349	None. None.	None.
Ianufacturers' Life	113,332	2,306	4,002,500	2,909	5,766,900	14,000	9,000	5,000	None.
North American $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} General \dots \\ Industrial \dots \end{array} \right\}$	232,568 {	1,455 None.	2,318,000 None.	4,572 169	7,509,533 22,161	56,112 544	54,112 544	11,000 None.	None:C Nône:
Ontario Mutual	337,215	. 1,796	2,302,550	9,398	11,972,914	64,200	61,700	17,000	None.
Sun (Life branch)	423,810	1,912	2,673,845	8,049	11,903,281	109,222	108,684	18,454	2,000
Temperance and General	53,727	824	1,236,100	1,462	2,323,200	23,000	18,000	5,000	None.
Totals for 1888 Totals for 1887	3,290,739 2,987,110	21,616 15,898	25,092,743 23,642,342		116 372,150 103,822,094	929,707 897,246	889,520 854,519	152,187	15,000

•Including the business outside of Canada.

These amounts are net, re-insurance having been deducted.

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BANK CIRCULATION—A SUGGESTION. To the Editor of the JOURNAL OF COMMERCE :---

SIR,-I have carefully read the short article in your last issue bearing the above title. I do not think the suggestion made by the "Bank Manager " likely to bear fruit. None of the present shareholders are likely to consent to undertake such a responsibility as unlimited liability for all the notes the bank may put out, and if it were forced on them by legislation, it would probably end in many of the banks giving up their circulation altogether. Not that the unlimited liability for bills that are the first charge on the assets would be a very onerous burden, but the uncertainty and the mere name of it would repel people. Besides this, it is hard to see what would be gained by so serious a change. The assets of the banks and the double liability of the shareholders, would in the worst of cases, provide at least three dollars of assets for every dollar of circulation, and no one now doubts its ultimate safety. If you could in-vent some way of keeping the bills of a broken bank current until liquidated, you would achieve something worth the doing.

There is no defence for the banks can no defend this, well and good; the banks can no defend this, well and good; the banks can no defend this, well and good; the banks can no defend this, well and good; the banks can no defend the series the government begins to support the state of the series and the bank can be be the bank the cartain disadvantages will disapproval, that cartain disadvantages will disapproval, that cartain disadvantages will disapproval, that cartain disadvantages will disapprove the government begins to issue the bank the government begins to be banks is not (as you suggest) among laborers and mechanics, who have too few of them, or when they do get them are seldom able to keep them long enough for the bank to fail. The trouble is fult by storekeepers, and they would not gain by the 5's being issued by government. So what would be the object of such a change? There is no defence for it whatever, except that the government is entitled to the benefit of the circulation, and should enjoy it. If you are prepared to reconsider your views and defend this, well and good; the banks can no doubt fight out their own cause. But if the theory you have been preaching is sound, (as I believe it is), that the bank circulation is too valuable to the country to be trifled with, you should certainly not endorse, oven by implication, a theory that would not exist quite as strongly for *half* of it.

A SHAREHOLDER,

Toronto, 30th January, 1889. [The reference to the government issue of

5's is an inadvertence which crept in some unknown way in proof-reading.—Ed. J. of C.]

THERT-FIVE fishing vossels are now being built at Lunenburg Co., N.S., which betokens an active prosecution of the deep sea fishery coming season.

A despatch from Bay Verte, N.B., says the ship railway is being built at a satisfactory rate and quite a number of men are working on the Tidnish end.

Tur Kingsville, Ont., gas well is said to be emitting 8,000,000 cubic feet a day, and we hope the reporters are not using it. Another well was to have been bored this week.

Jos. McMILLAN, general dealer, Sydney, N.S., having failed to obtain the extension asked for at the beginning of last month, has assigned Liabilities are about \$6,500. Mr. McMillan has sustained heavy losses in his business.

NORTH SYDNEY, C. B., is a port of call for steamers and ships looking for orders, and

during 1888 no less than 473 steamers arrived and reported. The total numerical arrivals of vessels of all classes were 1,300, aggregating about 400,000 tons of shipping.

At the weekly meeting of the Chambre de Commerce in this city, the secretary said that as Canadian cottons are exported to China and Japan there is no reason wby our butter, which is not favorably received at present in England, should not also be sent to the Orient. If the worthy secretary will read his JOUNAL OF COMMENCE more attentively, he will see that the fault is ours, not England's —that our butters are not as popular as formerly in the great English market.

MESSRS. DE B. MACDONALD & Co, of Montreal, say they do not wish the trade to confound their recently patented "Perfection Dress Extenders," of which they are sole manufacturers, with the Dress Stay on which it is claimed they are infringing. The newspapers who recently published certain statements concerning infringement of patent rights, &c., were probably not aware that the pattices interested merely wanted a gratuitous advertisement, and they succeeded inprocuring it.

The stove-founders of the Maritime Provinces recently held a three days' session at Amherst, N.S., when they discussed the condition and prospects of the trade. The object of the association is to obtain living prices for their work, as many of the foundries have been driven by close competition to work at a loss. An adjourned meeting is to be held in Halifax on the third Wednesday in February to consider the question of a price list.

THE fruit growers of British Columbia have formed an association to promote fruit culture and extend the industry.—A Nipissing, Ont., deputation has asked the Commissioner of Public Works at Toronto for a \$4,000 grant towards bridging the Ottawa River at Mattawa, saying that the Quebec Government would give an equal amount and the Dominion Government twice as much.

A LARGE amount of frozen Lake Winnipeg fish is being shipped east and to the States, and they are now quoted in Toronto, St. Paul, Chicago and Detroit markets, principal kinds, being pike and white fish.—The steamer "Stanley" is running in the Straits of Mackinac—between Lakes Michigan and Superior—to keep the ice broken up and prevent the interruption of navigation.

Toronvo collected \$378,165 Custom duties in January, a \$19,172 increase over January, 1888.—The M. Brennan & Sons Manufacturing Co. have been incorporated at Hamilton, Ont., with \$100,000 capital in \$100 shares; the Chas. Stark Co., at Toronto, with \$200,000 capital in \$100 shares, and the Learnington Electric Light Co., at Learnington, Ont., with \$3,000 capital in \$20 shares.

A FACTORY for manufacturing church and school furniture, opera chairs, etc., is proposed to be established at St. Thomas, Ont, by a Michigan firm as a Canadian branch of their business. The company will be a joint-stock one with a proposed capital of \$30,000, onehalt of which they will furnish. The factory will be capable of employing 150 men, but 25 will be started with and the prospects of development are such as to expect the force to be increased to 100 within six months.

Our leading manufacturers are alive to the importance of furnishing handsome illustrated catalogues to their customers and the trade once a year or so. One of the largest and most complete ever made in Montreal is that just being issued by Messrs. R. & W. Warmington, of this city, wholesale manufacturers of house furnishings and utensils of all kinds. Their stock includes everything from a skewer to an ice-oream freezer or a cheese safe. Send for one.

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powered to borrow money on debentures for cribbing work and other improvements.—The

alternate thawing and freezing is expected to seriously effect fall grain.—The steamer " Ella Ross" has been raised in a peculiar way. Two

of Munson's dump barges were run alongside

of the steamer, their bottoms opened the same as in dumping them and allowed to fill with

out, when all rose to the surface.

Whose "care was never to offend, And every creature was his friend."

Probably the new appointee has more backbone.

THE new winter mail service is in operation between St. Johu's, Newfoundland, and Halifax. The steamer Conscript left Halifax on the 29th ult for St. John's and carried the English mails. A fortnightly trip is arranged for and seven round trips are to be

per cent. most of it at $3\frac{1}{4}$ and some at the in-ride rate. Money in London $2\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. Sterling has ruled dull; 60 days sight, 97-16 M9-16; counter $9\frac{1}{2}\textcircled{M}\frac{3}{4}$; demand, 915-16 $\textcircled{M}10\frac{1}{4}$; counter, $10\frac{1}{4}$; cables, $10\frac{1}{2}$; New York funds, 1-10M5-32; counter, $\frac{1}{4}$. New York sterling 457 and 4.86 for posted; actual, $4.86\frac{1}{4}$ and $4.83\frac{1}{4}$; cables, 4.86; commercial, $4.85\frac{1}{4}$; docu-mentary, $4.84\frac{3}{4}$. water. They were then fastened to the "Ella Ross" and the water in the barges pumped mentary, 4.84]. The following statement of the week' bussi-

active. The money market is easy at 3@4 per cent., most of it at 34 and some at the in.



MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS. MONTREAL, Thursday Evg., Feb. 7, 1889.

Since last writing the business done by the wholesale trade of the city has been only moderate. The carnival alone, was enough to cause a lull but in addition to that we have had stormy weather and heavy snow-falls. Locomotion has been difficult enough in the city but the country roads have been quite

DAIRY PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS -There has been a fair demand for fine table butter for the city trade. No excess of offerings is shown,

light. No demand for export. First pots are

casier at \$3.95/@\$4.00; seconds, \$3.50. First

pearls, \$5.25. Receipts since 1st January, 330 brls pots; 63 brls. pearls. Deliveries, 98 brls. pots; 28 brls. pearls. Stock in store at 6 p.m. on 6th February, 477 brls. pots; 143

bris. pearls.

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Sole Agents for Canada,

Cilling and Salmon Nots.



continent 35.000 qrs. A later report said — Cargoes on passage and for shipment, wheat advanced 3d@6d per quarter.

FLOUR AND GRAIN -Flour has been in poor demand, and there is nothing locally to report. Stocks are increasing, and holders have been offetiug more freely. Grain on this market is dull and unchanged. In the West the market for wheat has ruled active and stronger, sell-

firm. The value of the Nova Scotia fish har-vest last year was \$7,817,000, a decrease of \$562,000, compared with the previous year, owing to the failure of the shore fisheries. The mackerel catch was fifty per cent below that of the year previous, but there was an



country trade, and there is next to nothing doing. There are no more low-priced Valencia raisins under offer, and we advance the price to b_{10}^{10} for jobbers. Tens and coffees are steady. The former has not improved in price in spite of the firm position outlined by trade letters and statistics. About 200 halfchests Pekoe Concous sold at is 2d on English account. Some 200 pkgs. of rice were placed for western account a shade under mill prices to save freight. In canned goods we hear of a round lot of corn being sold at 75c, said to be ordinary Canadian. We understand that a reported sale at 50c is a mistake. A lot of 200 cases of greengages were sold at \$1.20, Three hundred cases of 1889 lobsters sold at \$5. subject to pack. Sugar is quiet, but steady. The market for raw is firmer alroad, and the estimates of the beet crop have been again reduced. All lines of greeeries are quiet and collections are poor. London sugar cables quote:—Java cargoes afloat, 16s 3d; beet, 13s 7d ; cane, steady; fair refining, 13s 9d.

GREEN FRUITS, &c.—The exports of apples from Now York, Boston and Portland last week were 22,000 barrels, and the season's exports have now exceeded 1,300,000 barrels. The English market is firmer, but large shipments from this continent may cause a decline. Apples, \$1.25@\$1.75 in carlots, as to quality. Retail prices \$1.75@\$2. New figs selling 92c@12c lb. Cranberries \$3.00@\$5 per brl. Jannica oranges, \$3.50 brl; oranges in boxes, \$2. Jaffa oranges, in boxes, \$3.50; Florida oranges, \$3.50@\$4.00 Valencia oranges, \$5.06@\$5.50. Lemons, new, Messina, fancy, \$2.50@\$3; good, \$2.00@ \$2.25. Dates, 4c@44c for old; 6c@64c new. Crystalized, 18c@20c. Grapes, Catawbas, In in small ba-kets, 45c@50c. Spanish onions, 75c@90c crate, demand good. Fresh cocoanuts, \$5.50 per 100. Almeria grapes, \$4@\$8 por keg. Brazil nuts 93c@10c per lb. Evaporated apples, 50-lb boxes, 7c@74c lb. Dried

dull week with no change to note in prices Outside advices, English and American report a steady and uneventful market. The representative of large German houses which are doing an increasing business in Canada is in receipt of news advising great activity on the continent with works unable to take all the orders offered for some goods. In this market no prices have been fixed on pig-iron for spring dreights asked.

Live STOCK.—Receipts of cattle have been large and the market is easy, except for really choice. Exporters did not operate largely. Over two hundred cattle were shipped via Portland last week. Choice beeves, $4c@4_{10}c$; good, $3_{12}c$, and fair to common, 2c@3c. Sheep in good demand at $4_{2}c@5c$. Calves, \$4@\$11each. Livo hogs, $5c@5_{10}c$ per lb.

LEATHER AND SHOES.—Little leather has been bought this week, but the shoe factories are well employed. There is no change in the general market. Shipments of manufactured goods will be brisker now that the 4th is over. Payments were only fair this month, but, considering the amount due, cannot be called disappointing. The spring trade should be a good one according to appearances.

DIDES, WOOL, TALLOW.—Hides have been moderately active at former prices. Wool is firm and in demand. A recent London cable says: The betterment in the wool market was maintained. There was offered 13,058 bales, including exceedingly good quality Victorian, New South Wales and Cape of Good Hope and Natal wools. The bidding was very animated. The better classes of Australian wool advanced ½d over December's closing prices. American buyers are competing eagerly for lots suitable to the trade of their clients. Tallow is steady, with full prices still asked. SPECIAL NOTICES.

Messrs. Geo. Diehl & Co, whose announcement appears elsewhere, are newly equipped with special machinery adapted for this comparatively new industry in Canada. They make Mantels only. The business is now running steadily, and the factory has already turned out about 2,000 Mantels. The variety of designs shown in their offices and warorooms display taste in design and uniqueness of pattern not easily surpassed. Mr. Diehl is an American and appropriates their ideas. He is the designer of the firm and is now bringing out several new patterns. Several gentlemen in Montreal about to crect residences have already written for catalogue and prices. While their best Mantels naturally find their place in our faces and patterns suitable to one within the reach of modest cottages. Special attention is directed to the fact that the firm use no pressed carvings or paper trimmings, but cut out the solid hardwood. No softwood is used. We have pleasure in stating we have selected and purchased four of their Mantels. A member of the firm will shortly visit Montreal to appoint an agency and open a branch in this city.

THE BALMORAL.—The Balmoral Hotel of this city, under the new manager Mr. S. V. Woodruff, has attained a great deal of popularity since his advent to office and so far this season, not only has the travelling public been successfully catered to, but the social and commercial societies seem to have with one accord decided to patronize that house. Already there have been no less than seven events reported this season, and many more are on the tapis. At the dinner and ball given by the Grand Lodge of Quebec, A. F. & A. M., the splendor of the decorations were the subject of much comment, and spoke volumes for the management. Now that the Balmoral Hotel Co is formed, Mr. Woodruff is certain to be a permanent fixture. 日本には「日本には「日本」」というに、「日本」」というには、「日本」」

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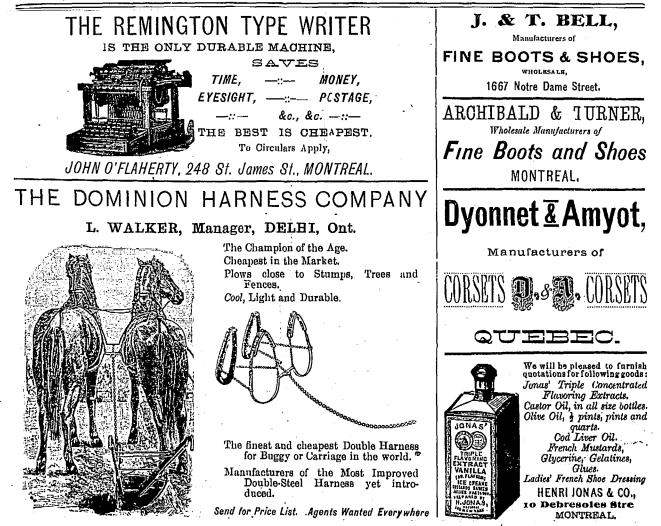
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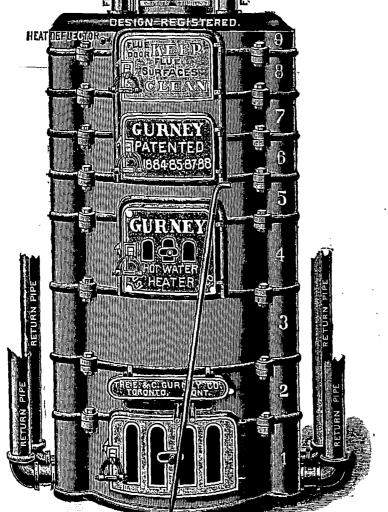
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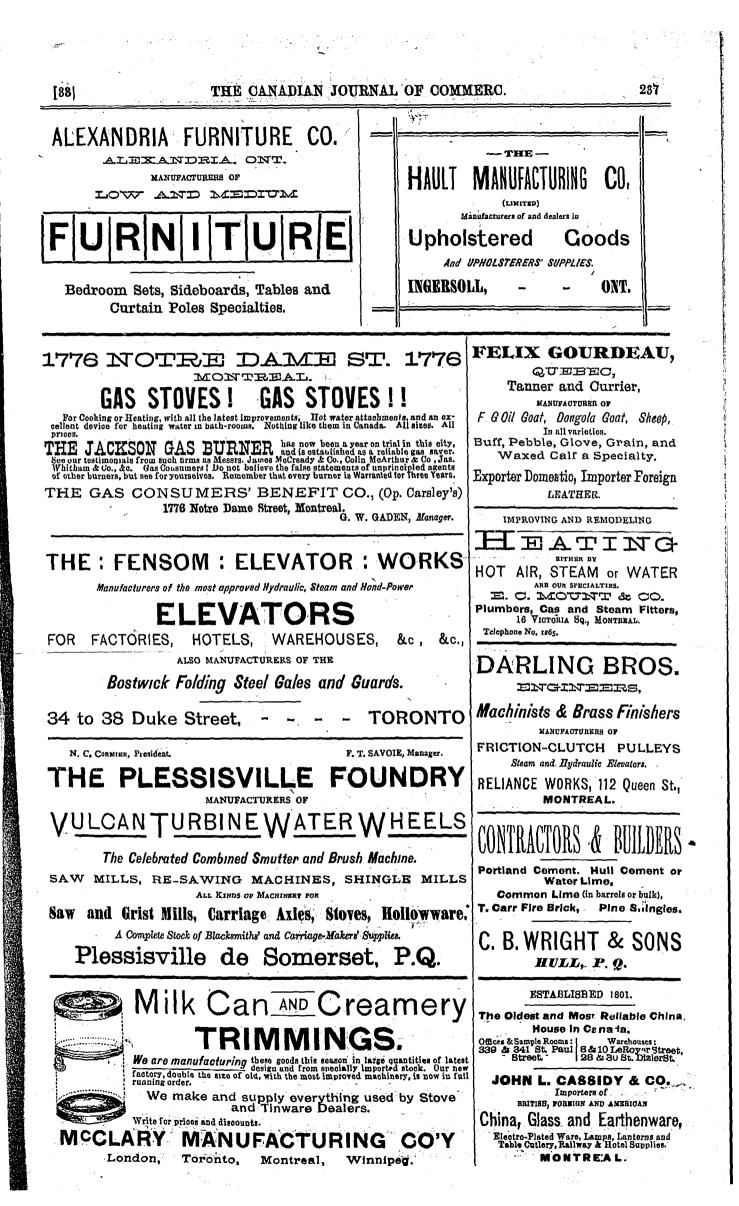
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