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Hpelling, Penmanship, Telegraphy, &c., &c., &c. 41-1y ODELL & TROUT.	TORONTO Toronto, May 13, 70.	Advances made on shipments to Europe. The sale and purchase of Stocks and Exchange will receive prompt attention.

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THE LEADING WHOLESALE TRADE OF MONTHEAL. THE LEADING WHOLESALE TRADE OF HAMILTON. THE LEADING WHOLESALE TRADE OF MONTREAL. Ferrier & Co., Crathern & Caverhill, EARLY SPRING SHIPMENTS. 1870. 1870. 61 ST. PETER STREET, IRON AND HARDWARE MERCHANTS, THE SUBSCRIBERS HAVE RECEIVED A CONSI-DERABLE PORTION OF THEIR IMPORTERS OF HARDWARE, IRON, ST. FRANCIS XAVIER STREET, Steel, Tin Plates, &c., EARLY SHIPMENTS, WINDOW, GLASS, PAINTS AND OILS. MONTREAL. AGENTS :- Victoria Rope Walk, Vicilie Montagne Ziac Company. AND HAVE PLEASURE IN INFORMING THEIR AGENTS FOR : 1July,70 Windsor Powder Mills. CUSTOMERS AND THE TRADE GENERALLY, La Tortu Rope-Walk. Eagle Foundry, Montreal, THAT ON AND AFTER Burrill's Axe Factory. GEORGE BRUSH, Proprietor. 31 Dec70 Sherbrooke's Safety Fuse. The 10th of March, BUILDER OF MARINE & STATIONERY THEY, WILL BE S. H. May & Co., STEAM ENGINES, Importers of PREPARED TO SHOW A FULLY ASSORTED STOCK Steam Boilers of every description. 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Gordon & Mac-THEY INVITE EARLY INSPECTION, Kay's new buildings at the corner of Bay and SPECIALLY BY Joseph Gould, Front streets where it is intended, we believe, to Those who can buy for Cash, or at shortened terms of credit. do a large wholesale grocery business. (SUCCESSOR TO GOULD & HILL) A MEETING of the shareholders of the Canada BUCHANANS, BINNY & MCKENZIE. IMPORTER OF THE Air Line Railway was held at Hamilton, on the 33-1y HAMILTON, Out., 1st March, 1870. 23rd, when the permanent board was elected as CELEBRATED CHICKERING, STEINWAY follows :- Thomas Dakin, Gilson Homan, Jas. F. THE LEADING WHOLESALE TRADE OF MONTREAL. AND OTHER PLANOFORTES. Joy, Hon. William McMaster, Donald McInnes, Hon. John Carling, Aquila Walsh, T. N. Narin, AND THE WELL-KNOWN Angus Logan & Co., Colin Munroe. The Hon. Wm. McMaster was MASON & HAMLIN CABINET ORGANS. elected president, D. McInnes vice-president, Jos. PAPER MANUFACTURERS, Price secretary, Aemilius Irving solicitor, and 115 GREAT ST. JAMES STREET, MONTREAL Geo. Lowe Reid chief engineer. AND WHOLESALE STATIONERS. A STATEMENT of the receipts of produce at A. Ramsay & Son, Guelph, puplished in the papers of that town, Importers of 378 St. Paul Street. shows the great productiveness of the adjacent OILS, PAINTS, VARNISHES, BRUSHES, &c., country, and the rising importance of that mar-Chapman, Fraser & Tylee, Rolled, Rough and Polished Plate Glass, English and. German Sheet Glass, Glaziers' Diamonds, ket. In the three months ended June 30th, Successors to Maitland, Tylee & Co., 19,359 bushels fall wheat, 52,238 bushels spring GOLD AND SILVER LEAF BRONZES, &c. WHOLESALE WINE, GENERAL AND wheat, 26,697 bushels oats, 6,227 bushels barley, 37, 39 & 41 Recollet Street, 16,500 pounds butter, and about 100,000 pounds COMMISSION MERCHANTS. MONTREAL. wool, were received from farmers, besides a pro-10 Hospital Street. Feb71 partionate supply of other articles. In nearly David Torrance & Co., every case the increase over last year was large. C. H. Baldwin & Co., Large numbers of the best cattle raised in the IMPOPTERS AND WHOLESALE DEALERS EAST AND WEST INDIA MERCHANTS, Province are annually shipped from Guelph to. IN Toronto, Montreal, and Boston. EXCHANGE COURT. Wines, Groceries and Liquors. COMMEND us to a "down-easter," for a smooth swindle. Here is one. James Lockwood, & Co., 17Aug70 8 ST. HELEN STREET. MONTREAL. of "184 Grand street, New Haven, Conn.," sent W. & F. P. Currie & Co., 10Ja71 Montreal, May 9, 1870. the following business letter, indited in a good 100 GREY NUN STREET, MONTREAL, business hand, to a leather firm :-- " Gentlemen---Importers of La Riviere & Co., We wish to purchase a lot of rough leather, middle IRON, TIN, STEEL. BOILER PLATES, weights, -either oak or hemlock tanned. We GALVANIZED IRON, CANADA PLATIS, BOILER TUBES, GASTUBES, IRON WIRE. IMPORTERS OF buy in the rough and finish our own upper stock. Gas Tube Fittings, Boiler Rivets, Gauge Glasses. Paints and Putty, Cements, Window Glass, Fire Bricks, Fire Clay Drain Pipes, Patent Encaustic Tiles, &c., &c., SHELF AND HEAVY HARDWARE, We would also buy a lot of good sole. If you have any stock on hand that you will sell cheap PAINTS, &c. "OROWN" SOFA, CHAIR AND BED SPRINGS. for cash let us hear from you. Respectfully yours, Corner St. Paul and St. Gabriel Streets, James Lockwood & Co." An enquiry proved that A lange stock always the light. MONTREAL 34-17

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"184 Grand street" was a store vacant for months and no such firm was known in the place. The trick was to have the leather shipped to a certain town, get a clerk of the leather dealer's to accompany the purchaser to collect the money ; things are so arranged that the leather is thrown off at an intermediate station, where the purchaser himself disappears, sells the leather and makes off with the money—if he is not caught. This game was played off successfully in one or more instances.

CINCUMSTANCES connected with the disappearance of S. H. White, of Erin, the burning of whose premises was noticed in our last issue, places the matter in a very ugly light. It appears he had a short time previously disposed of a large amount of produce, said to be nearly three thousand dollars worth, in Guelph. He sold his horse and vehicle, and realized everything convertible. It is also stated, that he and a brother, who has since dissappeared, were in the store halt an hour before the fire was discovered, when it had made such headway that attempts to restrain it were simply useless, and the fire communicated with the Wesleyan church, which was also consumed. All their books, papers, and stock, in fact everything that was not in White's pocket is swept clean away, and as far as creditors are concerned, is a total loss. Unless some other light can be thrown on this affair it has the unmistakeable appearance of a premeditated and fiendish act, the perpetrator of which ought certainly to be found out if possible. This style of closing out a business is the latest phase of scoundrelism.

A PROMINENT dry goods merchant in a certain town of Ontario writes "There is no prospect for business men here for some time to come ; nearly a dozen houses are selling of at cost, some under ; at least, so they profess." While the trade of the country generally for the past season has been good, that place has been blighted by the reprehensible practice of disposing of bankrupt stocks at retail, thus driving others to adopt a similar method of keeping their customers together. It is time this worse than foolish kind of trade was stopped. In this instance it has the effect of driving, at least, one good man out of the business and may bring others down. There is no necessity for cutting up trade in this fashion. The stock should be brought into town and placed in the hands of some jobber or auctioneer who would dispose of it, so that it would be got out of the way with much less damage to others. Besides, rent and wages are saved to creditors and there is always a tail end of rubbish and remnants to wind up with. To call this a short-sighted policy is only a weak expression, and we are sure the trade would be glad to see the method just proposed substituted for the present practice.

-The extensive peat bog on the Chambly road; about 9 miles from Montreal, were on fire last week, and it was found impossible to extinguish it. It belongs to Messrs. Hodginson & Co. Another bog on the Shellord and Waterloo Railway, belonging to the same firm, was also on fire and burning furiously.

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STOCKS AND MONEY.

Reported by Blaikie & Alexander, Brokers.

TORONTO, July 27th, 1870. The European complications still continue to affect the maket in a marked degree, and holders of many of the Stocks are now offering them at reduced rates, in most cases, without inducing sellers. Money continues to be fairly easy, and readily procurable at from five and a half to seven per cent. on good commercial paper. Sterling Exchange remains steady and firm, at 108¹ to ² to 60 day bank bills. Banka-There are sellers of Commerce to-day at

123, with buyers at 122. Toronto remains quiet and inactive, sellers asking 1624, without buyers at that figure. Royal continues to be offered freely at 68, with few buyers. Ontario has ruled quite heavy during the week, and may now be had at 102, wahmo buyers above 101. For British, 102. is offered, but there are no sellers, and no transactions are reported for some time past. Montrea. is somewhat firmer, but there is not much doing. 184 would probably now be given, but holders look Merchants has again recovered itseh for a rise. Merchants has again recovered itsch somewhat, and is now held at 113, with buyers a for a ru 1114. City Bank remains steady at 874 for buyers, and selfers asking 884. Some sales of Marsh ers asking 854. Some sales of Motson's rted at 1002, but holders now ask 102. and s are reported at 100¹, but holders now ask 102. There are no sellers of Quebec, and quotations of 105 for buyers is almost nominal.

Sumaries. — Freehold Building Seciety continues firm, and is inquired for at 1264, with sellers at 127. Quotations of Canada Permanent are 136 for buyers, and 136 asked, but no sales have been made for some time. Western Canada is very quiet just now, but is probably obtainable at 1255 to 126. Sales of Union have been made at 1134, with a continued good demand, for the stock. Canada Landed Credit Company is inquired for at par, but there are no sellers at that figure. Quotations of Huron and Eric Savings Society are quite nominal; there have been no transactions for some time, and there are now no sellers. Western Assurance is enquired for at 89, with sellers at 91. Toronto City Gas has changed hands at 115 to 1154, but there are now no sellers. Montreal Lelegraph remains firm, with buyers at 185 and sellers at 190.

Bonds.—There is nothing whatever doing in Governments; "Sixes" are quoted at 104, and "Fives" at 954. Dominion Stock is in some demand just now, and would probably bring 1074 to 108. There are still some sellers of Toronto City Bonds at 92, but the market is being cleared a. that figure. County Debentures are rather scarce, and are now worth 1024 to 1034.

TORONTO STOCK MARKET.

Reported by Pellatt & Osler, Brokers.

TORONTO, July 26. The Stock market still continues extremely dull, and no great change in the prices of Securities can be anticipated so long as the unsettled state of affairs in Europe continues.

Boaks. — Very little doing in Bank of Montreal ; sales have been made from 187 down to 1824, closing somewhat firmer, buyers offering 185. No sales of British to report ; buyers offering 185. No sales of British to report ; buyers offers 162, seliers asking 105. Ontario sold at the commencement of the week at 105, but afterwards receded to pa; the market is now cleared at this rate ; selves asking 102. Toronto nominal ; nothing doing ; sellers asking 163. Royal Canadian in no demand ; offering at 68. Large sales of Commerce at 1224 to 123, at which rate it is still procurable, but little⁶ doing. Sales of Merchants' have been made at rates varying from 1164 down to 108, but afterwards advanced to 1114, sellers now asking 112. 1054 is offered to-day for Quebeel, but no stock on market. Molsons' sold at 1044, 104, 103, and 1004 ; sellers now asking

102. Buyers offering 874 for Cify, sellers now asking 89. Du Peuple would command 105. Buyers offering 108 for Nationale; no stock on market. Jacques Cartier is enquired for at 111; no stock offering. Buyers of Mechanics' at 90, sellers at 914. Nothing whatever doing in Union on this market.

Debentures.—Nothing whatever doing either in Canada Fives or Sixes. Dominion Stock would command 108. A small lot of Toronto on market, which are held at 924. Some first-class County Bonds are offering at 103.

Sundries.—No City Gas exchanging hands; would command 114. British America Assurance is offering at 68; there are no buyers at the moment. Western Assurance is in fair demand at quotations, but there is nothing doing. Canada afe Assurance would command 110; no stock to be had. No Canada Building Society changing hands; procurable at 136. Western Building society is procurable at 136. Western Building society is procurable at 1254, and Freehold at 127. Buyers of Huron and Erie at quotations. Union sold at 113, at which rate there are buyers, out very little stock offering. Buyers of Moncreal Telegraph at 185, seliers asking 190. Canada Landed Credit is in good demand at par, but no stock to be had. Moregages are in good demand to pay 7[±]/₂ to 8 per cent., but none offering.

NORTHUMBERLAND AND DURHAM SAVINGS BANK .- The Annual Meeting of the Trustees of this Institution, was held at the office in Cobourg on Monday, the 11th July. Present,-The Hon. Asa A. Burnham, Peter McCallum, Esq., William Gravely, Esq., Alexander Fraser, Esq., M.P.P., J. Vance Boswell, Esq., and William Butler, Esq. The Treasurer, Mr. David Burn, submitted Lisq. The Treasurer, Mr. David Burn, submitted 1870. The total receipts during the year from 1st June, 1869, to 1st June, 1870, had been \$251,756 .-6, and the total payments, \$214,182.19, showing an increase in the deposits of the Bank at 1st June, 1870, of \$37,574.37. The following is the anancial position of the Bank at 1st June, 1870 : Amount of deposits at 1st June, 1869, \$221,000.16 ; increase as above, \$37,574.37 ; total deposits including interest at 5 per cent. at 1st June, 1870, \$258,574.53. Assets.-Cash deposited in agency of Bank of Toronto in Cobourg, \$28,510.68; Bank of Toronto stock, \$30,100; Merchants' Bank stock, \$72,000; Bank of Commerce stock, par value \$55,500; Quebec Bank stock, par value, \$25,000; Intario Bank stock, par value, \$15,000; City Bank stock, par value, \$10,000 ; Royal Canadian Bank stock, par value, \$10,000; Niagara District Bank, par value, \$4,400; Dominion stock, par value, \$0,. 000; Cobourg Harbor Debentures, \$3,000; Dividend accrued on stock at 1st June, 18/0, paid 1st July, 1870, \$5.098.34 ; total assets, \$265,009.02 ; total lability as above, \$258,574.53 ; Surplus of assets on the estimate of the bank stocks at their par value, \$5,034.49 ; David Burn, Treasurer.

-Mr. Archibald Cameron, of the Merchants', Bank, is to take the Toronto Agency of that Institution, vacated by the retirement of Mr. J. G. Harper.

-A Mr. McLeod was arrested at Peterboro for attempting to pass counterfeit bills of the Ontario Bank.

-The Montreal News says, a "counterfeit Canadian 10 cent. piece of the issue of 1858 is out, and the public would do well to keep a sharp watch for it. The coin has a rather duil, leaden took, the figures 1858 are indistinct, and the wreath of maple leaves somewhat blurred, but the obverse shows much better execution. The counterfeit, on the whole, is "well calculated to deceive."

-Messrs. Gooderham & Worts have purchased \$150,000 of the bonds of the Toronto and Nipissing Railway at a price to pay the purchasers ten per cent. On the investment.

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TORONTO, CAN., FRIDAY, JULY 29, 1870.

CHÉAP FIRE INSURANCE.

It is an admitted principle in commerce that every commodity, or any kind of service rendered by one to another, has a fair legitimate price in relation to other commodities and services which it ought always to command. If it be labor that is dispensed, it should have an adequate return ; if capital, the investment should yield a fair rate of interest. The soundness of this general proposition is admitted, but self-interest often interposes objections to its practical application. It is a very common complaint with business men, that fire insurance companies charge too high rates, and all soris of pressure are brought to bear on them to induce a reduction below what they regard as a safe and proper rate. Unfortunately, the absurd and unbusiness-like competition, that prevails among the companies, renders them an easy prey to those who have the shrewdness to play off one company against another.

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There is a fair rate for every class of risk, (always making allowance for exceptional cases) determined by experience with some approach to accuracy, and it should be distinctly understood, that unless that figure is paid neither the company nor the assured is safe. rates are not maintained, the company usually gets into low water ; it becomes necestime, to fall back upon flimsy excuses and | terests of both. subterfuges to postpone payment, or liti- . The average ratio of losses to premiums represent the hagard of stock jobbing to them,

gation to avoid it altogether, so that those who get "cheap" insurance are not always the best off.

The action of some of our companies in this matter of rates is very reprehensible. Some of the general agents display an amount of recklessness, or ignorance, in this connection, which is utterly incompatible with a faithful discharge of the trust reposed in them. For instance, it has been stated to us that in Montreal, a certain property-say a grist mill-which always paid five per cent. was insured the other day at one and c half. Not that anyone made a mistake in their estimate of the risk, but the reduction was brought about in this fashion ; Mr. Miller goes to A, who has always had 5 per cent. for the risk, and says : "I shall not renew this risk with you, Mr. B. offers to do it for 42," A does not want to lose the risk, and offers to take it at 4. Then Mr. C steps in and proposes to take it at 31. Mr. D., who has just got a new Company and wants to make his mark, and withal knows nothing tries. about rates, but merely looks at the amount of the premium, will do it for 3, and so on to the end of the chapter. We are glad to be able to say that many of the agents will not descend to this style of brigandage-we shall not call it insurance.

It will be admitted that it is impossible for the companies to do the business, and do it fairly and honorably, unless it proves profitable. Insurance companies are not charitable corporations. They are conducted for the purpose of making money, or saving money, for their proprietors. If rates are too high, that would at once become apparent in the large profits that the companies would reap, supposing, of course, that there is no extravagance practised. Taking the experience of the past year, we find that the percentage of losses to premiums of all the licensed fire insurance companies was 645 per cent., including resisted claims. Omitting these claims, the percentage would be 601. Taking these latter figures as the minimum, we add 30 per cent. for expenses, which is the average rate. This gives us 90 per cent. as the disbursements for losses and expenses, leaving 91 per cent. with which to pay dividends, build up reserves, &c. This is not sufficient for all the purposes named ; and were the average business, one year with another, no better, the companies could not continue in the field. It will be seen, therefore, that the rates charged cannot possibly be too high, but rather that they are too low, and that any action, whether on the part of the companies as among themselves, or on the part of the insuring public, tending to sary to resort to drafts and notes to gain break down rates, is destructive to the in-

among all the fire and fire-inarine companies doing business in Massachusetts last vear was 54.29 per cent., the expenses 29.39, miking together 83.63 percent., and leaving 16.32 per cent. out of which to declare dividends and create reserves. In New York State the average ratio of losses to premiums was in 1867, 60.83 per cent.; in 1838, 59.64, and in 1870, 53.31.

From these facts, which may be assumed as a fair indication of the current experience in fire insurance, it is apparent that our companies are not in a position to make any concession in the matter of rates ; and it is imperative that vigorous exertion should be put forth to lower, by every proper means, the high average of losses. An increase of rates is hardly to be expected, so that better results can only grow out of more harmonious action on the part of the companies and agents, and a determined effort to reduce the average of losses to a point more in harmony with the general experience of other coun-

CANADIANS IN WALL STREET.

A sharp rise in the gold premium, occasioned by the disturbances in Europe, has revived the attractions of Wall Street, and led a good many believers in "luck" to try their hand in the gold market. Among these hopeful adventurers, we know of several Canadians who have considerable ventures based on a rise, and whose complacent smile unmistakably indicates their belief that they have done something shrewd.

If these Canadians were to ask our advice, -which they are not likely to do, or to ac. cept it if given-we would say : If you have made money, sell out and go home, and be content ; if you have lost money, do likewise, and congratulate yourself that it is no worse. Games of chance have always had an irresistible attraction for a class which is a numerically important section of the community. It is the same influence and the same weakness that makes one man "fight the figer " at faro, and another mingle in the encounters of "bulls" and "bears" in the New York money market. And the one is about as likely and reasonable a mode of making money as the other. Ask any leading broker in Wall Street, as to the experience of outside speculators, and he will tell you that a moiety lose all they are worth, and nine out of ten sacrifice more than they make. But it is not to be expected that even so instructive and startling a warning as this record affords, will deter those who think themselves gifted with uncommon sagacity. and possessed of an always cool judgment, from following the beaten track already strewn with wrecks. It is quite useless to

for that very feature seems to constitute one of its chief attractions. We only allude to the subject because there are hundreds of young men with small accumulations who are liable to be drawn into the vortex, and on whom a word of warning may not be bestowed without effect. They sometimes hear of the exploits of Mr. Smart, who bought at 15 and "unloaded" at 20, clearing \$2,000 by the operation in five days. But the same Mr. Smart does not boast how neatly he lost \$3,000 just before. When these alluring pictures lay hold of the imagination, they destroy all taste for the plodding modes of accumulating wealth which have served so well the turn of our most successful bankers, merchants, and manufacturers. Once a love for industry and application is gone, every real prospect of wealth or happiness disappears with it.

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To suppose that any one can enter the arena of speculation, and not be carried away by its influence, is at variance with all the teachings of experience. If one has large stakes based on what seems an approximate certainty, and at the moment when success is within reach, a panic arises and changes the whole aspect, as it often does, it is as difficult to keep cool as it would be on waking up at midnight to find the roof burning over your head; either is simply superhuman and impossible.

The experience of the Erie Railway shareholders should be sufficient to prove that no one going into stock or money speculations singlehanded has a chance worth anything. Prices are engineered in secret conclaves; elaborate schemes are concocted in dark corners, and unless you are one of "the managers," your effects only furnish food to fatten others. Appearances are purposely made as deceptive as possible ; when a rise is to occur, everything is made to indicate a fall, and vice versa. The best judgment is useless in such a case, and no more likely to bring success than idiotic stupidity. The only safety is to keep out of so delusive and dangerous a maelstrom. Fortune's smiles are not to be won in this way. Any temporary success that is met with, is but a Will-o'-the-Wisp, which if pursued, is sure to land one irretrievably in a bottomless quagmire.

THE HARVEST SEASON.

"Around him ply the reaper hand, With lightsome heart and eager hand, And mirth and music cheer the toil-While sheaves that stud the russet soil, And sickles gleaning in the sun, Tell jocund harvest is begun."

The farmers of Ontario are now in the midst of the harvest; and the faithfulness of the pretty picture drawn by Pringle in the above lines, can be attested in any locality. We are glad to be able to say that the gene-

ral excellence of the harvest has been assured during the past few weeks. With the exception of fall wheat, which is rather thin in some districts, the crops are heavy—in fact, above the average. Barley is now one of the chief crops of the farmers of Ontario —our exports last year being of the value of \$5,000,000—and the yield is generally abundant; this will go largely to make up any deficiency there may be in fall wheat in particular localities. Spring wheat, oats, peas, turnips, poratoes—almost all kinds of crops, are such as to sweeten with hope, the harvest toil of our sturdy yeomen.

The weather has, of late, not been favorable for the harvest. The unusual number and violent character of the thunder storms, which have lately swept over the province, have retarded operations; no injury of any consequence, however, has been done to the crops. We therefore now feel safe in asserting, that the harvest of Ontario, for 1870, will be fully up to the average, and will add to the solid prosperity which all sections of the country are enjoying at the present time.

SIXTH ARTICLE.

There is a wide field for the expansion of Canadian commerce in the West Indies. Notwithstanding some barriers in the way, a considerable amount of business has sprung up between the different Provinces composing the Dominion and the various islands which dompose this prosperous group. This is not confined to the British West Indies, but extends both to the Spanish and French -the latter islands, however, trading with us to a less extent than the former two. In December, 1865, Commissioners were appointed from all the British North American Provinces, to enquire into the trade of the West Indies, Brazil and Mexico. The report of the Commissioners did some good in the way of calling attention to the increased commerce which might easily be carried on between these countries and British North America ; but, strange to say, no earnest efforts have been made by our government to carry but the suggestions of the Commissioners, and consequently no increase has taken flace in our trade with the West Indies since that time.

XVIII.-BRITISH WEST INDIES.

Our total transactions with the different islands under British rule, footed up to \$2,408,-115 during last year. Of this amount, we imported goods to the value of \$861,525, and exported to the extent of \$1,546,590; thus showing a balance of \$685,065 in our favor. The proportion contributed by each

of the Provinces comprising the Dominion was as follows :--

Province.	Imports.	Exports.
Quebec	\$267,000	\$73.296
Ontario Nova Scotia	46,032 337,100	\$1,421,972
New Brunswick	211,293	51,322

manifest that increase which they ought to do. When we consider that there are seventeen different islands, (large and small,) composing the British West Indics, (including Guiana,) and that their imports and exports are over \$60,000,000, and that they purchase largely of flour, lumber, fish, salted meats, butter, leather, and other articles, which we could readily supply, we see no good reason why our annual commerce should not be at least five times as large as it is. In 1865 our total trake with them was \$3,038,029, and in 1866 it was nearly \$3,000,000. So, it would appear, our annual dealings are falling off rather than increasing.

XIX.-SPANISH WEST INDIES.

The islands of Cuba and Porto Rico compose the Spanish West Indies, and the Dominion carries on considerable trade with them, although it falls far short of what a little energy and enterprise might make it. As in the case of the British Indies, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick do the lion's share of the trade, Ontario and Quebec not figuring very largely in the returns. The following is a statement of the imports and exports to and from them during last year :-

Quebec*\$200.	
Nova Scotia 225	,081 ,205 ,933 608,419

Total......\$721,219 \$1,078,504

The total annual trade of Cuba and Porto Rico ranges about \$300,000,000, in times of peace. Their imports are about one-half that amount, and are composed of articles of which Canada has a surplus. A statement we saw some time ago, set down their imports of flour at \$14,000,000, meats of different kinds at \$13,000,000, grains at \$10,000,000, lumber at the same sum, fish and furs each \$4,000,-000, and woollen fabrics at \$2,000,000 ! And yet, with this large market within easy sail of Canadian ports, and American goods much dearer than ours, we only sold to the Spanish West Indies last year to the value of \$1,078, 504. With proper encouragement on the part of our Government, we have no doubt our trade with these two important islands might be increased to very handsome proportions.

The principal articles which the Dominion

* No feturus given-Estimated amount.

imports from the West Indies, (both British and Spanish,) are rum, sugar and molasses. Of sugar we took to the value of \$914,574 from the former, and \$482,938 from the latter ; and of molasses, from the first \$334,009, and \$360,881 from the last. The rum was principally taken by the lower Provinces-Nova Scotia \$71,000, and New Brunswick \$13,000. The principal items in our exports to the British West Indies were planks and boards, \$393,869; fish,(salted dry) \$634,965: do. (salted wet) \$269,866; flour and meal. \$17,716 ; butter, \$24,739 ; shingles, \$19,613. and soap and candles, \$14,625. The chief articles sent to Cuba and Porto Rico by us were planks and boards, \$121,217, sugarboxes, \$504,090; fish, (salted wet,) \$358,-884; and flour and meal, \$18,279. These figures relating to our exports only, embrace the returns of the two lower Provinces, the others being trifling in amount.

XX .- TRADE WITH FRANCE.

As our transactions with France have begun to assume considerable importance of late years, we have concluded to add a statement of the imports and exports of each province from and to that country. As in the case of the others, the figures are those of 1868-9 :-

Province.	Imports.	Exports.
Quebec	1,095,882	\$122,758
Ontario	157,272	
Nova Scotia	41,251	
New Brunswick	41,135	11,149

Total.......\$1,335,540 \$133,907 Our trade with France is evidently something like the handle of a jug-all on one side. Notwithstanding this, it should be encouraged, for if it were not for our interest to have the articles which France supplies, we would not purchase them. The foilowing are among the principal articles imported by Quebec last year-which province made the great bulk of the purchases-with the amounts expressed in round numbers :tches. \$59,000

	Jewellery & Watches.	
Wines	Man, of Leather	66,000
Brandies	Faney Goods	53,000
Small Wares 31,000	Packages	46,000
	Leather	
Fruits	Unenumera'd articles	28,000

Considering the whole commerce of the Dominion, it is something of which we have reason to feel proud. And when we look at the details, such as our transactions with the West Indies, we see open to us many wide fields for its extension. A large portion of the trade of Brazil, and other South American countries might also be attracted to the With our low taxation and Dominion. cheaper production, we are fully a match for the United States in the markets of these countries in many articles, and it only requires a little more enterprise on the part of golden prize which is now enjoyed by others. I carried on, subject to the laws and in com-

We hope the extension of our trade with the West Indies and South America, will not be lost sight of by our legislators. Shut as the markets of our nearest neighbors are against us, except on payment of heavy luties, our government ought to strain every nerve to realize the hope, held out by the Frade Commission of 1867, which would not only enhance the profits of our trade, but completely emancipate Canada from anything ike a feeling of dependence on any particuar markets.

We cannot close this series of articles without saying, that if we wish to see the commerce of the Dominion expand and inrease, we must keep it as free and unshackled as possible. The Americans have tried the opposite policy, and the result has been the destruction, to a large extent, of heir foreign trade, and the prostration of heir shipping interests. Let Canada, as far us is consistent with its position, imitate the inlightened commercial policy of the mother country. Let us keep down taxation, the cost of living, and, consequently, the cost of production, and our commerce will go on inreasing in future with strides quite as rapid as they have been in the past.

ST. CRISPIN'S SOCIETY AND THE BOOT AND SHOE TRADE.

The manufacture of boots and shoes was probably one of the most profitable branches of manufacturing industry carried on in this country. Based as it is on an imperative and universal demand, and carried on mostly by firms having all the necessary capital and practical knowledge of the business, the results to those engaged in this branch, have in the great majority of instances been entirely satisfactory. About September last, an organization assuming the pretentions title of "Knights of St, Crispin" and hailing from the United States, undertook the regulation of the boot and shoe trade. The advent of these indomitable "Knights," has been, as is well known, the cause of a good deal of trouble, both to masters and men.

In Montreal, the invasion of the "Knights" was treated by the employers as the signal for war. Their new code of laws was set at defiance, and hence the serious and protracted strike, which occurred in that city. The combat did not result favorably for the spirited "Knighthood "-the masters came out of the fight No. 1. The men had to return to work pretty much on the old system, although there is a standing threat to resume the conflict on the first favorable opportunity.

The invasion of Toronto was more success ful-was, indeed a complete success, and the our merchants and shippers, to snatch the boot and shoe business of this city, is now

pliance with the high and mighty mandtace of the "Knights of St. Crispin."

It is provided in St. Crispin's code of laws that no manufacturer shall be permitted to employ anyone who has not served his time two years at the business, except the sons of shoemakers; that no employer shall discharge a man on account of a difference about wages, for if he does so, no other man of the Society is allowed to take his place'; that the Society shall fix the rate of wages by the piece, but the weekly rate may be arranged between the employer and his men, subject, however, to reference to the Society in case of dispute. They reserve to manufacturers the right to discharge a man for bad conduct, or doing bal work, &c., but not, as we have said, on account of wages. Practically, an employer cannot dismiss one of his men, for he must take mother from the Society and great difficulty is experienced in getting them. At the rates paid for piece-work, those who work-by the piece make in some cases \$15, \$16, and even \$18 per week. . The regular weekly wages, for experienced men range from \$9 to \$12 per week.

While we have the deepest sympathy with the efforts of honest labor, and deprecate the encroachments of capital in the .Old World, yet it cannot be denied that in making such restrictions as the foregoing this Society has shown itself to be merely a combination to corner the labor market, which is as unjustifiable as the celebrated "corn rings" of the Chicago and other markets, organized to control the price of bread. Why should not this branch of trade be as open to everyone who chooses to learn it, as any other. An attempt to regulate the business by restrictions, analogous only to the exploded laws of entail and primogenitare, is nothing else than an attack on the rights of the community. The Knights have undertaken too much ; their " vaulting ambition will only overleap itself and fall on the other side.

The trade being hommed in, it is difficult to get hands; manufacturers who have advertised in the Montreal papers, English and French, for men have met with very little success. It would be therefore practically impossible to materially extend the trade in this dity, without resorting to some such remedy as a Mr. Sampson, of North Adams, Mass, adopted-bring in foreign labor and educate it, keeping clear of the "Knights" altogether. He employed 75 Chinese, some weeks ago, and is said to be making good progress in teaching them St. Crispin's art. It was only the extreme pretentions of the Society men that led to this step, and the same causes if not modified, may be expected to lead to changes which will effectually take

from the workmen the mastery of the situa tion, if it does not leave them really depend ent on their employers, which could not be said of their position before the "Knights," assumed the reins of government.

FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH.

This valuable acquisition to the means for the prevention of extensive conflagrations has proved of such immense service that it has been adopted and is now in successful operation in nearly every town of importance in the American Union. It surprises one on reflection, that-one city only in Canada, possesses so valuable an auxiliary to the Steam Fire Engine. In fact, the invaluable services of the latter are often unavailable in the incipient stages of our most destructive conflagrations, owing to the defective means of conveying intelligence, as to the direction and locality of the fire. Such is the combustible quality of the buildings in most of our towns, that early intelligence is of the greatest possible importance. Under our present imperfect system, so much time frequently elapses, that steam power and water are alike comparatively useless when assistance arrives, and thus many thousands of dollars worth of property are annually consumed which might have been saved had timely help been at hand. According to a statement published over the signature of A. Bertrain, Chief Engineer of the Montreal Fire Department in-1868, it appeared that the loss by 85 fires. before the introduction of the Telegraph, was \$140,088, and by 99 fires after its construction, \$35.428. These are suggestive facts.

So far as Toronto is concerned, there should be no hesitancy on the score of expense; the outlay required is comparatively small, and the benefits immediate and positive. It is not necessary to go abroad for any scientific or other assistance; the whole apparatus can be properly and successfully constructed by any competent electrician.

Numerous considerations might be urged in support of this project as applied to Toronto. Its boundaries are rapidly extending. The quickest intimation of a fire that can be obtained from some localities is the glare of the conflagration, and the engines arrive too late to do more than prevent the further spread of the flames. The Fire Alarm Telegraph would do away with the most objectionable practice of arousing the whole city. at the dead of night, by the clangor of bells, bçcause, perhaps, some stable has caught fire. Even in the day time it is an annoyance, and causes an interruption of business. During church services on Sunday, it is particularly bjectionable. One immediate effect is

of attraction, where instead of being a help up. We see little reason to hope for such they become a nuisance. In some cities the fire-bell is like the distress gun to the wrecker -the signal for a harvest of plunder. There is no reason why we might not have in Toronto, before the present season is over, an efficient Fire Alarm Telegraph in working order.

OUITE LIBERAL.

The American Congress has just amended their Pitent laws in a manner which renders still more manifest the difference between their laws and ours. Under the Canadian statutes no American can take out a patent in Canada unless after one year's residence the practical effect of this enactment is, that unless some deception is practised, Americans, and indeed all foreigners, are in most cases shut out from getting a Canadian patent at all, and any one in this country, who likes can go to the United States, make himself acquainted with the most valuable Patents, and use them here without let or hindrance. On the other hand, the Americans have always allowed the inventors of this country to take out Patents in the United States. but they charged therefor, the very considerable sum of \$500. We are glad to learn that during the recent Session of Congress, We are glad to learn the laws have been amended so that now a Canadian can obtain a Patent in the United. State as cheaply as an American, the fee in all cases being reduced to \$35. This is certainly a most liberal provision, and contrasts with the illiberal character of our Patent laws in a manner not very flattering to us. It is strange that when our neighbours. are such advocates of restrictive legislation in general, they should be so liberal in the matter of Patent Rights; but so the fact is, and if we in Canada are to meet them halfway, we will have to rescind the illiberal laws, which are now on our statute-book. So far as we are concerned, we are prepared to do this, but only as part of a general rearrangement of the Commercial legislation of the two countries. Wherever anything like a new Reciprocity Treaty is adopted, we believe the Dominion will be thrown open to American patentees. Until that time, and while the Tariff of the United States presses so heavily against the increase of international trade, there is no necessity for making the question a matter of special legislation.

The absorbing topic in business and other circles is the war in Europe, which, now that blood has been shed, need be no longer spoken of as in prospect. There is a great deal of uncertainty still about its vigorous prosecution,

an issue. As the prospect of other powers being drawn in changes, the markets flutter, prices show extreme sensitiveness, and curiosity is on the tip-toe as to what will happen next. Some mysterious moves are being made on the European chess-board, there are skilfull hands at the game, and to predict anything would be unsafe. It seems scarcely possible that either France or Prussia can extract herself from existing complications without a conflict of arms of greater or less duration.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS .- "B," Hamilton -We cannot make room for your letter. It is generaly conceded that those companies who combine fire and life business so as to expose the latter to the mischances attaching to the former, are not so desirable for persons intending to insure their lives as a well-managed purely life company. The same principle applies with greater force in the case to which you refer. Accident or Casualty companies are exposed to great risks. Out of four organized in New York State in 1865 and 1866viz., the New York Accidental, the United States Accident, The Fidelity, and The National Travellers'-two were wound up after losing a considerable portion of their capital ; one was dissolved when only a few months in operation ; and another, the last-inentioned, was changed to a life insurance company. The U. S. Casualty Com pany took the name of the Anchor Life, and does an exclusively life business ; and we think one of the Hartford companies has also dropped the accident business, so that there are only one or two remaining. We could not, therefore, recommend any Accident company for the purposes of life insurance.

"Agent," Montreal. - There are but few eligible men for the post you designate to be found who would be willing to assume the duties incident to it and on the terms named. So soon as a suitable. man can be secured, we will submit his name to you in a private letter.

"J. M."-Messrs. Dun, Wiman & Co., of the Mercantile Agency, can give you the information asked for. We are not aware of his antecedents.

HOME INSURANCE COMPANY, OF NEW HAVEN. -Mr. Goff an agent of this company, in the Eastern Townships, has endeavoured to set the press of that district right, regarding its affairs. Our statement respecting the losses of the Home, in Quebec, in common with the leading daily papers, proved to be incorrect and the correction was at once made in these columns. In contradiction of the statements quoted from the Insurance Times, Mr. Goff, quotes a certificate of B. Noyes, Insurance Commissioner, of Connecticut, but he does not tell us that Mr. Miller, Superintendent of New York State, also made a report shortly after, which completely overturns the statement of Mr. Noyes, verifies the charges made by the journal quoted, and demands that the collecting of a curious crowd, who fly and a lingering suspicion clings to many by reducing it or making calls on the stock. Mr. helter-skelter through the streets to the point minds, that after all, things may be patched GoT also says, that the fire business always made the Home should make its capital intact, either

money, which is as incorrect as this other statement is absurd " that the Company is three times stronger than ever before," after losing half its capital, and giving up a large share of its business. On this hypothesis we may assume that had the Company lost all its capital and the remainder of its business, it would be about siz times stronger than ever before. If the Home recovers its lost ground it will not be by throwing dust in the eyes of the public.

WELL MANAGED. - The New York city fire insurance companies seem' to thoroughly understand what they are about ; and notwithstanding the low ebb at which morals, in the city of New York, are represented to be, the results of the fire nsurance business of th1t city, is remarkably satisfactory, showing what may be accomplished by good management. Last year the ratio of losses to premiums, averaged only 49.39 per cent. while the experience of the outside companies showed an average of 57.16. The average market value of the stock of the New York companies is 30 per cent. above par ; their average dividend is between eight and ten per cent. This high degree of success is not the result of mere chance With them success is the rule, and failure the exception.

WESTERN CANADA BUILDING SOCIETY. --- The directors of this institution have just reduced their rates, making the monthly instalment for the repayment of a loan of \$1,000 for ten years, \$12.60, thus greatly increasing the advantages it is prepared to offer to borrowers.

Insurance.

FIRE RECORD. - Erin, July 17. -Store owned by Chas. Ferguson and occupied by S. II. White, caught fire and was consumed, with contents, The fire then spread to the Wesleyan Church and Mr. Tyler's office. The church was insured in the Wellington Mutual for \$1,000. Mr. White's loss is stated at \$4,000. Insurance on the stock in the Provincial, \$1,000, and \$1,000 in the British America ; the latter company had on the building \$1,000. Total insurance on stock, \$3,000. Tyler's loss is put at \$150. Cause unknown, but it is thought an investigation should be had, the people in the village freely asserting that there is

something wrong. Petiteodiac, N. B., July. — T. B. Webster's house and outbuildings and part of his furniture were destroyed by fire. The loss is not less than \$5,000. Supposed to have originated in a defect in the funcin the flue!

Port Hope, July 23 .- Mr. J. N. G. Lodge, insurance agent, writes : - This morning, at 2:30 a.m., the outbuildings of Thos. Curreley, 4th con. 2:30 Hope Township, were destroyed by fire. Fully insured in the Agricultural Matual. With great difficulty the barn and dwelling were saved.

London Township, July 20.-Barn of John Kennedy, on the 11th concession, was struck by lightning and entirely consumed, together with all it contained, including, besides the ordinary contents, 150 bushels of wheat. The barn was a new one, and well built. The total loss will be about \$800.

Brampton, July 22 .- The barn and sheds of Wm. Graham, about four miles from here, were win. Graham, about four miles from here, were used the premiting minister instead of remitting it destroyed by fire. The buildings contained all of Mr. Graham's farming implements and hay erop for the present season, together with 1,200 bushels of old wheat, all of which was consumed. The

origin of the fire is unknown. It is supposed to be from smoking or from sparks from the chimney of the dwelling house. The loss is about \$4,000. Insurance \$800

Montreal, July 22 .- A fire broke out among some crates, filled with glassware and crockery, in the yard of Messrs. John Watson & Co., No. The fire was first discovered Lemoine street. in the straw of an empty crate, which being very dry, the fire at once spread over a good part of the yard in spite of the efforts of the clerks and others, who endeavored to extinguish it by throwing buckets of water on it. The firemen, how-ever, soon arrived and had it put out before it had communicated with the buildings adjoining. oss to Messrs. Watson & Co., will probably be 8700, which is not covered by insurance. supposed that the fire was caused by some one

having dropped a lighted match. Mitchell, Ont., July 25.—During a heavy thunder-storm yesterday morning, the barn on Mr. John Kitchen's farm, one mile and a quarter from this village, was struck by lightning and burnt to the ground, together with the contents. The building was insured for \$250 ; 'no insurance

The building was insured for \$250; no insurance on contents. Loss \$300. Scotland, County Brant, July 12.—Mr. J. Stewart, Brant, had his barn fired by an insane woman, lately out of the poorhouse, Simcoe. The barn and its contents, consisting of wheat, hay, and farming utensils, was destroyed. The loss will be about \$500, partially covered by insurance.

North Dorchester, July 25 .- A barn on the premises of J. Dunn, was struck by lightning, and burned down. About 25 tons of hay were also consumed.

Montreal, July 27 .- The foundry of Messrs. Ives & Allen, with the moulding and pattern shops, and several dwellings were consumed. Log \$55,000. The moulding shop is valued at \$17,-000; patterns \$10,000, and about \$10,000 worth

old; patterns \$10,000, and about \$10,000 and of property owned by private parties. Bronte, July 23.—Reach, Bros., of Bronte, were burned out, only one of the brothers was home at the time, the origin of the fire will proof Bronte. bably be investigated ; they were insured for \$2,-000 which will cover the loss.

MARINE RECORD.—Owen Sound, July 19.— The barque "City," from Cleveland to Byng Inlet for a load of lumber, struck a shoal on Georgean Bay, last night, and was badly damaged. She had to be run ashore on Cove Island. A tug has been sent for, but she lies in a dangerous position.

IMPORTANT' INSURANCE CASE .-- In a . suit brought recently in Springfield, Ill., by one Oliver C. Ide, against the Phœnix Fire, of Hart-ford, the following facts were presented. Plaintiff. in 1863, insured his house for \$1,000 for three years in the Phoenix, through its local agent at Jacksonville, Ill., paid \$13.50 the premium de-manded; never received nor could obtain a policy; rented the house and removed to New York. The house took fire and was destroyed. Notice thereof was given to the Jacksonville agent, who expressed himself satisfied of the justice of the claim, and waived proofs of loss, promising then, and subsequently, that payment would be made. He also told Ide that the policy had been made by him before the loss, but had been mislaid; that he had remitted the premium to the company, notified them of the loss, and that Afterwards the same agent "it was all right." notified lde that the company would not pay the loss nor do anything about the matter. Then a suit was bronght in a circuit court, which the company procured to be removed to the United States Circuit Court of Southern Illinois. On trial, it turned out that the company's agent had used the premium himself instead of remitting it

parol centract for insurance upon complainant's use was valid, and could be enforced without a house was valid, and could be enforced without a policy; that a fullure to issue a policy by the com-pany after payment of the premium could not be taken advantage of by it in any court of equity; that the action of the company's local agent amounted to a waiver in the aforesaid provisions in their policies as to strict proofs and suit within one year. The court decided the case against the company, decreeing that the defendant pay, within thirty days, the amount of the policy, \$1,000, and \$330 interest.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK STATE.

FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE.

The Insurance Department of the State of New York was organized January 1st, 1860. From that time until the fifth of February, 1870, when the present Superintendent entered upon the discharge of his duties as such, the department was administered by the Hon. William Barnes

Ten annual reports have been complied and published by the late Superintendent, containing vast amount of valuable, statistical information. The report now submitted is of the business of a year entirely within his official term. Very little will be expected in this report, more than the obstracts of the annual statements of the different companies

If the elaborate statements required have, in ome instances, failed to disclose the actual condition of the companies making them, it is hardly to be assumed to have been the fault of the Superintendent, although he should undoubtedly be most vigilart in his detection of whatever is false or fraudulent. With no disposition to and the varied and useful information derived from the statements of the companies, derived from the statements of the companies, constituting a well digested statistical history of American Insurance, it may nevertheless not be amiss here to state that, while the figures will be neither neglected nor despised, more especial at-tention will hereafter be given to the facts. The statements of companies, on their face, generally show a prospennes condition. They are believed, in the main, to be honestly and truly made. If there are exceptions, it will be the particular effort, as it is the highest duty, of the Superin-tendent to discover them. To afford the fullest protection possible to the great insuring public, will be the first object of the supervision exercised. * * There are now doing business in this State, and reporting to this department, 261 companies. Of these, 193 are fire, fire-marine and marine companies, joint stock and mutual. 68 are life companies. Of the fire and marine companies, 123 are organized under the laws of this State, 64 are from other States, and 6 from constituting a well digested statistical history of

this State, 64 are from other States, and 6 from foreign countries. No joint-stock fire company has been organized in this State since the 1st of January, 1868.

It is a noticeable fact, that while life companies have, during the last few years, continued rapidly to increase in number, and fire companies from to increase in number, and fire companies from other States are still so king admission here, but other States are still socking admission here, but few fire companies have been organized under our laws. The number of New York State joint-stock fire companies, January 1, 1860, was ninety-seven, in 1865; one hundred and seven, and in 1870, one hundred and three, only six more than in 1860, and four less than in 1865. The number of com-panies from other States doing business in this, January 1, 1860, was forty-five, in 1865, thirty-seven, in 1870 fifty-eight. But, although the fire companies of this State have not increased in number in proportion to the increasing demand number in proportion to the increasing demand for insurance, and the actual business done, they have, nevertheless, increased in strength and com-peted successfully with the companies of other States.

The aggregate amount of the capital of all the

New York joint-stock fire companies was, Janu-

ary 1st,	
1860	\$20,007,010
. 1865	
1870	
.The aggregate amon	ant of the capital of com-
panies of other States	doing business in this was,
January 1st.	
1860	\$12,351,315
1865	12,822,875
1870	22.507.370

The total capital of the joint-stock fire companies of this and other States doing business here was, January 1st.

1860	\$32,358.325
1865	41,629,945
1870:	51,118,602

The aggregate income over losses and expenses of the companies of this and other States was, for the year ending January 1st,

1860	 \$6,144,718	
1865	 7.524,055	
1870	 12,724,123	

The business of the companies of this State, for the year 1869, as shewn by the percentage of losses to premiums received, has been more favorable than that of other States.

The percentage of losses to premiums received by New York companies was 49.39, whilst that of companies of other States was 57.16. The total average percentage for both New York and other State companies is 53.31. This is considerably below the general average of prior years, and marks 1866 as a year of universal prosperity in fire insurance business.

The publication of tables assuming to give the relative standing of companies, "according to different standards of merit," and numbering them accordingly, has been discontinued, and in this report the names of the companies in the tables published will be arranged in alphabetical order. Entire fairness and impartiality seem to dictate this course. In relation to those tables, as published in the last report, purporting to give the relative s'anding of Companies, "according to different ständards of merit," it is a little remarkable that the company which is No. 104, and occupies an unenviable place at the foot of the list in second table, is consoled by being brought to the front in the fifth table, where it occupies the first place and is No. 1. Equally pecu-liar is the fact that in four of the tables the Baltic was rated far above many companies of undoubted solvency and worth, when the same report announced that the company was under examination, and gave good reasons for apprehending the insolvency which was very soon, made public. The injustice and impropriety of these applications of "different standards of merit" are too manifest to require further illustration. The number of tables is decreased, but those compiled and published are believed to comprise all the results and information of much practical value. It will be noticed that in the abstracts of the annual statements a large part of the "general interrogatories" and answers heretofore published are omitted. This omission of nearly one-half of a page of printed matter in the abstract of each company will, it is believed, diminish the size of the volume without impairing its value. Some modifications of the form of annual statements will be made before the blanks are sent out for the ensking year. The present Superintendent commends the general efforts of his predecessor in devising means for obtaining a complete know-ledge of the actual condition of each company reporting to the department, and no relaxation will take place in any form or respect which is considered of practical value in determining the tru status of the several companies. Some requirements have been imposed, however, which it is believed are burdensome and inquisitorial in their nature, without being of sufficient importance to warrant their continuance. Of such is the here-tofore required list, of "the names of borrowers on stock loans," under schedule C. Having fully

considered the reasoning of the late Superintendent in his last report, upon this subject, I am unable to arrive at his conclusion, and have determined to dispense with this requirement. The claim that "in case of the depreciation or worth lessness of the collaterals, the only resource is that personal responsibility of the borrower," and that "there is no good or valid reason why his name of the collaterals, the only resource is the should be considered any more private or confiden rage," seems to imply that the personal responsi-bility of the borrower is a question for the consi-deration of the Superintendent. The statute de-fines the securities in which compared tial than that of the borrower on bond and mor e securities in which companies may invest either by purchase or loan, but nowhere imposes any restriction as to the persons with whom the companies shall deal in making such purchases or loans. A bond and mortgage security is received solely apon the assumed value of the property mortgaged, not at all upon the personal responsimortgaged, not at all upon the personal responsa-bility of the maker. It is difficult to see why any lifferent rule should apply in the case of loans lifferent rule should apply in the case of loans upon stock collaterals. The collatera's required should be entirely adequate security regardless of iny personal responsibility of the borrower. In this view, it is immaterial, in the case of loans. "ither upon bond and mortgage security, or stock ollaterals, what the names of the borrowers may be, excepting as a means of identifying the differ-int transactions for the purpose, when deemed necessary, of testing the correctness of statements. When such necessity exists the Superintendent an call for, and he will, it is presumed, have no lifficulty in obtaining; the desired information.

SUPERVISION.

The history of insurance, with and without governmental supervision, seems already to have well settled its great utility. The multiplication of State departments may occasion some inconvenience and additional labor to the companies, but it is to be hoped that a spirit of enlightened liberality will characterize the action of both the legislative and executive branches of the several State governments, which will result in producing that utiformity, reliability and confidence which it is so desirable should exist in regard to the great insurance interests of the country.

Ther is a decrease in the total amount of impairment of the capital of New York State compa-nies within the year of \$250,111.35. The number of New York companies impaired is reduced from nine to five, and the total percentage of impairment of such companies from 19,22 to 4,22. The number of the companies of other States

whose capitals are impared has increased one within the year, but the total amount of impairment shown is less than that of last year by \$238,454.04, and the percentage of total impair-ment of companies of other States reduced from ment of companies of other States reduced from 19.42 1010.68, That the impaired companies doing buginess in this State have been enabled to show addiminution of impairment of nearly \$500-000, is another evidence of the favourable result of the sast year's businees. It is sincerely hoped that success will be productive of neither careless ness ner recklessness, but that a true conservatism may carry the companies safely through this year, the beginning of which has already caused apprehensions that it will be a trying one.

The report next refers to the legislation relating to insurance had at the last session of the Albany Legislature, and gives the text of an Act for the capitalization of the surplus of fire insurance comanies. This Act provides that when any company shall have accumulated a fund in addition to its capital and actual outstanding liabilities, in excess of one-half of all the premiums on current risks, such company may increase its capital stock from such fund, and distribute said increase pro rata to the stockholders, provided that such increase shall be equal to 25 per cent. of the original capital, and shall be approved by the Superintendent and three fourths of the board of directors. The Act to take effect immediately. The general insurance laws have been so fre-

quently amended and are still so imperfect that it is hoped that a thorough revision of them will soon be effected. Over-legislation upon insurance, as upon all subjects, is to be deprecated, but the general laws should be perfected, and special legisation discouraged.

The Superintendent, however, should be vested with powers' adequate to prevent unauthorized companies from transacting business in this State, and to enforce statutory penalties against such companies.

Commercial.

MONTREAL MARKET.

MONTREAL, July 26.

The hot sultry weather which has so iong pre-vailed continues, and the heat is, if anything, more intense. On Saturday night, about 8 o'clock, we had a heavy gale of wind and a thunderstorm lasting about half an hour, and on Sunday afternoon, a similar gale took place, also accompanied with thunder, but very little rain. A considerable amount of damage has been done by the wind.

Crops are all suffering from want of rain, pecially roots. Vegetables are very scarce, specially roots. hardly a cabbage or cauliflower to be seen in the markets, the caterpillars having literally eaten them off by the root.

Shipments of breadstuffs to Europe show a falling off for the week, but an increase in wheat and a decrease in flour since the opening of navi-gation. There are not many ships at present in harbour, tonnage is in good demand and rates of freight are rather higher.

Business has been unsettled all week owing to the uncertainity how matters may go on in Europ Markets close dull and lower. Flour dull. Ashes quiet. Provisions firm.

AsHES. -- Pots- at the beginning of the week now closed, the market was quiet at \$5.55, but idvanced soon afterwards to \$5.75 and \$6.20; an extraordinary rise was made from this point of \$1.50, and a very consierable quantity changed hands at \$7.75; \$7.80 was asked yesterday, but no offer was made over \$7.75, at which price market closes quiet with very few offering. During the week a sale of 100 brls. was reported to have taken place at \$8; but if it did so, it must have been purely speculative now on the part of the buyer as no news from Europe as yet would justify such a price; Seconds and Thirds are quiet and nominal. Pearls-Sales of this ash have been freely made at \$7.50, to \$7.70; stocks here are tight, and in Liverpool, and a steady market may be looked for. Market closes to day firm at \$7.75, the price of seconds is nominally \$7.10, but there

The stocks in store at present are Pots, 1,211 brls; Pearls 201 brls., being a decrease of 1,179 brls. Pots, and 843 brls. Pearls on quantity in store on the same date of 1869.

BOOTS AND SHOES,-Business here has been very light during the week, manufacturers however, have been busy filling up orders from the country sent in by travellers, which come in freely. Prices remain unchanged. A good busi-nes is looked for in the fall for which manufacturers are preparing.

COAL.—The business done this week has been small, market has been very quiet, our prices are unchanged. To effect sales of Scotch Steam, sellers have to take lower prices. Most of the Pictou coal coming to market is being stored. American coal moves slowly at \$7.50 to \$7.75.

DRUGS AND CHEM:CALS. -All the Saltpetre in DRUGS AND CHEM.CALS. —All the Saltpetre in the market was bought up early in the week, at 384 to \$10; price at present is nominal; none offering. A fair demand for Caustic Soda at 34; Bi-Carb. is dearer; sales at \$3.20, and is now held for higher figures. Bleaching Powder is quiet. Alum \$2 to \$2.05 per cwt. Sulphur is firm, but not much changing hands. Copperas is in moderate demand, at 95c. to \$1.05. No change to note in other articles.

FISH .- The only article in this line which has been enquired for during the week is Salmon, which is still sold at \$15.20 to \$15.25. Dry Cod is firm, and some sales have been made at \$5.75, being a trifle higher than last week. Herrings are nominal and unchanged.

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FLOUR.—The receipts for the past week were, 26,297 Lrls., being an increase of 687 brls. over the receipts of the previous week. Total receipts from 1st January to date, 459,237 bris, against 421.088 bris. in corresponding period of 1869, being an increase of 28,149 bris. Shipments via River St. Lawrence for the week, 12,530 brls. Total shipments from 1st January to date, 327, 277 brls., against 346,937 brls. in corresponding period of 1869, being a decrease of 29,660 brls. The advance which was noted last week, owing to advices of a fall in price, both in Chicago and in England, has not been maintained; considerable sales took place at the advance, upwards of 50,000 brls, having changed hands, the highest figure was as noted last week, \$6.50 in bond, for Western wheat, and \$6,60 free. On Saturday, the market got sick, and no flour was offering, buyers and sellers being apart in their views. On Monday, sellers being apart in their views. On Monday, holders had to give way, and a considerable fall in price is noted; the market to day closes dull and drooping, at the following quotations: Extra, \$6.75 Fancy, \$6.50; Ordinary Supers from Canada wheat, \$6.25; Medium Bakers' \$6.40 to \$6.50; Strong Bakers' \$6,75 to \$6.85; Supers from Western wheat, Welland Canal, \$6.50 in bond, nominal City brands of Superline, from Western wheat, 66.25; Canada Superline, No. 2, \$5.75; Fine, \$5.30 Middlings, \$5 to \$5.25; Pollard's are nominal; Choice U. C. Bag, \$3; City Bag, \$3.50, delivered Oatmeal has been sold in some quantity, at about last week's quotations, \$5.20 to \$5.25 having been paid for good brands.

FREIGHTS .- There has been a better demand for ships this last week, and rates have advanced Rates for heavy grain by steamers and sailing vessels to Liverpool and Glasgow 4s. to 4s. 6d. fo flour. 2s. to 2s. 6d. ; oats, 4s. 6d. Steamers rates for Ashes, pots, 25s. per gross ton; Pearls, 30s. per gross ton; Provisions 45s. butter 50s., cheese 52s. 6d. per gross ton. GRAIN.-Receipts for the past week were 139,

202 bushels, being a decrease of 50,266 bushels, on the receipts of the preceding week. Total receipts from 1st January to date, 2,737,713 bush, against 2,561,639 bushs. in corresponding period of 1869, being an increase of 176,074 bushels. Shipments for the past week were 137,972 bush. Total shipments from 1st January to date, 2,247, 952 bush., against 1,724,325 bush., in correspond-ing period of 1869, being an increase of 523, 627 bush. The market for the past week has beeu unsettled and prices have been variable without any great amount of business being done, the prices which buyers are disposed to give to-day is about \$1.30 for No. 1 Western, \$1.25 for No. 2. Western, but as no sales are reported these prices may be considered nominal. The European news to day has given confidence to holders, and wheat is now held firm for those prices. Peas.-There have been a few transactions during the week at \$1.00 market closes steady at that price. Barley .- There is nothing doing in this grain and the price is nominally 70c. Oats have been , in active demand, shipping lots have changed hands at 45c, small lots for city consumption bringing 47c.

GROCERIES .- Teas-Are unchanged in value, and business done has consisted entirely for local wants. Sugars-For refining purposes have been in fair request and large lots have been purchased at 8%c. for grocery grades, small lots bringing 1 more. Refined is in active demand at 9%c to 9%c. tor Yellow, 11c. for Crushed A; 114c. for Dry Crushed and Ground ; 12e. for extra Ground. Syrups are unchanged. Rice-A very considerable advance has taken place in this article, and a the crop of 1870 will not be ready for market good amount of business has been done at prices until May or June, 1871.

ranging from \$3.70 to \$3.971. Some chocie lots brought from \$4.00 to \$4.074, and is now held for higher prices. Fruit-Is in very small demand and stocks are light, the prices which are nominal are for Layer Raisins, \$2.50 to \$2.80; Currants, 43c. to 7c. Molasses-Market quiet, Centrifugal is quotid 221c. to 22c. is quoted 221c. to 24c. ; Clayed, 271c. to 29c. Trinidad, 39c. No sales 'reported of Barbadoes, but it was understood that a cargo had been offered at 45c. Spices-Are firm and in some cases higher. Pepper, 14c. to 14 le.; Cassia, 32 lc. to 35c.; Ginger, 16c. to 20c.; Cloves, 84c. to 9c., other unchanged. Brandy-Market has been active and higher, Mennessey's brought \$2.121 to \$2.20, and is now held for \$2.25; ditto in cases has ranged from \$8.00 to \$9.00, other Brands have advanced in proportion, Gin-ls sold exship at \$1.394 to \$1.40, and ex-store, \$1.424 to \$1.45 for De Knypuers. Houtman's brings \$1.35 to \$1.374. Rum-Market firm prices asked are \$1.95 to \$2.00 for Jamaica. Demerara is held for \$1.90; Cuba, \$1.70. High Wines-are steady at 80c. at which a large lot has been sold.

HARDWARE.-We have very little change to note in this branch of business, with the exception of Cut Nails which have advanced very considerably. There has been a combination among the cut nail manufacturers, and the prices now range from \$3.00 to \$3.15 according to quality; owing to advices received from England, a rise in price is looked for in heavy hardware. No change in prices of any article has been reported here, but it expected there will be very

LEATHER. -Stocks in general are light, although the supply this week has been larger than usual. There has been considerable enquiry for Upper Grain, but there is now in market. Patent and Patent and Enamel are quiet, Splits continue in active demand, prices of all kinds are unchanged.

NAVAL STORES. - Spirit of Turpentine advanced considerable owing to the rise which took place in gold and holders were firm asking 50c. Sales are understood to have taken place a little under that figure. Rosins are unchanged, also Tar.

OILS. -The amount of business done this week has not been large, sales of Cod are reported at 62c. Pale Scal-624 to 70c. Steam Refined-70c. to 72c. There is a better feeling for linseed. and quotations are 75c. to 80c. for raw and boiled. A considerable amount of olive has changed hands at \$1.15 in wood. Petroleum only in small demand at 251c. to 26c. Bleached whale is nominal at 75c. Very little doing in other kinds. PROVISIONS. -Butter-receipts have been lib-

eral, and shipments are rather heavier than last week. There has been a better demand for shipping lots, and a number of parcels have changed hands at 194c., markets closes steady at 19c. Pork-has partaken of the excitement of breadstuffs, and higher prices have been asked and paid for large lots, market closes firm and steady at the following prices for wholesale lots, retai parcels bringing a higher figure. Mess, \$28.70 to \$29 ; Thin Mess, \$25.75 to \$26 ; Prime Mess, \$23 to \$23.50 ; Prime, \$21.50 to \$22. Higher prices are looked for owing to the advance in Europe. Cheese-The receipts this week, have been 5010 boxes, and shipments 4804 boxes. The tendency in the market has been upward and closes firm at 113c. Hams-are advanced in price and are now quoted 12e to 13c. Beef-in small demand at late prices. Lard-in pretty fair supply prices are steady at 134c. to 14c., but very few sales are reported Tallow-is in a

steady demand at 84c. to 83c. TOBACCO.—The amount of business done dur ing the week has not been large, manufacturer are busy, in expectation of higher prices, which may be expected on account of the warlike statof matters in Europe; the tobacco growing region there, being expected to be the seat of war, very little of the crop will be gathered, this taken in conjunction with the inferior crop of the United States in 1869, will be sure to increase prices a

TORONTO MARKET.

The past week has been one of much quiet in all the wholesale branches of trade, and prices generally are without any change. The weather has been very hot, aithough there have been a good many thunder-storms, accompanied with heavy rain. We believe these thunder-storms have been very frequent throughout the Province, and we fear a good deal of damage must have been done to the ripening erops, especially barley. Boors AND SHORS, —The business for the month of Juby has been very good, though principally consisting of a sarting-up trade in summer goods. More recently, orders for fall goods, for present and later delivery, are being taken pretty freely.

and later delivery, are being taken pretty freely. Stocks throughout the country are believed to be below the average, and an active season is looked forward to. Prices are firm, and in some in-stances some alwance is obtained on previous quotations

Day Goops. - Very little movement, as yet, is to be noted, although there has been some drop-ning demand for sorting-up stocks. In another week or two there will be a little more activity, and anticipations are that a large and profitable

busi ess will be done. DRUGS.—There has been a better demand for Irugs of all kinds during the past week, but prices are without change, except of *Indigo*, which we quote 5c. lower.

GROCERIES.—A fairly active trade has been lone in staple and general goods, to supply a legitimate trade, entirely devoid of any specula-tive feeling. Coffee has had a moderate demand, and prices are firmly maintained. Fish —Dry Cod centinue source and in demand at previous juotations. Scaled Herrings are also in urgent uotations. Scaled Herrings are also in urgent request at 474c. to 50c. Nothing doing in Pickled Fish. Fruit.—Raisins have had a fair enquiry, but few transactions are reported. Currants have been more looked after, and some lots of old have changed hands at 5c. to 54c. They are now held at 54c to 54c. Molasses is in light demand, and without change as to price. Syrups meet a steady lemand at previous quotations. Rice continues to be enquired for, and a good many sales have been made at \$4 to \$4 to 9 and a good many sales have quotations. een made at \$4 to \$4.30 for Arracan, and \$3.80 to \$4 for Rangoon. Spices -are generally quiet and unchanged. Black Pepper is, however, very and unchanged. Black Pepper is, however, very scarce and in demand at slightly improved prices. We now quote L5c., at which price holders are very firm. Sugars—The demand for both new and refined continues active, though without any further improvement in prices, which are steady; and firm as last quoted. Bright grocery sorts as well as refined goods are now scarce in the market, and holders are inclined to look for some advance as current rates; but as yet, buyers have not on current rates; but as yet, buyers have not been disposed to meet their views. *Teas*—There have been some siles in the week of round lots of

have been some sales in the week of round lots of Young Hysons. Fine teas have, if anything, an noward tendency, while medium and low grades we in good supply, but steady at present prices. *Tobacco*—No change to note in prices or demand, which continues very light. HARDWARE.—Business during the past week has been very limited. Bor Iron is in fair de-nand and prices are firm, but sales have been chiefly of small parcels. Pig Iron is in only noderate request, but steady at quotations. We quote *Cast Steel* at 18c. *Cut Nails* are firm at 33.10. Stocks are small, and Montreal manufac-turers have orders far in advance of their ability to turn out for present delivery. *Tin Plates* have only a moderate demand, and are without change in price. *Tin and Copper* are both a little easier, in price. Tin and Copper are both a little easier, in consequence of a decline in the English markets.

HIDES AND SEINS. -Hides are somewhat scarce, out are without change in price. No western in narket, Wequite Lambakias 40c., and Pells 20c., LEATHER.—Insiness rather quiet. Desirable stock in small supply, but demand not brisk at present, and prices are without change. LUMBER.—In the lumber trade things remain

much the same as last week, if we except a slight

increase in the quantity shipped. Two millions and a half (24 millions) left Toronto docks for American ports, which is probably the largest week's shipping done at Toronto this season. The demand is good, and more especially for 14 plank, which at this time last year was rather ordinary. The demand for shingles is slightly on the in-crease, and prices likely to rise. Prices same as crease, and prices likely to rise. Prices same as last week.

PAINTS AND OILS .- Business has been fairly active. Quotations are altogether unchanged.

PETROLEUM .- There has been rather more consumptive enquiry during the past week, but the demand has been chiefly for single barrels, and no derable improvement in business is looked for in the course of the next mouth.

PRODUCE.—The course of trade during the past week has been marked by a great deal of indeci-sion on the part of both buyers and sellers, both of whom have shewn much caution in operating. The advices from Liverpool were of a declining market both for flour and wheat, but holders here were generally of opinion that they would be another advance as soon as hostilities had actually commenced; while, on the other hand, buyers looked for a further decline, in consequence of the favorable reports concerning the ripening crops in Britain. The position has been still further complicated within the past few days by the publication of a proposed secret treaty between France and Prussia by the London *Times*, which vouches for its authenticity, and which is of such a nature, that unless disavowed by the French Government, the maintenance of neutrality by England would be difficult, if not impossible. In this latter case, we should look for higher—if not much higher prices for all breadstuffs; though even then the advance might only be gradual for the present. Flour.—Quotations can hardly be given, in consequence of the unsettled state of the market, and those which are found in our list must be taken as to some extent nominal, buyers and sellers being quite apart in their views. The market, however, is in fovour of the former, and holders have been obliged to submit to some decline on last week's quotations in order to effect sales. The following are the principal transactions which have been reported as having taken place during the past week :-- 100 brls. superfine at \$6, here, 100 brls. do., at \$5.80, at Rockwood ; 100 brls. do, for delivering 15th August, at \$6.20; 1,000 brls. do. same terms f. o. c., at Hamilton; 200 brls. spring superfine, at \$6.25 f. o. c.; 1,000 brls. superfine, at \$6, at Hamilton ; 100 brls. extra at \$6.15 f. o. e., here ; 100 brls. superfine at \$5.75, at Rockwood ; 150 brls. coarse at \$4.50, at Rock-wood ; 150 brls. fine at \$4.75, here ; 200 brls. superfine at \$6, here ; and 200 brls. do. at \$6 at Weston. Wheat-Operations has been much limited by the general felling of uncertainity which has prevailed as to price, and shippers have for the most part held aloof from the market, waiting for more decided news from England and the continent. Some transactions, however, have taken place, of which the following are the principal that have been made public :--9,200 bus. Red Winter at \$1.40 f.o.b. at Hamilton; 9,000 bus. mixed Deihl, Soules and Treadwell, at \$1.46 f.o.b. here; 1 car White at \$1.50 in store; 2 cars Treadwell at \$1.30 f.o.c. here. No sales reported during the last few days. Farmers' dehveries very small. Barley-More business has been done during the week, but the market closes less firm. The sales comprise the following :--2 cars at 70c. f.o.c.; 1,800 bus. at 72c. f.o.b.; 1,700 bus. at 70c. f.o.b.; 5,000 bus. prime at 74c. f.o.b.; 2 cars at 71c. in store. Oats-Sales during

the week have been at prices varying from 42c. to 44c., closing easier at about 42c. f.o.b. Peas-The market has ruled firm and advancing during the week, but the reported decline in the English markets caused some declined at the close, checked

nominal at the close at about 83c. Rys-Nominal. Hay-\$9 to \$13. Straw-\$5 to \$7. PROVISIONS.-Butter-Very little arriving. All

PROVISIONS. — Butter — very little arriving. All offered finds ready sale at quotations, according to quality. Egys—Are neglected. No change in prices. Pork—Inactive, but firm at previous quotations. No change, and nothing doing in Bacon and Hams. SALT. — A steady business is being done in God-crich, with no change to note in prices. Liverpool Coarse is without attention.

Coarse is without attention. Wool Shippers are still

Woorz-Shippers are still paying 30e. tor the little that is coming in by farmers' deliveries, and several large lots have been taken at various outside points at the same price, to be delivered here

Moxey .- Sterling exchange, 60 days' sight, or 75 days date, 1101 @ 1103 ; Gold Drafts on New York, per; Currency Drafts on New York, and Greenbacks, 82 to \$3; American silver, large, 55 to 64; Small, 6 to 10 discount; Gold in New York was weaker in the early part of the week, falling to 1184, but it has since recovered, closing at 1211.

at 1214. FREIGHTS. —Grain 2c., greenbacks to Oswego, and 2c. gold to Kingston by sailing vessel ; from Kingston to Montreal, by barge 44c. Steamer rates coatinue low, freights not offering abun. dantly. We quote for flour, 124c. to King-ston; 15c. to Brockville and Prescott, 20c. to Montread, and 20c. gold to Oswego and Ogdens-burg. Railway rates are without change. Per G. W. Railway:—Flour, from Detroit to To-ronto 3cc. per brl; grain, 18c. per 100 lbs. From Sarnia, 30c per brl; grain 15c per 100 lbs. From the Suspension Bridge, 25c.; grain, 13c. The Grand Trunk through rates to Liver-pool or Glasgow, are : Butter per gross ton pool or Glasgow, are : Butter per gross ton 65s; cherse per do. 65s; lard per do. 65s; bacon obs; encess per do. 65s; hard per do. 65s; hard and hams perido. 65s; beef per tierce, 12s; pork per brl. 9s. flour per brl., 5s. 6d; grain, 10s. 6d per quarter. Grain taken only in ships' bags. The following are the current rates of the Grand Trunk Hailway: to Halifax 75c. for flour and 38c. for grain; to St. John 75c. flour, 38c. grain. The rates to gailway stations are—Flour to Kingston, 25c. even in 12s. flour to Present 30c. 25c.; grain, 13c; flour to Prescott, 30c.; grain, 15c.; flour to Montreal, 30c.; grain, 18c.; flour to St. John, Quebec, 45c.; grain, 13c.; hour to St. John, Quebec, 45c.; grain, 23c.; flour to Point Levi, 55c., grain, 28c.; flour to Portland, 75c., grain, 38e.; flour to New York 75c.; grain 38c.; flour to Boston 80c., grain 40c. gold.

GIL MATTERS AT PETROLIA.

(From our Own Correspondent)

PETROLIA, July 25, 1870. Owing to war news, matters here are very flat; most of the refiners having shut down. The ex-port trade cannot be carried on at the present price of crude, so that the stocks they have on hand will most likely be at once sold in this market.

Since my last a Mr. Craise has, struck a very fine well on lot No. 11, 12th Concession Ennis-killen, it pumped between 80 and 100 brls. in 12 hours, and is now shut down for want of tankage. This strike, combined with the war news, must have a fendency to lower the crude market. No new strikes in the north west. Mr. Jeffry's well is 500 fest deep with no show of oil.

-Crude flat, \$1.75, per brl. is offered, \$2 asked. Refined 20 to 22c., per gal. without sales.

WEST INDIA MARKETS.

DEMERARA MARKETS. - The following is from Sandbach, Parker & Co.'s circular, dated George town, Demerara, June 23rd, 1870 :- Sugars -On account of cessation of manufacture there has not been the same amount offering for sales as was on yiew the previous fortnight. The demand has not been active, and prices are hardly as firm as at our last quotations. Really choice sample by the small stock held here. Sales of several of Vacaum Pan will command \$6.20 to \$6.25, lave as yet been effected. These receipts are prin-car leads in the course of the week at 84c. to 85c.; but it is difficult to sell ordinary lots from \$5.80 cipally from the lower districts, and amongst the

to \$6.10. Muscovadoes are altogether neglected. we have not heard of a sale during the fortnight at any thing over the \$4. The shipments have been five cargoes to England with 1,789 hhds., five to America with 990 hhds., and one to Halifax with 225 hhds. Molasses-There has been more enquiry, but very little offering. Muscovadoes bright and clear are worth 27c., Vacuum Pan 25c. The shipments have been 467 puncheons to United States, and 127 to British Provinces. Rum-We have not heard of any transactions for Export, and the home demand is very dull, consequent on the large advance on Spirit Licenses to take effect on 1st July,—the rate now imposed for a first class shop in Georgetown is \$8,400 per annum. The shipments have been 607 puncheons to United Kingdom, 12 punchcons to Venezuela, and 58 to Bermuda.

BARBADOS.-Da Costa & Co's circular of 25th June says : Sugar-has been selling at \$3.30 to \$4.00 for ordinary, and \$41 for good grocery. Molasses—sales have been made at 20c. per gall. and \$4 for puncheon, with but little demand for export. The rain continues to fall heavily, and the canes are growing rapidly-the young crop may now be said to be established.

THE U. S. WHEAT CROP .- The report of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, states the acreage under wheat this year to be 5 per cent. less than last year, or a little over 18,000,000 acres. The winter was mild and uniform, so that freezeing out has not been general or serious in its re-sults; where winter-killing has occurred it has been caused mostly by want of drainage. In Illinois the greatest amount of damage was done from this cause. The present prospect, is that the average yield of wheat will be, say 13 bushels to the acre. From the Western States the reports are generally unfavorable. The following shows the production of wheat in the various States in 1869, with the number of bush. per head of the population in 1869 compared with 1859 ----

1		Bush per	
	Bushels	capita	capita
States-1869	1869.	1869.	1859.
Illinois	27,290,000	11.00	13.92
Iowa	25,000,000	20.00	12.47
Wisconsin	24,000,000	19.00	20.13
California	21,590,000	39.00	6.46
Indiana	20,600,000	12.00	8.54
Ohio	20,400,000	9.00	4.48
Minnesota	19,000,000	35. JO	2.23
Michigan	16,800,000	13.5	12.51
Pennsylvania	16,500,000	5.5	11.12

CHINA TEA MARKET. — Messrs. Olyphant & Co.'s circular of June 8, says: — No vessel has as yet eleared with new Teas, but the export will doubtless commence by the dispatch of one of the steamers loading at Hankow. At Foochow re-ceipts have been fairly large, but as the crop so far received has hardly come up to expectations, quietness has sprevailed, and judging from the advices reaching us, the probabilities are that more conservatism and greater discrimination will be hown by foreigners after purchases begin. Canton, buying of new scented teas began on the 24th ult., when some 12,000 boxes of Caper were settled at Tls. 24 to 26, the former price being paid for ordinary fine quality. These figures, alchough somewhat lower than those raling at the opening of last season, are in reality shown to be equally as dear, when the general inferiority of the present crop is considered. At Amoy, about ,000 pkgs. of new Congous have been received, but no settlements have as yet taken place. Some small parcels of Oolongs have come to hand, but no opinion can as yet be ventured as to the quality of the supplies to be received. At Foochow, new Jongous to the extent of 110,000 chests have arrived during the fortnight, and, although offers are reported to have been made, no settlements

entire quantity but few attractive parcels are to be found. The quality of these teas, though disap-pointing, is not considered inferior to that of the crop of last season, as the teas now on offer are stronger and not so coarse in the average, though they are lacking in point and character. At Shang-hai, the season for old teas is over, and no further transactions of any nature have taken place. New teas are beginning to arrive from the river ports, but none have as yet been put on offer. At Yoko-hama, the market has undergone no important changes. Stocks of old teas are still fairly full, and prices in consequence are somewhat easier and prices in consequence are somewhat easier. The prospects for the new crop are promising, both as to a full yield and satisfactory quality, and the new leaf that has been brought to market has been pronounced very desirable. Arrivals of new teas have been very free, as compared with other sea-sons, but notwithstanding this fact, the enquiry for the new leaf is strong and haven are aviaging for the new leaf is strong, and buyers are evincing a willingness to pay very full prices, as already shown by the settlements of this description made. The following are the exports of Teas from China and Japan to Great Britain, in the past ten years:—

		vesselsIbs.	
1861 "1862			101,650,121
1862 " 1863	" 210	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	121,180,113
1863 ** 1864	** 166		111,736,160
1864 " 1865		"	121,933,414
1865 ** 1866	** 177		115,184,753
1866 " 1867	" 140		113,452,882
1867 ** 1868	" 190		125, 522, 003
1868 "1869	" 208		*136,891,284
Total export,	1869-	70	142, 270, 165
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^o Not including 8,198,681 lbs. new teas shipped bet 55th and 31st May, 1868.

Export of Teas from China and Japan to the United States, in the past ten years :----

	Total	Total	Japan	Total
	Black,	Green.	Tea.	Exports.
leason	1860.19,485,220	8,586,836	251,104	28,322,300
	186115,043,161	14.0.9,048	427,445	29,499,054
**	186211,303,398	8,513,054	977,611	20,794,063
	186311,139,121	12,186,114	2,181,807	25,507,045
. 44	1864 8,702,880	7,058,485	1,612,755	17,374,129
- 44	186514,536.835	12,774,278	7,592,215	31,903,283
	186613,382,815	14,997,326	6,054,343	34,334,484
44	186713,291,822	12,949,459	7,102,769	33,344,040
	186913,418,337	18,407,607	10,626,794	42,452,73
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Total export season 1869-70.13,081,057 18,698,313 19,761,245 42,540,620

BOSTON WOOL MARKET.-The sales of the past week foot up to figures in the neighborhood of a million pounds of domestic fleece and pulled wools, at prices ranging for the former from 42c. to 53c., and for the latter from 30c. to 50c. The new clip is coming forward more freely, and very little of the last season's now remain in stock. Prices are a shade firmer than they were at the date of our last report, but manufacturers complain that even at their present level they are too high in proportion to the manufactured article. We are glad to hear that there is less competition among buyers in the interior, and that the open prices of the season are not maintained, -Shoe and Leather Reporter.

-The London Grocer says :- We wish on this occasion to draw particular attention to the rather novel fact, that, the first shipment of butter (consisting of 100 casks) from Canterbury. New Zea-land, has lately arrived in London, per the ship Hydaspes, and judging from what we have seen of it, we must pronounce it as likely to become s great success. The packages, strictly speaking, more closely resemble barrels, and each weigha about 95 lbs.; the butter itself is of a clean pale straw complexity and there itself is of a clean pale straw complexion, and though slightly salt, is of fair body, comparing very favorably with the in-ferior qualities of Jersey, Friesland, Normandy, or even the commoner brands of Cork butter.

-The Lake Superior Iron Company operating at Marquette, Mich., have established works for the preparation of Peat fuel with a view to its use in the reduction of iron ores. It can be pro-duced there, it is said for \$1.80 to \$3 per ton, and it is estimated that a ton of prepared peat is equal to a ton of the best hituminous coal. to a ton of the best bituminous coal.

-A mowing machine knife factory, will be started in St. Catharines, and a firm from the States have been negotiating for the erection of a file manufactory in the same town.

-The total average daily productions of Petrolum in the Pennsylvania oil territory for June, was 14,817 brls., being a considerable in-crease on the average for July.

-Broom Corn, in Chicago, is quoted steady at | Depart \$150 to \$240.

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NOTICE is hereby given, that the Annual General Meet-ing of Shareholders of this Company, will be held at the Company's office, on

TUESDAY, the THIRTIETH day of AUGUST NENT,

AT 12 O'CLOCK, NOON,

To receive the Annual Report, and for the election of Directors, to serve during the chauing year.

By order of the Board. J. MAUGHAN, JR., Asst. Secretary.

Western Assurance Co.'s Buildings,) Toronto, 26th July, 1870.

Dominion Bank.

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THE Provisional Directors of the Dominion Bank, at the urgent request of many of their friends, have decided to proceed at once with the organization of the Institu-

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King Street, Toront And Messrs. ROSS, LAUDER & MULLOCK, Masonie Hall, Toron

And at the office of

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WILLIAM MULLOCK

Secretary to the Provisional B Toronto, July 15, 1870.

Insolvent Act of 1869.

In the matter of JOHN GARTSHORE, an Insolvent

THE Insolvent has made an assignment of his Estate to me, and the Creditors are notified to meet at my office, Court Street, in Toronto, on Saturday, the 6th day of August next, at 12 o'clock moon, to receive statements of his affairs, and to appoint an Assignce.

JOHN KERR, Interin Assignee Toronto, 20th July, 1870.



Government House, Ottawa,

Wednesday, 22nd day of June, 1870. PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

O N the Report of the Commissioner of Customs, dated 21st June, 1870, and approved by the Honorabie the Minister of Customs, and under the provisions of the 22nd Section of the Act 23 Vic., Cap. 9, His Excellency in Council has been pleased to authorize and doth hereby withorize the Minister of Customs in any or all cases in which it may be shown that British or Canadian Vessels navigating the Inland Waters of Canada, and frequenting American Ports, are charged with Lwer fees or tonnage duties than are charged on American Vessels frequenting Canadian Ports above Montreal, to reduce the said fees or tonnage dues so payable on the entry and clearance of all Vessels, whether Eritish or American, at Canadian Ports in the Inland Waters aforesaid, to the standard of such fees or tonnage duties as are actually charged on Cana-dian Vessels on entering or clearing at American Ports. WM, H. LEE,

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