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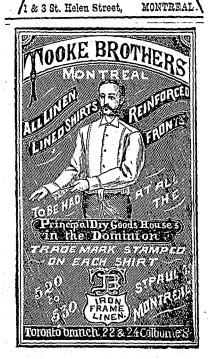
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"THE PURCHASING power of a bushel of oats" remarked a Carleton county farmer the other day, "is now fifty per cent greater than it has been for some years, and outs is a good crop with us this year."

THE " Dereham & Norwich" is the name of a new cheese company recently organized in North Norwich, Ont. Mr. Wm. Fewster, is president and salesman. Thirty-two hundred dollars worth of stock has been subscribed.

THE Guarantee Company of North America to some extent supplies the want of a reciprocity treaty. It is now almost impossible for defaulters insured in that company to escape arrest on one or other side of the line.

A Boscavaeon buyer recently shipped 22,550 lbs. of butter to England. It cost him about 10c, but it received the treble X brand from the official inspector, a high testimony to the butter makers of the vicinity. Let Morrisburg and Brockville look to it.

THE West Oxford, Ont., cheese factory made about one hundred and fifty tons of cheese this year, using over three million lbs. of milk. George E. Wingate, who absconded from Toronto some days ago with \$9,000, has been arrested in New Orleans.

THE Secretary's report of the Lakeside (Oxford Co.) cheese factory for the season showed that 969,010 pounds of milk had been made into 94,138 pounds of cheese, for which \$10,074.35 was received, of which \$8,407.14 was paid patrons for the milk of some 300

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Tue new dry dock at St. John's, Nfid., built for the Provincial government, cost \$550,000. It is 600 feet long at the top and 558 feet at the bottom. Its greatest width at top is 132 feet, and 50 feet at the bottom. The contractors will run the dock for ten years, paying \$15,000 a year rent.

A PROJECT is on foot to construct a ship-canal from Lake St. Clair near the mouth of the Thames to Lake Erie, a little east of Rondeau. The present navigable distance via the Detroit River is 150 miles, the new route would be only 14 miles. The cost is estimated at two million dollars, which it is purposed shall be raised without any public assistance.

A Winning paper of recent date is responsible for the following:-To-day wheat is selling at 27 cents a bushel at St. Vincent; at Emerson at 57 cents per bushel. Minnesota and Dakota farmers are actually teaming their wheat to Emerson and Gretna, paying the daty of 15 cents per bushel upon it, and then realizing 15 cents more per bushel upon it that they could realize in their own markets.

A SCHOONER from Margaree, N.S., recently panded two car loads of fresh salmon at Port Mulgrave, which were promptly railed to Boston. These salmon were caught during the summer and preserved in ice by an American who for the past two summers has devoted his time to this business. He also preserves, in the same manner, poultry and rabbits, for which he finds a ready and renumerative market in the Eastern States at this season.

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It is reported in Ottawa that Canadian merchants and manufacturers send their letters in large bundles by express to the nearest post office on the other side of the line, where they are mailed at the 2-cent letter rate, whereas they would have to pay 3 cents if mailed in Canada, thus effecting a saving 334 per cent. The correspondence world need to be very extensive to render such conduct profitable, apart from its moral aspect.

The Annual Convention of the Dairyman's Association of Western Outario will be held at the Town Hall, in Stratford, on the 14th, 15th and 16th of January next. Arrangements have been made with the Grand Trunk Railway for the usual reduction of fares on presentation of the certificate of membership required, which can be obtained from the president, L. R. Richardson, Strathroy; Thomas Ballantyne, Stratford; H. S. Lossee, Norwich; or, from the Secretary, in Ingersoll.

With the view of providing suitable residences with all modern comforts and improvements for persons of moderate incomes or salaries, a number of gentlemen in St. John, N.B., are about to creet a continuous block of 20 houses, each self-contained, which may rent for \$125 to \$150 a year. Many persons with incomes of \$500 to \$1,000 a year are driven into boarding houses because of the great lack of such a

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THE business of Dwane & Co., Sherbrooke Oue., composed solely of Rachel Rodgers, wife of T. Dwaue, carrying on a foundry in that city, as a prete now for her husband, is again in trouble. The liabilities are estimated at \$5,000, and the assets consist of a few unfinished stoves, &c. Some of the creditors are at a loss to account for the condition of the estate. Mr. Dwane failed before and paid 10 cents in the dollar in part of composition. The business as at present constituted dates from February last.

T. G. GARDNER, of Unyuga, Ont., referred to last week, has been closed up by his creditors, Lucas, Park & Co., Hamiton; Boyd Bros. & Co., Toronto, and others, and the stock is being sold off by one Husband. The liabilities are about \$7,000; the assets nominally \$4,500. The two first chattel mortgages were given by him to secure his mother and brother for money advanced to pay the notes of his former settlement-merely an extensionnext came three mortgages and then the assignment. Mr. Gardner as an old insurance agent should not want for employment.

MITCHELL & PLATT, of London, druggists, referred to last week, have effected a settlement at 50 cents in the dollar payable in 3, 6, 9 and 12 months, secured by the father of Platt, the sole proprietor, and who has held a judgment for about \$3,000 against the concern since the time of the former compromise, about two years ago, when he advanced the necessary funds. The liabilities outside this judgment is about \$2,500. An opinion prevails that it is high time young Platt gave a little more attention to the mortar and pestle even at the risk of allowing outside amusements to suffer rom his neglect.

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THE Equitable Life Assurance Society have purchased the brick building on the southwesterly corner of Milk and Federal streets, Boston, and intend extending their magnificent edifice over the property.

J. A. DUFRESNE, of Three Rivers, abandoned the jewellery business about two years ago and engaged in the cigar and tobacco line: He has lately assigned to Kent & Turcotte : nominal assets of about \$700 to pay liabilities of about \$900.

A London circular gives the following data respecting the rice crops movement : Exports from India since January 1, 6,012,000 bags; stock in English ports, 877,256 bags; last year equal date, 947,100 bags; quantity affoat, 403,-640 bags. The bottom is apparently touched. and holders are firm.

NOEL & FERLAND, cabinetmakers, this city. are offering to compromise at 25 cents in the dollar, spread over a year. Liabilities about \$4,500; assets about \$3,500, apart from some real estate which is pretty well encumbered .-P. A. Bourget, general storekeeper, St. Joseph de Lévis, Que., has assigned to H. A. Bédard of Quebec.

DURING the ten years ending in 1883 the mileage of the Grand Trunk road increased from 1,377 miles to 2,3211 miles, or 66 per cent. The net receipts in 1864 were £271,074, while in 1883 they were £1,198,295-an finerense of over 400 per cent. In 1864 the proportion of net to gross revenue was 23. 5 per cent., while in 1883 it was 33. 3 per cent.

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DENY & Co. (G. B. Dery alone), flour and feed. Winnipeg, Man., have assigned in trust. The t landlord had placed a bailiff in possession, and as his claim extends considerably backward, the prospects for other creditors are meagre. Dery had been a farmer, and during the boom refused a handsome figure for his farm of about 1,000 acres in extent .- H. Curren, a grocer of the same city in a small way, has assigned in

THE index to the JOURNAL OF COMMRROE for the current six months will appear next week. -In that portion of last week's paragraph relating to J. C. Kemp & Co., and credited to the Star, an inadvertence occurred by which the wellknown firm of Kemp, Edy & Co. were made to appear as creditors. Our contemporary has already made the necessary correction.

Shuffly & Tuck, soap manufacturers, Montreal, have assigned to Kent & Turcotte. Their liabilities are about \$5,500; assets nominally \$4,500. They bought out the business of J. O. Villeneuve in the same line last year. Their trouble is the result merely of that development which is going on wherever competition is too great, and which is best expressed by the Darwinian phrase. survival of the fittest.

THE Royal Canadian Insurance Co. gives notice of its intention to reduce the nominal capital of two millions to half a million dollars fully paid-up-after the manner of many of the leading companies in the United States .-The Dominion Government is petitioned to grant a subsidy towards extending the Belle-

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Mr. L. O. DAVID, general storekeeper, Buckingham, Que, has assigned to Kent & Turcotte. of this city. He owes about \$3,000, and the assets are nominally about \$2,000. Mr. David came from St. Hyacinthe a few years ago, and has evidently found the competition too keen, Although Buckingham is growing apace the number of storekeepers is disproportionate, and business of late, in common with many other places, has experienced a considerable reduction.

We learn that a series of clever circulars recently issued by the Uanada Life Assurance Co. has provoked a reply from the Canadian manager of the New York Life, which, however, we have not seen .-- Mr. R. H. Matson, Canadian manager of the Union Mutual, has returned from Newfoundland, where he has been for some months organizing agencies for the company. -The losses on the lakes for the season just closed aggregated \$670,000, of which \$443,000 was paid by insurance companies.

THE demand for wool in Boston was only moderate last week, with sales amounting to 2,684,674 lbs. There was a good demand for washed fleeces, and a heavy sale of Ohio XX is expected this week. Prices are very firm, but even on choice lots of XX and above it has been impossible to drag up the price &c. The total sales of wool in Boston since January 1. 1884, have been 120,496,389 lbs., against 127,-081,905 lbs. for the corresponding period of 1883, a decrease of 6,585,516 pounds.

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The new premises of the British Empire Life Assurance Co., on Notre Dame and St. François Xavier streets, (late the Exchange Bank Buildings) are undergoing considerable alterations in the interior. A passenger elevator will be introduced and the entrance to the upper flats removed to Notre Dame street .- Mr. R. H. Jarvis, of Hamilton, appears to be doing a good business for the Federal Life; the change to the Life branch of the service becomes him, and Mr. Dexter can have no officer more faithful in the field.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS are due to the Royal and the Standard Insurance companies for New Year's calendars, both handsomely printed and containing engravings of the Montreal premises respectively. The magnificent new premises of the Standard will be ready for occupancy by Spring.-The Hamilton branch of the Federal Bank is being transferred to the Molsons Bank, who begin business there with the first month of the New Year, under the management of Mr. J. M. Burns, heretofore manager of the Federal branch.

According to the Senforth Erpositor there is a prospect that the combination of salt manufacturers, which has existed for nearly three years, will not be continued longer than his year, as some of the members are becoming restive under the association rules, and are longing for another war of rates.-The Acton Free Press estimates that \$31,250 was expended on buildings in that village this year. The enterprising glove manufacturers of the place, Messrs. W. H. Storey & Son, have done not a little to promote its prosperity.

THE condition of the sidewalks along our principal thoroughfares in winter is not such as to promote shopping. It seems useless to depend on each one clearing before his own door; the by-laws are not strictly enforced, and even if they were, occupants differ in their views as to what constitutes a clean sidewalk. Whatever difficulties there may be in the way of having the work performed by the city, as in the case of scavengering, it is feared it will never be thoroughly done in any other way. Our leading retailers should make themselves heard on the subject.

THE lumber shipments from Dalhousic, N.B., for the year required 43 vessels; tonnage, 23,-782 tons; shipments, 18,235,140 sup feet deals, 2,953 tons birch timber, 1,476 tons pine timber, 411 tons spruce timber, 8 tons poplar timber, 8.000 piece palings. In 1883 there were loaded 44 vessels, 26,847 tons, the cargoes consisting of 18,726,737 sup feet deals, etc., 7,723 tons birch, pine, spruce and other varieties of timber, 84 cords lathwood, 52,362 pieces of palings .- A new paper in the French language is to be published at Vankleek Hill, taking the place of he News, which appeared in both languages.

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THE SECOND annual Provincial fat stock show of the Ontario Agricultural and Art Association, held in Guelph last week, is pronounced to be the largest and finest exhibition of the kind ever held in Canada. Amongst the exhibit, were a 4 year old steer from Elmira, weighing 32,000 lbs, and a 4 year old grade heifer from Pilkington 2700 lbs. Eight fat steers, not in competitions were sold by auction, as follows: Dudley, \$,950 lbs., to Stephen Hall, Blenheim, \$121; Derby, 1,945 lbs., to L. O. Barber, Guelph \$126; Digby, 1,845 lbs., to G. Clayton, Guelph' \$122; White Prince, 1,525 lbs., to Mr. Hope Bow Park, Brantford, \$130; Lady Olive, 1,355 lbs., to H. J. Lawry, Hamilton, \$81; Aboyne, 1,675 lbs., to Wm. Hearn, Guelph, \$100; Huntingdon, 1,665 lbs., to M. Dingle, Hamilton, 1112; Hartford, 1,655 lbs., to H Satchell, Ottawa, \$151.

THE PHESENT has been a favorable year for the marine insurance companies operating in Nova Scotia. For years past they have suffered heavy losses, and last year five out of six of the Yarmouth companies went under with varying deficiencies. This year, says the Haiifax Chronicle, scarcely a ship has been lost out of Yarmouth, and a small fortune will go abroad from that community to pay the premiums of the year. Probably not much less than one handred and fifty thousand dollars will thus be made away with, a goodly proporLeading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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tion of which will go into the pocket of the Boston Marine, which has an agency in that great shipping centre. The business of marine insurance in Yarmouth formerly amounted to about a quarter of a million in premiums, and as only one local company is in operation now the above figures cannot be far astray. Had the Halifax companies doing business in Yarmouth persevered to the present, it is evident that some proportion of former losses would have been regained. How long this streak of good luck will last no one can conjecture.

THE STEEL CO. OF CANADA-The liquidators are reported to be making a fair profit from the operations of the works of the Steel Company of Canada at Londonderry, N. S. The Halifax Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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Herald has been interviewing Mr. R. G. Leckie, president of the Cumberland Railway & Coal Co., who has just returned from a visit to the coal and iron mines of Great Britain. Concerning the future of the Works Mr. Leckie thought a re-organization probable, into which Canadian capital will be put, and parties in the country being largely interested 'the business is likely to be more successful. Spathic iron ore, or ferrous carbonate has been discovered in the old vein of the Acadia mines, and is apparently in large quantities as greater depth is attained. This is a most valuable iron ore, usually containing 48 per cent of iron .-The pig iron now being produced is of better quality than any hitherto made, and the furnaces yield a much larger proportion of foun- New Year.

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FINANCE AND INSURANCE REVIEW.

MONTREAL, DECEMBER 26, 1884.

#### INSOLVENCY LEGISLATION.

The deliverances of Sir John A. Macdonald to the reporters who have interviewed him since his return from Europe, on the subject of insolvency legislation. are characterised by an uncertainty of sound that is in marked contrast to the very plain statements made to him by the deputation that waited on the Premier in London, for the purpose of laying before him the gross injustice suffered by creditors, in the absence of proper provision for the distribution of insolvent estates. Unless it be that the Government considers it more discreet to follow public opinion than lead it, there will be difficulty in understanding why there should be so long delay in providing a remedy for so great a wrong. It can scarcely be necessary to wait for a popular uprising before dealing in a statesmanlike way with a national necessity of whose existence it is impossible to plead ignorance. The sufferers do not cry aloud from the house tops to make plain their losses; more is the pity, perhaps, but human nature in our day is in the main averse to howling over losses when once hey have fallen.

The efforts of the Boards of Trade to have the attention of Parliament directed to the necessities of commerce in this respect are all the more praiseworthy. Merchants so far have not adoped the plan of mass meetings and marchings with threatening aspect to demand redress for their wrongs, preferring to rely upon reason rather than clamor, but in thus reckoning there is much reason to doubt that anything will be accomplished. What creditors are diffident about doing for themselves, this journal has from time to time done for them in the way of exposing the evils of the existing state of matters, and a fine illustration is now submitted in the Levetus case, to which allusion has been made on several occasions in these columns.

The bailiffs realized for the goods seized, by the primitive process which such sales are distinguished for...........\$2402-15 From which the bailiffs

deducted for their ser-

Leaving a balance of.... \$2180 25

The fate of this sum was as follows: Prothonotary's charges.. \$73 50 Guardian's charges..... 782 77

Lawyer's charges...... 779 26

Landlord's rent...... 544 72

-\$2180 25 There were fifty-nine creditors who fyled oppositions, at a cost, doubtless, of something like fifteen dollars each. These with the costs that fell on the claimants who sued, and whose position did not entitle them to be paid by privilege out of the proceeds of the sale, would represent a much larger sum than that paid by the proceeds for costs. but as these unfortunate litigants have to grin and bear it, their losses need not be too glaringly exposed. The refreshing part of this result-to the lawvers and other officials-is doubtless the smallness of the remnant which was permitted to find its way into the hands of the one creditor. Lucky for him that he was hedged round with the sacredness conceded to landlords, or his fate would have been a very different one. To the ordinary creditors, the distribution may be regarded as a fine illustration of the much vaunted Lower Canadian mode of meting out justice to creditors. Fictions of law are sometimes alluded to by the bar, as innocent anomalies that do not harm any one, but this whopper is decidedly of proportions quite inconsistent with what may be excused as harmless fibbing.

If the Government chooses to regard with unconcern atrocities of this sort in the administration of justice, the members may hold themselves prepared to meet any results. It is impossible to suppose that injustice so serious and so glaring can fail to make a profound impression on the men whose money is frittered away, first by the debtors' property being tossed to the tender mercies of so unfit and irresponsible an agent as a bailiff, and then handing over the balance which he surrenders, to be devored by lawyers and court officials. It is to be observed, that in this instance there was no nice question of title or anything of that kind to be discussed. The Federal Bank chose to be refractory on the question of compromise, and while the carcase was thus exposed, the vultures came down on it with the result above shown.

Another case of a somewhat similar sort is now pending where the estate is put in peril by the unfair attempt of a large indirect creditor to gobble up the endorser's estate, while holding security to a large amount from the principal debtor. This the creditor refuses to discuss or value until the endorser has been exhausted, quite regardless of the injustice to his direct creditors. Then there is the "merry war" going on in the form of scizures upon the Tiffin estate, which is a plum for the profession to pick at. The prospect of creditors for money, and others who have no goods to seize, must be very exhilarating. Truly admirable laws! Yet this is the state of matters. regarding which no promise of relief has been held out. As some of our neighbors put it, "an explanation would be in order."

#### FIRE INSURANCE INSPECTION.

The insurance journals and companies in the United States seem to have awakened very suddenly to the great importance of systematic inspection of risks by insurance experts, by means of which unnecessary hazards will be eliminated and the companies relieved from such risks as are "arranged to burn." We have repeatedly drawn attention to this subject as being one of vital importance to the country, but we have not yet been gratified by practical results, except in a few places in which fire marshalls have been invested with authority to effect reformation of nuisances in the shape of unsafe chimneys, heating apparatus and fire hazards. Seeing however that a system of uniform tariff's has been adopted by the insurance companies whereby rates of premium are levied upon each class of risk in proportion to its loss record, it is quite plainly the interest of every property owner to reduce the hazard of his class of risk, primarily for the purpose of reducing the loss record, and secondarily, for the purpose of reducing the rate of premium levied upon it by the fire insurance companies.

There are however, in every part of the country, men who make great pretensions to honor and truth, who systematically misrepresent their risks for the purpose of obtaining insurance policies, or, who, after they have obtained them. make such changes as materially increase the fire hazard, or render useless all the precautionary measures the insurance companies have relied upon for comparative safety. When a total loss occurs. these men talk loudly about "what an honorable insurance company ought to do," although they know they would refuse to pay one cent of indemnity under such circumstances if they were the insurers instead of being the insured. These men have no regard for their word or for their part of the insurance contract, but will insist upon the uttermost farthing of their policies in case of a loss which is clearly the result of their own neglect of the precautions for which the insurance company has carefully stipulated in its applications and policies.

Were such men brought face to face with "compliance or cancellation," before a fire, they would, at first, bluster and scold a great deal, talk of insuring in another company not so particular as the one which insisted upon the observance of good faith, and then, finding that the fire insurance companies were united in their conservative action, they would be more ready to carry out the requirements of the companies than to become their own insurers, and would respect the company which had the good sense to avoid unnecessary losses. There is scarcely one establishment of any sort in Canada which does not contain avoidable causes of fire, or such an accumulation of hazards as is capable of separation and rearrangement so as to reduce the liability to loss and damage" by fire, yet, for want of a "system of inspection," the proprietors are subjected to high rates of insurance premiums, whilst the insurance companies are liable to total losses from hazards of whose presence they are unaware.

There are then three classes of interests to consider; first, those property-owners who honestly divest their properties of avoidable hazards and respect their part of the insurance contract, second, those proprietors who wilfully deceive the insurance companies at the inception of the contract, or increase the hazard of the risks during its term, and third, the fire insurance companies to whom both parties look for protection. The first and the third set of interests are identical, and both should be protected from the second who causes increased cost to the first and increased loss to the third, "loss" and "cost" being necessarily synonymous terms. We believe the first set of interests can demand from the third that they should be protected from the second by an organization of trained inspectors who know the nature of the hazards by actual experience, in order that the insurance tax, which is the most onerous of all our taxes, may be decreased to its normal rate; and we believe the third set of interests is the only one which can or will take effectual action against the common enemy of every man in the country. The second interest we have defined.

We have written " trained inspectors" because men, whose only knowledge has been gained officially, would require unnecessary and useless changes, whilst ignoring or neglecting the vital and necessary improvements; their methods would probably offend, and their observations would be laughed at, therefore it is indispensible that fit and proper men only be employed for this important work. Such men are expensive, because they are able to earn good salaries in other occupations, but cheap and inferior men would be useless and mischievous. We believe the companies would best serve their own interests by combining to employ inspectors to act in conjunction with the underwriters' associations, rather than having special representatives of individual companies, because inspectors of the former class could speak in the name of the united companies, and consequently with much more weight than any one could do who spoke in the name of one or two companies only.

#### THE PREMIER AT TORONTO.

The convention which has been recently held at Toronto of the supporters of the Conservative Party, and which was very numerously attended, must have possessed great public interest if for no other reason than that the occasion was taken to present an address to the Rt.-Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald, G.C.B., on the occasion of his completing forty years of public life in Canada, and on his having received a very high mark of his Sovereign's approbation of his public services. In the course of his long career,

it has been the lot of Sir John Macdonald, as it has been of the distinguished statesman who now presides over the councils of the Empire, to act with many colleagues to whom he had been once in antagonism, and to support measures which he had previously strenuously opposed. We believe, nevertheless, that he has had few personal enemies, and that there has been on the whole, general satisfaction at the restoration of his health and at the reception given to him at Toronto by his devoted adherents.

In his reply to the address, Sir John Macdonald reviewed at great length the leading events of his public life, occupying nearly three hours in doing so. It will be found that wide differences of opinion prevail, as to many of the transactions which were referred to in the speech, but it must be admitted that it is highly desirable to have them described by one who was so personally concerned in them. and who is of course better able than any one else can be, to explain the influences under which he acted. As it is not our intention on this occasion to enter on any discussion of bygone issues, we shall confine ourselves to that portion of Sir John Macdonald's speech which treats of a live issue of great interest, and on which there seem to be conflicting opinions. We refer to the reciprocity question, and in connection therewith that of the fisheries.

We have more than once had occasion to call attention to the great mistake committed by leading opposition journals in assailing the Government for their supposed neglect to urge upon the United States the negotiation of a treaty of reciprocity. The most prominent of the journals, which has taken this course is the Toronto Globe, and yet the late Hon. George Brown, whose eulogy has been recently pronounced by the supporters of the Globe, declared in 1866: "I contend " that we should not have gone to Wash-"ington as suitors for any terms they " were pleased to give us, we were satis-" fied with the treaty, and the American "Government should have come to us " with a proposition, since they, not we, "desired a change." On the occasion in question, which was the first after the abrogation of the old treaty of 1854 by the United States, it was thought desirable to approach the United States and to endeavor to effect a satisfactory arrangement. The result is on record, and it was simply a claim to get the right of fishing in Canadian waters without compensation, and to impose heavy duties on all our natural products. The next attempt was made in 1871 during the

negotiation of the treaty of Washington when no effort was spared by the British Commissioners to obtain a treaty of reciprocity.

A further effort was made by Senator Brown himself, who, notwithstanding his previous declaration, accepted the office of commissioner, and was "a suitor for any terms they were pleased to give us." He made many concessions, but the convention agreed to by the President and Secretary of State was refused ratification by the Senate. After being snubbed three times there are still Canadians mean enough to require their Government to submit to further humiliation. We have an able minister at Washington who is thoroughly aware of the readiness of Canada to negotiate, whenever the United States is prepared to do so, and who would not fail to advise the Government of Canada if he saw an opening for the consideration of a treaty. We shall here copy that portion of Sir John Macdonald's speech in reference to the fishing and reciprocity questions, and we cannot do so without adding that the views therein expressed are substantially sound, and well worthy of general accep-We cannot affirm that we are sanguine of obtaining reciprocity, but we are thoroughly convinced that the wisest course is to leave the matter in the hands of the Government, and not play into the hands of foreigners merely to serve a local political object:

There is a feeling, a very considerable feeling. in the Maritime Provinces that the cancellation of the fishery clauses will greatly affect them, and you hear some people in their despair and their apprehension talking very foolishly, I think, of going down on their knees to the United States and asking for a continuance of that treaty. Now, gentlemen, the moral of our past experience is this, that the fishing interests of the Maritime Provinces, though they may be temporarily affected if the Americans persist in their course will not be so for long. (Hear, hear). It may for a short time compel them to use middlemen in the sale of their fish, and that will be all, while we will have secured to us the conclusive right to fish in American waters. No course is more suicidal; no course shows a more absolute want of common sense in any negotiations with so astute a nation as the people of the United States as to show anxiety. If we go down upon our knees and say we will or we go down upon our knees and say we will be ruined un ess we have reciprocity, and that without reciprocity annexation would follow, the Americans, who are a proud people and who believe they have a mission to govern this continent, will say, "Yery well, the best way of making Caunda a part of the United States is simply by refusing you what you sake you is simply by refusing you what you ask; you therefore, cannot have it." I believe the course of my government is the proper one. We say to the Americans, "We would be happy to continue our reciprocal relations; we would be happy to increase our commercial relations. We are willing to discuss the question of a reciprocity treaty on the most liberal terms consistent with our own interests. We know perfectly well that you will not do what is contrary to your own interests; you cannot expect us to do what is contrary to ours. Let us sit down and see if we can make an arrangement. If we can it is well; if we cannot, there is no harm done. You can take your course, we must take ours." Already, gentlemen, in consequence of some unguarded and unwise utterances in St. John and the Maritime Provinces, the Americans have begun to hold back a little, to see what the result upon Canada will be. But, gentlemen, we know the unwisdom of such a course—not only the unwisdom, but the utter folly, because nothing done by the United States will force us to give up our allegiance to the Queen. No matter what may be the action of the United States we will stand by our allegiance; we will not desert the country to which we are so deeply attached, and the institutions we revere. (Loud and continued applause.

# INTERVIEWS WITH MINISTERS. INSOLVENCY.

The Boards of Trade of Toronto and Hamilton did not fail to take the opportunity of Sir John Macdonald's visit to Toronto to bring before him the highly important question of insolvency legislation. They were assured that he was in accord with them, but we fear from his advising them to bring the matter before Parliament that there is not much hope that the question will be taken up by the Government, and unless it is, there is but slight hope of a satisfactory result. It is well known that there is opposition in some influential quarters to any provision being made for the discharge of the insolvent, and yet it is well known that this must be an essential feature in any legislation on the subject by the Dominion Parliament. The late English act has very stringent provisions in regard to the discharge of insolvent debtors, and it would be desirable as we are so near the time of the meeting of Parliament that the principal Boards of Trade should endeavor to secure united action on this important subject.

#### WHEAT AND FLOUR DUTIES.

The Ministers were likewise waited on by a deputation of millers on the subject of the duties on flour and wheat. It is certainly a most objectionable feature in the tariff that the duty on the raw material should be higher than on the manufactured article, and it has been an unceasing subject of complaint by the proprietors of mills. The Ministers who received the representatives of the millers were Sir John Macdonald and Sir Leonard Tilley, and they obtained a promise that careful consideration should be given to the matter. The wonder is how the committee of ways and means could have adoptedla duty of 15 cents a bushel on wheat concurrently with 50 cents a barrel on flour. Unless the duty on flour is raised, which would not be popular in the Eastern Provinces, the wheat duty should certainly be placed not higher than ten cents.

#### THE BANK RETURNS.

The usual comparative abstracts of the bank returns of 30 Nov. will be found at foot. The circulation and bank deposits have both been reduced considerably, and on the other hand the discounts and loans to corporations have also been reduced in proportion. There has been an increase in the overdue notes. The returns afford a strong indication of the commercial depression which is but too

prevalent. The banks are evidently pursuing a policy of caution, and while their liabilities have been reduced their available assets have increased, and we notice with satisfaction an increase in the specie reserve, and a decrease in the Dominion notes. It appears from the Government Dominion note return that the large denominations of \$500 and \$1000 have been reduced by nearly a million during 'November, and are lower than for many months. This is a step in right the direction:—

	Nov., 1884.	Oct., 1884.	Nov., 1883.	Nov., 1874.
Capital authorized	\$71,896,666	\$71,896,666	\$69,396,666	\$74,566,666
Capital subscribed			63,560,134	69,964,116
Capital paid up	61,579,333	61,565,333	61,413,833	62,922,272
Reserve fund (Rest)	18,529,129	18,479,129	17,365,724	********
L1/	BILITIES.			
Circulation	33,653,945	\$33,998,080	\$34,007,350	\$30,384,289
Dom. Gov. deposits on demand	3,517,833	2,986,261	4,296,480	6,667,343
Dom. Gov. deposits payable after notice	130,000	130,000	3,290,000	5,405,964
Deposits sec'g Gov. Contracts & Insur	602,753	599,322	1,015,404	
Prov. Gov. deposits payable on demand	563,522	613,044	508,036	1,365.512
Prov. Gov. deposits payable after notice	2,034,541	2,081,372	2,587,047	3,479,762
Other deposits on demand	41,615,173	43,055,948	43,779,054	36,194,410
Other deposits payable after notice	49,574,166	49,541,275	52,453,630	33,832,000
Loans or deposits from other Bks. secured	342,563	405,749	14,000	*********
Do by other Can. Banks, unsecured	1,179,622	1,409,194	1,174,429	
Due Banks in Canada	1,361,122	1,301,872	1,284,976	1,757,394
Do. in foreign countries	96,302	59,537	101,719	698,036
Do. in the United Kingdom	688,316	522,853	1,396,944	9,073,603
Other liabilities	351,922	127,534	419,517	679,810
Total liabilities	3135,711,720	\$136,832,041	\$146,328,576	\$128,449,075
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ASSI	ETS.		•	
Specie	\$7,939,912	\$7,529,076	\$6,115,010	\$8,337,186
Dominion notes	10,757,311	11,659,397	10,646,801	9,999,781
Notes and cheques on other Banks	5,105,993		5,590,921	5,606,613
Due from Banks in Canada	2,749,330	3,024,630	3,275,202	3,591,856
Due from Age's or B'ks in for'n. countries		12,538,673	19,301,745	10,154,449
Ditto in the United Kingdom	5,244,480	4,521,389	4,823,300	1,852,189
Available Assets	\$44,971,853	\$44,916,727	\$49,752,979	\$39,542,074
Gov. debentures or Stock	1,249,479	\$993,229	\$900,722	\$1,369,323
Loans to Dom. Govt	1,172,330	945,417	700,988	72,168
Do. Prov. Govt	1,026,489	855,553	1,918,919	17,311
Securities other than Canadian	1,539,386	1,520,800	1,346,049	***********
Loans on stocks, bonds, debntrs. Can. or for'n	11,966,409	11,544,005	10,704,861 1,225,220	11,199,149
Loans to Municipal Corporations	{ 1,600,415 { 14,901,827	{ 1,687,054 15,814,451	14,434,258	3,357,114
Loans or deposits in other Banks, secured	535,833	694,816	326,545	
Loans to or Deps. in other Bks., unsecured		438,334	376,285	1190.000 500
Discounts		126,290,548	134,413,114	
Notes overdue not specially secured		3,001,684	2,275,711	1,623,770
Overdue notes, secured	2,840,676	2,681,758	2,110,341	1,554,069
Real Estate		1,198,740	1,104,156	560,158
Mortgages on Real Estate sold by Banks	822,775	825,653	852,373	3,788,249
Other Assets	3,190,900 2,380,206	3,184,673 2,419,612	3,038,299 2,400,041	2,719,077
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Total Assets	3218,038,375	\$219,013,054	\$227,880,891	\$203,783,525
Directors' Liabilities	7,731,513	7,797,129	7,607,940	
Av'ge Amt. Specie during month	7,694,560	7,464,957	6,669,255	******
Av'ge Dom. Notes during month	11,195,158	11,449,372	11,057,913	*****
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THE ST. LAWRENCE CHANNEL.

We fear very much that it is a vain task to undertake to convince the Hamilton Spectator that freight can be carried cheaper in ocean sailing ships than in inland craft, whether propellers or barges. There is no analogy whatever between the position of Albany, and that of Montreal. New York has been always the great distributing port of the States, with a population over twelve times that of Albany. Montreal has been the distributing port of the St. Lawrence, with a population double that of Quebec, and, long before the improvement of the channel, vessels; brought all the cargo they could to Montreal, lightering what they were unable to carry. We cannot place the question more satisfactorily before our readers than by copying the following extract from a late report of the Harbor Commissioners:

The Commissioners would have been glad had the Government seen their way to deal with the past and future deepening of the channel according to their memorial of 15th of November last, by placing it among the public works of the Dominion. There is no doubt when the question becomes better understood than it is at present by the public generally, the time will yet come when it will be so dealt with as bearing on this question. At my request returns have been furnished me by all the leading steamship companies trading to this port, from which I find that of every handred tons of goods they carried from Europe to this side the following were the proportions:—

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•	cent.
Landed at Quebec for Quebec Landed at Point Levi for Western	5.02
points	2.81
Landed at Montreal for Western points	25,66
Landed at Montreal for Montreal	66.51
Total	100.00
Or, to put it in another way, I estim	ate that
	Tons.
At Quebec for Quebec	25,000
At Point Levi for Western points	15,000
At Montreal for Western points	127,500
At Montreal for Montreal	332,500
Malsing a total of	500 000

proceeds, still lessen the cost. Then for goods coming inward, those for the West amounting to 25 per cent., are also cheapened, while those for Montreal, 665 per cent., are not only carried at one-third the price they would be by propeller, but are saved two handlings as compared with what would have been the case had the channel never been deepened. Who can gainsny that the deepened channel is not a benefit to the country at large?

We should infer from the remarks of the Spectator on the expenditure on the channel that he is wholly unaware of the fact that in the first session of the Union Parliament," in 1841. when the recommendation of the Covernment to undertake public works, with the guaranteed loan of £1,500,000 sterling, was made, the improvement of the St. Lawrence unvigation between Montreal and Queoec was specially referred to. The fact that the Harbor Commissioners, the chairman of which is appointed by the Covernment, charged with the supervision of the channel improvement does not remove it from the category of public works. It was found more convenient, in view of the character of the work, that it should be placed in the charge of a local board instead of under the Public Works Department.

#### A CRISIS IN SUGAR.

The threes of the sugar market do not appear to be at an end, the growers of beet root having become as keen sufferers as the planters of cane, in proof whereof we point to the serious and alarming embarrassments which have overtaken a number of German and Austrian firms connected with the production of beet sugar. So wide-spread indeed has been the ailment, that even large financial institution in the countries referred to have felt its effects, and have been shaken to their foundations. In England, buyers act as if they had less confidence in any general improvement than ever, and consequently make provision only for the requirements as they arise. Last week the depression in the London market was most unprecedented, public as well as private cables received here and in New York, announcing decline after decline in such rapid succession, that prices touched the lowest points of the year, and in fact, the lowest ever before known, a cable despatch stating that three cargoes of Java were sold on Friday last at the lowest price hitherto accepted. The fact is that every market in the world is completely demoralized, and the lower values go, the more supplies seem to crowd upon the market. Here a cargo of Pernambuco was sold to a city refiner last week, but

although exact terms did not transpire the price is known to be the lowest that was ever accepted on this market before for that class of sugar. Cable advices from the Philippine Islands to December 15 show that 67,045 tons had sailed for the United States, and 4,855 tons for Canada, since January 1st, against 126,794 tons for the United States and 2,969 tons for Canada for same time last year: 16,457 tons are now affoat for the United States against 32,645, tons for same time last year. Manilla superior was quoted £10 10s c. & f. Beet root sugar has sold as low as 9s 103d, but it is feared that the worst of the depression in Germany, France and Austria has not yet been seen. Letters just received in this city from Madgeburg, Germany, state that business has suddenly collapsed, the sales of beet sugar in that important centre having fallen off from 325,000 cwt. on Nov. 13th to 27,-000 cwt. on Nov. 29th, which shows a decrease of 298,000 cwt. in about two weeks. Although very unfavorable features mar the course of the market, it is not without some redeeming qualities, it being estimated that the consumption of sugar in Canada has increased nearly 30 per cent under low prices, whilst in the United States it has increased over 30 per cent. A cable despatch from London states: Receipts at the four ports, U.K., for the week ending Dec. 13th, were 15,000 tons. Deliveries 16,500 tons. Stock decreased 1,500 tons. Excess over last year 26,709 tons. Java, No. 15, at 13s 9d; 96 deg. centrifugal, 13s 6d. Fair refining, 11s 0d. Beets, prompt delivery, 10s Od. Cane weak and very active. Beet dull in all positions.

#### THE EXCHANGE BANK.

Rumors have been industriously circulated of late, that it is the intention of the liquidators of the Exchange Bank to institute actions against the late directors of that Bank to test their liability for losses sustained by debtors to the If we are not mistaken such actions could only be taken in pursuance of an order from the Court, and it is, to say the least, very doubtful if any judge would grant such an order. The unfortunate creditors of the Exchange Bank are not much inclined to spend more money in legal proceedings, and it is tolerably well known that the principal losses which constitute the ground of action were the result of loans made without the knowledge of the directors. It is in evidence that Mr. Thomas Craig acknowledged when under examination

that the loans to Mr. Beard were not entered in the books of the bank. Even however if the directors had been cognizant of these transactions it would be necessary to prove further that they had had some personal objects to gain, whereas the presumption would be that they had committed an error of judgment. It is not to be supposed that the parties, who are moving in regard to these actions, can be shut out from obtaining redress if they think that they have a good case. There are precedents which we venture to think ought to be followed in the interest of the creditors. It is open to any number of shareholders, who may think that they can recover from the directors, to commence actions on their own account and at their own risk, but this is widely different from engaging in speculative actions at the cost of creditors who have no desire to engage in them. It seems to us that before granting an order, a meeting of creditors should be held so as to give all an opportunity of expressing their opinions.

CATTLE TRADE.-Referring to the report that Canadian stock feeders are preparing fewer cattle for shipment, Liverpost papers think the shippers in the Dominion must look to other causes for the condition of the market. The total receipts of cattle in England during the nine months ending September 30, were 251,268 head, valued at £5,579,854, or an average of £22 5s 1½d each. During the same time in 1883, the number was 278,735, valued at £0,003, 213, or an average of about 12s per head less than last year. The number of cattle from than last year. The number of cattle from Canada during the first nine months of 1884 was 41,378, valued at £886,784, or an average of \$103.71. The number received from Canada of \$103.71. The number received from Canada during the same period in 1883 was 38,692, costing £849,501, or an average of \$106.48, or \$2.77 more than the average price of the Canadian cattle of the present year. From this it would appear that while the average price per heart of the average was well as the same of the property of the sattle vaccing from all capacity are same and the same of the sattle would appear that while the average price per the sattle would appear that while the average price per the sattle would appear that while the same and same are same as we can always the same and same are same as the same and same are same as we same as the same are same as we same as the same are same as the same are same as we same as the same are same are same as the same are same as the same are same as the same are same are same as the same are same as the same are same are same are same as the same are same a would appear that while the average price per head of the cattle received from all sources was about 12s, more than last year, the average of Canadian cattle was a little over S. less than last year. "This depreciation in price, says the Mircury, is undoubtedly attributable to the fact that in many instances the Canadians have been shipping inferior stock. Instead of degreesing their berds during the winter the decreasing their herds during the winter, the Canadian stock-feeders should endeavor to improve their breeds of cattle. Feeding stuffs are lower in price than they have ever been, and Canadians should not lose sight of the advantages which they have in loading and driving their eattle alive to our markets."

UNPROFITABLE STOCKS,-A story is told of an old farmer in New Jersey who, in opening an account at a bank not long since, presented among other cheques one for \$172 drawn in his favor in 1872 by a commission house in New York. He had received it for produce sent the merchant twelve years ago, and put it away in the stocking that held his gold and silver. The check was duly honored, though the merchant had often wondered where it had flown to. He had the use of his money all these years, the farmer losing in interest, \$123.84. This undoubtedly seems like a ludicrous instance of pure verdancy, but it finds a parallel in the un-

wisdom of certain dealers, who hastily purchase stocks of trash, poor in quality, meager in variety, and utterly lacking in style. Goods thus purchased are tied up, as it were, in an old stocking, and are destined to remain on the shelves month after month, when they might be, and ought to be, turning themselves over and over again. Profits depend on the frequency with which stocks age turned over, and the quick sales of goods depend on taste in selection and aptness in the difficult art of buying. To get all the profit out of any business, the whole strength and force of a man's ability ing. To get all the pront out of any business, the whole strength and force of a man's ability should be directed to the buying of goods, and then it is time enough to go at the no less difficult task of selling them. But careful buying makes speedy selling a pleasure instead of a burden, a delight instead of a torture.

CONFIDENCE AMONG BANKS-It is perhaps to be regretted that there is not more confidence among bankers concerning customers who are known to have business relations with two or more banks. Occasional loss all around might more banks. Occasional loss all around might thus be avoided, and the customer possibly saved from himself—sometimes his own worst enemy—and spared the humiliation of bankruptey and ruin. Had the two or three banks, who bought without recourse the large quantities of paper floated by a recent bankrupt house in this city only given a hint of the transactions to the Bank which was well-known to have the regular account, the course downward might have been arrested before the estate reached a probable, twenty per cent of commune might have been arrested before the estate reached a probable twenty per cent of liabilities: A timely word of caution might have averted the ruin that has befallen if one only knew when to administer it. Of course the many will say, "Who could have suspected?"

A STATEMENT of the affairs of C. E. Dion, Quebec, dry goods merchant, has been submitted, and is as follows:

Assets

Stock	10410	81
Fixtures	268	
Book debts	423	48

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Liabilities.		
Ordinary claims	\$8305	4)
Rent and taxes	514	ő:
Surplus	2283	1

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The insolvent, backed by his brother-in-law Mr. C. Bergevin makes an offer in round figures of \$5,200, which would give 50c cash, or a trifle over, on all claims.

THE London (Ont.) . Co-operative Supply As ociation, after a year's operations, was recently seized upon for rent due Mr. W. R. Vining of the London Mutual, and the whole stock in trade was sold at auction by bailiff, realizing S124. The claim for rent was \$95, and the bailiff's costs will cover the proceeds. A horse belonging to the Association, possibly foreseeing the end, marched off just in time with the delivery wagon, and these are the only assets remaining. Phillips & Dean, builders, Toronto, have failed, with habilities of about \$10,000.

THE POWER OF CORPORATION .- An important ruling has just been made by Judge Rose in the matter of the London East Water-works by-law. The case stands thus works by-law. The case stands thus-The Corporation of that municipality were authorized by a by-law passed under the Act to issue debentures for \$40,000, which being all expended they submitted a fresh by-law for \$50,000 more. This second by-law was contested on the part of a ratepayer, Mr. Samuel

Grawford, on several grounds, one of which was that the Gorporation having already passed a by-law for \$40,000 had no right to submit another at all for the same work. The case was argued some days ago, and yesterday Messrs. Fraser & Fraser, acting for Mr. Crawford, received notice from their agents in Toronto that Judge Rose had given a judgment evading the point at issue, but affirming a principle which must rather startle the ratepayers in every municipality, and cause them to look more sharply after their appropriations than some of them have been in the habit of doing. The effect of the judgment is that, inasmuch ing. The effect of the judgment is that, inasmuch as the money was required for an extension of the original work, no second by-haw was necessary to be passed, but that the Gouncil were warranted under the first appropriation in going on and expending any sum called for up to the full amount which the Act gave the people liberty to expend. In this instance the Act fixes the amount to be raised for the purpose at \$100,000. Then the Gouncil having taken power from the people by by-haw to expend \$40,000, on finding that insufficient, were at liberty to expend \$60,000 in addition without further reference to the people, provided that for the reference to the people, provided that it was applied to an extension of the same work. If this is the law, it will rest with rate-payers generally to be very careful in future as to the kind of men they put in charge of their financial administration for it would be on to the kind of men they put in charge of their financial administration, for it would be an easy matter for a designing clique in any special case to pull the wool over their eyes. For instance, supposing a case where the Act of the Legeslature gave power to a city or town to raise \$26,000 for a certain public work. A dishonest set of Councilmen may get a by-law passed authorizing the expenditure of \$10,000, and on the strength of it proceed at their own discretion to expend any sum up to \$200,000. That appears to be the present ruling of Judge Rose. It is intended, we understand, to appeal from his Lordships' decision.—Ingersoll Chronicle.

Discussing the cotton question the Man-chester Guardian has the following:—"For the moment the outlook in our market is not at all encouraging. The channels of distribu-tion drawing supplies from this centre are very well filled at low rates, and the production has for some time to come been put under contract. Buyers are consequently able to hold out at present against an advance of prices, and they are increasing this power very freely just now. Producers complain on all hands of the difficulty of securing even a substantial portion of the recently increased cost of production, and there can be no doubt that the complaint is well founded. It is scarcely possible to see in what way the present struggle between buyers and selfers will terminate. There can be no doubt, however, that this is a question which is most seriously engaging the attention of buy-ers ane sellers, and that unless prices in the distributing markets can be speedily raised the production must soon be largely reduced. Already, indeed, we hear of looms being stop-ped for want of orders."

#### FIRE RECORD.

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New Brunswick.—Woodstock, Dec. 16.—A fire occurred here, destroying the following places:—McDougall's tailor shop, Boyd's wooden building, McAffee's and H. R. Baird's brick buildings, Whenman's wooden building, Loane's wooden building. The business places cleared out are: Thomas Hall, book store, George Dent, barber, C. R. Watson, musical instruments and sewing machines, James Boyd, groceries, and the t-nement overhead occupied by himself, John McAffee, tinshop, and a dressmaking shop on the second flat, H. R. Baird's drug store, Ohas. H. Whenman, occupying the tenement overhead, James D. Reid, harness shop, Misses Dawson's millinery store, the upper flats being occupied as a boarding house by Edward Shaughnessy, Jas. Mercer's restaurant, and G. H. Sloat's musical instruments. Total loss supposed to be \$50,900.

MANITORA—Medicine Hut, Nov. 27.—The Lansdowne Hotel, Bradley's eigar store and dwelling, and a saloon close by, burned to the ground. Nothing was saved from the hotel. The total loss is \$5,000; amount of insurance not known.

Nova Scotla.—Cape Canso, Dec. 17.—J. Cullen's barn destroyed with contents. Loss \$500, no insurance.

PRINGE EDWARD ISLAND.—Belfust, Dec. 19.— The Mill View creamery destroyed with contents. Insured in Queen's for \$4,800.

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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

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If the wholesale trade during the past week has exhibited the duliness which usually characterizes it in holiday times, the retail business has developed into marked activity, which contrasts strangely with the cry of dull times. Between now and New Years, wholesale transactions will be as scarce as choice turkeys have been within the past few days; and it is just as well that it should be so, or business men would not enjoy the fullness of Yuletide blessings and festivities. matters have been exceedingly dull during the week, funds being as abundant as ever, and the right kind of borrowers about as scarce-Sterling Exchange has declined to 7 3-8e to 8 premium for sixties between banks and to 8%c premium for demand bills. Counter rates are quoted at 8} premium for sixties and 9 1-8 for demand. Drafts on New York at par between banks and 1-8 premium over the counter. The Montreal Stock Exchange has ruled very dull, and will doubtlessly remain so until after the holidays. The [quotations of and business in Montreal stocks during the week were as

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follows:

ASHES.—Receipts though moderate are larger than expected, and with a greatly depressed market prices have receded to \$3.60 for first Pots and \$3.00 for Seconds. Pearls are dull and nominal. Receipts since 1st Jan. 6232 brls Pots 836 brls Pearls. Deliveries 6152 brls Pots, 760 brls Pearls. Stock in store at 6 p.m. on Tuesday evening, 1397 brls Pots, 201 brls Pearls.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—The situation is unchanged from last week, manufacturers reporting business very quiet, although some have had fair sprinkling of spring orders. But there will be no stir in anything until after New Years, when both dealers and manufacturers expect to do a much better business. Jobbers have been fairly active, a large proportion of the sales being for cash, or on 10 and 20 days. Remittances continue fair.

COAL.—The effect of the late severely cold weather was to bring in a batch of orders, but they were all small, and the volume of business was therefore not much increased thereby. Prices have ruled steady, stove and chestnut selling at \$6 per net ton delivered, and egg and furnace at \$5.75. Steam coal remains quiet but firm, Scotch being quoted at \$5 to \$5.25. Pictou at \$4.50, and Cape Breton \$4 per ton.

DARRY PRODUCE .- Butter-The market has in nowise altered since last week, dullness and weakness being still prominent features in the situation. Stocks are accumulating, and the export outlet appears to be narrowing down to a complete block. What a continuance of frosty weather will do in England remains to be proved, but so far nothing encouraging from that quarter has been received. Holders of Western butter are still worrying parties here as to what they had better do with their goods. The only thing that we can advise is to ship in their butter to firms here, so that it is ready to strike the first demand that might perchance spring up. Roll butter is arriving a little more freely and selling at 14c to 17c for barrels and boxes, according to quality. The shipments last week from Portland were 1816 packages, of which 974, were on Western and 842 on Montreal account. Cheese-A better enquiry is rereal account. Cheese—A certer capacity ported from the other side, with business at 12½c. If holders were disposed to accept 12c 12]c. It holders were disposed to accept 12c for fine fall goods any amount of business, would be possible, but 12]c to 12]c are the asking rates. It is not expected that much trading will transpire until after New Years. The shipments from Portland last week were 9,940 boxes against 5,356 boxes for the same period last year.

Dressed Poultry, etc.—There has been a marked scarcity of turkeys and geese during the week, and prices have consequently ruled high, the former having sold readily at 12c per 1b., a few lots of fancy birds fetching even a better figure. Geese sold at 7c to 9c, and chickens at about the same range. Ducks are dear, sales being reported at 10c to 12c. In game the receipts of deer have somewhat increased, and holders have had to accept 5c to 5½c in order to get rid of supplies. Partridges are easier under freer offerings, which have sold at 40c to 50c per pair. Hares 20c per pair.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—A fair trade in the aggregate has transpired in general drugs at steady prices. The advance in quinine quoted last week has been maintained, and a further upward movement is confidently expected. Quinine in bulk has sold at \$1 to \$1.05 in New York. In other drugs no material change is

reported. In chemicals a very small business has taken place since this day week. Bleaching powder is less firm, and some think it could be bought on assier terms.

Day Goods.—It will be in vain to expect anything but extreme quietness in this department until after the holidays, when travellers will commence to take the rond with Spring samples. The large sale of cotton reported by us last week has produced a decidedly better feeling, and an advance in the price of white cottons is freely spoken of as not improbable soon after New Years: A few spring orders for Canadian tweeds have been received during the week but, apart from that, there is little else doing. Remittances are not as good as they should be, parties who were never before known to give notes having been compelled to do so within the past week, which shows how difficult it is to make collections when such men cannot remit promptly.

EGGS.—A little better enquiry has been experienced, and prices may be quoted steady, in sympathy with the New York and Boston markets. Sales of held stock have transpired at 20c to 21c, with 22c obtainable in a few instances. Of course strictly new-laid stock would command much higher figures. Limed eggs are quiet at 19c to 20.

Fish.—The enquiry is very limited, and business is confined to jobbing transactions almost exclusively. Prices are quoted as follows:—Labrador herring \$5.75 to \$6. Cape Breton herring \$4.50 to \$5.00. Green Cod \$4 for No. 1, \$4.50 to \$5.00 for No. 1 large. Dry cod dull at \$4 to \$4.25 Gaspe, \$3.50 to \$5.75 Nova Scotia and American. Salmon in bbls. \$12.50, \$11.50 and \$10 per bbl., for Nos 1, 2 and 3, and at

GRAIN AND FLOUR.-There has been more enquiry for wheat during the past few days on English accounts, all offers having been taken by return cable. Engagements have been made at 39c per 100 lbs. on wheat from points West of Toronto through to Liverpool via Portland. Holders are asking more money for No. 2 red winter wheat in Western Ontario, 77c per bushel being now asked for a cargo. Prices here in car lots are quoted at 83c to 86c for No. 2 Canada red and white winter, and 82c to 85c for No. 2 spring. Regarding the improved feeling in wheat, New York advices state :- " A basis for the change for the better is found in the falling off in the movement of spring wheat and the more current view that the maximum of the spring wheat movement has been passed. The "shorts" are the con-spicuous buyers. There has been also some spicuous buyers. There has been also some under-handed buying for good long account, although not much of either. It is altogether a question of receipts from this out; if, as many choose to believe, the movement of wheat has attained high-water mark, there will be some extensive buying on speculative account without reference to the outward movement of though with a good expect a great of the course of t ment, although, with a good export demand added, a sharp advance in prices would be natural. As to the probabilities of an active business with exporters, opinion makers differ, but he account of the probabilities of th but no one seems to expect much in this way till after the holidays are over. The feeling at the West is more "bullish," but the sentiment is resting entirely upon the assumption that the is resting entirely upon the assumption that the movement of spring wheat is to fall off. A bar to much advance here has been the stories of grain failures, actual and threatened, in the United Kingdom, notably at London; these have served to somewhat disturb the confidence of the "bulls," and buying has been conservative." In this market there has been no business in pass or sand which had determined the statement of the state business in peas on spot, which are held at

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72c to 73c, but buyers views are several cents lower. Corn is nominal at 54c to 55c for Ontario; oats, 31½c to 32½c; barley, 55c to 65c as to quality, rye nominal, at 57c to 60c. The flour market has shown a little better movement in some quarters, although it has not yet been general. Prices, however, are still as low as ever. Oatmeal \$4 to \$4.25 for ordinary, and at \$4.40 to \$4.60 for granulated; cornmeal, \$3.20 to \$3.50. Pot barley \$4.25 per bbl., and pearl burley \$6.25 to \$6.75. Bran, \$13 to \$15 per ton, and shorts \$15 to \$17. 72c to 73c, but buyers views are several cents

GREEN FRUIT .- A very quiet feeling pervades the apple market, the principal business on spot being of a jobbing character. To sell car lots \$2 to \$2.15 is all that could be obtained at the moment for good fruit. Sales are reported the moment for good fruit. Sales are reported in a jobbing way, however at \$2.50 to \$3 per bbl. for choice fruit. Advices from England are not very cheering for shippers, who have made very little money so far on any of their shipments, whilst some of them lost money. Oranges in fair demand at \$6.25 to \$6.75 per constant learners at \$2 to \$4 per her. Oranges. Oranges in fair demand at \$6.25 to \$6.75 per case and lemons at \$3 to \$4 per box. Cranberries scarce and dear, choice Cape Cod selling at \$16 to \$17 per bbt., ordinary at \$9 to \$11. Pears—Beurre D'Anjou, Beurre Boose, and Sheldons \$6 to \$7.50 per box. Dates—New 7c to \$c per lb., and old at 4c to 5c. Evaporated apples 8c to 9½ per lb., dried apples difficult to sell at 5c to 6c. Almeria grapes are turning out very poorly, and prices have a wide range of \$3 to \$7 per keg, according to quality. quality.

GROCERIES .- The Sugar market has again relapsed into a despondent condition, and sellers have found it necessary to shade prices in order to turn the goods into funds, standard granulated having been sold as low as 6c for a large quantity, but prices for the ordinary run of sales are 6½c to 6½c. Yellows are also quiet and depressed, at 4½c to 43-8 for low grades, good to choice brights being quoted at 4½c to 5½c. In raw sugar there have been no fresh transactions. Foreign advices continue very discouraging to holders. Molasses are quiet, but it is rumored that a city refiner has intentions of racking a raid on stocks here if the but it is rumored that it city remer has inten-tions of making a raid on stocks here if the figures are low enough. Barbadoes are nominally quoted at 31½ to 32½c, and Antigua at 20c to 21c. The fruit market is steady. Valencia raisins are exceedingly scarce, whole-sale houses having had to beg from retailers to fill small but pressing orders. For round lots, 9½ to 9½ c could be realized. In Eleme raisins there has been a large sale of 3,000 boxes at there has been a large sale of 3,000 boxes at

7c, but it was a forced sale ordered by the Bank out of the estate of Tiffin Bros. Prices are now quoted at 710 to 8c, most of the above lot having been resold. Malaga raisins are scarce at \$2.00 for loose muscatels and at \$3.25 to \$3.50 for London layers. Sultanas 6½c to \$5.50 for London layers. Sultanas 6½c to 7c. Currants 4¾c to 5½c. In figs, pound boxes are quoted at 1½c to 1½c, 10 lbs. at 11c to 1½c, and mats at 4c to 4½c. Choice bags of Eleme 7c. Prunes very quiet at 4½c. In nuts there is a good demand. 7c. Prunes very quiet at 4]c. In nuts there is a good demand. Provence almonds 12c; Tarragonas 13c. Filberts scarce under a better demand. Walnuts unchanged. Coffee and spices are unchanged. The tea market is quiet and steady with a fair country distribution going on in Japans, which are quoted as follows:—Low grades 14c to 16c, medium to good 20c to 25c, fine 26c to 29c, and finest 31c, to 35c. In rice there is a very small movement and prices are quoted at \$3.50. The New York market is quoted as follows:—Attractive grades indeed are quite firm, owing to scant accumulations and generally good control both accumulations, and generally good control both here and at the South. Most of the financially strong planters are holding with full con-fidence in higher prices after the turn of the

IRON AND HARDWARE .- The pig-iron market is very quiet, as usual at this season, although there have been sales of Siemens for Western delivery and of Summerlee for January delivery on Western account, on the basis of prices here, which are quoted as follows :-Siemens \$18 to \$18.50; Collness, \$20 to \$20.-50 ; Langloan, \$20 to \$19.50 ; Calder, Gartsherrie and Summerlee, \$18, \$18.50 to \$19 sherric and Summerlee, \$18, \$18.50 to \$19
Dalmellington, \$17 to 17.50; and Eglinton \$16.50 to \$17. Finished iron quiet, bars \$1.70 to \$1.75; sheets \$2.40 to \$2.60; plates, \$2.50 to \$2.75. Tin plates, I. C. charcoal \$4.40 to \$4.50, and I. O. coke \$4. Ingot tin 20c to 21c; copper 15c; lead dull at \$4c. The following extract taken from the English letter of the American Manufacturer and Iron World, gives the following graphic picture of the deployable American managacturer and from Norta, gives the following graphic picture of the deplorable condition of the iron operatives of the North of England: The suffering amongst the iron-workers in the North of England is very sad. Private help is being given in the form of soup kitchens, and so forth, amongst other places at Witton Park and Bishop Auckland. That ali this, and more, is needed is conclusive from the testimony at Bishop Auckland on Thursday of a former secretary of the Ironworkers' Union at Witton Park, who said at Middlesborough he had just seen at one works children actually naked without any clothing whatever, standing outside, begging of the men as they felt their work, in the hope that they would have something left in their bate cans." He had been 66 years in the trade, he continued, but he never knew times as bad as at present. Although considerable improvement is reported in American iron the market for Scotch pig iron in New York is reported as follows; Scotch pig is unsettled and weak in value. with the movement very moderate and merely trifling. We quote: \$18.50 for Eglinton, \$19.00 for Dalmellington, \$19.50 for Glengaraock, \$20.50 for Gartsherrie, \$20.50 for Summerlee, \$21.50 for Langloan, and \$21.75 for Coltness. Hardware is quiet, and prices are unchanged.

Hides, erc .- Montreal No. 1 inspected hides are in good deman !, and meet with realy sale at 91c for No. 1. Green city hides have been taken at 8½c to 7½c and 6½c for Nos. 1, 2, and 3. Toronto hides are quiet but steady at 91c No. 1 and 9c No. 2, and Hamilton at 91c No. 1 and 8 c No. 2. A sale of bull hides is reported at 8c No. 1 Western buff is quoted at 9½c. Manitoba dry flints 15½c to 16c. Chicago calf-skins 13½c to 14c. Sheepskins firm at 80c.

Hors .- This market shows not the slightest signs of improvement in prices, although at the recent low figures ruling a little better volume in transactions is noticed, the last sale of a very fine lot of Eastern Townships being reported at 121c. Prices are quoted more or less nominal at 10c to 121c for fair to choice and 6c to 9c for common.

NAVAL STORES. - Spirits of turpentine remains in the same quiet condition as noticed last week, a few small lots having changed hands at 50c. Rosins are dull, but prices are steady at \$2.50 for common up to \$4.50 for fine pale. In other stores there is no particular change.

Ous .- The movement in fish oils during the week has been of a very limited character, at prices which do not indicate any material change in values, although the tendency appears to favor an easier market. Prices are quoted as follows:-Steam refined seal 59c to 60c, pale seal 55c to 56c, and straw seal 52c to 53c. Cod oil 58c to 59c for Newfoundland, 56c to 57c for Gaspe, and 54c to 55c for Halifax.
Cod liver oil has sold at\$1.25, and prices range
from \$1.25 to \$1.30: Olive oil 95c to \$1.05.
Linseed oil quiet at 57c to 58c for raw and 60c to 61c for boiled.

\$15.50 to \$16.50 for trerces. Until the Lenten demand sets in no important movement is expected in pickled fish.

PETROLEUM.—The market is unchanged, 17 to being still the quoted rate for refined oil in this market. Broken lots have been placed at 18c and single burrels at 182c to 19c.

Provisions.—The market for pork is firmer in sympathy with recent stronger developments in Chicago, and prices here are fully 25c per bbl. higher. Chicago short cut clear pork being now quoted at \$15.50 to \$16.00, and Chicago mess pork at \$15.50 to \$15.50. Lard is steady at 10½ to 10½ c per lb. for Western in pails, and at 10¢ to 10½ c for Canadian. Regarding the recent upturn in the market, New York advices state: "As far as the relation of supply and legitimate demand is concerned, nothing is presented that would induce buying, and the attitude of the large operators, being somewhat sphynx-like, is certainly not elating to outsiders, who are looking for "straws." The only new point coming to the surface was the allogation of Chicago parties that hogs are falling off in quality and weight, and that the latter averages 40 bs. per head less than it did a short time ago. When the cheapness of corn and the liberal manner in which it is being fed to logs is taken into consideration, this statement is, however, open to criticism." In this dressed hogs have stillened in price during the week, and quotations are now \$6.25 to \$6.50 per 100 lbs. Tallow is quict at 7c to 74c per lb.

Raw Fuss.—Quite a number of lots of miscellaneous furs have arrived during the week but, as the only demand is on export account dealers are very cautious in their operations, as advices from England are very discouraging. Quotatious are as fallows:—Beaver, fall, per lb. \$2.75 to \$3.25; beaver, winter, per lb, \$3 to \$3.50; bear, large, per skin, \$8 to \$12; bear, cut, \$8 to \$7; fisher, \$4 to \$7; red fox, \$1 to \$1.25; cross fox, \$2.50 to \$5; mink, large dark, \$1 to \$1.25; mink, small, 50c to 75c; muskrat, 8c to 10c; otter, large

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SEEDS.—The market is quiet and unchanged, very few lots of red clover, if any, having arrived here yet, and prices are quoted as follows: Red clover \$5 to \$5.50 per bushel; Alsike \$8 to \$9, and Timothy \$2 per bushel.

Wines and Sphars.—The usual jobbing demand is all that is reported at the following prices: Brandy in cases, \$10.75 to \$11 for Hennessy's, \$10.75 for Martel's, and \$10.75 for Ourld, Dupuy and Co.'s; claret, \$3 upward, ports, \$1.10 to \$6; sherries, \$1.10 to \$6, as to quality; and champagne, \$11 to \$25 per dozen as to quality; Jamaica rum, \$2.50 to \$2.99 for 16 o. p.

Woon. - During the past week very little has transpired in the way of business. A part cargo of Cape wool has just arrived at Boston, but very few sales have as yet been made therefrom. Quodations are as follows: -- Greasy Cape 164c to 17c, Australian 19c to 30c, Canadian A Supers 26c to 274c, B Supers 20c to 244c, unassorted pulled 18c to 24c, fleece 17c to 19c.

# TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS. (Revised by Telegraph.)

Toronto, Dec. 24, 1884.

If it were possible for hard weather to operate in the way of increasing the movement of goods and produce the result should be felt instantly. And in some way or other the keen cold will have an effect. There will be more goods bought, whether they are paid for or not. There is even now a growing discontent among the wholesale trade at the delayed payments of accounts that are many months overdue. Renewal notes have become sickening. The retail dealers are help-

ess. The trade in cities and towns has been dull, and money has been scarce. It is expected that money will be scarcer in the coming months than it was even in the past. And the farmers have not responded in full, in the way of settlement, the excuse is the low price of wheat. This excuse will have to give way before the pressure for cash. The trade cannot keep from loss by the delays in customers paying their bills. It is difficult for the small dealer to keep his interest account straight, and murmurs are coming in from the country. Still the insolvent statement does not show any alarming proportions. The abundance of money and a robust confidence on the part of the banks have carried commercial affairs along in a most grateful fashion. This confidence is reasonable. The bulk of the wheat crop is yet to be sold. Clover seed is still to come forward, and the hay crop will realize largely. The trouble does not seem to be so largely with what goods are in the small dealers' hands as with what is left on wholesale shelves. In this way the wholesale basiness in some branches is embarrassing, and, taking it altogether, trade for the next five months will bear to be described as barely profitable. Financial affairs are without change in feature. Lending institutions continue to offer abundant means. Banks also are available. Rates of discount are nominally unchanged, commercial paper being taken at 64 to 75 per cent. Loans on debentures and such first-class paper are easy at 5 to 54 per cent. Sterling Exchange is dull at 108 3-16 to 1084 between banks and & higher across the counter for 60 days. Demand bills & higher. County and township debentures are not offering on the market to any considerable extent, and it is difficult to quote. But good 6 per cent debentures would fetch a premium. The local Stock Exchange has been quiet. Bank shares have been generally unchanged and quiet, Commerce and Fede-

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ral being the principal stocks sold. Loan and Miscellaneous shares have been quiet also, with values maintained.

Following are prices of stocks bid to-day compared with those of last Thursday:

Montreal.   1873   1874   Can. Per   214     1745   Toronto   1745   Tridy   Freehold   161   Ontario   104   203   Western Can   183   178   Merchants   1052   108   Bidg. & Loan   1091   100   Connucroe   1172   1163   Farmers' Lonn   113   Dominion   183   Load & Can'dn   135   Load & Can'dn   135   Load & Can'dn   135   Load & Can'dn   135   Stand'd   117   Dom   158   Stand'd   117   Dom   125     125	Banks.		Bid Dec. 24	Loan Cos.	Bid Dec. 18	Bid Dec 22
	Toronto Ontario Merchants Commerce Dominion Hamilton. Stand'd Federal Imper'l	1741 104 1033 1174 185 1164 1104 473	1743 103 108 1163 185 116 111 472 126	Freehold	161 183 109 113 135 158	178

BOOTS AND SHOES .- There is reported a certain improved tone. The retail trade has been buying carefully for months past, just keeping up assortments, and every extra demand is discovered in fresh orders. The recent severe cold has developed a degree of activity among retailers, and the wholesale trade responds. Still wholesale stocks are in some houses pretty large. It is the case, however, that complaints among the manufacturers are not heard to the extent that would indicate any extreme pressure. There are none of the manufacturers working nearly full time, but the work is distributed so the shops are all moderately engaged. Prices are unchanged.

COAL,-Trade in the city is brisk for small household orders, which is all that is left for the season. The stock of coal is ample. Prices at points of production are still low, and prices here are not likely to change. Car lots

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of all descriptions of coal are quoted about \$5.25 to \$5.50. The price delivered in the city is unchanged at \$6. Wood is in large supply at \$5.50 per cord for best.

COAL OIL .- There is a tendency to weakness, but prices will not decline below present rates. Common Canadian is quoted at 17c for single barrels with  $16\frac{1}{2}c$  to  $16\frac{3}{4}c$  for larger lots. Uarbon safety at 19c. American oils unchanged at 232c for prime and 27c for water white. Crude oil quiet at 75e in Petrolea.

DRY Goods.-Distribution is still very limited. The retail trade is represented, both in town and country, as exceedingly quiet. Stocks everywhere are abundant, and buying by the general community is still below what was expected. The aggregate movement is not so greatly below the average, but it leaves still very large stocks unbroken. A hard win-ter will make things better, provided cash pay-ments are adequate. Prices still low and in buyer's tayour. The retail trade in the city has been comparatively light, and cash is scarce.

Daugs,-General business is reported moderate. There are no changes to note in quotations. Mercurial and Iodine preparations are firm. Linseed oil quiet and firm. Drugs quiet, and prices steady.

FLOUR AND GRAIN, .- There is scarcely any change in the situation. Demand is confined to local consumption. Flour is quoted at previous rates. Superior extra at \$3.40 to \$3.45, and extras at \$3.30, without transactions. Patent process flours at \$4 to \$4.50. Outmeat unchanged at \$3,80 for ordinary and \$4,15 for

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granulated. Bran in light demand, at \$10.50 for lots on the track. Grain is quiet, as much because of small receipts as for other reasons. Wheat is rather improved in tone; No. 1 Spring and No. 2 Fall are quoted at 75c and No. 2 Spring and No. 3 Fall at 73c. Goose wheat 57c to 58c. Barley quiet, with small receipts, No. 1 quoted at 65c; No. 2 at 60c; No. 3 extra at 53c, and No. 3 at 50c, Oats are quiet at 30 c to 31c on the track. Peas are in full departed and prices for the track. are quet at 30ge to 31e on the track. Peus are in fair demand, and prices steady at 59c to 60c for No. 2. Rye dull at 56c for car lots on track. Wheat in store Monday Inst 188,579 bush. barley, 123,521 bush., peas, 13,631 bush.; oats, 875 bush., rye, 1,101 bush.; corn 1179 bush. Total grain 328,616 bush. against 233,358 same date last year.

GROCERIES .- Business has shown some improvement in small orders for Christmas goods, and generally trade has been sustained. The prospect is for a quiet period succeeding the holidays. There are no changes to note in quotations. Tens are quiet. Sugars and fruit have been in better demand. It ish is still very quiet, but prices are stendy. The general list

HARDWARE .- Trade has been dull; the demand for building material has fallen off. General hardware is moving only in small lots. There are some orders from country buyers for bar iron. The prospect of continuing low prices forbids any buying except for immediate wants.

HIDES AND LEATHER.-There is no change in the market. Hides are easier, cows quoted buying at 7je to 7je for No. 1, and steers Sc. Gured hides selling at previous quotations which would be shoded for good buyers.

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Statement of Banks acting under Charter, for the month ending 30th Nov., 1884, according to the Returns furnished by them to the Department of Finance.

	C.	APITAL.	Janier, 707 the				LIABILITII		<del>i</del>	2		
	BANKS.	Capital Authorized.	Capital Subscribed.	Capital Paid up.	Reserve Fund,	Dividend Rate p. c. p. annum	Notes in Circulation.	Dom. Govt. Deposits on Demand.	Dom. Govt. Deps. p'yble after notice,		Provincial Go deposits on Demand	
1 2 8	t Bank of Toronto Canadian Bk of Com. Dominion	\$ 2,000,000 6,000,000 1,500,000	\$ 2,000,000 6,000,000 1,500,000	\$ 2.000,000 6,000,000 1,500,000	\$ 1,100,000 2,000,000 930,000	8	\$ 1 354,749 3.065,168 1,425,897 1,298 022	\$21,981 29,481 14,659	***********	\$ 11,166 109,666	\$19,16	1 %
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6	Federal	1,500,000 1,000,000	1,590,000	1,500,000 988,770	680,000 250.000	8 8	1,119,739 908,606	26,457 14,319	************	82,810 6,550	23	7
10 i	Western BR, of Can.	1,000,000	1,000,000 500,000	999,580 227,341	160,000 5,000		588,303 216,355	6,584		6,683	75	5   9
11 12	Bk. of London, Can., Central Bank of Can.,	1,000,000 1,000,000	1,600,000 500,000	187,300 220,970	50,000 N±1	38	169,650 218,746				*************	
13	Total, Ontario Montreal	22,500,000 12,000,000	20,270,500 12,000,000	18,894,464 12,000,000	7,285,000 6,000,000	10	11,711,379 6,990,118	163,350 1,326,794		216,876 74,089	47,523 172,20	. !
14	‡Brit, North America People's Jacques Cartier	4,860,606 1,600,000	4,866,666 1,600,000	4,866,666 1,600,000	981,129 Nil	6 Nil	943,318 241,989	1,326,794 902,609 4,186		1,100		114
17	Ville Marie	500,000 500,000	500,000 500,000	500,000 464,300	140,000 20,000 50,000	7	810,247 858,900	63,813 27,886		760		·· 16
18 19 20 21	La Bk d'Hochelaga Molson's Merchants'	1,000,000 2,000,000 6,000,000	710,100 2,000,000 5,793,267	710,100 2,000,000 5,724,559	600,000	) 8	461,693 1,949,617 3,625,798	38.851 42,208 273,841		1,490 127,100 88,353	5,116 2,476 4,791	liö
21 22	Nationale Quebec	2,000,000 3,000,000	5,799,267 2,000,000 2,500,000	2,500,000	1,250,000 Nil 825,000	)   7	739.941 639,598	5.297 14,281		17,422 27,330	16	21
23 24	Union St. Jean	2,000,000 1,000,000	2,000,000 540,000	2,000,000 226,420	Nil 10,000	5 6	627,366 176,477	17,350 10,343 967	100,000	88,844	205.66	8 28
25 26	Banque de St. Hysc Eustern Townships	1,000,000 1,500,000	504,600 1,479,600	263,190 1,449,366	35,000 375,000	6 7	176,219 798,375	967 29 233	•••••••		20.70	195
Ì	Total, Quebec Nova Scotia .	38,966,666	86,999,288	36,304,602	9,786,129	}	18,028,656	2,757.666	100,000	325,939	411,13	- [
27 28 29	Bank of Nova Scotia. Merch'ts ik of Halifx People's Bank	1,280,000 1,500,000 800,000	1,114,300 1,000,000 600,000	1,114,300 1,000,000 600,000	470,000 200,000 70,000	)   7	1,047.051 831,304 206,277	237,621 101,843 10,799	••••••	7,006 773	1,880 1,030	128
80 81	Union Bank Halifax Banking Co.	1,000,000 1,000,000	1,000,000 500,000	500,000 500,000	80,000 50,000	6	206,277 135,101 393,885	15.235 34,743			L,1/04	30
82 83 84	Bank of Yarmouth	400,000 280,000	400,000 280,000	388,310 245,756	20,000 30,000	)   6	82,552 39,264	29,361	***********			32
84 85	Picton Bank Com. Bk of Windsor.	000,000 000,00a	500,090 500,000	250,600 260,600	70.000 78,000	9 8 64	201,593 72,863	17 585	••••••	1,565		. 34
	Total, Nova Scotia New Brunswick.	7,230,000	5,894.300	4,858,366	1,068,000	. 1	3,009,925	447,189		9,344	2,92	1
36 37	Bk of New Brunswick   Maritime Bank	1,000,000 2,000,000 200,000	1,000,000 321,900 200,000	1,000,000 821,990 200,000	300,000 40,000 50,000	6	422,473 296,414 175,097	117,120 10,495 22,010	30,000	1,091 49,451	101,93	
- 1	St. Stephen's Bank Total, NewBrunswick	3,200,000	1,521,900	1,521,900	890,000		893,934	149,626	30,000	50,512	101,939	38
	Grand Total	71,896,660	64,685 938	61,579,333	18,529,129	-   <del></del>	83,653,945	3,517,933	130,000	602,753	563,522	l
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	BANKS.	Pro. Gov. Dep.payable after notice.	Demand.	Other Deps. payable after notice.	Loans fr. Bunks in Can.secd.	Loans by Banks in Can.unseed	Due other Banks in Canada.	Due Banks of Agts. not in Canada.	Bks or Ag	ts Ciner		3.
1 2 8	Bank of Toronto Canadian Bk of Com. Dominion	\$50,000	\$2,600,118 4,251,696 1,768,302	\$ 1,924,286 6,524,010 3,347,387		\$ 219.186 83,148	\$57 080 55,385 49,062				19 077 450	1 2
4 5	Ontario	112,609	2,265,028 1,283,395	1,640,054 902,838		131,783	77,397 3,528				5,384.38	1 4
6	Federal Imperial Bk of Can	50,000 50,000	898,431 2,049,900	1,629,025 1,448,863		•••••	44,487 3,388		218,70	1,04	2.991,072 4,781,659	2 6
8 9 10	Bank of Hamilton Bank of Ottawa Western Bk. of Can		1,037,139 476,795 123,930	607,952 98x,780 220,873		*************	11,115 6,211				2,585,689 2,074,064	8 9
11	Bk. of London, Can Central Bank of Can.		147,499 336,890	160,883 346,351		***********	564 1,099 5,898			38	9 478.921	l liï
	Total, Ontario Quenno.	262,600	17,178,568	19,130,761	192,563	384,067	315,764		218,70	82,0	_	
13 14	Montreal #Brit. North America	1,200,000	8,506,326 1,000,724 772,173 332,657	7,482,309 3,914,748		545,554	158,845 34,698	11 0 24,5			28 417 319	13
15 16 17	People's	100,000 200,000 34,041	772,173 332,657 109,588	607,300 248,026 238,866			4,645	14,0	95		4 1,135.014	14 15 16
18 19	La Bk d'Hochelaga Molson's	54,041	262,553 2,358,706	174,129 1,982,411			4,933 269,415			22,91	12   952,550	118
20 21	Merchauts'	10,890	8,484,455 1,016,888	4,585,560 594,523		125,000	344 681 39,265	1,0			4 6,740,501 6 12,795,558	19 20 21
22 23	Quebec	127,500	8,051,080 418,968	1,195,005 836,166	150,000	125,000	25 ,906 34 ,595		228,88		4,953,968	22
25 26	St. Jean	100,000	8.658 14,245 359,172	154,910 434,238 1,547,988						20	625 .671	24 25
20	Total, Quebec	1,771,931	21,696,800	28,946,278	150,000	795,554	2,268	66,9		-	8 2,968,624	26
27	Nova Scotia. Bank of Nova Scotia.		713,994	2,041,651			9,235	15,99	1 '	1		1
28 29 80	Merch'ts Bk of Halifx People's Bank Union Bank		483.614 124,526 105,841	1,615,644 350,464 348,702		***********	25,083 6,788 1,539	0 =		. 6	6 2,958,230 6 700,331	29
31 32	Halifax Banking Co. Bank of Yarmouth		261,104 58,021	652,587			22,241	8,5	37 48,57	7 72	],,,	31
34	Pictou Bank	**********	11,388 186,859	198,281 49,135 410,661			1,025				396,632 6 102,790 2 750,921	32 33 34
85	Com. Bk of Windsor Total, Nova Scotia		1,929,498	5,713,184			22,914	27.0		<u></u>	295,099	
36	NEW BRUNSWICK. Bk of New Branswick		482,918	627,236			88,833 28,527	27,9	35 135,96	6 3,618	10.	36
37 38	Maritime Bank St. Stephen's Bank		159,933 167,454	156,643		••••••	8,5±2 377	1,83	8	4,85		36 37 38
	Total, New Brunswick		810,305	788,890			37,467	1,38	3	4,85	~ ( <del>~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~</del>	-
	Grand Total	2,034,541	41,615,178	49,574,105	242,568	1,179,622	1,361,121	96,30	658,815	351,92	3 185,711,720	
- 1	Total, New Brunswick						37,467	1,38	3	4,85	3 -	2,868,937

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	BANKS.	Specie.	Notes.	Sheq. on fr	al. due Bom Bks fr n Can, no	on Bks Bl	ts or Ag L	om, Gv. Deb, or tock.	Prov'l., or 'ub. Sec's. not Can.	Loans to Dom Goyt.	Lns to Prov. Govts.	Loans, on S of Cry'us Di or other Co	Loans to Muni- cipalities	to other to	Loans to other Bks secured	
2 Co 8 Do 4 Or	oronto ommerce ominion ntarlo	\$249.504 659,735 169,715 234, 35 111,604	\$636,605 1,070,267 507,408 474,418 133,249	5 164.248 563.328 250,722 239,548 150,491	\$ 46 884 \$ 195,888 126,868 128,786 92,075	81.124 2,0 '9.850 569,744 203,735 80,449	262,528 121,398	122,823 152,000	\$554.918 481,591		2,614		,012 .012 .01650	193,365 536,687		1 2 3 4 5
6 Fe 7 I ii 8 I i 9 Ot	ederal nperial amilton ttawa	90,040 298,561 137,610 98,441 11,186	208 943 333.842 125,702 118,481 25,563	206,892 134,833 76,225 47,297 19,c03	60,217 210,781 84,447 113,977 111,344	5.6-5 148,710 £5,872 86,498 19,940	214.288 93,080 66,253 8,055	186,880	128,380	76	1,418	145 300	,675 ,767 ,279 ,279 ,279 ,279	688,257 273,113 238,848 85,997		6 7 8 9
11 B. 12 Ce	. London C., en'l B. of C.	24,316 24,273 2,110,125	36,407 65,642 3,745,516	66,978 79,486	4.390 15,066	17,815 5,560	47,019		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			16	,000	3,411		1
18 M 14 B 15 D	Iontreal N. A Du Pouple acq. Curtier V. Marie	3.381 390 318.668, 25.263 16,277	2,626,156 887,392 144,026 23,435	954,638 244,046 70,125 54,305	146 984 55,416 88,146 56,006	5.827,244 1,954,459 2,528 9,946	0.000.000	- 1	,	(		1	5.863 332,84 2.528 5,00	5,457,622 804,031	228,782	16
18 D 19 M 20 M 21 N	'Hochelaga. lolsons lerchants lationale	9,461 44,699 323,874 402,732 124,282	13,790 83,259 582,853 719,795 189,213	60,978 40,256 229,764 687,103 73,447	23,244 13,409 87,230 259,947 170,311 24,446	1,911 27,881 185,328 974,659 31,446	12.513 201,862 49,320 495,081	256,250	45,108	3.8 527,0 2,5	97 09 42,68	185 125 126 1,39 33	5,051 90 5,058 5,754 49,61 2,119 329,19 8,821	6 807,196 2 1,585,220	14,653	18 19 20 21
23 U 24 S 25 S	Juion	77,761 59,909 5,990 16,497 108,264	249,748 118,029 9,473 83,466 94,051	121,262 190,109 4,558 12,295 17,646	39.060 35.903 51,907 139,068	177.675 17,257 18,282 19,238 367,615		202,100				. 29	1,883 127,02 1,391 3,50 6,258 4,86	0		22 23 24 25 26
27 N	Total Que. lova Scotia lova Scotia lerchauts People's Bank	4,908,478 360,266 256,211 26,322	5,724,685 318,335 223,185 145,870	105,099 85,875 16,407	1,177,328 133,048 82,438 12,636	46,020 42,846 50,254	643 87,808 92,718	666,789	294.915 33,95	7,8	76.5 27,2	07 14 32	2,409 852,94 0,226 27,88 28,87	9 677,976 1 905,146		27 25 29
80 L 81 L 82 Y 85 L	Union Halifax B. Co Yarmouth Exchange Picton Bank.	28,483 87,968 27,963 10,691 35,542	65.170 78,941 26.067 12,192 23,576	58,837 45,333 7,332 2,500 11,612	19,984 29,805 1,173 7,925 5,268	5,282 27,655 6,711 8,810 3,376	42,172	78,440 18,213	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		70 45,0	1	4,619	35,774 62,000		30 31 32 33 34 36
85 C	C. B. W'dsor. Total N. BRUNSWE N. Brunswek.	12,571 771,021 90,414	970,917 224,819	3,709 337,207 85,828	8,160 300,482 63,646 1,283	190,958	198.680	96,653	328,80	10,	143,8 169	29 10	1,2 9 3,845 58,9 3,976 1,2	04 1,724,34		
87 N	Maritime St. Saphen's Total	81,893 27,975 150,285	91,872 816,191	16.053 38,663 90,544	1,283 18,000 82,390	16,101 74,940 193,431	212,679		50	0 14,	78,9 169 78,9	12 12	23,976 1,2			37 38
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	BANKS.	Loans to other Bks unsecured	Publ'e Discounts.	Notes overdue not sec.	Other debts unsecd.	Notes, etc., overdue sec. by R. E. or Stk., &c.	R.E. be- sides Bk. Premises.	R. E. sc	old Bank		nor	A susaku [	Directors	Averag specie or month.	Average of Dom. Notes dur. month,	
917	Toronto Commerce Dominion Ontario Standard		\$ 6,752,882 14,369,406 5,:07,978 5,189,742 2,712,965	27,052 9,387 9,339		\$ 93,829 324,807 18,843 10,714 2,000	10,03 86,53	72, 1 51.	964 288.0 120,7 957 168.9 000 76,	104 111 127 157	3,313 2,577	9,581,745 2,614,519 9,351,868 7,524,945 4,172,589	\$ 13,152 119,371 590,000 171,900 66,183	\$247,350 792,000 772,000 237,300 107,420	\$ 500,651 946,900 509,000 427,00 128,320	3
6 7 8 9	Federal Imperial Hamilton Ottawa West. Bk. of C.	128,331	697.378	45,681 22,452 8,260		201,892 118,068 45,270 24,487 743	41,33	0 27,	950 142, 950 120. 25, 273 43,	174 000	18,433 18,750 7,610	7.416,478 7,040,341 8,989,764 3,817,701 806,225	132,822 218,788 110,996 636,554 87,000	89,776 295,726 187,436 93,010 11,222	146,443 319,835 126,516 113,051 22,714	7 8 9
11	B. London C. Cen'l B of C. Total Ont	27.807		7,182 1,746 1,637,070		840,15	249,04	-	,538 1,030,	259	19,541 19,899 82,866	723,491 1,113,796 77,633,468	38.620 47,885 2,183,272	21,431 22,470 2,232,138	35,898 43,266 3,359,809	11
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Hoss.—Trade has been netive for the past two weeks. Prices are affected by the low markets in the States. Buyers here are steadily guarded. Prices are steady at about \$5.50 to \$5.75 for car-lots according to condition-Present aspect of the market is against any prospect of advance.

Phovisions, &c.—The local market is unchanged. Supplies are abundant. There is very little demand outside of local requirements. Prices are generally unchanged and easy. Bucon is quoted in light demand, at &c for car lots and \$\frac{3}{2}c\$ for boxed lots. Cumberland cut \$\frac{7}{2}c\$ and \$\frac{8}{2}c\$. Hums quiet at \$\frac{9}{3}c\$ for pickled and 11c for smoked. Lard quiet at 10c to 11c, according to quality. Butter dull, best tub quoted at 17c to 18c, and large rolls at 13c to 14c. Polatoes unchanged, but receipts delayed at 38c to 40c per larg car lots. Hops dull, small lots selling at 12c to 17c, according to quality. Pressed Hun quoted at \$\frac{5}{2}1\$ in car lots, and for good quality of Timothy. Poultry in large supply, and prices steady, box lots bringing \$c\$ for geese, \$c\$ to 9c for ducks, 12c to 14c for turkeys.

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Freehold Loan and Sav. Co Hamilton Prov. and Loan Home Sav. and Loan Co	100	1,500,000	1 100,000	110,000	) 4	125	161·50 125 00
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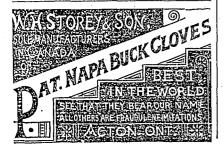
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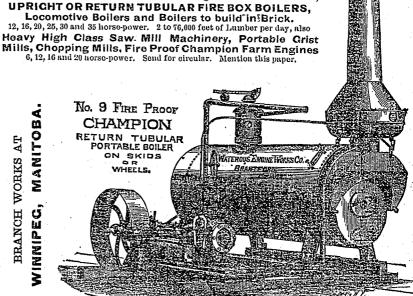
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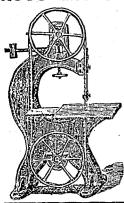
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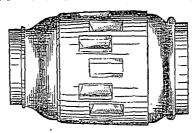
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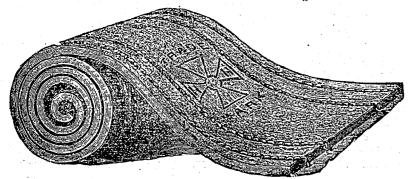
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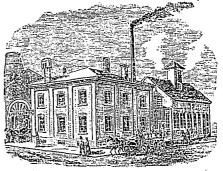
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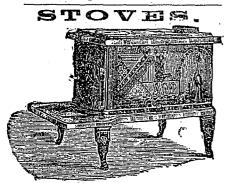
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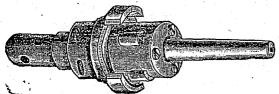
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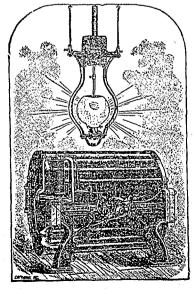
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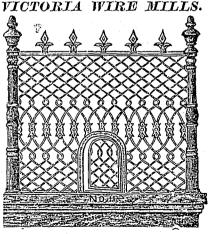
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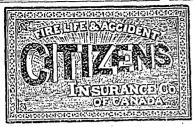
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