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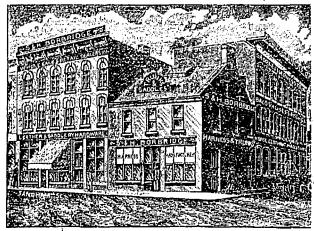
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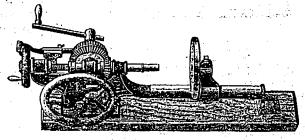
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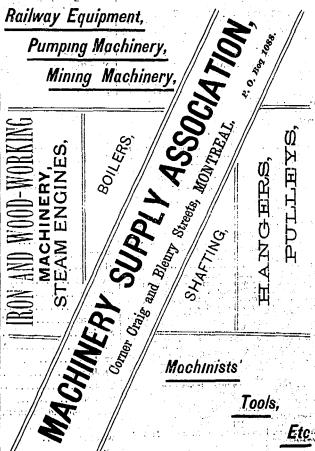
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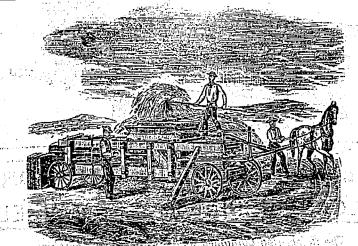
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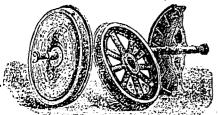
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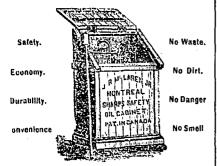
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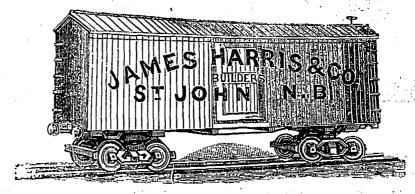
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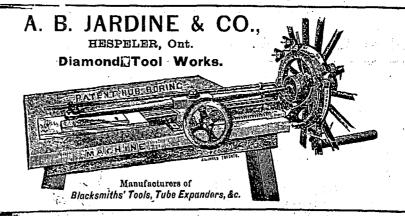
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Commercial Summary.

As this is our last issue before the holidays, we take this opportanity of wishing each of our subscribers and advertisors a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year,

A LICENSE to do business has been issued to the Dominion Plate Glass Insurance Co.

THE Trust and Loan company, of Canada, gives notice of a dividend of 6 per cent.

THE Eastern Townships Bank has declared a semi-annual dividend of three and a half . per cent.

THE Toronto Incandescent Electric Light Co. with \$200,000 capital, has applied for incorporation.

Six THOUSAND immigrants have passed through the local Provincial Immigration Office this season.

An order-in-council has been passed confirming the decision of the Board of Customs that Vermouth bitters are dutiable as bitters or cordials at \$1.90 per imperial gallon.

Tue statement of Inland Revenue for November shows the amount accrued to have been \$661,033, of which \$636,912 was from excise.

ARTHUR JACKSON, collector of the Hudson's Bay Company, at Winnipeg, has skipped with some of the funds of the company. His deficiency is about \$2,000.

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TWENTY-ONE years ago, Westville, Nova Scotia, had only five houses, and, to-day, it is a bustling active town with a population of five thousand inhabitants.

The oldest incorporated business firm in the world is the Hudson Bay Co, which is 225 years old. Most of the stock is held in England.

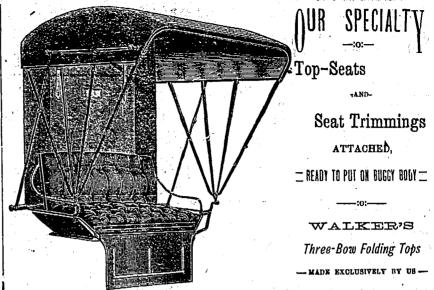
A SCHOOMER has arrived at Victoria, B. C., with 2,000 tons of black codfish from Qu en Charlotte Sound, where they can be caught by the ton.

THE Port Arthur (Ont.) Fish Company shipped 550 tons of fresh fish and 250 tons of salt fish worth \$53,000 to Canadian and United States markets this season.

TELEGRAMS from Winnipeg say that eighty to eighty-five cents per bushels is being paid for No. 1 hard wheat throughout the province.

THE Hamilton Central Fair treasurer gives the receipts of the last show at \$14,538.35, and the expenditures, \$13,735.37, leaving a balance of \$803.02 to the credit of the fair for 1889.

A. D. McDonald, has run a small grocery and bakery at Rat Portage, Ont., for nearly six years past. He has never made more than a living, and, of late, has run behind until an assignment has become necessary.



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GEO. T. Coscaovs, has run a weekly plyment store unsuccessfully at Ottwa. He never did much business, and from the first there was considerable dubiousness as to the outcome. He has assigned.

PRICES of timber limits are rising. The Ballantyne berth of 14 1q. miles has been sold to a Glengarry gentleman for \$2,750 a square mile, \$400 more per mile than it sold for a year ago—\$2,350. The total price is \$38,500.

The Hudson's Bay shareholders' committee are actively agitating three reforms reformation of the board, production of fuller accounts and thorough enquiry into every branch of the land and trading departments. The movement is widely supported.

MR. WITSMA'S stock at Learnington, which was seized by the Sheriff, has been sold to local parties in that village at 64½ cents on the dollar. His stock in Windsor has been sold to Chatham merchants at 57½ cents on the dollar.

A. W. Brown & Bros., planing mill owners, of Spring Hill, N. S., have assigned. They owe \$4,000 and the estate, if well haudled, should pay nearly in full. They are hardworking men but had very little capital and were weighed down by mortgages.

THOS. LINDSAY, general storekeeper, of Beimont, N. S., has assigned. He owes \$6,700, of which nearly \$3,000 is preferred, and claims assets nominally equal in value. He has had

a hard struggle to get along and of late has had much trouble in meeting his liabilities.

WM. S. Johnston, grocer, of Chesley, Out., has assigned. He was always in a small way and when he was burned out last June without any insurance to protect him it was fult that the last nail had been knocked into his financial coffin.

FRED. H. PARKER, general storekeeper, of Aylesford, N. S., whose failure was noticed in these columns some weeks ago, is endeavoring to settle with his creditors on the basis of 25 cents in the dollar. The offer has not yet been accepted.

EMBRIE BISSONETTE, shoe dealer, of St. Hyacinthe, Que., has assigned. He owes \$3,000 and claims assets worth nominally \$2,000 only. He had only a small capital and did a still smaller business, so that he appears to have fallen behind from the word go.

The deputation from the Cigarmakers' Union of Montreal waited on the Miniister of Finance on the 12th, and presented a petition asking that the license of cigar manufacturers be reduced from \$75 to \$6 in order to enable men with small capital to go into the industry.

A. & S DENTON, hardware dealers, of Essex Centre, Ont., where they have done business about six months, have returned with their stock to Tilsonburg their original place of business.—Essex Centre will vote on the repeal of the Dunkin Act the first week of January.

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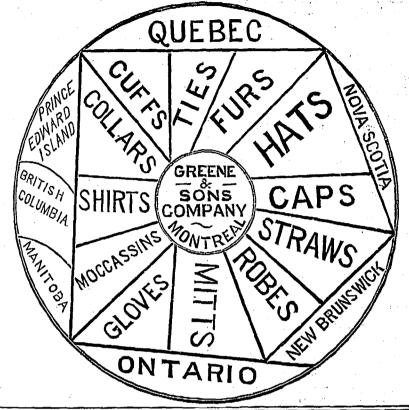
IMMGRATION returns to the 13th November show the total number of arrivals for the eleven months to have been 156,180, being an increase of 18,018 over the same period last year. The number of settlers in Canada was 82,947, showing an increase of 10,406 over last year.

The following notices of annual meetings are given:—The St. Catharines & Niagara Central Railway Company, at St. Catharines, the 2ist January; the Lake Huron Silver and Copper Mining Company, at Montreal, the 16th January; the Bank of Hochelaga, at Montreal, the 15th January.

Ross Bros, general storekeepers, of Shawville, Que, have assigned. They came from Buckingham some three years ago and have since done a large business, principally on credit. Difficulty of collection has brought them down, and they now assign owing nearly \$14,000.

Exocs Henn, of Conqueral Bank, N. S., was last year a well-to-do farmer. Unfortunately he was induced to endorse for a son in business and now he is compelled to assign, even if he has not got into further trouble.—J. H. Hutcheson, a small tailor, of Hamilton, Ont., has assigned.

WE regret to learn that Mr. W. W. Johnson, the well-known manager of Dun Wiman & SAMPLES NOW READY FOR SPRING TRADE 1889



Co's mercantile agency in this city, has met with a severe accident, having broken his leg bidly by a fall. It is feared that it will be some weeks before he will be able to be about again.

J. F. Themen, general storekeeper, of St. Gregoire, Que., is endeavoring to effect a settlement with his creditors at 75 cents in the dollar, spread over twelve months and secured. This has been generally accepted. He owes \$16,000 and claims assets worth nominally about \$18,000.

W. J. Underwood, fruit and candy dealer, of Uxbridge, Ont., has assigned. He started in 1886 but has done only a small business.—G. Hannum came from Regina in the spring of 1887 and started a fruit store in Bauff, N.W.T. He had no capital and has since been unable to make ends meet. He has assigned.

J. C. O'Neil, dry goods merchant, of Chatham, Ont., appears to have fallen into the error of over-buying. He obtained an extension of 15 months last May on liabilities of \$7,500, but being unable to meet the paper has been compelled to assign and his stock, valued at \$6,000 is advertised for sale.

A SURVEY is being made of the Great Midland Railway of Nova Scotia which is proposed to run through that Province from Windsor to Yarmouth in almost a direct line wa Shelburne County. This route will bring Yarmouth within six bours of Halifax, and shorten the journey to Boston to 22 hours by that route.

The report of a duty of half a cent a pound on exports of smelts to the United States is stated as incorrect at Moneton, NB., the mistake having arisen from the refusal of the railway at Moneton to take several cars of smelts from Buctouche unless the duty was paid, the smelts being afterwards allowed to proceed.

The cartage contract between the Shedden company of Montreal and the Northern Pacific and Manitoba railway is for six years, subject to revision at the end of three years. The railway officials say the contract was offered seven Winnipeggers, who refused it. The Sheddens intend starting a large livery stable, the site of which is already purchased.

Owing to some unaccountable error in proofreading, the amount of the dividend paid by the Bank of Ottawa during the past year was stated in our last issue at only \$12,000. The correct amount is of course \$70,000; and the only solution we can offer of the discrepancy is that in the hurry of work it must have escaped attention.

London cables on spices quote: Singapore pepper 7-16d store, nominal, near by, and 7¼d distant shipment; West coast, 6¾d. Acheen 6d spot and nominal distant shipment. White pepper, 11¼d spot for Singapore and 10¾d for Penang. Zanzibar cloves, 9¼d. Rice ginger 148; Zanzibar chillies, 36s, and nutmegs 110s 2s 2¾d.

L. N. Carle, saloon-keeper, of this city has assigned owing nearly \$8,500. He came from

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St. Ursule only last spring and fitted up an expensive place; but unfortunately in a locality where he was never likely to make even the interest on his debts. His feilure was a foregone conclusion from the very etart.

F. L. PARIS, (Paris Manufacturing Co.) dealer in undertaker's hardware, of Hamilton, Ont, has assigned. He removed from Toronto last summer, but his credit was always weak and it is doubtful if he ever made any real headway. He will owe \$10,000 and as his assets are principally in moulds, etc., it is doubtful how the estate will turn out.

MARK HILL, baker and confectioner, of Hamilton, Ont, has assigned. He has been in business there for a number of years, but, although he did a fair business he seems to have given too much credit and to have locked up his assets in property. As a consequence he has always been slow and unsatisfactory in his payments.

DEPENCIER BROS., general storekeepers, of Morrickville, Ont, have offered their creditors 60 cents in the dollar, on time and unsecured, which has not been accepted. They owe \$18,000. They seemed to have tried to do too much, as they also kept peddlers on the road as well as running a branch store at Easton's Corners.

GEORGE A. CHEVALIER, dry goods merchant, of this city has assigned with liabilities of \$9,700. The firm was formerly Peltier and Chevalier who began business last February and dissolved partnership in October. Ohevalier continued alone but has not been able to make a success of it. Competition is far too keen in this city.

MRS. JOS. LAPORTE, milliner, of this city, has assigned owing about \$1,000. She is an industrious woman and has been in business some years but appears to have run behind for some time past.-David Douglas, who has done a small living business in harness at Dundalk, Ontario, has been compelled to give up the struggle and assign.

H. B. WARD, lumber, of Canning, N. S.; has assigned. He owes \$3,500, against which he can show assets of \$1,500 only. He has been in Mexico and the Western States and only retured three years ago, when he started in his present business. He has been an enigma to business creditors for some time past, and of late caution has been advised in crediting

MESSES. HARRIS, LEVY & Co. wholesale hat. cap and fur merchants, of this city, have dissolved. Mr. S. Harris continues the present business alone, while Mr. I Levy proposes to start shortly in the same business for himself, Mr. Levy leaves in a few days for the fur centres of Europe to make his purchases for the coming season.

JOHN McGREGOR, harness-maker, of Ridgetown, Out, has assigned. He owes \$1,000 and claims assets worth \$1,200, but the trouble seems to have been that his liabilities all fell due together and that consequently ne was unable to raise the means to meet them,-Thomas McCorkill, a wagon-maker, of Manotick, Ont., is in difficulties.

R. B Morrison, general storekeeper, of Morriston, Ont., is offering a settlement at 50 cents in the dollar payable in 15 months to his creditors which most of them have accepted. He owes \$10,000 and claims assets worth a surplus of \$2,000; but he appears to have locked up his means in unprofitable real ertate and of late the account has always been handled carefully.

Mr. Quink having failed to pay the amount of his tender for the purchase of the plant and goodwill of the "Post" of this city, the creditors have obtained an order rescinding the sale and suspending the further issue of the paper. The last number was issued on the 17th and we understand the whole staff of employees have been summarily dismissed.

It is said that more lumber is now stored, in Canada than at any time in the last ten years. Dealers say it is on account of a hold. ing back on the part of bhyers in the United States during the presidential campaign and through fear that loss might possibly result from tariff legislation. On the strength of this reasoning a big spring demand is expected

GREAT activity continues to characterize the English demand for sheets for galvanizing and merchant purposes. Makers are full of orders and this week two or three works which have been standing idle for some years past have been taken by new tenants with the view of sheet manufacture. Thus the production of sheets is being increased on every side and the prosperty of Staffordshire, as regards this brauch was never so marked as now,

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Tur application of the liquidators of the Central Bank for increased remuneration has been discussed before the Master-in-Ordinary. The Master thought that justice would be done to both the liquidators and creditors by adopting two percentages, viz, one and a quarter per cent, and three per cent, as a basis of remuneration, and accordingly ordered the accounts to be recast.

E. Sellens, general a orekeeper, of Lakefield, Ont, has assigned. He has done a small business for several years but was never estimated as worth more than \$500 .-Hugh S. McColl & Co., general storekeepers, of West Lorne, Ont, have assigned. They did only a small business and caution was always advised, but, nevertheless, they have managed to accumulate liabilities of nearly \$6,000.

Some Halifex merchants have organized "a merchants' week" and are making efforts to induce traders to visit Halifax to make purchases between the 21st and 28th inst., on which dates the Intercolonial Railway will issue return tickets. The managers of the scheme, however, have taken no steps to

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advertise it or to secure the co-operation of the other railroads, consequently it is hardly likely to prove a success.

WE learn that the Molson's Bank have followed the lead of the Merchants and taken a step towards making their circulation readily negotiable at par in any portion of the Dominion by entering into an arrangement with the bank of New Brunswick and the Halifax Banking Company for the reciprocal redemption of the bills of each of these institutions at any of the agencies of the other.

THE season for sardine packing closed on the 15th ulto, and operations will cease for four months of close time. Some of the factories in Eastport closed a week or two ago, having used up their stock. The past week has been a busy one for those in operation and some of them worked night and day, Fishermen last week were receving from \$6 to \$10 per hogshead for sardine herring.

MR. A. BERTIN, the winedealer of this city who was charged with defrauding the Customs

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has been acquitted by Judge Dandurand After going into the evidence at length the learned Judge concluded: "I must remark that the Government will always find it difficult to make cases in the wine trade. They were, however, perfectly justified in making the descent on Bertin as they found two invoices, one specially for the Customs. As the latter is suspicious I will dismiss the action without costs."

AFTER several sessions of the board of directors of the Huron and Eric Loan Company the position of manager, rendered vacant by the resignation of Mr. R. W. Smylie, fell upon Mr. George A. Somerville, manager of the Guelph and Ontario Savings and Investment Company, at Guelph. Mr. Smylie has started in business for himself as an accountant auditor, and financial agent; a profession his previous training should adapt him to admirably.

THE Grand Trunk Railway have begun building their 750,000 bushel elevator at Midland, which, with the present elevator, will largely increase the trade of that port. The lumber docks will be extended 1,200 feet this winter, giving accommodation for all the.

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A swindler, giving the name of F. Wanamaker, recently visited London, Ont. He represented himself as the owner of a large livery stable in New York, and that he had stopped only to buy a few stylish teams. His money was in \$1,000 bills, which no one could change, and so he found it necessary to borrow small amounts of \$5 and \$10. He was soon spotted by a commercial traveller who had previously been victimized by him in Chatham, where he passed as "Fred McGrath," and at once skipped out to Toronto.

The latestorms and high tides in the Bay of Fundy have done serious injury to the great dykes on both sides of the bay. At Monoton, considerable losses of property occurred.

warehouses having been flooded, and sugar lime, and other perishable articles, damaged. On the Nova Scotia side the dykes have been broken through, and heavy losses have accrued, especially about the Gaspercan and Canning dykes. At last advices the inrush of water had been stopped.

The leading mining journal of Nova Scotia rays that the mineral resources of Nova Scotia are just now attracting the attention of some of the wealthiest men in London, and if rumor is correct, we shall see wonderfully active times in some mining districts within a few months. The mining interests of Nova Scotia would have been on a much better footing to day if it had not been for some cases of misrepresentation and downright fraud. In mining, as in other interests/honesty is the best policy.

NOTICE is given of application to Parliament to incorporate the Ottawa and Montreal Boom Company, for the purpose of improving the navigation of the Ottawa River from the Chaudiere Falls at Ottawa to the northeasterly end of the Island of Montreal, and either by one or other or both of the channels to the north-west of the island, for the purpose of facilitating the transmission of rafts, timber, saw logs, railway ties, cedars and other timber on the river and the various rapids and with power to construct, purchase or acquire booms or piers.

French mushrooms are becoming very scarce, and the tendency of the market, both here and abroad, is toward a higher basis of cost. The crop the past season was much smaller than usual and the pack corresponded, but consumption has lessened somewhat, and had it not been for that, it is believed that much higher values would have been established and maintained previous to this. French packers, however, now find their supplies gradually diminishing, and have lately started in to enhance the value, the result of

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which has been to raise the cost of choice goods about 7 francs, and that of extra choice 566 francs.

At the opening of the Chancery Divisional Court, in Toronto, Chancellor Boyd announced that the interest on the moneys in court would in future be allowed at three and one-half instead of at four per cent. The reason for this decrease in the rate is to be found in the low rates allowed by the banks upon deposits, and the decrease, therefore, while regrettable, is unavoidable. Coming as it does so near to the Christmas season, it will receive anything but a joyous welcome from the widows and orphans of the province, who are unfortunately the persons most deeply interested.

The tea case, which has been a bone of contention in Guelph for some time past, has been decided in favor of Mr. Robert Marshall. The complaint laid against him was for having peddled tens in the city without having obtained a license. The evidence showed that Marshall had been in the habit of going about

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soliciting orders from the citizens. In November last he took as many as fifty orders. He did not carry samples with him, as the parties were all old customers and knew the quality of his goods. It also appeared, however, that in taking orders, Marshall represented that ha was selling his own goods, and was not acting as agent for others, and Marshall swore to this. The Judge held that where the defendant was the owner of the goods, and not merely the agent for the owner, he was not required to take out a license.

AT a meeting of the stockholders of the Lake Superior Copper Company held in London on Monday, it was decided to voluntarily wind up the affairs of the concern.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. Thomas Doherty, senior, father of the senior partner of the firm of Thos. Doherty & Co., wholesale tea merchants of this city, at the ripe old age of 88 years. Mr. Doherty leaves behind him a large circle of sorrowing friends,

THE Canada Sugar Refining Company have instituted an action for \$1,000, for alleged damages, against the Bossiere line for not carrying out a contract to transport some coal to Montreal. The Canada Jute Company are also suing the same parties for \$200 for alleged damages to goods by water.

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A case came before the Sheriff's Court at Dundee, Scotland, recently in which a woman claimed aliment from her three sons-in-law. The sheriff decided that "the liability of a son-in-law to support his wife's parents was a natural one which he was bound to take over with his wife." The mother-in-law in "cotland at least, is thus a firmly established institution with a legal status now added to her former great moral weight in the house-hold.

No sooner had the deputation of the Canadian Pork Packers Association left Ottawa than a deputation of lumbermen waited on the Minister of Customs on the 15th and urged that the duty on barrel pork be not increased, as requested. The Minister said all that he could state to the deputation was that in, making any recommendation to his col-

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leagues he would endeavor not to interfere either with the lumbermen or the pork packer. If Canada produced the pork required for the shanties he would have no hesitation in recommending that the duty be increased two or three cents per pound, but knowing that it was not produced in Canada the matter was

one for serious consideration.

WE learn from Ottawa that nearly the whole of next season's cut of deals has been disposed of at about the same prices as ruled last year, perhaps a shade stiffer. There will not be as many logs taken out during the coming winter as last year, owing to the large stock which is being wintered over. The square timber cut has also been pretty well sold for this season's cut, at from 30 to 40

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FROM London, Eng., it is reported that there is a steady trade in wainut, but the demand has fallen off, and yard keepers have large stocks. The whitewood market continues very active, the medium and upper grades of lumber going off rapidly. A comparative scarcity of plank has also helped the sale of logs. In American oak, logs do not sell freely, but there is a fair demand for lumber, especially for quartered stuff. Prices are well maintained.

A SALE of damaged "Hennessy" brandy, Valencia raisins, figs, oranges, etc., took place in this city on the 17th ulto, for account of underwriters and others concerned. attendance was large and business lively, Hennessy 1 star brandy sold at \$10.75 to \$11. 25 per case; Hennessy V.O. at \$13 to \$13.25. Leading Wholesale Trade.

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The partnership heretofore existing between S. HARRIS and I. LEVY. as Wholesale Hatters and Furriers under the name of HARRIS, LEVY & MILLS, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

The business will hereafter be continued by S. HARRIS, under the firm name of S. HARRIS & CO.

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Partnership!

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THE PROPOSED CLEARING HOUSE.

The scheme for the establishment of a Bank Clearing House in this city has at last assumed tangible form, and, unless some unforeseen obstacle should arise, we shall see it in operation before the close of the present year. Our readers know how long and persistently we have advocated this much needed reform, both in the interests of the banks themselves, by ridding them of the present cumbrous and unsatisfactory method of making settlements, and in the interests of the commercial world to whom the weekly clear-

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ing house re turns would form a guide to the actual position of trade whose value could not be over-estimated. Now that at last the establishment of a clearing house is an accomplished fact, we can congratulate those gentlemen to whose efforts its successful promotion is due, and take the opportunity to urge upon our sister cities the formation of similar institutions in their midst. With clearing houses in Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, London, Quebec, Haifax, St. John, Winnipeg and Charlottetown, we could obtain returns that would indicate the exact position of trade throughout the Dominion, and thus would form a commercial meter whose warnings might-prove of inestimable value to the mercantile community.

The preliminary constitution provides that each bank shall deliver (at an hour to be fixed hereafter) all its parcels, sealed, and with the amount contained clearly endorsed on the cover, at the clearing house instead of as at present carrying them round to each individual bank. It also provides that a statement of its position shall be given to each bank, and that all balances shall be paid in legal tenders of the highest possible denomination before 12.30 of the same day. The advantages of this system are perfectly obvious. Instead of making a dozen trips to as many different bansk, at the risk of loss or robbery while on the streets, only one visit will be made; and instead of being compelled to call around to collect balances, (possibly more than once) each bank will receive what is due to it at a fixed hour, and without fail-since the clearing house manager will be vested with power to declare any bank a defaulter that does not pay its balances within the prescribed time. Of course some changes in detail will undoubtedly be made before the scheme is in working order,; but, these are the salient points, and it is hardly likely that they will

suffer much modification. The cost of this radical change will be absolutely trifling, and will be limited to some unavoidable expenditure for stationery. The Merchants Bank have offered office room free for the clearing house and, until it be found necessary to appoint a manager, the Bank of Montreal has volunteered to perform the work of clearing.

Seldom has so great a reform been initiated so speedily or so quietly. Although the final meeting has not yet been held to fix details, it is certain that Christmas week will witness it in operation in this city, and, with the establishment of clearing houses in Montreal and Halifax, it will not be long before we witness their organization in the other cities of the Dominion. From the returns thus obtainable it will be possible to obtain an accurate idea of the position of trade at each of these centres, and thus not only to indicate the existing condition of trade all over the Dominion but also to forecast its immediate future to a certain extent and within reasonable limits. The value of such information to the public would then be very great, and such as is obtainable from no other source. Therefore we would once more urge upon our sister cities the desirability of following the example now set them, in order that the returns thus made available may cover as wide a business area as possible and that, consequently, the estimate of the whole situation of trade be rendered more comprehensive, and hence more valuable to business men.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

The Christmas holidays will now soon be upon us; a season when (theoretically) the entire world of Christencom abandons itself to mirth and jollity. At this season, according to the illustrated periodicals, the hard-working father of a family no longer worries over the coal bill and the rent; his children no longer wear out their boots and clothes; and he himself can anticipate the flood of bills which will certainly pour in upon him with the first of the new year with temporary resignation, if not with absolute cheerfulness.

Unfortunately, if Christmas brings with it oblivion of the ordinary worries and cares of life, it has some disagreeable features peculiarly its own; and one of these is the heavy drain upon the resources of the smaller tradesmen whom custom demands shall make a present at this season to each one of their customers, no matter how undesirable the particular account may be. The practice of giving gifts at Christmas, which, no doubt, originated in spontaneous presents in honor of the day, has now degenerated into an arbitrary tax to which the trade must perforce submit. The present from the grocer is regularly looked forward to, to provide a portion of

the Christmas cheer, and, if the present, when received does not meet the expectations of the customer, that unfortunate tradesman is pretty certain to have his lack of liberality freely commented on.

Just why one or two particular branches of trade should be selected for taxation while others escape, it is perhaps difficult to understand. We do not expect the coal dealer to furnish us with a ton of coal for nothing, or the gas company to present us with a quarter's gas; but the moment we reach those tradesmen who minister to the needs of the inner man the unwritten code of Christmas taxation comes at once into force, and is enforced with an iron hand. Possibly this peculiar liability of certain trades is due to our greater familiarity with them; to the fact that they make daily visits to our homes and that thus insensibly they have come to be regarded as more intimately connected with us and therefore, presumably, to take a closer interest in our welfare at this season. This sentiment, like a hard-headed nation. we have turned to practical account by insisting on their displaying it in a tangible manner; regardless of the fact that the necessity of making presents out of the most profitable articles in his stock to a large circle of expectant customers, renders the Christmas of the poorer tradesman infinitely less "merry" than it otherwise would have been.

The tax upon some classes of trade falls with unusual weight. In the case of the grocer it usually takes the form of wines or spirits; the very class of goods upon which the largest profit accrues. Even should it be in other groceries it is certain to be of the more expensive lines; since any gift of the cheaper order would be certainly unfavorably commented cn. As a consequence, a certain percentage of loss must be calculated on at the very season of the year when the grocer should be preparing to meet the bills which will fall due a week later, and thus Christmas becomes a season of expense and exaction very different from the season of good will and happiness so strenuously insisted upon in the story books. We must remember that although these gifts are but of slight comparative value singly, they aggregate into a larger sum than the several recipients can realize, and that thus they form a rain upon the resources of the retailer at the very time when he find it most difficult to make both ends meet. At the same time they are but of slight importance to the customer. Dare we then suggest that the customer, considering that he benefits so little individually in comparison to the loss inflicted on the retailer, should offer to forego his usual gift? We are aware that this would involve an act of self denial; but we must remember that Christmas is a season to

which an act of self-abnegation is peculiarly appropriate. The relief to the poorer tradesmen would be an immense one, and might be the means of enabling them to face the New Year with heavier pockets and with lighter hearts. Of course we do not expect that such a great moral reform as this can be inaugurated in a moment: but if once the thin edge of the wedge can be introduced, we can fairly trust to the public's innate sense of justice to drive it home. The custom is a pure anachronism in these days of flerce competition, and if once the community recognise its injustice and fallacy they will soon cease to observe it. Let us then declare war upon the Christmas gift, and thus make that great holiday what it really should be-a season for the display of the highest christian virtues, instead of simply an excuse for petty mendicancy and the gratification of unblushing greed under the cloak of Christmas greetings.

CO-INSURANCE.

The heavy fire losses which have taken place in this city during the past twelve months have brought the question of the moral hazard before the insurance companies with unpleasant force. If the accepted estimate be correct that from 25 to 40 per cent of the fires occurring annually upon this continent are due to wilful destruction of property in order to make a profit by selling out to the underwriters. it is evident that we have now existing in our midst an evil that demands a remedy, and the only question that remains is in what does that remedy consist. plain that the only time when such destruction is profitable is when the stock destroyed is insured to its full value, or so close to it that the inevitable depreciation that ensues after it has been kept for some time on the shelves renders it an inducement to secure the insurance. Consequently the only logical deduction we can draw is that the most practical preventive of the moral hazard lies in only insuring such a proportion of the value of the stock that the policy holder would be a distinct loser by its destruction.

Unfortunately this course is not always possible. In many cases it is almost impossible to tell what the value of a certain stock will be in a few months time, and, consequently, to what limit it would be safe to insure it. Owing to this unavoidable uncertainty the companies are compelled to rely largely on the character and representations of the intending insurer, and thus are always to a certain extent in his power. The insurer naturally argues that he has as much right to full as to partial protection, and thus, from the start, bonds his energies to securing as

much insurance as he thinks will place him above the reach of loss. Thereby he insensibly increases the danger of the moral hazard; since, should any depreciation in his stock or premises occur, any fire which involved the payment of the insurance would be a source of actual profit to himself instead of being merely the indemnity for actual loss for which it was originally intended.

From this point of view then it would seem as if the true remedy for the recent growth of the moral hazard lay in co insurance: that is, in compelling the policy holder to assume a portion of the risk himself, and thus putting it out of his power to reap any advantage from the destruction of his goods. No doubt this denial of the power to cover his goods completely against loss is an instance where the honest insurer is compelled to suffer for the sins of the dishonest: but throughout civilized society we find a similar condition of affairs prevailing The honest man must pay for the cost of the penal institutions, in which the dishonest are incarcerated, and for the sup port of the officers and judges who arres and punish them. This is a tax upon the honest for the sake of the dishonest which civilization has taught us is inevitable, and in a similar manner the average insarer must pay, by assuming a portion of his risk himself, for the growth in the moral hazard that has resulted from the abuse of the privileges of insurance by his dishonest confreres. The broad principle of the greatest good to the greatest number, which underlies the laws of modern civilization, applies with equal force to insurance, and. therefore, it seems eviden that the principle of co-insurance must eventually be adopted by the companies in spite of the fact that it taxes the innocent to make up for the losses of the guilty. The apparent injustice thus indicated will be more than compensated for in other ways. As society is recouped for its outlay in repressing criminals by increased security to life and property, so will both the honest insurer and the companies benefit in the long run by the adoption of the principle of co-insurance. The reduction of the percentage of losses to premiums it would bring about would be a source of profit to the insurance companies, while the reduction in premium rates that would surely follow any diminution in the volume of the fire loss would be of equal advantage to the public We have on former occasions treated this subject at exhaustive length, but the renewed attention to given it recently in Chicago, would seem to call for the fe remarks above.

THE FRUIT TRADE.

The increased population and trade of this city during recent years have caused a much larger business to be done in fruits both foreign and domestic. Three or four steamers ply direct to this port every fall with raisins, currants and other foreign goods from the Mediterranean, and we have a large trade in oranges, lemons, peaches, grapes, etc., from California, Florida, Jamaica, Spain, and other distant places. This year an attempt was made to do a direct trade with Delaware in peaches instead of buying supplies at New York or Boston the largest fruit distributing centres, but the venture was not a success not being generally supported.

It is now becoming a serious question why Montreal with its largely growing trade should not take a much more prominent position so far as fruits of all kinds are concerned. With perishable goods quick transit facilities are indispensable. but there is no reason for complaint on this score so that this city ought to be one of the chief centres for the trade on this continent. Large quantities of stuff are daily consigned to New York and Boston and auction sales are held where prices are constantly being regulated. Instead of our dealers going regularly to the States to buy for this market, Florida and California oranges, grapes. etc., ought to reach this market direct, for sale throughout Canada, and no Canadian dealer need go beyond Montreal for any tropical or nontropical fruit known. To achieve this object there will have to be united and determined effort and the expenditure of capital, but there is no reason why there should not be ultimate and great success. New York and Boston have built up an immense fruit trade which is highly profitable both to the carrying companies and the dealers, and the same system of auction sales and systematic management is in vogue at London, Liverpool and Glasgow.

It has been remarked that this city should not only be a centre for foreign fruits intended for consumption on this side but that our domestic fruits, chiefly apples, should here meet the European buyer instead of being picked up in an irregular sort of way and sent forward to the English sale rooms. Just how this change is to be effected is not readily to be seen but we notice that our increasing exports have attracted more frequent visits this year from foreign representatives seeking consignments. The favorable season for fruit has caused unprecedented exports of apples from this continent Last week to date they were 986,924 barrels. against 415,711 last year. This winter the record has reached a million barrels. Unfortunately these high exports do not represent immense profits. A large

quantity of fall fruit sent early in the season reached England in poor condition and thousands of barrels of splendid winter apples, shipped late, were frosted. A great proportion of the shipments sold at low average prices owing to the immense supplies from this side. How the British Isles have absorbed so many apples seems a miracle, but the home supply was unusually light and poor in quality. Montreal shipped this year the enormous total of 291,692 barrels, while Halifax has shipped about 75,000 barrels and Portland about 20 000 barrels. The balance of the continental exports consisted of American fruit.

One or two observations gleaned from this year's experience may not be amiss. In the first place too many early soft varieties were shipped which have no keeping qualities and so had to be slaughtered at low prices immediately on landing in England. Some years ago money was made on early grown apples almost exclusively and the sooner they reached the the market the better. Now things are different and orchards of early fruit ought to be replaced to a great extent by good sound winter varieties. There have been less complaints about dishonest packing. thanks, no doubt, to the warning of the commercial press. The shipments were so heavy this year that many valuable consignments were sent forward in open cars and got frosted. This, of course, only occurred to lots intended for the last steamers but it should be a warning for the future. We are of opinion that the phenomenal exports of this year are mostly due to the opening of feeders to the Canadian Pacific in Ontario and also to improved Grand Trunk connections, though the season was certainly favorable for the growth of apples Owing to improved facilities for transport many sections will in future ship fruit which in past years allowed vast quantities to rot on the ground. There is an unlimited demand for apples in Great Britain, as the experience of this year proves, and Canadian fruit, like Canadian cheese have won a reputation which promises to last. It is therefore all the more important that the few hints and suggestions contained in this article should be taken to heart by growers and dealers.

CREDIT SALES.

It is evident that the advantages of a purely cash business are not so great in some of the branches of the dry-goods and other kindred trades as social economists would have us believe, or we should not find large stores where the payment of cash is steadily discouraged and where all the efforts of the establishment are concentrated on pleasing and extending the number of their credit customers. In

these stores no risks are taken or favors granted to cash customers. For credit customers almost anything they ask is done. In fact so far is competition for this class of custom carried, that some houses do not hesitate to write to any address, where they are sure of their customer's solvency, and offer to put them upon their credit list.

The advantages gained by securing this class of custom are perfectly obvious. The fact that they are not expected to pay for their purchases until some distant date encourages their customers not only to buy all that they need, but in many cases a good deal that they otherwise would do without. When the question of purchasing some little luxury means only the addition of a dollar or so to the total of the account, the customer rarely hesitates about taking it. The bill will not come in for six months, perhaps not for a year, and then it means only a payment on account, and not the forcible wiping out of every dollar of indebtedness. Under these circumstances the customer usually takes it at once and has it charged to the ever convenient account, and thus the purchases go on until by and bye the taste for these luxuries becomes fixed. What was at first a mere gratification of a passing fancy soon becomes looked upon as an actual necessity, and thus the volume of purchases is permanently enlarged. Not only this; but the customer, knowing that he need not pay cash, gets in the habit of going to that store where he runs his bills only, and passes by all others on his road thither. Thus, in time, the obliging storekeeper secures his exclusive custom, and can reckon upon the amount he will yearly pay into his coffers with almost the certainty of an annuity.

To offset these advantages we must remember that to prosecute this sort of business successfully is only possible to large and well known stores. It calls for a very large capital or credit in order to carry the volume of unpaid accounts and balances: as well as for the utmost tact in discriminating among customers. Bad debts, naturally, are frequently made, (although by no means so frequently as many people imagine), and it is necessary to incur a certain amount of loss in endeavoring to propitiate customers. Goods must be sent on approbation and cheerfully received back, no matter if injured, so long as they are not permanently disfigured. Ladies have been known to have dresses sent home on approbation in order to wear them on special occasions and to order bric-a-brac, pictures and portieres, ostensibly to get their husband's consent before purchasing, but in reality only to deck out their houses for some ball or reception. All this the storekeeper knows and quietly winks at; since he

prefers his customers to come to him for these favors rather than to go elsewhere. So far is this complacency carried that even if the goods be seriously damaged it is more than likely (if the account be a good one) that no charge would be made, lest the customer should transfer her trade to another store; while if the damage is only slight it is simply charged to wear and tear.

All this goes to show the impossibility of laying down any cast iron rule for the guidance of commercial men. A practice which ensures success to a powerful and wealthy house would mean inevitable disaster to their poorer competitors. Each firm requires to be guided by its own surroundings and to adapt its methods of doing business to the class of trade it desires to cater for. It is the measure of ability to thus conform with the requirements of different localities and descriptions of trade that marks the successful business man, since in this country we cannot lay down any rigid rule for our guidance in these matters, but must perforce at times consult expediency rather than the true laws of commerce. The successful man simply make +1 best of the materials he has at han he finds out the needs and tastes of his customers and endeavors to meet them so far as is compatible with his own prosperity. The education of his constituents in the higher laws of commerce he wisely leaves to the social economists and the daily press, who fulfil that task by laying down a set of beautifully clear and concise rules for their guidance whose only weak point is their utter inadaptability to the present condition of commerce in this country.

FASHIONABLE FURS.

The blizzard which we experienced in the early part of the week, although it put a stop to shopping during its continuance, has had the effect of stimulating the fur trade. Montreal has now put on her winter mantle of snow, and with the prospect of good roads and settled weather the holiday trade has picked up well and the movement in furs and fur-lined or trimmed wraps shows signs of the long-looked for improvement.

In furs, sealskin, of course, retains its position at the head of the list. Its high cost effectually prevents it ever becoming common and the possession of a sealskin is, therefore, generally looked upon as an indication that the wearer enjoys a fair share of this world's good things. Fashion demands that long wraps of sealskin this year shall reach nearly to the hem of the dress, and that the front shall be double breasted; but this renders the wrap exceedingly costly, and, as it sealskin it is more than usually necessary to cut the

coat according to the cloth, we find usually that the length of the wrap is exactly proportionate to the depth of the intending wearer's purse. A less expensive wrap is the small sealskin jacket, closely fitting in the back, with either close or loosely fitting fronts; the latter being the fashionable shape this winter. A novelty for these jackets consists of a tiny model of a seal's head. One is placed where the jacket is fastened across the neck, one on each flap of the pockets, and one goes to ornament the muff. They are pretty little heads, and have a really good offect. Very little trimming is used in these garments, and, if any, bands of sea-otter or Hudson Bay sable are preferred.

Fur-lined circulars are not so much worn this winter as usual. The most fashionable are those made in marcon or dark cardinal cloth and lined with gray squirrel fur. These wraps usually fit in at the back and are embroidered with black Russia braid. Silk sicilienne, cashmeres, and cloth are also used on these garments, and either mink or squirrel is preferred for the lining. Victorines of fur, principally of plucked otter, are also much called for and are usually trimmed with pompons of the same fur; but the round boas so much worn last season seem to be neglected this year and a preference has been exhibited for those which fit round the neck like a high collar and have long tlat ends hanging down the front. The ruling furs show no change from last year, the only novelty shown being fine raccoon dyed by a process that renders it an extremely light and glossy fur. It is claimed that this is the most durable long black fur yet introduced, and that it will prove a serious rival to bear and Alaska sable: but whether these bright anticipations will be fulfilled remains yet to be seen The trade remember many of these new furs, introduced with a flourish of trumpets, which immediately afterwards sank into oblivion.

In mon's fur caps the ultra fashionables this year will patronize a dog-stealer shape made in natural seal. As it is both ugly and unbecoming, besides having a common look, owing to the fact that it is the fur used by some of the militia regiments in this city for their winter caps, it is hardly likely to take outside of a certain set. For the better class wear mink-tail wedges are a pretty novelty, but we still find that unplucked ofter is the fur usually chosen for wedges, and that for collars and cuffs on fashionable overcoats it is almost universal. Persian lamb is very little called for as it is now looked upon as the official fur. Since the police sergeants and fire brigade officials have worn it as part of their uniforms, it has been steadily neglected by the general public, except

when the entire coat is made of it. For fur-lined coats mink is almost exclusively chosen; but for other purposes this fur is neglected, and now that beaver has become too expensive in proportion to its real value for ordinary wear, the use of natural otter is every day growing larger.

MR. WIMAN'S CIRCULAR.

The circular issued by Mr. Erastus Wiman on behalf of the G. N. W. Telegraph Company announcing the intention of that company to reduce the amount of the dividend it now pays to the shareholders of the Montreal Telegraph Company from 8 to 6 per cent. has naturally met with disapproval. Although this step has long been auticipated in commercial circles, since it was simply owing to this constant feeling of insecurity as to the continuation of the 8 per cent. dividend that the stock never succeeded of late in reaching par value, it is none the less to be regretted. No doubt If the figures given by Mr. Dwight are correct, viz :- that the revenue of the leased lines only reached \$186,360, while the expenditure, even when cut down to the lowest point, could not be brought under \$242,-500-it became inevitable that some reduction in the rent should be made, unless the G. N. W. Co. were prepared to face an annual deficit of \$56,000; but coming at the time it does, it is especially unwelcome. It is, of course, the competition of the Canadian Pacific Railway that has largely tended to bring this about; but, at the same time, no matter what the cause may be, the fact remains that at present a dividend of eight per cent is not being carned, and that there is very little likelihood that it ever will be again. Under these circumstances, however unpalatable it may be to Canadian stockholders, there seems to be no possibility of avoiding the reduction unless an open rupture and the resumption of the line themselves be decided upon.

The president, Mr. Andrew Allan made a bold stand on behalf of the company he represents, and at once wrote to Mr. Wiman to the effect that the contents of the circular having been found to be misleading and incorrect, the directors were constrained to withhold their consent and countenance to the distribution of matter evidently intended to create un easiness in the minds of the shareholders, any reason for which the board believe does not exist; but, it is evident that they are in no condition to fight, and that the G. N. W. Company with the existence of the Dominion Co. could easily force them to accept their terms or drive them from the field. Where they once had two thousand offices under their control the Montreal will now have only four, in Montreal, Quebec, Toronto and Ottawa. All the others, and all their employees, are under the control of the G.N.W. company or of the Dominion Company, which Mr. Wiman will use to fight the Montreal Company with. The Dominion company has exclusive contracts with the Western Union for American, and with the alifed cable companies, for European connections. The Monttreal company has only the Canadian business left to fight for in competition with the Canadian Pacific and the Great North Western, and it would take, Mr Wiman tells it, months to straighten out its affairs and put it in a position to do a general business. Under these circumstances there is little doubt of the result of so one-eided conflict as this, and, therefore, Montreal Telegraph stock is now selling at 88 in anticipation of only a 6 per cent dividend being received in the future.

THE "HERALD" CASE. The judgment given by Mr. Justice John-

son in the important case of the Herald vs the Northern Insurance Company, has naturally provoked much comment in insurance circles, The facts were as follows. The Herald company took out a policy whereby their property was insured in the Northern against loss or damage by fire occuring between the 26th August, 1885, and the same date in 1886. both days inclusive, to the extent of \$3,000. This policy was renewed, on the same terms, for another year, although the company afterwards sent a notice to the Herald, some days before the fire occurred, to the effect that the policy would expire at noon on the day mentioned. On the very day of the fire, but many hours before it broke out, another company (the Scottish Union and National Co.) gave an insurance receipt to the plaintiffs for a like sum of \$3,000, to take effect from the expiration of the risk with the Northern. Had no fire taken place the transfer of the risk would have been made from the one company to the other without comment; but curiously enough, on the 26th of August, 1887, between 7 p. m. and midnight, the property insured was destroyed by fire, and the Herald company claimed at once on all its insurers for the amount of its indemnity against loss. The nine other insurance offices interested paid; but the Northern refused on the ground that their policy had expired at noon; and also afterwards contended that the amount paid by the other companies more than covered the loss. In addition to this the provision of the policy, that no further insurance should be allowed without notice, had been violated in the case of the Scottish Union. On both points the judge decided against the company and in favor of the Herald. Mr. Justice Johnston held that the agent's admission that the forms of the Northern company's policies had been changed so as to terminate the risk at noon since the difficulty arose in the present case, was a practical admission that there was no binding custom, and that the stipulation should be made in order to The notice which the bind the parties. agent sent some days before the fire, that the policy would end at noon of the 26th, only intimated the will of one of the parties to the contract, and of course could not alter it without the assent of the other, If it could, he might just as well have said it would terminate at any other hour, or any other day. He also held that it was expressly agreed that the risk in the Scottish was only to take effect from the expiration of the insurance with the Northern company, and that since the Scottish company is one of those which stipulate for the expiry of their risks at noon, they had either to alter their forms in use, or go to noon the next day, leaving the plaintiffs uninsured for twelve hours from midnight of the 26th; therefore it became matter of precise understanding that the Scottish Union risk would only commence when the Northern's risk ended. Under these circumstances he decided that the policy in the Northern held good. With regard to the value of the property destroyed the learned judge decided also in favor of the Herald: on the ground that the other companies accepted and paid on the same schedule as that disputed by the Northern and that this, though not absolutely conclusive, gave at all events the opinion of all the other companies, nine in number, that were on the risk, and ought to be a tolerably safe guide. He therefore gave judgment for plaintiffs, for \$3,000, interest and costs.

Naturally enough the Northern are not satisfied with this judgment. They claim that as a matter of fact, notice was given the assured of the time of expiry, and acted on in so far as the insurance was placed with the Scottish Union, whose policy took effect from 12 o'clock noon. The agent, in evidence the first day admitted this without qualification and further a ivised his head office of the loss, even quoting the number of the policy. It was not until the second day of the trial and after the plaintiffs counsel had closed his case, that he weakened in his evidence. The broker who placed the insurance admitted that he did not know the hour of expiry of the Northern policy, the inference being that when he placed the insurance with the Scottish Union on the 26th August he undoubtedly understood they were on the risk. Another point to which the Northern objects is the haste with which the settlement was effected. The salvage was never examined or even a survey held. The payments were made simply on the strength of the Herald's own statements, without any attempt at verification, and the company consequently hold that they were justified in their plea that the Herald would have been amply compensated for their loss without this payment, and, in fact, that they have been overpaid. This, of course, is a statement which it is difficult to verify. The question was laid clearly before the learned Judge and decided by him in the negative on the strength of the acquiescence of the other companies in the valuation. If any doubt existed, they should have taken pains to investigate it, and since they did not do so, it is upon them that any charge of negligence must rest, unless they were per.

feetly satisfied with the statement laid before

THE COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS.

The fourteenth annual general meeting of the Dominion Commercial Travellers Association was held at their rooms in this city, on the 15th ulto,, and was largely attended. The report showed that 358 new members had been admitted during the year, and that the cash surplus in the treasurer's hands was \$11,175, or a larger sum than has ever previously been carried forward. The directors received the congratulations of those present on the excellent showing, and, after the accounts had been thoroughly discussed, the election of officers was proceeded with, resulting in the re-election of Mr. Fred Birks as president and the election of Mr. Gustave Piche as vice-president, Mr. R. B. Hutchison as treasurer, and Messrs. Geo. L. Cains, W. Percival, John Taylor, J. A. Cantlie and S. S. Boxer, as directors. After the usual vote of thanks had been tendered to the retiring officers the meeting adjourned.

THE BANK OF OTTAWA.

The annual report of the Bank of Ottawa if not quite so favorable as that of its predecessor, indicates a steady advance in the bank's position. After deducting expenses of management, and making all the necessary provisions for bad and doubtful debts, the net profits amount to \$115,772, or over 111 per cent. on the capital; and the addition of \$50,-000 to the Rest brings that important fund up to \$360,000. This is a very favorable showing and one that reflects great credit upon the management. The Bank of Ottawa occupies a deservedly high position in financial estimation, and it is evident that so long as the present hands are at the helm it is destined to gain ground steadily.

THE full text of the judgment in the case of the Queen v. St. Catharines Milling and Lumber Company is now to hand. The points decided may be briefly stated as follows :-First, that the legal title of the lands did not belong to the Indians, but to the Orown. Second, that at the Confederation the beneficial interest in Crown lands was given to the provinces. Third, that although these were lands reserved for the Indians, over which the Dominion has exclusive legislative control, that control does not take away the right of the province to revenues to be derived from the disposal by the Crown of the lands and timber. Fourth, that the Dominion Government, representing the Crown in extinguishing the Indian title, in so far as it has been extinguished, did not oust the province from the beneficial interest in the lands conferred on it by the B. N. A. Act; but that the province getting the beneficial interest should reimburse the Crown, in this instance represented by the Dominion Govern-

ment, for all expenses incurred. The Indians have still certain rights of hunting over the territory, and the Privy Council have refrained from saying who should determine to what extent or at what periods the territory over which they have these rights should be taken up for settlement.

The fire loss of the United States and Canada during the month of November, as made up by the Commercial Bulletin of New York, amounted to the sum of \$9,058,700; and, although this amount seems excessive, still it is less than the sum chargeable against November, 1886, by about \$1,000,000, and is nearly \$7,000,000 less than that chargeable against November, 1887; a gratifying reduction. Below we present a table showing the fire loss by morths for the first eleven months of the years 1886, 1887 and 1888:

	1886.	1887.	1885.
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Maron	10,51,000	しいっちゃいい	9,918,100
April	8, 00 000	11,750, 00	11 324,323
May	7,09000	10,636 500	9,1-8, 00
June	9,750,101	10,152,160	8,591,400
July	11,000,00	14,0.6.500	10,500, .50
August	13.0 0,00	8,317,500	10.236,000
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November	10, 00,0.0	16,003,975	9,0 17,700

Total....\$105,100,000 \$118,957,300 \$113,634,700
It will be noted that the above table shows that the fire loss so far this year is less by over five million dollars than in the first eleven months of 1887. Therefore, unless the December fire loss this year exceeds the loss of December, 1887, by over five million dollars, the total loss will show a marked reduction from that of the previous year.

A very important decision was given on the 18th ulto, by Mr. Justice Davidson in the case of Prentice vs. Steele, in which the plaintiffs asked that defendant be ordered to deposit in Court the amount received by him on a policy on the life of the late Walter M. Rice. Mr. Rice, having insured his life for \$3,000, transferred the policy to his son-inlaw, Mr. John Steele, the present defendant, and died shortly afterwards. Mr. Steele settled with the company for \$2,000 and Mr. Prentice then took the present action on the ground that the deceased was his debtor and was insolvent at the time of the transfer of the policy to defendant, who obtained it without consideration, asking that the full amount of the policy. \$3,000, be deposited in Court to be divided among deceased's creditors. His Honor maintained the plantiff's claim, but held that the defendant acted prudently insettling the claim for \$2,000, and ordered the latter amount only to be deposited in Court less \$250 expended by Mr. Steele during Mr. Rice's illness and for his funeral.

DECISION has been given in an insurance case tried at Woodstock before arbitrators between Given Bros., of Wolverton, and the Wellington Mutual Insurance Company. The taking of evidence occupied several days. The policies were for \$4,500 in all upon the

general stock of a country store at Wolverton carried on by the Given Bros. The plaintiffs claim that their loss was \$6,000, and they alleged that they had lost all their books of account, invoices, stock books, etc., at the are, with the exception of their ledger and sales book, which were at Hamilton. The insurance company could thus get no satisfactory statement of the amount of their loss, and as the plaintiffs were reducing their stock previous to the fire, with a view of discontinuing business, the defendants alleged that they had reason to believe that the plaintiffs had exaggerated the amount of their loss. The arbitrators allowed \$3,200 for goods destroyed, the Given Bros, to pay costs,

The English trust is forcing the price of salt up stendily even in the United States. Previous to the formation of the Combination, good brands sold at 24s per ton, but the price soon went up to 29s, and, it is said, a further advance of 5s per ton will soon be ordered. American salt can, of course, be readily obtained, but the farmers in the States say that for many purposes the quality is not desirable, particularly for butter-making. For some unexplained reason, a considerable portion of American sait is damp and moist, whereas the foreign product is thoroughly kiln-dried, and, though making a sea voyage, comes to hand in a dry and desirable condition. Producers here have yet considerable to learn in the manufacture of this indispensable article, and if they expect to control the market upon this side of the Atlantic they have got to produce an article fully as good as the foreign and at a price equally as low.

A DEPUTATION of managers of loan coinpanies, have had an interview with Hon, Mr. Foster, Minister of Finance, with reference to the class of securities now accepted by the tinance department as deposit required by the Government. The deputation wished the minister to accept certain securities, which are not at present taken by the department, and although the minister promised the matter should receive attention we trust his reply may be in the negative. There is no reason why any of the already sufficiently liberal regulations under which these companies work should be in any way relaxed. They have now secured such a grip upon the agricultural community as to be a veritable power in the land and therefore any encroachments on their part should be jealously watched and any change in the laws affecting them should be in the direction of further restriction rather than of concession.

1T CURED HIM.—A certain prominent Canadian manufacturer, in this city, who was disposed to occasionally oblige his friends by selling them his goods for their own use at wholesale prices, was one day approached in the following manner by a medical gentleman who had been so favored, and who came to

settle his account: "Say, Mr. X., that celebrated patent range that I bought from you did not turn out quite as well as I expected. Can you not manage in view of these facts to take off a liberal discount from my bill 2" Mr. X. blandly replied, "I hear Doctor, that several of your patients have recently died, and others have not turned out as well as you led them to expect. Have you in view of these facts taken a liberal discount off their bills?" The doctor murmured, "Comparisons are adious," and paid up. Moral: "Tis a poor rule that won't work both ways.

The sudden change to wintry weather, coming just before Christmas, has had a wonderful effect on the holiday trade. People have rushed to buy presents and necessaries, and the result has been that the stores have been thronged with customers. In the larger retail dry goods stores, like Carsley's, it has been difficult to thread one's way between the crowds of purchasers at the counters, and even the smallest shopkeepers are benefiting by the change. Although, owing to the unseasonable weather, the hotiday trade did not begin this year till late, our citizens are evidently determined to make up for lost times and the storekeepers are now reaping the benefit of the long expected revival in de-

THE chief significance of the new Russian loan lies in the fact that it was so enthusiastically taken up in Paris after both London and Berlin had refused to touch it. Subscriptions were asked for 100,000,000 francs at 86, with four per cent, interest, and more than three times the amount was subscribed on the Bourse, the enthusiasm of investors being greater than at any time since the national subscription to cover the German indemnity was asked. The plain meaning of all this is that the way is thus opened for a diplomatic alliance between France and Russia as a counterpoise to the triple alliance between Germany, Austria, and Italy. France has not forgotten 1870, and evidently trusts to Russia's aid to regain the lost provinces.

It is reported from St. Oatharines, Ont., that the Canadian Pacific Railway have definitely decided to bring the main line of the Canadian Pacific road from Chicago to Niegara Falls through Hamilton, St. Catharines and Merritton. The location of the line between Hamilton and the Niagara river has not been finally arranged, but it is Mr. Van Horne's intention to carry the track under the new canal by means of a tunnel. The only favor the Canadian Pacific wants of St. Catharines is the right of way through the city.

At the session of the Miller's convention, in Milwaukee, resolutions were adopted, calling for a curtailment of the output of the

mills of the country for the month of January to one-half the average capacity, naming a committee of three to regulate the output on the advice of three-quarters of the mills of the country, asking railroads to make the export rate 3 per cent. less than the internal rate, and forbidding the consignment of flour by mills for three months after January 1, 1889

The annual meeting of the Montreal Elevating Company took place on the 17th. The report did not show satisfactory condition of affairs. It stated that the volume of business of the last year was the smallest which had been transacted by the company for a great number of years, and after a very poor year the break in the Cornwall canal at the conclusion of the season very much aggravated the depression. The board of directors was re-elected.

We hear of the assignment of two furmers in the vicinity of Newmarket, Ont., Richard Harper and T. Pinxton. It is stated that the assets of the latter are all pretty well mortgaged to his brother-in-law who is also the assignee. In view of this case local opinion seems to be that it would be well if some steps were taken whereby the privilege of choosing an assignee were restricted. Of late it has been apparent that this privilege has been abused and that it has been made the means of unduly favoring one creditor at the expense of the others.

Our correspondent at Madawasha, N. B., writes as follows:—Men rather scarce; wages from \$14 to \$20; Oats 40 cents; Hay \$8 00. About one-third of grain damaged by the heavy frost. Potatoes an average. Hay half damaged but would not have been much below an average growth. Peas, beans and corn a failure, but not much raised any year. On the whole the country is prosperous, and we have plenty to live on; beef 4 cents and plenty at that. The heavy freshet destroyed several saw mill dams, but owners don't believe in the word they can't build again, and as usual, are vigorously at work repairing damages.

The case of the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Company versus Zingsheim, has been amicably settled at Hamilton, each party paying their own costs and the action being withdrawn by mutual consent. Zingsheim put in an application for a policy, and gave a tote for \$194 to the company. Before the application was confirmed Zingsheim withdrew the application and notified the company that he would not pay the note. Hence the suit which has just been settled.

This nomination of Mr. Peter Redpath to fill the vacancy on the London Committee of the Bank of Montreal, caused by the retirement of Mr. E. H. King, is received with universal commendation. Mr. Redpath is one of our most successful business men, and as such must be a valuable addition to the board, while as a representative Canadian he leaves nothing to be desired.

MERSES. S. BAKER & Co. dealers in groceries and provisions who opened in Lindsay, Ont., just twelve months ago, write us that they are going to close out their business as they find it impossible to make a cash trade pay.

MR. C. A. ERUTHNER, merchant of this city, who recently failed, has been arrested on a capias at the instance of E. Nash & Son, London, who are creditors for \$2800, charging him with secreting his property.

GLASGOW, SCOTLAND, will build a second underground railway 7 miles long, 26 feet wide and 18 to 23 feet below the surface, with the steepest grade at 60 feet a mile, at a cost of about \$5,600,000 on which a return of 6 per cont. is expected.

THE "BATTLE OF THE TUBS," is what a city amateur entitles the war now raging among certain of the piano dealers,

Correspondence.

THE DUTY ON LOGS.

To the Editor JOURNAL OF COMMARCE :---

Sir.-The editorial in your issue of the 30th ulto, on the subject of the export duty on logs, is most timely, well put, and deserves the attention of every well-wisher to our Dominion. Our morto must always be " Canada for Canadians" or else we shall soon degenerate into a mere slaughter ground for Americans without receiving the least equivalent for the natural wealth of which they are roobing us. No one can dispute the truth of the paragraph in which you say :-

"The sole object in imposing a duty upon saw logs is to ensure their manufacture in this country. No Canadian wishes to see our national forests cut down and towed across the frontier to be manufactured in the United States. As Canada turnishes the raw material it is only fair that the wages paid and capita expended in its manufacture into the finished product shall inure to the profit of her own

Now, since you have laid bare the true object of lev, ing an export duty on timber slaughtered out of our forests to be taken across the lines to be manufactured in order to evade the American tariff, would it not be wise for our Ministers to examine all the minor points of the case, lest some small point be overlooked which would prevent the main is suo having its desired effect?

I can mention some glaring facts which cannot be denied. In Vanburen, Me., just across our frontier, there are extensive shingle mills, claploard and rotary saws expressly built for the purpose of manufacturing tumber cut in New Brunswick forests and carried across the frontier to be manufactured simply to save the American duty of 35 cents on shingles and \$2 per thousand on other lumber. This one establishment alone manufactures yearly 25 to 30 million shingles beside clapuoards for export, besides supplying their home demand. In fect often our own people have to cross the lines and purchase lumber at an exorbitant price and then pay the Canadian duty on it when that very lumber was cut from Canadian trees on which not one dollar of export duty was ever exacted by this country.

You further very justly remark :- " Since a duty of \$2 did not suffice to compel the Americans to invest their money in Canadian mills, an advance of 50 per cent has been enforced, simply with the patriotic intention of giving the advantage accruing from the manufacture of the timber to the land that produced it." This is honest and fair. It seems difficult to understand why one American concern should be permitted to cut in our forests, year after year, sufficient lumber to make 30 millions of shingles, perfectly free of duty, when had they been compelled to pay a duty in any way equivalent to the American duty against us they would have had to pay into the Canadian treasury \$10,500 annually as duty on the shingles alone.

I may further state that this lumber is driven over a mill dam owned by a Canadian having sufficient power to drive mills that could cut all the timber that ever grew on its banks, and yet year by year our forests are stripped of their wealth of lumber without one dollar of the profit of its maunfacture account to the natives of the country that grew it. Unless the public press take up this cause our forests are doomed, and, therefore, I thank you for the plain and patriotic stand you have taken on the subject.

I remain, Yours truly P. O. BYRAM. Madwaska, N. B., 10th Decemcer, 1888.

Meetings, &c.

BANK OF OTTAWA.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the Bank of Ottawa was held in that city on Wednesday the 12th December, last. On the motion of Mr. Charles McGee, seconded by Hon. k. Clemow, the President, Mr. James Maclaren, took the chair, and the Cashier acted as secre-The president then called upon the Cashier to read the following

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

The directors beg to present the following statement, showing the result of the Bank's business for the year which ended 30th November, 1888 :-

Balance at credit of profit and loss account, 30 November, 1887 \$ 35,140.28

Net profits for the year ending 30th N vember, 1888, after deducting expenses of management and making necessary provision for interest due to depositors, unearned interest on current discounts and for all bad and doubtful debts...... . 115,772.40

\$150,912,68

Appropriated as follows :-Dividend No. 24, paid 1st June, 1888 \$35,000.00 Dividend No. 25, payable 1st December, 1888... 35,000 00 Carried to Rest Account. 50,000.00 \$120,000.00

Leaving a balance to be carried forward at the Credit of Profit and

It will be observed from the statement of Assets and Liabilities which as usual accompanies this report, that the business of the Bank continues to increase in a satisfactory manner. The offices of the Bank have been carefully inspected during the past year. The officials of the Bank have performed the dufies assigned to them in a manner satisfactory to the Directors.

JAMES MACLAREN, President.

GENERAL STATEMENT OF LIABILITIES AND ASSETS AS ON 30TH NOVEMBER, 1888. Liabilities.

Notes in circulation. \$ 880,505:00 Deposits bearing interest\$1,993,285 80 Deposits not bearing

393,073.49 2,386,359 29 interest

Due to other Banks in Canada..... 23,737.95

Total liabilities to the Public \$3,290,602.24 Capital paid up ... 1,000,000.00 Rest ° 360,000 00 Dividend No. 25 ... 35,000.00 Former dividence unpaid 193.00 Reserved for interest and exchange... 21,664 36 Rebate on current discounts 23,188.55 Balance of prefit and loss account carried forward..... 30,912.68 1,470,958 59

> \$4,761,580.83 Assets.

Specie on hand ... \$ 127,070.26 Dominion notes on hand 104,186.23 Notes of and cheques on other banks ... 87,969.06 Balances due from banks in other Canada..... 99,490.65 Balances due from other banks in foreign countries.... 237,035 29 Balances due from other banks in the United Kinzdom. 57,339.02 Dominion Government ebentures. 122,883.33

Total Assets immediale/y available \$ 835,978,86 Deposits in other banks unscoured 100,000.00 Loans and bills discount-d . 3,765,744 18 Lans overdue not specially secured. 1,472.37 Loans overdue secured 6,475.93 Real Estate, the property of the Bank, other than the Bank premises ... 14,325.49 Mortgages on Real

Estate sold by the

Bank....

Bank premises....

\$4,761,560,83 GEO. BURN, Cashier.

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The President, Mr. Maclaren said that in moving the adoption of the report, he had not very much to add to it. The year had been

prosperous. A somewhat larger volume of business had been transacted, but the profits were about the same as last year, money having continued plentiful and the rates of disco. nts low. The lumber trade continues in a satisfactory condition; the outlook for the coming year is bright, and it bids fair to be remunerative, both for sawn lumber and square timber. While the yards at Ottawa and other points appear much crowded, and it would seem to a casual observer as if large stocks remained unsold, the fact is that on account of the great scarcity in ocean shipping it has been impossible for purchasers to remove the lumber they have bought, but it has nearly all passed out of the hands of the producer, and is mostly paid for. He then moved, seconded by the Vice-President, Mr. Magee, that the report of the directors now read be adopted and printed for the information of the shareholders.

Mr. Magee said that in seconding the adoption of the report he did so with more than usual satisfaction, for the reason that he had within the last few weeks, in company with the cashier, Mr. Burn, visited all the branch offices of the bank, and at Keewatin and Winnipeg Mr. John Mather, one of the directors, also assisted them. It afforded him pleasure to be able to assure the shareholders that the business continues in a sound and healthy condition at the branch offices as well as at the head office, and at each point it is conducted by a reliable and efficient staff. The managers appear to have the confidence of the customers, as well as of the community generally at their respective places of residence. He continued: The president has spoken of the condition of the lumber trade, and I think all those present will agree with me that there are few men in Canada better qualified to express an opinion on this great industry. While it is true that many of the bank's customers in the Ottawa Valley are engaged in other callings than that of lumber, yet on the prosperity of that trade depends in a great measure the success of many other branches of business, and it is pleasing to be assured on such good authority that the prospects of the trade in lumber and timber are so bright for the coming year.

Perhaps the most important branch of the bank is at Winnipeg, where we do a large business, and have as clients some of the

principal commercial houses.

Business in Manitoba has, until within two or three years past, been confined to supplying the wants of the settlers, but the basis of future business in that province will undoubtedly be the exporting of the surplus wheat and other farm products. This business is already assuming considerable proportions, and it may be interesting to give you the results of 1887, as prepared by the secretary of the Winnipeg Board of Trade, and an estimate for 1888, from private sources, revised up to the first of the present month.

STATEMENT FOR 1837.

	Bush.
Wheat exported to Eastern Canada and Europe	8 500,000
Converted into flour in Manitoba	2,600,000
Used as seed, 520,000 acres	1,100,000
and of farmers for close market-	

13,400 000

To these figures may be added an amount (equal to a sum sufficient to make a graid total of 14,000,000 bushels) to cover the wheat used as feed on farms and what is still unthreshed, or at such remote points from railroads that it will not go into this year's Lusiness.

From this it will be seen that the wheat crop of Manitoba in 1887 amounted to 14, 000,000 bushels, of which were exported to Eastern Canada and Europe in wheat and flour about 10,500,000, and the total value of the exports, including other products, was over \$7,000,000. This year the exportable surplus of wheat will not exceed 5,000,000 bushels, after allowing for home consumption and seed. This great falling off is accounted for by the damage caused by frost and blight. The total value of the exports from the crop of 1888 will not it is estimated, much exceed \$4,000,000. This would make total receipts from exports alone in the two years of \$11,-000 000, distributed among about 16,000 farmers and goes to show that the farmers in that province must be getting pretty well off, the deficiency in quantity this year being largely counterbalanced by the high prices which have prevailed. When in Manitoba in October last, wheat was selling from 80c to \$1.15, according to grade. The prospect of fair prices next year has caused a much larger acreage to be prepared for seeding next spring, so that we may fairly look for an increased yield, and exportable surplus each year, and I believe that before many years Manitoba and the Northwest Territories will be recognized as one of the principal sources of the food supply of the world, while the removal of the surplus to market will require all the available resources of the banks, and will tax to their utmost capacity the existing as well as the contemplated new lines of railway I have perhaps occupied too much of your time with this subject, but as the nature of the business is rapidly changing in Manitoba, and a considerable proportion of the bank's lunds will probably be employed during a portion of each year, in the grain business, I have thought it desirable to take this opportunity to direct your attention to it. I have much phasure in seconding the motion for the adoption of the report.

Mr. John Mather said that he begged to confirm from an independent source the accuracy of the estimate of this year's crop sub-

mitted by Mr. Mageo.

The President before submitting the motion for the adoption of the report, said that if any of the shareholders desired information, he would be glad to answer any questions re-

garding the position of the bank.

Mr. Sheriff Sweetland congratulated the board of directors on the satisfactory showing they had made this year, and was glad to learn from the remarks of the vice president that the business of the bank in Manitoba was on a sound commercial basis. He thought the best proof of the bank being in a healthy condition generally was the receipt of his semi-annual dividend cheque with regularity.

The motion for the adoption of the report was then put to the meeting and c rried. The following motions were then put to the

meeting and carried unanimously:

Moved by Mr. Andrew Mason, seconded by Mr Geo. Edwards, of Thurso: That the thanks of the shareholders are due, and are hereby tendered to the president, vice-president and directors, for their careful attention to the interests of the bank during the past year.

Moved by Sheriff Sweetland, seconded by Mr. J. Ballantyne, that the thanks of the shareholders be tendered to the cashier and other officers of the bank for the efficient manner in which they have discharged their respective duties.

A motion was introduced by Mr. James Cunningham, seconded by Hon Senator Clemow, making an alteration in By-law No. 7

after which it was
Moved by Rev. Thos. Garrett, seconded by
Mr. J. G. Whyte, that the ballot box be now

opened, and remain open until five o'clock, for the election of directors, for the ensuing year, and that Messrs. James Conningham and G Edwards be appointed scrutineers; the poll to be closed whenever five minutes shall

have elapsed without a vote being tendered. The scrutineers presented the following re-

OTTAWA, Dec. 12, 1888.

To Mr. Geo. Burn, Cashier, Bank of Ottawa:

Srn,-We, the undersigned scrutineers, appointed at the general meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of Ottawa, held this day, hereby declare the following gentlemen duly

decept directors for the cusuing year;

Messrs, James Maclaren, Charles Magee, C.
T. Bate, R. Blackburn, Hon. George Bryson,
Hon. L. R. Church, Alexander Fraser, Geo. Hay, John Mather.

Respectfully submitted, JAMES CUNNINGHAM. GEORGE EDWARDS, Scrutineers

At a meeting of the newly elected Board of Directors held subsequently, Mr. James Maclaren was re-elected President and Mr. Chas. Magee Vice-President.

GEORGE BUNN,

Ottawa, 12th Dec., 1888.

Cashier.

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Financial.

MONTREAL, Thursday Evening,) Dec. 20th, 1888.

Money in London is firm at 41 per cent. on the street. Locally rates are unchanged and an abundance of funds are offering. Call loans run from 31 to 4 per cent., with the latter figure predominating, and a few favored mercantile borrowers can obtain discount at 5 per cent. while the majority pay six, and weak accounts pay seven. Remittances con-

tinue backward, and the failure list is unpleasantly large; but it is hoped that g-od winter roads may help us, and, fortunately, the holiday trade is rushing at the present moment. Still the outlook is only an average one, and, certainly, does not justify any roseate anticipations-Sterling exchange is slightly higher and sixties are now quoted at 9/0 91-16 between banks and 91@ s over the counter. Demand 9 15-16@10 and 101@1. Cables 101. Posted in New York 4.85 and 4.89. Actual 4.842 and 4.882. Cabl s 4.891. New York funds are at 1-32 discount to par between banks and kal premium over the counter...The only feature of the week on the local stock exchange was the heavy break in Telegraph, due to the Wiman circular reducing the dividend by 25 per cent. This caused a brisk onslaught by the bears which resulted in forcing prices down to 871; but outside of Telegraph nothing has been doing. It was the only really active stock in the market, and the transactions in the others were comparatively trifling. Some heavy purchases of Land Grant Bonds have certainly been made on behalf of one of our insurance companies, but bank stocks are neglected and values all round close a trifle easier than at last writ-

Banks.	No. Shares.	Highest price.	Lowest price.	Average same week 1887.
Commerce	283	117	1161	110
Hochelaga	8	941	941	
Jac. Cartier	61	95	95	
Merchants	158	1351	1341	1191
Molsons	20	157]	1571	
Montreal	111	223		2091
Peoples	~ 50	102}	1021	
Quebec	40	117	117	
Miscellaneous.			٠.	2.3
Can. Pacific	225	521	52	61
Gas	210	0001	202	198
Land Grant B'ds S	65,000	1084	1081	190
Mont Street R'y	47	185	1821	220
Richelieu	175	561	16	441
Telegraph	3363	94	871	914
			3.7	

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SLEIGH ROBES

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-MONTREAL.-

Wholesale and Retail.

MONTREAL WHOLE SALE MARKETS. MONTBEAL, Thursday Evg., Dec 20, 1888.

With the exception of fancy goods and a few staple lines, business has been quite dull with the wholesale trade and is rapidly assuming a holiday character. The recent snow fall has made excellent snow roads in this city and vicinity, and the retail trade is brick and promising. The long continued wet and unfavorable weather extending over many months delayed business to such an extent that merchants confidently look forward to a good spring business. Solid reads. instead of quagmires, once more, and light stocks in the interior, are the strong points in the situation chiefly dwelt upon. The holiday trade will cause a welcome relief by causing money to circulate. The carnival

Asus - Receipts continue to be remarkably light. First pots sell at 4.00@4.05; Seconds, 3.60. Pearls are nominal at about 5.75. Receipts since 1st January: 3,519 bris pots; 661 bris pearls. Deliveries, 3.657 bris pots; 629 bris pearls. Stock in store at 6 p.m., 19th December, 277 bris pots; 138 brls pearls.

will greatly assist the winter retail custom.

DAIRY PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS. - Choice table butter and fresh rolls have found good purchasers, and the market is steady. The English market is firm for best grades of butter. There is not much to say about cheese, which, however, has ruled firm. The local demand has been fair, also the British demand. Holders are hopeful of higher prices before long. In provisions pork has sold fairly in small lots and prices are steady. Lard in good jobbing demand at quotations. Pork and lard have both been strong at Chicago. Eggs, game and dressed poultry are selling well. Turkeys were scarce and firm, and fine birds realized 11c per 1b. Geese, ducks and chickens were also called for. The transactions in cheese at the Buffalo. N. Y, market for the past season amounted to 170,035 boxes, as compared with 163,251 boxes in 1887, and the average price for the year 9fc, against 11fc in 1887. Computing sixty pounds to the box, 10,202,100 lbs. were handled, the valuation being \$994,704 75 The highest price of the season was 111c, and the lowest price 8c. Pork is weaker at the close with prices 50c @ \$1 lower. Canada short cut sold at \$18 @ \$18 50. Lard weaker at 10 c @ 10 c for western and 10 c for Canadian. Dressed hogs \$7.00 @ \$7.20 in jobbing lots. Turkeys sold well at 9c@10c at the close, and common 8c @ 8kc. Geese 8c for best, ordinary and poor ce to 7c. Ducks 9c @ 10c; chickens 5c @ 7c. Partridge 50c Venison 10c @ 12c for saddles. @ 55c brace.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.-Only an ordinary movement has taken place since our last. An English report says: Cream of tartar rather dearer. Chemicals. - There is no change, but as time goes on there is more anxiety to prepare for any advance that the Salt Union may bring about.

DRY Goods.—The past week has been an uneventful one. Travellers have done fairly well and their reports leave little to complain of. The city trade however have done poorly and some of the retailers look rather blue. It | been large and is still in progress. Winter

is to be hoped that the change to wintry weather will stimulate trade and, now that fears of a green Christmas are dispelled, the public may take hold in carnest. A feature of the week has been the notification of the wholesalers by certain cotton and woollen mills that all repeat orders not placed before a fixed date (varying from the 20th to the 25th of the present month) will be subject to a possible advance. Were this nonce alto-gether genuine it would be a strong indication of increasing firmness in values, but the suspicion arises that it may be only a " h : 11" for the purpose of getting repeat orders in early, and therefore the trade do not appear to attach much importance to it. - Remittances continue poor and the struggle to business is more keen than ever. A good account can do practically what he likes. We hear frequent complaints that goods are accepted and held for months on the shelves and then returned to the whole-aler, and that dating ahead has reached such a pitch that the retailer gets practically from nine to ten months in which to pay for his goods. So long as the present competition continues these evils are sure to exist; and that it will be in any way lessened durin; the coming year we cannot hope. The result will be a survival of the fittest. The more powerful firms will absorb the trade, while their weaker competitors will be weeded out one by one.

FISH AND OILS .- Quite a lot of herrings have been sold during the week here and in Quebec. One leading firm probably handled two or three hundred barrels. The supply is nearly out of first hands now and prices will be higher from this out, as shipments will be ex-store. Green cod is dull. The Advent trade was fairly satisfactory. Oils steady and unchanged.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—The flour trade has been dull and prices have been shaded. In this connection we direct reference to prices current. At the close the market may be called steady. Business of late has been confined to small jobbing lots, and we have no sales of importance to record. Grain dull with coarse grains steady and wheat; easier. There has been scarcely anything done since our last. The Chicago market was unsettled and wheat sold at \$1,051 Jan.; \$1.108, May. Corn firmer at 34gc Jan., 37gc May. A New York writer thus reviews the position: The warmer weather with rain in the northwest, is variously interpreted as of bullish or bearish significance, the talk of drought being killed by the rains being offset by apprehensions of a cold snap reezing up the overwet roots. Exporters, of course, are doing practically nothing here in options, and in the entire elimination of outside speculation the market is left nerveless and without outlook. Wheat in sight is 61,524,000 bushels, an increase of 802,000 with a week ago, of 3,550,000 with three weeks ago and of 4,364,000 with a year ago, ' English cables report wheat steady, but corn dull. The country markets are very firm. Canadian peas 5s 101d. The weather in England has been cold. A recent cable gives the Indian shipments of wheat at 22,-500 qrs. to Britain and 30,000 qrs. to the Continent. Wheat has ruled weak at the close with sales of No. 1 hard Manitoba at \$1.24. No. 1 \$1.22@\$1.24 and No. 2 \$1.19@ \$1.21. Corn is down to 69c@60c, duty paid.

GREEN FRUITS, &c .- The holiday trade has

apples worth \$1.25@\$1.75 in car-lots, as to quality. Retail prices \$1.75@\$2. New figs are selling 9½c@140 lb. Sweet potatoes, dull at \$2.50 @ \$2.75 brl. Cranberries, \$4.50@\$5 brl. Jamaica oranges, \$4.50@\$5 50 brl; oranges in boxes, \$3. Java oranges, in boxes, \$4.00. Lemons, new, Messina, \$3.25@\$3.50 box. Dates, 4c@4½c for old, 5½c@5c new. Crystalized, 18c@20c. Grapes, Catawbas in small baskets 40c@50. Spanish onlons, 85c@90c crate, demand good. Fameuse apples, \$1.75@\$2.50. Fresh cocoanuts, \$5.50 per 100. Almeria grapes, \$4@\$6.50 per keg. Brazil nuts, 9½c@10c per lb. Canadian chestnuts, 5c per lb. Evaporated apples, 50 lb bxes, 8c@8½c lb. Dried apples 5½c. Sicily filberts 9½c@10c. New Ivica S.S almonds, 13c@13½c Pears Lin baskets, \$1. California peaches \$3 box.

GROOKRIES -The wholesale trade is in a quiet state. The Christmas rush is over and only moderate sorting orders are coming to hand. Retailers in this line are now very busy. The snow-storm has been a God-send for the country store-keepers and a day or two of settled weather will make the roads first class. Coffee is strong and there is no probability of a decline in the near future. Dealers look for higher prices. It is stated on good authority that the consumption of coffee is increasing in Canada and that it is nearly double what it was five years ago. Our prices fairly represent to day's jobbing quotations. The bryest coffee house in this city has been working night and day of late and has been purchasing freely both on spot and abroad. It may be stated that Mr. Wills the coffeebroker is importing 500 bags of Maracaibo coffee by way of Now York. A large business has been done in dried fruits, peel, spices, nuts, and seasonable goods. We reduce former prices of new Valencias slightly. Retailers are still working off supplies of rain damaged raisins. Sugars are unchanged and so are molasses. A letter received by last English mail savs :-Sugar.—The demand is keeping good, and importers are holding for advanced rates. In the Olyde the supply of Refined is much curtailed for want of new beet. We quote refined sugars 3d to 6d dearer for the week. Teu-Congou is stendy, with only moderate sales. Moning-good common to fair 53d to 71d per lb, medium 8d to 91 per lb, good Ningchow 111d per lb. Kaisow — medium 2nd crop Panyong 84d to 83d per lb, fine 1st crop Chingwo 104d to 103d per lb. 1000 unmatted boxes low Pakling sold at 54d per lb. Indian—rmall supplies at A action; last week's easier prices are ruling. Greens-fine chops of Moyune are steady, but inferior chops in buyers favor. Ping Sueys unchanged. About 1300 packages Moyunes and 1600 packages Ping Sueys sold at auction. Coffee.—A fair business doing; and except for East India which is rather easier, we advance our prices 1s to 2s per cwt., and for Java 2s to 4s per cwt. Fiuit.—There is but little doing, as much of our Autumn home trade has been already effected. The market is weak for most articles, but we can scarcely buy common Valencias at the lowest quotation of last week. Figs are in smaller compass, and as very nearly the whole crop is shipped from Sayrna, there is very little chance of repeating the finest qualities Filberts are dearer. Walnuts a little easier, viz: "Cornes" 14s 6d would be submitted for quantity, and "Lots" 148 per bag f.o.b. Bordeaux. Spices.—inactivo. Sago is again dearer, also Black Singaporo Pepper and Ohillies. Taploca, Ginger, Pimento are cheaper. Cassia—broken—6d per owt, and Nutmegs an occasional 1d per lb lower. Rice—1s very strong, 9s 41d to 9s 6d per

HIDES AND TALLOW. — Business in hides quiet and steady as usual at the close of the year when people are taking stock and not adding to their purchases. Tallow keeps firm and we quote No. 1 at 6c@61c, and No. 2 at 41c@5.

IRON AND HARDWARE, - Very little is doing in heavy metals and we have no change in prices to make. A jobbing hand-to-mouth trade is doing simply to satisfy immediate needs, but carload lots are few and far between, and until the holidays are well over but little will be done. The nail market appears to be demoralized and no confidence can be placed in card prices. In fact we reduce our quotation for tenpenny this week to \$2,60, in spite of the fact that the "combine" price is nominally \$2.65. We also strike out the clause allowing 5 cents per keg to buyers of 200 kegs as the man who buys 10 kegs and the man who buys 100 stand now upon the same footing. The makers blame Western competition as the reason of the break; but it is evident that they are quarrelling among themselves, and that no reliance can be placed upon the official list of prices. The minor metals are unchanged. Payments are back-ward but great hopes are entertained of the recent change in the weather. With good snow roads business should brighten up a little and remittances should improve; although it is a curious fact that a road which is quite good enough to haul the goods out is quite good enough to haut the goods out to the store is often too bad to bring the remittance back. Linseed oil in London is cabled at 188 44d. Warrants in Glasgow are cabled at 418 5d. No. 3 iron in Middlesborough is at 338 9d. London December 17.

—Spot tin, £97 78 6d; 3 months' tin, £98 5s; market firm; Chili bars, spot, £77 10s; do-futures, £78; G. M. B. copper, spot £77 10s. do. futures at £78; soft S₁ anish lead £12 7s 6d;

LUMBER.—Appearances indicate a large cut of Canadian logs this winter. Some American buyers have been making estimates of the probable output. Contracts for sawn lumber for the States will be made early in the spring. It is required to be sawn 16 feet, which is longor than in former years. Contracts will also be made soon for deals on English account. The approaching season will be a very active one.

LEATHER AND SHOES.—Business is almost neglected. The leather men are only filling small peddling orders and expect dullness for a month. Prices are barely so steady in the absence of demand. The boot and shoe factories will shut down for the holidays as usual, so as to give a chance to balance up, repair machinery and make alterations in readiness for the spring work.

Wook.—There continues to be a brisk demand and fair sales from week to week. Supplies of domestic are well sold up. London, December 15.—The wool sale which was to have taken place to-day was postponed until Monday. A heavy fog prevailed to-day and prevented sampling and valuing. A sale of salvage wool will be held. Several lots of fleece have been purchased in the west on Montreal account. Pulled is also wanted. All grades are firm. There was a fair attendance at the London wool sales considering the fact that the greater number of buyers had returned to their homes. Prices were irregular, though the advance for the series of ½d @ 1d for greasy and 1d @ 2d for good scoured wools was maintained. The lower grades advanced less during the series. About three-fifths of the quantity sold was taken for export, including 3,000 bales of

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generally finer merinoss by United States buyers, who were expected to take more. Their restricted buying was doubtless due to a dearth of their specialtics. The withdrawals during the series amounted to 5,900 bales. The adoption of farthing bids has not affected the sales materially, but the qualities usually offered during this series precluded the forming of an opinion respecting the merits of the plau.

TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS (Revised by Telegraph.)

Товонто, Dec 20, 1888.

Wholesale trade continues quiet, there being only a moderate sorting up demand. In dry goods prices generally are firm, especially for woollens. Payments are backward in most cases. The stock market has been quiet but steady this week; Toronto closes higher There is a fair investment demand for loan company shares. Following are closing bids to-day as compared with last Thursday:

Banks.	Bid Dec. 20.	Bid Dec.	Loan Cos.	Bid Doo. 20.	Bid Deo. 13.
Montreal Ontario Toronto Merchants. Commerce. Imperial Dominion Standard Hamilton	125 269 134 116 136	1251 207 134 1164 1354 2141 1321	Can Per	162 185 131½ x t3 1431 118	116

BUTTER.—Receipts are small, and prices somewhat firmer than a week ago. Choice tub sells at 19c, and in some cases at 20, and medium at 16c@17c; a round lot of inferior is reported at 13c. Rolls sell at 15c@18c, according to quality. Eggs are higher on limited offerings at 21c @ 22o per dozen for fresh and 17c@18c for limed. Cheese firm, with sales of small lots at 11c.

DRUGS,—Trade is inactive, and prices as a rule steady. Glycerine 22c@25c. Howard's quinine 50c@52c, and German do. 40c@50c; Morphia \$1.50@\$2; turpentine 75c@80c a gallon.

DRESSED HOOS.—The receipts have fallen off the past few days and prices are firmer. Choice western bring \$6.85@\$7, and medium \$6.50.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—The demand for flour has been inactive, and prices show little change. Extras are still quoted at \$4.75 here and straight roller at \$5.00. Patents are nominal at \$5.50\%\frac{1}{25}60. Wheat quiet and prices steady; sales of No. 2 fall and No. 2 red winter outside at \$1.03, or at equal to \$1.06\%\frac{1}{25}1.05\%\fra

GROOFRIES.—There has been a quiet trade this week, with prices generally steady.

Dried fruits in fair demand, with sales of good Valencias at 6½c; currents rule at 5½c@6½c Sugars firm, with yellows quoted at 5½c@6½c, and granulated at 7 15-16@8 1-16. Tea and coffees firm, with a moderate domand. The demand for fish has incressed.

HARDWARK.—Business is quiet and prices not quotably changed.

HIDES AND SKINS. — Hides dull and weak, with No. 1 cured cows quoted at 6000 6½c; green easy at 5½c for No. 1 and 4½c for No. 2. Sheepskins higher at \$1.100\$1.20 according to quality. Calibrains in limited supply and prices unchanged.

LIVE STOCK.—Receipts of cattle have been limited this week and prices ruled firm. Choice Christmas stock sold at 5c@6c per lb. A few choice exporters brought 43c@5c, and good butchers from 4c@41c; good butchers cattle bring 3c@31c, and inferior 21. Stockers are quoted 21c@21c. Sheep in fair demand, with small lots of butchers' bringing \$4.25@\$5.00 a head. Lambs firm at \$3.75@\$5.00. Hogs, 5c@51c for light fat and 41c for store hogs.

Provisions.—Trade is on the dull side and prices as a rule easy. Long clear bacou sells at 7½c@10c, bellies and backs at 11½c, and rolls at 10¼c. Hams are quoted at 11c@11½c, and Mess Pork at \$17.05@\$18.00. Lard sells in small lots at 11c@11¼c. Onions steady at \$1.50@\$1.75, and hand-picked Beans \$1.75. Potatos, unchanged at 32½c@35c per bag on track. Hops steady at 20c@23cfor new, and 15c@16c for yearlings.

Wook.—The demand is moderate and prices firm. Round lots of selected fleece quoted at 21c. Southdown at 23c, and rejections at 16c@17c. Pulled supers 22c@23c, and extras 273c@28c.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

MESSES. M. RUSSELL & Sox, manufacturers of spools, "Excelsior" tent buttons, etc., etc., have their large establishment located in close proximity to the Chatham Chemical Pulp Co., and other kindred industries, where an abundant supply of good woods is close at hand. The machinery is the latest patent, and additions are constantly being made. The various departments are in charge of practical men. Additional Scotch blockers were put in last year, which produce a finish unequalled by any other machine in use. The mil's capacity is 16 000 gross of spools a month Canadian orders are now coming in, but are limited; yet, taken with the European trade, they keep the mill steadily running. In some foreign correspondence, the agent says that "the May shipment of spools was the best finished he had over handled." The facilities for producing spools, "Excelsior" buttons, etc, are unsurpassed. 20,000 tent buttons for the National Tent Co., of Uttawa, are now being manufactured.

THE extensive works of the Phenix Foundry and Locomotive Co, Mr. James Fleming, proprietor, at St. John, N.B., were established in 1835, and now employ 120 hands. The firm have supplied the Intercolonial Railway with 30 locomotives within the past few years, also 2 for the Cumberland Railway, 1 for the Joggins Railway, 1 for the Moncton & Buctonche road, and 1 for the Central. The boilers of the steamer "Rothesay," which runs out of Toronto, are of their construction. The latest shipments is, two large boilers to Cape Race, Nfid.

AT Newcastle, N.B. 25 miles from the mouth of the Mirimichi river, are situated the famous freestone quarries of Mr. C E Fish, from the product of which the new Departmental Buildings at Ottawa, the new City Hall, at Hamilton. Ont, the new Methodist Church on St. Catherine street, in this city, and the new Post Office at Newcastle, NB, are constructed. The color of the stone is pleasing to the eye. It is a light, greenisholive stone, easily cut and free from natural defects, and has been severely tested as to color and strength by the use of acids. As can be seen above, it is being used in the best class of public and private buildings throughout Canada. Its only competitor is the Ohio stone, and some leading architects express a decided preference for the Canadian article. Mr. Fish is fully equipped for economically supplying it in the largest quantities.

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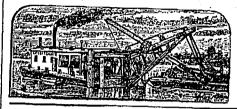
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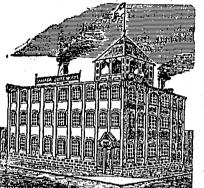


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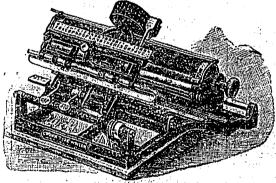
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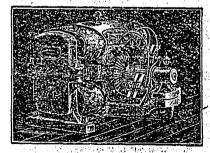
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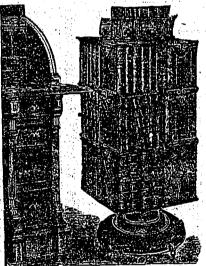
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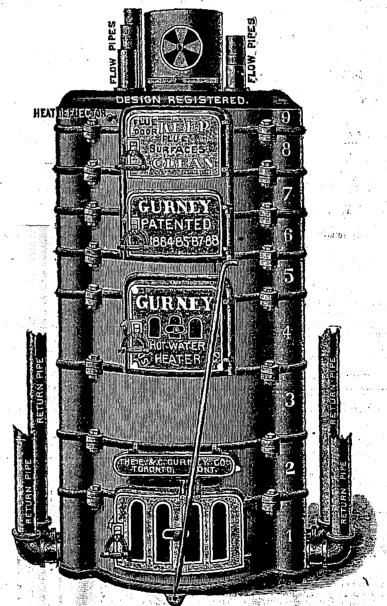
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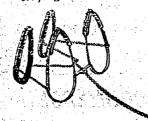
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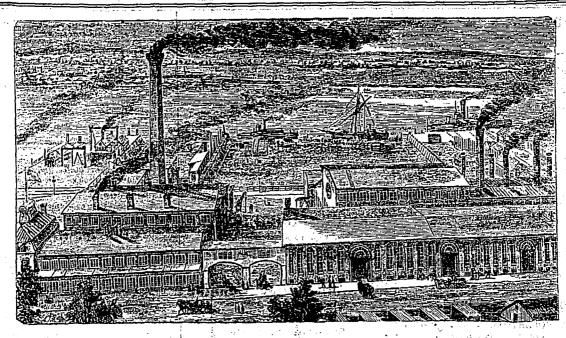
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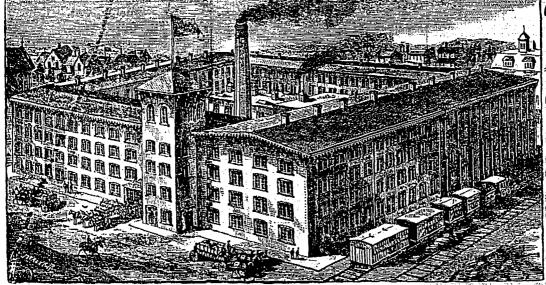
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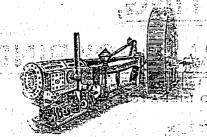
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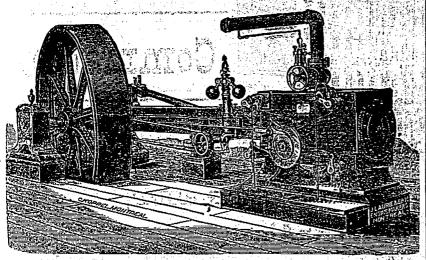
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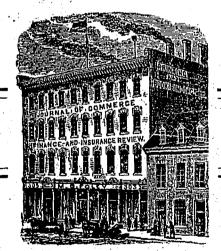
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