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Liverpool, July 20th.
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[^0] river St. John was to be witnessed last week at Grand Falls, where there were $15,000,000$ feet of logs jammed.
New York reporters are so "well informed" that they can tell to a dollar the amount of Jay Gould's expenditure. He spent a small sum on fishing tackle the other day, which fact was duly recorded in so good a newspaper as the New York Times. Surely the Ameri cans (and possibly the French) are the only peoples who would systematically read such trivialities.
According to the N.Y. Times speculators are again nibbling at coffee. Within two weeks the quotations on the Exchange have advanced 3 cents on Rio coffee, the speculative grade. General good feeling is ascribed as the cause for it. Prices have reached the plane from which the disastrous fall in early June was precipitated, although they are not yet as high as when the great decline began.
There was a report in Ottawa and Montreal last week that the phosphate of lime trade was very greatly depressed. This the Gazette declares, appears to have been incorrect, and adds: "Recent sales have been made at 1s. per unit, which is an advance on the season's opening prices, and is equal to $£ 4$ per ton in London. Further it is positively stated that nearly all the phosphate taken out so far has been sold already, and only small stocks remain at the mines, which are held for higher prices."
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J. E. Rowe, a manufacturer of varnishes at Malden, Mass., has failed with liabilities of about $\$ 21,500$. His trouble is due to having been an endorser on the paper of McDougall, Logie \& Co., Montreal.

Exports from St. John, N. B., to the States during the quarter ended with June, were: Manganese to the value of $\$ 2,130$; potatoes to the value of $\$ 1,605$; horses to the value of $\$ 17,074$; lumber, to the value of $\$ 381,232$; fish, to the value of $\$ 27,414$; wool, to the value of $\$ 2,518$; skins, to the value of $\$ 2,803$.

Replyina to enquiries, the Depaty Minister of Marine informs the Montreal Board of Trade that Sunday shipping reports have been ordered to be sent to Quebec from the more important signal stations in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The reason that the telegraph operator (who is controlled by the AngloAmerican Cable Co.) was withdrawn this spring from Cape Race, is that he could find no home, boarding-house, hotel or other rest-ing-place at that point. The government has ordered the light-house keeper to prepare a chamber at the light-house for the operator, who is not a mermaid, and who declined to be a hermit. So that regular reports may be expected shortly from Cape Race.

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J. W. Ney \& Co., of Bracebridge, have shipped upwards of 4,000 bushels of potatoes this spring. We are told that they found Early Rose and Beauty of Hebron, the bestselling varieties.
John Avard shipped on Thursday last from Summerside, P.E.I., for St. John, a score of fat cattle, making 207 shipped by him this season up to date. Their weight ranged from 1,100 to 1,500 pounds each. Mr. Avard intends now to purchase for shipments, from 4,000 to 5,000 lambs and sheep.
Messrs. Hargreaves \& Co., lumber dealers in this city, have called a meeting of creditors. Their liabilities are placed at $\$ 15,000$ and a surplus of $\$ 5,000$ is claimed.-The troubles of Messrs. Fisher \& Fisher, noticed in these columns last week, have culminated in an assignment for the benefit of the creditors. The liabilities amount to about $\$ 30,000$, and assets $\$ 25,000$.
It is said that when C. H. Girdlestone left Windsor for Winnipeg, several years anterior to this date, he was not blessed with much of the world's goods. But being a man of plack such a condition did not dishearten him. He commenced, in a modest, not to say primitive, way, the manufacture of spices and gradually worked into a large business. That he made it pay seems doubtful when we learn that a bank has obtained judgment for $\$ 8,000$, and a local wholesale firm has placed the sheriff in possession on a claim of $\$ 1800$.-A general trader at Balmoral, Man., J. O. Stacy by name, has been sold out by the sheriff. Stacy never had any practical knowledge of the business and has now gone farming.-The stock of fancy goods belonging to the estate of Mrs. Nagel, at Winnipeg, has been sold for 51 cents on the dollar.

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A schooner of ninety-two tons cleared at Halifax on 16 th inst. for Victoria, B.C., with one hundred and ten casks, fifty-five cases whisky, twenty-two tons coal, ten cases preserved milk, and a lot of lumber and other building materials. For want of a canal at the Isthmus of Panama she is obliged to sail around Cape Horn, and expects to make her voyage of 20,000 miles in about five months.
The late president of the Maritime Bank was released from the custody of the authorin which he was held at the instance of the liquidators, and immediately departed for the United States to avoid re-arrest or any other contingency. The banking firm of Maclellan \& Co., St. John, are expected soon to pay their first dividend, as the period allowed for creditors to take advantage of the deed of assignment expired on the 13th instant.
Advices from England are against our fishery shipments as well as lumber, says the Chatham, N.B. World. Old and poor stocks of lobsters have injured the prospects of this year's packing. Only 12s. 6d. per box in some cases is offered. New lobsters are 18s. to 19s. per case. The lobster packing, says one authority, "ought to be stopped for three years to bring back our valuable trade; this would enable all the old packing to be cleaned out."

Varley \& Smith did not enter upon the manufacture of yarn at London West under very promising circumstances. Their capital was inadequate and the mill that they undertook to operate was never successful. Their brief experience has resulted in failare.-_ When J. D. Hayhurst failed in the grocery business at Palmerston some years ago he found it necessary to substitute his wife's name for his own. The change has not, however, helped matters. She has now assigned. -W. Irvine, a dealer in tins at Peterboro, always bore the reputation of boing slow pay. He has assigned to the sheriff.——B. J. Hickie, of Uxbridge, is another general trader who, three years ago, found it necessary to conduct business in his wife's name. It would not be necessary to recall this circumstance but for the second failure just announced.
Doll trade and sickness are no doubt mainly responsible for the present troubles of Chas. Conrad, a dealer in lumber at St. Thomas. He has arranged a compromise at 25 cents on the dollar.-In 1884, W. H. Scott opened a jeweller store at Cobourg with one Morrow. It is said that their relations were not of the most pleasant nature, and in November last they dissolved. In order to settle with Morrow, the creditors were obliged to grant Scott an extension of eighteen months, but an assignment is now announced, -Since A. C. Mackenzie, a general trader at Durham, failed in 1884, the business has been done in his wife's name. Now she has sought relief in an assignment to Fred. H. Lamb, of Hamilton. -No reason is given for the assignment of Geo. Willis, a grain dealer at Exeter. He has been in business there for five years, was supposed to have made good progress, and was held in excellent repute.

Many persons have doubtless noticed of late the marked improvement imparted to the exterior of brick dwellings and warehouses by the introduction of ornamental medallions, crestings, panels, etc., in terra cotta. The large demand for these articles has resulted in the formation of a company in this city known as the Canadian Terra Cotta Company. It has a capital of $\$ 200,000$ and has acquired one hundred acres of land the clay of which is said to be particularly well adapted to the manufacture of terra cotta designs. A tastefully printed catalogue furnishes ample evidence of the varied nature of these ornamentations. If the claims of the promoters are realized large profits will result from this venture.

## BONUSING MANUFACTURES.

The practice of bonusing manufactures rests upon the belief that it is worth while for a municipality to pay for the establishment of a particular kind of industry, in the city, town or village. Precisely where there payment comes in, probably no one has ever thought of examining with exactness. The conclusion is jumped at that, if so many men are employed, it will be a good bargain to grant a given amount of bonus. No one has attempted to lay down any rule of equivalents; to establish a fixed proportion between the bonus and the number of hands employed. All is haphazard; ordinarily, each bonus-hunter gets what he can and gives as little as he may, beginning with promises more or less liberal.
These bonuses operate unequally; the whole population of a municipality cannot be bonused, and the citizens become divided into bonus-payers and bonus-receivers. Some of the payers receive no benefit from the expenditure; they have to carry on their own business on the strength of their own resources, and it may be of a kind that will not increase with the population of the municipality. People who live on inexpansive incomes gain nothing and lose in increased taxes by the bonus expenditure. Besides the direct recipient, a bonus can benefit only a small portion of the population that bears the burthen. And even the recipient is by no means always a gainer. Manufactures are most profitably conducted on a large scale. The bonus-hunter is generally a Iman who operates on a comparatively small scale. His want of individual capital causes him to seek municipal aid; and when he gets it he finds it difficult to compete with rivals who control larger amounts of capital; the bonus seldom puts him on a level with them, and in spite of the adventitious aid which he got his enterprise flags, at first, and then dies. When this happens, the municipalities lose their money.

At last there are signs of a revolt against this unsound system. Mr. John Cowan, mayor of the town of Oshawa, has resigned his mayor. ship rather than sanction what he conceived to be an improvident bonus. We mayiexpect further protests of a similar kind against a vicious practice. The bonus, in so far as it teaches its receivers to depend upon something besides legitimate competition for success, gives a misdirection to energy and creates a false reliance. It costs time, and money too, to get a bonus, so that all is not clear gain. A legitimate source of profit is a perennial spring; but the bonus once lost, and part of it is liable to vanish in the getting, is renewed no more. A place that will give the largest bonuses will find the largest number of takers; but it may not offer the most suitable site for the manufacture, and it is pretty certain not to be the
best point of distribution. Men with adequate capital of their own with which to set up as manufacturers avoid these drawbacks: they seek out the most suitable sites and the best points of distribution. The bonused industries have often to work against nature, and it is not surprising if fate soon declares against them. The sooner the system comes to an end, the greater will be the relief from losses from which all concerned are liable to suffer.

## AN ENVELOPE COMBINATION.

The New York Times gives particulars of a combination among the envelope makers of the United States to raise prices to a paying standard. It was arranged at a meeting in Springfield, Mass., in June, and went into operation 1st July, but its terms have only just leaked out, it appears. Since the collapse in 1881 of the Standard Envelope Co.-itself a combination-envelopes have been sold at whatever could be got for them, so the makers were unhappy and the profits of even jobbers and retailers irregular. The new "combine" is a virtual repetition of the old.
It appears that there are about twenty important envelope-manufacturing concerns in the United States and eight or ten smaller ones, principally in Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York and Pennsylvania. These employ machinery of a maximum productive capacity of about $20,000,000$ envelopes per day. The consumption in the United States is about $8,000,000$, and there is an export trade of about half a million per day. The facilities for over-production being so great as the above figures show, low prices were to be looked for, competition having, as it usually does, gone foolish lengths in terms and prices. In December last an effort was made towards getting makers to regulate the production, and meetings were held about once a month. Finally it was agreed that if fourteen makers would agree to combine, organization should be effected and the pool be put in operation for five years. This was accomplished and thesa concerns signing the agreement : White, Corbin \& Co., Whitcomb Envelope Co., Plimpton Manufacturing Co., Wade H. Hill, Morgan Envelope Co., Holyoke Envelope Co., Powers Paper Co., Logan, Swift \& Brigham Envelope Co., J. Q. Preble \& Co., Berlin \& Jones Envelope Co., Samuel Raynor \& Co., P. P. Kellogg \& Co., Springfield Envelope Co., and Wolf Brothers. One of the concerns is in Philadelphia, three in New York, two in Connecticut, and the others in Massachusetts. They represent 90 per cent. of the productive capacity of the whole country, control all the machinery and patents for envelope manufacture. The one inevitable exception exists in a Philadelphia manufacturer whose capacity is about $1,000,000$ a day.

Members of the pool are restricted in their output and tied down to the pool price list under penalties of $\$ 250$ for each offense and 25 cents per 1,000 envelopes sold under pool rates. It is further given discretionary authority to declare any particular city or State "open market," for a certain period, within which "open market" manufacturers are privileged during its continuance to sell envelopes for whatever prices they please. The object of this provision is to give the pool power to keep outside manufacturers within bounds.
The increase in prices under the new list is from 5 to 15 cents per thousand in commercial sizes and from 15 to 25 cents per thousand in Government sizes. Mr. Martin, of Samuel Raynor \& Co., of New York, thinks that the rise would not affect the retail price at all,
at least not at present. The consumer had not been the beneficiary of the low prices that had prevailed during the last few years-all the margins inuring to the benefit of the jobber and the retailer.
-To many people it will be a matter of as. tonishment that on the Pacific Slope the Yankees and the Canucks help to celebrate with one another their respective holidays. On the Queen's birthday, and more especially has it been the case this year, Americans came in great numbers from Oregon to Victoria, B. C., to witness the sham fight between the naval and the land forces of Her Majesty and crowds of Canadians go over to the American coast to celebrate the 4th of July. This year a deputation waited upon Sir M. Culme Seymour, the Admiral of the Pacific fleet stationed at Esquimalt, and asked him to send a man-of-war to Tacoma to join in celebrating Independence Day. With great good nature he consented to do so, and ac. cordingly we read, H. M. S. "Caroline" sailed on such a day for Tacoma, where it will re-

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## THE SITUATION.

A threatened water famine, in the city of Toronto, from the most culpable causes, extravagant use combined with pure waste, ought to bring its remedy. At the two extremes of temperature, this threatened calamity is always before us. There is some excuse for letting taps run a little to prevent freezing; there is none for wasting water on lawns. And the lawns now get most of the credit for a waste of four million gallons a day. Experience shows that, when people believe a thing costs them only a fixed sum, without regard to the quan. tity consumed, they will waste it through carelessness or from a desire to get a large-even if useless-return for their money. The water-takers delude themselves when they suppose that it makes no difference even to them whether they use prudently or waste culpably; for in no one form or another they, as a body, have to pay for waste as well as use. All appeals to blind selfishness are vain, as a rule; and for the future the city must take guarantees against the profligate waste from which it is now suffering. In all fature contracts for supplying water for lawns, the city should pat itself in a position to enforce restriction, even to complete stoppage for a time, if so vigorous a course should be necessary. Tte waste of water now going on is theft under cover of contract; and as it is utterly without excuse it ought to be rigidly prevented.

There is one sense in which the strikes in the building trade, in Toronto, have proved a failure: they have failed to make a larger aggregate of earning possible. The time lost in idleness cannot be made up by any possible increase of wages, during the remainder of the season. The plasterers have got an increase of wages, but at a loss of six weeks' labor. The carpenters have done a very comical thing. Some weeks ago, they offered to take twenty-five cents an hour, as a minimum rate, and not being able to contract at this figure, they have raised their demand to twenty-seven cents and a half. This is a new freas in the commerce of labor, and it is exactly the contrary of what takes place with other things
for which a market is sought. When a commodity is offered in vain, for weeks, at twenty-five cents, the usual course is to lower the price, in the hope of tempting a purchaser. But the carpenters do not hope to tempt purchasers; either they believe that their labor will soon be in demand at an increased figure, or the raising of their demand is a piece of bluff. It is a question which can hold out longest, employer or employed; and the odds seem to be in favor of the former.

The quarantine regulations for cattle, in Manitoba and the North-West, have undergone some alterations, in codifying. The appearance lof pleuro-pneumonia in the Western States has made greater stringency necessary. At Oak and Emerson, Man., a sixty days quarantine was allowed, while at other points it extended to ninety days; now uinformity is attained by making the ninety days general. Two townships are reserved, along the entire frontier, in which quarantine is to be observed; in which belt of twelve miles cattle newly imported from the States mast remain the prescribed time. These precautions, if they prove effective, will justify themselves; for the carrying of this cattle disease into the ranches of the North. West would be a cal. amity, immunity from which would be cheap at almost any price. The quarantine ground for cattle destined for the Alberta ranches is said to be specially adapted for the purpose. So far, we believe, contagion has been kept back from our North-West; letus hope that increased precautions amid augmented danger may prove equally successful, in the future.

Report suys that the Canadian Pacific railway company has entered a large claim against the Federal Government for breach of contract, the Onderdonk section not being up to the mark. Such is the allegation. A claim of the kind ought not to be made unless it be so well-founded as to be beyond doubt. The contractors should have been held to the specifications, and if they had been, no well-founded claim against the Government by the Canadian Pacific could arise.

A piece of good news, at which all can rejoice, comes from Manitoba and the North-west: the crops are looking uncommonly well, and the weather is favorable. Hay-cutting was begun, in some places, a week ago; and general harvesting is expected to begin in about two weeks. The yield of grain promises to be considerably above the average. An extra harvest would put heart into the people, at a critical stage of the settlers' career. In all new settlements, there comes a period of despondency, for which one of the best cures is such a good crop as is now promised to Manitoba and the North-west.

Russia finds the conversion of her debt not so easy a thing as she had been led to suppose it would be. Negotiations for a conversion loan have come to naught, and Russian stocks are undergoing steady depreciation. According to some theories,
the hand of the German government is
visible in stimulating the depreciation, in revenge for Russia's anti-German economic policy. Meanwhile Russia shows distrust of German subjects, by ordering the dismissal of all who are employed in banking firms in Riga, St. Petersburg, and other places in the Czar's dominions. And German schools in the Baltic provinces are being put under discouragements which are likely to lead to their extinction. While Russia and Germany get farther apart, in feeling, Russia and France draw nearer together. In the event of a European war, these repulsions and attractious would have their influence. The decline of Russian credit, so far as it would have any effect, makes for a prolongation of peace.

The St. Thomas horror was made possible by two railways crossing on the same level. But this was not the cause of the accident. The Port Stanley train ought, according to custom, to have come to a halt within two hundred yards of the crossing, and it failed to do so. The lights and the semaphores were turned on, so that the usual warning was not wanting. The inquest may throw some light on the cause of the catastrophe, though in such cases the light shed at inquests is sometimes feeble. Such accidents cannot be altogether prevented by any process short of abolishing level crossings, and though this ought to be done in c ties, it can hardly yet be hoped for everywhere. The melancholy side of such accidents is when they teach no lesson by which it is possible to profit. Somebody must be trusted. and if that somebody goes wrong, a calamity is the consequence.

A new lumber cutter, of which a public trial has taken place at Abel's factory here, promises great results. This cutter substitutes a knife for a saw, and does its work at one stroke, preventing waste and leaving a smooth surface. It cuts anything from a block to a veneer. Should the lumber cutter be found to answer all the purposes of a saw, its value will be very great; but if it perform only some of them, it cannot fail to save much both of labour and material.

The Alaska commercial company, which is in possession of a rich monopoly, has again distinguished itself by captures of vessels, said to be within the prohibited limits. The captures were made by the steamer " Dora;" of the two vessels one is an American schooner, the "Challenge," and another the "Annie Beck," of Victoris, B.C. Both cases will be investigated at Sitka, Alaska.

A bill has been passed by the legislature of Quebec authorizing the lieutenant governor, whenever the city council shall request him to do so, to appoint a royal commission to make a "complete investigation into the administration of the manicipal affairs of the city of Montreal," the working of the city charter, and the conduct of the members of the council and its officers. The bill is the product of certain charges of crookedness which have been made, and the truth of which it is desirable to test.

Municipal corruption is rife in the neighboring Republic, and if anything of the same kind exists here, it is proper that it should be discovered and put a stop to.

Steam communicationbetweenFrance and Canada finds advocates chiefly in Montreal. A previous venture of this kind was not notably successful. A new contract has been entered into by the Canadian Government with Brossiere Brothers, of Paris, who, for a subsidy of $\$ 50,000$ a year, undertake to provide a fortnightly steam service between France and Canada, Montreal to be the summer and Halifax the winter port. The vessels will touch at St. Pierre and Miquelon, French islands in the Gulf, at an English port, and in winter at an American port. Arrangements for running a. line of steamers between Halifax and the West Indies have not yet been made, and appear to be in some measure dependent upon the commercial arrangements which Sir Charles Tupper may be able to make with Spain.

The returns received by the Boston Post from the leading Clearing Houses of the United States, make the total clearings last week in thirty-six cities, $\$ 950,789,024$ against $\$ 861,896,036$ in 1886 , an increase of ten per cent. over the previous week. The clearings at thirty-five cities outside of New York show a gain of 13.2 per cent., against a gain of 13.9 per cent. the previous week. The total is $\$ 347,109,463$ against $\$ 306,724,759$ last year. Out of thirty-eight reporting cities, all but four show a percentage of increase over the corresponding week of last year. The showing is a favorable one. A further large increase in the surplus reserve is shown by the bank statement issued last Saturday, says the New York Shipping List, and the changes that took place last week are generally of a favorable character. The conservative policy of the banks is shown by a contraction of $\$ 1,686,000$ in loans, and a freer movement of currency from the interior is found in the increase of $\$ 14,198,400$ in currency. Compared with the previous week, specie increased $\$ 227,700$, and deposits fell off $\$ 590,200$. The exchanges resulted in an increase in surplus reserve, to $\$ 7,226,100$, against $\$ 6,352,450$ the week previous.

## THE WASHINGTON SURPLUS.

Among the schemes for the disposal of the large surplus, now in the Federal Treasury, at Washington, is one by Mr. Edward L. Andrews, of New York. Mr. Andrews proposes to distribute the surplus among the States in proportion to their congressional representation ; and in the case of defaulting States, he would pay the money to creditors, among whom the Federal Government ranks first. In this way the Federal Government would provide the means of paying a debt to itself, that is, it would pay with one hand and receive with the other. There is not much temptation in this part of the proposal. Individual creditors and creditor States will of course say amen to Mr. Andrews' scheme of distribution. It is not improbable therefore that the proposed scramble
will find some advocates in Congress. Last session, the Senate of the United States passed a bill providing for the distribution among the States of about fifteen millions, so that one branch of Congress is committed to distribution, on a limited scale. It is not probable, however, that any such measure; will pass both Houses. Congress, though it has so far failed to exhaust the surplus by appropriations, would almost certainly prefer to dispose of the money itself rather than make it a present to the several States or their creditors.

The dangers that lie in this measure are easily seen. Distribution would fasten the war tariff, now no longer necessary, on the neck of the nation for an indefinite period. It would give each State a supposed if false interest in the maintenance of a tariff not justified by Federal necessities. It would lay the foundation of a system of State subsidies, similar to that which constitutes one of the great dangers to the Dominion of Canada. The States would become corrupted, and quarrels over the distribution would arise. To begin with, the repudiating States would object to the compulsory process by which their debts would be paid. Great evil would arise from the enjoyment of revenue by States which had not the responsibility of raising it. The donor would be blamed by recipients of his bounty for the way in which he got the means of subsidizing them; and while they blamed they would object to have the source of the subsidies dried up and the subsidies discontinued. This is no fancy picture; its occurrence would be a faithful reproduction of what the subsidy system in Canada has produced.
The mistake made by Congress, last session, was in not reducing the tariff, to bring it into harmony with the requirements of the country. For this inaction, it is impossible to plead any valid excuse. Distribation would be a substitute for reduction ; and the high tariff men would know how to make the most of their opportunity. The distribution which took place under the administration of General Jackson was made at a time when the protectionist element was much weaker than at present. It is this fact which makes distribution much more dangerous now than it was then.

## FORCING THE SEASON.

A subscriber in the Province of Quebec, writing to this journal on the trade situa. tion, makes the following remark en passant, with respect to the premature dates at which travellers are sent out, in Canada: "It strikes me as absurd to see salesmen trying to peddle out Christmas goods in midsummer. What good does it do to "hurry up" matters and try to change God's seasons in the way our wholesale dealers are doing? I believe it does no one any good but everybody harm. If retail merchants generally were to discourage this sort of thing and turn the cold shoulder to these too early visitors, depend upon it the movement would result to the good of the trade generally."
We agree with our subscriber as to the
absurdity of the practice which induces
wholesale men to begin selling fall and winter goods in June and July or spring goods before Christmas time. Assuredly it does harm ; it tends to over-buying, to overlapping of credits, and perpetuates confusion and feverishness in trade by piling up unseasonable goods and increasing the risk of dead stock. It would indeed be a good thing if retailers as a rule would "stiffen their backbones" to resist this or other seductive methods of the restless importer and his still more restless and insistent travelling salesman. In this matter and the even more wretched system of dating-forward, it would be a pleasant surprise to see amendment come from the retailers' side, for indeed it seems hopeless to look to the wholesale houses to alter these pernicious practices.

## THE COTTON TRADE.

A very cheerful, not to say sanguine view of the present condition of the industry of cotton manufacture in the United States is taken by the Textile Record, of Philadelphia. That journal declares that the industry is at present in better condition than it has been for several years. Both north and south the mills are fully employed, the demand is much more vigorous than it was at this time last year, prices have advanced somewhat, and the product is taken freely by the country. "This satisfactory state of affairs deserves especial comment because of the conclusive manner in which it refutes the oft-repeated assertions heard during the past few years, that the southern cotton mills were destroying the business of the northern mills, that there was enormous overproduction of cotton fabrics, and that there was no hope for the American cotton trade unless it could manage to push its products more largely into foreign countries. All these propositions are overthrown by the actual facts as they exist to-day."

The Record asserts very strennously that there is no over production in cotton fabrics in the States, and, further, that the mills now standing are not more than equal to the task of supplying the normal wants of the people of the country, which is increasing its population very fast.
-Italian and Greek wines continue to be imported into France, and a cablegram assumes that, in a short time, they are exported as pure Bordeaux or Burgundy. This may or may not be true. Much of the foreign wine imported into France is consumed there; some is married to French wine, and the result whatever it may be, is not a pure French article. There is danger that the French wine trade may suffer by practices which rivals are too ready to unearth and condemn, though they are themselves often more guilty than those whom they accuse. Sparkling wine made in Germany is misnamed champagne. In fact, there is a tendency, intelligible enough but not the less condemnable, to call a new wine by an old and favorite name. Thus we hear of Canadian clarets and even Canadian ports. Whatever the merits of these wines may be, they are certainly neither clarets nor ports. They ought to be given new and independent names.

## BANKING RETURN.

The figures of the Canadian bank statement for June last will be found in condensed form below, and are compared with those of the previous month. The statement bears date, Ottawa, 9th July.

## canadian bank statement.

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June, 1887. May, 1887.


Capital paid up.. Reserve Funds...

Notes in Circulation
Dominion and Provincial Governmentdeposits.... Deposits held to secure Govern. ment contracts \& for Contracts \& Cor Insurance Public depanit.... demand deposits on demand........... Public deposits after notice....
Bank lcans or de. posits from other banks secured...
Bank loans or deposits from depobanks ram other
Due other banks in
Cather banks in
Danada ......... Foreign Countries
Due other banks in Great Britain... Other liabilities....

Total liabilities. .

## Specie

Docie .............
Notes and cheques of other banks.. Due other banks.. banks in Canada
banks in Canada.
Due from other banks in foreign countries
Due from other banks in Great Britain ...........

Immediately avail. able assets...... Dominion Government debentures or stock.
Public securities other than Can. adian.............
Losns to Dominion \& Prov. Gov.... Loans on stocks, bonds or deben.: Loans to municipal corporations ....
Loans to other corporations ......... Loans to or deposits
made in other manks in other
Loans to or deposits made in other banks unsecured..
Discounts current..
Overdue paper unsecured.
Other overdue debts nnsecured........ Notes and debts overdue secured... Real estate.......... estate sold real Bank premises.. Other assets.....

Total assets,. Average amount of specie held during Av. Dom month ...... Loans to notes do.. or their firms...
$77,079,999$
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$30,438,152$

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-54,267
55,476,021

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3,580,204
2,652,828
3,548,961
11,688,123
11,909,667
2,419,007 2,059,807
14,196,727

220,309

194,857
$138,263,341$
1,111,867
54,467
1,623,795
$1,210,189$
809,920
3,570,955
2,848,566

## "ACROSS THE HERRING POND."

It is estimated that 150,000 persons, exclusive of immigrants, cross the Atlantic yearly. The increased speed of ocean steamers and the shortening of a passage are now matters of interest to so many business men that we may be excused for giving some attention to recent facts in this connection. From the time when, fifty years ago, the steamers "Sirius" and "Great Western" crossed from Cork and Bristol, respectively, the one in nineteen and the other in fifteen days, science has been slowly and steadily conquering distance by increasing the size, and at the same time the speed of steam vessels. The early steamers of the Cunard line launched in 1840, viz., the "Acadia," "Britannia," \&c., were 250 feet long, built with wood with side-paddles, and took about fourteen days to cross; succeeding vessels of the same line, the "Cambria" and "Hibernia," were larger and a little faster. Then in 1848 were launched others with increased power and carrying capacity; among them the "Europa" and "Columbia." In opposition, there appeared in 1851 the Collins Line, the American rival of the British Cunard. The splendid vessels of this company reduced the journey to a matter of ten or eleven days. The "Baltic," "Arctic," "Pacific," "Atlantic," excelled in speed and size the still later packets of their rivals, the "Africa" and "Asia," but they lost money steadily for their owners and the company came to an end in 1858. About this period appeared the "Persia," "Arabia," and "Scotia," wonders of their day, which made thirteen knots an hour instead of eight, on far less consumption of coal. These were the last of the paddle steamers, and the next was the iron screw packet "China," of 4,000 tons, 2,200 horsepower, making nine-day trips.
The Mnntreal Ocean Steamship Company took a hand in the ocean carrying. trade somewhere about this time, and though its first vessels were small and many misfortunes were encountered, it showed enterprise and good judgment in materially increasing the size and the num. ber of its vessels.
Some sixteen years ago, a later type of ship appeared, very long, very narrow, with compound engines of great power, good carrying capacity and economical of fuel. Of this class were the White Star steamers, which made the crossing in eight days ten "City the Inman liners, one of which, the "City of Berlin," over 500 feet long, was tic; the "Bothnia" and "Sc the AtlanCunard line, 3,000 tons measurement. In 1879, however, the Guion Steamship Company put afloat the "Arizona," whose capacity and speed were exceptional. Then began the tremendous rivalry which has resulted in bringing down the time in crossing the Atlantic to six days and a quarter. Double and triple expansion engines, and steel boilers permitting higher steam pressure have most to do with the advance in speed to its present point. There is, moreover, a very important difference in economy of fuel of late years. The
steamers of over 4500 gross tons each, and with engines of 6000 indicated horsepower. Both steam at the same rate of speed- 12 knots or 14 miles-but the one fitted with ordinary compound engines at 90 pounds pressure barns 70 tons coal per day less than the one with triple expansion engines at 145 pounds. Among other causes are a better form of screw, lighter machinery, of steel, and a better model. The fast passages made of late years are given in their order in a paper by Com. Chadwick in the May Scribner, thus:

| Steamer. | Days. | Hrs. | Min |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Aurania | 7 | 1 | min |
| Servia. | 6 | 23 | 55 |
| Alaska | 6 | 18 | 37 |
| City of Rome. |  | 18 |  |
| America. | 6 | 13 | 44 |
| Oregon. | 6 | 10 | 35 |
| Umbria. | 6 | 7 |  |
| Etruria | 6 | 5 | 31 |

Several of these great triumphs of marine architecture were built by John Elder \& Co., on the Clyde, and the machinery of five of them designed by Mr. Bryce-Douglas. The power of the "Etruria" is 14,000 horses and her speed is 19 knots or 22 miles per hour, an enormous speed for so great a vessel.

## MARINE TRAFFIC AND INSURANCE.

Anyone who spends a summer week in Detroit, or indeed at any point on the St. Clair or Detroit rivers, and who watches the passing up and down those beautiful straits of the steam or sail craft engaged in transport on the Great Lakes, cannot but marvel at their number, size and beauty. We know that there are some judges of naval architecture who cannot see beauty in a steam barge, but even these cannot deny to this new form of lake-carrier a certain stateliness and grace. True, it seems a profanation, comparable to the harnessing of Pegasus, to see a beautifully modelled barque or schooner, perfect in spars and casvass, fastened to a huge puffing towbarge which belches forth team and black smoke; yet, whatever be our preferences as to build or model, these apparently endless fleets form an inspiring vision, a revela. tion of the vastness of the products of this continent.

Figures of tonnage, numbers of boats and of trips, are not one-tenth so impressive as the sight of these propellers, side-wheelers, barges, sail-craft, laden with flour, grain, pork, lumber, ore, downward-bound, or with coal, rails, merchandise upward-bound, passing at all hours of the night and day. But a significant fact as to their number is found in the figures laid before Congress on the authority of the U.S. Marine Engineers, who sarveyed the twenty-foot channel through the limestone rock at the Detroit River crossing. By actual observation and count the vessels steam and sail, which passed Bois Blanc Island averaged, during the season of 1886, one every seven and a half minutes, and, during one month of the navigable season, one vessel every five minutes, night and day. This means forty thousand floating carriers in a season of seven months.
How many millions of money these argosies represent, we should scarcely ven-
ture to say. The figure would run into the
hundred millions. However, the loss of life and property in thim great traffic is not excessive, as we learn from figures prepared by Mr. John N. Neill, insurance adjuster, of this city. This gentlemen tells us that seventy-four lives were lost in 1885, and one handred and thirty-eight in 1886 on the Lakes. Taking the last year we find the total loss of property, American and Canadian, by marine disasters on the Great Lakes, placed at $\$ 1,334,000$, on which the insurance was $\$ 970,000$, and the loss to the underwriters $\$ 468,000$. The locale of the disasters and the pecuniary loss, are stated thus:

|  | No. Vessels. | Loss. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Lake Superior. | 15 | \$238,000 |
| Lake Michigan. | 40 | 324,000 |
| Lake Huron | 34 | 158,800 |
| Lake Erie | 27 | 314,000 |
| Lake Ontario | 21 | 298,000 |
| Total for 1886. | 137 | 1,333,600 |

Of these 137, no less than seventy four went ashore, twenty-nine were sunk and eight burned. One capsized, seven were in collision and three dismasted. O the rest, eight are classed as "disabled," three became water-logged and four were leaking. In the previous season, out of only 126 ves. sels lost or injured, fourteen foundered and no less than thirty were burned. This may be only a coincidence, or it may be because 1885 was a poor year for water freighting. Sixty-two of the disasters occurred in November of 1886, twenty-two in October, twelve in September ; none of the earlier months reached double figures and in December the number was seven. During 1885,we observe, one vessel was crushed by ice and one was destroyed by a boiler explosion. One of Mr. Neill's tables is as under:


## halifax municlpal affairs.

We have reccived the amnual report of the auditor of Halifax, recertly presented to the citizens. The valations for assessment are set down at $\langle 21,002,500$ which is some $\$ 200,000$ less tha: t:o previous year but this was owing to a decrease in person alty, stocks of sugar and fish, etc. being exceedingly small in quantity and low in price. The value placed on real estate is increased during the year over half a mil lion and a further large increase is expected this year. The obligations of the city are reported at $\$ 1,791,145$, of which waterworks claims $\$ 800,000$, city debt about an equal sum and a school debt of $\$ 190,000$ makes up the total. School debentures bearing $4 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. interest have been issued and the city bonds bearing 5 per cent. interest sold at from $7 \frac{1}{2}$ to 10 per cent. premium. Of the assessment of 1885.6 only $\$ 2,784$ remains unpaid, about one per cent. of the whole, which is a creditable state of matters. The waterworks department seems to be well managed, collections are at all events closely made, the year's rates being $\$ 69$, 534.59 and the collections $\$ 68,417.41$. Expenditure under this head, including salaries, cost of pipes, etc., is only $\$ 13$, 56726 . The general rate of taxation in the city is 1.17 per cent., which is said to be one of the lowest rates of taxation in Canada.

## FIRE insurance methods.

Some-time ago the Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association introduced a new system of rating certain special risks. A schedule for each class was prepared and a basis rate fixed for a standard risk in each class. To this basis rate additions were made for every deviation from the stand ard. The nearer a risk approached this standard, the lower the rate would be This mode of rating special risks is believed to be the correct one, but the innovation was, at first, looked upon with disfavor by the assured. As the system became better understood this prejudice was removed, and the result, we understand, is now most satisfactory. Risks of the same class, on being inspected, are found to differ very much in point of safety.
The association has taken another and, in our opinion, a most judicious step in its appointment of inspectors, who inspect every risk for which a schedule is provided They discuss and explain the various items of the schedule to the assured, and point out any improvement that can be made in the risk to bring it nearer to the standard, consequently obtaining the lowest possible rate of insurance. In some cases, planing mills, paying a rate of six, seven and eight per cent., were so improved as to bring the rates down from two to three per cent. and we venture to say that the risks so im. proved will be more remunerative to the underwriting companies at the reduced rate, than they would without such improvements at the higher rate. It is said that over fifty per cent. of the factory fires is extinguished by pails of water being in readiness when the fire begins. The won-
derful success of the New England Mutuals has arisen from two causes. 1st. They would insure no property unless the risk attained a certain standard. 2nd. To en sure the observance of all the requirements of the companies a regular periodical inspection was made of every risk. The Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association has wisely adopted this plan. Every risk has to be inspected twice each year and a report of such inspection has to be made to the secretary, whose duty it is to see that the schedule-rating requirements are continuously maintained. If anything in this direction will prevent the great waste by fire which has obtained in the past in reference to special risks this action of the Fire Underwriters' is the one most likely to accomplish so desirable an end. A re cord of the fires of the present and future years, we fully believe, will show that by far the greater per centage will be found to be risks in which the necessary precautions against fire were not taken.

## gUARDIAN FIRE AND LIFE.

The annual general meeting of the Guardian Fire and Life Assurance Company, was held last month in London, when a dividend of $£ 2,10 \mathrm{~s}$. per share was declared for the year ended 31st December last, to which must be added $£ 1,5 \mathrm{~s}$. interim dividend in January and a like sum together with a bonus of $£ 1$ on first July, in all $£ 5,15 \mathrm{~s}$. per share on the cap. ital of $£ 1,000,000$.
In the Life Department, the assurances of the year amounted to $£ 503,000$ and the premiums to $£ 14,631$. The total business at close of 1886 reached $£ 7,500,000$, under 7,692 policies. Death claims of the year were 129 , representing $£ 164,000$. The Life funds amounted to $£ 2,253,000$.
In the Fire Department the premiums of the year were $£ 450,471$, and the losses $£ 257$,283, or about 57 per cent. The department's profit on the year was $£ 68,644$. There is a general fund to meet fire claims (apart from the proprietors' capital, equal to $£ 562,000$.
The total funds of this old and staunch company have now reached the handsome sum of $£ 3,999,000$, and its annual income from all soarces $£ 800,000$. It ought to be a compara. tively easy matter for Messrs. Simms \& Denholm, in Montreal, Mr. H. D. P. Armstrong, of Toronto, and the other agents of the Guardian in Canada, with such a showing as this, and with the good record of the company, to retain and readily to increase its business throughout the Dominion.

## MANUFACTURERS' LIFE.

We had room last week for only a very brief notice of the meeting held on Wednesday for the organization of the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Company. But our readers have not lacked for items showing, from time to time, what the pushing management of the concern was at. The meeting in question comprised quite a number of manufacturers and business men, who proceeded to the election of officers. Sir John Macdonald was chosen president. The vice-presidents are: Sir Alex. Campbell, Mr. Geo. Gooderham, of Toronto, Mr. William Bell, of Guelph, and the managing director is Mr. J. B. Carlile, and some well known names appear in the direo. torate.

It was announced that the business of the company was so far advanced that everything was ready for work, the field being al ready well covered with agencies. The company has one or two copyrighted methods of insurance. One called the Modified Nataral Premiam Endowment Plan, in which, we learn, the earlier premiums are low and all policies made payable at 65. The advantage of which is that the insured can for the same outlay make a larger immediate provision for his family in the event of his death than by ordi. nary endowment insurance. The other copyrighted plan is the Modified Natural Premiam Life Insurance, and is claimed to be "ex pressly adapted to those who require a large amount of insurance during their productive period of life.'

## THE DOMINION EXHIBITION.

Already the posters are out for this year's Industrial Associstion Fair-which is also the Dominion Exhibition-at Toronto. The time chosen is from the 5 th to the 17 th September, and the event promises to be especially worthy of the prestige of the Association and of the name of the "Dominion" Exhibition. Prizes to the aggregate amount of $\$ 30,000$ are offered; new buildings are being provided at the fair grounds and additions to old ones are in progress, the alterations and additions being estimated to cost
$\$ 40,000$. Special prizes are, we understand, $\$ 40,000$. Special prizes are, we understand, offered for horses, cattle, sheep and pigs, to be shown daring the first week of the exhibition in addition to the regular prizes to be awarded the second week. Special attractions are being secured in the shape of novel spectacles, to be on view daring both weeks. Cheap railrates and excursions during the whole time of the exhibitions, have been arranged for. Entries in all departments, except for fruit and grain, must be made before the 13th of Augast, and any intending exhibitors who have not yet obtained a copy of the prize list should do so now. They can be obtained from the Secretaries of all Agricaltural Societies and Mechan. ics' Institutes, as well as from the Secretary at Toronto. Visitors may depend, we think, upon seeing in September one of the finest exhibitions of natural and manufactured products ever made in Canada, and those who choose to go for spectacular pleasure only ran
no risk of being disappointed.
-Writing from the far west a week or two ago, a correspondent encloses to us a clipping from a Pacific slope newspaper, to the follow-
ing effect, and then asks: "Why do not the ing effect, and then asks: "Why do not the Canadian Pacific Railway people advertise
this more?" A natural question enough. It deserves to be made known for the sake of the travelling public in the summer season, as well as for that of the road. The item reads thus:-"The Canadian Pacific has cut right and left on the existing first-class passenger rates across the continent to the Atlantic seaboard cities. Orders were sent from the company's head office in Montreal this week, to sell round trip tickets from San Francisco to New York and Boston for $\$ 100$, and to Montreal for $\$ 100$. In the case of the former rate it applies as weli to Philadelphia and other large cities considered as common points with New York. At Montreal the passenger will have offered him proportionately low rates to eastern summer resorts within a considerable radius of that six months. The American roads be good for in their history made a round trip from San

Francisco to the east. Their present rates to eastern cities, and vice versa, are as low as they have ever been, and they charge passengers $\$ 162$ to New York and return; $\$ 164$ to Boston, and $\$ 160$ to Montreal and retarn."
-The present season of the year is usually a quiet one in nearly all lines of trade; and unusually hot weather has, this year, rendered it still quieter. Nearly all seem just now to appreciate the merits of what the Italian calls "s sweet idleness," and the members of the press wish for an opportunity to enjoy it. But notwithstanding this disposition we cannot see any extra dulness in trade generally for the season. All over, men are at work as usual baying and selling, and seem to be on the look out rather keenly in some instances. It seems probable that the first part of the harvest, the wool-clip, has been satisfactory in amount; and it seems still more probable that the farmer at least has done well on it. And reports of grain crops are almost uniformly promising, though of course it is yet too soon to write positively. Flour and grain outside have continued flat since our last; but outside reports, we should say, portend rather better prices for the incoming crop than for that of 1886.
-The movement of merchandise in a wholesale way in Montreal is still of a mid-summer kind, and is not characterized by any special activity, the great heat, of itself, being an eff. cient damper upon any display of energy. The weather, however, sach as it is to the ordinary mortal, is a boon to the farmer, and we are glad to hear that in the province of Quebec the hay crop is being gathered in ex. cellent shape, the gield being above an average in the majority of localities, and the quality good. Grain is also doing excellently under this favoring weather, the corn standing the heat well. The commercial world, of Montreal, has had food for a little excitement in the failures of a firm of wholesale paint and oil merchants, and a woolens firm, but no wide-spread importance is attached to these events, and faith in the general healthy tone of trade continues undisturbed.
-On Wednesday atternoon ast, nearly every grocery shop in this city was closed and the flies had it all their own way. Out on the Exhibition grounds several thousand persons, comprising grocers, their wives, their children and their clerks, made merry at the annual pic-nic of the Association. There were racing, jamping, tag-of-war, etc., etc., by fat grocers, thin grocers, tall grocers, short grocers, and comperpetition in all was as keen as any competition in sugar ever was, and withal much more healthy. The greasy pig was let loose and he slipped through the hands of his pursuer just as profits sometimes do. But he was eventually secured, and, let us hope, the profits will be also.
-Several important banking corporations are already showing considerable faith in the fature of our newest Pacific city. The Bank of British Columbia has built extensive premises in the town and some time ago sent Mr. Keith to manage itsaffairs and the Bank of British North America is preparing, we are told, to open immediately. The Bank of Montreal has also erected premises in the city and has transferred one of its well-known managers, Mr. Campbell Sweeny-an Ontario man by the way-from Halifax to the Pacific.

Mr. Sweeney was formerly manager at Winnipeg for the bank. Besides these three public companies, one or two private banks have started. Just a year ago this month the place was burned down, all except one house, so the rise of the new city has been most rapid and the faith in its future is being evidenced in influential quarters.
-We learn with interest that the Merchants' Bank, of Halifax, has shown its appreciation of the faithfulness and bravery of Mr. Currie, the clerk who made such a bold stand against a burglar at the Antigonish branch a short time ago. The testimonial took the shape of a presentation by the directors of the bank to Mr. Currie of a gold watch and chain, valued at $£ 100$ stg. It goes without saying, too, that men who display the qualities shown by the incident in question to be possessed by Mr. Currie, are those who, other things being equal or nearly equal, are usually chosen by sensible employers for promotion when the time comes.
-With respect to the difficalties between the Ontario Investment Association and its whilome solicitor and president, referred to in the daily press, it is perhaps too soon to state the position of matters. A committee is now investigating the affairs of the company to ascertain how far the irregularities have gone. There appears, we are sorry to say, no room to doubt that grave wrong has been done by both the officials referred to. The slight run on the Bank of London, which arose in consequence of the startled feeling which the discovery of their doings produced, has been stopped.
-We understand that the authorities of the Canadian Bank of Commerce have decided forthwith to close the branch of the bank at Norwich, the manager at that point, Mr. W. A. Sampson, retiring from the service.

## Eorrespondence.

## WHERE WOULD OUR REVENUE

 COME FROM?
## To the Editor of the Monetary Times.

Sir,-Mr. Goldwin Smith has always been an advocate of commercial union between Canada and United States, at the same time declaring strongly in favor of British connection. What that connection would amount to beyond the power of the British government of appointing the Governor-General and subsidising the C.P.R., it is difficult to say. It is a pity Mr. Goldwin Smith does not put off is a pity Mr. Goldwin Smith does not put off
the advocate's gown and become for a time a statesman. Theoretically, direct taxation is
stan statesman. Theoretically, direct taxation is
the best method of raising revenue, but the universal practice of all couniries has been to rely principally on customs and excise dues. It is quite clear that if we lose the amounts of duties on importations from the U. S. and and raise those on European goods, so as to exclude them as much as possible, customs which now produce say $\$ 20,000,000$, would be reduced to about $87,000,000$. The difference then would be $\$ 13,000,000$ to be raised by direct taxation. Ontario's share of that would be about 40 per cent. or $\$ 5,200,000$, which would, I think, wipe out the gain on barley, horses, \&c., which is so much insisted on. How much would be collected out of the Quebec and maritime provinces it is needless to ask.
The advantages of commercial union, on the other hand, would be that there wonld be no more subsidies to the provincial governments. No subsidies to railways or canals, no better terms to the settlement of the fisheries disputes. As to Canadian manufacturers gaining $60,000,000$ of customers, the notion is a farce, Canada could not compete
with the great centres of manufacture in the States. It is the same the world over. The cotton manufacture is confined in England to particular localities. The same with regard to woollens and metals. The States would send their surplus, when times were dull, to Canada, and swamp the market. All that Canada could send would be a trifle. I remain yours obediently,

THE ONTARIO LINK IN THE CHAIN.
Editor of the Monetary Times:
Sir,-Although F. C. Capreol's HuronOntario Canal has proved to be a futile effort, yet the method of transfer by rail from Huron to Ontario lakes would have been as successful as any of the enterprises which mark history in the development of all great inland seas. The bar comes in the shape of a consular agent of the United States; watchful of the commerce of his own country (as we often neglect to be) he checks a trade that would really benefit his country but would possibly hurt some routes.
Hence it is fairly certain thata large amount of grain traffic that otherwise might share the benefit of eastward bound lumber traffic on our railways is barred as effectively as if the impassable bars of some countries were interposed.

The peninsula of Ontario is the theatre of this war of transfer and yet nature destines it to be the route by which western grain shall reach the great distributing point or plan of Lake Ontario whence substances can reach a market by Montreal on the St. Lawrence or New York on the Hudson.
If commercial union were safely agreed on, this would be the point of choice down which traffic shall flow. If commercial union were not safely agreed on, this would be our aggressive route, by lower rates of freight, the which western men claimed from the East in that singularly indirect paragraph of President Grant's message demanding the naturally existing route to the sea from the great lakes. He forgot or was made to forget that all the improvements of navigation were made by Canada in Canadian waters and that if the vessels of his country chose to shoot the falls of Niagara it would not hurt or benefit us. Yet this bravado had no real effect and the loud talk of retaliation has no more, in view of the fact that we are trading and will ulti maiely arrive at a true measure of agreement.

When beads and red cloth are on one side and ivory tusks or absolute food on the other in African trade the question is one of negotiation, the result of which depends on positive needs and must be settled summarily; but when it is a mere question of barter in which each can offer the other what is convenient, the matter is one of negotiation and if the trader and the savage do not agree as to the bargain, it is surely unpardonable on the part of the trader to take what he wants without permission. And we are civilised equals with the United States.
In this part of the Dominion an attempt at controlling trade through Canadian territory has been made for the last two years on the part (not of United States but) of United States routes to the detriment of districts in United States and casually to the detriment of our own shipping and railways.
G. S. S.

## meetings.

## UNION BANK OF CANADA.

The twenty-second annual general meeting of shareholders of this institution was held at the banking house, in Quebec, on Monday, July 11th, 1887.
There were present:-Messrs. Andrew Thomson, E. J. Hale, D. C. Thomson, Hon. Thos. McGreevy, Messrs. H. J. Shaw, John Laird, Wm. Shaw, J. G. Boyce, Jno. Sharples, Geo. H. Thomson, Wm. Hossack, J. W. Henry, A. Gaboury, P. A. Shaw, D. Cream, Wm. H. Carter, E. J. Price, N. Lemieux, J. M. Lemoine, T. H. Dunn, E. Duggan, E. Giroux, Hon. Jno. Hearn, Lieut. Col. Jas. Pope, J. J. Dunlop, Martin O'Brien, and others.
The president, Mr. A. Thomson, took the chair and requested Mr. F. W. Smith to act as secretary, and Messrs. P. A. Shaw and A.

Gaboury, as scrutineers, which was assented
to.
The chairman read the report of the direc tors, which was as follows:-

REPORT.
The directors beg to submit the following statement of the result of the past year's business of the bank, together with the usual statement of the assets and liabilities at the close of the financial year, ending 30th June, 1887 :-
profit and loss account.
Balance at credit of Profit and
Loss account on June 30th, 1886.\$13,283 67 Net profits for the yoar ending 30th
June, 1887, after deducting ex-
penses of management, reserving for interest and exchange, and making full provision for all
bad and doubtful debts incurred
during the year.
138,485 80
$\$ 151,76977$
Which has been applied as follows:-
Dividend No. 40, 3 per
cent.paid 2nd January,
1887
Dividend No. $\mathbf{4 1}, 3$ per
cent., payable 2nd
July, 1887 . .......... 36,000 00
Carried to Rest Account 50,00000
$\$ 122,00000$
Balance at credit of Profit and
Loss, new account.............\$29,769 77
The business of the bank has been steadily improving during the past year-yielding a profit of over $11 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the capital, which has enabled the management to commence a Rest Account with $\$ 50,000$ at its credit, after providing for two dividends at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum.
In November last a branch of the bank was opened in Alexandria, and another at Smith's Falls, both in the Province of Ontario, and the directors are satisfied with the progress made at these new branches in developing business that promises to be profitable.
The opening of these branches-the issue of new bank notes-and other exceptional expenditures, have necessarily increased the cost of management for the past year, and have lessened the net profits, all these charges have been debited to Profit and Loss account. Mr. Webb was appointed cashier shortly after the annual meeting of July last, and the directors have much pleasure in testifying to the zeal shown by Mr. Webb in his care for the interests of the shareholders, and in his judgement in the management of its affairs.
Mr. Webb has been most ably seconded by the managers of the branches in the determination to make the business a success, and to their united efforts must be attributed the satisfactory results of the past year.
All the branches of the bank have been duly inspected.
A. Thomson

President.
Quebec, July 11th, 1887.
general statement, june $30 \mathrm{th}, 1887$.

## Liabilities.

Capital stock paid up......... $\$ 1,200,00000$
Rest ................ \$ 50,000 00
Balance of profits
carried forward.
Dividend No. 41 ,
payable 2nd July
Reserved for Interest
and Exchange....
Reserved for rebate
of interest on cur-
rent loans.........
53,400 00
Dividendsunclaimed
3,863 41
Notes of the bank in
circulation .......
Deposits bearing interest ............
interest bearing
Balances due to other banks in Canada.......... Balances due to other banks in the United Kingdom

665,79700 1,170,990 74

1,007,650 21

11,819 44

34,155 60

Specie Dominion Govern. ment Notes...... Notes of and cheques on other banks.. Balances due from other banks in Canada ......... Balances due from other banks in United States....
Call loans on stocks and bonds ...... Dominion Govern. ment securities..

12,000 00 921,036 41
Loans and bills dis-
counted current. . \$3,090,843 94 Overdue debts secured …...... verdue debts not specially secured (estimated loss nil) Mortgages on real es tate sold by the bank............. Real estate other than bank premises

14,274 22

8,42603

15,11250

Bank ...........
furnitureses and
Other assets
36,648 79
100,000 00
88,819 74
3,354,125 22
\$4,275,161 63
E. E. Webb,

Cashier.
Union Bank of Canada, Quebec, June 30th, 1887.
It was then moved by the chairman, seconded by Mr. John Laird, "That the report submitted to this meeting be adopted and printed for distribution among the shareholders." Carried.
Moved by Mr. W. H. Carter, seconded by Mr. J. W. Henry, "That the thanks of the shareholders be given to the president and directors for their valuable services during the year." Carried.
Moved by Mr. W. H. Carter, seconded by Mr. John Laird, "That the thanks of this meeting are due and are hereby tendered to the cashier and other officers of the bank for their careful attention to its affairs." Carried.
Moved by the president, seconded by Mr. J. W. Henry, "That the meeting now proceed to the election of directors for the ensuing year, and that the ballot box for the receipt of votes be kept open until two o'clock, or until five minutes have elapsed without a vote being offered, during which time proceedings be suspended." Carried.
The scrutineers then reported the following gentlemen elected as directors:-Messrs. Andrew Thomson, Hon. Thos. McGreevy, E. J. Hale, E. J. Price, Sir A. T. Galt, G.C.M.G., D. C. Thomson, E. Giroux.

A vote of thanks to the scrutineers was moved by Mr. D. C. Thomson, seconded by Mr. E. J. Hale, and carried.
Mr. Thomson having vacated the chair, and Mr . D. C. Thomson being called thereto,
Mr. Gaboury moved, and Mr. E. J. Hale seconded, a vote of thanks to the president, for his impartial conduct in the chair. Carried. At a subsequent meeting of the new board, Mr. A. Thomson, was re-elected president, and Mr. E. J. Price, was elected vice-president.

LAMBTON LOAN AND INVESTMENT COMPANY.

The annual meeting of this company was held in Sarnia, on Tuesday, the 5th July. The president, Mr. D. Mackenzie, in the chair. A large number of shareholders were present.
Mr. A. C. Clark, assistant manager, read the following

## REport

Your directors, in submitting their annual statement for the year ending 30th June, 1887, would congratulate the shareholders upon the satisfactory result of the year's business.
The profits of the year, after deducting all expenses of management, as well as interest on deposit and debentures, have enabled them to pay two half-yearly dividends of 4 per cent. each, or at the rate of 8 per cent. a year, and to carry to Reserve fund $\$ 13,000$, as well as to carry to Contingent fund $\$ 1,944.69$ out of earn-
ings; which funds now amount to $\$ 132,400.86$; over 33 per cent. upon the subscribed capital stock of the company. The paid-up stock now amounts to $\$ 395,182.52$.
The books and accounts of the company as well as all the vouchers and loans, have been carefully examined and checked off by the auditors, and found correct.
All of which is respectfully submitted.
R. S. Gurd,
A. Managing Director. Assistant
D. Maceenzie
cash account.

## Receipts.

Cash on hand, July 1st, 1886...

Deposits...
Gebentures interest.
General interest..................
Overdraft, Traders' Bank..
1,542 85
236,297 90
236,29790
641,09158
641,09158
19,200
00
19,20000
45646
13,239 13
1,13185
\$920,956 58

## Disbursements.

Repaid bank overdraft of July 1,


Geans .............
Deposits withdrawn................ 590,34244
Interest on deposits.
Expenses-
Expenses
Salaries
Directors' and B.......... $\$ 2,40000$
Directors' and auditors'

Other expenses.
86883
77561
Dividends-
December 31st, 1886.... \$15,664 50
June 30th, 1887
15,770 49
Commission on loans.
Debenture interest.
Debentures
Cash on hand.
$\$ 920,95658$
profit and loss. Dr.
Interest on debentures, Dec. 31, '86 \$ 1,728 07
Interest on debentures, June 30, '87 1,772 61
Interest on deposits
1,77261
20,18037
Dividends, Dec. 31st, 1886
15,664 50
15,770 49
28050
Commissions on loans...
Expenses
Carried to Reserve.
Carried to Contingent. 4,380 44 $\begin{array}{r}13,00060 \\ 1,944 \\ \hline\end{array}$
\$74,721 67
General interest.
Intereat on loans, paid.... 86202
20
Interest on loans, ascrued 26,39225
47,467
40
$\$ 74,72167$
balance bhet.
Assets.
Loans
Office furniture. ....
\$1,175,634 70
Office premises. 1,00000
Cash on hand..
8,000 00
\$1,189,298 25
\$ 395,182 52 569,096 28 76,450 00 1,797 61 128,000 00 4,40086
13,23913 1,131 85
\$1,189,298 25
We have duly examined the books and securities of the Lambton Loan and Investment and find for the year ending 30th June, 1887 and find the same correct.

## H. Smith,

G. V. Elwood, $\}$ Auditors.

I have examined the above statement, and
Manager Canadian W. Nisbet,
Sarnia, July 5th, 1887.

Judge Mackenzie, in moving the adoption of the report, said that any one who had taken an interest in this Company, and had watched its progress, mast be convinced that it was
largely due to the very careful investments made, and he could say that the company was managed with very little expense. He found people elsewhere surprised at the fine investments and careful management of the company, and he felt that with the present officers they would have nothing but continued success.
J. S. Symington, Esq., in seconding the adoption of the report, said he felt that while the directors did their share in bringing about such a successful result, still the gratifying success depended very largely upon the management, and on the careful way the loans were made as shown by our success in contrast with some of our banking institutions, who had to strike off $\$ 1,000,000$ from their reserves. He felt that the managers of the institation, who had the nerve to acknowledge and strike off so large a sum, deserve credit, but was pleased to say that our company had had less of that to say that our company had had less of that
than any other company, and that the manthan any other company, and
agement had been first class.

Mr. Thomas Houston said, we increase our loans during the year by $\$ 103,000$, our deposits by $\$ 69,726$, which went to show the confidence the public had in our managers.

The motion was carried.
Mr. R. S. Gurd, returned thanks to the stockholders for their kindly expression of thanks to the officers and said the progress had been steady for years, while some years ago, under the management of Mr. Skilbeck, the company had large losses. He drew the attention of the shareholders to the fact that the stock was all paid up except about $\$ 4,000$ and therefore no large sum could be any time paid in on stock to be lent out at from 6 to 67 per cent., when we were paying dividends of 8 per cent. Many other companies were now receiving such payments, the premiums upon
which had already been carried to the reserve, therefore, when these payments were made, it therefore, when these payments were made, it
was a source of weakness. He was very much pleased with the earning powers of the company this year. He hoped that in five years we would be able to increase our reserve to 50 per cent., then the whole earnings of the company would be paid to the shareholders.
Mr. A. C. Clark, assistant manager, also re turned thanks to the shareholders for their appreciative vote
The president felt that while the board had assisted in the success, still the managers were largely the means of bringing about such a result.
The scrutineers then reported the election of the following directors:-D. Mackenzie, Geo. Shirely, Thos. Houston, C. Mackenzie, R. S. Gurd, John Paul

After adjournment, a directors' meeting was held, at which Mr. Charles Markenzie was appointed president, in room of Mr. Daniel Mackenzie, who desired to retire. Mr. Thos. S. Gun was appointed vice-president, Mr. R tant

## A FAST TORPEDO BOAT.

The London Engineer gave, in a recent impression, some particulars of the trial trip of a boat built for the Italian Government by Messrs. Yarrow \& Co., which attained by speed of, as nearly as possible, 28 miles an hour. The sister boat made her trial trip in the Lower Hope, beating all previous performances, and attaining a mean speed of 25.101 knots, or over 28 miles an hour. The quickest run made with the tide was at the rate of 27.272 knots, or 31.44 miles per hour, past the shore. This is a wonderful performance. The boat is 140 feet long, and fitted with twin screws driven by compound engines, one pair to each propeller. These engines are of the usual type constructed by Messrs. Yarrow. Each has two cylinders, with cranks at 90 deg. The framing, and, indeed, every portion not of phosphor-bronze or gun-metal is of steel, extraordinary precautions being taken to secure lightness.
The weather was bad, the wind was blowing in heavy squalls from the northeast, accom. panied by showers of snow and hail. The displacement of the vessel was as nearly as might be 97 tons. The measured mile in the Lower Hope is on the southern bank of the river,
about three miles below Gravesend. Just as the boat passed the town, in the midst of a heavy rain squall, the stokehole hatches in the deck were shat, and the dull humming roar of the fans showed that the fires were being got up. The smoke came up with a rush. A rapid vibrating motion beneath the feet was the first evidence that the engines we was the cres As the bost gatherghes were away full speed down to horl ceased. Thr work, and the vibration almos and then, in the teasured mile was soon reached and then,in the teeth of the northeaster, she tore through the water. The tide and wind were both against her. Had the tide and wind been opposed, there would have been a heary seen on. As it was, there was quite enough; the water, breaking on the port bow, came on board in sheets, sparkling in the sun, which, the rain squall having passed, shone out for the moment. As the wind was blowing at leas 30 miles an hour, and the boat was going at some 26 miles an hour against it, the result was a moderate hurricane on board. It was was a moderate hurricane on board. It was
next to impossible to stand up against the fury of the blast without holding on. The mile wes traversed in less than $2 \frac{1}{2}$ minutes, however; bat the boat had to continue her course down the river for nearly another mile to avoid some barges which lay in the way, and prevented her from turning. Then the helm wres put over, and she came round. There was no slacking of the engines, and astern great, upheaved, foaming mass, some 7 in a 8 ft . high. Brought round, she once mort. or her course. This time the wind was on her starboard quarter, or still more nearly aft The boat went literally as fast as the wind, and on deck it was nearly calm. The light smoke from the funnels, no longer beaten down by wind, leaped up high into the air. Looking over the side, it was difficult to imagine that the boat was passing through water at all. The enormons velocity gave the surface of the river the appearance of a sheet of steel for 1 foot or more outside the boat. Standing right aft, the sight was yet more remarkable. Although two 6 ft . screws were revolving at nearly 400 revolutions per minute almost under foot, not a babble of air came up to break the surface. There was no wave in her wake; about 70 feet behind her rose a gentle swelling hill. Her wake was a broad, smooth, brown path, cut right through the rough surface of the the river. On each side of this path rose and broke the angry little seas lashed up by the scourging wind. Along the very centre of the brown track ran a thin ridge of sparkling foam, some two feet high and some 20 ft . long, caused by the rudder being dragged through the water.
There was scarcely any vibration. The noise was not excessive. The most prominent noise, perhaps, was the hum of the fans. Standing forward, the deck seems to slope away downward aft-as indeed it does, for it fore foot of the boat is these high speeds the fore foot of the boat is always thrown up clean out of the water-and the whole aspect of the boat, the funnels vomiting thin, brown smoke, and occasionally, when a fire-door is opened, a lurid pillar of flame for a moment; the whirr in the engine room; the dull thunder of the fans, produce an impression on the mind not easily expressed, and due in some measure, no doabt, to the exhilaration caused by the rapid motion through the air. The best way to con. vey what we mean is to say that the whon craft seems to be alive, and a perfect demon of energy and strength. Many persons hold that a torpedo boat is likely to be more useful for terrifying an enemy than in doing him real harm, and we can safely say that the captain of an iron-clad who saw half a dozen of these vessels bearing down on him, and did not wish himself well out of the scrape, has more nerve than most men.
-The Boston Shoe and Leather Reporter finds that a good many citizens of the metro polis seem to prefer shoes with English char idea, judge took deep root there; if one were to judge by inscriptions on the signs of most of retailers in the business portion of New York would infer that the majority of these dealers were from London. Many of them did come from there, and the others are willing to have it supposed they did. The words "from Lon don," however, don't amount to much. shoemaker coming thence soon gets Ameri-


Returne furnished by the Banks to the Auditor or Public Acoourrs．

| LIABILITIES． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Loans from or deposits made by in Canada Secured． | Loans from or by other banks in Canada anseoured． | $\begin{gathered} \text { Due to } \\ \text { other banka } \\ \text { in } \\ \text { Canada. } \end{gathered}$ | Due to agon－ ciee of bank or to othinar banth or agencoior in forieign． oountries． | Dro to agen－ oies of bank or to other banks or the United Kingdom． | Liabilitien under fore－ going heads． | Total liabilities． | Directors liabilitien |
|  | 67，385 | 24，480 | 3，992 |  | 1，760 | 6，068，282 | 110，548 |
| ．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 121，697 | 20，539 | ．．．．．．．．．． | － 2832,508 | 2，006 | $12,780,968$ 7,430068 | 6998，909 |
| ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | ．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 64，594 | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | － 161879 | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 5，462，678 | 416，725 |
| …．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1,016 | ．．． | 118，100 |  | －3，01，914 | ${ }^{297518}$ |
|  | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 36，898 |  | －80，120 |  | \％，908，455 | 291，31 |
|  |  | 94，151 | 6，561 | 5.901 |  | 9， 27892000 | 65，561 |
|  | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | $\begin{array}{r}3,307 \\ 10.525 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 44，023 | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | $1,515,708$ $3,102,818$ |  |
|  |  | 12，014 |  | 118，988 |  | 8，708，862 | 307，661 |
| ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | $\begin{aligned} & 814 \\ & 1,378 \end{aligned}$ |  | 90，081 | －17，908 | 878，749 $1,200,818$ | 21，794 103，171 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| －．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 487，828 | 1254，49 | $\begin{aligned} & 15,064 \\ & 10,060 \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 95，797，116 $6,568,015$ | 735，676 |
| ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | ．．． | 19，973 |  | －．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 6，495 | 3，607，413 | 279，388 |
| ． |  | 10，408 | 5，017 | ．．．．．．．．．．．．． | $\xrightarrow{2,805}$ | 1，577，814 | 109，871 |
|  |  |  |  | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 35，576 | 1，683，980 | 111，042 |
| …．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 28，298 | 35，518 | 97,216 485,485 | 22，366 | 8．093，514 | 192790 |
| ．．．．．． | 517，135 | 24，068 $\mathbf{8 7 , 6 5 8}$ $\mathbf{4 , 7 1 9}$ | 481 |  | 18,097 10,810 | $12,380,564$ $2,456,546$ | 1，622，898 |
|  | 60，000 | 24，719 | 11，819 | 34，155 |  | 5，383，225 | 785，446 |
| ．．．．． |  |  |  |  | 92 | 2，880，419 | 194，956 |
| ．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 16，083 | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  | 614，159 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 85，282 | 3，727 | 2，872，566 | 20，682 |
|  |  | 2，528 | 15，599 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{r}47,014 \\ 1,080 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 180 | 6，375 | 165,199 30,168 | $\begin{aligned} & 4,700,181 \\ & 2,7648,857 \end{aligned}$ | 221,095 $\mathbf{8 1 6}, 538$ |
| ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 3，501 | 1，149 | 15831 | 66，279 <br> 88 | 630，030 | 45，362 |
| －．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 1，920 | ．．．．．．． | 48，173 | 15，597 | 1，751，054 | ${ }_{7} \mathbf{7 1 , 1 9 3}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1，699 | 440,228 98,047 | 105，673 |
| ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 3,007 |  | ．．．．．．．． |  |  | Ni． |
|  |  |  |  | ．．．．．．．．．．．． | 967 | 250，476 | 116，560 |
|  | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 45，513 |  |  |  | 1，705，898 |  |
| …．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  | ．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 218，007 |
|  |  |  |  | 7，186 | ．．．．．．．． | 397，873 | ．．．．．．．．．．．．． |
|  |  | 3，040 | 565 |  | ．．．．．． | 678，971 | 10，000 |
| －．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 16，550 | 19，803 | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 7，397 | 2，806，479 | NiL． |
|  | 1，243，481 | 690，831 | 182，988 | 2，094，104 | 400，945 | 149，413，692 | 8，260，119 |


| ASSETS． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { Other } \\ \text { curront } \\ \text { loans, } \\ \text { dieount } \\ \text { and } \\ \text { adrances } \\ \text { tothe. } \\ \text { pablic. } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Notes, se. } \\ \text { overdue } \\ \text { apd not } \\ \text { specially } \\ \text { seoured. } \end{gathered}$ | Other over－ dne debts not noboi－ and any secura | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Overdue } \\ \text { debte } \\ \text { seoured. } \end{array}\right\|$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Real } \\ \text { Gitate } \\ \text { (other } \\ \text { than } \\ \text { the Bank } \\ \text { Pre- } \\ \text { miees.) } \end{gathered}$ | Mort－ <br> gage on Real <br> Estate <br> mold <br> by the <br> Bank | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bank } \\ & \text { Pre- } \\ & \text { mises. } \end{aligned}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Other } \\ \text { Assets } \\ \text { not } \\ \text { includd } \\ \text { before. } \end{array}\right\|$ | Total | Average amount of of hecie durting dite month． | Average of <br> Domin－ Notes held during |
| 6，821，322 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $13,427,009$ $5,85,929$ | 45，976 |  | 1s8，504 | －9，208 | $\begin{array}{r} 8,078 \\ 101,0238 \end{array}$ | 50,000 857631 |  | 9459,180 | 185019 | 478，818 |
| 6，486，104 | \％3，410 |  | 49，094 |  |  | 156，054 | 106，950 | 19，515，811 | 483000 | 698，000 |
| 3，544，304 | 4，461 |  | 80,102 | ${ }^{122,669}$ |  | 109，007 | 72，162 | ${ }_{7}, 726,550$ | 159，000 | 356，000 |
| $4,883,659$ $4,006,771$ | 74，286 |  | 98，300 |  | 18，107 | －90，000 | 25，235 | $8,100,146$ | 101，250 | 302,100 193,420 |
| \％${ }^{2} 1874,118$ |  | 8，028 | －85，568 | 61，886 | 36，270 | 147，397 | －60，991 | 8，887，165 | 79.603 | 843090 |
| 8，0762060 | 3，4 |  |  |  | ， |  | 16，835 | 8，039，582 | ${ }_{60518}^{25245}$ | \％7，807 |
|  | 6，678 |  | 21，038 |  |  | －6，658 | 13，360 | ， $2,0088,600$ |  | 99,193 88,939 |
| $\mathbf{2 , 7 1 3 , 8 3 8}$ | 9，205 |  | 10，744 | 28，018 | 2，96 | 45，050 |  | － $4.402,271$ | 108，400 | 112，651 |
| ，088，283 | 7，009 |  | \％，200 |  |  |  | 8，228 | － | 102,842 17,197 | ${ }^{96,2929}$ |
| 16，923，986 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 18，781 | 1，474，408 | 1400 | 66，229 |
| 7， $7,310,598$ | 152，414 | 806 | 878 |  | 108，963 | 600，000 | 1，270，541 | 44，552， 866 | 1，930，000 |  |
| 1，179，516 | cicher |  | －3，497 | 187， 552 | 7，803 | 6，144 | 7183 | 18，490，914 | 394，413 | 688 |
| －925，384 | 31，963 | 28，76i | 18，866 | ${ }_{8121812}^{88,612}$ | 41，098 | 81，400 | 209，434 | 2， 2088128 | 30，034 | 129，404 |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 63,97 \\ 106,020 \end{gathered}$ |  | 71.517 | 29，483 | 34，480 | 18，151 | 29，${ }^{29,9818}$ | ，1，565，974 | 18，098 | 78，419 |
| 12，054，975 |  | 11，2i6 | 125，460 | －4，919 | 11，193 | 190，0 | 783 | ${ }_{11,145}^{2,081}$ | 48，066 | 42，132 |
| 3，229，0 | $\begin{gathered} 106,0020 \\ 59.131 \end{gathered}$ |  | 146，508 | 150，288 | 38， | 498，06 | 89，575 | 20，071，118 | 249，800 | 657，990 |
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## INSURANCE NOTES

It was shown，apon the investigation into the recent fire in Charlottetown，（causing a loss of $\$ 30,000$ to $\$ 40,000$ ，that the two policemen were asleep in the station house from 12.30 to nearly 3 o＇clock，and they falsified the record hook．They ought to be dismissed from the force，at least．
Another meeting of those interested in the Briton Medical and General Life Association is to be held in Montreal．By order of Mr． Justice Davidson，notice is given by Mr． Plender，the liquidator，that a meeting of the creditors，contributors，shareholders and mem－ bers of the association will be held on Wed－ inesday，the 27th inst．，at eleven o＇clock a．m．， in the Enquete Room，at the Court House in that city，to deliberate upon the appointment of a liquidator or other matters．
John Wanamaker，of Philadelphia，recently celebrated his 50th birthday．He carries a very large insurance on his life，and one of the features of the day was the receipt of a con－ gratulatory letter signed by the agents of 22 life companies doing business in Philadelphia． In this letter they say：＂We greet you as be－ ing insured for a larger sum than any other American citizen，and we value the practical endorsement which you have given to the claims of life insurance．＂This is one reason， and a very American one，for congratulating a man upon the anniversary of his birth．
It may be the supreme importance of the act of insurance he is advocating，that stimu－ lates the illimitable earnestness of the can． vasser，or it may be the extreme competition developed in the business that rouses him to fear it as＂the death＂rather than＂the life＂ the insurance canvegser has never been equalled as a talker and promiser．A decision has been given by the Court of Appeals of the State of Kentucky that when an insurance
company，through its managers or chief offi－ cers，issues a pamphlet or circular making
representations as to the plans upon which it insures，and sends this literature out by its soliciting agents，it is to be regarded as part and parcel of the contract of insurance entered tained therein，and it is to be considered in connection with the policy of determining the would think under the contract．This，one would think，must give the canvasser pause． It is suggested by the Cincinnati Price Current that if the courts would only add to this de－ cision a ruling that the verbal statements of the agents were also to be considered a part and parcel of the contract，the companies would be more guarded in the appointment of dgents，and there would be a great decrease in systematic lying．

STOCKS IN MONTREAL．
Montreal，July 20th， 1887.

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"TRADERS" AND MANUFACTURERS.
The question who is a "manufacturer" (Fabricant) is being widely agitated in German commercial circles. For certain industries, and for Berlin trade in particular, the difference between a manufacturer and a tradesman is of real weight (so explains Kuhlov's Journal). The assumption on the part of the latter of a title not strictly his own must exercise, it is argued, an influence on commerce in general, the importance of which can hardly be over-estimated. A report of one of the German trade guilds observes: "When a smaller cobbler distinguishes himself by the title of manufacturer, the exaggeration is so grotesque, the exhibition of self importance is so pitiable that the real manufacturer may well regard him with a smile of scornful amusement. The smile, however, alters into a look of indignant protest when it is shown that numbers of firms register their names in directories, advertisments. etc., as manufacturers, when they have had really nothing personally to do with the production
of the goods. The abuse then becomes a of the goods. The abuse then becomes a
serious one, which must be given genuine battle to, in the name of the commercial and industrial interests of our great towns. In such a case, customers are extremely likely to be deceived in believing that the dealer is the actual manufacturer of the wares he sells. actual manufacturer of the wares he sells.
The commercial gentlemen travelling for foreign houses are likely to fall into a similar error. And even if they happened to be satisfied with the purchases they had made, the feeling that they had been taken in would naturally cut them to the quick, and help to bring the entire business locality into discredit. On the other hand, if the purchases proved unsuitable, a clear case of false pretences could be made out. How mean-spirited to descend to these prevarications for the sake of the supposed higher distinction which the title manu. facturer bestows, and how disrespectful to that large and worthy class of persons who, though only tradesmen, are in no way ashamed of their calling!'
-No man ever became an insolvent unless he had committed some error. It may have been speculation, not sufficient attention to business, private expenditure too high, bad management of stock, giving too much credit, selling on too close a margin, cash leakages, running a business disproportionate to capital or general incompetency. Any of these is a grave error, and if persisted in will bring ruin,
though you have 100 settlements. If your though you have 100 settlements. If your
creditors see no chance of you throwing off your business disease, they have no right to grant you a compromise, and are perfectly justified in closing you out. Then seek earnestly for the secret of your want of success, and when you have discovered it, go to work most sincerely, and, if possible, eradicate it from your commercial life. If you cannot succeed in this, you cannot succeed in busi-ness.-Shoe and Leather Review.
-It is complained that the Missouri River water used in Omaha is fit for nothing but mad pies. Instead of drinking it the unfortunate people chew it, and even then it raises an internal sand bar that has to be kept covere with Milwaukee beer.-San Francisco Alta.

## Eammercial.

## MONTREAL MARKETS.

## Montreal, 20th July, 1887.

Asses.-The market rules very quiet, with light receipts for the last fortnight; prices have not changed for two or three weeks, first quality pots being quoted at $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 4.80$; second pots and pearls are nominal, there having been no recent transactions in either. There are some who would anticipate a fall in prices shortly, but the market shows steadiness as yet.
Boots, Shoes and Leather.-Orders for fall goods in the shoe line continue to come in freely, and some considerable commands have been received, especially from the eastern provinces. Manufacturers however are not yet buying leather at all freely, and in this latter line matters still rule on the dull side. Stocks show some accumulation, and there is a large production of cheap upper leathers
going on, and an outlet is being sought by shipments to Britain, more particularly from Quebec. Our quotations stand unchanged, but would bear shading for fair lots. We quote :-Spanish sole, B. A. No. 1, 24 to 26 c .; do., No. 2, B. A., 20 to 23c.; No. 1 Ordinary Spanish 21 to 23c.; No. 2 do., 19 to 21c.; No. 1 China, 21 to 22c.; No. 2, 19 to 20c. Hemlock Slaughter, No. 1, 25 to 27c.; oak sole, 42 to 47 c .; Waxed Upper, light and medium, 33 to 37 c .; ditto, heavy 32 to 35 c .; Grained 34 to 37 c .; Scotch grained 36 to 42c.; Splits large 21 to 26 c .; do. small 16 to 20c.; Calf-splits, 26 to 32c.; Calfskins, ( 35 to 46 lbs.), 70 to 80 c .; Imitation French Calf skins 80 to 85 c.; Russet Sheepskins Linings, 30 to 40c.; Harness 24 to 33c.; Buffed Cow, 13 to 15c.; Pebbled Cow, 11 to 15 c .; Rough 23 to 28c.; Russet and Bridle, 54 to 55c.

Dry Goods.-We have to chronicle another quiet week in this line. Though travellers are all out, orders are yet, one might almost say, disappointingly small. Still, it is very early in the season, travellers having been pushed out, in the great competition for business, sooner than there is any necessity for. There is nothing in the situation to cause any apprehension about the results of the fall trade,everythingindicating the probabilities of a fairly large in Nothing novel can be said as regards prices.
Drvas and Chemicals.-The volume of business in these lines is maintained at about the same level as for the last few weeks. There are no important changes in prices. Glycerine and camphor are rather easier, also citric acid; quicksilver shows some advance in outside markets, but there are no changes sufficient to cause an alteration of quotations. We quote :-Sal Soda 90 to $\$ 1.00$; Bi-Carb Soda $\$ 2.60$ to $\$ 0.00$; Soda Ash, per 100 lbs., $\$ 1.65$ to $\$ 1.75$; Bichromate of Potash, per 100 lbs., $\$ 8$ to $\$ 10.00$; Borax, refined, 10c.; Cream Tartar crystals, 32 to 33c.; do. ground, 35 to 36 c .; Tartaric Acid crystal 55 to 60 c .; do. powder, 60 to 65 c. ; Citric Acid, 80 to 85 c .; Caustic Soda, white, $\$ 2.40$ to $\$ 2.60$; Sugar of Lead, 9 to 11c. ; Bleaching Powder, $\$ 2.50$, to $\$ 2.60$; Alum, $\$ 1.60$ to $\$ 1.65$; Copperas, per 100 lbs., $\$ 1.00$; Flowers Sulphur, per 100 lbs., $\$ 2.60$ to $\$ 3$; Roll Sulphur, $\$ 2.00$ to $\$ 2.25$; Sulphate of Copper, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 5.00$; Epsom Salts, $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.40$; Saltpetre $\$ 9.00$ to $\$ 9.40$; American Quinine, 60 to 65c.; German Quinine, 75 to 80 c . ; Howard s Quinine, 80 to 85 c .; Opium, $\$ 5.00$ to $\$ 5.50$; Morphia, $\$ 2.30$ to $\$ 2.50$; Gum Arabic
sorts, 70 to 90 c .; White, $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1.25$; Carbolic Acid, 45 to 55 c .; Iodide Potassium, $\$ 4.50$ per lb.; Iodine, $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 6.00$; Iodoform $\$ 6.50$ to $\$ 700$. Prices for essential oils are : Oil lemon $\$ 2.00$ to $\$ 2.50$; oil bergamot $\$ 3.00$ to $\$ 3.50$; Orange, $\$ 3.50$; oil peppermint, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 4.75$; Glycerine 25 to 26 c .; Senna, 18 to 30 c . English Camphor, 40c. American do. 35c.
Fiss.-Dulness still characterises this trade ; a few small sales of dry cod comprise the total business at prices ranging from $\$ 4.00$ to $\$ 4.50$; last year's North Shore salmon $\$ 14.50$ to $\$ 15$ for No. 1 ; No. $2 \$ 13.50$ to $\$ 14.00$.
Hides and Skins.-The market has shown dulness of late, but prices have ruled steady spite of a strong effort to weaken values by some tanners. Green butchers' hides are unchanged at 8, 7 and 6 c . Toronto hides $8 \frac{1}{2}$ to
8 ? z c.; calfskins dull and weak at 8 c ; lambskins 8is.; calfskins dull and
are higher at 35 to 40 c.
Groceries.-The movement in this line is a moderate one, but fair for the season, all things considered. There isan additional firmness in sugars, occasioned by the destruction of the St. Lawrence Sugar Refinery, by fire, last Friday, and sugars of all classes may be called from $\frac{1}{8}$ to 4 c. dearer. Arrangements are being made to rebuild immediately, and the company is prepared, we believe, to book
orders for January delivery. There are reported transactions in raw grocery sugar at 47 c. Molasses continues steady under light holdings; there are only two or three cargoes en route for this market, against 8 or 9 at this time last year. The output at the Islands is also said to be smaller than usual, owing to a new process of manufacture, by which sugars retain more of the molasses. Prices, in a jobbing way, are 31 to 32c., with holders talking higher figures shortly ; syrups scarce and firm. The tea market is quiet and without special feature ; receipts of new teas are light, prices fairly steady, the leaning being to weakness if anything. Coffees about as last reported,
but it is said that the representalive coffee will shortly reduce quotations. Advices from Denia announce excellent prospects for the coming crop of Malaga and Valencia raisins, bat local prices still tend higher owing to scarcity ; Valencias could not be had under 6 to 64 c . in a jobbing way for ordinary fruit, currants about like figures. In spices, pepper, nutmegs and cloves rule firm, while mace has developed an advance, being quoted at $\$ 1.00$ to $\$ 1.10$. Rice and tobacco as before.
Metals and Hardware.-A fair demand is reported for both heavy and shelf goods, and orders for fall delivery are showing rather better volume. Sales of pig iron continuc to be made at prices below what it would pay to import at now, but this cannot last much longer, as old stocks must be pretty well run out. Warrants are cabled at $42 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$., with the British market pretty steady, and three more furnaces recently relighted. Canada plates
show much firmness, and there is some scarcity in the supply at home, a rather unusual feature in this article. Tin has advanced over a pound per ton in London, being now quoted at $£ 1045 /$, lead, easier ; copper steady. Tin plates and finished iron are unchanged. We quote :- Summerlee and Langloan, $\$ 20$ to $\$ 20.50$; Gartsherrie, $\$ 19.50$ to $\$ 20.00$; Coltness, $\$ 21.00$; Shotts, $\$ 19.50$ to $\$ 20.00$; Eglinton and Dalmellington, $\$ 18.50$; Calder, $\$ 20.00$; Carnbroe, $\$ 19.50$; Hematite, $\$ 23.00$ to $\$ 25.00$; Siemens, No. $1, \$ 20.00$; Bar Iron, $\$ 2.00$ to $\$ 2.05$; Best refined $\$ 2.30$ to $\$ 2.40$; Siemens, $\$ 2.00$ to $\$ 2.15$; Canada PlatesBlaina, \$2.60; Tin Plates, Bradley Charcoal, $\$ 5.60$ to $\$ 5.75$; Charcoal I. C., $\$ 3.90$ to $\$ 4.40$; do. I. X., $\$ 4.90$ to $\$ 5.40$; Coke I. C., $\$ 3.60$ to $\$ 3.75$; Galvanized sheets, No. 28, 5 c . to 7c., according to brand; Tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 612..; No. 26, 7c., the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs ., \$2.75; Staffordshire boiler plate, $\$ 2.50$; Common Sheet Iron, $\$ 2.50$; Steel Boiler Plate, $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 2.75$; heads, $\$ 4.00$; Russian Sheet Iron, 10 to 11c. Lead, per 100 lbs - Pig, $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 4$; Sheet, $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.50$; Shot, $\$ 6.00$ to $\$ 6.50$; best cast steel, 11 to 12 c .; Spring, $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.50$; Tire, $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3.00$; Sleigh shoe, $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 2.75$; Round Machinery Steel, $\$ 3.00$ to 3.25 ; Ingot tin $24 \frac{1}{2}$ to 25 c .; Bar Tin, 27 to 28c.; Ingot Copper, 11 to $12 \frac{1}{2}$ c.; Sheet Zinc, $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 5.00$; Spelter, $\$ 4.00$ to $\$ 4.25$; Bright Iron Wire, Nos. 0 to 8, $\$ 2.25$ per 100 lbs., Annealed do. $\$ 2.30$.

Olls, Paints and Glass.-The only noteworthy feature in these lines is the failure of Messrs. McDougall, Logie \& Co., which is developing some rather ugly features. Prices show little or no change. Steam refined seal oil shows more strength and is steady at 48 to 50 c . ; cod oil is very dull at 33 to 34 c . for Nfld., Halifax ditto 30 to 31c. Linseed, castor and olive oils are still as last quoted; turpentine shows a decline, single brls. selling at 56 c ., larger lots 53 to 55 c Leads, colors and glass as before. We quote:-Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only) $\$ 6.00$; No. $1, \$ 5.25$; No. 2, $\$ 4.50$; No. 3, \$4.25. Dry white lead, $5 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; red do. $4 \frac{1}{4}$ to $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; London washed whiting, 55 to 60 c . Paris white, $\$ 1.00$ to $\$ 1.15$; Cookson's Venetian Red, $\$ 1.75$; other brands Venetian Red, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 1.60$; Yellow ochre, $\$ 1.50$; Spruce ochre, $\$ 2.00$ to $\$ 3.00$. Glass, $\$ 1.45$ per 50 feet for first break; $\$ 1.55$ for second break.
Salt.-There is nothing new in prices, and the movement is fairly maintained. We quote coarse elevens 43 to 45 c .; twelves, 41 to 43c. ; factory-filled $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.30$; Rice's pure
dairy, $\$ 2.00$; quarters, 50 c . ; Higgins' Eureka, $\$ 2.40$; Turks Island 30c. a bushel.

Wool.-Matters are quiet in this line, but steadiness in prices prevails, and scarcity in all lines of pulled wools still exists. We quote cape 15 to 18 c ., ditto pulled 30 c . ; Aus. tralian 16 to 20 c . ; fleece 24 to 26 c .

## TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, July 21st, 1887.
Drugs, Paints, Olis and Petroleva.-Druga are quiet; American refined camphor is lower at 33 to 35 c . ; for morphine $\$ 2.50$ to 2.60 is now asked ; opium held higher at $\$ 5.50$ to 5.75 . Paints and oils show no change; prices generally are steady. Canadian refined petroleum remains at 15 to 16 c . : carbon safety is easier at 17 c .; refiners do not anticipate any advance until the demand increases; in the meantime
efforts are being made to organize another
mination.
Flour and Meal.-The movement has continued small but there has been some enquiry heard for flour. Buyers and sellers, however, remained apart until Tuesday, the former seeking concessions and the latter refusing them. Then at last some sales were made at equal to $\$ 3.70$ for superior extra and equal to $\$ 3.60$ for extra. There was no movement subsequently reported; but at close bagged extra was wanted at about $\$ 1.60$; and holders of brrelled were firm at Tuesday's prices. Bran steady, and has sold at $\$ 10.50$ for bagged on the track. Oatmeal-Some few small sales at $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 4.25$, the latter for granulated ; but nothing doing in cars.
Grain.-Offerings of everything have been small and the demand for nearly everything has been very sluck, so that little business has been done in anything. Prices, however, have been fairly steady. Wheat has been held steadily but wanted only sparingly unless at a decline, and this has been refused ; some cars of No. 2 fall sold at 83 c. and red winter at 83c. on Thursday and Friday, bat after this both fell to 80 c . Which was steadily refused, and on Tuesday No. 2 fall sold in car lots at equal to 82to here; No. 2 spring lying outside sold this week at equal to 82c. here; at the close dalness and inactivity were the rule with No. 2 fall offered at 83c. Oats have been offered sparingly but probably sufficiently with dealers holding off and prices much as before; cars of mixed western sold at close of last week at $31 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. and cars of white at 32 c .; and on Monday eastern changed hands at 2912. on track ; and at close white sold at 32c., market closing with other grades worth previous prices. Barley-None offered and none wanted; prices fairly nominal either for with buyers nearly. Peas scarce but steady, with buyers nearly all week at about 57 c . but none offered and consequently nothing doing, or at least nothing reported.
Grgaceries.-There is an active movement in sugar this week but other departments of the
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the refinery at Montreal, and the increased strength of the sugar markets abroad have caused an advance of $\frac{1}{8} c$. on white sugars, and ${ }^{4} \mathrm{c}$. on yellows; the lowest price quoted for yellows now is $5{ }^{3} \mathrm{c}$ c., although competition occasionally results in sales at $5 \mathbf{4} \mathbf{c}$. Teas are dull with perhaps a little more activity in Japans and blacks. Rice is being freely en quired for in round lots, and prices are firmer, 3 3g. being the lowest price. Syrups are held firmer by refiners, but there is little or no movement. The dried fruit market is dull; Bohemian prunes are offered lower at 4c. in bags; Valencia raisins are held at $5 \frac{3}{4}$ to $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; for currants the market continues firm and few, if any, can be purchased under 6c. in bbls. The green fruit market is fairly active : oranges are unchanged at $\$ 6$ to 6.50 in boxes; lemons are firm at $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 6.50$, according to quantity; bananas are moving more freely, selling $\$ 1$ to 1.50 for 2.50 for good to choice stock, and $\$ 1$ to 1.50 for ordinary. Packers have ad vanced prices of canned peas 10c.; some inquiry for canned apples in gallon tins but there do not appear to be any on the market. Salmon trout and white fish are coming in more freely, and prices are easier at 54 to $5 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; British Columbia salmon is also more plentiful and is selling at 15 c .
Hardware. - The market for hardware is a strike of Toronto building of the continued strike of Toronto building trades and Hamilton moulders. In the case of the Hamilton strike good results may follow in that it will enable dealers to work off stocks on hand, and it will give a firmer tone to the market for stoves, \&c., in the hands of tinsmiths and others throughout the conntry. Prices on heavy goods are well maintained. The drouth in South Wales continues and has the effect of patting up prices on tin and Canada plates for immediate orders. The general impression seems to be that present prices will be maintained during the fall as some of the works will not be able to resume. In the English markets ingot tin is higher; lead is a shade easier; copper unaltered; antimony has firmer for sheets to $£ 4$ a ton; zinc continues firmer for sheets and block.
Hides and Sxins.-Have shown but little change during the week. Hides-Unchanged for green with offerings rather small and all

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Leather.-The situation is dull and without any special feature. Excepting in splits, which are somewhat in the buyers favour, the market is pretty steady. Stocks are being kept down pretty well, and with few exceptions they are not over heavy.
Provisions.-Have been steady nearly all over. Butter-A steady demand for good qualities for local consumption has been maintained; all ranging from good yellow store to fine dairy has sold readily at from 13 to 15 c . as would some more also; lower grades have been very dull but one lot of mixed, with white out, changed hands at 12c. And a few small lots of white sold at 9 c . ; box lots of rolls scarce and steady at 13 to 15 c . for good qualities. Cheese-Fairly active and firm ; some trade lots have sold at $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. and small lots of fine have been bringing 100.; English quotations have risen two shillings. Eggs - All offered, and probably some more also, wanted, and at rather firmer prices, round lots having been readily taken at 15c. Pork-Quiet; some buyers could have been found at $\$ 16.50$ but holders stood out for \$17. Bacon-There has been little movementoutside of long clear, but sales of it seem to have been increasing at 8c. for tons and cases; some demand for cars but no definite quotations; Cumberland very scarce and the few sales made have brought $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. ; backs have sold to a very small extent at 10 c . and bellies at 10 to to $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. ; rolls, almost nominal. Hams-Demand increasingly active and prices firmer at $11 \frac{1}{2}$ to 12 c . for smoked and 12 to $12 \frac{1}{2}$ c. for canvassed. LardVery quiet and rather easier at 94 c . for $50-\mathrm{lb}$. pails, and $9 \frac{1}{2}$ c. for small pails in small lots. pails, and $9 \frac{1}{c}$ c. for small pails in smaill lots. $\$ 7.00$ to $\$ 7.25$. Dried Apples-Scarce and held firmly at 6c., but no trade lots offered; evaporated very scarce at 14c. White Beans-Scarce and steady with the movement small and confined principally to choice at $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.35$.
Saler.-Liverpool coarse to arrive has been offered in car lots at 55 c . on track, but these not due until about the end of August; a few bags of Canadian coarse have sold at 70c. and dairy in $56-\mathrm{lb}$. bags at 45 to 50 c .
Tallow.-Very quiet; taken as before at 2c. for rough and 4 to 44 c . for rendered, with trade-lots held at $4 \frac{1}{2} c$., but none selling.
Wool.-New fleece has sold fairly well at 24 c ., at $24 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$., and 25 c . for good merchantable, Southdown, in small quantities, being usually thrown in at the latter price, but separate lots of it bringing 25 to 26 c . with offerings small; rejected taken at 18 to 19c. Pulled wools quiet ; but a sale of extra to a fatory seems to have been made at about 28 c .

## BRITISH MARKETS.

The second Tea-Letter of the season from Messrs, Lewenz Bros. \& Hauser, says: The very low price of $5 \frac{1}{2}$ d. at which a parcel of n.s. Shantaam was allowed to go at Monday's auction has, however, to a certain extent checked the forced sales of black leaf tea the aggregate of which barely exceeds 15,000 packages for the week.
There was nothing particularly attractive among either the Onfas or Hohows, the former selling up to $10 \frac{9}{4} \mathrm{~d}$. and the latter about 9 d .
No change has taken place in last season's teas and the rates at which Blacks and Reds sold at auction were, although low-fairly steady.
The bonded stock on 30th June compared with the last two years as follows in thousand lbs. : (the letter is dated 8th.)

| 1867. | 1888, | 1885. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Congou \& Souchong ........29,902 | 28694 | 28,764 |
|  | 3,912 | 3,445 |
| Scented tea ................. 4,163 | 4,385 | 1,877 |
| Oolong and other sorts ... 1,071 | 1,134 | 688 |
| dian Ceylon and Java...22,694 | 19,361 | 13,270 |
| 60,806 | 55,486 | 42,024 |

Messrs. Gillespie \& Co.'s Prices Current, dated Liverpool, July 7th, 1887, state that : Raw sugar is very steady with a very fair de.
mand. Refined is quoted at higher prices. Rice remains at about our last figures. Chemicals, \&c., still present a drooping appearance. Cream tartar remains at 123 s . to 123 s .6 d . per cwt. on spot. Nitrate of soda is zgain lower at 9s. 3d. to 9s. 9d. per cwt., in double bags. Gambier 22s. 6d. on spot, 21s. 9d. per cwt. to arrive. Oils-Linseed marks a further advance to 23 s . to 23s. 3d. per cwt. for raw. Palm rather firmer; Bonny $£ 18$ to $£ 185 \mathrm{~s}$. ; Lagos $£ 19$ to $£ 19$ 7s. 6d. per ton. FreightsOwing to competition with outside steamers, rate for chemicals, \&c., to Montreal is reduced to 7 s . 6d. per ton ; groceries $10 /$ - to $12 / 6$; oils 10/- to $20 /$-, Toronto, Hamilton and London 20/- to $27 / 6$ for both.

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