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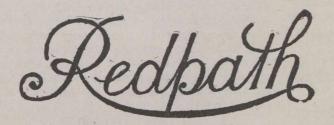
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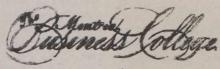
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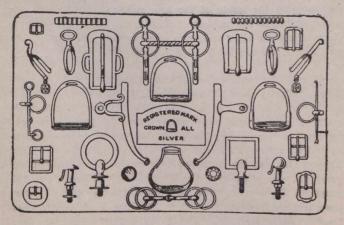
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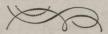
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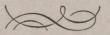
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—The C.P.R. spent ten millions in double tracking the line between Winnipeg and Thunder Bay during the last year and will now start on similar work through to the coast.

—The underwriters have notified the Winnipeg City Council that there will be a substant al reduction in insurance rates if the high pressure system which is to be inspected shortly is found efficient.

—Judge Moore, in the Circuit Court at Belleville, Ill., has issued a permanent injunction restraining 110 fire insurance companies doing business in Illinois from fixing rates and maintaining a joint agent at East St. Louis. The suit was begun in June, 1902, by H. J. Hamlin, then Attorney General of Illinois.

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—The individual deposits in all banks in the United States at the close of the fiscal year aggregated \$12,784,511,169, against \$13,099,625,348 a year ago, a decrease for 1908 of \$315,124,179. In 1900 the individual deposits totalled \$7,238,986,450, so that in eight years there has been an increase of \$5,545,524,719, which is equal to 76 per cent.

The Dominion Wire Manufacturing Co. with headquarters at Lachine is about to dispense with its steam boilers and engines, and depend entirely upon electric power. Transformers are now being installed, and the presence of the Lachine Rapids hydro-electric works in the vicinity makes the change to be exceedingly simple. The change will do away with about a dozen large steam generating plants.

—The Canadian commercial agent at St. John's Nfld., reports that the revenue of Newfoundland for the fiscal year 1907 was \$2,335,868, an increase of but \$630 over the previous year. The taxation amounts to \$11.70 per head of the population, equal to about \$58 per family. The net public debt of Newfoundland was \$20,794,266, an increase of \$88,826 during 1907. This represents \$86 per head of the population.

—Total gross earnings of all United States railroads reporting for the first week of October are \$7,442,276, a loss of only 3.9 per cent compared with the corresponding period of last year.—Canadian Pacific Railway return of traffic earnings from October 7 to 14, 1908, \$1,611,000; 1907, \$1,501,000; increase \$110,000.—Grand Trunk Railway traffic earnings from October 8 to 14, 1908, \$849,270; 1907, \$935,632; decrease \$86,362.

—A company has been organized at Hull, Que.. for the construction of a new line of railway between the head of Lake Temiskaming and the upper Satika, in New Ontario, a distance of 28 miles. The capital is to be \$1,000,000, and a charter will be asked for at the next session of the Legislature. Some valuable silver mines being situated in this vicinity, the object of the railway is to afford means of getting the mineral out.

—A despatch from Halifax, N.S., says:—An important deal has just been put through whereby the Nobels, the great English powder manufacturers, have purchased the Acadia Powder Company's plant at Waverley, near Halifax. Nobels are among the largest powder makers in the world, and have been induced to invest in Canada through the tremendous development in progress. They manufacture the much improved explosive now used by the Acadia Coal Co.

--W. K. McNaught and W. J. Boland are being sued by W. E. Stavert, curator of the Sovereign Bank, as marker and endorser of a note for \$17.030. Mr. McNaught filed a third party notice, in which he claims indemnity from the Sovereign Bank, Aemilius Jarvis and F. G. Jemmett, on the ground he

was to incur no liability, and that the note was a mere device to enable the Sovereign Bank to purchase shares of its own capital stock to conceal the fact of purchase, etc.

—The first of the sealing fleet arrived at Victoria last week with five sea otter skins and 471 seal skins. News was brought that the eight schooners from Victoria had 3,863 seal skins, about double the catch made by twelve schooners last year, the average of 483 skins being higher than for five years. The biggest catch and the most valuable taken for many years was made by the schooner "Thomas F. Bayard," which took 28 sea otter and 710 seal skins. The catch will bring not far short of \$50,000.

—The production of gold and silver by the mines of the U.S. for the calendar year 1907, as determined by the U.S. Bureau of the Mint aggregated 4,374,827 ounces of fine gold of the value of \$90,435,700, and 56,514,700 fine ounces of silver of a commercial value averaging 66 cents per ounce, or \$37,299,700. As compared with the output of 1906, a decrease is shown in gold of \$3,938,100. While the production of silver in 1907 was only 3,200 ounces less than in 1906, the commercial value, on account of the decline in the price of silver was \$958,700 less.

—The annual report of the superintendent of insurance of Ontario shows the total amount of insurance in force on December 31, 1907, as \$1,406,340,043. The benefits paid in Ontario in that year amounted to \$2,473,009, and the disability benefits amounted to \$79,779. The assets in Ontario at this time are given as \$7,443,433, and the liabilities as \$536,581. The assets anywhere amount to \$25,205,310 and the liabilities to \$1,966,298. The total Ontario membership is computed at 279,755. The sum paid in sick and funeral benefits was \$631,747 and the sum for special relief was \$12,693.

—Between January 1st and February 15th, 1909, immigrants coming into Canada will be required to possess \$50. This plan was tried for the first time last year, the rule going into force on January 8th, and continuing until February 15th. The \$25 requirement was then resumed. The \$50 requirement prevented much indiscriminate immigration during the cold part of last Winter. This \$50 rule, however, does not apply to Asiatic immigrants, who are all required to possess \$200 before coming into the Dominion. This went into force on July 3rd, and as yet no change has been made in the requirement.

—Ten money by-laws were voted on by rate-payers of Port Arthur last week. Five were carried and five defeated. Those defeated included \$100,000 for power development on Current River, and the vote shows that the people consider the Council's programme too elaborate, and means that only repair work can now be done this year. Those carried include guaranteeing the bonds of the new railway, marine and general hospital, to the amount of \$35,000, and others for the purchase of electric light and telephone supplies, and one for the purchase of a water lot for a municipal dock.

—The Public Service Commission at Albany, N.Y., has announced that it has before it the first complaint in which a joint rate is asked to be established by express companies where a sum of local rates only is used for packages weighing over seven pounds. The complaint was made by residents of Northern New York, and is directed against the Canadian Express Co., and the American Express Co., the Canadian Express Co. operating over the Grand Trunk Railroad and the American Express Co. over its connection, the Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg division of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad. The equiplainants allege they are compelled to pay exorbitant rates for packages sent a short distance.

—Patent Report:—The following Canadian patents have been recently secured through the agency of Marion and Marion, Patent Attorneys, Montreal, Canada, and Washington. D. C. Any information on the subject will be supplied free of charge by applying to the above-named firm. James T. Carrick, Johannesburg, Transvaal, pyritic smelting; Joseph R.

Ayotte, Montreal, Que., electric water heater; Josy Flohr, Rodange, Luxembourg; the manufacture of iron or steel by the basic Bessemer process; John Ed. Friend, Wellington, New Zealand, Rotary gas engine; Albert A. Prentice, Heathcote, Ont., harvester attachments for mowing machines; Dr. Rudolf Knoll, Vienna, Austria, telephone mouth-pieces; Joseph St. Jacques, St. Hermenegilde, Que., road-making machine.

—Hon. A. J. Matheson, provincial treasurer of Ontario, has made, through the Bank of Montreal, an issue of treasury bills to the amount of £800,000, or \$4,000,000. These bills are for six months and at the rate of 3½ per cent. Mr. Matheson has been advised by financial authorities in London that on account of the Turkish and Bulgarian incidents it was a bad time to float a loan, as had been intended, to cover the treasury bills outstanding. On this account it was decided to issue the new series, taking up the old issue with the proceeds and applying the balance to the T. & N. O. Ry. It is stated that the amount of these loans including \$6,000,000 in 1905, \$3,000,000 taken up by provincial investors and \$4,000,000 of the present issue, about make up the provincial investment in the T. & N. O. Ry. of some \$13,400,000.

—The U.S. Government crop report shows the condition of corn at 77.8 per cent. This compares with 78 per cent last October and the crop is some seventy million bushels in excess of this time a year ago. The price of corn in the country districts this year is 50 cents, as compared with 25 cents a year ago. The average quality of spring wheat is 88.1 per cent, as compared with 88.8 per cent a year ago. The wheat produced in the North-West this year is nearly thirty million bushels greater than a year ago. The average quality of oats is 81.3 per cent, compared with 77 per cent last year and there is a crop some forty million bushels in excess of last year. The average quality of barley is 89.3 per cent. This compares with 88.1 per cent last October, and the crop is some twenty millions in excess of a year ago.

—In reporting that the salmon fisheries in British Columbia for the season of 1908 had now closed, Consul G. N. West, of Vancouver, says in his report to the Government: "The total catch for the season of the sockeye salmon was 338.000 cases, and was distributed among the lifferent packing sections as follows: Fraser River 74,000; Maars, 27,000; Skeena, 134,000; Rivers Inlet, 60,000; outlying points, 43,000. This is an excess over the pack of 1907 of 24,000 cases, which was 314,000. The excess of the pack for the year was largely confined to the canneries on the Fraser and Skeena Rivers, there being a noticeable falling off in the pack on Rivers Inlet. It is reported by the inspector fisheries for the province that the number of salmon reaching the spawning grounds this year is at least triple the number that have come for several years past."

—Dispatches from branch offices of R G. Dun and Co. in the Dominion of Canada indicate little change in the trade situation, although there is a feeling of confidence regarding the future, based chiefly upon good crop results. Lower temperature has brought out a little more business in winter merchandise at Montreal, yet buying continues conservative, and country trade is retarded by the election. Scarcity of fodder is forcing the sale of cattle. Wholesale trade at Toronto is quiet, although there is a hopeful outlook. Dry goods merchants are operating cautiously, and many carry more than the customary amount of retail paper. Confidence is felt because good crops have been secured, and after the election it is expected that business will improve. There is a good movement of wheat from Manitoba, and high prices are paid for butter and eggs because supplies are somewhat restricted.

—The death occurred at the Waldorf Hotel, Hamilton, at midnight on Saturday of Robert Melvin, one of the best known of Guelph's citizens. The late Mr. Melvin was born in Glasgow in 1828, coming to Canada at the early age of fourteen years. He lived in Galt for a few years, and then came to Guelph, where he has resided ever since. Mr. Melvin was on the original Board of Directors of the Mutual Life of Canada in 1870, and was Vice-President until 1897, since when he has

been President. In addition, he was for eighteen years a director of the Ontario Investment and Savings Society, and at the time of his death was Vice-President of that institution. He had been most active in public life, filling, among other positions, those of Deputy Reeve, Reeve, Alderman and Mayor of Guelph, and, in fact, was the first Reeve elected under the old system. He had also served as President of the Board of Trade

-Kootenay and Boundary Districts, B.C., ore shipments and smelter returns for week ending October 10, 1908. The shipments for the past week show a considerable decrease over those of a week ago. This is due to the extensive improvements in progress at the Granby smelter, curta ling its receipts to two-thirds of the capacity of the plant. On the other hand the Trail smelter handled during the past week 9220 tons of ore, a record for the Consolidated company. In each one of the principal divisions of the district are to be noted additions to the shipping list, additions which in more than one case will come to mean considerable enhancement of the grand output of the districts. There is noticeable in mining circles a better feeling as the price of metals gradually strengthens, as has been confidently anticipated, as the year wanes. Boundary shipments 27,123 tons; Rossland 5,758; Slocan-Kootenay 1,451. The total shipments for the past week were 34,322 tons and for the year to date 1,359,186 tons. Granby smelter, Grand Forks, B.C., 15,923; B.C. Copper, Greenwood, B.C., 9,-447; Consolidated, Trail, B.C., 9,220; Le Roi, Northport, Wash., 1,325.

-There has been considerable delay in respect to the liquidation of the Mutual Reserve Life, of New York, and the acting liquidator states mat it would be at least some time next month before the policyholders could look for anything in the way of a dividend. This state of affairs is largely due to the number of contested claims which have come under the attention of the liquidator, and which before being finally adjusted will have to come before the courts. While the matter has been dragging along the liquidator has made every reasonable effort to expedite the proceedings. Not a few of the policies have been taken over by the National Life, but just on what conditions have not been made public as yet. In respect to the death claims which were fled before the announcement of the assignm at of the Mutual Reserve, it is officially stated that these claims will be paid in full, but that no payments will be made prior to the decision of the court in respect to the pending claims and adjustments. There is now a sufficient amount held by the Government at Ottawa to more than meet all the legitimate death claims, although the beneficiaries under the policies regard it as an injustice that they should be kept out of their money for such a long period.



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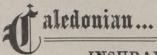
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THE BANK STATEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER.

People who have been feeling uneasy, hanging, as it were, between diffidence and hope, as to the supply of money—notwithstanding the card played by the Government—will experience a sensation of relief on learning that the demand upon the Banks for currency up to the close of Sept. was so moderate as to leave a large margin for expansion, which though reduced last month by \$5,856,340, is causing no anxiety. The paid-up Capital of all the Banks is still about 20 millions over the amount of the Circulation as against 161/4 millions in September 1907. It will be seen that, although the Ontario Bank figures and the "Paid-up Capital" of the Banque St. Jean, are removed from the Statement, the Paid-up Capital of all the Banks 's yet sensibly more than it was a year ago, and only a million less than in September, 1906, our last previous bumper harvest year. Some banks whose normal circulation is usually within hailing distance of the limit set by the Bank Act may be compelled, as on former occasions, to supplement their own issues by using the notes of such banks as have more than they need for their own re-The following table will help to make quirements. this clear:-

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Bank of Montreal		\$14,400,000	\$11,668,427	\$2,731,573
Can. Bank of Commerce		10 000,000	8,337,174	1,662,826
Merchants Bank		6,000,000	4,239,218	1.760,782
Bank of British N.A		4,866,666	3,383,492	1,483,174
Bank of Toronto		4,000,000	3,516,119	483.881
Royal Bank		3,900,000	3.664.446	235,564
Quebec Bank		2,500,000	1,726,743	773,257
The Molsons Bank		3,374,000	2.942,103	431 897
Eastern Townships Ban	k	3,000.000	2,572,896	427,104
Traders Bank		4,353,092	2.644,335	1,708,757
Total margin of ten	ban	ks		\$10,798,815
Total margin of all	the	banks		19,861,414
Total margin of ten Total margin of all	ban the	ks banks		

Other banks with somewhat lesser margins than the lowest of the foregoing will not be of much practical service in promoting harvest movements, save where, as referred to above, they supplement by resorting to other banks, as occasionally in temporary cases, and to the recently allowed additional issue, in case of harvest needs, over and above the amount of the Paid-up Capitals.

The Statement in general terms is a strong one. Deposits on Demand have beaten the record, being \$183,-207,740, or about 14 millions over those in September 1907; while Deposits after Notice are gradually approaching the higher figures of former Statements, showing a gain of \$2,850,915 over those in August. De-

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posits outside Canada are \$4,582,579 less during the month, an evidence of withdrawals for harvest requirements, and revival of trade with a liquidation of debts carried over since the stringency began. The shrinkage in the three following items in the Statement is attributable to kindred causes—as is doubtless the increase of \$662,666 in Amounts due Agencies Abroad.

Dominion Notes and Specie indicate an advance of four millions. This is accounted for by the recent gold importations from the United States, upwards of 12 millions being estimated taken over since the early harvest. Call Loans in Canada continue to shrink, being \$1,572,575 since August and roundly \$3,800,000, as compared with the figures of a year ago. Call Loans outside Canada have been called in to the extent of \$2,929,993 during the month, making a diminution of \$3,313,622 for the year.

The cautionary policy advisedly pursued by merchants and manufacturers during the greater part of the year is reflected in the item of Current Loans (discounts) which is yet less by \$1,024,918 than in August and about 10½ per cent lower than in September 1907. Loans outside Canada show an increase of \$3,265,130, an item which Canadian enterprise has something to do with. Loans to directors and firms in which they are interested continue to show a steady diminution.—Our readers will await with some curiosity the Returns for October, as the month in which the Bank Circulation should reach highwater mark, and business vindicate the policy the Banks have heretofore pursued in providing for the legitimate requirements of their customers.

We append the usual comparative table; detailed comparisons will be found on other pages:—

THE BANK STATEMENT

Sept. 1908. Aug. 1908. Sept. 1907. Sept. 1892.

Capital authorized 143,400,000	144,900,000	139,900,000	10,200,004
Capital subscribed 97,621,491	99,094,841	98,576,241	63,786,648
Capital paid-up 96,107,651	96,076,584	95,737,819	62,900,034
Reserve fund 71,700,983	71,661,938	69,798,322	27,555,666
LIABILITIES.			
Notes in circulation 76,246,237	70,389,897	79,455,000	40,071,143
Due Dominion Government 5,420,039	5,535,878	5,855,505	3,606,106
Due Prov. Govts	11,220,644	10,155,120	2,450,355
Deposits on demand 183,207,740	175,947,237	169,069,497	87,214,909
Deposits after notice410,332,819	407,481,994	421,147,701	151,358,795
Deposits outside Canada 68,071,694	72,654,273	60,319,330	
Loans from bks. in Can., sec 7,846,657	8,697,871	1,328,201	50,710
Depts on demand in Can. bks. 7,587,354	8,642,855	7,252,774	3,555,058
Due agencies in U.K 3,856,180	5,077,521	11,456,242	2,846,813

Due agencies abroad 3,837,970 Other liabilities 5,500,229	3,131,926 6,162,895	4,403,378 14,178,028	509,27 7 551,900
Total liabilities	774,942,987	784,120,948	291,875,914
ASSETS.			
Specie 25,091,788	24,469,431	24,097,487	9,079,185
Dominion notes 62,742,264	59,699,153	48,713,519	17,806,324
Deposits securing circulation . 4,572,476	4,591,349	4,710,809	1,983,983
Notes & cheques on other bks. 28,542,811	28,429,995	32,886,765	10,959,82?
Loans to other bks in Can., sec. 7,756,589	7,842,012	1,328,291	150,000
Depts on demand in Can. bks. 11,033,409	10,464,196	9,289,071	4,549,552
Due from banks in U.K 11,541,913	11,637,754	5,891,841	12,272,730
Due from foreign bks., etc 52,674,843	49,266,494	14,851,311	22,169,025
Dom. & Prov. Govt. secs 8,804,302	8,874,507	9,355,807	4,899,?11
Can. municip. & other pub secs.			
(not Dominion) 19,982,903	19,623,237	21,153,247	17,454,767
Railway and other secs 41,972,309	42,623,237	41,490,816	17,227,236
Call loans in Canada41,084,145	39,511,570	47,298,694	23,745,140
Call loans outside Canada 59,834,979	62,764,972	63,158,601	
Current loans in Canada516,960,003	517,984,921	578,207,277	222,361,523
Current loans outside Canada. 26,994,946	23,729,816	25,794,092	
Loans to Govt. of Canada 4,027,550	4,019,659	3,412	
Loans to Prov. Govts 1,785,561	1,907,641	165,471	1,648,952
Overdue debts 8,122,572	8,662,362	3,644,774	3,406,913
R. E. besides bk. premises 1,614,346	1,591,934	897,786	2,078,746
Mortgages on real estate 465,563	443,299	423,723	566,130
Bank premises 18,702,337	18,556,630	16,920,044	5,372,466
Other assets 9,455,839	8,172,886	10,948,395	2,080,095
Total assets	954,518,493	961,240,415	382,002,015
Loans to directors & their firms 10,296,593	10,467,570	11,791,847	7,372,172
Av. specie for month 24,471,964	23,375,007	24,247,526	9,662,828
Av. Dom. notes for month 61,017,111	56,376,815	47,655,298	17,028,281
Grt'st circulation in month 77,326,462	71,650,557	80,518,312	40,796,003

NEW BURDENS UPON BUSINESS.

We foresee a decided increase in the prices of all classes of manufactured goods, as a result of the cry which is becoming popular, "every trade should bear its own loss, of life or limb, or operatives time through injury received." We are not now discussing the rightfulness of the cry. That is an ethical matter which will require much demonstration to make it to be generally received as axiomatic truth. The result of the insurance against accidents which will have to be adopted when it has become legally incumbent upon employers to pay their operatives' bills when injured, upon their output, is what we are concerned with here. Anyone of ordinary intelligence will be slow to believe that the cost of all the paternalistic care of the workman, the fad of the day in some countries, is to come out of the profits of employing firms. Indeed, as a simple matter of fact in these times of keen competition, the margin of profit is not sufficiently large in the case of staple articles to allow of this. It has not appeared very clearly yet in British invoices, but we are all fully aware of the evtreme probability that the cost of the enforced insurances has merely been added to the regularly estimated "burden," or factory charge, upon which costs, and therefore prices, are partially based. other words, if we insist upon no longer meeting the claims of the killed and wounded on the field of labour, from our charity funds, we shall have to pay them by way of direct charges upon the value of our purchases.

If the State assumes control of the aged poor, and

says that provision shall be made for the comfort of worn out workpeople, we may rejoice that we are relieved of the expense of almshouses, and asylums, and that no one is being neglected, but the expense of maintenance of these pensions will fall upon commodities, or properties, and will be paid by purchasers or owners, though somewhat indirectly. The Old Age Annuity plan of the Canadian Government, which goes into force next month, is, no doubt, intended to be an astute way of avoiding a burdensome State pension scheme for the aged poor. But, unless it is going to be an ordinary endowment insurance plan, it is going to add to prices some where, probably through Customs Duties. Writhe though it may under the burden, humanity cannot escape its weight. If not willingly, for charity's sake, then forcibly by the law of might, the cost will be exacted for the care of the old and the worn out. Theoretically, the cost would be more evenly and more widely divided under governmental control. Practically the work is pretty certain to be more expensive, more wooden and unlovely, and with less, or perhaps no effect, for good upon those whose sympathies really require the softening touch of charity, and brotherly love. Visions of parish officers as Dickens described them in all the offensiveness of Beadledom are conjured up by the bare thought of State relief.

But our main point is, that all the modern paternalistic plans for the betterment of social conditions—with the possible exception of the German compulsory insurance plan—all add to the prices of things. The fact must be faced by us, that exactions from manufacturers, or by the Customs, have all to be paid by customers finally. That is as far as our modernity has brought us, as yet. What the future may have for us, or what possibilites there may be of profitably utilizing the debr's of humanity, none can say.

There is a corollary to this statement, however, it is as well to set forward here. We hear at election times, especially in the country, much talk of the righteousness of taxing the dollar, as well as the acre of land. A tax upon capital simply makes money dear-A tax payable by the mortgagor er to the borrower. upon his hypothecation, would merely add to the in-Levies upon Insurance reserves will terest exacted. but add to the rates paid by policyholders. We have got so far as to see that all extraneous expenses heaped upon producers will have to be met by corresponding increases in prices charged to customers. Further than that, we cannot even see at present, and we shall be wise if we direct legislation to apply itself according to proven rule, rather than fanciful theory.

THE COTTON SITUATION IN GREAT BRITAIN.

It begins to look as though the textile trades in England were in a slightly disorganized condition. The cotton wages' dispute seems to be an aggravation of an old trouble, accentuated just now by a serious quarrel between the different unions interested in the strike. masters and men are in agreement over the bad condition of business. And apparently no one is prepared to disagree with the statement that this state of affairs is largely due to the almost insane over building of factories during the past few years. Operatives themselves are largely to blame for this, as in their anxiety to share in profits, they have invested their savings in new companies, many of which under inexperienced management have never made returns to shareholders. In one particular case \$700,000 was put into a new factory, the stock of which has never reached over 40c in the dollar, in quoted value. Trade Federations hampered by these lame ducks, and by the generally prevalent adverse conditions of the present moment are quite unable to maintain the market and to-day sales are being made at actual loss, especially in woollens and worsteds. The following figures showing the conditions of British trade in September reach us long before the official statements of Canadian trade are available. Exports for the month as compared with September 1907, are suggestive.

	Quant	cities.
	1907.	1908.
Cotton Yarn and Twist Lb.	20,057,700	18 802,100
Cotton Piece-Goods Yds.	473,710,500	460.275.700
Jute Yarn Lb.	5,452,900	4,543 400
Jute Piece-Goods Yds.	13,193,800	18,291,700
Linen Yarn Lb.	1,176,300	1 057,800
Linen Piece-Goods Yds.	13,360,800	12,662,400
Wool, sheep and lambs' Lb.	5,072,200	4 065,400
Woollen and Worsted Yarn Lb.	4,770,300	4,296,800
Woollen Tissues Yds.	6,956,400	5 913,800
Worsted Tissues Yds.	7,269,200	4,429 100
Woollen Carpets Yds.	821,100	475,600
Woolien Flannels Yds.	517,000	400.300
Woollen Blankets Pairs	57,187	34,960

Owing to the long range at which business is now transacted, buying did not show a like depreciation, as the following tables of Imports will show:

	Quant	ities.
	1907.	1908.
Cotton, raw Cwts.	450,105	450,009
Flax Tons	4,409	4,768
Hemp Tons	9,357	8.373
Jute Tons	7,524	14,118
Silk, raw Lb.	117,973	132,895
Wool, sheep and lambs' Lb.	22,657,853	34,894,472
Woollen stuffs Yds.	5.529.116	5.312.821

The present war talk will have a further serious effect upon an already badly hammered class of business. Turkey and Asiatic Turkey are amongst Great Britain's best customers, though German competition, entering by way of the important port of Erzeroum is interfering seriously in the Asiatic market What is termed in the trade "bazen," a thick, some times teazled, print, has cut deeply into the British business in the colder portions of the territories. Nevertheless, England still holds first place in the list of textile exporters to Turkey. Bulgaria receives considerable quantities of oil

[—]The financial report of the Canadian Northern Railway for the year ending June 30 has just been issued, and shows the gross carnings of the twelve months to have been \$9,409,462, an increase of \$1,359,264, or 16.28 per cent over the previous year, and the net earnings \$3,032,686, a gain of \$106,652, or 3.64 per cent.

⁻Notice is given that application will be made to Parliament for an act to incorporate the Imperial Fire Insurance Co. of Canada, with a capital stock of two million dollars, and meadquarters in Montreal.

cloth for floor, table and wall covering purposes, and also receives cottons, and some worsteds, from British manufacturers. Re-importations from Turkish dealers of British goods, supply a good part of the needs of the other Danubian Provinces. Austria has held the major portion of their textile trade, however, though a recent newspaper report says:-"The question of a reduction of working hours is again the order of the day in the Austro-Hungarian textile industry, the initiative having been taken by the flax spinners, who have reduced their period of work by one day a week. It is expected that cotton spinners will shortly follow suit. It has already been proposed, starting from January 1 next, to introduce a 16 per cent reduction, which is equivalent to one day per week. Cotton weavers are also thinking of taking a similar step. This week printers have reduced their prices from 4s to 5s per metre, but orders still continue scanty."

Evidently there is trouble in that direction, and consequently in the Balkans for the textile industries whether or not war breaks out there. As our article of a few weeks ago demonstrated, the loss to the British Export Trade is caused by diminution in values, more than by lesser volumes of quantities. With the persistent demands for higher wages now being encountered, the direct loss at which at least some sales are being made, and the piling in of raw materials purchased some months ago, it hardly needed the present war talk to fill up the cup of the manufacturers' misery. Still it is well to remember that the recouping elasticity of the textile trades is proverbial, and a few months may see all happy again, both in Yorkshire and in Lancashire.

THE MOLSONS BANK.

It need not be imagined that the discussions upon financial stress during the past year have been overdrawn because the Molsons Bank earned 181/2 per cent upon its capital. There has been, according to the Annual Report presented at last Monday's meeting, "a lively demand for money at fair rates." and the strain of the difficult season through which we have passed has brought exceptional caution in its train. Possibly, the country will never know the extent of the obligations due to the bankers who kept their heads in threatening times, and despite the fears of the timid, or over-cautious, assisted their customers to retain their standing, and saved the country from panic. That this policy of a true and valuable conservatism has not brought misfortune to the Banks is a proof of the discriminating judgment of bank managers, and possibly also of the underlying stability of Canadian business houses. The Report draws special attention to "the small amount of bad debts met with," which is comforting as regards the past, and reassuring as to the future.

The Net Profits for the year have amounted to \$612,-646 upon the paid-up capital of \$3,374,000, as compared with \$544,039 upon a capital of \$3,360,170 last year. The following table of figures will, however, speak more eloquently than words of the comparative progress of the Bank during the past few years:

	1905.	1906.	1907.	1908.
Capital paid-up \$	3,000,000	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,360,170	\$ 3,374,000
Reserve Fund	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,360,170	3.374,000
	2,906,970	2,814,916	3,091,962	2,942,103
Deposits at inter-				
est 10	6,806,025	18,755,200	19,443,583	20 527,063
	0,381,389	22,296,288	23 179,625	24,010,138
Specie and Domin-				
ion Notes	2,021,376	1,902,937	2,146,255	2 498,557
Gov'n't Bonds	376,269	476,269	476,269	476,269
Munic. R'way, etc.,				
	2,841,736	2,326,104	2,227.284	2,140,535
	3 476,345	3,193,997	3,242,059	2.821,243
Discounts 1	7,831,821	21,437,988	22,480,362	22,368,916
Overdue Bills	128,043	105,693	51,051	63,805
Net Profits	399,274	434.668	544,039	612,646
Per cent on Capital	13.3	14.48	16.2	18.50

It will be noticed that the admirable plan of keeping up the Reserves to a par value with the Paid-up Capital has been maintained, and as a further protection of the interests of the Bank, \$100,000 has been set aside out of the Profits to meet any quoted depreciation in value of bonds and stocks, in which the Reserves are invested. There can be no doubt of the extreme prudence of this action, even though it is pretty generally understood that such depreciation in the case of good papers is mainly nominal, and not always indicative of failure in earning ability. Dividends, amounting to 10 per cent per annum, were paid, \$48,518 was expended on bank premises—last year's expenditure for this purpose being \$151,232—and there was the usual contribution of \$10,000 to the Officers' Pension Fund. These payments left \$99,996, to be paid over to Profit and Loss. This account now stands at \$153,684. The President, Vice-President and General Manager expressed it as their opinion that profits would not be as large the current year, and in order to make sure of equal dividends, it was wise to be cautious now. We refer our readers to another page of this issue for a full report of the The retiring Board of Directors were reelected as follows, Messrs. J. P. Cleghorn, George E. Drummond, S. H. Ewing, H. Markland Molson, W. Molson Macpherson, W. C. McIntyre and W. M. Ramsay; all distinguished, practical business men. Subsequently Mr. Wm. Molson Macpherson was re-elected President, and Mr. S. H. Ewing Vice-President for the ensuing year.

THE INS AND OUTS.

Few men of business will be found to contend that success in life is much influenced by the policy of the Party in power for the time being. Fortunes are made and failures take place irrespective of politics. Many persons will point to Great Britain as an example of the effect of Free Trade; others point to Germany and the United States, the latter (save rarely) one of the prosperous nations in the world under a high protective tariff. Strictly speaking, Great Britain is not a Free Trade country. As formerly pointed out, there is a duty imposed upon tea, coffee, chocolate, spirits, firearms, etc. The three first-named, save certain conditions, are brought free of duty into Canada. As also noted, German hosiery of the cheaper kinds has long found a market in Canada, notwithstanding the surtax

duty, and is being sold in districts of the United Kingdom which have long had a practical monopoly of that class of manufacture. The quantity of cotton hosiery imported from Germany to Canada during last April, the first month of the present fiscal year was 23,719 dozen pairs, of the value of \$44,199, under a total duty (including surtax) of upwards of 50 per cent, against 14,525 dozen pairs from the motherland, value \$13,456. The quantity of hosiery imported by Canada from Germany during the 5 months ended the 31st August was 57,821 doz. pairs of the total value of \$80,534, against 48,662 doz. pairs, valued at \$65,650, from the United Kingdom. English hosiery cost us, exclusive of freight, insurance and duty (Preferential Tariff) about \$1.54 cents per dozen. Germany not only without preference, but with a surtax over the ordinary duty, sells us a far larger quantity, and at the lower average price of \$1.40 per dozen pairs.

A reader sends us the following "timely trifles," as having been discovered in a copy of the "London Times" of that period in its history when Thomas Moore was engaged at five hundred pounds a year as a contributor to its columns:—

ELECTION PLEDGES.

I pledge myself through thick and thin, To labour still, with zeal devout, To get the Outs, poor devils, in, And turn the Ins, the wretches, out.

I pledge myself, though much bereft Of ways and means of ruling ill, To make the most of what are left, And stick to all that's rotten still.

Though gone the days of place and pelf,

And drones no more take all the honey,
I pledge myself to cram myself
With all I can of public money;

To quarter on that social purse

My nephews, nieces, sisters, brothers,

Nor, so we prosper, care a curse,

How much 'tis at th' expense of others.

I pledge myself, whenever Right
And might on any point divide,
Not to ask which is black or white,
But take, at once, the strongest side.

So here's with three times three hurrahs, A toast of which you'll not complain— "Long life to jobbing: may the days "Of Peculation shine again!"

It is evident that our forefathers in the good old Georgian era were not unacquainted with practices which many people look upon in these days as something new under the sun.

—Bank exchanges last week at all leading cities in the U.S. were \$2,360,498,523, 13.7 per cent under a year ago. and 23.4 per cent less than in the corresponding week of 1906.

THE GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM.

There was nothing discouraging in the semi-annual report presented to the Shareholders of the Grand. Trunk Railway in London last week. The decrease of 13.52 per cent in receipts, as compared with those in the same period last year is directly encouraging, when comparison is made with connecting U.S. trunk lines, which show decreases averaging 18.16 per cent. must be remembered that 1906 and 1907 were banner years, when great prosperity attended the operations of railways, and it was hardly to be expected that such a state of things could continue unchecked, indefinitely. The management were not slow to learn the lesson taught by the prevailing but now passing depression. Expenses have been cut down by .32 per cent the proportion of expenses to receipts being now 73.22 per cent. which is, comparatively speaking, a satisfactory showing. \$6,800,000 was spent in the maintenance of transportation, a decrease of \$90,000, which would doubtless have been larger but for the enhanced price of fuel. It would have been interesting, in view of future possible announcements regarding the production of transporting power had stress been laid upon the prices of fuel. The increase in wages, and salaries made during the six months, was inevitable, but will probably not be maintained during the present term.

The net revenue credits amounted to £123,767, which, added to the net traffic receipts, made a total net revenue of £905,671, of which £609,711 was absorbed by the payment of interest on bonds and debenture stocks, leaving a surplus on the working of the Grand Trunk proper of £295,960, from which, however, had to be deducted deficiences of £68,829 on the Canada Atlantic Railway, and of £46,574 on the Detroit, Grand Haven and Milwaukee Railway, reducing the amount to £180,494. Adding the balance brought forward, the sum available for dividend was £187,248. The actual expenditure on capital account was a very small amount—£121,000 during the half-year.

The Grand Trunk Pacific had 675 miles of line completed, and before the end of the year trains are expected to run regularly between Winnipeg and Edmonton, nearly 1,500 miles. This will leave only 125 to complete the prairie section. Much of the equipment of the line has already been secured. No hint was given of a probable acquisition of several of the great railway equipment companies, though from the control exercised by the position of stock, that might not be a very difficult matter, in certain cases.

The President observed that the railway companies do not receive the consideration from governments and municipalities they are properly entitled to. This reference to legislation and agitation in the United States was certainly not uncalled for. In this country any failure in such a direction is mainly local, and is possibly due in some instances to an over appreciation of the immense importance of railways to the community on the part of subordinate officials. The business world is always eager to promote transportation facilities, though naturally not purely for the sake of the railway companies.

A BENEVOLENT ACT.

What has been a long-felt want in Montreal is about to be supplied through the public-spirited benevolence of Col. Jeffrey H. Burland and one or two other members of the near inheritors of his father, the late Geo. B. Burland, by which a generous portion of the family millions is being devoted to the purposes of a tuberculosis dispensary. The sum of \$50,-000 is announced as the donation by the Burland family, and \$30,000 is the amount arranged to be paid for the residence, that of the almost nonagenarian Captain Filgate, number 47 Belmont Park, erected by Mr. A. S. Wood of the bygone firm of Nelson, Wood and Co. (latterly H. A. Nelson and Sons), from whom it was purchased by the late J. C. McLachlan. The building is quite attractive in style, and it will probably lend itself to practically open-air treatment, as it faces the north-east and is within easy hearing of the music of the Services in St. Paul's Church at the rear, across the lane, which latter will now, it is hoped, be kept more cleanly and less noisome. The exuberant eclat from the two large educational establishments to the front of the site will also doubtless be more subdued if so desired .- The lot has a frontage of some 90 feet and the depth is about 150 feet. The house is built close to the south-west boundary. As one of the onditions of the gift is that the City shall contribute an equal sum, the preject is yet in the embryonic stage, but Col. Burland is quite sanguine of its success, as we hear that plans have been submitted and the sale of the property completed up to the signing of the customary documents in such transactions. The remaining \$20,000 is assumed to be expended in additions and improvements. The \$50,000 expected from the city is intended doubtless to be employed as working capital.

The latest efforts (last summer) to induce citizens to contribute towards a similar institution near the city were not over successful, although a prime mover is probably no less a multi-millionaire than Colonel Burland. But business is improving.

FRATERNAL SOCIETIES AND THE INSURANCE LAW.

Fraternal Insurance has become such a prominent feature in the social life of the community that it merits the attention of the law, fully as much as does any other department of our common life. The proposed new Insurance Bill, tentatively faunched last session by the Dominion Government has a new section expressly dealing with this subject. The oversight of rates, and the disposition of funds are proposed by this measure to be taken under the control of the Department, and returns are to be made of the state of affairs in much the same manner as the life companies furnish them.

The Provincial Quebec Insurance Act passed this year goes further, and it might be well if some of its provisions received consideration at Ottawa before the new Bill received its final form. The clauses we have reference to, run as follows: - "The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may appoint an officer, to be called the "Inspector of Mutual Benevolent Associations," with an annual salary not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars to be paid out of the consolidated revenue fund of this Province. It shall be the duty of such inspector to examine and report to the Provincial Treasurer, from time to time, upon all matters connected with mutual benefit associations in accordance with instructions from the latter. The inspector shall visit the head office of every association at least once in every year, or oftener if thereto required by the Provincial Treasurer, and shall carefully examine the statements of the association as to its condition and affairs, verify the same by the books of the association, and report thereon to the Provincial Treasurer as to all matters requiring his attention and decision. The inspector shall, from such examination, prepare and lay before the Provincial Treasurer ,on or before the first of May of each year ,a report of the condition of the business of every association, as ascertained by him from his personal inspection. The officers or agents of any such association shall have their books open for the inspection of the inspector, and facilitate

such examination in accordance with article 126. The inspector may examine, under oath, any officer or agent of the association relative to its affairs. If it appears to the inspector that the assets or sources of revenue of any association are insufficient to justify the continuance of its business, he shall make a special report on the affairs of such association to the Provincial Treasurer. He shall, in all cases, make such report whenever the liabilities of the association exceed its available assets.

The Lieut.-Governor in Council, after tull consideration of the inspector's report, and after having given the association a reasonable time to be heard, and after such inquiry and investigation as he may deem advisable to make, may suspend or cancel the association's license; and the association shall not thereafter do business in the Province until its license is duly restored by the same authority. If, within one month from the suspension or cancelling of its license, the association in default has not arranged its affairs so as to enable the inspector, after inquiry, to recommend the renewal of its license, the inspector, if authorized by the Provincial Treasurer, shall apply, by petition to a judge of the Superior Court, for the appointment of a liquidator, who shall proceed with as little delay as possible to liquidate the affairs of the association under the direction of the inspector in the same manner as the liquidator appointed under article 214 is authorized to do under this act. The inspection provided for by this section, shall not be obligatory upon charitable associations: but, at the request of twelve persons interested in any such association, the inspector may be instructed by the Provincial Treasurer to inspect such association, and the provisions of this section shall thereafter apply to such association."

It might be suggested, however, that these clauses are but mildly couched, and provide for little more than is attempted with indifferent success under the old system. In the case of societies, each one of its lodges or branches with its own organization of Secretary and Treasurer, liable to change annually, it would appear to be necessary that some kind of inspection of every such branch, court, or lodge, should be regularly made by appointed officials. It would occasion surprise, if it were made public how much money goes astray in these societies. The fraternal spirit, which is their soul, covers up by far the greater portion of it, and there are generally guarantee bonds to fall back upon. But all the same the loss is larger than is generally known, and in these days of paternalism, and rigid legality, it might well be insisted upon, that fraternal insurance should receive the same careful supervision as is exercised over other branches of the great business of underwriting.

In New York, the State Insurance Department are evidently about to grapple with this same subject. Referring to an organization with headquarters in this country, the Superintendent of Insurance says:—"Not to prejudice the interests of the organization or its members in this State, the renewal license was issued pending an investigation. The members of the order are informed that its affairs are being given careful attention, and the insurance department will in the near future definitely advise on the subject of all questions now being investigated other than those litigated in the courts. Neither in this nor other cases is a license revoked until facts have been ascertained, and while an examination in this matter is pending the department will take no action to sustain or condemn the management of the Society."

On the 12th instant there passed away one of Montreal's oldest business men in the person of Mr. David Rea, formerly in the wholesale dry goods trade with Mackay Brothers and Co., and latterly in bookbinders' and other fancy leathers on his own account. The deceased was 72 years of age, a native of Montreal. Mr. Rea had been ill for about three months, having had a paralytic stroke in July last. He is survived by a widow, a daughter and two sons, Mr. D. C. Rea, agent of the Royal Bank at Havana, Cuba, and Mr. Kenneth G. Rea, architect in Montreal. He also leaves a brother, Mr. J. McK. Rea and two sisters, Miss E. B. Rea and Mrs. E. L. Pease.

Meetings, Reports, etc.

THE MOLSONS BANK.

The fifty-third annual general meeting of The Molsons Bank was held in the Board Room of that institution at 3 o'clock on Monday afternoon, the 19th instant.

The President, Mr. Wm. Molson Macpherson, occupied the chair; and others in attendance were : Messrs. S. H. Ewing, Vice-Pres dent; George E. Drummond, J. P. Cleghorn, W. M. Ramsay, H. Markland Molson, Alex. D. Fraser, George Durnford, W. C. McIntyre, W. R. Miller, F. W. Molson, A. Piddington, Dr. J. Elsdale Molson, C. E. Spragge, A. G. Watson, H. S. Molson, A. Rambau, James Elliot (General Manager), and A. D. Durnford.

The President, having called the meeting to order, requested Mr. A. D. Durnford to act as secretary, and that gentleman read the notice convening the meeting.

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

The General Manager, Mr. James Elliot, then read the annual report of the Directors, as follows:-

Your Directors have much pleasure in presenting this the fifty-third report and statement of affairs of the Bank, as on 30th September, 1908.

The profits made during the year have been good, owing to a lively demand for money at fair rates, and the small amount of bad debts met with.

The net profits amount to \$612,646.41, from which have been paid in quarterly dividends 10 per cent for the year, \$337,287.77; taxes, \$16,843.50; contributions to Officers' Pension Fund, \$10,-000; expended on branch premises \$48,518.35, and a sum of \$100,000 has been applied to cover depreciation in value of bonds and stocks owned by the Bank, being part of its reserves, leaving \$99.996.79 to go to Profit and Loss Account, raising it to \$153,684.40.

Branches have been opened during the year at St. Ours, St. Cesaire, and Waterloo, in Quebec Province, and at Zurich, in

Head office and branches have been, as usual, carefuly inspected since we last met.

The Bank's officers have continued to faithfully perform their duties.

- WM. M. MACPHERSON.

President

\$34 694,171.26

General statement of the affairs of the Molsons Bank, 30tb September, 1908:

LIABILITIES.

Capital, paid up		\$3,374,000.00
Reserve fund	\$3,374,000.00	
Rebate on notes discounted	100,000.00	
Profit and loss account	153,684.40	
112th div. 1/4 year at 10 per cent.		
per annum	84.350.00	
Dividends unclaimed	329.50	
		3,712,363.90
Interest, exchange, etc., reserv-		
ed	115,064.27	
Notes in circulation	2,942,103.00	
Balance due to Dominion Govern-		
ment	36,670.56	
Balance due to Provincial Govern-		
ments	219.145.37	
Deposits not bearing interest	3,483,074.96	
Deposits bearing interest	20,527,063.80	
Due to other banks in Canada	75,236.63	
Deposits by foreign banks	156,411.81	
Due to agents in United Kingdom	53,036.96	
		27,607,807.36

ASSETS.

Specie	\$ 577,756.9	1
Dominion notes	1,920,800.7	
Deposits with the Dominion Gov-		
ernment to secure note circula-		
tion	145,000.0	0
Notes of and cheques on other		to distance a
banks	859,812.4	
Due from other banks in Canada	430,787.08	
Due from foreign agents	1,376,922.90	
Due from agents in United King-	-,0.0,00	
dom	692,670.06	
Dominion and Provincial Govern-		
ment securities	476,269.15	
Municipal, railway, public and		
other securities	2,140,535.20	
Call and short loans on bonds		
and stocks	2,821,243.34	
		\$11,441,797.84
Bills discounted and current	22,368,916.15	
Bills past due (estimated loss pro-		
vided for)	63,805.74	
Real estate other than bank pre-		
mises	126,864.08	
Mortgages on real estate sold by		
the bank	11,495.43	
Bank premises at head office and		
branches	500,000.00	
Other assets	181,292.02	
		23,252,373.42
		\$34,694,171.26

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Balance at credit of profit and loss account on	
30th September, 1907	53.687
Net profits for the year after deducting expenses	
of management, reservation for interest ac-	
crued on deposits, exchange, and provision for	
bad and doubtful debts	612,646

\$666,334.02

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Appropriated as follows:-

109th dividend at rate of 10 per		
cent per annum, 2nd Jan., 1998	\$ 84,275.47	
110th dividend at rate of 10 per		
cent per annum 1st April, 1908	84,313.26	
111th dividend at rate of 10 per		
cent per annum, 2nd July, 1908	84,349.04	
112th dividend at rate of 10 per		
cent per annum, 1st Oct., 1908	84,350.00	
For depreciation in value of bonds		
and stocks	100,000.00	
Expenditure on bank premises at		
branches	48,518.35	
Business taxes	16,843.50	
Contribution to Officers' Pension		
Fund	10,000.00	
		512,649 62
Leaving at credit of profit and		
loss account 30th September, 1908		Ø170 004 40

\$153,684.40

The Molsons Bank, Head Office. Montreal, 30th September, 1908

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

The President then said:-

When we submitted to you the Bank Statement a year ago, this country, though in a much less degree than others, was feeling the money stringency then prevailing over most of the civilized world. During the year great economy has been exercised, and financial matters are now becoming normal and healthy, but it is not to be expected that a revival in manufacture and trade can be restored at once, a continuance of the greatest caution in the expansion of business should still be our watchword.

The radways have continued to extend their lines in all directions through the country, rendering most valuable service to the settlers, and opening out new territory. Cheap transportation is perhaps in this expanded country of magnificent distances, our greatest economical problem. Too much cannot be said in appreciation of the services rendered by our railways in enabing our prairie lands to be converted into productive farms, as well as rendering most valuable national service.

Our crops generally are good. In the West harvesting conditions have been exceptionally favourable. With a ready market and renunerative prices for grain, the farmers are enabled to discharge their obligations, and to make satisfactory preparations for the future crop.

Your General Manager and some of your Directors, in September, visited the West, going as far as the Coast, and were greatly impressed and gratified with the growth in population and the wealth of the towns and villages which we passed through.

There is abundant land for good agriculturalists. There is work for intelligent workmen. There is a choice of occupat on for grain and cattle farmers in Saskatchewan and Alberta, fruit farms in British Columbia, and for miners and engineers in Ontario and the western provinces.

In addition, there are good opportunities in the older provinces for immigrants coming into the country with small capital to take up improved lands, on which, I think, many would do better to settle than by going to the prairies, where conditions are so different to what they have been accustomed to.

I am very pleased to be able to again report a favourable year's business for the Bank, as the statement just read by the General Manager shows. The immediate outlook is hopeful, and with good judgment and caution we shall see a steady revival in trade.

We cannot discern far into the future, and, therefore, will not promise more than to continue on the old well proved lines, which, I am sure, have been most gratifying to the Bank's shareholders.

There is really nothing further to say in reference to banking matters, and I beg to move the adoption of the report.

The motion was seconded by the Vice-President.

The President invited remarks from the Shareholders, and Mr. A. G. Watson expressed the opinion that the shareholders should be pretty well satisfied with the statement which had been furnished. Referring to the shareholders who had taken up stock during the year, he said that it seemed only right and proper that those who had paid up their shares in full should receive consideration in the way of a bonus.

Dr. Molson congratulated the President on the way in which the business of the Bank had been managed during the past year, and said that the seriousness of the New York crisis was a thing which they should all realize, and the foresightedness of their General Manager in providing against it should be appreciated. At the same time, if the Directors thought it was advisable, he would like to see a little more of the profits divided amongst the Shareholders.

The General Manager explained that a great deal of money had been spent in putting up buildings in cities where it was necessary they should put on a good front, as, for instance, in Vancouver, where, unless something was done, the people would think it was a private bank. For the future there would be no rents to pay in Vancouver, Winnipeg, and many other places. He thought that the great point was always to pay dividends, even though they might meet with bad years. In the year just passed good profits had been made; but there were particular reasons why that was done, and it could not be expected to be done again. This year they would not make such large profits, but they would make good profits, and the Shareholders would be sure of 10 per cent dividend for some years ahead.

After further discussion, the President asked the Shareholders to accept the report as submitted.

The vice-President remarked that 10 per cent was a very fair cividend, and he chought that they could not be otherwise than precty well satisfied with it. For the past fifty-three years the average dividend paid by the Bank had been over \$ per cent, and with that they must surely be satisfied.

cent and deneral Manager had snown in the affairs of the Bank during the year, and said that the statement presented had had the full consideration of the Directors. The Bank had done admirably during the past year, earning about 18½ per cent. They were trying to make Molsons Bank known throughout the length and breadth of the land by putting good, presentable buildings in each centre. In taking a conservative course, and providing against possible bad years, the Shareholders would probably continue to get 10 per cent. The Bank was taking its seand with the best institutions in this country.

The report was then adopted, after which the President requested Ar. George Durnford and Mr. C. E. Spragge to act as scrutmeers for the election of Directors.

Mr. W. R. Miller moved: "That the thanks of the Shar-holders are due, and are hereby tendered, to the President, Nice-President and Directors for their efficient services during the past year."

Dr. Moison seconded the motion, which was unanimously concurred in, after which it was agreed that one ballot be cast for the election of directors.

In replying to the vote of thanks, the President remarked that the arduous work of the year had fallen upon the General Manager, who, from the beginning of the depression in the financial market, had be most assiduous in watching the condition of affairs through what was an exceptional time. The excellent results of the year's work was due to the Gen ral Manager's great caution, and it was to him that the thanks were due.

The Vice-President moved a vote of thanks to the General Manager, Chief Inspector and the officers connected with the Bank, and said that the Bank had, he thought, perhaps the finest staff which could be found in any like institution in the country. He did not think there had been any complaint of any consequence regarding any of the clerks throughout the entire system from the Atlantic to the Pacific; and they numbered nearly 400. The Shareholders felt proud of the way in which the affairs of the Bank had been administered under the General Manager.

On behalf of himself and staff, the General Manager briefly returned thanks, saying that they had been spoken of in too laudatory terms. At the same time, he wished to remark that the inspectors and others had done their duty to the utmost during the past year.

The scrutineers then presented their report, showing the reelection of the retiring Board of Directors, viz.: Messrs. J. P. Cleghorn, George E. Drummond, S. H. Ewing, H. Markland Molson, W. Molson Macpherson, W. C. McIntyre and W. M. Ramsay.

The President thanked the Shareho'ders for their attendance, and expressed the hope that next year would see results equally as satisfactory as the one just closed.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. W. M. Macpherson was re-elected President, and Mr. S. H. Ewing Vice-President for the ensuing year.

—The demands of the anthracite mine workers, as formulated in convention at Scranton, include an eight-hour day and an increase of 10 per cent in wages.

-The Quebec Cabinet has decided to recommend a loan of \$400,000 to Three Rivers on account of the late fire.

—The Government will begin selling old-age annuities next month.

BANKS ALA	Circul	lation		Dom. Gov.		ue Provincial		osits payable emand		payable after on fixed day
Montreal 10 2 New Brunswick 12 2 Quebec 7 4 Nova Scotia 12 5 St. Stephen's 5 6 British N. A. 7 7 Toronto 10 8 The Molsons 10 9 East. Townships 8 10 Union of Hx 8 11 Nationale 7 12 Merchants 8 13 Provinciale 5 14 Union of Can 7 15 Commerce 8	\$10,896,077 680,285 1,550,803 2,942,537 1,86,525 3,081,657 2,761,364 2,771,523 2,441,051 1,434,210 1,770,747 3,880,228 995,988 2,490,383	September \$11,668,427 677,805 1,726,743 2,920,999 178,245 3,383,492 3,516,119 2,942,103 2,572,896 1,384,848 1,782,517 4,239,218 968,848 2,959,338	August \$2,802,406 22,605 12,197 264,664 9,254 28,475 29,695 31,545 30,792 21,428 17,110 253,315 12,437	September \$3,719,506 26,995 18,052 357,660 10,508 15,380 30,456 36,670 39,456 30,579 20,217 411,624 11,946 21,203	August \$ 3,060,081 69,000 6,480 70,747 45,709 175,504 37,345 174,433 147,400 212,749 1.584,798	69,000 9,840 40,898 80,727 219,145 40,044 57,782 170,293 144,546 216,200 1,498,556	August \$30,735,831 794,585 1,707,585 15,523,345 94,980 7,575,107 8,003,643 6,207,137 2,694,134 1,241,361 1,0108,447 630,534 6,452,961	909,467 1,805,795	August \$70,220,796 3,824,523 6,763,854 6,777,967 250,134 14,076,981 17,757,714 17,741,051 10,788,929 6,426,695 7,261,990 25,810,244 2,669,862 13,193,129	3,847,201 6,801,543 6,810,912 96,201
16 Royal 10 17 Dominion 12 18 Hamilton 10 19 Standard 12 20 St. Jean 21 Hochelaga 8 22 St. Hyacinthe 1	7,431,894 3,869,982 2,640,075 2,118,602 1,192,852 23,079 1,999,513 141,725	8,337,174 3,664,446 3,265 925 2,342,047 1,282,467 15,979 2,050,491 54,465	361,214 172,055 24,824 24,542 15,460	324,496 138,410 30,414 27,142 14,719 20,288	3,801,256 2,801 91,591 520,145 43,703 43,016 53,707 52,659	7,483 110,294 513,317 40,475 43,016 58,119	24,832,507 7,232,643 9,172,886 6,072,751 3,562,869 27,194 3,056,783	25,595,486 7,101,864 9,391,328 6,572,057 3,701,519 26,310 2,982,051	49.047,376 16,758,065 26,160,735 17,137,531 11,157,102 270,107 8,379,743	48,950,470 17,364,265 26,430,635 17,248,483 11,264,711 270,107 8,524,007
23 Ottawa	2,620,125 3,107,825 420,455 2,551,350 155,085 996,200 567,600 1,379,565 764,117 168,670	2,751,525 3,478,367 482,605 2,644,335 139,130 960,010 838,860 1,749,810 737,233 169,030	29,691 39,144 1,301,000		31,816 614 2,691 106,490 673,684 3,256 48,394	42,949 93,495 58,810 614 7,570 66,148 751,949 53,258	88,372 5,591,336 10,401,382 516,158 5,080,653 71,184 1,101,235 1,575,792 2,387,341 856,008	88,649 5,287,168 10,656,804 516,916 5,386,995 58,335 1,110,801 1,556,854 2,873,082 889,369	761,421 17,669,964 20,435,995 4,034,449 17,398,451 731,459 2,911,226 3,572,571 4,231,924 1,968,591	760,779 17,761,462 20,751,581 4,107,709 17,701,972 731,898 2,949,610 3,678,568 4,494,028 2,055,466
33 Farmers 4 Total Total 1907	245,590 70,389,897	360,740 76,246,237 79,455,000	5,535,878 6,041,699		37,577 11,220,644 10,273,404	46,801 31,035 11,812,803 10,155,120	279,214 212,693 175,947,237	433,589 230,225 183,207,740	482,419 808,306 407,481,904	493,084 852,925 410,332,819
ASSETS	Current loan (discour	ns in Can.	Current loa	ns outside		rov. Govts.	160,459,470 Overdue	169,069,497 e Debts	Real Esta bank p	
1 Montreal 2 New Brunswick 3 Quebee 4 Nova Scotia. 5 St. Stephen's. 6 British N. A. 7 Toronto. 8 The Molsons. 9 East. Townships 10 Union of Hx. 11 Nationale 12 Merchants 13 Provinciale 14 Union of Can 15 Commerce. 16 Royal 17 Dominion. 18 Hamilton. 19 Standard 20 St. Jean. 21 Hochelaga 22 St. Hyacinthe. 23 Ottawa 24 Imperial 25 Western 26 Traders 27 Sovereign 28 Metropolitan 29 Home 30 Northern Crown.	\$79,065,135 \$' 4,910,463 9,759,394 11,870,896 618,632 19,042,465 27,241,761 21,803,573 13,413,834 8,274,454 10,308,154 29,220,084 2,511,348 64,338,121 22,486,858 20,520,648 64,338,121 22,486,858 13,238,721 36,625 12,156,755 12,156,755 12,156,755 12,156,755 12,154,222 3,361,404 3,601,920 24,245,422 3,391,967 5,068,994 2,842,249	September 76,787,117 4,4657,392 9,494,589 12,526,161 612,274 19,192,296 28,120,398 22,368,916 18,449,328 8,598,903 10,267,448 22,744,821 2,507,562 20,930,801 64,464,52 13,433,877 4,252 12,012,133 67,332 21,427,222,2812,447,222 21,427,222 23,793,255 3,561,771 22,891,350 2,738,809 4,930,305 2,925,572 8,872,999	August \$7,775,800 70,000 5,640,874 2,690,252 100,878 2,312,102 4,318,463 13,500 112,500 1,850	754,502 1,097,243 2,638,077 4,212,681 9,000 290,000 1,850	1,963 52,787 37,084 70,580	37,196 68,737	August \$ 267,084 8,489 37,812 80,859 26,613 211,128 31,634 78,889 88,109 28,720 38,231 260,335 19,573 107,977 166,537 85,263 88,862 110,030 78,020 94,788 60,983 979,209 110,414 32,491 30,702 52,888 4,259,622 21,906 31,044 37,100	September \$ 298,018 2,496 38,907 100,134 27,432 184,867 32,405 63,805 111,839 43,591 39,717 166,615 14,758 100,928 225,830 100,521 110,005 105,312 120,558 72,711 985,520 119,620 33,756 36,102 107,883 4,667,599 32,647 34,938 33,425	August \$ 107,312 59,232 4,068 1,686 149,212 529,991 7,240 30,182 27,548 15,888 154,682 58,849 22,318 10,000 6,000 33,273 34,327 26,854 27,713 5,928 236,220	Septem b \$ 107,312
31 Sterling	1,410,159 1,074,116	3,192,631 1,266,848 1,044,927	3,650	3,650			9,064 2,484 13,958	9,064 9,120 10,927		
		78,207,277	23,729,816 25,033,806	26,994,946 25,794,092	1,907,641	1,785.561 165,471	8,662,362 3,466,125	8,122,572 3,644,774	1,591,934	1,614,346 897,786
BANKS	Specie August Se	eptember	Dominion	Notes	Notes of and on other	d cheques banks	Dep. with & from banks		Bal. due from and banks	n agencies in U. K.
25 Western 26 Traders 27 Sovereign 28 Metropolitan 29 Home 30 Northern Crown. 31 Sterling. 32 United Empire. 33 Farmers Total 2	\$5,197,659 242,203 242,203 381,756 2,389,287 9,060 919,268 710,021 572,882 214,214 314,007 140,056 1,595,121 37,741 566,781 3,822,957 3,2490,752 2,490,752 2,490,752 2,490,752 2,490,752 2,152,233 1,555,426 208,238 32 227,042 2,7042 2,7042 2,7042 2,7042 2,7042 1,153,328 1,32,580 395,075 1,153,328 1,39,580 395,075 1,153,328 1,39,580 395,075 1,153,328 1,25,640 186,808 34,710 12,586 7,606 24,469,431 25,	5,205,394 269,550 382,557 2,305,732 9,936 899,862 716,742 577,756 215,123 386,457 145,305 1,592,700 32,054 570,149 3,952,359 2,883,504 1,150,262 564,474 213,100 19 226,747 36 783,203 1,166,949 38,706 403,263 278 110,845 51,512 185,671 31,842 6,459 ,091,758	\$10,367,219 \$ 461,362 480,159 2,654,233 17,375 1,549,171 2,151 239 1,520,857 992,945 764,385 889,570 2,637,216 44,275 1,927,870 8,663,571 3,169,950 4,465,396 1,987,379 1,072,318 1,058,944 1,95 2,323,669 5,543,274 29,674 3,497,025 2,231 305,700 335,782 509,510 193,154 16,430 77,024	eptember 11,372,130 514,755 639,392 2,420,663 19,367 1,975,946 2,127,250 1,920,800 1,920,800 1,920,800 1,920,803 44,135 3,051,121 8,177,639 3,042,811 4,416,253 2,344,584 1,060,804 22 1,221,066 2,524,300 5,588,195 30,257 3,092,499 2,222 382,387 601,296 718,925 201,880 22,207 106,902 2,742,264	\$ 3,536,633 131,383 131,383 562,760 1,441,842 1,120,405 1,103,092 632,331 667,189 878,797 1,973,632 218,015 1,092,157 2,512,916 2,348,305 1,697,915 1,078,696 877,050 1,324 1,180,269 133 757,264 1,579,084 45,427 569,905 23,381 306,350 214,416 494,853 233,666 48,816 93,478	September \$ 3,420,819 161,314 526,334 1,612,179 1,61,34 785,072 1,094,245 859,812 647,303 678,738 781,225 1,838,516 229,847 1,325,650 3,162,292 2,222,567 1,506,005 1,374,623 752,159 878,094 775,901 1,592,798 48,139 559,271 21,799 316,547 205,293 752,870 244,159 33,509 117,114 28,542,811	\$ 1,491,325 48,173 5,096 645,770 30,361 14,629 282,217 554,146 213,137 39,026 3,289 256,208 122,027 27,307 63,727 656,581 75,702 275,028 7,274 114,973 209,335 1,779,661 723,650 1,350,875 334,253 102,169 219,907 478,128 120,378 10,720 81,942 127,184	September 5 1,487,000 103,679 103,679 123,877 638,181 61,174 11,476 1,105 235,928 451,224 288,029 64,862 7,723 287,979 125,415 33,215 42,168 611,740 118,589 314,252 5,815 117,915 165,367 1,535,997 852,088 1,505,854 750,405 88,310 162,809 448,465 201,142 10,073 100,020 141,533 11,093,409	\$ 5,417,680 114,842 106,554 209,634 236,617 486,300 5,317 48,589 91,528 21,409 117,221 220,618 2,707 173,298 14,660 222,478 16,552 25,410 16,439 74,569 2,480 12,852	September \$ 6,358,236 71,868 1,267,008 11,787 27,251 692,670 5,317 90,197 97,656 24,197 125,591 1,711,774 409,069 32,202 149,422 56,787 200,985 20,719 28,841 14,072 208 6,454 11,541,013
Return of Canadian Ba		,097,487		8,713,519		32,886,765	8,848,351	9,289,071	3,297,603	5,891,841

Deposits	outside Can.	Deposits by & balances due banks in Can.	Balances due in U.K.	Balances due out of Canada or U. K.	Total Liabilities	Loans to directors & their firms
7,037,33	2,907,070 1,089,176 2 80,789	August \$2,784,700 \$2,351,927 168,111 120,282 294,303 329,188 336,903 378,012 71,569 97,067 82,488 125,101 101,228 75,236 7,280 188,499 141,075 168,403 201,567 2,121,337 2,665,929	August September 143,914 11,987 13,147 15,411 1,026 53,036 70,031 90,224 779,823 611,502	August September 622 243 762,328 22,033 21,745 173,346 163,435 15,293 11,348 163,591 156,411 2,796 46,111 14,510 43,111 228,602 111,796	August September \$159,850,277 \$159,903,969 \$5.79,883 \$5,664,485 \$10,458,387 \$10,954,639 \$33,512,463 \$3,301,933 \$3,747,140 \$28,812,289 \$30,057,410 \$27,191,550 \$27,492,743 \$16,069,566 \$16,519,511 \$10,422,640 \$10,484,752 \$11,517,365 \$11,540,478 \$43,497,961 \$43,044,629	August September \$1,401,000 \$1,099,000 \$128,075 \$1,999,000 \$241,362 \$253,389 \$261,164 \$262,476 \$34,681 \$32,840 \$11 \$0,000 \$1,010,302 \$986,459 \$287,340 \$280,677 \$332,949 \$349,557 \$505,916 \$456,768 \$485,659 \$417,721 \$15,748 \$796,981 \$15,748 \$15,748 \$10,000 \$1,000
9,992,280	2 11,595,388 9,579,804 50,000	166,984 236,699 199,046 139,501 71,840 96,631 121,172 133,297 6,749 165,644 89,674 62,492 2,943 110,063 127,904 54,526 26,847 75 852	11,830 38,476 781,242 914,112 993,098 402,817 216,343 373,211 217,913 665,598 848,154	45,000 20,000 9,398 9,441 419,216 1,120,800 636,334 681,895 22,012 54,490 31,595 31,809 200,000 200,000 52,128 84,389 40,618 31,676 190,422 124,166 86,243	4,739,308 4,797,859 23,921,084 26,351,611 98,299,356 100,612,462 39,651,298 39,725,168 38,233,297 39,416,385 26,314,734 27,116,845 16,634,873 16,566,384 423,526 415,541 13,795,684 13,867,195 1,054,115 913,829 26,005,908 25,854,041 34,163,223 35,193,152 5,125,157 5,254,350 27,273,819 26,791,281 8,803,951 8,548,362	$\begin{array}{ccccc} N11 & & & & \\ 786,680 & 686,067 \\ 1,218,784 & 1,337,700 \\ 452,607 & 502,000 \\ 367,109 & 355,336 \\ 115,056 & 107,578 \\ 10,203 & 4,975 \\ 22,752 & 22,152 \\ 291,576 & 323,922 \\ 26,723 & 25,733 \\ 33,933 & 336,136 \\ 286,765 & 283,852 \\ 6,099 & 6,106 \\ 362,135 & 368,373 \\ 45,278 & 45,290 \\ \end{array}$
650,000 104,202 ,72,654,278 55,604,924	99,509	$\begin{array}{cccc} 2,616 & 31,786 \\ 1,566 & 8,187 \\ 2,426 & 1,380 \\ 83,294 & 67,205 \\ \hline & & 651 \\ \hline \\ 8,642,855 & 7,587,354 \\ 6,896,022 & 7,252,774 \\ \hline \end{array}$	354,759 337,405 238,990 132,695 328,219 249,247 5,077,521 3,856,180 10,109,710 11.456.242	156,546 155,050 4,969 3,131,926 3,837,970 5,161,045 4,403,378	5,368,806 5,417,174 5 824,021 6,148,619 9,720,476 10,657,494 3,677,759 3,808,611 1,425,097 1,516,120 1,304,166 1,476,276 774,942,987 783,719,799 773,370,268 784,120,948	276,541 281,463 24,884 67,084 222,419 265,000 44,758 52,337 55,723 55,69 63,349 35,389 10,467,570 10,296,593 11,717,200 11,791,847
Bank	Premises	Assets not otherwise included	Total Assets	Average amt. of specie held during month	Average Dom. Notes held during month	Greatest amt. of notes in cir'tion dur. m'th
August \$600,000 75,842 827,122 752,389 20,000 755,548 888,3074 500,000 498,279 168,963 296,388 1,233,907 232,224 1,228,128,7620 1,308,872 980,000 1,291,208 277,326 635,678 1,162,730 1,825,874 388,391 201,292 146,602 351,144 80,549 151,722 18,556,630 16,531,971	September \$ 600,000 75,492 327,122 776,497 20,000 836,989 886,042 500,000 494,368 164,259 299,082 1,237,335 237,731 1,225,076 1,908,208 1,341,419 980,000 1,299,116 279,346 17,000 184,058 3,816 637,711 1,181,247 34,879 1,833,699 388,549 202,464 146,695 351,443 80,607 152,027 18,702,337 16,920,044	August 2,028,298 158,284 179,156 26,409 32,323 2,300 3,697,588 3*663,350 185,102 90,728 88,370 185,102 90,728 88,370 185,102 90,728 88,370 185,102 90,728 88,370 185,102 90,728 11,912 307,461 67,223 511,189 519,114 11,938 9,938 188,576 189,358 20,687 22,550 4,902 4,567 98,710 98,619 30,489 30,800 184,921 45,410 23,067 23,122 23,067 23,122 23,067 23,122 23,067 23,122 23,067 23,122 23,067 23,122 23,067 23,122 23,067 23,122 23,067 23,122 23,067 23,122 23,067 23,122 23,067 23,122 23,067 23,122 25,550 55,555 55,951 51,857 53,160 8,172,886 9,455,839 9,716,916 10,948,395	August \$187,672,499	August \$5,123,224 240,018 275,637 378,313 2,300,544 2,278,686 9,453 941,550 925,029 106,54265 1,142,000 154,265 1,142,000 154,265 1,142,000 154,265 1,142,000 154,265 1,142,000 154,265 1,142,000 154,265 1,142,000 154,265 1,142,000 154,265 1,142,000 154,265 1,142,000 154,265 1,142,000 154,265 1,142,000 154,265 1,145,055 1,145,055 1,168,869 39,289 1,15,052 1,168,869 39,289 1,15,052 1,168,869 39,289 37,471 392,200 393,768 200 292 106,544 109,110 52,580 50,388 189,594 186,239 31,335 32,309 10,102 10,020 8,380 8,135 22,369,041 24,247,526	August \$8,305,354 386,418 413,423 4560,247 545,231 17,988 1,521,984 1,705,312 2,211,546 2,385,733 1,817,975 1,473,599 994,801 998,842 780,033 731,312 830,800 954,800 45,839 43,796 2,011,962 9,292,000 3,098,875 3,575,902 3,889,000 4,436,561 1,396,198 953,240 1,062,322 30 1,020,009 1,228,350 4,978,000 5,512,781 2,28,092 2,712,500 259,968 311,076 443,920 470,920 430,970 614,217 268,030 182,098 15,309 18,260 81,133 69,302 56,376,816 61,017,111 447,032,991 47,655,298	August \$10,985,480 687,820 696,070 1,550,803 1,726,743 2,924,412 198,315 195,995 3,148,322 3,391,587 2,821,200 3,516,119 2,817,123 3,019,328 2,500,377 2,614,726 1,442,020 1,481,115 1,770,747 1,782,517 3,888,600 4,289,218 998,313 999,118 2,490,383 2,959,838 7,603,000 2,666,000 3,304,000 2,118,602 2,437,617 1,198,807 1,282,467 211,179 2,608,477 1,282,467 211,179 2,608,477 1,282,467 211,179 2,608,477 1,282,467 211,179 2,608,477 1,282,467 211,179 2,608,477 1,282,467 211,179 2,608,477 1,282,467 211,179 2,608,477 1,282,467 211,179 2,608,477 1,282,467 211,179 2,608,477 1,282,467 211,179 2,608,477 1,282,467 141,690 2,799,900 3,265,710 3,605,985 445,215 488,915 2,701,215 676,560 996,700 995,790 648,900 83,8560 1,379,565 1,749,310 764,117 762,220 71,650,557 77,326,462 77,777,849 80,518,312
and bank	om agencies is abroad September	Dom. & Prov. Govt. securities August September	Can. Municipal and other public securities	Company bonds, debentures and stocks	Call & short loans on, bonds & stocks in Can August September	Call and short loans outside Canada
August \$19,862,733 501,180 571,145 3,968,206 29,720 4,102,787 1,240,172 1,794,679 598,033 572,612 70,924 875,367 3,033,410 1,185,191 2,848,876 288,635 365,776 1085,111 5,133 879,779 2,470,360 55,832 466,746 52,381 52,381 52,381 505,952 136,065 206,829 6,907 33,443	\$24,226,399 491,624 919,019 2,721,611 48,031 1,726,151 1,651,018 1,376,922 1,851,989 349,530 686,103	\$ 1,018,416 \$ 968,248 131,564 131,564 130,633 50,633 540,610 540,610 652,811 111,391 111,391 476,269 476,269 167,073 600,781 605,427 605,427 186,070 3,700 3,700 346,158 315,858 235,706 226,220 226,220 327,247 852,151 852,151 852,151 770,462 764,225 525,358 130,376 130,376 554,084 554,084	August September \$ 583,477 81,312 141,155 1,761,008 1,767,335 1,761,008 1,767,335 1,761,008 1,767,335 1,761,008 1,767,335 1,761,008 1,767,335 1,761,008 1,767,336 1,761,009 1,71,000 1,71,000 1,71,000 1,71,000 1,72,000 1,	August \$7,480,837 \$7,488,711 267,469 269,371 735,450 4,174,031 4,285,750 22,982 22,982 22,982 259,623 259,595 2,096,397 2,078,233 1,397,996 1,420,144 334,901 334,901 212,710 212,710 212,710 212,710 207,020 207,020 25,597,662 5,570,677 577,806 577,806 250,000 4,075,242 4,055,620 4,052,942 4,055,620 4,052,943 4,078,630 2,661,974 2,646,824 785,286 427,166 250,000 33,000 749,880 789,816 640,149 788,806 255,217 255,217 186,332 207,332 2,426,236 598,178 620,514 289,833 659,962 659,955 202,127 224,410 60,794 130,794	\$ 303,330 480,872 971,606 1,194,949 2,282,777 2,192,369 20,000 20,000 1,683,320 1,674,185 1,448,870 1,535,377 3,026,070 2,821,243 705,512 994,208 226,012 185,547 692,254 847,358 1,942,448 1,942,448 1,847,909 990,205 985,178 943,590 995,163 6,3.8,711 6,854,154 1,970,394 2,089,666 3,035,447 2,984,727 1,599,245 1,715,969 1,319,221 1,309,337 531,029 554,979 750,002 694,821 3,152,257 3,269,942 991,264 985,298 334,995 665,663 690,387 2,193,460 2,168,389 394,536 393,199 668,238 667,7281 668,238 677,281	August September \$30,248,633 50,000 150,000 150,000 3,744,779 3,916,761 2,312,797 3,144,940 501,088 397,365 7,335,345 6,892,897 300,000 15,051,502 13,530,511 1,344,808 1,258,872
49,266,494	52,674,846 14,851,311	8,874,507 8,804,302 9,363,009 9,355,807	19,623,237 19,982,903 21,208,881 21,153,247	42,274,491 41,972,309 41,473,893 41,490,816	39,511,570 41,084,145 47,765,531 47 298,694	62,764,972 59,834,979 62,088,232 63,158,601

BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES.

Assignments in Ontario are: A. J. Hamilton, messenger service, Fort William; John Wardrobe, hotel, Kingston; E. J. Cloney, painter, Stratford; Emma Poitras (Mrs Joseph), general store, Sudbury; Letras Bros., restaurant, Toronto; Victor McCarthy, box mfr., Toronto; Wm. May and Son, lumber, Weston; A. Albin and Co., trader, Glen Robertson; F. Woodhouse, tailor, Haileybury; Warrian Bros., bakers, Newmarket; Braidberg and Co., cloth, Parry Sound; W. H. Goulding and Co., leather goods and curios, Toronto and Port Carling; H. E. Stapleton, baker, Brampton; Henry Gerhart, confectioner, Fort William; G. T. Crow, grain, Prairie Siding.

A winding-up order has been granted against the Canadian Newspaper Co., Ltd., Toronto.

T. D. Bowerman, men's furnishings, Trenton, has compromised at 50 per cent.

In this Province, late assignments are: Bell and Kerr, general store, Cowansville; L. D. Lettering Co., city; New York Bargain Store, drygoods, city; J. D. E. Lafond, trader, Frelighsburg; Damien Moineau, confectioners, city; O. Rolin, paints, city.

J. P. Aubin, men's furnishings, city, is offering to compromise.

Assignments in the North-West include: McBride and McLeod, clothing, Souris; Canadian Concentrating and Smelting Co., Vancouver; J. J. Hamilton, baker. Edmonton; A. W. Taylor Co., Ltd., general store, Glenboro; M. Haysley, tobacco, Winnipeg; Gus Hill, Ladysmith, B.C. A winding-up order has been granted against the Hopps Sign Co., Ltd., Vancouver. A meeting of the Winnipeg Granite and Marble Co., Ltd., has been announced. R. C. Hamilton, general store, Tisdale, is seeking an extension.

D. H. Welsh, a city retail confectioner, who on some occasions has conducted several shops, is again reported to be in trouble, and has consented to assign.

The Brooks-Sanford Hardware, Ltd., Toronto, which commenced in January, 1904, under a provincial charter, authorizing a capital of \$75,000, has assigned with liabilities of \$100,000, and assets nominally the same. The officers were Wm. Clark, president; Wm. Gilfillen, vice-president; W. Brooks, sec.-treas.; John Brooks, general manager; A. A. Bathelmes, R. P. Freek and E. E. Keat. In 1906 they claimed an annual business of \$225,000. They had a branch in Winnipeg, but closed it with a loss, and still have a branch in Hamilton. The company has always been considered as doing too much business for its capital and has large accounts outstanding. If carefully managed the estate will probably pay all creditors.

Grau and Co., Ltd., mnfg. jewellers, Toronto, who claimed to do an annual business of \$40,000, have assigned. The company had an authorised capital of \$20,000, of which \$12,500 was paid-up, and claimed assets of about \$27,000. For a time they did well, and were understood to have a good surplus. The partners were Gustave Grau, Thos. Maier, Carl Heinz, S. W. McKeown, and Mrs. G. Grau, most of them having experience in this line. They were disappointed about securing additional capital and have been more or less press d on account of poor collections in the North-West, and general tightness in the money market.

The Imperial Carpet Co., Ltd., Toronto, has assigned for the benefit of its creditors. The liabilities are placed at about \$508,000, and the assets at \$650,000. The company has been in existence about eight years, and did a wholesale business.

The Fairies Milling Co., Toronto, has assigned for the benefit of the creditors as a whole. A short time ago the owners sold their stock at 100 cents in the dollar, and the company was doing a profitable business. The assets are approximately \$46.423, and the liabilities but \$29,099. A settlement will likely be made.

Mr. Justice Teetzel has granted a winding-up order at Toronto against the Lake Ontario Navigation Co., Ltd., owners of the steamer Argyle. The vessel has been sold to Mr. Hutchinson, and his Lordship gave leave to the liquidator to allow the purchaser, upon payment of a further \$1,000 to pavigate the Argyle from Kingston to Toronto, the ship to remain the property of the Louidator till the payment of the balance of the purchase price.

—A winding-up order has been granted against the Imperial Button Co., city.

Commercial failures in the United States number 269 against 256 last week, 243 the preceding week and 228 the corresponding week last year. Failures in Canada are 27, against 28 the preceding week and 45 the corresponding week last year.

E. H. GAY AND CO.

Pedestrians along the principal business centre of St. James Street, Montreal, could not avoid having their gaze attracted by the respectable looking sign of E. H. Gay and Co. on the ground floor of the Standard Life Building. People who had occasion to call could find no one answering to the name, but they were told that one of two or three respectably connected young men belonging to the city would answer any questions as soon as they came in. The business has latterly appeared to be conducted by W. M. Weir. One of the foreign inmates admitted that he was known in Philadelphia, but on receiving a commission to accomplish there he became indifferent and allowed the matter to drop. The character of the premises they occupied conferred no little respectability on the concern, but suspicion began to be felt soon after the departure of their formerly somewhat well-to-do officers. A small volcano was evidently smoldering. At the close of last week a petition in bankruptcy was issued against E. H. Gay and Co., in the federal court at Boston, Mass., the petitioners being J. M. Beardsley, of Canton, Penn., who secured a judgment against them for \$3,000; E. Norton of New York, for \$375, and II. E. Farrington, a clerk for \$200 salary. The petition set forth that the "alleged acts of bankruptcy are that on August 8, the firm made a general assignment to John P. Reynolds, jr., for the benefit of creditors, and that the concern conveyed and transferred to Reynolds the whole or part of the property with intent to hinder, delay and defraud." The action of the firm in August followed the passing of interest payment on the bonds of the Hudson River Electric Power Co., in which they were largely interested. While an assignment was made to John P. Reynolds on August 8, by agreement of the largest cred tors, it was arranged that the business should be liquidated instead of thrown into bankruptcy. Mr. Reynolds says that more than 80 per cent of the firm's creditor banks assented to a six months' extension of their loans. It is generally believed among bankers and brokers of the city that the liabilities may reach 8 millions. The firm organized some 10 years ago as dealers in steam and street railway, municipal bonds, and electric power. Elliott Norton, New York, one of the three petitioners against E. H. Gay and Co., said that the management of affairs by Reynolds had not proved satisfactory to all the creditors. He said that the three petitioners would be joined by many others and that there are creditors all over the country representing claims aggregating nearly \$3,000,000, who approved the action taken in Boston on Saturday

—Thos. W. Crozier and his son, Milton, to whom reference was made in last week's issue, pleaded guilty at Milton, Ont. on Tuesday to the charges of uttering counterfeit notes, and were sentenced to nine and two years in the penitentiary respectively.

—The output of the Crow's Nest Collieries for the week ending October 9 was 17.463 tons, a or a daily average of 2.910 tons.

⁻Succession duties collected by Ontario for the nine months of the present year exceed a million dollars.

Correspondence.

PROTECTION TO INSURANCE INDUSTRY IN CANADA.

Having dexterously drawn Mr. H. B. Ames' fire on the question of some protection also to fire insurance industry in Canada by the Open Letter in our issue of the 2nd instant, Mr. T. L. Morrisey, of the Union Assurance Society of London, England, next addresses Mr. R. C. Smith, K.C., the Liberal Candidate on the same subject, which, if it should do nothing more, will serve to show his freedom from bias, and his reliance upon British fair play, whoever wins the day.

AN OPEN LETTER.

Montreal, October 16, 1908.

R. C. Smith, Esq., K.C.,
Liberal Candidate, St. Antoine Division,
Montreal.

Sir,—About a week ago I addressed an open letter to Mr. H. B. Ames, the Conservative Candidate for St. Antoine Division, asking him whether he included amongst the industries which he thought should be sufficiently protected to secure the home market the fire insurance industry.

Mr. Ames has been good enough to notice my letter through the press, though he doesn't answer it. He appears to think I wanted his views on fire insurance. I may; but that is not what I asked for. Then he expresses surprise that I did not address the same letter to a number of gentlemen whose names he mentions. Why should I? I endeavoured to make it perfectly clear why I presumed to address Mr. Ames. I am an elector of St. Antoine Division; he is a candidate seeking election, to represent me in Parliament, I suppose I am justified in assuming. When accepting nomination he said he believed the industries of Canada should receive sufficient protection to secure the home market. Could anything follow more naturally than my question.

Mr. Ames' statement is not at all satisfying. It does seem most strange that he should consider himself sufficiently well informed in regard to other businesses to be able to say off-hand that he believed the home markets should be secured to ithem. He does not go into details; he just lays down a broad principle.

The present position is that I am told all industries should be protected, but it will take some time to determine whether that particular occupation or pursuit in which I am engaged is to be classed as an "industry." Now I want to know, and the elections are coming on. I think every insurance man, not only in St. Antoine Division, but throughout Canada, wants to know. The clerks in our offices-and they have voteswant to know. The young lady stenographers and typiststhey haven't votes, but they have influence-want to know. We all want to know whether the law makers of Canada propose to protect every other industry (which means that we have to contribute to the support of those industries) and allow the industry by which we are making our living to remain unprotected, and to see the business we are justly entitled to taken out of the country to our detriment and to the advantage of those engaged in the insurance business in New York, Chicago or elsewhere. That is not pleasing to shareholders, agents, employees or officials of insurance companies in Canada, and I venture to say it is not sound economically.

If Mr. Ames had asked me why I had not addressed the same letter to you I could understand it. The explanation is that when I wrote that letter your candidature had not been announced, but the same reason exists for putting the question to you, except that you have not made any pronouncement on the subject of protection. Will you therefore be good enough to take communication of my open letter addressed to Mr. Ames and let me hear what you have to say about it.

I am Sir,

With much respect,

Your obedient servant,

T. L. MORRISEY.

THE RICHELIEU WOOLLEN MILLS.

Readers may recall the reference to Mr. S. T. Willett of Chambly, P.Q., proprietor of the Richelieu Woollen Mills, in the "Journal of Commerce" of the 4th ultimo, in which it was said that a settlement at 50 per cent was understood to have been made, and that the business would be continued with additional capital. Many will regret to learn that the veteran manufacturer (in his 80th year) has felt it advisable to place his affairs in the hands of his creditors. The business was founded by his father in the late 30's and has been running practically without interruption ever since. The present Mr. Willett and the late Feodor Boas, then proprietor of the Granite Knitting Mills, of St. Hyacinthe, made tours through the townships in 1896, and both expressed their convictions that they could hold their own in manufacturing even if Free Trade were established in Canada. In course of time, however, the business of Mr. Boas was forced into insolvency, while that of Mr. Willett, notwithstanding the repeated Government contracts for militia equipment, has also collapsed. In all those years the enterprise had many kinds of tariffs to test and work under, and it is no discredit to Mr. S. T. Willett that after having thriven and outlived many of them so long, he is at last compelled to acknowledge that the woollen industry in Canada is not indigenous to the soil under existing conditions.

We gather from an electioneering article that for some time before the mills shut down, wages were in arrears. The fine water power was at one time coveted by the Montreal Light, Heat and Power Company, who offered \$200,000 for it, but falling to obtain it, made arrangements with the Shawinigan Power Co. Efforts are afoot to organize a new company to take over the power plant, and, perhaps, to turn the building into a factory in some other line of manufacture.

FINANCIAL REVIEW.

Montreal, Thursday p.m., Oct. 22nd, 1908.

Stock brokers have been comparatively busy during the week, electioneering to the contrary notwithstanding. Nearly all the banks have recovered and some of them exceeded the prices of a year ago. The total bank shares sold was 346. In miscellaneous stocks, Montreal L. H. & P. (and Water) was the most active, with sales footing up 4,045 at 25 points above the quotation of this date last year. Ogilvie Flouring Mills common, though as yet lacking a "doctor," records sales of 2,471 shares at 1071/4 to 1073/4. Lake of Woods returns 596 shares sold at 89 to 921/2. C.P.R. is about where Sir Wm. Van Horne predicted. Other transactions, including Bonds, are given below.

At Toronto, Banks: Dominion 231; Commerce 160; Standard 215; Nova Scotia 274; Imperial 219½; Traders. 129½; Merchants 154; Toronto 209½.

In New York, money on call 1 to 1¼ per cent. Time loans, 60 days 2¾ to 3 per cent; 90 days 3¼ to 3½ per cent; six months 3¼ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 to 4½ per cent. Sterling exc., 4.84.90 to 4.85 for 60-day bills and at 4.86.55 for demand. Bar silver 51½; U.S. Steel, com. 47½; pfd. 110. In London bar silver 23¾d per ounce. Money ¾ per cent. Discounted rates: Short bills 17-16 to 1½ per cent; 3 months' bills 2 per cent. American eagles 76s 6¾d. Gold bars 77s. 11¾d. Berlin exc. on London 20 marks 42 pfennigs. Paris exc., 25 francs 10 centimes.

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Stocks, Bonds and Securities dealt in on the Montreal Stock Exchange.

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The following is a comparative table of stock prices for the week ending Oct. 22nd, 1908, as compiled by Messrs. C. Meredith and Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal:—

STOCKS. Banks:	Sales.	High- est.	Low- est.	Last Sales.	Year ags.
Montreal	62	233	231	233	230
Commerce	61	1601/8	1591/2	160	164
Molsons	104	1941/8	191	1941/3	197
Eastern Townships	3	150	150	150	
Toronto	19	2081/2	2043/4	2081/2	2071/2
Merchants	17	155	154	154	157
Royal	63	213	212	212	2253/4
Hcchelaga	9	141	140	141	139
Nova Scotia	3	274	274	274	2791/2
Union	105	129	129	129	125

Textile, com	610	401/2	40	401/2	45
Textile, pfd	640	851/2	811/2	85	82
Lake of Woods	596	921/2	89	921/2	693/4
Lake of Woods, pfd	3	1143/4	1143/4	1143/4	100
Shawmigan	65	79	78	79	
Bonds:					
Dom. Cotton	1500	97	961/2	97	92
Dom. Iron & Steel 15	2,000	761/2	76	761/2	68
Keewatin	1000	100	100	100	
*N.S. Steel & Coal, com.	2500	1061/2	106	106	
N.S. Steel & Coal, com.	5000	101	100	101	10014
Textile A	1000	84	82	82	92
Textile C 18	5,000	85	85	85	
*Power	3000	951/4	951/4	951/4	
	2000	1021/2	1021/2	1021/2	

* And Interest.

Miscellaneous:

Can. Pacific	579	1753/4	1741/2	1751/8	155	
Mont. St. Ry	102	190	1871/2	190	160	
Do. New	25	184	184	184	164	
Toronto St	86	105	104	1041/2	91	
Halifax Elec. Ry	77	103	102	103	93	
Rich. & Ont. Nav. Co	2	75	75	75	51	
Mont. Light, H. & Power	4045	1081/4	107	108	831/4	
Can. Gen. Electric	10	1001/2	1001/2	1001/2		
N.S. Steel & Coal	80	481/4	473/4	48	52	
Dom. Iron & Steel, com.	210	164	$15\frac{1}{2}$	151/2	123/4	
Do. Pref	2	63	63	63	393/4	
Dom. Coal, com	150	50	483/4	483/4	41	
Dom. Coal, pfd	85	100	97	100	90	
Bell Telep. Co	81	134	1331/2	1331/2	120	
Laurentide Paper	5	102	102	102	87	
Laurentide, pfd	5	1113/4	1113/4	1113/4	991/2	
Ogilvie, com	2471	1073/4	1023/4	1071/4		
Ogilvie, pfd	10	115	115	115	1141/2	
Can. Col. Cotton	25	471/2	471/2	471/2		
Mont. Cotton	103	106	106	106		

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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Montreal, Thursday, October 22nd, 1908.

The movement of goods both at wholesale and retail has been moderate, but there are signs of improvement, in spite of the continued dry and open weather, which proves a draw-back in some lines, especially drygoods, clothing and footwear. Obligations are met with greater promptitude, and there have been some payments on old accounts. Reports from the United States, state that railway earnings in the first week of October were only 3.9 per cent less than in 1907, when there was an increase of 8.5 per cent over 1906. The last fortnightly report of idle freight cars showed a reduction of 39 975, leaving the total surplus only 125,678, while in Canada, as shown last week, there is an actual shortage of cars. Reports of foreign commerce from leading Atlantic ports for the latest week compare unfavourably with the movements during the same period of 1907 at all United States cities, the heaviest decrease being about \$2,000,000 in exports from New York. Imports at that port were well maintained, and showed only a "mall loss as compared with last year's figures. The movement of. the western crop is beginning to tell on payments, and business with Winnipeg houses, but it will be a month more before the full effect will be apparent. Even for the low grades of wheat the prices paid are highly profitable, and the farmer and country storekeeper will be in a good position to liquidate old and current bills.

ASHES.—The demand for potash is quiet and prices are unchanged. First sorts at \$5.971/2; seconds at \$5.471/2 and first pearls at \$6.65 per 100 lbs.

BEANS.—Market quiet. Ontario three-pound pickers in car lots \$1.80 to \$1.85 per bushel. Austrian hand-picked are jobbing out at \$1.85 to \$1.90 and Rangoon at \$1.60 per bushel.

BUTTER.—Firm and in demand with finest creamery held at 251/4c to 26c in round lots and 261/2c for small lots. Receipts moderate. Exports of butter last week were nil, as against 3,382 packages for the previous week.

CHEESE.—Quiet with western at 12½c to 12%c and eastern at 11¾c to 11%c. The export movement in dairy produce is falling off. The shipments of cheese last week showed a marked diminution, while there were no shipments of butter. Shipments of cheese amounted to 50,584 boxes, as against 94,261 boxes for the previous week and 84,326 boxes for the corresponding week of last year. There were also shipped from Quebec 258 boxes, making total exports for the week of 50,842 boxes. Total shipments from Montreal since May 1, 1-480,828 boxes, as compared with 1,726,424 boxes for the corresponding period of last year. Total shipments from Quebec since May 1, 56,451 boxes, as compared with 48,885 boxes for the corresponding period of last year. Total exports since May 1, 1,537,369 boxes, as compared with 1,775,309 boxes for the corresponding period of last year.

COAL.—In consequence of the fine weather orders are light, and prices steady, as follows:—Large furnace \$7; egg \$7.25; chestnut \$7.25; stove \$7.25; less 25c per ton discount for cash.

DRYGOODS.—The fine open weather has caused orders to drag somewhat in the local market, but business from the west is showing a satisfactory increase. In the cotton market at New York a small rally was not sustained when cables indi-

cated that early reports of strike settlement at Lancashire mills were premature. Support was given for a time by a sale of some size for shipment to New England mills, but on the other hand there was a larger movement to the ports than in any previous year to date, despite many efforts to hold the erop back. New York spot closed quiet, 10 points decline; middling uplands, 9.20c; do. gulf, 9.45c. Liverpool, closing cotton, spot, small business done; prices, 4 points lower; American middling, fair, 5.53d; good middling 5.17d; middling, 4.99d; low middling 4.75d; good ordinary 4.19d; ordinary 3.79d. In the United States cotton goods markets prices show a hardening tendency, both in wide and narrow cloths. Contracts on wide 64s are reported refused at 41/sc, and narrow goods are not obtainable at the concessions which were in evidence a week ago. A slight addition to the business done for export is reported in the sale of 3.50 sheetings for the Red Sea at 47/8c 3 off, with a good many séllers holding for 5 cents. China has made a good many propositions, but they are largely regarded as impossible. Bleached goods are moving rather slowly, but it is believed the increased movement of goods at retail will change the situation on this class of merchandise before long. Prints are moving sluggishly, with the exception of sidebands, which cannot be supplied fast enough. The majority of gingham lines are in excellent condition, with the possible exception of southern staples. The following is an approximate range of quotations on leading staple lines of cotton: Standard sheetings, 61/4c; 3-yard sheetings 6c; 4-yard 50x60 sheetings, 41/2c; print cloth 28-inch standard, 3c; 38½-inch standard 4½c; 9-oz. denims, 101/2c; standard drills, 63/4 to 7c; standard prints, 43/4c; staple ginghams, 5c.

From the opening of the crop year to October 9, according to statistics compiled by the "Financial Chronicle." 1,874,809 bales of cotton came into sight, as compared with 1,442,756 bales last year and 1,780,696 bales two years ago. This week port receipts were 371,000 bales, against 275,752 bales a year ago and 370,477 bales in 1906. Takings by northern spinners for the crop year up to October 9 were 175,158 bales, compared with 138,765 bales last year and 166,098 bales two years ago. Last week's exports to Great Britain and the Continent were 173,312 bales, against 147,313 bales in the same week of 1907, while for the crop year 877,000 bales compare with 624,950 bales in the previous season.

EGGS.—Small lots sold freely at good values. Strictly new laid realized 28c. Receipts for the week 2,171 pkgs, compared with 2,503 for the previous week and 2,449 for the corresponding week last year. The arrivals since May 1st to date have been 174,040 cases, against 152 812 for the same period a year ago, showing an increase of 21,223 cases. The market is quiet, selected stock quoted at 24 to 24½c. No. 1 at 20½c, and No. 2 at 17½c per dozen.

FISH AND OYSTERS.-Fish in good supply and easy in tone. The demand for prepared and boneless qualities is more active. New salt herring are arriving freely, and Labrador salmon and sea trout will be on the market soon. Oysters are arriving every day and are wanted. Fresh: Halibut, 10c per 1b; haddock 4 to 5c; market cod 4 to 41/2c; steak cod, heads off, 6 to 7c; pike, Brochet, 8c; dore or pickerel 10 to 11c; lake trout 9c; whitefish 10c; mackerel 10c; new smelts 10c; dressed bullheads 10c; sea trout, or weakfish, 12c; American live lobsters 22c.—Frozen: Salmon, B.C., 10c per lb; do. Gaspe 17c; pike, dressed, 6c; pickerel or dore 10c; whitefish, small, round, 6c.-Oysters: Selects, bulk, \$1.60 per gal.; standard. bulk, \$1.40; standards, quart tins, sealed, 40c; paper pails 100 qts., \$1.50; do. 100 pts., \$1.10; Malpeque shell oysters, \$9 to \$11 per bbl.; No. 2 grade, \$6 to \$7 per bbl. -Smoked: Haddies. lb., 71/2 to 8c; kippered herring, box, \$1.25; bloaters, box, \$1.25; smoked herring, 17 to 18c.—Prepared: Skinless cod \$5.50; boneless cod, \$5.50; shredded cod \$1.80; dry cod, 6c .- Salted and pickled: No. 1 Labrador herring, bbls., \$5.50; do. half bbls., \$3; No. 1 mackerel, pails, \$1.50;; medium green cod, \$6.50; large green cod \$7; No. 1 mackerel, half barrels, \$7; do., bbls., \$12; No. 1 salt eels, 7c per lb.

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FLOUR.—A good demand at steady values. We quote:—Choice spring wheat patents \$6; seconds \$5.50; winter wheat patents \$5 to \$5.25; straight rollers \$4.50 to \$4.60; do. in bags, \$2.10 to \$2.20; extra \$1.75 to \$1.85.

GRAIN.—Business in wheat on this market was moderate, as export bids were too low. Business in buckwheat was slow, and the feeling is easy, with No. 2 quoted at 60c to 62c per bushel, afloat. The trade in oats continues quiet, but values show no further change. Ontario new crop No. 2 white is quoted at 44c to 441/2c; No. 3 at 43c to 431/2c; and No. 4.at 421/2c to 43c; with Manitoba old crop No. 2 white at 451/2c to 46c; No. 3 at 441/2c to 45c, and rejected at 431/2c to 44c per bushel, ex-store. A liberal increase in the visible supply of wheat in the U.S. and Canada caused a weak close in the Chicago wheat market, final quotations showing net losses of %c to 3/4c. Oats were also weak. Corn was firm. Cash quotations in Chicago were as follows:-Flour ,steady, No. 2 spring wheat, \$1.02; No. 3, 96c to \$1.03; No. 2 red, 991/4c to \$1.01. No. 2 corn ,72e to 731/2e; No. 2 yellow, 78c to 781/4e; No. 2 white, 49% to 51e; No. 3 white, 44e to 49% e. No. 2 rye, 75e to 751/2c. Good feeding barley, 54c to 541/2c; fair to choice malting, 57e to 60e. No. 1 flaxseed, \$1.131/2 to \$1.22; No. 1 northwestern, $\$1.23\frac{1}{2}$. Prime timothy seed, \$3.25 to \$3.30. For the first half of this month 7,000,000 bushels of wheat have passed inspection at Winnipeg. The total since September 1 is 17.500,000 bushels, which is more than one-sixth of the total estimated crop of Western Canada. If navigation remains open as long as it did last year 50,000,000 bushels will reach the lake front this fall.

—At Toronto, the increasing popularity of Manitoba flour in Ontario is evidenced by the fact that much more of it is being used than formerly, and less Ontario winter wheat flour is being used. The domestic market for the latter, in fact, is almost at a standstill, but very large quantities of both Ontario and flour have gone for export. The trade now is quiet. Little is offering, and there is little demand. Ontario flour is easier. Mill-feed holds up in price, although shorts have declined a little in the past week. Coarse grains are without exception all easier. Toronto dealers' quotations are:—Ontario wheat: No. 2 white or red outside 89½c to 90c; No. 2 mixed 89c to 89½c.—Manitoba wheat: Spot, No. 1 northern \$1.04; No. 2 northern \$1.02, lake ports.

GREEN FRUITS.—The European price for Canadian apples was depressed by fruit arriving in poor condition. Exports of apples from Montreal and Quebec for week ended October 17th were 37,561 brls. and 2.646 boxes, against 60,356 brls, and 2,542 boxes same week last year. We quote: -Figs: 23/4 inch, 12e; 21/2 inch 10c; 2 inch 9c; 13/4 inch 81/2c. - Dates: Per Ib., 4c. -Bananas: Jamaica, jumbos, per bunch, \$1.75 to \$2.—California peaches: Box, \$1.50.—Sweet potatoes, bbl, \$2.50.—Cranberries, per brl., \$8.—Apples: No. 1 Fameuse, bbl., \$4; No. 2 Fameuse, \$2.50; No. 1 winter varieties, except Spys, \$3.25; No. 2 winter varieties, \$2.75; Northern Spys, No. 1, \$4.50; No. $2~\$3.50.{\rm -Grapes}\colon$ Regers, red, basket. 20c; blue, 20c; Ningaras 20c.—Lemons: Marconi new Verdillis, per box, \$3.—Oranges: Cal. Val., lates, 126, \$4.50; 150, \$4.75.—Pears: Canadian, basket, \$1.—Cocoanuts: Bag, \$4.50.—Onions: Spanish, in crates, crate, 75c; Red bag, \$1.25.—Peanuts: Jumbos, lb., 12c; French 9e; Dimbolas, 8e.

GIOCERIES.—Business fair with good fall prospects and collections well up to recent average. There is a hardening tendency in certain lines of good teas. . A Yokohama report says:—Market dull. No change to report Total settlements at Yokohama from May st to September 14th amount to 77,600 piculs, against 97,100 piculs at the corresponding date last year. Quotations: Common 24 to 26 yea; good common 27 to

29 yen; medium 30 to 33 yen; good medium 34 to 37 yen. Sugar quiet at the late decline, but the New York market for refined is unsettled and dull. New York raw sugar, firm; fair refining, 3.48c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3.98c; molasses sugar, Refined steady; No. 6 \$4.60; No. 7, \$4.55; No. 8, \$4.50; No. 9 \$4.45; No. 10, \$4.35; No. 11 \$4.30; No. 12 \$4.25; No. 13 \$4.20; No. 14 \$4.15; confectioners' "A" \$4.80; mould "A" \$5.35; cut loaf, \$5.80; crushed \$5.70; powdered \$5.10; granulated \$5; cubes \$5.25. London raw sugar, muscovado, 10s 3d; centrifugal 11s 6d. Beet sugar, October 10s 11/2d. There is not much change in coffee at New York where spot closed quiet. No. 7, Rio, 61/4c; No. 4 Santos, 81/4e; mild. dull; Cordova 91/4c to 121/2c. Brazil cables announced that the additional surtax went into effect October 15. Receipts at Rio and Santos from July 1 to date show an increase of about 800,000 bags over the movement last year, and a decrease of over 1,400,000 bags as compared with 1906. Stocks of Brazil coffee in the United States are about 800,000 bags less than a year ago. Mild grades are firmly held by the small country stocks and confidence in a good demand next month, but eurrent business is light, roasters taking supplies only as needed. -the cocoa market at New York has during the past week touched the low level of three years ago, African "to arrive" selling for instance at 10% and Sanchez at 91/2c. The drastic readjustment from the high level of October 1, 1907, prior to

—the cocoa market at New York has during the past week touched the low level of three years ago, African "to arrive" selling for instance at 10% c and Sanchez at 9½ c. The drastic readjustment from the high level of October 1, 1907, prior to the panic is shown by the fact that African then sold at 25½ c and Sanchez at 24½ c. In other words, there has been a decline of about 60 per cent. The high values of 1907 were in considerable part due to the operations of the rich Lisbon syndicate which controlled African cocoa. The prime factor in forcing prices to the prevailing low levels has been the heavy receipts in the face of the reduction in the consumption, estimated at 25 per cent.

—In dried fruits, prunes are dull and inclined to be weak. There is reason to believe that offers of 3½c basis for Santa Claras might not be scorned. Peaches are fairly active at unchanged prices. Apricots are steady and strong and in very fair demand. Raisins, in spite of the projected corner, grow weaker and weaker. Holders are pushing for sale and prices are at least a cent lower on seeded fruit than a few days ago. There are a great many 2-crown muscatels this year, and there will doubtless be pressure to sell. Currants are in fair demand at unchanged prices. Other dried fruits quiet and unchanged.

The American market for canned tomatoes has weakened, and offers are now made at 70 cents f.o.b. This is the lowest price reached in a long time, and it may go even lower if the trade continues to be as indifferent as they are now.

HAY.—Supplies keep small, and best grades firmly held. We quote: No. 1 \$12 to \$12.50; extra No. 2 \$11 to \$11.50; ordinary No. 2, \$9.50 to \$10; clover mixed \$7.50 to \$8 and clover \$7 to \$7.50 per ton, in car lots.

HIDES AND LEATHER.—Foreign dry hides have declined 1/4c, and a large sized arrival of Orinocos sold the middle of the week at New York. Buyers are refusing to take any more stock of leather than they have immediate use for, with the result that very light sales are effected, but tanners claim that this really puts the situation on a healthy basis, as it is a fact that as a rule there is no surplus at all of leather in shee factories, etc., and also no accumulation of shoes and other leather goods in the hands of wholesale and retail distributors. Heavy weight bottom stock is firm, but light sole leather is weak.

HONEY.—No change is reported in this market. Market steady with sales of white comb at 13c to 14c, and dark at 10c to 12c, as to size of section. White extract honey is selling at 9c to 10c per lb. Buckwheat honey 7c to 71/2c.

IRON AND HARDWARE.—The local demand has continued fair, with prices firm. New York pig iron, steady; northern \$15.50 to \$17.25; southern \$15.00 to \$17.25. Copper, dull; lake, \$13.37½ to \$13.62½. Lead, dull, \$4.25 to \$4.30. Tin, easy; straits, \$28.90 to \$29.15. Spelter, dull; domestic,

\$4.77½ to \$4.82½. At New York, domestic demand for copper is still light, and exports are piling up big stocks in Europe. Prices are unchanged, while the market is devoid of interest, and mines continue producing freely. Tin is a little easier, but the market is dull and there is no interest in the trading. Stocks abroad are also large of tin, while shipments from the Straits continue liberal. Some lead producers are accepting bids slightly below the figures quoted by the leading interest, and the tone of the market is weaker, both here and at St. Louis.

-In the United States many large contracts are under discussion and plans for important extensions and improvements are awaiting the results of November 3. After such a long period of quiet, it is not difficult to delay a fortnight longer, and only imperative work is being done. A small tonnage of rails is reported, aggregating about 5,000 tons, and some urgent orders for equipment and track supplies were placed this week. A little structural business is also recorded, chiefly in the awarding of bridge contracts that were under consideration for several weeks. Plates and other materials for the recent cars ordered supply a moderate amount of business, and specifications against contracts for steel bars are features of note. but the active capacity of sheet and tin plate mills is not over 40 to 50 per cent. Export orders are still taking the surplus of many steel mills. There is little demand for pig iron, although the furnaces are fairly well engaged, and coke contracts for next year's delivery are under consideration. Output is only about 50 per cent of the total capacity of ovens in the Connellsville region, and producers are asking about 30 cents a ton more than furnacemen offer. Doubtless the consumers and oven interests will soon come to some agreement regarding these big contracts for delivery in 1909.

LIVE STOCK .- The exports from Montreal for week ended October 17th were 4,064 cattle and 1.051 sheep; last week 4,782 and 297; last year 3,959 and 1,600. In London, Canadians were 1/4c higher and in Liverpool 111/4c to 121/4c, with ranchers at 10% to 111/2c. All the Liverpool space for the balance of this month has been booked up at 30s, but there is still some Glasgow offering at 30s and Manchester at 25s to 30s. In consequence of a limited supply of good to choice cattle prices in Montreal were 1/4c higher. Sales of several car loads of good North-west ranch and Manitoba domestic cattle were made for export account at 41/2c to 43/4c per lb. and local butchers paid as high as 5c per lb. for choice Ontario steers. The offerings of the lower grades of cattle were large, but as the demand for them was good from local and Quebec buyers, values ruled steady and show no change. Choice beeves sold at 4% to 5c, good ranch and Manitoba cattle, for export, at 41/2e to 43/4e; good butchers stock at 41/4e to 41/4e; fair at 31/4e to 31/4e; common at 23/4e to 31/4e, and inferior at 2e to 21/2e per 1b. Sheep and lambs were in large supply and easier. Choice lambs 43/4c to 5c and good 41/4c to 41/2c. Sheep 3c to 31/2c. Calves in demand at \$3 to \$8 each. Hogs easy with sales of selected at \$6.50 and common at \$6 to \$6.25.

MAPLE SYRUP.—Business quiet at steady values. Maple syrup 4c per lb in wood, and 5c in tins; sugar at 7c to 8c per lb.

MILLFEED.—Demand active and prices firm. Manitoba bran \$21 to \$22; shorts \$25; Ontario bran \$21 to \$22; middlings, \$26 to \$27; shorts \$26 per ton, including bags; pure grain mouillie \$30 to \$35; and milled grades \$25 to \$28 per ton.

OILS, ROSIN, ETC.—A fair local business is reported. London, Calcutta linseed, October and November, 44s 3d. Sperm oil, £31. Linseed oil, 21s. Petroleum, American refined 6 13-16d; do., spirits, 71/4d. Turpentine, spirits, 27s. Rosin, American strained, 7s; do., fine, 15s. Antwerp, petroleum, 22 francs. New York rosin, quiet; strained common to good, \$2.90 to \$2.95. Turpentine easy, 391/2c.—Savannah, Ga., turpentine, firm, 36c.

POTATOES.—Good demand and firm at 60c to 70c in car lots per bag; small lots 80c to 90c per bag.

PROVISIONS.—Market steady, business fair. Fresh killed hogs weaker at \$9.25 to \$9 50 per 100 lbs. Heavy Canada short cut mess pork, in tierces \$36.50 to \$37; heavy Canada short cut mess pork, in barrels, \$25.00 to \$25.50. lard: Therees, 375 lbs., 131/4c, boxes, 50 lbs., net, parchment lined, $13\frac{1}{2}c$; tubs, 50 lbs., net, grained, $13\frac{5}{8}c$, pails, wood, 20 lbs., net, parchment lined, 133/4c; tin, pails, 20 lbs., gross, 131/4c cases of 6 tins, 10 lbs. each, 13%; cases of 5 lbs. 13%; cases of 3 lbs., tins, 14c. Smoked meats:-Hams, 25 lbs., and upwards, 121/2c; 18 to 25 lbs., 131/2c; do., 12 to 18 lbs., 14c; do., 8 to 12 lbs., 14c; do., large hams, bone out, rolled, 15c; small do., 16c; selected English boneless breakfast bacon, 161/2c; boneless, thick brown brand, English breakfast bacon, 16c; Windsor bacon, backs, 17c; boneless short, spiced roll bacon, 121/2c; Wiltshire bacon, 50 lbs., sides, 15c.

ROLLED OATS.—The local market is unchanged at \$2.55 per bag. Cornmeal quiet at \$4.10 to \$4.30 per brl., in bags.

WOOL.—At the London sales, bidding was active, and superscoured clothing was in animated demand for Germany. Coarse cross-breds were again taken largely by home traders. Americans bought superior cross-breds freely at extreme rates. They also secured several lots of fine greasy merinos at the highest prices of the series. Sales:—New South Wales: 5,600 bales; scoured 1s 2d to 1s 8d; greasy, 5¼d to 1s.—Queensland: 2,100 bales; scoured, 1s 3d to 1s 7d; greasy 5¾d to 11½d.—Victoria: 1,700 bales; scoured 1s 1½d to 1s 5½d; greasy 3¾d to 1s 1½d.—South Australia: 200 bales; scoured, 10d to 1s 5d; greasy nil.—New Zealand: 3,900 bales; scoured 10½d to 1s 8d; greasy 4d to 11½d.—Cape of Good Hope and Natal: 200 bales; scoured 1s 5d; greasy 6¼d to 8¼d.



S EALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Cap St. Ignace Wharf," will be received at this office until 4.30 p.m., on Friday, November 13, 1908, for the construction of a Wharf at Cap St. Ignace, Montmagny County, Province of Quebec, according to a plan and specification to be seen at offices of A. Decary, Esq., Resident Engineer, Post Office, Quebec, Chs. Desjardins, Esq., Clerk of Works, Post Office, Montreal, on application to the Postmaster at Cap St. Ignace, P.Q., and at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa.

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NAP. TESSIER,

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

Name of Article.

	STATE OF	
O LA VAD CHEMICALS—	\$ c.	\$ c,
Acid, Carbolic Cryst. medi	0 30	0 35
Aloes, Cape	0 16	0 18
Alum	1 40	1 75
Borax, xtls	0 044	
Brom. Potass	0 35	0 45
Camphor, Ref. Rings	1 00	1 10
Camphor, Ref. oz. ck	1 05	1 15
Citric Acid	0 37	0 45
Citrate Magnesia, lb	0 25	0 45
Cocaine Hyd. oz	3 00	3 50
Copperas, per 100 lbs	0 75	0 80
Oream Tartar	0 22	0 26
Epsom Salts	1 25	1 75
Glycerine	0 15	0 20
Gum Arabic, per lb	0 15	0 40
Gum Trag	0 50	1 00
insect Powder, lb	0 35	0 40
insect Powder, per keg, lb	0 24	0 30
Menthol, lb	3 50	4 00
Morphia	3 50	3 80
Oil Peppermint, lb	3 10	3 90
Oil, Lemon	1 50	1 60
Phosphorus	5 51	6 00
Oxalic Acid	0 08	0 10
Potash Bichromate	0 08	0 11
Potash Iodide	0 10	0 12
	2 75	3 30
Quinine	0 25	0 28
Strychnine	0 70	0 73
	0 27	0 28

Licorice.

Stick, 4, 6, 8, 12, & 16 to lb., 5 lb.	2 00
boxes	2 00
Acme Licorice Pellets, cans	1 50
Licorice Lozenges 1 & 5 lb cans	

HEAVY CHEMICALS-

Bleaching Powder	1	50	2	40
Blue Vitriol		061		
Brimstone	2	00	2	50
Caustic Soda		25		
Soda Ash	1	50	2	50
Soda Bicarb	1	75	2	20
Sal. Soda		80		
Sal. Soda Concentrated				00

DYESTUFFS-

Archil, con	0 27 0 31
Cutch	0 08
Ex. Logwood	
Chip Logwood	. 1 75 2 50
Indian (Danual)	1 10 2 50
Indigo (Bengal)	•• 1 50 1 75
Indigo (Madras)	0 50 1 10
Clause de la company de la com	
Gambier	. 0 06 0 67
Madder	
MINUTEL	0 09 0 12
Bumac	** 85 00 95 00
Tin Crystals	0 23 0 40

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Application for entry must be made in person by the applicant at a Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for the district in which the land is situate. Entry by proxy may, however, be made at any Agency, on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader.

DUTIES:—(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.

(2) A homesteader may, if he so desides, perform the required residence duties by living on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of his homestead. He may also do so by living with father or mother, on certain conditions. Joint ownership in land will not meet this requirement.

(3) A homesteader intending to perform his residence duties in accordance with the above while living with parents or on farming land owned by himself must notify the Agent for the district of such intention.

W. W. CORY.

Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

Name of Article.	Whole	esale.
FISH—	\$ c.	\$ 0.
New Haddies, boxes, per lb. Labrador Herrings, half brls Labrador Herrings, half brls Mackerel, No. 1, pails Green Cod, No. 1 Green Cod, large Green Cod, small Skinless Cod Salmon, brls, Lab. No. 1 Salmon, half brls. Salmon, British Columbia, brls. Salmon, British Columbia, half brls. Boneless Fish Boneless Cod, case Herrings, boxes	0 05	0 06
FLOUR—		
Choice Spring Wheat Patents Seconds Winter Wheat Patents Straight Roller Straight bags Extras Rolled Oats Cornmeal, brl Bran, in bags Shorts, in bags Mouillie Milled Grades.	5 00 4 50 2 10 1 75 4 10 0 21 25 06	4 60 2 20 1 85 2 55 4 30 22 06 26 00 35 00
FARM PRODUCTS-		
Butter—		
Creamery, Townships do Quebec Townships dairy Western Dairy Manitoba Dairy Fresh Rolls	0 25 0 25	1 0 27 1 0 26≱
Cheese-		
Finest Western white Finest Western, coloured Finest Eastern New make.	0 12 0 12 0 11	0 12½ 0 12½ 0 12½
Eggs—		
New Laid, No. 1	0 00	0 20 0 18 0 24 0 00 0 00
Sundries—		
Potatoes, per bag	0 60 0 13 0 09	0 9C 0 14 0 11
Beans—		
Prime Best hand-picked	1 60	1 90
GROCERIES_		
Sugars—		
Standard Granulated, barrels Bags, 100 lbs. Ex. Ground, in barrels Ex. Ground, in boxes Powdered, in boxes Powdered, in boxes Paris Lumps, in barrels Paris Lumps, in half barrels Rranded Yellows Molasses (Barbadoes) new Molasses (Barbadoes) old Molasses, in barrels	0 00	4 60 4 55 5 00 5 40 4 80 5 10 5 85 5 45 4 40 0 00
Molasses (Barbadoes) old	0 35 0 38 0 37	0 37 0 411 0 421 0 12

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

Name of Article.	Wholesale.
Raisins	8 c 8 c
Sultanas	0 08 0 10 0 10 0 11 0 00 2 20 0 00 2 20 0 00 2 20 0 00 2 40 2 90 0 0 05½ 0 06 0 06 0 06 0 07
Vostizzas	0 11
Standard B. Patns, per 100 lbs. Pot Barley, bag 98 lbs. Pearl Barley, per lb. Tapioca, pearl, per lb. Seed Tapioca Corn, 2 lb. tins Peas, 2 lb. tins Salmon, 4 dozen case Tomatoes, per dozen String Beans	2 00 2 25 0 03\$ 0 04 007½ 0 08 0 07\$ 0 08 0 95 0 97\$ 0 90 1 37\$
Salt—	1 50
Windsor 1 lb. bags, gross	1 15 0 60 0 57‡
Coffees-	
Beal brand, 2 lb. cans I lb. cans Old Government—Java Pure Mocho Pure Maracaibo Pure Jamaica Pure Santos Pancy Rio Pure Rio	0 32 0 33 0 31 0 24 0 18 0 17½ 0 176 0 16
Young Hysons, common Young Hysons, best grade Japans Congou Ceylon findian HARDWARE—	0 21 0 23 0 32 0 363 0 25 0 40 0 21 0 35 0 22 0 35 0 22 0 35
Antimony	0 10 0 32 0 33 0 18 0 21
Cut Nail Schedule—	2 30
## Base price, per keg ## 40d, 50d, 60d and 70d, Nails ## Extras—over and above 30d ## Ceil Chain—No. 6 ## No. 4 ## No. 4 ## No. 3 ## inch ## inch ## inch ## inch ## inch ## 16 inch ## 17-16 inch ## 16 inch ## 16 inch ## 17-16 inch ## 1	0 00 0 09\$\$ 0 00 0 08\$\$ 0 00 0 0 07\$ 0 00 0 06\$\$ 4 30 4 85\$ 3 80 4 25\$ 3 80 4 25\$ 3 60 4 00 3 40 3 65\$ 3 70 3 25 3 65 3 10 3 65 05 45
Galvanized Staples— 100 lb. box, 1½ to 1% Bright, 1½ to 1% Galvanized Iron—	2 751
Queen's Head, or equal gauge 28 Comet, do., 28 gauge	4 50 4 75 4 35 4 60
No. 2 and larger	3 50 3 75 1 85 1 90 2 65 2 80 2 70 2 85 2 70 2 90 2 60 2 90 2 85 2 95 3 00 3 10 2 50 2 50 2 85 2 85
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Special attention is called to Sub-section 3 of Section 5 of the Volunteer Bounty Act, 1908, which provides that no assignment of the right of a volunteer by the appointment of a substitute shall be accepted or recognized by the Department of the Interior which is not executed and dated after the date of the warrant for the land grant issued by the Minister of Militia and Defence in favour of the Volunteer.

J. W. GREENWAY,

Commissioner of Dominion Lands, Ottawa. 28th September, 1908.

WAX FROM SUGAR CANE.

A discovery which will no doubt prove of far-reaching importance to the sugar industry has recently been effected which will result in what is practically a waste product being turned to distinct commercial advantage. This is the perfection of a process for extracting wax from the cane which is present in the rind or bark, says the Chambers' Journal. It is stated that one ton of cane will yield about fourteen ounces of wax similar in its nature to beeswax or carnauba wax, anl which tests have shown to be applicable to any of the purposes for which the latter is at present used. Considering the present high price of wax, the discovery is of some importance, especially as it is merely recovered from what has hitherto been considered as refuse.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

	Name of Article.	Wholesale.
	Canada Plates	8 c 8 c.
	Full Polish	3 60
	Ordinary 52 sheets	2 50
	Ordinary, 75 shoots	2 65
1	Black Iron Pipe, ¼ inch	2 25
ı	9/ :	2 58
i	1 inch	5 00
ı		6 84 8 22
ı	2 inch	8 22 10 90
ı	Per 100 feet net	
		10.00
ı	Steel, cast per lb., Black Diamond	10 08 0 07#
	Steel Tire, 100 lbs.	2 60 2 00
1	Steel, cast per lb., Black Diamond Steel, Spring, 100 lbs. Steel Tire, 100 lbs. Steel, Sleigh shoe, 100 lbs. Steel, Toe Calk Steel, Machinery	0 07‡ 2 60 2 00 1 95 2 50 2 75
1	Steel Harrow Track	2.75
1	steel, Harrow 100th se se ee ee	2 00
ı	Tir. Plates—	
	1C Coke, 14 x 20	4 20
-		4 50
1		7 10
1	Russian Sheet Iron Lion & Crown, tinned sheets 22 and 24 gauge, case lots 26 gauge	09 0 10
1	26 gauge Lead: Pig, per 100 lbs. Sheet	7 50 8 00
1	Sheet	5 50 5 75 6 50
1	Shot. 100 lbs. 750 less 25 per cent Lead Pipe, per 100 lbs.	7 00
1		7c per lb. less 30 p.c.
I	Zino—	
I	Spelter, per 100 lbs	5 75
۱	Sheet zinc	0 061 0 061
ı	Black Sheet Iron, per 100 lbs	
I		2 55 2 35
1	8 to 16 gauge	2 40 2 05 2 40 2 10
1		2 40 2 10 2 45 2 20
1	Bauge	2 55 2 35
I	Wire-	
١	Plain galvanized, No. 5	3 70 3 95 3 15 3 40
ı	do do No. 9	2 50 2 90
ı	do do No. 10	3 20 3 45 3 25 3 50
ı	do do No. 12	2 65 3 05 2 75 3 15
ı	do do No. 14	3 75 4 00
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ı	Iron and Steel Wire, plain, 6 to 9	2 80 bars.
ı	ROPE—	
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1	Ory Sheeting, roll	32 40
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	HIDES—	
	Montreal Green Hides-	
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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

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Name of Article. LEATHER— No. 1, B. A. Sole No. 2, B. A. Sole Slaughter, No. 1 Light, medium and heavy "No. 2 Harness Upper, heavy Upper, light Grained Upper Scotch Grain Kip Skins, French English Canada Kid Hemlock Calf Hemlock, Light French Calf Splits, light and medium Splits, heavy Splits, small Leather Board, Canada Enamelled Cow, per ft. Pebble Grain Glove Grain B. Calf. Brush (Cow) Kid Buff Russetts, light Russetts, light Russetts, light Russetts, light Russetts, light Russetts, heavy Russetts, No. 2 Russetts, Saddlers', dozen Int. French Calf English Oak, lb Dongola, extra Dongola, No. 1 Dongola, ordinary Coloured Pebbles Coloured Pebbles Coloured Pebbles Coloured Pebbles Coloured Pebbles	\$ c. \$ c. 0 25 0 27 0 23 0 26 0 25 0 27 0 23 0 26 0 25 0 27 0 24 0 26 0 27 0 30 0 36 0 38 0 36 0 38 0 36 0 38 0 36 0 38 0 36 0 38 0 45 0 70 0 50 0 60 0 70 0 70 0 00 0 00 0 95 1 25 0 23 0 25 0 18 0 20 0 6 6 10 0 16 0 18 0 13 0 15 0 15 0 15 0
Coloured Pebbles Coloured Calf LUMBER— 3 Inch. Pine (Face Measure) 3 Inch. Spruce, (Board Measure) 1 Inch. Spruce, (Board Measure) 1 Inch. Spruce, (Board Measure) 1 Inch. Spruce, (T. and G.) 1 Inch. Pine, (T. and G.) 2x3, 3x3 and 3x4 Spruce, (B. M.) 2x3, 3x3 and 3x4 Spruce, (B. M.) 1½ Spruce, Roofing, (B. M.) 1½ Spruce, Flooring, (B. M.) 1½ Spruce, Flooring, (B. M.) 1½ Spruce, (T. and G.) 1½ Pine, (T. and G.) 1 Pine, (L. and G.) (V. 1 B.) Laths, (Per 1000)	0 15 0 17 0 17 0 20
1½ Spruce. (T. and G.). 1½ Pine, (T. and G.). 1 Pine, (L. and G.) (V. 1 B.). Laths, (Per 1000) OILS— Cod Oil. S. R. Pale Seal. Straw Seal. Cod Liver Oil, Nfld., Norway Process. Cod Liver Oil, Norwegian. Castor Oil. Castor Oil. Castor Oil. Lard Oil, extra Lard Oil Linseed, raw. Linseed, raw. Linseed, raw. Linseed, boiled. Olive, pure. Olive, pure. Olive, extra, qt., per case. Turpentine, nett.	
Wood Alcohol, per gallon PETROLEUM—	0 80 1 (0
Acme Prime White per gal	
First break, 50 feet Second Break, 50 feet First Break, 100 feet Second Break, 100 feet Third Break Fourth Break PAINTS, &c.—	1 70 1 80 3 25 3 4F 3 9' 4 20
Lead, pure, 50 to 100 lbs. kegs Do. No. 1 Do. No. 2 Do. No. 3 Pure Mixed, gal. White lead, dry Red lead, Venetian Red, English Yellow Ochre, French Whiting, ordinary Whiting, Gilders' Whiting, Paris Gilders' English Cement, cask Belgian Cement German Cement United States Cement Fire Bricks. per 1.000 Fire Clay, 200 lb, pkgs. Rosin, per 100 lbs.	0 00 0



Department of Railways and Canals, Canada TRENT CANAL.

(Lindsay Section.)

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

S EALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Trent Canal," will be received at this office until 16 o'clock on Tuesday. 17th November, 1908, for the works connected with the construction of the Lindsay Section of the Canal.

Plans, specifications, and the form of the contract to be entered into, can be seen on and after the 19th October, 1908, at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, and at the office of the Superintending Engineer, Trent Canal, Peterboro, Ont., at which places forms of tender may be obtained.

Parties tendering will be required to accept the fair wages Schedule prepared or to be prepared by the Department of Labour, which Schedule will form part of the contract.

Contractors are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered, unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and in the case of firms, unless there are attached the actual signatures, the nature of the occupation, and place of residence of each member of the firm.

An accepted bank cheque for the sum of \$10,000.00 must accompany each tender, which sum will be forfeited, if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work, at the rates stated in the offer submitted.

The cheque thus sent in will be returned to the respective contractors whose tenders are not accepted.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

By order,

L. K. JONES,

Secretary.

Department of Railways and Canals,

Ottawa, 17th October, 1908.

Newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority from the Department will not be paid for it.

BANK OF MONTREAL.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND of TWO-AND-ONE-HALF PER CENT upon the paid up Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the current Quarter, and that the same will be PAYABLE at its Banking House in this City, and at its Branches, on and after TUESDAY, the FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER next, to Shareholders of record of 14th November.

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Banking House of the Institution on Monday, the Seventh day of December next.

The chair to be taken at NOON.

By order of the Board

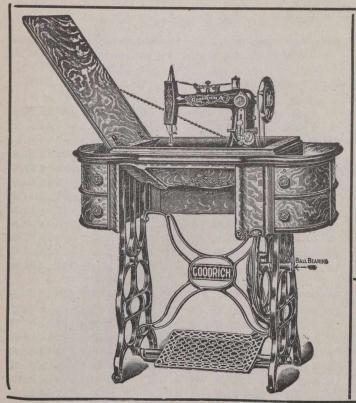
-E. S. CLOUSTON,

General Manager.

Montreal, 20th October, 1908.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

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Domestic Broken Sheet French Casks French, barrels American White, barrels Coopers' Glue Brunswick Green French Imperial Green Vo. 1 Furniture Varnish, per gal a Furniture Varnish, per gal Brown Japan	0 09 0 16 0 19 0 04 0 12 0 85 0 75	0 15 0 10 0 14 0 12 0 20 0 10 0 16 0 90 0 80 0 90
Black Japan Orange Shellac, No. 1 Orange Shellac, pure White Shellac Putty, bulk, 100 lb. barrel Putty, in bladders Parish Green in drum, 1 lb. pkg. Kalsomine 5 lb. pkgs WOOL—	9 80 2 00 2 25 2 25 1 40	0 85 2 25 2 50 2 50 1 42 1 67 0 25 0 11
Canadian Washed Fleece Worth-West Buenos Ayres Vatal, greasy Jape, greasy Lustralian, greasy	0 24 0 18 0 32 0 00 0 19	0 25 0 21 0 38 0 00 0 22 9 00
WINES, LIQUORS, ETC.		
English, qts	2 40 1 60 0 85	2 50 1 65 1 50
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Oublin Stout, qts. Oublin Stout, pts. Oublin Stout, pts. Oanadian Stout, pts. Lager Beer, U.S. Lager, Canadian	2 40 1 60 1 60 1 25 0 80	2 50 1 65 1 65 1 40 1 40
Spirits, Canadian—per gal.—	4.50	
alcohol 65, O.P. spirits, 50. O.P. spirits, 25 U.P. Jub Rye, U.P. Cye Whiskey, ord., gal.	4 50 4 10 2 20 3 60 2 20	4 60 4 20 2 30 3 80 2 50
Ports— farragona	1 80	2 00
Sherries—	2 00	5 00
montillado (Lion)	3 50 0 85	4 00 5 00
dedec	2 25 4 00	2 75
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Marq. de la Tour, secs Brandies—		
Hennessy, gal. Martel, case Diard, gals. Richard 20 years flute 12 qts. in case Richard Fleur de Cognac do Richard V.S.O.P., 12 qts.	1:	0 25 7 00 0 00 7 50 5 50 2 25 2 an
Scotch Whiskeys— Bullock Lade, E.E.S.G.L. Kilmarnock Sher's O.V.G. Dewars extra spec. Witchells Glenogle 12 qts do Special Reserve 12 qts do Extra Special, 12 qts. do Finest Old Scotch, 12 qts.	10 25 10 9 50 10 9 00 9 9 25 9	0 50 0 00 0 50 0 50 0 50 0 50
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Power's, qts	10 25 10 9 50 11 9 50 10 8 00 11 14 00 18	00
Canadian green cases Jondon Dry Lymouth Jinger Ale. Relfast, doz. Joda water, imports, doz. pollinaris, 50 qts.	5 50 5 7 25 8 9 00 9 1 30 1 1 30 1 7 00 7	80 00 50 40 40 50



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COFFEE.

The following is a circular from Hy. Nordinger and Co., of New York:-We refer to our last report of the 15th ultimo. Beginning with the 17th ultimo receipts at Santos were seriously interrupted by a strike of dock labourers at that port. The movement of the crop was not resumed until the 2nd inst. It is to be expected, therefore, that the receipts at Santos during the current month will be quite large, the natural receipts being augmented by the accumulations resulting from this strike These large receipts do not influence us in our op nion with regard to the size of the crop. We maintain our estimate of 121/4 million bags for Rio and Santos, to which we gave expression in our report of the 15th ultimo. European newspapers have gone too far in decrying the propos d San Paulo Government loan of £15,000 000 sterling, and have entered a field o which they have little or no knewledge. These newspapers intimate that the current Rio and Santos crop is equal to that of 1901-1902 when about 151/2 million bags were brought to market, but do not a their source of information. mous statements do not carry great weight, being too often dictated by selfish motives. Despite reports, which have it, that the Government is meeing with serious difficulties in placing the loan, we learn from good authority, that this loan of £15 000,000 sterling, with coffee as collateral, will be offered for public subscript on at an early date at a price fixed at somewhat above 90 per cent.

The coffee trade has no interest in the success or failure of this public offering. The underwriters have made themselves responsible to take the bonds whether the public relieves them of their obligations or not. The only interest the trade

has in this matter is, to know what pro viso has been made with reference to the di posal of the collateral. We are as yet in the dark, as to whether or not the coffee is to be tied up for a given t me, and with whom the right of disposal w.11 eventually rest. It is certainly a disturbing element in the trade to have 81/2 million bags of coffee locked up, the ownership of which is liable to be shifted any day from the shoulders of the Government to those of the bond-holders It would be far preferable to see this coffee distributed among the trade, where it properly belongs, and where it would find a natural outlet. We must, however, consider the case as it is and not as it might or should be. The Governm nt is to-day the biggest factor in the coffee business, and will most likely remain so for good or evil. The original a m of the Government undertaking war, to protect the planters from starvation prices, but the law of supply and demand cannot be upset by any power, and it is bound to assert itself sooner or later.

Despite the fact that last year's crop was about 2½ million bags smaller than the consumption and despite the fact that the Government not only held its coffee out of the market but added about ¾ of a million bags to its holdings, that crop was marketed below cost of product on. It is reasonable to ask, what will happen when we again have excessive crops to deal with, as may and most likely will be the case, a year or two hence.

With conditions as they prevail, the trade will no doubt continue its present policy of buying only for its immediate requirements. No reports have as yet been received by us regarding the Powering. The weather of late was favourable, with ruins and sunshine alternating. This ought to bring about good results.

Whilst we do not look for a bumper crop next year, we believe a larger crop than the one now marketing may be reasonably expected.



S EALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Postal Station D., Point St. Charles, Montreal," will be received at this office until 4.30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 27, 1908, for the construction of a building for Postal Station D., Point St. Charles, Montreal.

Plans and specifications can be seen and forms of tender obtained at this Department, and on application to Mr. Charles Desjardins, Clerk of Works, Post Office, Montreal. Que.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed form supplied, and signed with their actual signatures.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, made payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent (10 p.c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering decline to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,

NAP. TESSIER,

Secretary.

Department of Public Works, Ottawa, October 8, 1908.

Newspapers will not be paid for this advert sement if they insert it without authority from the Department.

Sterling Exchange

Table for Converting Sterling Money into Dollars and Cents | Table for Converting Sterling Money into Dollars and Cents at the Par of Exchange (91/2 per cent premium).

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THE USES OF SPUN GLASS.

That spun glass, long known as a curiosity and more recently employed in making ornaments, or in decoration, will come into wide use for other and more practical purposes is prophesied by E. Lemaire In recent years the elecin La Nature. trical and chemical industries have made ing to electricity. Workmen wearing it large use of the valuable properties of glass. In the electrical industry its non-tallurgical industries and against injury conductibility for heat and electricity has been especially useful; in chemical labor- finally, in the electrical industries, rubber atories its great power of resistance to gloves, when guarded on the outside by

of glass seem not to have been developed to the utmost; and in particular we have scarcely utilized at all its property of being easily spun and of thus entering into the formation of textile fabrics. Clothing made of such textiles would be incombustible, non-conducting and re-istant to acids, and would be perfectly insulatwould be proof against burns in the meby acids in chemical works; . . . and Nevertheless, the applications spun-glass coverings, would absolutely

prevent death from electric shock. present use of spun glass fabrics is not wide, but the cause should be sought in , the lack of information on the subject in technical literature. Such is the opinion, at least, expressed by Mr. R. Lee in the Elektrotechnischer Anzeiger, from whose article we gather some of the following data:

The art of spinning glass would spear to have been practiced by the arcient Egyptians, but it was of little importance until the manufacture of glass was taken up at Venice. By the end of the eighteenth century the spinning of glass

Sterling Exchange.

Tables for Computing Currency into Sterling Money at the Par of Exchange (91/2 per cent Premium).

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TABLE OF DAYS FOR COMPUTING INTEREST.

To Find the Number of Days from any Day of any one Month to the same Day of any other Month.

F	ron	a	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oet.	Nov.	Dec.
ToJan			365	334	306	275	245	214	184	153	122	92	61	31
Feb			31	365	337	306	276	245	215	184	153	123	92	62
Marc	h		59	28	365	334	304	273	243	212	181	151	120	90
April			90	59	31	365	335	304	274	243	212	182	151	121
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Aug.			212	181	153	122	92	61	31	365	334	304	273	243
Sept.			243	212	184	153	123	92	62	31	365	335	304	274
Oct.			273	242	214	183	153	122	92	61	30	365	334	304
Nov.			304	273	245	214	184	153	123	92	61	31	365	335
Dec.			334	303	275	244	214	183	153	122	91	61	30	365

N.B.—In leap year, if the last day of February comes between, add one day to the number in the table.

EXAMPLE:-How many days from May 10th to Sept. 13th? From the above table we get 123; add 3 for difference between 10 and 13, and we get 126, the number of days required.

had spread through France and Echemia, where it was long practiced by peripatic art.sts who frequented fairs and kermesses. It then consisted (and the method of working has not greatly changed since), in melting the end of a glass rod in a flame, grasping it with pincers and fixing it to a wooden drum called a lantern, which was turned rapidly while the glass continued to be heated and softened at the end of the rod. The process required great manual skill, attainable only by long practice. The drum was three or four feet in diameter, and as the mass of glass thread rolled thereon was cut across it yielded pieces about three yards long. Their flex bility was not

braiding and making lace. Successful attempts were made in the middle of the nineteenth century by a Frenchman, J. de Brunfaut, with the object of obtaining industrially longer, more flexible and stronger threads. Brunfaut may be considered the inventor of the modern spun-glass industry, but unfortunately he did not divulge all the secrets of it manufacture. His glass gives on analysis . . . a composition very nearly that of Bohemian glass, which is very hard and resistant to heat and acids. .

Brunfaut's spun-glass is used to make embroidery and passementeris. The industry was once prosperous in France

great enough to fit them for anything but' and Messrs. Dubus and Bonnel were able to weave cloth with the spun-glass. At present aigrettes and imitation ost ich feathers are made with it.

The orange-yellow glass yields brilliant tissues that resemble cloth of gold, while the white spun-glass imitates silver. These fabrics, despite the transparency of glass, are not transpirent, because the index of refraction between the glass and the air interposed between the fibres is too great. To get very brilliant threads with a metallic luster a rod of glass of rectangler section is used. This yields a flattened thread which preserves its four right angles and four plans faces. reflecting the light readily. De Brun-

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faut made also a glass cotton, which would seem to have been rediscovered and improved by the brothers Weisskopf, and by the Bohemian Morchenstern.

Doubtless, if a ready sale should be assured, investigations would be made in industrial laboratories to find glasses that wou'd satisfy certain conditions and particularly that would lend themselves readily to weaving; probably industrial processes would then soon be devised to make such spun-glass cheaply. However, this may be, the uses of spun-glass, outside of jewelry and ornamentation, are already quite numerous and merit attention. Glass-wool, which resembles silk, conducts heat . . . poorly, because of the included air. . . Tissues are made of it for the wear of gouty and rheumatic persons. The refuse is utilized for packing steam pipes. In Germany the longer fibres are braided into lamp wicks, which never burn out and act with the greatest regularity. These same

braids serve also sometimes for non-conducting envelopes, or are used for the insulation of electric conductors; washers for steam joints are made of it and used in the same way as those of asbestos. Finally, quite recently, the capillary attraction of these fibres has been utilized to hold the acid liquid of so-called "dry" piles of accumulators, especially where these devices are exposed to shocks, as when they are used to light automobiles.

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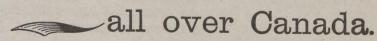
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