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-Australia's foreign trade for the last year was $\$ 597,780,000$. Her customs revenue was $\$ 56,594,700$.
-Baking powder spread over grease spots on a carpet and left for some time will remove the spots.
-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 substantial 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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-According to an official statement issued last week 10,458 vessels, of a gross tonnage of $11,160,367$, entered in the foreign trade at the port of London last year, while 8,033, w.th a gross tonnage of $8,598,979$, cleared. The imports of merchandize at the port during the year were $209,672,562$ pounds and the exports $123,541,040$ pounds.
-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 abouit $\$ 58$ 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 lose 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 Oetober 8 to $14,1908, \$ 849,270 ; 1907$, $\$ 935,632$; decrease $\$ 86,362$.
-A company has been organized at Hull, Que.. for the ennstruction 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 w:ll 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 Eng. lish 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 develepment in progress. They manufacture the much improved explosive now used by the Acadia Coal Co.
-- W. K. MeNaught and W. T. Boland are bing sued by W. E. Stavert, curator of the Sovereign Bank, as marker and endorser of a note for $\$ 17.030$. Mr. MeNaught 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 2,863 seal siins, 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 $\$ 50,900$.
-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 $\$ 37,290,700$. As compared with the output of 1906, a decrease is shown in gold of $\$ 3,938,100$. While the production of silver in 1907 waz 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 ara given as $\$ 7,443,433$, and the liabilities as $\$ 536,581$. The assets anywhere amount to $\$ 25 \cdot 205,310$ and the liabilities to $\$ 1,966,298$. The total Ontario membership is computed at 279,755 . The sum paid in sick and funeral benefite was $\$ 631,-$ 747 and the sum for special relief was $\$ 12,693$.
-Between January lst and February 15th, 1909, imm grants 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 pravented 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 weak. 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 dirested against the Canadian Express Co., and the American Express Co., the Canadian Express Co. operating over the Grand Trunk Railroad and the' Amercan Express Co. over its connection, the Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg division of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad. The complainants 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, Camada, 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, Iransvaal, pyritic smelting; Joseph R.

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-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 $31 / 4$ 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 outstandmg. 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 bushols 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.] 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 busheis 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 $R \quad G$. Dun and $C o$. in the Dominion of Canada indicate little change in the tracle 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 fuader is forcing the sale of cattle. Wholesale trade at Toronto is quiet, although there is a hopeful outlook. Dry gonds 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 movment 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 eqme 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 direetor 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 . Thn 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 shipp.ng list, additions which in more than one case will come to mean considerable enhancement of the grand output of the districts̉. 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; Siocan-Koutenay 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, D.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 unat 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 liqu dator, 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 exped te the proceedings. Not a few of the policies have been taken over by the National Life, hut iust on what conditions have not been made public as yet. In respect to the death choms which were fled hefore the announcement of the assignm nt of the Mntual Resorve, it is officially etated that these claims will be paid in full, but that no payments will be made pricr to the decis on of the court in respact to the pending claims and adjustments. There is now a suffecient 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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| Paid-up Capital. Circulation. |  |  | Margin. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bank of Montreal | \$14,400,000 | \$11,668,427 | \$2,731,573 |
| Can. Bank of Commerce. | 10000,000 | 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.. | $4,000,000$ | 3,5]6.119 | 483.881 |
| Royal Bank. | 3,900,000 | 3.664 .446 | 235,564 |
| Quebee Bank | 2,500,000 | 1,726,743 | 773,257 |
| The Molsons Bank | 3,374,000 | 2.942.103 | 431897 |
| Eastern Townships Bank | 3,000.000 | 2,572,896 | 427,104 |
| Traders Bank. | 4,353,092 | 2.644,385 | 1,708,757 |

Total margin of ten banks
$\$ 10,798.815$ Total margin of all the banks

19,861,414
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-

| LAW UNION \& CROWN <br> INSURANCE COMPARY: |
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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 harrest. Call Loans in Canada continue to shrink, being $\$ 1,572,5 \% 5$ since August and roundly $\$ 3,80 \cap, 000$, 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 $101 / 2$ per cent lower than in September $190 \%$. Loans outside Canada show an increase of $\$ 2,265,130$, 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. 1008. | Sept. 1807 | 9t. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \$ | 8 | \$ | \$ |
| Capital authorized | ..143,466,666 | 144,966,666 | 139,966,666 | 76,258,684 |
| Capital subscribed | .. 97,621,491 | 99,091,841 | 98,570,241 | 63,786,648 |
| Capital paid-up .. .. | .. 96,107,651 | 96,076,584 | 95,737,819 | ¢2,900,034 |
| Reserve fund. | . $71,700,983$ | 71,661,988 | 69,798,322 | 27,555,66 |

[^0]| Due agencies abroad .. .. .. 3,837,970 | 3,131,926 | 4,403,378 | 509,27\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Other liabilities.. .. .. .. .. 5,500,229 | 6,162,895 | 14,178,028 | 551,900 |
| Total liabilities .. .. .. ..783,719,799 | 774,942,987 | 784,120,948 | 291, 975,914 |
| ASSETS. |  |  |  |
| Specie | 24,469,431 | 24,097,487 | 9,079, 18\% |
| Dominion notes .. .. .. .. .. 62,742,264 | 59,699,153 | 48,713,519 | 17,806,3? |
| Deposits securing circulation - 4,572,476 | 4,591,349 | 4,710, 809 | 1,988,9>3 |
| Notes \& cheques on other bks. $28,542,811$ | 28,429,995 | 32,886,765 | 10,959,52? |
| Loans to other bks in Can., sec. 7,756,589 | 7,842,012 | 1,328, 2, 1 | $15 C, 003$ |
| Depis on demand in Can. bks. 11,033,409 | 10,464,196 | 9,2S9,071 | 4,549,552 |
| Due from banks in U.K. .. .. 11,541,013 | 11,637,754 | 5,801, \&41 | 12,272,730 |
| Due from foreign bks., ete. .. $52,674,843$ | 49,266,494 | 14, 851,311 | 22,169, 20: |
| Dom. \& Prov. Gort. secs. ... 8,804,302 | 8,874,507 | 9,355,807 | 4,899, 211 |
| Can. municip. \& other pub secs. (not Dominion) .. .. .. .. 19,982,903 | 19,623,237 | 21,153,247 | 17,454,767 |
| Rallway and other secs. .. .. 41,972,309 | 42,623,237 | 41,490, 816 | 17,227,236 |
| Call loans in Canada .. .. .. 41,084,145 | 39,511,570 | 47,298,694 | 23,7i5,140 |
| Call loans outside Canada .... 59,834,979 | 62,764,972 | 63,158,601 |  |
| Current loans in Canada ....516,960,003 | 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 | 8,412 |  |
| Loans to Prov. Govts. .. .... 1,785,561 | 1,907,641 | 165,471 | ,644,952 |
| Overdue debts .. .. .. .. .. 8,122,572 | 8,662,362 | 3,644,774 | 3,408,913 |
| R. E. besides bk. premises .. 1,614,346 | 1,591,934 | 807,786 | 2,078,746 |
| Mortgages on real estate .... 455,563 | 443,299 | 423,723 | 566,130 |
| Bank premises.. .. .. .. .. .. 18,702,387 | 18,556,630 | 13,920,044 | 5,372,468 |
| Other assets .. .. .. .. .. .. 9,455,839 | 8,172,886 | 10,948,395 | 2,980, 995 |
| Total assets.. .. .. .. .. ..963,822,738 | 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 | 9,660,828 |
| Av. Dom. notes for month .. 61,017,111 | 56,376,810 | 47,655,298 | 17,028,281 |
| Grt'st circulation in month .. $77,326,462$ | 71,650,55 | 80,518, | 40,790 |

## NEW BURDENS UPON BUSINFSS.

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. In 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 eventy and more widely divided under governmental control. Practically the work is pretty certain to be more expensive, more wiooden 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 debris 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 dearer to the borrower. A tax payable by the mortgagor npon his hypothecation, would merely add to the interest exacted. Levies upon Insurance reserves will 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 correspondiug in creases 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.

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## THE COTTUN 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 40 c in the dollar, in cuoted 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 Pritish 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.

|  | Quantities. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cotton Yarn and Twist. .. . . . . Lb. | $\begin{gathered} 1907 . \\ 0,057,700 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1908 . \\ & 18802,100 \end{aligned}$ |
| Cotton Piece-Goods .. .. .. .. Yds. | 473,710,500 | 460.275 .700 |
| Jute Yarn. . . . . . . . . . . . . Lb. | 5,452,900 | 4,543 10.0 |
| Jute Piece-Goods . . . . . . . . Y Yds. | 13,193,800 | 18,291,700 |
| Linen Yarn . . . . . .. . . . . . Lb. | 1,176,300 | 1057.800 |
| Linen Piece-Goods . . . . . . . Yds. | 13,360,800 | 12,662,400 |
| Wool, sheep and lambs' . . . . . Lb. | 5,072,200 | 4065,400 |
| Woollen and Worsted Yarn . . . Lb. | 4,770,500 | 4,29€,800 |
| Woollen Tissues .. .. . . . . . Yds. | 6,956,400 | 5913,800 |
| Worsted Tissues . . . . . . . . . Yds. | 7,269,200 | 4,429 100 |
| Woollen Carpets .. .. .. .. .. Yds. | 821,100 | 475,600 |
| Woolien Flannels.. .. .. .. .. Yds. | 517,000 | 400.300 |
| W oollen 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:

|  | Quantities. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1907. | 1908. |
| Cotton, raw .. .. .. .. .. .. Cwts. | 450,105 | 450,009 |
| Flax . . . . . . . . . . .. .. .. Tons | 4,409 | 4,768 |
| Hemp . . . . . . . . . . .. .. .. Tons | 9.357 | 5.373 |
| Jute . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Tons | 7.524 | 14,118 |
| Silk, raw. . . . . .. .. .. .. . . Lb. | 117.973 | 132,895 |
| Wool, sheep and lambs' .. .. .. Lb. | 22,657,853 | 34,804,472 |
| Woollen stuffs . . . . . . . . . . Yds. | 5,529,116 | 5,313,821 |

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
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 4 s to 5 s 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 Erport 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 hanov again, both in Yorkshire and in Lancashire.

## THE MOLSONS PANK.

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 $\$ 3,360,1 \%$ lasi 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. | 1909. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Capital paid-up . . $\$ 3,000,000$ | $\$ 3,000,000$ | $\$ 3,360,170$ | $\$ 3,374,000$ |  |
| Reserve Fund . . | $3,000,000$ | $3,000,000$ | $3,360,170$ | $3.374,000$ |
| Circulation . . . | $2,906,970$ | $2,814,916$ | $3,091,962$ | $2,942.103$ |
| Deposits at inter- |  |  |  |  |
| est. . . . . . | $16,806,025$ | $18,755,200$ | $19,443,583$ | 20527,063 |
| Deposits (total).. | $20,381,389$ | $22,296,288$ | 23179,625 | $24,010,138$ |
| Specie and Domin- |  |  |  |  |
| ion Notes . . . | $2,021,376$ | $1,902,937$ | $2,146,255$ | 2498,557 |
| Gov'n't Bonds . . | 376,269 | 476,269 | 476,269 | 476,259 |
| Munic. R'way, ete., |  |  |  |  |
| Bonds. . . . . | $2,841,736$ | $2,326,104$ | $2,227.284$ | $2,140,535$ |
| Call Loans . . . | 3476,345 | $3,193,997$ | $3,242,059$ | $2.821,243$ |
| Discounts . . . . | $17,831,821$ | $21,437,988$ | $22,480,362$ | $22,365,916$ |
| 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 naid, $\$ 48,518$ 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 eeaders to another page of this issue for a full report of the meeting. 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 $23, \% 19$ 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 $\$ 13,4.56$. 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 sur.

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## THE GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM.

There was nothing discouraging in the semi-annual report presented to the Shareholders of the Arand 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. It 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 73.2 ? 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 $£ 123,76^{7}$, 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 passibly 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 BENEYOLENT 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, is 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 noiscme. 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 Idtitions 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 citizans to contribute towards a similar institution near the sity vere 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 saunched 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 evary 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 on sources of revenue of any association are ine sufficient to justify the continuance of its business, he shall make a spacial 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, shal! apply, by petition to a judge of the Superior Court, for the appointment of a liquidator, who shall proceed with as littie 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 caise 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 regular'y made by appointed officials. It would occasion surprise, if it were made public how much money goes astray in thes somieties. The fraternal spirit, which is their sonl. 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 evidontly 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 Mcntreal's oldest business men in the person of Mr. David Rea, formerly in the wholesale dry goods trade with Mackay Brothers : nd 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, 凤gent 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 19 th instant.

The President, Mr. Wm. Molson Macpherson, necupied 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 (Generai 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 an* nual report of the Directors, as follows:-

Your Directors have much pleasure in presenting this the fifty-th rd 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. Cesare, and Waterloo, in Quebec Province, and at Zurich, in Ontario.

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

## LIABILITIES.

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| :---: | :---: |
| Reserve fund. . .. .. . . .. . . .. $\$ 3.374,000.00$, |  |
| Rebate on notes discounted. . .. $100,000.00$ |  |
| Profit and loss account. . .. .. 153,684.40 |  |
| $\text { per annum . . . . . . . .. . . . . } 84: 350.00$ |  |
| Dividends unclaimed . . . . . . | 329.50 |
| Interrst, exchange, etc., reserved. $\qquad$$\qquad$ 115,054.27 |  |
| Notes in circulation .. .. .. .. 2,942,10 |  |
| Balance due to Dominion Government. . |  |
| Balance due to Provincial Governments |  |
| Deposits not bearing interest | 3,483,074.96 |
| Daposits 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 |
|  | \$34 694,171.26 |

## ASSETS.

Specie . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .. \$ 577,756.91
Dominion notes .. .. . .. .. .. 1,920,800.75
Deposits with the Dominion Government to secure note circulation.
$145,000.00$
Notes of and cheques on other banks

859,812.45
Due from other banks in Canada 430,787.08
Due from foreign agents. . . . . $1,376,922.90$
Due from agents in United Kingdom .

692,670.06
Dominion and Provincial Government 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
Bills discounted and current.. .
Bills past due (estimated loss provided for)

63,805.74
Real estate other than bank premises

126,864.08
Mortgages on real estate sold by the bank

11,495.43
Bank premises at head office and branches

500,000.00
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
$\$ \quad 53,687.61$
Net profits for the year after deducting expenses of management, reservation for interest accrued on deposits, exchange, and provision for bad and doubtful debts

612,646.41
\$666,334.02
Appropriated as follows:-
109th dividend at rate of 10 per cent per annum, 2nd Jan., 1998 lloth dividend at rate of 10 per cent per annum 1st April, 1908 111th dividend at rate of 10 per cent per annum, 2nd July, 1908 112 th dividend at rate of 10 per cent per annum, lst Oct., 1908
For depreciation in value of bonds and stocks
Expenditure on bank premises at branches
\$ 84,275. 47 $84,313.26$ $84,349.04$ $84,350.00$ $100,000.00$

Business taxes
48,518. 35
taxes . . . .. .. .. .. 16,843 ${ }^{`} 50$ Fund
$10,000,00$
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Leaving at credit of profit and
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The Molsons Bank, Head Office, Montrea', 30th September, 1908.

## THE PRESIDENT'S ADPRESS.

## 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 ex-
ercised, and financial matters are now becoming normal and healchy, wut it is not to ve expected thac a revival in manufacture and trade can be rescored at once, a continuance of the greatest caution in the expension of business should still be our watehword.
The ratways have continued to extend their lines in all directions through the country, rendering most valuable service to the settiers, 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 rail way, 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 exceptronally favourabic. With a ready market and resunerative prices for grain, the farmers are enabled to discharge their obrigations, and to make satisfactory preparations for the future crop.
Lour General Manager and some of your Directors, in September, visited the 11 est, going as far as the Coast, and were greatly impressed and gratified with the growth in popalation and the walih 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 far:ns in B.itish 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, the:efore, 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.
'Ihe 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 na-t 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 wou'd like to see a little more of the profits divided amongst the Shareholders.

The General Manager explained that a great deal of mons $y$ had been spent in putting up buildings in cities where it was neces ary 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 kvere 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 gnod 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 aivaena, and he ullught unat they could not be otherise ulan precty weal satisned with ic. for the past fitty-three deals whe werage dividenu pud by the Bank had been over $\$$ per cenc, and whal that they must surety ve satistied.
…i. George L . Drummona spoke of the theeresc the Prist weat ana General Manager had snown in the affairs of the ©bank duing the year, and said that the statement preseated had nad tue fult consideration of the Drectors. The Bank had done admnawry curing the past year, earning about $181 / 2$ p $r$ cenu. Ahey we.e trying to make hiolsons Bank known thougnout the length and breadih of the land by putcing good, presencabie buidings in each centre. In tak.ng a comservative course, and providing aganst possible bad years, the shar hoders would probably contmue to get 10 per cent. The Bank was caking its suand with the best institutions in th.s country.
The ..eport was then adopted, after which the President requested Mr. George Durnford and Mr. C. E. Spragge to .et as scrutineers for the eiection of Directors.

Mr. W. R. Miller moved: "That the thanks of the Sh.urholders are due, and are hereby teadered, to the President, tice-Presidant and Directors for their efficient services duthg the past year."
$\mathrm{D}_{i}$. Nolson seconded the motion, which was unanimously .coneurred 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 duc to the Gen mal 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. Oleghorn, 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 VicePresident for the ensuing year.
-The demands of the anthracite mine workers, as formu'ated 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.


Return of Canadian Bank of Commerce. A mount under heading "Other assets not included under foregoing heads," includes gold bullion.
for the months of August and September, 1908.


## 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 Josep!), 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; 0. Rolin, paints, city.
J. P. Aubin, men's furnishings, city, is offering to compromise.

Assignments in the North-West include: MeBride 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., Itd., has been announced. R. C. Hamilton, general store, Tisdale, is seeking an extension.
D. H. Welsh, a city retail confectioner, who on some oceasions 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. Batholm?s, R. P. Freek and E. E. Kent. In 1906 they claimed an qnnual business of $\$ 225000$. 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 areditors.
Girau and Co., Ltd., mnfg. jewellers, Toronto, who claimed to do an annual business of $\$ 40,000$, have assigned. The enmpany had an authorised capital of $\$ 20.000$, of which $\$ 12500$ was paid-up, and claimed ass ts of about $\$ 27.000$. For a time they did well, and were understo to hive a good surplus. The partners were Gustave Grau, Thos. Maier, Carl Heinz, S. W. McKcown, and Mrs. G. Grau, most of them having experiance in this line. They were disappointed about securing additional canital and have been more or loss press $d$ on a count of porr collections in the North-West. and general tightness in tho money market.
The Imperial Carpet Co.. Itc.. Toronto, has assigned for the benefit of its creditors. The liabilities are placed at about $\$ 508000$, and the assets at $\$ 650,000$. The comp iny bas been in existence about eight years, and did a wholesale buciness.
The Fairies Milling Co., Toronto, has assigned for the benefit of the creditors as a whole. A short time ago tho owners sold their stock at 100 cents in the dollar, and the company was doing a profitable business. The assets are anproximately $\$ 46.423$, and the liabilities but $\$ 29,099$. A settlement will likely be made.

Mr. Justice Taetzel 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. Hutehinson, and his Lordship gave leave to the limmidator to allow the purchaser, upon payment of a further $\$ 1000$ to navigate the Argyle from Kingston to Toronto, the ship to remain the prowity of the louidator till the payment of the balance of the purchase price.
-A winding-up order has been granted against the Tmperial Button Co., city.
Commercial failures in the United States number 289 against 256 last week, 243 the preceding week and 228 the corresponding week last year. Failures in Canada are 27, against 29 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 appared 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 folt soon after the departure of their formerly somewhat well-tc-do officers. A small volcano was e.idently smoldering. At the close of last week a petition in bankruptey 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 IT. 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 mtent 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 bankruptey. 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 petitionere 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 anding 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 1 asked for. Then he expresses surprise that I did not address the same letter to a number of gentlemen whoce names he mentions. Why should I? I endeavoured to make it peifectly 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 stiange that he should consider himself sufficiently well informed in regard to other businesses to be able to say offhand that he believed the home markets should be secured to them. 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 protect-d, but it will take some time to determine whether that particular occupation or pursuit in which 1 am engaged is to be classed as an "industry." Now I want to know, and the clections 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 :rmit 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 insurnnee companies in Canada, and I venture to say it is not sound eeonomically.
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 nnnounced, but the same reuson 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 4 th 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 Mir. 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 :lll 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 fa'ling to obtain it, made arrangements with the Shawinigan Power Co. Efforts are afoot to organize a rew company to take over the power plant, and, perhaps, to tuin the building into a factory in some other line of manufacture.

## FINANCIAL REVIEW.

Montreal, Thursday p.m., Oct. 22nd, 1908.
Stock brokers have bean comparatively busy during the week, electionecring 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 T. 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 2,171 shares at $1071 / 4$ to $1073 / 4$. Lake of Wonds returns 590 shares sold at 89 to $92 \frac{1}{2}$. 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 2191/2; Traders. 129 $1 / 2$; Merchants 154 ; Toronto $2091 / 2$.
In New York, money on call 1 to $11 / 4$ per cent. Timeloans, 60 days $23 / 4$ to 3 per cent; 90 days $31 / 4$ to $31 / 2$ per cent; six months $31 / 4$ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 to $41 / 2$ per cent. Sterling exc., 4.84 .90 to 4.85 for 60 -day bills and at 4.86 .55 for demand. Bar silver $511 / 2$; U.S. Steel, com. $471 / 2$; pfd. 110. In London bar silver 2333 d p 3 ounce. Money $3 / 4$ per cent. Discounted rates: Short bills $17-16$ to $1 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent; 3 months' bills 2 per. cent. American eagles 76 s 63/8\%. Gold bars $77 \mathrm{~s} .113 / \mathrm{s}$. Berlin exc. on London 20 marks 42 pfennigs. Paris exc., 25 franes 10 centimes.

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Miscellaneous:

| Can. Pacific. . . . . . | 579 | 1753/4 | 1741/2 | $17.51 / \mathrm{s}$ | 155 |
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| Mont. St. Ry | 102 | 190 | 1871/2 | 190 | 160 |
| Do. New | 25 | 184 | 184 | 184 | 164 |
| 'Ioronto St. | 86 | 105 | 104 | 1041/2 | 91 |
| Halifax Elec. Ry. | 77 | 103 | 102 | 103 | 93 |
| Nich. \& Ont. Nav. Co. | 2 | 75 | 75 | 75 | ¢1 |
| Mont. Light, H. \& Power | 4045 | 1081/4 | 107 | 108 | 831/4 |
| Can. Gen. Electric. | 10 | 1001/2 | 1001/2 | 1001/2 |  |
| N.s. Steel \& Co | 80 | 481/4 | $473 / 4$ | 48 | 52 |
| Dom. Iron \& Steel, com. | 210 | $161 / 4$ | 151/2 | $151 / 2$ | $123 / 4$ |
| Do. Pref. | 2 | 63 | 63 | 63 | $393 / 1$ |
| 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 | 1381/2 | 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\% |  |
| 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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-The Dominion Car and Foundry Co. which has been upon shortened time for some months past, hopes in a week or two to be running a full staff every day upon orders lately received from Canadian roads.
-During last month 145 persons were refused admission to Canada, as being likely to prove undesirable citizens.

## 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 Oetober 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 39975 , 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 cillall 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 cf 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 handepicked 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 $251 / 4 \mathrm{e}$ to 26 c in round lots and $261 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ for small lots. Recepts moderate. Exports of butter last week were nil, as ag inst 3,382 packages for the previous week.

CHEESE.-Quiet with western at $121 / 4 \mathrm{e}$ to $123 / 8 \mathrm{c}$ and eastern at $113 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to $117 / \mathrm{s}^{\mathrm{c}}$. 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 boves, 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, 1480,828 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 49,885 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 25 c 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 hy 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 ho'd the crop back. New York spot closed quiet, 10 points decline; muddling uplands, 9.20 c ; do. gulf, 9.45 c . Liverpool, closing cotton, spot, small business done; prices, 4 points lower; American middling, fair, 5.53 d ; good middling 5.17 d ; middling, 4.99 d ; low middling 4.75 d ; good ordinary 4.19 d ; ordinury 3.79d. In the United States cotton goods markets prices show a hardening tendency, both in wide and narrow cloths. Contracts on wide 64 s are reported refused at $41 / 8 \mathrm{c}$, 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 $47 / 8 \mathrm{c} \quad 3$ off, with a good many séllers holding for 5 cents. China has made a good many propositions, but they are largely regarded as impozsible. Blaached 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 shectings, $61 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; 3-yard sheetings 6e; 4-yard $50 \times 60$ sheetings, $41 / 2 \mathrm{e}$; print cloth 28 -inch standard, 3c; $381 / 2^{-i n c h}$ standard $41 / s^{c} ; 9-\mathrm{oz}$. denims, $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; standard drills, $63 / 4$ to 7 e ; standard pr:nts, $4 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{c}$; staple ginghams, 5 c .
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 yar 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 yours 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 $2,171 \mathrm{pkgs}$, compared with 2,503 for the previous week and 2,449 for the sorresponding week last year. The arrivals since May 1st to date have been 174,040 cases, against 152812 for the same period a year ago, showing an increase of 21,223 cases. The market is quiet, selected stock quoted at 24 to $24 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{C}$. No. 1 at $201 / 2 \mathrm{c}$, and No. 2 at $171 / 2^{\mathrm{e}}$ per dozen.

FISH AND OYSTERS. -Fish in good supply and eas: 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, l0e per lb ; haddock 4 to 5 c ; market cod 4 to $41 / 2 \mathrm{e}$; steak cod, heads off, 6 to 7 c ; pike, Brochet, 8 c ; dore or pickerel 10 to 11 e ; lake trout 9 c ; whitefish 10 c ; mackerel 10 c ; new smelts 10 c ; dressed bullheads 10 e ; sea trout, or weakfish, 12 c; American live lobsters 22c.-Frozen: Salmon, B.C., 10 c per 1 b ; do. Gaspe 17e; pike, dressed, 6c ; pickerel or dore 10e; whitefish, small, round, 6c.-Oysters: Silects, bulk, $\$ 1.60$ per gal.; standard. bulk, $\$ 1.40$; standards, quart tins, sealed, 40 c ; paper pails $100 \mathrm{qts} .$, $\$ 1.50$; 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 18e.-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. h hlf 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, 7 c per lb.

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GKIIN.-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 60 e to 62 e per bushel, afloat. The trade in oats continues quiet, but values show no further change. Ontario new crop No. 2 white is quoted at 44 c to $44 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; No. 3 at 43 c to $431 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; and No. 4at $421 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ to 43 c ; with Manitoba old crop No. 2 white at $451 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 46c; No. 3 at $44 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ to 45 c , and rejected at $431 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ to 44 c per Lushel, 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 $3 / \mathrm{s}^{\mathrm{c}}$ to $3 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Oats were also weak. Corn was firm. Cash quotations in Chicago were as follows:-Flour ,steady, No. 2 spring wheat, $\$ 1.02$; No. 3, 96 c to $\$ 1.03$; No. 2 red, $991 / 4 \mathrm{e}$ to $\$ 1.01$. No. 2 corn, 72 c to $731 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; No. 2 yellow, 78 e to $781 / 4 \mathrm{e}$; No. 2 wh te, $493 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to 5 ll ; No. 3 white, 44 c to $491 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. No. 2 rye, 75 c to $751 / 2^{\mathrm{c}}$. Good feeding barley, 54 c to $541 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; fair to choice malting, 57 c to 60 c . No. 1 flaxseed, $\$ 1.131 / 2$ to $\$ 1.22$; No. 1 nor thwestern, $\$ 1.231 / 2$. 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 estinuated 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 four 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 beth 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, aithough shorts have deelined a little in the past week. Coarse grains are without exception all easier. Toronto dealers' quotations are:-nntario wheat: No. 2 white or red outside $891 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 90 c ; No. 2 mixed 89 c to $891 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. - 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 10 c ; 2 inch $9 \mathrm{c} ; 13 / 4$ inch $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. -Dates: Per lb., 4c. Bananas: Jamaica, jumbos, per bunch, $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 2$.-California peaches: Box, $\$ 1.50$. -Sweet potatoes, hbl, \$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. $1, \$ 1.50$; No. $2 \$ 3.50$.-Grapes: Regers, red, basket. 20c; blue, 20c; Ni garas 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 75 c; Red bag, $\$ 1.25$.-Peanuts: Jumbos, 1b., 12c; French 9 c ; Dimbolas, 8e.
G:OHRIES-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 Vokohama from May st to September 14th amount to 77 ,600 piculs. against 97,100 piculs at the corresponling date last year. Quotations: Common 24 to 26 yeṇ; 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, 3.48 e ; centrifugal, 96 test, 3.98 c ; molasses sugar, 3.23c. 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, 10 s 3 d ; centrifugal 11 s 6 d . Beet sugar, October 10 s $11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. There is not much change in coffee at New York where spot closed quiet. No. 7, Rio, $61 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; No. 4 Santos, $81 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; mild, dull; Cordova $91 / 4 \mathrm{e}$ to $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. 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 vurrent business is light, roasters taking supplies only as needed. - 1 he cocoa market at New York has during the past week touched the low level of three years ago, African "to arrive" selling for instanec at $103 / 8 \mathrm{c}$ and Sanchez at $91 / \mathrm{s}$ e. 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 $251 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ and Sanchez at $241 / 2$ 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 pér cent.
-In dried fruits, prunes are dull and inclined to be weak. There is reason to believe that offers of $31 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ 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 secded fruit than a few days igo. 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 weakaned, and offers are now made at 70 cents f.o.b. This is the lowest price reached in a long time, and it may $g_{0}$ 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 $1 / 4 \mathrm{c}$, 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 shoe 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 13 c to 14 c , and dark at 10 c to 12 c , as to size of section. White extract honey is selling at 9 c to 10 c per lb . Buckwheat honey 7 e to $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{e}$.

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, $\$ 13.371 / 2$ to $\$ 13.621 / 2$. Lead, dull, $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.30$. Tin, easy; straits, $\$ 28.90$ to $\$ 29.15$. Spelter, dull; Comestic,
$\$ 4.771 / 2$ to $\$ 4.821 / 2$. 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 easicr, 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 litile structural business is also recorded, chiefly in the awarding of bridge contracts that were under consideration for several weeks. Plates and other matarials 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 17 th were 4,064 cattle and 1.051 sheep; last weok 4,782 and 297; last year 3,959 and 1,600 . In London, Canadians were $1 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ higher and in Liverpool $111 / 4 \mathrm{e}$ to $121 / 4 \mathrm{c}$, with ranchers at $103 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to $111 / 2^{\mathrm{c}}$. All the Liverpool space for the balance of this month has been booked up at 30 s, but there is still some Glas. gow offering at 30 s and Manchester at 25 s to 30 s . In eonsequence of a limited supply of good to choice cattle prices in Montreal were $1 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ higher. Sales of several car loads of good North-west ranch and Manitoba, domestic cattle were made for export account at $41 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ to $43 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ per lb . and local butch?rs paid as high as 5 c 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 $43 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to 5 c , good ranch and Manitoba cattle. for export, at $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $43 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; good butchers stock at $41 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; fair at $31 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $33 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; common at $23 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to $31 / 4 \mathrm{c}$, and inferior at 2 c to $21 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ per 1b. Sheep and lambs were in large supply and easier. Choice lambs $43 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to 5 c and good $41 / 4 \mathrm{e}$ to $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Sheep 3 c to $31 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Calves in demand at $\$ 3$ to $\$ 8$ each. Hogs easy with sates of selected at $\$ 6.50$ and common at $\$ 6$ to $\$ 6.25$.

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

MILLFEED.-Demand active and prices firm. Manitoba bran $\$ 21$ to $\$ 22$; shorts $\$ 25$; Ontario bran $\$ 21$ to $\$ 22$; middings, $\$ 26$ 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, 44 s 3 d. Sperm oil, £31. Linseed oil, 21s. Petroleum, American refined $613-16 \mathrm{~d}$; do., spirits, $71 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$. Turpentine, spirits, 27 s . Rosin, American strained, 7s; do., fine, 15s. Antwerp, petroleum, 22 franes. New York rosin. quiet; strained common to good, $\$ 2.90$ to $\$ 2.95$. Turpentine easy, $391 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.-Sarannah, Ga., turpentine, firm, 36c.

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

PROVISIONS.-Market steady, business fair. Fresh killed hogs weaker at $\$ 9.25$ to $\$ 950$ 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 $\$ 25.50$. Pure lard: Therces, $375 \mathrm{lbs} ., 131 / 4 \mathrm{c}$, boxes, 50 lbs. , net, parehment lined, $131 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; tubs, 50 lbs. , net, grained, $135 / \mathrm{s}$ c, pails, wood, 20 lbs., net, parchment lined, $133 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; tin, pails, 20 lbs., gross, $131 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ cases of $6 \mathrm{tins}, 10 \mathrm{lbs}$. each, $133 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; cases of $5 \mathrm{lbs} .137 / \mathrm{s}$; cases of 3 lbs.. tins, 14c. Smoked meats:-Hams, 25 lbs., and upwards, $121 / 2 \mathrm{c} ; 18$ to $25 \mathrm{lbs} ., 131 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; do., 12 to $18 \mathrm{lbs} ., 14 \mathrm{c}$; do., 8 to 12 lbs., 14 c ; do., large hams, bone out, rolled, 15 c ; small do., 16c; selected English boneless breakfast bacon, 161/2c; boneless, thick brown brand, English breakfast bacon, 16c; Windsor bacon, backs, 17 c ; boneless short, spiced roll bacon, $12 \frac{1}{2}$ c; Wiltshire bacon, $50 \mathrm{lbs} .$, sides, 15 c .
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: 5,500 bales; scoured is 2d to 1s 8 d ; greasy, $51 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$ to 1 s .- Queensland: 2,100 bales; scoured, 1 s 3 d to 1 s 7 d ; greasy $53 / 1 \mathrm{~d}$ to $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. -Victoria: 1,700 bales; scoured 1 s $11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to 1 s $51 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$; greasy $33 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$ to 1 s $11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. -South Australia: 200 bales; scoured, 10d to ls 5d; greasy nil.-New Zealand: 3.900 bales; scoured $101 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to ls 8d; greasy 4 d to $111 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. - Cape of Good Hope and Natal: 200 bales; scoured ls 5 d ; greasy $61 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$ to $81 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$.

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SEALED IENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Cap St. Ignace Wharf," will be received at this office until $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., on Friday, November 13, 1908, for the consuruction of a Wharf at Cap St. Ignace, Montmagny County, Province of Quebec, according to a plan and specification to bz seen at offices of A. Decary, Esq., Re sident Engineer, Post Office, Queber, 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.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed form supplied, and signed with the actual signatures of tenderers.
An accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, for seventeen hundred dollars ( $\$ 1.700 .00$ ), must accompany each tender. The chegue will be forfeited if the person tendoring decline the contract or fail to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.

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

By Order,
NAP. TESSTER,
Secrntary.
Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, October 14, 1908.
Newspapers will not be paid for this advertisement if they insert it without authority from the Department.

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTHWEST.

## HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.

Any even-numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta, excepting 8 and 26 , not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section of 160 acres more or less.

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.
DU'ILES:-(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.
N.B. - Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not paid for.

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

## Name of Article.

Wholesale.


Cheese-


## Eggs-



## Sundries-

Potatoes, per bag ..
Honey, White Clover, ©omb ... .. ..
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## INVESTORS

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##  <br> VOLUNTEER BOUNTY ACT. 1908. WARNING TO PURCHASERS,

EVERY assignment of the right of a South African Volunteer entitled to a land grant must be by way of appointment of a substitute and must be in the torm provided by the Act.
special attention is called to Subesection 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 mportance 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, an l 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 Plater- | 8 c |
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| Full Polish | 60 |
|  | 250 |
| Ordinary, 60 sheets ... .. | 255 |
| Ordinary, 75 sheets .. ... .. .. .. .. | 265 |
| Black Iron Pipe, 1/4 inch .. .. .. .. | 203 |
| 8/8 inch .. .. .. .. | ${ }_{2}^{2} 25$ |
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Per 100 feet net.-


Spelter, per $100 \mathrm{lbs} . ~ . . ~ . . ~ . . ~ . . ~ . . ~ . . ~ . ~$
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Black Sheet Iron, per $100 \mathrm{lbm} .-$

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## BUILDING PAPER-

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## LEATHER -



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Laths, (Per 1000).


Department of Railways and Canals, Canada TRENT CANAL.
(Lindsay Section.)

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

SIAALED 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 Sehedule will form part of the contract.
Contractors are roquested 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 roturned to the respective contractors whose tenders are not accepted.
The lowest or any tenider not necessari-
ly accepted.
By order,
L. K. JONES,

Secretary.
Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, 17th October, 1908.
Newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority from the De partment will not be paid for it.

## BANK OF MONTREAL

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND of TWO-AND-ONE-HALT PER CWNT upon the paid up Capital Stuck of this Institution has been declared for the current Quarter, and that the same will be PAYABLE at its Banking Fouse in this City, and at its Branches, on and after TUESDAY, the FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER next, to Shareholders of record Cf 1s: h November
The Annual General Mecting 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,

Genc"al Manager
Montreal, 20th October, 1908

## WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

Name of Article.
Wholesale.

## Glue-

Domestic Broken Sheet
French Casks
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French Casks
French, barrels
American White, barrels
Coopers' Glue ... .. ..
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Brown Japan
Black Japan
Orange Shellac, No. 1
Orange Shellac, pure
White Shellac
Putty, bulk, 100 lb . barrel
Putty, in bladders
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## COFFEE.

The following is a circular from Hy Nordingrr and Co., of New York:-We refer to our last report of the 15th uitimo. Beginning with the 17 th 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 2 nd 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. Europein newspapers have gone too far in decrying the propos d Sa . Paulo Government loan of $£ 15,000000$ sterting, and have entered a fie! ${ }^{\text {a }}$ which they have little or no knew!edre. These nowspapers intimate that the current Rio and Sintos crop is eq̧ual to that of 1901-1902 when about $151 / 2 \mathrm{million}$ brgs were brought to market, but do not ." their source of intormation. Anonymous statements do not carry gre et we ght, being too often dictated by selfish motives. Despite repows, which have it, that the Government is mee ng with serious difficulties in placing the Inan, we learn from good authority, that this loan of $£ 15000,000$ sterling, with coffen as col lateral, will be ottered tor public sunscript on at an early date at a price tixed at somewhat above 90 per cent.
The coffee trade has no interest in tie success or tature of thes public ottering. The underwriters have made themselves re-porsible to take the bonds whethe the public relleves them of their obligations or not. The only interest the trade
$\mathrm{h}_{\text {as }}$ in this matter 1s, to know what pro viso has been made with reference to the $d_{1}$ posal of the collateral. We are as yei 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.1. eventualiy rest. it is certanly a disturbing element in the trade to have $\alpha_{1} / 2$ mullion bags of cotree locked up, the owntrship of which is liable to bo shitted any day from the shoulders of the Givernment to those of the bond-holders it wo..d he fir pref rable to see this coffeo distributed among the trade, where it properly belongs, and where it would tind a nat:ral out'et. We must, however consider the case as it is and not as it might or should be. The (iovernm nt is to-day the biggest factor in the coffee business, and wil! most likely ramuin so for good or evil. The onginal a $m$ of the Giovernment undertaking wa, to protect the pante:s 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 lact that last year's crop was about $21 / 4$ million bags smaller than the consumption and despite the fact that the Government not only held its coffce out of the market but added about 3.40 : a million bags to its holdings, that crop was marketed below cost of product on. It is reisonable to ask. what will happen when we again have excessive crops to deal with, as may and mot 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 requ rements. No reports have as yet been received by us regarding the Howering. The weather of late was favourable, with $r$ ins 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 unders gned, and endorsed "Tender

 for Postal Station J., 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 ©ffice, 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 accomp ini d 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 accept ed the cheque will be returned.

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

By order,

## NAP. TESSIER,

Seeretary.
Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, October 8, 1908.
Newspapers will not be paid for this advert sement if thev insert it without authority from the Department.

## Sterling Exchange

Table for Converting Sterling Money into Dollars and Cents at the Par of Exchange ( $91 / 2$ per cent premium).
$\nLeftarrow$ Dollars.
$1 \quad 4.86667$
$2 \quad 9.73333$
$3 \quad 14.60000$
$4 \quad 19.46667$
5 $24.33 \quad 333$

- 29.20000
$7 \quad 34.06667$
$8 \quad 38.93 \quad 333$
$9 \quad 43.80000$
$\begin{array}{ll}10 & 48.66667\end{array}$
$11 \quad 53.53333$
$12 \quad 58.40 \quad 00 \quad 0$
$13 \quad 63.26667$
$14 \quad 68.13333$
$15 \quad 73.00 \quad 000$
$\begin{array}{ll}16 & 77.86 \\ 667\end{array}$
$17 \quad 82.73 \quad 33 \quad 3$
$18 \quad 87.60000$
$19 \quad 92.46 \quad 667$
$20 \quad 97.33 \quad 33 \quad 3$
21102.20000
22107.06667
$23111.93 \quad 333$
24116.80000
25121.66667
26126.53333
27131.40000
28136.26667
29141.13333
30146.00000
31150.86667
32155.73333
33160.60000
34165.46667
$35 \quad 170.33333$
£ Dollars.
$36 \quad 175.2000 \quad 0$ $37 \quad 180.06 \quad 667$ $38 \quad 184.93 \quad 33 \quad 3$ $39 \quad 189.50000$ $40 \quad 194.66 \quad 667$ $41 \quad 199.53 \quad 33 \quad 3$ $42 \quad 204.4000 \quad 0$ $43 \quad 209.26 \quad 667$ $44 \quad 214.13 \quad 33 \quad 3$ $45 \quad 219.00000$ $46 \quad 223.86 \quad 667$ $47 \quad 228.73 \quad 33 \quad 3$ $48 \quad 233.60000$ $49 \quad 238.46 \quad 667$ $50 \quad 243.33 \quad 33 \quad 3$ $51 \quad 248.20000$ $\begin{array}{ll}52 & 253.06 \\ 667\end{array}$ $53 \quad 257.93 \quad 33 \quad 3$ $\begin{array}{lll}54 & 262.80 \quad 00 & 0\end{array}$ $55 \quad 267.66 \quad 667$ $56 \quad 272.53 \quad 33 \quad 3$ $57 \quad 277.40000$ $\begin{array}{lll}58 & 282.26 & 667\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}59 & 287.13 \\ 33 & 3\end{array}$ $60 \quad 292.00 \quad 00 \quad 0$ $61 \quad 296.86 \quad 667$ $62 \quad 301.73 \quad 33 \quad 3$ $63 \quad 306.6000 \quad 0$ $\begin{array}{ll}64 & 311.46 \\ 667\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}65 & 316.33 & 33 & 3\end{array}$ $66 \quad 321.2000 \quad 0$ $67 \quad 326.06 \quad 667$ $68 \quad 330.93 \quad 33 \quad 3$ $\begin{array}{llll}69 & 335.80 & 00 & 0\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lll}70 & 340.66 & 667\end{array}$
f Dollars.
$\begin{array}{lllll}71 & 345.53 & 33 & 3\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}72 \quad 350.40 & 00\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}73 & 355.26 \\ 667\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}74 & 360.13 & 33 & 3\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}75 & 365.00 & 00 & 0\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lll}76 & 369.86 & 667\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}77 & 374.73 & 33 & 3\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lll}78 & 379.60 & 00\end{array} 0$ $\begin{array}{lll}79 & 384.46 & 667\end{array}$ $80 \quad 389.33 \quad 33 \quad 3$ 81394.20000 $\begin{array}{lll}82 & 399.06 \quad 667\end{array}$ $83 \quad 403.93 \quad 33 \quad 3$ $84 \quad 408.80 \quad 00 \quad 0$ $\begin{array}{ll}85 & 413.66 \quad 667\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}86 & 418.53 & 33 & 3\end{array}$ $87 \quad 423.4000 \quad 0$ $\begin{array}{ll}88 & 428.26 \quad 667\end{array}$ $89 \quad 433.13 \quad 33 \quad 3$ $90 \quad 438.00 \quad 00 \quad 0$ $\begin{array}{lll}91 & 442.86 & 667\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}92 & 447.73 \quad 33\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}93 & 452.60 \quad 00 \quad 0\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lll}94 & 457.46 & 667\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}95 & 462.33 & 33 & 3\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}96 & 467.20 & 00 & 0\end{array}$ $97 \quad 472.06 \quad 667$ $\begin{array}{llll}98 & 476.93 & 33 & 3\end{array}$ $99 \quad 481.80 \quad 00 \quad 0$ $\begin{array}{ll}100 & 486.66 \quad 667\end{array}$ $200 \quad 973.33 \quad 333$ 3001460.00000 4001946.66667 $500 \quad 2433.33 \quad 33 \quad 3$
6002920.00000

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$\begin{array}{lllllllllll}4.0 & 0 & 97.3 & 8.0 & 1 & 94.7 & 12.0 & 2 & 92.0 & 16.0 & 3 \\ 89.3\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllll}1 & 0 & 02.0 & 1 & 0 & 99.4 & 1 & 1 & 96.7 & 1 & 2 & 94.0\end{array} \quad 1 \quad 391.4$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllll}2 & 0 & 04.1 & 2 & 1 & 01.4 & 2 & 1 & 98.7 & 2 & 2 & 96.1 & 2\end{array} 393.4$ $\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}3 & 0 & 06.1 & 3 & 1 & 03.4 & 3 & 2 & 00.8 & 3 & 2 & 98.1 & 3 & 3 & 95.4\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}4 & 0 & 08.1 & 4 & 1 & 05.4 & 4 & 2 & 02.8 & 4 & 3 & 00.1 & 4 & 3 \\ 97.4\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}5 & 0 & 10.1 & 5 & 1 & 07.5 & 5 & 2 & 04.8 & 5 & 3 & 02.1 & 5 & 3 & 99.5\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}6 & 0 & 12.2 & 6 & 1 & 09.5 & 6 & 2 & 06.8 & 6 & 3 & 04.2 & 6 & 4 & 01.5\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}7 & 0 & 14.2 & 7 & 1 & 11.5 & 7 & 2 & 08.9 & 7 & 3 & 06.2 & 7 & 4 \\ 8 & 03.5\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}8 & 0 & 16.2 & 8 & 1 & 13.6 & 8 & 2 & 10.9 & 8 & 3 & 08.2 & 8 & 4 & 05.6\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrr}9 & 0 & 18.3 & 9 & 1 & 15.6 & 9 & 2 & 12.9 & 9 & 3 & 10.3 & 9 & 4 & 07.6\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}10 & 0 & 20.3 & 10 & 1 & 17.6 & 10 & 2 & 14.9 & 10 & 3 & 12.3 & 10 & 4 & 09.6\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}11 & 0 & 22.3 & 11 & 1 & 19.6 & 11 & 2 & 17.0 & 11 & 3 & 14.3 & 11 & 4 \\ 11.6\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}1.0 & 0 & 24.3 & 5.0 & 1 & 21.7 & 9.0 & 2 & 19.0 & 13.0 & 3 & 16.3 & 17.0 & 4 & 13.7\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}1 & 0 & 26.4 & 1 & 1 & 23.7 & 1 & 2 & 21.0 & 1 & 3 & 18.4 & 1 & 4 \\ 15.7\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllll}-2 & 0 & 28.4 & 2 & 1 & 25.7 & 2 & 2 & 23.1 & 2 & 3 & 20.4 & 2 \\ 4 & 17.7\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}3 & 0 & 30.4 & 3 & 1 & 27.8 & 3 & 2 & 25.1 & 3 & 3 & 22.4 & 3 & 4 & 19.8\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}4 & 0 & 32.4 & 4 & 1 & 29.8 & 4 & 2 & 27.1 & 4 & 3 & 24.4 & 4 & 4\end{array} 21.8$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}5 & 0 & 34.5 & 5 & 1 & 31.8 & 5 & 2 & 29.1 & 5 & 3 & 26.5 & 5 & 4 & 23.8\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}6 & 0 & 36.5 & 6 & 1 & 33.8 & 6 & 2 & 31.2 & 6 & 3 & 28.5 & 6 & 4 \\ 7 & 25.8\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}7 & 0 & 38.5 & 7 & 1 & 35.9 & 7 & 2 & 33.2 & 7 & 3 & 30.5 & 7 & 4 & 27.9 \\ 8 & 0 & 40.6 & 8 & 1 & 37.9 & 8 & 2 & 35.2 & 8 & 3 & 32.6 & 8 & 4 & 29.9\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllll}8 & 0 & 40.6 & 8 & 1 & 37.9 & 8 & 2 & 35.2 & \mathrm{~S} & 3 & 32.6 \\ 9 & 0 & 42.6 & 9 & 1 & 39.9 & 9 & 2 & 37.3 & 9 & 3 & 34.6 \\ 9 & 4 & 4 & 31.9\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllll}10 & 0 & 44.6 & 10 & 1 & 41.9 & 10 & 2 & 39.3 & 10 & 3 & 36.6\end{array} 10 \begin{aligned} & 43.9\end{aligned}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllll}11 & 0 & 46.6 & 11 & 1 & 44.0 & 11 & 2 & 41.3 & 11 & 3 & 38.6 & 11 \\ 4.36 .0\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}2.0 & 0 & 48.7 & 6.0 & 1 & 46.0 & 10.0 & 2 & 43.3 & 14.0 & 3 & 40.7 & 18.0 & 4 & 38.0\end{array}$

| 1 | 0 | 50.7 | 1 | 1 | 48.0 | 1 | 2 | 45.4 | 1 | 3 | 42.7 | 1 | 4 | 40.0 |
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| 2 | 0 | 52.7 | 2 | 1 | 50.1 | 2 | 2 | 47.4 | 2 | 3 | 44.7 | 2 | 4 | 42.1 |
| 3 | 0 | 54.8 | 3 | 1 | 52.1 | 3 | 2 | 49.4 | 3 | 3 | 46.8 | 3 | 4 | 44.1 |
| 4 | 0 | 56.8 | 4 | 1 | 54.1 | 4 | 2 | 51.4 | 4 | 3 | 48.8 | 4 | 4 | 46.1 |
| 5 | 0 | 58.8 | 5 | 1 | 56.1 | 5 | 2 | 53.5 | 5 | 3 | 50.8 | 5 | 4 | 48.1 |
| 6 | 0 | 60.8 | 6 | 1 | 58.2 | 6 | 2 | 55.5 | 6 | 3 | 52.8 | 6 | 4 | 50.2 |
| 7 | 0 | 62.9 | 7 | 1 | 60.2 | 7 | 2 | 57.5 | 7 | 3 | 54.9 | 7 | 4 | 52.2 |
| 8 | 0 | 64.9 | 8 | 1 | 62.2 | 8 | 2 | 59.6 | 8 | 3 | 56.9 | 8 | 4 | 54.2 |
| 9 | 0 | 66.9 | 9 | 1 | 64.3 | 9 | 2 | 61.6 | 9 | 3 | 58.9 | 9 | 4 | 56.3 |
| 10 | 0 | 68.9 | 10 | 1 | 66.3 | 10 | 2 | 63.6 | 10 | 3 | 60.9 | 10 | 458.3 |  |
| 11 | 0 | 71.0 | 11 | 1 | 68.3 | 11 | 2 | 65.6 | 11 | 3 | 63.0 | 11 | 460.3 |  |
| 3.0 | 0 | 73.0 | 7.0 | 1 | 70.3 | 11.0 | 2 | 67.7 | 15.0 | 3 | 65.0 | 19.0 | 4 | 62.3 |


| 1 | 0 | 75.0 | 1 | 1 | 72.4 | 1 | 2 | 69.7 | 1 | 3 | 67.0 | 1 |
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| 2 | 0 | 77.1 | 2 | 1 | 74.4 | 2 | 2 | 71.7 | 2 | 3 | 69.1 | 2 |
| 4 | 66.4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | 0 | 79.1 | 3 | 1 | 76.4 | 3 | 2 | 73.8 | 3 | 3 | 71.1 | 3 |
| 4 | 0.81 .1 | 4 | 1 | 78.4 | 4 | 2775.8 | 4 | 3 | 73.1 | 4 | 470.4 |  |
| 5 | 0 | 83.1 | 5 | 1 | 80.5 | 5 | 2 | 77.8 | 5 | 3 | 75.1 | 5 |
| 4 | 42.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6 | 0 | 85.2 | 6 | 1 | 82.5 | 6 | 2 | 79.8 | 6 | 3 | 77.2 | 6 |
| 4 | 47.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7 | 0 | 87.2 | 7 | 1 | 84.5 | 7 | 281.9 | 7 | 3 | 79.2 | 7 | 476.5 |
| 8 | 0 | 89.2 | 8 | 1 | 86.6 | 8 | 283.9 | 8 | 3 | 81.2 | 8 | 478.6 |
| 9 | 0 | 91.3 | 9 | 1 | 88.6 | 9 | 285.9 | 9 | 3 | 83.3 | 9 | 480.6 |
| 10 | 0 | 93.3 | 10 | 1 | 90.6 | 10 | 287.9 | 10 | 3 | 85.3 | 10 | 482.6 |
| 11 | 0 | 95.3 | 11 | 1 | 92.6 | 11 | 2 | 90.0 | 11 | 3 | 87.3 | 11 | 484.6

## 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 pract:cal purposes is prophesied by E. Lemaire in La Nature. In recent years the electrical and chemical industries have made large use of the valuable properties of glass. In the electrical industry its nonconductibility for heat and electricity has been especially useful; in chemical laboratories its great power of resistance to reagents. Nevertheless, the applications
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 insulating to electricity. Workmen wearing it would be proof against burns in the metallurgical industries and against injury by acids in chemical works;

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 finally, in the electrical industries, rubber gloves, when guarded on the outside by spun-glass coverings, would absolutelyprevent death from electric shock. The present use of spun glass fabries is not wide, but the cause should be solght in , the lack of information on the subject in technical literature. Such is the opinion, at least, expressed by Mr. R. Tee in the Elektrotechnischer Anzeiger, from whose article we gather some of she following data:

The art of spinning giass would fopear to have been prasticed br the alcient Egyptians, but it was of little impertance until the manufarture of gl:ss was taken up at Vence. By the end of the eighteenth century the spinning of glass

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

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|  | d. | ※ s. d. | \$ | f s. d. | f s. d. |
|  | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 4 & 11 / 4\end{array}$ | 2010 111/3 | 51 | 10.9 | 1047 18 103/4 |
|  | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 8 & 3\end{array}$ | 41111 | 52 | $101381 / 2$ | $1068{ }^{1} 101 / 4$ |
| 3 | 012 | $6112101 / 2$ | 53 | $1017 \quad 93 / 4$ | 1089 O 93/4 |
| 4 |  <br> $161 / 4$ | 82.310 | 54 | 11111 | 110911 91/4 |
| 5 | $61 / 3$ | $1021491 / 2$ | 55 | $111801 / 4$ | $11302883 / 4$ |
| 6 | 148 | 12359 | 56 | 1110 13/4 | $11501381 / 2$ |
| 7 | 91/4 | $1431681 / 8$ | 57 | 11143 | 117148 |
| 8 | 112 101/2 | 16478 | 58 | 1118 41/4 | $119115 \quad 71 / 2$ |
| 9 | $116113 / 4$ | $1841871 / 2$ | 59 | $12 \begin{array}{lll}12 & 51 / 2\end{array}$ | $1 \angle 126$ |
| 10 | $2111 / 4$ | 20597 | 60 | 1267 | $123217 \quad 61 / 2$ |
| 11 | 2 - $21 / 2$ | $226061 / 2$ | 61 | $121081 / 4$ | 12538 |
| 12 | 2 y $33 / 4$ | 246116 | 62 | $121491 / 2$ | $12731951 / 6$ |
| 13 | 213 | $207251 / 2$ | 63 | $1218103 / 4$ | 129410 |
| 14 | $21761 / 3$ | 287135 | 64 | 133013  <br> $1 / 4$  | $\begin{array}{llll}1315 & 1 & 41 / 2\end{array}$ |
| 15 | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 18 / 4\end{array}$ | 308 \& 41/2 | 65 | $13711 / 2$ | 1335124 |
| 16 | 59 | 328154 | 66 | $1311123 / 4$ | $\begin{array}{llll}135 & 3 & 31 / 2\end{array}$ |
| $1 /$ | 3 y $101 / 4$ | $349631 / 3$ | 67 | 1315 | 137614 |
| 18 | $313113 / 4$ | $36917 \quad 3$ | 68 | 1319 51/2 | $1397{ }^{1} 51 / 2$ |
| 19 | 318 | $390 \quad 8 \quad 23 / 4$ | 69 | $14.363 / 4$ | 1417162 |
| 20 | $21 / 4$ | 41019 21/4 | 70 | 1478 | $1438 \quad 711 / 2$ |
| 21 | $31 / 2$ | $4311013 / 4$ | 71 | 1411 91/4 | 1458181 |
| 2 | 410 | $452 \quad 1 \quad 11 / 4$ | 72 | $14 \quad 15 \quad 103 / 4$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1479 & 9 & 1 / 2\end{array}$ |
| 23 | 414 61/4 | $47212 \quad 03 / 4$ | 73 | 1500 | 150000 |
| 24 | $418 \quad 71 / 2$ | $493 \quad 301 / 4$ | 74 | $15.411 / 4$ | $152010111 / 2$ |
| 25 | 529 | $51313113 / 4$ | 75 | $15.8181 / 4$ | 1541111 |
| 26 | $6101 / 4$ | $534 \times 111 / 4$ | 76 | 1512 | $156112101 / 3$ |
| 27 | $510111 / 2$ | $55415103 / 4$ | 77 | 1516516 | $1582 \quad 310$ |
| 28 | $515031 / 4$ | $5756101 / 4$ | 78 | $16.061 / 2$ | $16021491 / 2$ |
| 29 | $519 \quad 21 / 4$ | $59517 \quad 93 / 4$ | 79 | 164 | 16235 |
| 30 | $31 / 2$ | $616891 / 2$ | 80 | $16881 / 4$ | $16431681 / 2$ |
| 31 | $43 / 4$ | $6361983 / 4$ | 81 | $1612101 / 2$ | 166478 |
| 32 | 611 | $6571081 / 4$ | 82 | $1616113 / 4$ | $16841871 / 2$ |
| 33 | $61571 / 2$ | $678173 / 4$ | 83 | $17 l_{1} 111 / 1 /$ | 1705 |
| 34 | $61983 / 4$ | $6981271 / 4$ | 84 | $\begin{array}{llll}17 & 5 & 21 / 2\end{array}$ | $1726{ }^{17} 61 / 2$ |
| 35 | 310 | $719 \quad 3 \quad 63 / 4$ | 85 | $178383 / 4$ | 174611 |
| 36 | $7111 / 4$ | $73914 \quad 61 / 4$ | 86 | 1713 | $\begin{array}{llll}1767 & 2 & 51 / 2\end{array}$ |
| 37 | 7120314 | $760 \quad 5 \quad 53 / 4$ | 87 | $171761 / 2$ | 178713 |
| 38 | 7162 | $7801651 / 4$ | 88 |  | $1808441 / 2$ |
|  | $80311 / 4$ | $8017833 / 4$ | 89 | 185 | 1828154 |
|  | $8441 / 2$ | 82118 41/4 | 90 | $189101 / 4$ | 1849 6 $311 / 2$ |
| 41 | 886 | $842933 / 4$ | 91 | $1813113 / 4$ | 186917 |
| 42 | $812 \quad 71 / 4$ | $8630031 / 4$ | 92 | 18181 | $18908833 /$ |
| 43 | $816 \quad 81 / 2$ | $88311 \quad 23 / 4$ | 93 | $\begin{array}{llll}19 & 2 & 21 / 4\end{array}$ | 191019 21/4 |
| 44 | $90093 / 4$ | $904221 / 4$ | 94 | $196831 / 2$ | $19311013 / 4$ |
| 45 | $94111 / 4$ | $9241313 / 4$ | 95 | 19105 | $1952111 / 4$ |
| 46 | $89801 / 2$ | $9454111 / 4$ | 96 | 1914 61/4 | $19721203 / 4$ |
| 47 | $\\|^{8} 1313 / 4$ | $9651503 / 4$ | 97 | $191871 / 2$ | $1993301 / 4$ |
| 48 | 9173 | $986801 / 4$ | 98 | $20 \quad 29$ | $201313113 / 4$ |
| $49$ | $10 \quad 1$ 41/2 | $100616113 / 4$ | 99 | $206101 / 4$ | $20344111 / 4$ |
|  | 105853 | $1027 \times 111 / 4$ | 100 | 2010 111/2 | $205415103 / 4$ |

$\begin{array}{lllllll}49 & 10 & 1 & 41 / 2 & 1003 & 16 & 113 / 4 \\ 60 & 10 & 5 & 53 / 4 & 1027 & 7 & 111 / 4\end{array}$


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| 26 | 1 | $03 / 4$ |
| 27 | 1 | $11 / 4$ |
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| 29 | 1 | $21 / 4$ |
| 30 | 1 | $23 / 4$ |
| 31 | 1 | $31 / 4$ |
| 32 | 1 | $33 / 4$ |
| 33 | 1 | $41 / 4$ |
| 34 | 1 | $43 / 4$ |
| 35 | 1 | $51 / 4$ |
| 36 | 1 | $53 / 4$ |
| 37 | 1 | $61 / 4$ |
| 33 | 1 | $63 / 4$ |
| 39 | 1 | $71 / 4$ |
| 40 | 1 | $73 / 4$ |
| 41 | 1 | $81 / 4$ |
| 42 | 1 | $83 / 4$ |
| 43 | 1 | $91 / 4$ |
| 44 | 1 | $93 / 4$ |
| 45 | 1 | $101 / 4$ |
| 46 | 1 | $103 / 4$ |
| 47 | 1 | $111 / 4$ |
| 4 | 1 | $113 / 4$ |
| 44 | 2 | $01 / 4$ |
| 50 | 2 | $03 / 4$ |


| Cts. | s. | d. |
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| 51 | 2 | $11 / 4$ |
| 52 | 2 | $13 / 4$ |
| 53 | 2 | $21 / 4$ |
| 54 | 2 | $23 / 4$ |
| 55 | 2 | 3 |
| 56 | 2 | $31 / 2$ |
| 57 | 2 | 4 |
| 58 | 2 | $41 / 2$ |
| 59 | 2 | 5 |
| 60 | 2 | $51 / 2$ |
| 61 | 2 | 6 |
| 62 | 2 | $61 / 2$ |
| 63 | 2 | 7 |
| 64 | 2 | $71 / 2$ |
| 65 | 2 | 8 |
| 66 | 2 | $81 / 2$ |
| 67 | 2 | 9 |
| 68 | 2 | $91 / 2$ |
| 69 | 2 | 10 |
| 70 | 2 | $101 / 2$ |
| 71 | 2 | 11 |
| 72 | 2 | $111 / 2$ |
| 73 | 3 | 0 |
| 74 | 3 | $01 / 2$ |
| 75 | 3 | 1 |


| Cts. | s. | d. |
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| 76 | 3 | $11 / 2$ |
| 77 | 3 | 2 |
| 78 | 3 | $21 / 2$ |
| 79 | 3 | 3 |
| 80 | 3 | $31 / 2$ |
| 81 | 3 | 4 |
| 82 | $\mathbf{3}$ | $41 / 2$ |
| 83 | 3 | 5 |
| 84 | $\mathbf{3}$ | $51 / 2$ |
| 85 | 3 | 6 |
| 86 | 3 | $61 / 2$ |
| 87 | 3 | 7 |
| 88 | 3 | $71 / 2$ |
| 89 | 3 | 8 |
| 90 | 3 | $81 / 2$ |
| 91 | $\mathbf{3}$ | 9 |
| 92 | 3 | $91 / 4$ |
| 93 | 3 | $93 / 4$ |
| 94 | 3 | $101 / 4$ |
| 95 | 3 | $103 / 4$ |
| 96 | 3 | $111 / 4$ |
| 97 | 3 | $113 / 4$ |
| 98 | 4 | $01 / 4$ |
| 99 | 4 | $03 / 4$ |

## 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.

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 'lo dan .. .. 365334306275245214184153122 Feb .. .. $31365337306 \quad 276245 \quad 215184153123 \quad 92 \quad 62$ March .. $59 \quad 28365334304273243212181 \quad 151 \quad 120$ $\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}\text { April } & \text {.. } & 90 & 59 & 31 & 365 & 335 & 304 & 274 & 243 & 212 & 182 & 151 & 121\end{array}$ May . .. $120 \quad 89 \quad 61 \quad 30365334304273242 \quad 212181151$ June . .. $151120 \quad 92 \quad 61 \quad 31365335304273243212182$ July . .. $181 \quad 150122 \quad 91 \quad 61 \quad 30365334303273242 \quad 212$ Aug. . . . $212181 \quad 153122 \quad 92 \quad 61 \quad 31365334304273243$ sept. . .. $243 \quad 212184153123 \quad 92 \quad 62 \quad 31365335304274$ Uct. .. .. $273242214183153122 \quad 92 \quad 61 \quad 30365 \quad 334304$ Nov. . .. $304273245214184153123 \quad 92 \quad 61 \quad 31365335$ Dec. . .. 334303275244214183153122 91 61N.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 loth 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 1 fruse and Lchemia, great enough to fit them for anything but where it was long yratied oy perkatic braiding and making lace. Sucessful atartsts who frequented fairs and ker- tempts were made in the middle of the messes. It then consisted (and the nineteenth century by a Frenchman, J. method of working has not greatly de Brunfaut, with the object of obtainchanged since), in melting the end of a ing industrially longer, more flexible and glass rod in a flame, grasping :t with pin- stronger threads. Brunfant myy be cers and fixing it to a wooden drum called considered the inventor of the modern a lantern, which was turned rapidly while spun-glass industry, but unfortunately he the glass continued to be heated and sof- did not dirulge all the scerets of it tened at the end of the rod. The process manufacture. His glass gives on analy. required great manual skill, attainable sis . . . a composition very nerrly only by long pract:ce. The drum was that of Bohemian gless, which is very three or four feet in diameter and as the hard and resistant to hat and acids. . mass of glass thread rolled thereon was cut across it yielded pieces aboul thred make embroidery and passementeris. cut across it yielded pieces aboul thred make embroidery and passementeris. Th four right angles and four plans faces.
yards long. Their flex bility was not industry was once prosperous in Trance refiecting the light readily. De Prun-
and Messrs. Dubus and Bonnel were able to wave cloth with the spungrass. . .t present aigrettes and imitation ost ich feathers are made with it.

The orange-yellow glass yields brillint tissues that resemble cloth of gold, while the white spun-glass imitates silver. These f brics, despite the transpirency of glass, are not transp'rent, because the ind x of refraction between the glass and the air interposed between the fibres is too great. To get very br:lliant threads with a metallic luster a rod of glass of rectungler section is used. This yiclds a flattened thrend which preserves its

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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 eapillary 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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