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BANKING HOUSE IN THIS CITY

on and after

Saturday, the First of June next.

The transfer books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May next, both days inclusive.

THE ANNUAL CENERAL MEETING

of the Shareholders will be held at the Bank on

Monday, the 3rd day of June next.

The chair to be taken at one o'clock.

R. B. ANGUS.

General Manager.

Montreal, April 16, 1878.

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OF CANADA

DIVIDEND NO. 4.

Notice is hereby given that a

DIVIDEND OF THREE (3) PER CENT.

upon the paid-up

CAPITAL STOCK

of this institution has been declared for the current halfyear, and that the same will be

PAYABLE AT THE BANK AND ITS BRANCHES ON AND AFTER

Saturday, the 1st Day of June Next.

The transfer books will be closed from the SEVEN-TEENTH to the THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF MAY NEXT, both days inclusive.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Of the Shareholders will be held at the Bank on

Wednesday, the Fifth Day of June Next, at twelve o'clock, noon.

By order of the Board.

J. B. RENNY, General Manager. The Chartered Banks.

MERCHANTS' BANK

OF CANADA.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

That a dividend at the rate of

SEVEN PER CENT.

upon the Capital Stock of this Bank, as fixed by Act of Parliament passed during the present session, has been this day declared for the year ending 31st May next, and the same will be

Payable at its Banking House, in this City, and its BRANCH OFFICES, on and after Saturday, the 1st Day of June next.

In accordance with the said Act of Parliament the Transfer Books will be closed from the 1st to the 7th day of May next, both days inclusive, for the purpose of adjusting the shares of the Capital Stock, as therein ordered and provided.

The Transfer Books will also be closed from the 15 to 31st MAY NEXT, both days inclusive, for the purpose of preparing the Dividend Sheet.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of Shareholders will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 19th DAY OF JUNE next, at the Banking House, in this city, at the hour of twelve, noon.

By order of the Board,

GEORGE HAGUE

GENEKAL MANAGER.

Montreal, 27th April, 1878.

THE

BANK OF TORONTO. CANADA.

DIVIDEND NO. 44.

NOTICE

is hereby given that a

DIVIDEND OF FOUR PER CENT.

for the current half year, being at the rate of eight per cent. per annum upon the

PAID-UP CAPITAL

of the Bank has this day been declared, and that the same will be payable at the

Bank and its Branches

on and after

Saturday, the First Day of June Next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the SEVEN-TEENTH to the THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF MAY, both days included.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of stockholders for the election of Directors will be held at the Banking House of the Institution on

WEDNESDAY THE 19TH DAY OF JUNE NEXT.

The Chair to be taken at noon.

By order of the Board,

D. COULSON. CASHIER.

Bank of Toronto, April 24, 1878.

Quebec

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Notice is hereby given, that a Dividend of FOUR PER CENT. upon the Capital Stock of this Institution has been t is day declared of the current half year, and that the same will be parable at the Banking House in this city, on and after

Wednesday, 1st day of May next.

The Transfer Hoo's will be closed from the 16th to the 30th April next, both days inclusive.

The Annual M eting of the Stockholders for the election of Directors for he ensuing year will be held at the Banking House in this city, at twelve o'clock room on Wednesday, the 28th day of May next

By order of the Board,

K. H. BETHUNE, Cashier.

Toronto, March 27, 1878.

BANK OF HAMILTON.

DIVIDEND NO. 11.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of four per cent for the current half-year, being at the rate of eight per cent, per annum upon the paid-uo capital stock of this Institution has this ay been declared, and that the same will be nayable at the Bank and its Agencies on and after SATURDAY, the FIRST day o JUNE next. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st May, both das sinclusive. The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders for the election of Directors for the ensuing year will be held at the B nking Hou e in this city, on TUESDAY, the 18th day of JUNE next. The chair will be taken at 12 o'clock noon. By order of the Board,

H. C. HAMMOND

Hamilton, 24th April, 1878.

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DIVIDEND NO. 7.

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Saturday, the First day of June next.

The transfer books will be closed rom the 16th to the 31st May, both days inclusive.

The annual general meeting of Shareholders for the election of Directors will be held at the Banking House in this city, on TUESDAY, the 18th day of June next. Chair to be taken at 12 o'clock, noon.

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Notice is hereby given that a dividend of five per cent, on the capital stock of the ompany for the current half-year has been declared, payable on and after Saturday, the first day of June next. The transfer books will be closed from the 17th to 31st May. The annual general meeting of the shareholders for the election of directors, &c., for the ensuing year, will be held at the Company's office on Tuesday, the 4th of June next, at noon.

By order of the Board,

CHAS. ROBERTSON,

Manager,

Toronto, 1st May, 1878.

Manager.

THE HAMILTON PROVIDENT AND LOAN SOCIETY.

Hon. Adam Hope	Deceident
Paid up capital	950,000
Paid up capital Reserve and Contingent Fund. Total assets.	88,230
on favourable terms of repayment.	y of Real Estate
MONEY RECEIVED ON DEPOSI	IT and interest

Office.....King Street, Hamilton, Ont. H. D. CAMERON, Treas.

THE ONTARIO **8AVINGS &INVESTMENT SOCIETY**

Subscribed Capital, Paid up,	-	-	•	\$1,000,000
Reserve Fund.	•	• •		718,018 144,000
Money loaned on Real cipal and School Section	Esta Debe	te Sec nture	urities s purcl	only. Muni-

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Loans made on farm and favorable terms. Money received on deposit on notice at 6 per cent. Draws Sterling exchange of	city property, on the most subject to call at 5 per cent,
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HURON-AND ERIE LOAN & SAVINGS COM'PY LONDON, ONT.

PAID UP CAPITAL RESERVE FUND TOTAL ASSETS	\$977,622
TOTAL ASSETS	22 ,000
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Money advanced on improved farm property on favorable terms of repayment.

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Offices: No. 70 Church St. Toronto.

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND TOTAL ASSETS -	• :	. :	• :	\$1,000,000 315,500 2,800,000
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President-Honorable Geo. W. Allan, Senator. Vice-President-Geo. Gooderham, Esq.

Walter S. Lee, Manager.

Money received on Depost and interest allowed there-on. Money Loaned on the security of improved city or farm property.

THE LONDON & ONTARIO INVESTMENT COMPANY.

(LIMITED)

Money Loaned

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Incorporated 1870.

	PAID-UP CAPITAL RESERVE FUND TOTAL ASSETS	\$713,971 90,000
1	7	1,104,927

Loans made on Improved Farms, productive City property, and for Building purposes. Mortgages and Munic hal Debentures purchased. De osits received on call at five per cent, and on notice at six per cent. Sterling Exchange on London in sums to suit purchasers. Sterling Exchange on London in sums to the Larratt W. SMITH, D.C.L., President.

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General Manager

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f this city, on the dates set forth as 1011.
Ten per cent. on 1st June. 1878.
" " 1st September, 1878.
" " 1st December, 1879.
" 1st March, 1879.

18t June, 1879. 1st September, 1879. By order of the Board.
GEORGE HAGUE,

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Mercantile Summary.

THE mills of the Miramichi have nearly all begun operations.

A FACTORY for making woodenware, 30 x 50 feet dimensions, is being erected at Sackville, N. B. by Mr. Doull.

A SHIPMENT of two thousand bushels of wheat has just been made by boat from Winnipeg, Manitoba, direct for Liverpool.

WINGHAM advertises its desire for incorporation as a town, and to add to its present limits lots 3 and 4 in the 1st of Turnberry.

Four large wheels, for an Exeter (Eng.) paper factory, are now ready at the works of the McGill Manufacturing Co., Oshawa.

"Drop a postal card," a Philadelphia firm advertises, "and we will send a salesman or saleswoman to your residence with a fine lot of shoes as samples, who will take your measure if desired."

ONE of the oldest settlers and first merchants of Peterboro, Mr. Wm. Lundy, died last week aged 77. He had begun business there in 1833, was successful, and had retired into private life several years ago.

CANADA Southern Railway agents in the Dominion, have been instructed to receive, on and after May 1, 1878, American National Bank currency and greenbacks at par.

BURGLARS tried to enter the office of the Eastern Townships Bank at Granby, Que., the other night. They had bored twenty or thirty holes through the lower part of the door, below the locks, with the evident intention of opening it, but were frightened away just as they had almost effected an entrance.

SOMEBODY has been figuring up the number of members of the House of Commons who belong to the same vocation. There are 206 members altogether. Of these there are 11 journalists, '15 farmers, 6 manufacturers, 11 doctors, 3 insurance presidents, 5 shipbuilders, 10 lumbermen, 8 mill-owners, 4 engineers, 6 contractors, 1 brewer, 1 school inspector, 1 baker, 55 lawyers, 56 merchants, and 12 gentlemen of leisure.

THE Montreal journals announce that it has been found impossible by Mr. Jas. Brown, to secure sufficient cargo to load a vessel in the St. Lawrence for Australia direct in June. He therefore makes shipments to Melbourne and Sydney via Boston by American vessels in May, June and July.

THE fishing fleet of Lockeport, on the southwest coast of Nova Scotia, comprises 105 vessels, with 1,500 hands, and an outfit valued at \$150,-000. There are seven firms engaged in the business, and the fleet caught, last year, fish to the value of \$350,000.

New vessels continue to issue from the ship yards of the Maritime Provinces. A 200 ton brigantine has just been launched at Vernon River, P. E. I.; a barque of 576 tons, at Mount Stewart Bridge; a 170 ton schooner, at Liver pool, N. S., and smaller schooners at Jordan River and at Alpine Mills.

A RECENT observant visitor to the United States and Canada says :- Economy is not the natural bent of Americans. The French excel in it; their frugality is a mine of wealth to them; the Germans practice it with less aptitude unquestionably, but with equal tenacity. European nations are parsimoniously saving as Manitoba. At the eastern end of the Nine, compared with the United States.

AT a meeting of the directors of the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company, held in Edinburgh on March 26, the figures of the year's business showed that the fire premiums amounted to £908,014 net, and the losses to £636,646 net. The directors recommended the payment of a dividend for the past year of 35s. per share or 28 per cent. on the paid up capital. After payment of this dividend the reserve funds will amount to £1,008,548.

An exchange speaks thus of the recent mining discoveries in British Columbia: The lately found gold-bearing quartz in Cariboo is one of the most extensive and richest ever known. The ledge is 23 feet thick, and has now been traced a distance of 7½ miles. The depth is as far as the miners feel disposed to penetrate. The experience of miners in other similar ledges is that the richness of the ore increases with the depth, and there are instances where mining operations have gone down over 2000 feet. The quartz yields from \$40 to \$100 to the ton, and it cost about \$8 a ton to work it. A 20-stamp mill for crushing this quartz has just been purchased at San Francisco which, when laid down, will cost about \$55,000.

A young man in Forest who had become dissatisfied with his slow acquisition of wealth by patient, honest industry, wished to become rich in some other way. He was promised \$10, ooo in bogus greenbacks for \$400 of Canadian money. He readily and hastily raised the required \$400 by getting his father to endorse his note for \$300, which, with \$100 of his own, he paid over to the sharper, taking a receipt for the same. The \$10,000 of bogus money was to be on hand in a day or two from New York. The parcel arrived; but in place of crisp, new bills, it was a box of sawdust. The moral of this story is quite apparent.

A DIVIDEND of three and a quarter cents in the dollar as a first and final one from an insolvent estate, which means something under ten dollars on a three hundred dollar claim, is of little use to a creditor except to touch his memory on a sore point, or to make him, for the moment, profane. The estate of P. L. Mackenzie & Brother, whose assignee resides in Orangeville, declares this dividend. There were nine creditors for \$769 in all, and \$225 was realized from the assets; of this sum, lucky landlords got \$45.68, solicitors \$25.32, the Assignee's disbursements, charges and commission, amounted to \$129, and there was thus left twenty-five dollars to divide amongst creditors. As a specimen of boiling down in insolvency, this is not bad. First the nominal assets are found to shrink in the boiling to thirty per cent of the debts; then the amount available for creditors evaporates to nine per cent, of its apparent bulk.

THE track of the Canadian Pacific is now laid and engines running from Winnipeg to Selkirk, a distance of 211 miles, and from Selkirk eastward, on section 14 of the main line, 50 miles. gives 712 miles, all told, in working order within Purcell & Ryan have pushed their work to a very advanced point, and expect to have the road built 113 miles westward from Thunder Bay this

THE firm of Messrs. Oliver Bros., Drayton, general dealers, have sold out their business and stock at eighty cents in the dollar.

1877 was £17,610.655. Total expenditures for the same year £13,756,862. Excess of income over expenditures £3,853,793. Average rate of interest £4.11. Ratio of expenses to premium nesday, the 1st May, with great eclat; half a income £ 16.66.

THE manufacturers of Paisley, Scotland, are making a handsome display at the Paris Exposi tion. Messrs. Clark, of Well Street, show a structure, modelled after the Burns monument, constructed of spools of their thread and balls of crotchet cotton. of "Anchor Mills" fame, exhibit in a handsome carved double show case, sixteen feet high, a large cone of reels and bobbins of graduated colors. Messrs. J. & P. Coats, of Ferguslie thing in which we acquire skill. The half-inworks, will show their various makes of hand and machine threads, in a massive case, as big as a small bedroom, and approachable from all Other makers of thread and carpet, machinery, cereal products &c., will make displays worthy of the industrial fame of Paisley

THE imports at Hamilton during April were to the value of \$320,833 against \$372,256 in April, 1877, a decrease of nearly 14 per cent. There was a decrease in the value entered for consumption of \$26,000, but the duties collected were \$71,289 this year against \$62,246 last year, showing an increase of 121 per cent. The exports to the United States during the month are given at \$38,821.

THE Fredericton Boom Company have extended their facilities on the river St. John, and a Cuban by birth, in early life was a school

40,000,000 feet of logs. Some 4,000 cords of stone were used in erecting "jam" and other piers, and the company can now hold and raft 110,000,000 feet of logs.

THE "Winnipeg and Western Transportation Company" (limited), seek letters of incorporation, with head quarters at Winnipeg, to carry on a transportation business by steamboats and other vessels upon the Red, Assiniboine and Saskatchewan Rivers, and upon Lakes Winnipeg, Manitoba, and the North-West; and to build tramways, wharves, warehouses, &c. Capital, \$50,000 in 1,000 of \$50 each. The names of the applicants are John Turnbull, of Montreal, merchant; Charles W. Black, Montreal, accountant; W. H. Lyon, Winnipeg, merchant; E. V. Holcombe, St. Paul Minnesota, steamboatman; Sedley Blanchard, Winnipeg, barrister-at-law; A. G. B. Bannatyne, Winnipeg, merchant; Hon. James McKay, St. James, contractor; J. H. Ashdown, Winnipeg, merchant. The first named five are to be provisional directors.

THE Corn Exchange Association of Montreal, at a special meeting on Tuesday last passed a resolution condemning the numerous faction fights which have of late disgraced that city, and desired the city council to take urgent and imperative steps to repress the growing

During three days of last week over two hundred petitions in bankruptcy were filed through the United States, of which the great majority were voluntary. The largest number THE total income of British life companies for in any one city was in Chicago. This "rush" was made with the view of obtaining the benefit of the act before its repeal.

THE Paris Exposition was opened on Wedmillion of people were present at the ceremonies.

A young man in a leather store used to feel very impatient with his employer for keeping him, year after year, for three years, "handling hides." But he saw the use of it years after, when in an Messrs. Clark & Co., establishment of his own he was able to tell by the touch the exact quality of the goods. It was only by those thousands of repetitions that the lesson was learned; and so it is with everyformed, half-skilled in every business out number the others, dozens to one. Daniel Webster once replied to a young man who asked him if there was any "room in the legal profession." "There is always room at the top." The better you know your business the better your chance to rise. You can gather much information by making a wise use of your eyes and ears, and perhaps be able to surprise your employer in an emergency by stepping into the "next man's" place and discharging his duties satisfactorily; so, learn your business. .

DR. GREENE, previously Vice President, has been chosen to the presidency of the Western Union Telegraph Company, in room of the late Hon. Wm. Orton, who died so suddenly some days ago. The deceased gentleman, who was now have accommodation at Never's Island for teacher, and then a bookseller in Buffalo and in

New York, and in 1865 Commissioner of Internal Reveuue in Washington. In 1867 he was chosen president of the immense concern with which his name has been since asso. ciated, having previously been president of the U.S. Telegraph Co. He was a master of detail, and controlled his company with conspicuous energy and ability, and he is described as a man of singular purity of character.

A BOARD of real estate agents was last week organized in Montreal, and it is intended to establish in that city a real estate exchange where plans and advertisements of lands can be shown. The Board has meantime elected the following gentlemen to manage its affairs for the current vear :-H. H. Geddes, C. G. Jones, H. A. White, W. A. Curry, G. W. Parent, who, in their turn, elected the following officers: H. H. Geddes. President; G. W. Parent, Treasurer; W. A. Curry, Secretary.

AT a meeting in Montreal of the Manitoba Colonization Society the Secretary read extracts giving the average product per acre of the several settlements in the Prairie Province for 1876, which ranged from 20 to 45 bushels of wheat; barley, 25 to 60; oats, 28 to 65; peas. 20 to 60; potatoes, 100 to 400; turnips, 100 to 1,000, and an average for the whole Province of 321 bushels wheat, 421 barley, 51 oats, 32 peas, 220 potatoes, and 662k for turnips. The total grain and root product for the year named being over two million bushels, as follows: wheat, 480,000 bushels; barley, 173,000; oats, 380,000; peas, 45,000; other grains, 5,000; potatoes, 460,000; turnips and other roots, 700,000.

THE Frontenac Lead Smelting Works at Kingston have just shipped, as the product of a recent smelting, four car loads of lead, which is said to be of high quality.

In the week ending 1st inst., there were thirteen dissolutions of firms, among them Messrs. Baillie & Granger, produce merchants Mr. Jas. E. Baillie, continuing; Jackes Brothers, druggists, Mr. B. Jackes, continuing; Mason, Risch & Newcombe, pianos, Mr. Newcombe, retiring; McCuaig & McKay, grain commission; Pearce & Harvey, commission drugs, Toronto: Baird & Kinnear, commission; W. V. B. Hall & Co., restaurant, Montreal. Twelve traders have sold out or given up business, three of them general dealers. Mr. A. T. Chapman, of Smith, Chapman & Co., hardware dealers, London, is dead. Twenty-six attachments have been issued, eight of them against general dealers; four assignments were made, two by grocers and two by general dealers. Ten traders have held meetings of creditors or compromised. A. T. Moore & Co., teas, Brantford, have settled at 6oc. and Mr. F. P. Fitzmaurice, grocer, St. Catharines, has compromised.

ONTARIO MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY. -An increased business is shown by this Company as compared with 1877. It also shows a creditable increase in the cash on hand and in the investments drawing interest, and a growth of assets of 36 per cent. The losses have been less then was to be expected, and the deposit

with the Ontario Treasurer nearly doubled, which may soon be transferred to the Ottawa Exchequer, as the Company has it in contemplation to extend its field. After deducting reinsurance reserve calculated at four per cent. the Company has a surplus of \$23,387.15, which will enable a welcome distribution to be made to policy-holders, which is to be done upon a "Contribution plan." The table given elsewhere of the yearly income, &c., of the Company indicates very clearly that the prudent aims of the management have been adhered to. We are glad to find so satisfactory and creditable a showing made by this growing Company.

STANDARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. - The result of this Company's business for the first year is a premium income of \$37,342 from 2,500 policies, and net losses of \$6,412 with \$2,700 further estimated or undue. The assets comprise \$27.661 in government deposit and cash, the remainder consisting of bills receivable, interest, office furniture and balances due by agents or other companies, while the liabilities, including capital and a re-insurance reserve of 50 per cent of the gross premiums, leave \$6,480 available for dividend which is declared at the rate of 10 per cent. While this result looks well for a first twelve months business, it is to be remembered that the second and third years are the crucial periods in a company's history; and not even the pleasure of paying a good dividend to shareholders should interfere with the setting apart of every available dollar against an evil day.

SPECULATING ON INSOLVENCY.—An officer of an insolvent corporation in Missouri bought up a considerable number of claims against it at a discount. He then tried to prove them against the company in bankruptcy on his own individual account, and for their full face value. The United Sates District Court at St. Louis has very properly refused to allow this. The officer is a trustee, and Judge Treat holds that he cannot be permitted to speculate with the subject of his trust. The claims were recognized as valid in his hands only to the extent of the amounts he actually paid for them.—Monitor.

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	Week	Total	Like period	Increase
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G. T. R G. W. R I. C. R	April 27	\$157 072 80.619	\$183.848 89.013	₹26 776d 8.393d.
N.R.R Midland	.4 22	14 025	12 432	1.593 <i>i</i> .
T. G. &. B	" 27	4 7 17	9-358	4.644 d .
T. & N	" 21	4.245	3-195	1.∩49 i .
W. P & L	" 27	973	371	601 <i>i</i>

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THE USE OF PRIVATEERS IN WAR.

The rumor frequently repeated that Russia is preparing to resort to the use of privateers, by granting letters of marque and reprisal in case of war, seems to have obtained some degree of credence in official circles in England, if there be any truth in the announcement that the British Government has determined to oppose to those cruisers a hundred vessels, whose commanders will have instructions to treat such irregular and unlawful enemies as pirates. At the close of the Crimean war, Russia, along with the other signatory powers, entered into a treaty engagement to abolish privateering, so far as these nations were concerned. The United States Government, when asked to join the other powers in putting down this objectionable mode of warfare, alleged as a reason for declining, that privateering was already illegal by the laws of that country. Now, statements come from California that American citizens are preparing to accept letters of marque from the Russian Government, in the event of its going to war with England. Negotiations for that purpose are reported to have been concluded, and vessels with officers and men to be ready, at San Francisco, to prey upon British commerce, in the North Pacific, on the shortest notice. It is even added that letters of marque, signed in blank, had reached San Francisco from St. Petersburg, with power to fill them up as soon as war should break out. That Russia should be reported to be contemplating such an act of perfidy, is one of the causes of that suspicion which Gortschakoff complained of in Lord Salisbury. That San Francisco, as well as other American cities, could furnish many of the desperate class willing to enter the service of any government, as privateers, for the sake of plunder, need not be questioned; and if their nefarious design were carried out in the Pacific, our commerce in the Atlantic would not long be secure. But they cannot carry out their purpose without violating the municipal laws of the United States;

warned of their designs, would have the hands by treaty obligations; and she canof the piratical craft.

There is no form of procedure open to her honor. Russia by which she could prevent the issuing of letters of marque from becoming an act of piracy, under the international agreement by which she has voluntarily bound herself. Persons entering on the work of privateers, without letters of marque, are pirates by the law of nations; and the same consequences would follow from acting under invalid letters of marque. Such would be any which Russia might issue, since she has deprived herself of the right to resort to this old and discarded weapon. Any one accepting such letters from Russia could not but be aware that they would be inadequate to protect him from the penalty of piracy-hanging at the vard arm. The intention attributed to England, of treating such offenders as pirates, is therefore perfectly legitimate.

Letters of marque have usually been confined to the subjects of the nation issuing them. Formerly they were grantable, by the law of nations, whenever the subjects of one State were oppressed and injured by those of another, and justice was denied by the State to which the oppressor belonged. This supposes a state of peace between the two nations concerned; but even then, before letters of marque could be issued, it was usual for the government whose subjects had been injured to demand satisfaction, and in England, since Henry the 5th, the law required this to be done. In process of time, such letters came to be issued only to the owners or captains of privateers, during war.

There are several reasons which make us pause before we accept, as free from all doubt, the statement that Russia contemplates issuing letters of marque. That she States such letters signed in blank, to be filled up with the names of the vessels and the owners, is improbable; for if there should, after all, be no war, Russia would, by such an act, expose her honor to the ly yet regard it as probable. keeping of hordes of brigands. Russia was, perhaps, the first nation voluntarily to abstain from privateering, which she did more than a century ago-in 1767. As long ago as 1667, Sweden and the United Provinces severally bound themselves by treaty not to grant letters of marque against one another, in any future war. A like stipulation was, in 1785, entered into by the United States and Prussia. Russia was at liberty to resume a right which she had voluntarily relinquished, in

duty put upon it of preventing the sailing not now license cruisers without breaking her solemn engagements and tarnishing

But it would not be safe absolutely to rely on the improbability of Russia taking such a course. It is easy to understand that the filibustering class which may be found in such a port as San Francisco, should plan depredations on British commerce, in case of England being at war; and they would not improbably attempt to obtain letters of marque from the Russian Government But if the vessels and crews were American, such authorization would at no time have saved the persons accepting it from the consequences of piracy. If an American vessel and crew were to seize the goods belonging to the subjects of a nation with which the United States were at peace, the act would by the law of nations be piracy. Russia could not exercise over Americans, to whom she might grant letters of marque, such control as nations are enabled to exert when they have their own subjects to deal with, and when they have taken security that prizes shall not be taken in a manner contrary to international law. Russia might possibly affix the seal of her own nationality to the vessels intended to be used as privateers; but she could not make a similar transformation, in case of the men.

Then, to what Russian ports could the prizes be taken? The Russian America of other days is now part of the United States. The prizes cannot be condemned in a neutral port. The municipal law of the United States would condemn the captors instead of the goods. Altogether, the difficulties which surround the project of making Russian privateers out of American vessels and American crews, in American waters, seem to be insuperable. There is no way out of should have already sent to the United them; and the only possible means of carrying out the alleged project would be to break through all restraints of public law, voluntary agreement and national honor. This is of course possible, but we can hard-

MUNICIPAL TAXATION.

We have received further information on the subject of municipal taxation, which shows that some of the towns of Ontario have exceeded the legal limit of two cents in the dollar. The highest rate, so far as we know, yet levied is two cents and five mills; and Sarnia can claim the honor of being the highest taxed municipality in Ontario, or, for that matter, in the Dominion. 1767; for international law did not forbid After Sarnia, with its 2.50, comes Parkhill, and the Federal Government, being fore- its exercise. But she has since tied her close on its heels, with two dollars and four

mills. Walkerton last year levied the full rate of two cents in the dollar.

The nominal rate of taxation is after all a very uncertain guide to the real pressure of the taxes; so much depends upon the assessed value squaring with the real value. We are aware that all assessors are sworn to assess property at the value for which it would be taken in payment of a just debt owing by a solvent person. It is not always possible to say what the exact value is; and assessors very often aim to avoid an over-valuation, in doing which they not unfrequently err on the other side. A Chatham journal explains the cause of the two cent rate in that town, by saying that the assessed value of property is not "more than half, and in some instances not one half," of the real value. Such a statement implies a very serious charge against the assessors: that they have sworn to a value which is less than half of what it should be. Sometimes assessors improperly take instructions from municipal councillors instead of simply obeying the law.

It is considered by the Cobourg Sentinel, a very disheartening fact, that while the operation of a sinking fund reduces, by nearly \$8,000 annually, the indebtedness of the town trust, those who control the monies of the town add to its debt year by year almost an equal sum, e. g.: "The Commissioners, instead of enforcing prompt collection of harbor dues, as they should, are using new debentures to pay current expenses of dredging, and thus increasing our debt about \$2,000 each year, while the Council are by bonuses and other needless outlays adding to the debt in a much more rapid manner." It is asserted that the Council, a majority of whom were stockholders in the enterprise, saddled the town with a lifeless debt of \$5,000 for 20 years at 8 per cent. to help the Matting Factory there, which enterprise is now defunct. The precipitate action of a fraction of the ratepayers to that end was incited, it is said, by the Council. Now, again, a bonus of \$12,000 is proposed to be given by that town to Mr. Crossen to prevent his removing his car works to Port Hope, which offers a like sum and exemption for twenty years for the possession of that establishment; and the journal we have quoted prefers to let Port Hope have her wish rather than vote any further bonuses. The wisdom, or otherwise, of voting money towards such industrial enterprises is a question to be decided by the circumstances of the place, and by the prospect of return, indirect rather than direct, as a consequence of the outlay. If the return demonstrable from such a work is small in proporpayers of a heavily taxed town may well seven gold mines of that province during hesitate before committing themselves to it. 1877. Oldham Caribon, and Sherbrooks

There has now come to be a mode of getting over the two-cent limit by charging certain works against a special frontage tax; and there is a tendency to increase this charge. On the whole, municipal taxes, in towns and cities, are seriously on the increase; and the rule of safety will be to put a check on this tendency at the earliest date possible.

NOVA SCOTIA MINERALS.

That Nova Scotia is rich in minerals, is, in a general way, well known to Canadians; but there is probably not much of a specific character known to the general public about the kinds and qualities of minerals she produces.

The report for the year 1877, of the Nova Scotia Department of Mines, contains some information of decided interest; and what is more, the Inspector shows himself worthy of his title in the evident research he has made into mining matters, and in the strictures he makes upon negligence, extravagance, or contempt for law, indulged in by some amongst the considerable class of operatives, or their superiors, with which he deals.

The following table presents a summary of the out-put of minerals in Nova Scotia for 1877, and compares it with the quantity in the previous year of greatest production.

Minbrals.		Quantity.	G-eatest Previous Production.			
		Tons.	Quantity	Years.		
METALLIC.						
Gold	ozs.	16,882	27,314	1867		
Iron Ore	tons	18,603	15,274	1876		
Manganese Ore	"	97	300	1865		
Copper "	"	285	45	1876		
Lead "	"	11	6	1876		
NON-METALLI		1				
Coal	"	757,496	1,051,467	1873		
Gypsum	"	107,506	120,693			
Freestone, &c	"	9 343	8,829	1874		
Limestone	**	6,726	4,860	1875		
Barytes	"	23		1869.70		
Moulding Sand	"	160	300	1874		

It is thus seen that iron and copper Ore, freestone and limestone have been produced in greater quantity than ever before; the iron out-put is increased by 3,300 tons, which is doubtless owing to vigorous development by the Londonderry Iron and Steel Works; the quantity of lead obtained seems to indicate that it is found by prospectors only. So far has the excitement about Nova Scotia gold passed away, that most people will learn with surprise that so much as 16,882 ounces of gold, which, at \$18 per ounce, is worth the handsome sum of \$303,876, was taken out of the forty-

seven gold mines of that province during 1877. Oldham Caribou and Sherbrooke, gave the highest yield per man, over \$3; other districts ranged from \$1.05 to 1.80. There were ten steam and 13 water mills at work, and the continuous labour of 412 men is represented in the results. Complaint is made by the Inspector of the irrregularity with which returns of operations are made from Mining districts.

The loss of life in the mines was: seven persons killed in the coal mines, and one in a gold mine, a total of eight in the year; and eighteen persons were severely injured. Three prosecutions have been instituted under the chapter of the Statute intended to prevent loss of life or property through lack of care or discipline in the mines; a proper and doubtless needful proceeding in the case of men so habitually careless in a dangerous business as miners are.

TOBACCO CULTURE IN CANADA.

A discussion came up in the Commons, while in supply, some days ago, upon the question of revenue from tobacco grown in Canada, and it was sought to be shown that if the duties now imposed upon that plant were done away with, we should grow much more of it than we do, and would therefore require to import less. A motion was made by M. Bolduc, to the effect that

"Whereas over one million dollars' worth of tobacco is imported every year, and whereas that plant might be cultivated in this country, this House is of opinion that the cultivation thereof should be encouraged by the abolition of duties on tobacco grown in Canada."

It was replied, by the Minister of Inland Revenue, that tobacco culture could not become extensive in Canada for climatic reasons, and we are disposed to agree with him. It is now grown in the counties of Quebec, on the St. Lawrence, and in the Eastern Townships, and also, to a decreased extent, in Essex, the extreme southren county of Ontario, and its neighbor, Kent.

But it is proved by the last census that its growth is pretty general. There is not one county in Ontario or Quebec that did not grow some tobacco in 1871. Ontario grew 400,000 lbs., of which 350,000 were grown by the three Westernmost counties; Quebec, 100,000 lbs., to which crop the largest contributors were Joliette, Portneuf, Yamaska, Vercheres, Bagot and Rouville. A trifling quantity was grown in the Maritime Provinces, and the total for the four named was 1,595,932 lbs., or almost as much as was grown of hops.

quence of the outlay. If the return demonstrable from such a work is small in proportion to the certain outlay for it, the rate-

sells it in the leaf, whether rolled or twisted. he must make a return to the revenue officers, and must pay 10 cents per pound duty, and if he cuts it up, 20 cents per pound. This law, which was intended to allow the French Canadians to grow for their own use, the tabuc role and tabac en torquette, i.e. leaf tobacco loosely rolled or twisted, of a common quality to which they were accustomed, is condemned as faulty. It certainly has been evaded; and has become so nearly a dead letter that, while according to the census of 1871, it appears that 1,200,000 lbs. of tobacco were grown in Quebec, but 55,000 lbs. were returned for duty. This illicit growth has increased, until it was estimated in 1876, by the Tobacco Association of Canada, which published a pamphlet on the grievance, that between four and five millions of pounds per annum were grown, the quantity paying duty was, however, in 1872-3, 24,000 lbs.; in 1873-4, 1,700 lbs.; and in 1874-5 but ten pounds.

If this were found by the Government to be a needless or a bad law, or if its desuetude wrought no injustice, one might not quarrel with the attitude of the Government with respect to it, who while contending strenuously that its retention was needful or revenue purposes, permit it to be broken for the purpose, as has been openly alleged, of influencing French Canadians favorably. And that not alone the present administration can be thus blamed, is shown by the figures we have quoted for 1871-2 and 1872-3. But injustice has been done to the manufacturers of cut tobacco. A few years ago, there were twelve of these factories in Canada worked by steam, and a number of smaller establishments; now, we are told, the smaller ones are no more, and of the larger there are but two or three, which are expiring in the effort to compete with an article which is currently sold at a price below the bare amount of the duty.

The effect of this state of things in Quebec, which is the principal market for the home-grown article, has been to reduce the amount returned for duty in Ontario from 245,000 lbs. in 1871-2 to 23,000 lbs. in 1874-5, 984 lbs. in 1876, and to four pounds in 1877. We gather from the statistics for 1877 of Inland Revenue, that the quantity of Canadian leaf taken for consumption last fiscal year was but 8,630 lbs, while three years ago it was 113,797 lbs., and the annual average for four previous years was 60,416 lbs. "Yet," comments the Commissioner, "the information which comes to the department, from various sources, justifies the belief that there has been a steady increase in the quantity cultivated; and the number

for sale, indicates a wide-spread determination on the part of the cultivators to evade the duty."

The view of the tobacco manufacturers is, that, were the present law enforced, or rather so freed from its vagueness of language that its spirit could be acted upon, the farmers of Quebec might grow their cheap tobacco for family use, unmolested, and yet derive a good return from such as they chose to sell after paying the duty. The cut-smoking industry was once a considerable one, and might be so again. Their proposal is, that any one wishing to grow tobacco, shall be compelled, under penalty, to request a license to grow it, and shall make, at stated times, sworn returns of the amount he has produced, being allowed fifty pounds per annum for his personal use. This, they think, would increase the revenue by half a million dollars. If this be not done, they would have the present law abolished, and tobacco-growing made

CREDITORS' ASSIGNEES.

Government appointments are not always wise or well chosen. Too often, party considerations are allowed to outweigh questions of efficiency and trustworthiness. Official assignees are not all above suspicion any more than other public servants. Many and grievous have been the charges of extravagance and delay preferred against them by disappointed creditors. It is to be remembered, however, that theirs is no easy task. The affairs of the majority of concerns that fall into their hands are in anything but a satisfactory shape when put into liquidation. Encumbered assets, doubtful rights, disputed liabilities, incapacity, bad book-keeping, and often dishonesty on the part of the trading firm or company, make the difficulties which they have to combat anything but slight. One constant ground of complaint on the part of local assignees is that whenever there is an estate that is worth looking after they are supplanted by assignees appointed by creditors. It is a well known fact, that there are many persons, not official assignees, who make the winding up of insolvent estates their business. Some of these gentlemen are no doubt most efficient officers and merit well the public confidence they court so zealously. But there are cases where their superiority to regular assignees is by no means evident, and not unfrequently creditors yield to the importunities of would-be assignees to their own hurt.

There are many reasons why, other things being equal, local assignees can wind up estates more advantageously than outside men, not least among which is the question of expensea most material consideration in all cases. The local knowledge that they may fairly be assumed to possess should stand them in good stead in their dealing with real estate, boos

of assets. Add to this the fact that their time is not largely taken up, as in the case of their rivals, in running after other estates and travelling over all the country to attend meetings; and the considerations that should sway creditors in favor of local men will seem far from inconsiderable whether in number or cogency.

To state the case fairly, however, it must be admitted that there are circumstances which militate with greater or less force against the local men. Those outsiders who deal in such matters are usually accountants-men. whose business training pre-eminently fits them for the duties of an assignee. Local assignees on the other hand generally make this business simply an adjunct to something else, not necessarily of such a character as to school them for their duties of office. To which it may be answered that they are compelled to a large extent by the practice of constantly supplanting them, to resort to some additional means of earning a livelihood. Again, where the mass of creditors are inToronto, Montreal, Hamilton or other cities as the case may be, it is often convenient to have the assignee resident in the city, as it enables creditors to attend the meetings in person, and to give some personal supervision to the winding up of the estate. For we are sorry to have to add, that there are some official assignees whose management of estates is notoriously unsatisfactory.

Notwithstanding all these things, we are persuaded that the practice of changing the assignee is becoming much too common, especially in small estates. In these cases the question of the increased expense is always a most serious one, though where assets are large that consideration is not so overpowering. Of course it is true that local men who manage their business well must and will win public confidence in time. But it is equally true that confidence reposed in them is a strong incentive to a faithful discharge of their duties; while constant attempts to supersede them is calculated to encourage the grasping desire to make as much as possible out of estates while in their hands. We think local assignees are entitled to more consideration in this respect than has of late been accorded to them, and we believe that a change in the direction indicated would be beneficial to all concerned-excepting of course the public "accountants and assignees" whose business would thereby be decreased.

The paramount consideration must ever be the interests of creditors; and we believe that in the vast majority of cases their interest would be best and most satisfactorily subserved by allowing estates to remain under the control and management of the regular legal custodians, who in addition to the advantages already pointed out, have further in their favor that they have given substantial security for the due performance of their duties. True, creditors may require security from an assignee of their own appointing, but this provision is practically a dead letter, for such appointments are made of seizures of such tobacco illegally offered debts and in fact with all or nearly all classek only as a general rule when the proposed new

assignee has secured under power of attorney to some friend, the controlling vote of creditors. This friend, it is needless to say, seldom considers it necessary to require any security from the new appointee.

TEMPERANCE LIFE INSURANCE.

In an article upon life insurance, wherein the ground is taken that because all the insured are not abstainers from stimulants that affect the duration of life, therefore tee-totallers ought to have their insurance the cheaper, the Alliance Journal of Halifax "hopes that the time is not far off when Temperance people will come out and be separate from the drinking class in this matter, and pay no more than they ought for life insurance.'

Quoting from our recent article on Intemperance vs. Life Insurance, the journal named goes on to say: "A Life Insurance Society, with its premiums adapted to the risk incurred by insuring only Total Abstainers would bring large advantage to many. Could not a Mutual Life Insurance Society be made in any Grand Division, with its Grand Scribe as Secretary, and the Grand officers a Board of Management?'

There may been room in Canada for a Temperance Life Association; at any rate, if abstainers, for the sake of getting their insurance a fraction less, chose to band together and subscribe stock in a properly organized and officered company they are free to do so. There are such companies in other countries. We can hardly, however, advise any one as yet to begin such class enterprise, as likely to be profitable to the stockholders. But when it is proposed to erect, within the borders of any Grand Division of Knights Templar, or any other kind of division, and as subordinate thereto, or coordinate therewith, a society for life insurance, we can only say that such a scheme will be found impracticable and disappointing. Such organizations in connection with other orders have never given satisfaction, but have been productive rather, of confusion and eventual loss. And we can perceive no reason why temperance lodges are better calculated than other social or secret societies to educate their members in the science of insurance.

BANK DIVIDENDS .- The following dividends have been declared by banks for the current half year: 3 per cent by the Ontario, which with 4 last half, makes seven per cent for the year; 4 per cent by the Toronto making eight per cent for the year; 3 per cent by the Consolidated, making six and a half for the year; 4 per cent by the Hamilton, making eight for the year. Reference is made in our market report to the fluctuations of stocks in April. We observe that the General Manager of the Merchants Bank writes to correct the Montreal Herald in reporting the capital of that institution at \$6,919,000. That gentleman says that the capital on the reduced basis, as fixed by the Dominion Parliament, will be about \$5,500,000 and "beyond this, provision has been made for a Rest and

Contingent Fund. Capital account will also be increased as new payments are made on stock subscribed, but not fully paid up, the liability on which has not been disturbed by the Act just passed."

"TURN ABOUT."-The Judge of the County Court of the County of York has made an order that writs of attachment in insolvency, shall hereafter issue to the several Official Assignees for this County, in regular rotation. Our Toronto Assignees will now have to take their allotment of an estate as it comes, whether the estate be one of \$1,000 or of \$100,000, and creditors issuing writs will have to take their chances. This is, we believe, the first occasion on which such an order has been made in any County; and though there is perhaps something to be said in favor of such an arrangement, it does seem arbitrary, especially in view of the fact that the Insolvent Act confers on creditors at their first meeting, the right to choose their own Assignee, irrespective of any court. There may in many cases be good reasons why a particular Assignee should be appointed, and it appears unreasonable that the creditors, no matter how unanimous, should be compelled in the first instance to issue the writ to some one else and go to the expense of making a change afterwards. The greatest practical effect of this new regulation will probably be to sensibly lessen the number of writs issued, and in proportion, to increase the number of assignments.

-Mr. Albert Fink, Railroad Commissioner, and Mr. F. B. Thurber, merchant, New York City, together with several prominent Western business men, have been chosen by the Treasury Department as experts to furnish information regarding commerce. The report will treat of pooling arrangements by the railway companies.

-An effort has been made to revive the influence and utility of the New York Board of Fire Underwriters, not with a view of fixing rates, but for the sake of uniting the forces of the companies for the purpose of resisting unjust legislation, protecting property at fires, punishing and suppressing arson, and promoting the general interests of fire underwriting in that city.

-Three reforms in methods of doing business this season, are being strenuously advocated by Eastern journals, especially those of the boot and shoe trade, in New England. These are well worthy the attention of our manufacturers: "First, a shortening of the terms of credit; second, that the practice of dating bills ahead be discontinued; third, that the drummers should not be sent West so early, and in such large numbers." The feeling in favour of the first of these is so strong and so widespread that it will undoubtedly, in the opinion of the Boston Fournal of Commerce, culminate at in trade meeting at which some concerted action will be taken.

says: "Some large houses avow their intention of refusing to submit to it the coming season, even if their refusal necessitates giving up business. Some of the largest losses during the past two or three months have been incurred on account of bills dated ahead, which have enabled some Western or Southern jobber to be in debt at one time for goods of two seasons."

-The annual meeting of the London Board of Trade was held on the 23rd ult., at which the only business done was the nomination and election of new members, and the election of office bearers for the ensuing year. These were chosen as follows:—President, Mr. John Beattie; Vice-President, Mr. Isaac Waterman; Secretary, (re-elected) Thos. Churcher. Council: Hon. J. Carling, and Messrs. T. T. Thompson, H. D. Long, Geo. Pritchard, H. B. B. Alley, C. Chapman, Geo. S. Birrell, Geo. Robinson, J. Blackburn, J. R. Minhinnick, W. B. Heath and R. Pritchard.

-The present officers of the Quebec Board of Trade, elected at the annual meeting on the 1st inst., were: - Joseph Shehyn, M.P.P., President; R. H. Smith, Vice-President; H. W. Welch, Treasurer Council-Messrs. Henry Fry, R. R. Dobell, James Connolly, A. Fraser, W. Hunt, W. Rae, A. Woods, A. D. Webster, A. Thomson, J. H. Clint.

-Owing to the resignation of Mr. H. Abbott. Mr. Jno. G. Richardson, late president, has assumed the position of General Manager of the Brockville and Ottawa and Canada Central Railways, with Mr. Baker, the secretary, as Assistant Manager, and Mr. Matthaei, as Treasurer.

-Mr. R. W. Smylie, late Manager of the Bank of Commerce at London, has received the appointment of Manager of the Huron & Erie Loan and Savings Company.

Meetings.

ONTARIO MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

The Eighth Annual Meeting of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company was held in the office, Waterloo, on Tuesday, April 23rd, 1878, and was well attended.

The President, I. E. Bowman, M.P., being absent attending to his Parliamentary duties at Ottawa, the Vice-President, Mr. C. M. Taylor, occupied the chair, and read the minutes of last meeting, (which were confirmed), and the

REPORT.

To the Members of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company :-

GENTLEMEN,-In calling you together at this time to consider the affairs of your Company at the close of its eighth financial year, we feel that, although the continued depression in almost every branch of business has to some extent curtailed our operations, we may fairly congratulate you upon the increase in the receipts of the past year over the previous year, As to the practice of dating ahead, that paper able to make in the ratio of expenditure. and upon the reduction which we have been

The total receipts for the year, including premiums and interest, amount to \$55,217.68, being an increase of \$13,965.28, or about 34 per cent over 1876.

The cash balance on hand at the close of the year 1876 was \$61,141.70. The cash balance on hand at the close of the present year is \$88,836.72, showing an increase of \$27,695.02, or 45 per cent.

The total assets on hand at the end of the year 1876 amounted to \$81,105.36, and the total assets at the close of the past year amount to \$110,209.46, an increase of \$29,104.10, or about

During the past year we issued 631 new policies for assurance, amounting to \$768,050. The death claims paid since our last annual meeting amount to \$6,000, which is again much below the expectation as indicated by the ordinary mortality tables.

We have now invested in first mortgages on farm property the sum of \$53,042; in municipal debentures, \$29,932; in loans on policies, \$1,779, which brings our interest bearing investments up to \$84,753, as against \$54,315 at the end of the previous year, showing an increase of \$30, 438 or 56 per cent., during the past year.

Since our last annual meeting we increased our deposit with the Treasurer of Ontario from \$26,164 to over \$57,000, and we have recently obtained an Act of Incorporation from the Dominion Parliament, which will bring our Company under Dominion License and Inspection so soon as we are prepared to transfer our deposit to the Minister of Finance at Ottawa.

The detailed report of your Auditors, and the Actuarial statements of your Manager are herewith submitted for your consideration.

You will be called upon to elect two Directors in the place of Isaac E. Bowman and James Trow, both of whom are, however, eligible for re-election.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board of Directors,

ISAAC E. BOWMAN.

President.

Mr. H. F. J. Jackson, One of the auditors, then read the

EIGHTH ANNUAL STATEMENT.

Balance, as per audit of 1877\$61,141 70

Received in 1877:

Disbursements in 1877.

For Premiums.....\$51,360 70 For Interest 3,856 98

\$116,350 38

55,217 68

\$ 88,552 66

To Policy holders—				
For claims by				
Death \$6,000 00				
Purchased Poli-				
cies 1,407 84				
Dividends in				
cash 3,554 91				
	10,962	75		
Commissions to Agents.	6,273			
Medical Examinations	2,309			1
Salaries to President and	,5-5	,-		
Directors, Auditors.				
Manager and his assis-				
tants and Gen. Agents	- 160			
Printing, Stationery, Ad-	5,168	19		
vertising, Postage, rent				
T ling contage, rent		_		i
Travelling expenses,&c	2,521			
Re assurance	231	60		
Government License	55	00		
_			27,522	66

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Schedule of Assets.
Debentures .. $29,932 23
Mortgages .... 53,042 24
                      $82,974 47
Loans on poli-
cies .....$ 1,779 26
Agents' and
other balances
              3,561 91
Merchants' Bk
  Cash on call
                210 88
Cash in hand
                310 20
                        5,862 25
                                  88,836 72
Notes secured by Policies
 in force..... $ 5,206 83
Half-yearly & quarterly
 Premiums on existing
  Policies, due in three.
 six and nine months...
                        9,226 31
Interest accrued and due
                        4,465 45
Premiums in course of
 collection..... 2,474 15
                                $ 21,372 74
    Total assets ......$110,209 46
                 Liabilities.
Reserve or Re-Assurance Fund,
 based on four per cent., interest.. 86,822 31
   Surplus ..... $23,387 15
 And the
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AUDITORS' REPORT. To the President and Directors of the Ontario Mu!ual Life Assurance Company :-

GENTLEMEN.—We now have the honour of laying before you our Eighth Annual Audit of the Company's affairs for the year ending 20th January, 1878.

We have carefully examined the Receipts of the Company from all sources, and have passed all Vouchers for Disbursements properly authorized by your Board.

The investments of the Company have been audited and found correct, the securities having been produced and examined.

We consider the present position of the Company to be such as to invite the most perfect confidence in its safety, and we feel assured it will obtain in the future the same measure of success it has hitherto enjoyed and to which its prudent and economical management fairly entitle it.

> GEO. J. JAFFRAY, HENRY F. J. JACKSON, Auditors.

The Vice-President read the

ACTUARIAL REPORT.

To the President and Directors of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company :-

GENTLEMEN,-The amount of assurance in force on the 20th day of January, 1878, was \$1,699,301, under 1,551 policies.

I have carefully computed the Reserve necessary to re-assure these Policies according to the Actuaries' rate of mortality, and four per cent. interest, and find that according to that high standard the reserve requires to be \$86,822.31.

The Assets of the Company, according to the Auditors' Report, is \$110,209,46, the Reserve of \$86,822.31 deducted therefrom, there remains a

surplus of \$23,387.15.

The portion of this surplus available for distribution will average about thirty per cent. of the premiums on policies which have been in force four years and over, and about seventeen per cent. of the premiums on policies three years in force. Owing to the different terms the respective policies have been in force, and the various forms of assurance, the distribution of the surplus by percentage either on the amount Balance, net assets...... \$ 88,836 72 able, hence the adoption by this Company of the dent. of assurance or on the premiums is not equit-

"Contribution Plan," by which each policyholder receives the share he has contributed.

The mutual principal applied in practice shows clearly the advantage to policy-holders in the rapid reduction of their premiums, giving a satisfactory assurance that the premiums will long inside of the term of expectation be entirely paid by surplus, and to those who live beyond that period, their early investments will become a source of income, and the so-called burden of paying premiums in old age entirely removed.

> Your obedient servant, W. HENDRY.

Manager. The Vice-President in connection with the Directors' Report gave an interesting review of the Company's affairs conveying a large amount of information to those present, he also read a statement showing the progress of the Company as follows:---

Year.	Income.	Reserve.	Surplus.	
1870 1871 1872 1873 1874 1875 1876 1877	\$4,995 52 7,763 07 15,506 23 16,354 32 22,652 41 28,727 14 41,261 40 55,217 68	Not valued. \$12,246 85 17,520 85 29,428 19 44,829 21 67,124 56 66,822 31	None. " \$5,624 12 4,298 22 8,851 82 13,980 80 23,387 15	

In respect to this statement he remarked that such progress should be satisfactory to every member of the Company; our aim was not so much to do a large business at any cost, but to do a careful one and extend our limits and operations gradually every year; in the object of our business we have been eminently successful, as the fact that our oldest polices already produce surplus sufficient to bear more than one-third of the premium, amply shows.

In connection with the new charter of incorporation obtained from the Dominion Parliament, which entitles the Company to take business anywhere in the Dominion, and to have its statements appear in the official report of the Government Superintendent, some explanation was given, and in accordance with a request by Mr. J. B. Hughes, the Act itself was read for the information of the meeting.

The adoption of the reports was moved by the Vice-President, seconded by Mr. H. F. J. Jackson, and after discussion was carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Melvin, seconded by Mr. R. C. Tye, Messrs. Jackson and Hughes were appointed scrutineers for the election of Directors in the room of Messrs I. E. Bowman, M.P. and James Trow, M. P. The scrutineers reported the unanimous re-election of Messrs I. E. Bowman and James Trow as Directors. The Vice-President re-nominated Mr. H. F. J. lackson, and the meeting re-elected Mr. Jaffray as Auditors for the present year.

On motion of Mr. Tye, seconded by W. Wells, L. D. S., the President was voted the sum of three hundred dollars as salary for the past year.

Mr. Robert Melvin, of Guelph, moved that a cordial vote of thanks is due and now tendered to the Auditors, the Manager and his assistants; also to the Agents of the Company, which was seconded by Mr. H. C. Baird, of Parkhill, and unanimously carried. The vote was suitably acknowledged on behalf of the Manager and Auditors by Mr. H. F. J. Jackson, of Montreal, and for the agents by Messrs. J. H. Wood, of Woodstock; H. J. Brine, of Toronto; J. H. Saul, of Stratford, and V. Burrows, Belleville.

The Board met immediately after the annual meeting, and re-elected I. E. Bowman, M. P., President, and C. W. Taylor, Esq. Vice-Presi-

STANDARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The first annual meeting of the stockholders was held at the Company's head office in the City of Hamilton yesterday. The President occupied the chair. The annual report was read by the Secretary, as follows:--

Report.

Your Directors have much pleasure in submitting this their first annual report, showing the Company's affairs to be in a highly satisfactory condition, and this especially so in view of the disastrous results of fire insusance generally during the past year. The Company's success may be largely attributed to.

(1.) The valuable services of experienced and trustworthy agents. No Company in the country being more respectably and efficiently represented.

(2.) The closest scrutiny of all applications for insurance with the Company, evidenced by the rejection of a large number of risks which have since been destroyed, and the small percentage of claims upon those accepted.

(3.) The limiting of the liability of the Company to loss by any one fire to \$2,000.

(4.) The thorough investigation of losses, the prompt payment of all honest claims and the successful resistance of fraudulent ones.

(5.) The confining of the Company's business exclusively to this Province. thus keeping its operations closely under the personal supervision of the Company's chief officers.

We have issued during the year 2,500 policies insuring property to the amount of \$2,515,220, from which the premium income to the Company has been \$37,342.44 while the losses paid has been \$5,312 71. Our liability of outstanding losses is estimated by our adjustor at \$2,000 which with \$700 adjusted, but not yet due, makes our total losses for the year \$8,012.70; of this amount we had \$1,600 re insured in other companies, leaving the net losses of the Company for the year \$6,412.70.

At the close of the year the financial position of the Company may be briefly stated as fol-

	Assets.		
Total	amount of assets	\$42,101	02
	Liabilities.	• •	

Capital paid up...... \$14,140 00 Re-insurance reserve-(50 per cent of grosspremiums) 18,871 22 Estimated liabilities onlosses under adjustment... 2,000 00

Losses adjusted but not-

700 00 35,711 22

Leaving a surplus of.

\$ 6,489 80

Out of which it is proposed to pay a dividend of 10 per cent. on the paid-up capital. While the position of the Company would warrant a larger dividend, it is thought judicious to limit it to the above rate and carry the balance of profits to a Rest Fund.

Your Directors are of opinion that the Company would be strengthened in the confidence of the public, were its subscribed and paid up capital to be somewhat increased, and they would recommend that an additional \$100,000 of stock (1,000 shares of \$100 each) be offered in the first instance to the shareholders at par, and proportionately to the amount now held by them, and ten per cent. thereon called in, any proportion not taken up by the present shareholders may be offered to the public on such terms as the Directors may determine.

In conclusion, your Directors recommend to their successors a continuance of the same cautious policy which has resulted so favourably

revival of trade and the return of commercial prosperity, a large increase in business and a prosperous future for the Company.

D. B. CHISHOLM, President.

H. T. CRAWFORD, Secretary.

Assets.

Cash on hand in bank	\$ 2,661 20
Government deposit	25,000 00
Bill receivable	5,864 84
Interest	800 00
Office furniture	1,081 58
Balances due by agents	2,864 97
Due by other companies.	2,238 35
Amount of losses reinsur-	
ed in other companies	
(unpaid not yet due)	1.600.00

\$42,201 02

1,600 00

Liabilities.

Capital paid up	\$14,140	οο	
per cent. on gross pre- miums Estimated liability on losses under adjust-	18,871	22	
ment Losses adjusted but not	2,000	00	
due Surplus	700 6,489	00 80 \$42,201	0

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

Hamilton, April 27th, 1878. To the President and Directors of the Standard Fire Insurance Company:

GENTLEMEN.-I beg most respectfully to report that I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of your Company, also the starement of receipts and expenditure for the year ending the 6th day of April, instant, also the assets and liabilities, and have much pleasure in certifying to their correctness.

I have much pleasure in stating that I find the books have been kept in a very creditable manner, and that every assistance has been rendered to me during the audit by your Secretary and Accountant.

I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant, JOHN W. KERR.

Auditor. The adoption of the report was moved by the President, seconded by Mr. R. Duncan, and carried, after which the old Board of Directors was re-elected and the meeting adjourned. Subsequently a meetings of the Directors was held, when D. B. Chisholm, Esq., was re-elected President and Sir John Macdonald, Vice President of the Company.

FIRE RECORD .-- Dunville, April 29 .-- Elias Furry, South Cayuga, lost his barns and driv. ing sheds by fire. Loss, \$2,000; insured in London Mutual, \$1,000.

London, May 1st.—The general store of H. Bray and the Evelyn post office were destroyed by fire this a. m.; \$2.000 will about cover loss. Insured, \$1,000.

Tiverton, May 1st .- A fire here last night caused a loss amounting to \$11,000, with insurance of only \$600. The buildings destroyed were, Tiverton Hotel stables, McLaren's blacksmith shop, stables and hall, the carriage factory of Mr. McDonald, McDougall's plough factory and house, and McKinnon & Macaulay's foundry.

Cobourg, April 25 .- A new three story brick building, a portion of which formed the Windsor Hotel, and the other parts occupied by A. Schoon as a grocery store, and S. W. Lane boots and shoes, was completely destroyed by during the past year, and anticipate, with the fire this a. m. Building insured in the North

of England Insurance Co. for \$5,334; Schoon's stock, \$300, and Lane's \$500 in the Queen. A sad loss of life was occasioned by the falling of the wall; three persons were killed.

Simcoe, April 26.—Fire consumed a dwelling owned by J. W. Tho appon and occupied by Mr. Morris. Insured for \$200.

Cornwall, April 27.—A fire badly damaged the foundry of Tobin & Lovey. Loss covered by insurance.

-- The Agricultural Mutual Insurance Company which had a risk on Joseph Coombs' barn, in the township of Grey, which was burnt a fortnight ago, has offered a rarad of \$100 for the conviction of the person w. o set it on fire. Mr. Coombs has added another \$100 and the tomship is expected to add another, making \$300 in all.

STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

3.15 o'clock, May 1, 1878.

· Stocks.	Lrwest Point in Week.	Highest Point in Week.	Totai Transact'ns in Week	Buyers.	Sellers.
Montreal	165}	169	414	1	167
Ontario	834	30§	755	834	
Consolidated Peoples		79	25	78	Fo
			10	77.	80
Molsons Toronto		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	15	914	931
Jacques Cartier		44			139
Merchants	6. }	694	1160	47 <u>4</u> B	n 48
		118	54		118
Metropolitan			34	1173	110
Maritime					
Exchange	75	77	.0	75	
Hamilton					• • • • • •
Union					
Mon. Tel.	121	1224	620	12 1	122
Dominion Telegra h					***
Gas	148	1454	51	117!	1481
Cit. Pass		90	25	80	93
R. J. Insurance		813	88	814	82
Sterling Exchange	109	1001		rocl	regi
Gold	10. 3	1004		1005	100
Riche ieu & Oat, Nav	59	6 1	919	581	59
Bank of Montreal xd	162	163	148	161	1É1 🛊
Mercht's educ'd sik i	97	9 🖠	53	96	97

Canadian Woods in England.—In the year 1877 we sent to Great Britain about one-fourth of her total supply of hewn timber and lumber, the quantity being 2,480,000 loads of fifty cui c feet, or nearly a ton each. Such is the sta ement before a Parliamentary Immigration Committee, at Ottawa, of Mr. Stewart 'L. ane, edi ... of the Lumberman's Journal, of L) don, England. Our timber trade with the lo he C try, said this gentleman, had glea y increa d between 1831 and 1852 in hewn timber and lumber, but had been about so itionary between 1872 and 1877. Canadian fi quality pine was superior to all other. There was a great falling off in quality of Canadian of late yer s, the quantity of first-class being scarcely a fourth of the quantity of thirty years ago. Norway and Sweeden were the chief competitors of Canada for the better sorts, while the Southern States' pitch pine competed with the parser kinds, and was very largely used of late years. Mr. Thane thought Canada should protect her forests better and systematically raise the better qualities of timber as was done in the north of Europe. The best Canadian white and yellow pine were only used in England in the best buildings and for ornamental work, models, &c. It was cleaner and softer than the best specimens of any other country. He thought the forest fires, which nowhere in Europe did more than trifling harm, were the chief causes of destruction in Canada, and might be greatly checked by looking after the dehris of hewn trees, etc., and recom-mended the appointment of forest inspectors and other protective measures.

THE GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY. - The report of this railway for the six months ending January 31st, last, was presented to the shareholders on the 30th ult., when the agreement for the acquisition of the Derroit and Milwaukee line was ratified. The gross receipts were shown to be £467,237 as compared with £401,628 for the like period of 1877. While the gross receipts had increased the gross working expenses had declined from £313,715 to £295,264. There was thus a surplus for the 1878 half-year of £49.628—showing an improvement over 1877 of £83,251, for the half-year. This satisfactory result the Directors attribute in part to the exceptional mildness of the late winter, and in part to care and economy of management, but mainly to the circumstance that during most of the half year the freight rates were maintained at a profitable standard, while the tonnage was heavier than usual. The chief increase in the earnings has been from the through and local freight business. The freight traffic of this half year contributed 65 per cent. of the total earnings, as compared with 54 per cent. in the corresponding half year of 1877.

Commercial.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

(From our own Correspondent.)

MONTREAL, April 30th, 1878.

We cannot report much improvement in wholesale trade here since our last, but now that the Spring fleet is beginning to arrive, a fair degree of activity is looked for among all branches of business. Flour has been dull of sale. There has been some enquiry for wheat. Groceries have been quiet and business done has not been up to expectations, while prices as a rule have favoured buyers, Hardware is getting more active. Leather has been quiet, and stocks are accumulating. In dry-goods a fair sorting up trade has been experienced, and wholesale dealers are pleased with the business done this year so far as it has gone. A favorable symptom in trade is an improvement in remittances.

ASHES.—Pots.—There has been a fair-demand for pots this week, prices have been steady and sales of firsts have been from \$3.92\frac{1}{2}\$ to \$4.00; seconds and thirds are neglected. Pearls—We hear of no sales taking place and no arrivals, the nominal price of firsts is \$5.75 to \$6.00; Stocks at present in store are Pots 3292 brls; Pearls 400 brls.

Boots and Shoes.—For light sorts of summer goods there is still a fair demand, and as stocks are getting well reduced in the hands of country dealers a good sorting up is fully anticipated; prices are without any quotable change. Men's stoga boots \$1.75 to \$2.50; ditto kip boots \$2.50 to \$2.75: ditto French calf, \$3.25 to \$4.00; ditto buff con gress, \$1.60 to \$2.20. Boys split brogans 95c; to \$1.00; ditto buff and pebbled congress, \$1.20 to \$1.60; women's buff and pebbled congress, \$1.20 to \$1.60; ditto Prunella ditto 60c to \$1.75; ditto congress 60c to \$1.50; Misses buff and pebble bals 75c to \$1.20; childrens buff and pebble bals 55c to \$1.00;

CATTLE.—There was a fair supply of first class cattle in market yesterday, but the demand was not very brisk, butchers held off with the view of bringing down prices, consequently sales were comparatively few and ranged from 4 to 5c. Hogs were not in large supply, sales reported at \$4.30; per 100 lbs.

DRY Goods.—A fair number of small orders are being received, and wholesale houses appear to be pretty well satisfied with the amount of business done so far this season, and also with the continued improvement in remittances. The clothing trade has been active. A good sorting up trade is now looked for and a fair number of country buyers have been in the city, and this combined with orders sent in by travellers on the road, makes this gs look more lively.

Drugs and Chemicals.—The wholesale trade are pretty well supplied with orders, but there is nothing like what may be called activity to report, prices are without any material change but for the most part are in buyers favor. We quote Bi Carb Soda \$3.25 to 3.40 per 112 lb keg, Soda Ash, 1½ to 1½ cper lb.; Cudbear, 11 to 18c per lb.; Arrow root, 13 to 15c per lb.; Borax, 9 to 10c per lb.; Cream Tartar Crystals, 25c per lb; do Ground, 27 to 29; Caustic Soda, \$3 to 3.25 per 10c lbs. East India Senna, 11 to 18c per lb.; Sugar of Lead, 12 to 14c per lb.; Bleaching Powder, 1½ to 1½c per lb.; Copteras, 1 to 1½c per lb.; Sulphur, 3½ to 3½c per lb.; Copteras, 1 to 1½c per lb.; Sulphur, 3½ to 3½c per lb.; Brimstone, 2½c per lb. Epsom Salts, \$2 to 2.25 per 100 lbs., to arrive\$1,60; Sal Soda, \$1.10 to 1.20 per 100 lbs., to arrive\$1.05; Saltpetre, held at \$8.50 to \$9.00 per 112 lb. keg, with upward tendency; Blue Vitriol, 5½ to 6c per lb.

FISH.—There is very little fish in stock here, all is in the hands of the retail trade. Salmon alone being in supply, but is at present unsaleable. Wholesale prices are consequently nominal.

Raw Furs.—Muskrat are arriving freely and command our quotation, other furs are not in much supply and prices are without any quotable change since this day week. We quote Beaver, per lb., \$1.00 to 1.30; spring ditto \$1.50; Otter, \$4.00 to 5.00; Fisher, \$4.00 to 6.00; Mink, dark prime, \$1.25 to 1.50; ditto pale, 75c; artin, 75c; Large black Bear, \$6 to 8; Small ditto, \$3.00; Red Fox, \$1.10; Cross Fox, \$1.50 to 2.50; Silver Fox, \$20; Spring Muskrat, 15c; Lynx, \$1.50 Skunk, dark prime, 30 to 60c; Raccoon, 30 to 60c.

FREIGHTS.—The first ships of the Spring fleet are now beginning to arrive, but as yet there have been no engagements of tonnage reported. By next week we hope to be able to quote rates,

FLOUR.—Receipts during the past week 16,780 brls.; total receipts from 1st January to date 168,385 brls., being an increase of 14,744 brls. on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1877. Shipments during the week 1891 brls.; total shipments from 1st January to date 51,682 brls., being an increase of 4770 brls. on the shipments for the corresponding period of 1877. The price of flour this week has been on the whole firm and well maintained, but the demand has been sluggish. There has been very little shipping demand as yet, and nothing but small sales to the local trade were reported to-day at the following rates. We quote: Superior extra, \$6.00 to 6.15; Extra, \$5.75 to \$5.80; Fancy, \$5.30 to 5.35; Strong bakers flour, \$5.25 to \$5.45; Spring extra, \$5.15 to \$5.20; Super, \$4.80 to 4.85; Fine, \$4.20 to 4.30; Pollards, \$3.15 to 3.40; Middlings, \$3.75 to 3.90; Oatmeal \$4.35 to 4.45.

Grain.—Wheat.—There has been some enquiry lately for this grain, but so far without resulting in much business, holders are asking for No. 1 Toronto Spring, \$1.24 to \$1.25; No. 2, \$1.20. Maize, holders are asking 55c to 60c; Peas, 81c to 82c; Oats, 34c to 35c, but these quotations in the absence of wholesale transactions, are nominal.

GROCERIES.—Teas.—The Tea market has been dull, and transactions this week have not amounted to much; Japans have been only in limited demand at 22½c to 37½c, high grades of

Japan are unsalable, and low grades which are most asked for are in small supply; Young Hysons are also moved to a small extent at 47 c to 50c; Black Tea, now that navigation has opened has met with some enquiry at 23c to 25c; Coffee, there has been about the usual jobbing demand at our quotations, Java, 20c to 30c; Maracaibo, 21c to 23c; Mocha, 3oc to 34; Sug r, the market for Sugar this week has been quiet and perhaps a shade easier-transactions however have been limited, stocks are by no means heavy, and holders in the present state of the market are not pressing sales. Scotch refined 7\(\frac{3}{4}\) to 8\(\frac{1}{2}\); American granulated 9\(\frac{1}{2}\) to 10c; dry crushed 10\(\frac{1}{2}\) to 10\(\frac{3}{2}\)c; raw sugars are nominal. Molasses are dull and in small de-mand, some small sales of Barbadoes reported from 421 to 44c.; Trinidad 35 to 38c. Syrup 42½ to 6oc. according to quality. Rice 45 to 6oc. Spices as usual have only been in jobbing demand and small sales only reported within our range of quotations. Black pepper, 93 to role; White pepper, 19 to 22; Cassia 16 to 22c; Cloves, 39 to 45c; Mace 75 to 80c; Nutmegs, 65 to \$1.00 according to quality; Pimento 13 to 131; Jamaica ginger, 18 to 21c. Fruit. Holders have been pressing sales to clear out stocks, and few Valencia Raisins are now in the market and cannot be bought under 51 to 6c. with this exception our quotations of last week are unchanged. Layer raisins \$1.50 to 1.60; Sultanas, 6\frac{1}{2} to 8\frac{1}{2}c; Currants, 5 to 7c; Figs 12 to 14c; Taragona Almonds 14 firm to 15c; Filberts 7½ to 9c; Walnuts 7 to 11c. Salt.—Very little doing just now, holders are asking for coarse 60 to 67c, and for factory filled goc. to \$1.00.

HIDES AND PELTS.—Heavy hides are very little asked for, but there is a good demand for lights which are scarce, prices keep steady at \$7, \$6 and \$5.00: for Nos 1 2 and 3 respectively. Lambskins, 10 to 20c. Calfskins, 8 to 10c.

HARDWARE. - As the season advances business seems gradually to improve. The demand for general goods is quite equal to past season and at present merchants seem as if they wanted a little more profit on their goods. Pig iron is being enquired after, a few moderate sized sales have been made within range of quotations. Other lines are nominally unchanged. We quote Pig Iron.-Per ton, Gartsherrie, \$19.50 to 20., 00; Summerlee \$19.00 to 19.25; Langloan; \$19.00 to 20.00; Eglinton, \$18.00 to 18.50; Clyde, \$17.50 and 18.00; Hematite, \$26.00 to 27.00. Bars.—Per 100 lbs., Scotch and Staffordshire, \$1.80 to 1.90; Best, ditto, \$2 00 to 2.50; Swedes and Norway, \$4.50 to 5.00; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$6.00 to 6.25. Canada Plates.—Per box, Glamorgan and Budd, \$3.40 to 3.60; Arrow, Penn and Garth, \$3.40 to 3.50; Hatton, \$3.20 to \$3 30, no demand for Carada plates: Tin Plates.—Per box, Charcoal, 1c; Bradley, \$6.50; to 6.75; ditto, other brands, Startey, \$6.50; to 6.00; Charcoal IX, \$7.75 to 8.00; Charcoal DC, \$4.75 to 5.00; Coke, IC, \$5.00 to 5,25; Tinned sheets, No. 26, Charcoal, Cookley K, or Bradley, II to IIIc per lb.; ditto, Coke, $9\frac{3}{4}$ to 10c; Galvanized sheets, $7\frac{1}{2}$ to 8c. Hoops and Bands Per 100 lbs, \$2.40 to 2.50. Sheets .- Best brands, \$2.50 to 3.50 Boiler Plates.—\$2.50 to 3.00; Russian Sheet Iron, 9 to 10c.; Cut nails.—Per 100 lbs., 12 dy to 7 in., \$3.00; ditto, 5 dy to 10 dy. \$3.30; Shingle nails, \$3.80; Lath nails, \$4.60, Lead, Pig, per 100 \$5.00 to 5.25; Sheet, \$5.25 to 5.50: Bar, \$6.50 to 7.00; Shot \$6.25 to 6.75: Steel, cast, per lb., 12 to 15c; Spring, per 100 lbs., \$3.50 to 4.00; Tire per 100 lbs. \$3.00 to 3.50; Sleigh shoe, \$2.75 to 3.00; Ingot Tin, 18 to 20c; Ingot Copper, 19 to 20c; Horse shors, per 100 lbs., \$3.37\frac{1}{2}\$ to 3.50.

LEATHER.—The business of the week has been but small and prices are weaker on the whole. In Sole leather there are large shipments being made to England with a fair prospect

of profits almost entirely of light stock. Meantime there is no encouragement to ship black leather. Hides continue high, and tanners are still purchasing at present prices notwithstanding the unfavourable prospect for a profitable return. We quote Hemlock Spanish sole. No. 1; B. A., 23 to 24c; ditto, No. 2 B. A., 20 to 21c; Zanzibar, ordinary No. 1, 20 21c; ditto, No. 2, 18 to 19c; Buffalo sole, No. 1, 20 ditto, No. 2, 18 to 19c; Buyauo soie, No. 1, 20 to 21c; ditto, No. 2, 18 to 19c; Hemlock slaughter, No. 1, 25 to 26c; Waxed Upper, light and medium, 34 to 38c; ditto, heavy 32 to 36c; Grained, 34 to 36c; Splits, large, 26 to 30c; ditto, small, 20 to 26c; Calfskins, 27 to 36 the search ditto, 18 to 36 the search foci. 36 lbs., 55 to 65c; ditto, 18 to 26 lbs., 50 to 60c; Sheepskin linings, 20 to 28c; Harness, 25 to 30c; Buffed cow, 14 to 15½c; Enamelled cow, 16 to 18c; Patent Cow 15 to 18c; Pebbled cow 12 to 15c; Rough 23 to 24c,
OILS.—The stock of Fish oils is fair, but the

demand has been so far this season very moderate, when canal navigation is open some more life is looked for in business. We quote Cod Oil 50 to 521c; Seal Oil, pale, 50c: do. straw 47½; ditto steam refined 55c; Linseed Oil, raw, 60 to 61c; ditto boiled 63 to 64c. Olive Oil is unchanged. Petroleum market has been dull and prices are if anything in buyers favour say from $15\frac{1}{2}$ to 18c according to the size of lots.

PROVISIONS.—Butter.—Receipts during the week 314 pkgs.; shipments 899 kegs. There is very little shipping demand, new is coming forward pretty freely and is taken up by the local dealers at from 17 to 20c which is from 21 to 3c under the quotations of this day week. We hear of nothing being done in old butter. Cheese.—Market dull and business confined to local wants at 14 to 15c. Lard.—Sales are made at 84 to 94c. Pork.—Receipts during the week 351 brls.; shipments 50 brls. Market has ruled quiet, and perhaps a shade easier, Mess changing hands at \$12.50 to 13.25, and Thin Mess \$12.00. Tallow 71 to 71c.

Wool.—Although sales for the past week have only been in small lots, they have been more numerous than for some time past. We quote Canada pulled 25 to 27c, sales at both figures.

TORONTO MARKETS

Toronto, May 2, 1878.

A moderate movement is perceptible in dry goods, leather, clothing, fancy goods, and hardware. The cheap railway trip which was planned for this week was not carried out, owing, we believe, to some misunderstanding among the railway authorities. Groceries have been rather more active; hides and wool quiet, not to say dull. Cattle has been active. There has been some movement in spring wheat, and shipment has begun from this port, but there is very little doing as yet in lake freights.

BANK STOCKS .- The upward movement in bank stocks prevailing in the first half of April, in the hope, possibly, of larger dividends, was arrested last week, and since the 25th prices have been weaker. Montreal, reached its highest point, 169, on the day mentioned, having been 162 on the 13th. For Toronto, which stood at 135 on the date last named, 139 was bid on the 23rd, and but 137 on the 27th ult. The higher price was very likely influenced by the views of some of the sanguine ones that, the last dividend having been so disappointingly low, the coming one (if for no other reason) must be better. Some wiseacre started the story in Montreal that the Merchants would pay nine per cent., so the stock advanced from 631

dividend, which was the straightforward way of meeting the situation; the stock thereupon went down to 87, a fall of seven per cent. from the highest point. Consolidated varied only about one per cent., although its dividend was reduced likewise. Loan and Savings have been firm. Huron and Erie rose 2½ per cent. Lon don and Canadian and Ontario, 2 each; several others advanced from 1 to 1 per cent. Of insurance companies, the Western and the British America advanced.

Boots and Shoes.—Business has been confined to small sorting up orders, which has been coming in pretty steadily. No change to note in prices. The large bankrupt stock of Messrs. Childs & Johnston was sold by auction to-day for \$30,500; the book-debts, shop fixtures, and goods damaged by the late fire, all being included. Thus, a little over fifty cents on the dollar was realized.

CATTLE, ETC .- Receipts of cattle during the week amounted to 1800 head, all sold at former prices, as the demand for exportation to Fngland created an increased desire in foreign purchasers to buy for future requirements abroad. First-class for local use brought 41 to 41c live weight; seconds 3\frac{3}{4} to 4\frac{1}{4}c, and thirds 3\frac{1}{4} to 3\frac{1}{4}c live weight. Several hundred heads of choice stock for export sold at 5 to 5 c. For shipment to Montreal, 40 head averaging 1,340 lbs. at \$4.50; and for local use one car load averaging 1300 lbs. sold at \$4.88; and one herd of Durham's averaging 1,450 lbs. at \$5.25. Sheep— Receipts during the week were about 1,600, including yearlings. Prices realized were \$6.00 to 8.00 for first-class, \$4.00 to 5.00 for second, and \$3.00 to 3 50 for third. Spring lambs brought \$3.50 to 4.00 for firsts, down to \$2.25 for thirds. Calves in fair supply and all sold at \$9.00 to 12 for first-class, \$5.00 to 7.00 for second, and \$2 to 4.00 for third.

FLOUR AND MEAL .- Flour-Stocks in store, 33.890 bbls. against 32,475 bbls. last week, and 10,531 bbls. on like date last year. The market has been quiet all week; there is no shipping demand, and sales have been few, consisting of small parcels for local consumption. In the absence of quotable transactions we quote sellers' prices at \$5,70 for superior extra, \$5.50 for extra, \$5.10 for fancy, \$4.75 to 4.80 for spring extra. During the week oatmeal has been sold on the track at \$4.05, and quotations for car lots range from \$4.05 to 4.10. Bran is nominally worth \$13.00 to 14.00 for cars on the track.

GRAIN.-Wheat, fall-Stocks in store, 127,757 bush. against 126,194 bush. last week, and 75,518 bush. on like date last year. Fall wheat is entirely neglected, and quotations rule wholly nominal at former figures. Wheat, spring-Stocks in store, 337,936 bush. against 361,189 bush. last week, and 138,332 bush. on like date last year. There has been considerable improvement developed in the market during the week. There has been a good demand at higher prices, and on Tuesday last No. 1 spring was quotable at \$1.16 to 1.17 for buyers and a cargo lot of No. 2 grade sold at \$1.13 f.o.c., which price would also have been repeated. Seven cars of No. 2 grade sold to day at \$1.121 f.o.c., and No. 1 is now quoted at \$1.14 to 1.15. The English and American markets close firm at an advance. Oats .- Stock in store 9,138 bush., against 11,966 bush. last week, and 27,581 bush. on like date last year. Market quiet and steady, with reported sales of several car lots on track at 33c for Canadian, and 34 to 35c for American. Barley.—Stocks in store 119,663 bush. against 134,520 bush. last week, and 60, 089 bush. on like date last year. The season is over, but a few lots of No. 2 have been nine per cent., so the stock advanced from 032 sold within the last two days on April 13th to 69 on the 25th, and when the on April 13th to 69 on the 25th, and when the over till the fall months, with the dividend was declared, settled to 68c. The over till the fall months, with the Ontario board had the firmness to decrease its hope of then obtaining higher prices. the

Peas.—Stocks in store 23,490 bushels, against 21,449 bushels last week, and 41,412 bushels on like date last year. Very few sales reported, and holders seem rather easier in their views, asking 73c; for No I and 7Ic; for No 2. A mixed lot of No I and No 2, comprising 2,000 bushels, sold to-day at 72c; Seeds. —The season is nearly over, and there is no change to note in prices, clover still selling at \$4 to \$4,05; Timothy at \$1,70 to \$1.80

GROCERIES.—Trade has been rather quiet during the week. Coffees are still reported dull sales being generally for small lots at former prices, a round lot of Singapore Java changed hands the other day, however, at 23c. Fruit .-New Valencia raisins are scarce and firm, some holders are asking 6 to 6½c; but 5¾ to 6c; is all that can be obtained, although the market is reported bare of stock Currants.— Poor grades have been bought as low as 51 to 51c, but for choice fruit the demand is light, at our quotations. In Fish there is scarcely anything at all doing; prices purely nominal. Rice is scarce; one lot of fifty bags sold at 4½c, but sales are generally small Spices are quiet and unchanged, excepting pepper, which is plentiful in New York, and lower. Syrups are moving off slowly at unchanged quotations. Sugars are steady, and the market, if anything, is weaker than at our last. Concessions would likely be made by holders for round lots, but buyers don't seem much inclined to operate. A round lot of low English refined was sold at 7%c, and other smaller lots have changed hands at our quotations. Teas have been rather quiet, although some houses report an average business for the week, while others complain that the Americans having taken advantage of the discriminating tariff, have stationed themselves in this Province and are likely to monopolize the trade in this article; and to them the market is in a very unsatisfactory state. Prices remain unaltered. Tobaccos-The market rules quiet, with moderate sales at quotations.

HARDWARE.—There is no material change to note in trade since our last reference, and prices as quoted are still well maintained.

HIDES AND SKINS .- The market for hides continues very quiet, and there is still a scarcity of first-class goods. Under the light demand stocks are slowly accumulating. Prices unchanged. Sheepskins are scarce; very few offering during the week, and prices have been firm. Calfskins have been offered rather freely, and all were not readily accepted; prices are lower than they were, now quoted at 8 to 10c for green. Tallow, unchanged.

LEATHER.—The market continues very quiet, though firm; the demand from country dealers, as well as from jobbers, has been light, in all lines of goods, and business has been confined to small sorting-up orders among the wholesale houses. Prices have been pretty well mainhouses. Prices nave been pretty well maintained, but for large lots concessions would be made. A nice lot of *Upper* was sold at 36c, but wholesale choice lots would bring 37½ to 38c. There is very little doing in Oils, prices for which remain unchanged. Buyers are exceedingly cautious in this branch at present, and the majority of dealers are only "holding their own."

Provisions.—Jobbing orders have been coming forward more freely during the past week, and trade generally is reported good. Butter .-Advices from the British markets report Canadian stocks dull, at reduced prices; shippers have reduced rates fully 1c. Choice new qualities meet with a fair demand for local consumption. Low grades are purely nominal at 51 to 6ac. Cheese. - Retailers are buying very sparingly, anticipating lower prices for new qualities. Prices show no material alteration, except that prime is quoted about 1c lower. Mess Pork .-The demand is trifling; a few orders for broken lots have been filled at \$12.75 to

\$13.00 for Canadian packed. For car lots doubtless concessions on these figures would be made. Bacon-There is a steady demand for tons and under, at previous quotations, which are firm. No round lots selling, however. Hams -Retail orders continue steady, with more enquiry for canvassed, which are held at about 10 to 10½c. Lard—There is a steady consumptive demand, at previous quotations. Round lots rather easier, in sympathy with western advices. Holders seem firm, however, and not anxious to press sales. Dried Apples continue dull, at 61 to 63c for American Southern, and 7 to 71c for Canadian. Eggs—Supplies have considerably decreased, but the market is still pretty well supplied. Fresh wholesale lots are selling at 9 to 10c-at 9c in brls., and in crates of thirty dozen they are worth 10c. For the best lots some houses quote an advance, viz., 10½ to 11½c. Hops—There is no demand from brewers, the season being about over, and quotations rule entirely nominal.

WOOL.—The market is very dull, and scarcely any business has been done during the week. Prices are reported to be entirely unchanged.

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sive.

By order of the Board.

GEO S. C. BE1HUNE,

Secretary and Treasurer. Toronto, 22nd April, 1878.

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D. FISHER General Manager.

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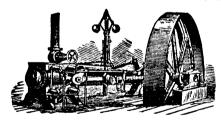
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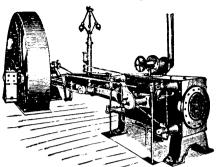
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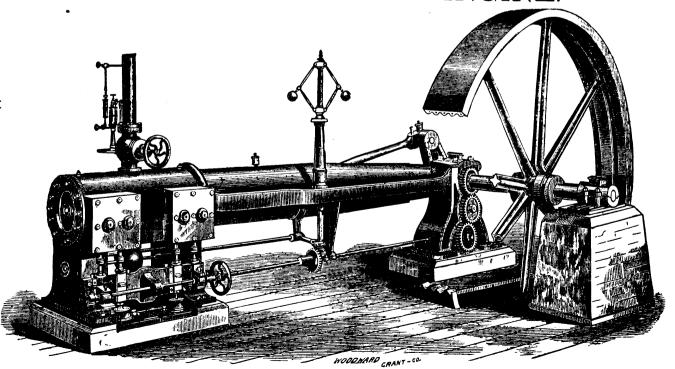
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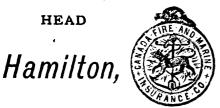
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From the undivided surplus on the 1st of January last of \$6,200,000, reversionary dividends will be declared available on settlement of next annual premium to participating policies, of which \$3,600,000 belongs to the general class and \$2,600,000 to the Tontine.

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