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THE sentence of five years' imprisonment upon the suffragette SUFFRAGETTE who threw the hatchet at Premier FELONIES. Asquith's carriage and the other lady who set fire to the Theatre Royal, Dublin, is not too severe. The consequences of a panic in a crowded theatre, let alone a serious fire, might have been most lamentable. To allow any mitigation of punishment for such crimes as attempted murder and arson on the ground of political opinion, sex or social position would be to encourage such atrocious actions. The prisoners have done infinite harm to their cause by showing their absolute unfitness for any part in the government of the country. The suffragettes cannot complain if they are judged by the actions of their members who make themselves conspicuous by their crimes and tacitly allow it to be inferred that these crimes have their approval or that the criminals have their sympathy. If their ideas of women's rights include murder and arson for political motives, their unfitness for political life is obvious.

GUARD. SOME active work in the defence of England has been found for the Boy Scouts and the

work promises to be of value in two ways. First, it is expected that they can render effective service in keeping watch on the coast and forming lines of communication with London; and, second, it will engender in the boys a sense of responsibility for their share in the defence of the country. The Boy Scouts of the County of Kent started on August 3 to carry out a big scheme of mobilization and communication prepared by Commander James Galloway, a retired officer of the British Navy, and other officers. The operations were to last three days, and, owing to the general public holiday on Monday, a large number of boys were able to participate.

The boys were sent off to watch the south-eastern coast of England in sections extending from New Romney round the Forelands to the Isle of Sheppy, and their duty was to pass information between the coast and London and between towns in the County of Kent, and to form lines of communication with adjacent counties. Stations have been established at half-mile intervals, with three scouts posted at

In time of war, with an attack by warships on the coast, and the resulting cutting of communications,

it is believed that this human chain would be invaluable. The practice will probably be made annual and extended to other counties.

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PANAMA CANAL
TOLLS.

THE United States Senate has by a vote of 44 to 11 decided to exempt American shipping from Panama Canal tolls. Some of the

senators (by courtesy called honourable senators) showed in the debate a standard of honour worthy of a New York police grafter.

When Senator Burton moved to strike out that section which would exempt American coastwise traffic from payment of tolls, Senator Brandegee opposed it on the ground that it was not good business. He said he did not believe the United States had the right under the British treaty to exempt American vessels, but that that was not the reason he opposed the free toll provision. "The fact that we had a diplomatic note from Great Britain is absolutely immaterial and irrelevant to me," he said.

Senator Lodge declared the United States, if compelled to go before The Hague court with the question of its rights to exempt American ships, would surely lose its case, "no matter how good it was." The only alternative, he said, would be to refuse to go to The Hague or else to drop the free toll provision and accept his plan of a governmental rebate or subsidy equal to the amount of tolls.

The one "honourable" gentleman declares a solemn contract between fiations immaterial and irrelevant. The other acknowledges the obligation, but proposes to evade it by a contemptible subterfuge. It is only fair to the people of the United States to recognize that there are some members of the Senate with higher conceptions of national honour. Senator Works declared Senator Lodges proposition "pure unadulterated evasion and Senator Root expressed the opinion that the United States did not have any right of sovereignty at Panama which would exempt the canal from the provisions of the Hay-Panneefote treaty. He said the canal strip had been acquired from Panama in 1903 subject expressly to the provisions of the treaty with Great Britain.

"I know of no higher rule of ethics," he added, "than that which requires nations to observe good faith in relation to their treaties."

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The Urban Tendency.

The tendency of the rural population to leave the agricultural districts for the cities is as marked in England and Wales as it is on this continent-

The increasing predominance of the urban as compared with the rural population is shown in the table given below:

Per Cent. of Total Population.

| 1     |  |   |   | Urbain<br>Districts. | Rural<br>Districts. | U. Dist. |      |
|-------|--|---|---|----------------------|---------------------|----------|------|
|       |  |   |   |                      | 8 936.800           | 50.2     | 49.8 |
| 1861. |  |   |   | 40 000 000           | 9.105 226           | 54.6     | 45.4 |
|       |  |   |   | 14.041 494           | 8 670 862           | 61.8     | 38 2 |
| 1881. |  |   |   |                      | 8 337,793           | 67.9     | 32.1 |
| 1891. |  |   |   |                      | 8.107.021           | 72.0     | 28.0 |
| 1901. |  |   |   |                      | 7.469.488           | 77.0     | 23.0 |
| 1911  |  | * | Ċ | 28 162 936           |                     | 78.1     | 21.9 |
| 1011  |  |   |   | _                    |                     |          |      |

It will be noted that while in 1851 the numbers living under urban and rural conditions were, broadly speaking, evenly divided, in 1911 no less than 78 per cent. of the population were living under urban and only 22 per cent- under rural conditions.

One of the greatest problems for social reformers to solve is how to make country life more attractive. All the world over there are many city people who think rural life very fascinating, but nevertheless stay in town. The rising generation of the rural population find city life attractive and, to a large extent migrate to the big centres. It is easier for the farmer to adjust himself to city life than it is for the city man to adjust himself to country life. Probably the difference is due to the fact that the town satisfies the almost universal demand for interest, excitement and amusement to say nothing about the comforts of life. The well-to-do city man with a country home to which to go for a change finds no lack of comfort in the country. But to the poorer class among the agricultural population the country means a good deal of hard work and the doing without many of the comforts of life enjoyed by the poor in cities and the almost entire absence of exciting amusement. How great is the demand for this amusement may be seen by the popularity of all kinds of ten cent performances in the big cities. Some of them are less elevating than others, but they also seem to satisfy a human craving for amusement. To the country people all these considerations are evidently very fascinating.

#### Lord Roberts on the Situation.

If any man living has earned the the right to be heard with respect and deference when he speaks upon the defence of Great Britain,

it is surely Lord Roberts. He was one of the first to warn the British Government of the danger of war with Germany and the necessity for preparation. Every little scribbler at home and in the colonies felt himself at liberty to ridicule the veteran soldier as an alarmist. To-day it is difficult to a sane man on either side of politics who does not recognize that Lord Roberts was right. His latest utterance brings the warning up to date. He says: "Politicians tell

us that the country will not stand compulsory training. I am persuaded it is not true. As long as our fellow countrymen are soothed and flattered by their leaders that the territorial force as at present constituted can give the backing that is necessary to the navy and the regular army, they see no need for considering compulsory service, and are not to be blamed for their belief; but if our leaders would have the honesty and the courage to tell them the truth, namely, that we are on the eve of a great crisis, and a crisis without parallel certainly within the past one hundred years, and that our national forces are unfit to meet the strain that may be put upon us with any assurance of success, I feel confident that the present generation of Britishers would willingly accept the first reform necessary—universal training compulsory upon all alike, upon rich and poor, high and low, from the son of the Duke to the son of the laborer-as the foundation of our territorial force, instead of the foolish and unfair method of voluntary discipline. The real difficulty is to get our leaders to take the country into their confidence and tell them about this vital matter.'

The great difference between the soldier and the politician in this matter is that the soldier knows what he is talking about and the politician does not, and that while the soldier tells his countrymen what he thinks they ought to know, the politician tells what he thinks they want to be told. Lord Roberts adds: "When I consider the certainty of the struggle, its probable nearness, and the momentousness of the issues at stake, I am astounded that the nation should be left in the dark as to the danger with which we have to cope, and for which we most certainly are not prepared.

Oil is said to have been discover-Oil under London. ed at a depth of 5,000 feet under London, and also in Nottingham-

shire. Both discoveries are simultaneous with the opening of the oil exhibition at Olympia. J. D. Henry, who has charge of the development of the oil fields of the United Kingdom, reviewing the history of the early attempts to get oil in England, expressed an opinion that if there is petroleum in Great Britain it will be got at too great a depth and in too small quantities to be of real commercial value or to compete with the output of the world's great fields, or even the yield of the kerosene shale fields of Scotland.

"What is really wanted," he added, "is the energetic and skilful development of oil fields in different parts of the Empire. In connection with the subsidy likely to be paid to a new 'all red route' passenger steamship company running steamers between this country and Canada, and thence on to Australasia, it would be an immense advantage to have the oil fields of New Zealand and Australia fully developed without any loss of time. The oil fuel of these colonies would be needed for steamers engaged in the intercolonial passenger trade on the Pacific.

With all deference to Mr. Henry, we cannot help thinking that the fuel problem, not only for England but for the world, will be solved, not by the discovery of new sources so much as by the better utilization of the supplies we have. Only very small percentages of the energy locked up in coal and coal oil is available for actual use to-day. It is not too much to hope that the inventors will soon show us the way to utilise ninety per cent, of the energy of which less than ten per cent, is now available.

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#### THE GENERAL FINANCIAL SITUATION.

The Bank of England bought the \$3,500,000 Transvaal gold which appeared on the market in London at the beginning of the week. The 3 p.c. bank rate has been continued in force. Call money in the open market is quoted 2 to 21/4; short bills are 3 p.c.; and three months bills, 3 to 31-16. At Paris, bank rate is maintained at 3 p.c. and at Berlin it is 41/2. Private rate of discount in the French centre is 25% and in the German centre, 35%. For the present, European affairs are comparatively quiet-a large share of attention is given to the interesting political struggle in the United States. The various industrial nations on the other side of the Atlantic are looking expectantly upon the campaign for tariff reduction, hoping to increase their sales to American buyers if the duties are lowered.

In New York call loans are 3 p.c.; sixty day loans, 31/2; ninety days, 33/4 to 4; and six months, 43/4.

The Saturday statement of all clearing house institutions showed loan contraction of \$2,746,000, and cash gain of \$125,000-which movements caused

the excess cash reserve to increase \$1,160,450. This excess now amounts to \$20,398,000. According to the old form of bank statement (in which the banks are taken by themselves) an increase of surplus amounting to \$258,000 was shown—the result of loan contraction of \$4.200,000 accompanied by a cash loss of \$1,026,000. It is expected that subsequent weekly statements will show the effects of the harvest financing. Reports from New York state that German banks have been repaying balances due by them to American institutions. So it can perhaps be taken for granted that the New York banks have pretty well exhausted their hidden reserve represented by loans to Germany.

These repayments are supposed to have influenced the sterling exchange market in New York. Under offerings of bills the market turned weak and the expectations of gold exports became less confident.

The American railways are said to be experiencing considerable difficulty in procuring delivery of equipment ordered by them some time ago when steel prices were down. Late in 1911 the equipment companies, desiring to stimulate business, followed the lead of the iron and steel companies and cut the prices for locomtives, cars, and railway supplies. A number of the railway companies took advantage of the favorable opportunity and placed heavy orders. But the equipment companies are not at all prompt in delivering the goods. Taxed with their tardiness they explain that the cuts which they made in their quoted prices were based on cut prices announced by the steel companies for iron and steel products; and that now the steel companies are very backward in delivering goods under these old contracts.

It looks as if both the steel companies and the equipment companies were giving their attention largely to the higher priced contracts which are now coming in. The situation certainly points to much better industrial conditions. Canadian railways also have been complaining of difficulty experienced in procuring extensive new supplies of equipment. Not only are deliveries slow but it is difficult to get the equipment companies to enter into contracts for new work except on condition that delivery dates be placed far in advance. Notwithstanding the congestion, some progress has been made in the matter of providing additional facilities for handling Western Canada's big wheat crop of 1912. Although the crop will be very large the railway companies will this year get a much better start at the work of transporting it, and it is hoped that less congestion of traffic will

Call loans in Montreal and Toronto are 5 and 51/2 p.c. respectively as heretofore. So far preparations for financing the crop have not caused rates to rise, although it is said that a couple of the smaller banks have been withdrawing funds from the street. It has been reported that agents of New York banks have been offering funds to Montreal merchants at cut Berlin

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rates during the past couple of weeks. In banking circles here the development is not looked upon as a serious matter. The bankers consider that New York will not have much eash to spare for outside loans of this kind once the American crops are fairly on the market.

The Street is wondering whether the recently announced meeting for the increase of Shawinigan Power's authorized capital stock from \$20,000,000 to \$25,000,000 is to be the prelude to the distribution of bonus or benefits of some kind among the stockholders. Apparently it indicates financing by the banks. A considerable amount of Shawinigan stock has been taken in anticipation of an amalgamation with Montreal Power. Perhaps the proposed increase in Shawinigan's capital is the preliminary step in carrying through the expected consolidation. A deal of this magnitude would doubtless result in the creation and flotation of a considerable volume of new securities; and it would involve heavy loans from the banks to underwriting syndicates and stock broking houses.

The Canadian Light & Power Company also increased its authorized capital this week, supposedly for the purpose of increasing its capacity for supplying electrical energy. Montreal's manufacturing enterprises are steadily growing more important, and consumption of power promises to expand with great rapidity.

#### SIX MILLIONS OF BANK LOSSES.

Towards the end of July the biggest national bank in St. Louis, Mo.—an institution possessing nearly \$87,000,000 of assets, issued a circular to its stockholders advising them of a drastic cutting down of the book value of certain important assets. This action was necessitated by the condition of certain advances made by the bank prior to the panic of 1907. These loans were made apparently to two or three large concerns. According to the circular the enterprises conducted by the recipients of these advances were then "prosperous and of splendid promise." But since then and because of the "financial cataclysm and the continued depression following" the concerns have been greatly embarrassed "and the bank was unable to collect these loans without utterly crushing the borrowers."

The bad loans were carried as good assets, apparently, for nearly five years. It proved impossible to keep them secret. A larger and larger body of outside persons came to a knowledge of the circumstances; and the management of the bank was subjected to sharp criticism. Its credit also was threatened with impairment, and the credit of the concerns which it was carrying along promised to disappear altogether. So, finally, it was decided to acknowledge the losses and face the issue squarely. On the date of the last call for statements of condition of national banks-June 14, 1912-the bank claimed to have capital, \$10,000,000; surplus fund, \$5,000,000; and undivided profits, \$3.245.253. Through the payment of dividend due July 1st, or through some preliminary writing down, the profit and loss balance was reduced some \$160,000-to \$3,080,767-before the special

entries were put through. And, in addition to the \$10,000,000 capital, the directors had at their disposal \$8,080,767 in surplus and undivided profits for meeting the appropriations for covering the bad loans.

They wrote off in all \$5.748,720, thus leaving the capital \$10,000,000 intact and a balance of \$2.332,038 in surplus and undivided profits. While writing off approximately 70 p.c. of the stockholders' surplus funds (over and above the paid-up capital), the directors made the usual protestations to the effect that they considered it very probable that the losses would be recovered. As trade and industrial conditions in the United States are picking up notably, it is quite possible that the enterprises in question may in time be recognized and rehabiliated in such manner as to enable them to give the bank securities which could be marketed or which would in time rank as good assets.

In the meantime the financial public will be watching interestedly to see how the St. Louis bank's depositing customers take the disclosures which have just been made. On the 14th June, the bank had; in deposits of other national banks, \$21,773,997; deposits of state banks and bankers, \$13,306,065; deposits of trust companies and savings banks, \$870,602; individual deposits subject to cheque, \$18,268,645; certificates of deposits (time and demand) cashier's checks outstanding and deposits of United States Government monies, \$5.430,000. The total deposits of all kinds were close upon \$60,000,000—considerably more than half being bankers' deposits.

During the course of the panic about five years ago the biggest national bank in Kansas City was obliged to suspend payment. That institution also was primarily a bank for bankers. Its prestige was seriously damaged by the suspension. The St. Louis bank is a much stronger concern than the Kansas City bank which suspended. And general conditions throughout the country are very much more favorable than they were five years ago. Nevertheless the action of the directors in writing off nearly \$6,000,000, or about one-third of the stockholders funds would come as a shock to the creditors and owners of the bank.

Canadian bankers who remember the Sovereign Bank's struggle to keep its head above water after acknowledging its heavy losses will watch this experiment with great interest. The statements made by the Sovereign Bank management were reinforced by statements of leading bankers outside-to the effect that they considered the losses to have been fully provided for, etc. So in this case the statements made by the bank's directors are reinforced by statements of national bank examiners and of the St. Louis Clearing House officers. The national bank examiners certify that they fully concur in the expediency of charging off the sum referred to and commend the conservatism shown by the bank. They also state that it is their opinion that the \$10,000,000 capital of the bank is is no way impaired.

The statement of the clearing house officers goes farther. It is signed by the vice and acting president of the Clearing House, and by the members of the committee of management; and it states that the Clearing House examiners had thoroughly examined the bank and found that its capital of \$10,000,000 was unimpaired and that it was entirely solvent. This unequivocal statement by the Clearing House Committee probably commits the associated banks to a guarantee of the liabilities of the big bank. If it

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proved unable, from any cause, to meet its liabilities as they accrued, the other banks would be compelled, in view of their having thus joined to give it publicly a certificate of health or solvency, to take care of its

depositors, so far as they were able.

Happily there does not appear to be reasonable grounds for expecting any crisis or collapse. The bank's customers in general have not been greatly alarmed, and while it may undergo a certain moderate drain of deposits, its position is not supposed to be at all endangered. The stockholders, or those who bought its stock since 1907, apparently have more reason to complain than have the creditors. Such a long concealment of important losses could scarcely occur in a good Canadian bank without the other banks becoming aware of it. The experience of the Ontario Bank showed that such concealment was possible. Since then additional safeguards have been introduced.

### Notes and Comments.

Judging from present appearances the Roosevelt third party move-Politics and the New York Market. ment will not serve to upset the big American financial markets . The markets have had an ex-

to any great extent. cess of alarms based on threatened political happenings and many observers believe that stocks are nearly immune to attacks from that quarter. With reference to the prospects of the Roosevelt party, it is clear that many supposed adherents of the ex-president are showing, commendable caution in waiting to find out whether there is any notable popular movement towards Roosevelt before they commit themselves irrevocably to his cause. Some observers of the market take the view that Woodrow Wilson's announcement that he is in favor of a very gradual reduction of the tariff removes most of the apprehension of the financial interests. Nobody fears a gradual reduction. What was feared was a sudden levelling of the tariff wall leaving important industries exposed to European competition.

#### The United States Cotton Crop.

The Washington Department of Agriculture in issuing its estimate of condition of the Southern cotton crop, places the average on

July 25th at 76.5 p.c. of normal as compared with 89.1 p.c. on the same date last year. Conditions in the cotton mill trade were sharply reversed by the harvesting of the enormous crop of 1911. Prior to that the mills could get supplies of raw materials with difficulty and at very high prices, as a band of speculators had succeeded in cornering the market. Then, when the trade realized the full extent of the crop, prices promptly fell to such low levels as to embarrass the mills which had on hand or in process cotton purchased at the high prices of the preceding summer. In the spring and summer of 1912 they have been gradually adjusting their affairs to the changed conditions; and presumably they are now in position to take full advantage of the lower prices. Naturally there was a fall in profits and in some cases the dividends of the New England mills were reduced. It is understood in the cotton trade that owing to the huge dimensions of last year's crop, a considerable surplus will be available for supplementing the crop of 1912 should it be deficient. For that reason it is not likely that a moderate falling-off in the yield will

have any great effect on cotton prices. On the whole the American crops in 1912 promise to be satisfactory spring wheat in the northwestern states in particular is expected to be a very good crop.

The Canning The Dominion Canners, which represent the property of the consolidation Factories. of canning factories, is now experienc-

ing the competition of the new company. Last year the Dominion Canners were not able to supply the demand for their products. In fact, it is one of the standing complaints of the retail trade that the combine could only fill about 40 p.c. or 50 p.c. of the orders received. Since last year the Dominion Canners have established a number of new factories and the newly founded British-Canadian Company has also been busily engaged in acquiring a system of

With reference to the operations of the present canning factories. year, it can be said that in certain lines the prices paid by canners to the growers or producers have been unusually high. It is their custom to make contracts in the spring for deliveries of fruit, etc., during the summer and autumn. The last two or three years have not been in all respects favorable for fruitgrowing and some lines were exceedingly scarce. Consequently the growers have secured comparatively high prices. The state of affairs has been such as to cause the growers to hesitate about contracting in the spring inasmuch as current daily prices might be well above the contract prices. The spring of 1912 was wet and cold and some fruits-notably berrieshave been scarce and high. It is probable that the canners have had to pay prices generally well above the prices paid last year. This in turn points to finished products standing the factories at a higher cost. But as they have the market to themselves, the canners can doubtless raise prices to consumers and we may perhaps expect to see canned fruits at higher prices than a year ago.

Quotations for the representative The Cobalt Stocks. Cobalt stocks have latterly been declining largely owing to the

belief that the mines are approaching exhaustion. The general body of speculators now hold the opinion that "Cobalt is going, not coming," as one Toronto financial paper expressed it. However the shipments of ore and bullion from the camp continue to be large. Thus for the week ending August 2nd, the ore shipments amounted to about 794,000 lbs. And the total for the year to date was 13,068 tons. In addition to these ore shipments, silver bullion to the value of \$88,451 was shipped during the week; and the bullion shipments for the year so far amount to \$1,707.135. This is respectable showing. Some ten or a dozen mines are shipping more or less regularly, a few of them having shafts sunk to great depths.

It is probable that the low prices now quoted for Cobalt stocks represent to some extent the natural reaction from the absurdly high quotations ruling two or three years ago. Then if one wanted to buy Cobalts he had to pay prices which made the dividend yield no more than 8 or 10 p.c. In other words, if the investor treated 5 p.c. as income and applied the balance to write down the capital investment, it would take from 20 to 30 years with dividends at the same rate to get the capital back. That period was far too long; the chances of the mines lasting that long were slim. Now the investor has a better chance. The better class of stocks can be purchased to yield

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#### From Western Fields.

Robert Hamilton, chief enumerator, says in an official report to Mayor George S. Armstrong that the civic census, completed on July 6, shows Edmonton has a population og 53,383, of which the south side, formerly Strathcona, has 9,733. The total increase in the amalgamated cities is estimated at 22,921 in the last 12 months. The Dominion census, taken in 1911, showed 30,462, of which Strathcona had 5,580. The 1912 figures show 22,630 males over 21 years of age and 11,452 under 21 years; 8,247 females over 21 years, and 8,591 under that limit. The list contains the names of 2,463 transients.

The city council of Edmonton has just received a report of this year's assessments, showing a gross land valuation of \$133,388,370, less exemptions of \$9,475,780. The net municipal assessments amount to \$110,194,300. The tax levy this year will be 12 mills on the dollar, as against 13.7 mills last year. The city might have raised sufficient funds from a levy of 10 mills, but it was deemed wise to be on the right side.

George M. Hall, for six years connected with the industrial commission at Winnipeg, has been appointed industrial agent of the city of Edmonton at a salary of \$4,000 a year. The appointment was made upon the recommendation of Commissioner A. G. Harrison and concurred in by the council, which recently appropriated \$18,000 for the establishment and maintenance of the new department. The Edmonton Board of Trade and the Citizens' League will co-operate with Mr. Hall, who will take charge of the department early in August.

The council of Macleod, Alta., which owns its townsite, valued at \$4,000,000, has decided to pay the money required for municipal purposes and street improvements out of the town lots account, to be repaid from the income as debenture interest, thus eliminating direct taxation. The present tax levy is 13 mills. Under the new plan it will be six and a half mills. Between \$51,000 and \$54,000 will be available this year. It is expected that the increase in value of the townsite holdings will be sufficient to pay the indebtedness at maturity.

Five hundred thousand dollars is the stated capitalization of the Northern Home Builders, Limited, organized at Edmonton and incorporated under the laws of the province of Alberta, to engage in building dwelling-houses.

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L. L. Pearce, of the Canadian Investment Company, said upon returning to Edmonton from a stay of 30 days in Chicago, St. Paul, Detroit, and other cities, that where a few years ago it was out of question to arouse interest in the province of Alberta among the people of America cities, they are to-day asking questions about the country and evincing an eagerness to learn more about its rapid development in agricultural and industrial lines.

Advices from Paris are that the French syndicate organized by Philippe Roy of Edmonton to develop Western Canada, has passed as far as its control is concerned into the hands of British capital, who have been quietly buying its stock on the Paris market and in Edmonton.

Eighty thousand dollars has been voted by the council of Athabasca Landing, Alta., toward installing a water works system in that town. A sewer system also will be built in the near future.

#### BRITISH REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

The balance sheet of the British Isles for the year ended March 31, 1912, has been issued in the form of a Treasury White Paper giving a return of the national revenue and expenditure for the year.

The aggregate revenue amounted to £184,248,500. Of this sum £156,278,000 was raised from taxes and £29,970,500 from the postal, telegraph and telephone services. Crown lands, Suez Canal shares and other sources. The yield from income tax was £44,334,000. Excise contributed, £38,250,000; customs, £33,-596,000; estate, etc., duties and land values duties £25,182,000. Of the total revenue England contributed £151,300,500, or 82.12 per cent.; Scotland, £18,643,000, or 10.12 per cent., and Ireland, £10,688,000, or 5.8 per cent. Receipts from customs in England were £26,926,000, in Scotland, £3,463,000, and in Ireland, £3,207,000. Duties on spirits in the three countries produced £18,511,000, and on beer, £13,-328,000. License duties yielded, £5,556,000.

To income tax England contributed £38,421,000 (86.66 per cent.); Scotland, £3,949,000 (8.91 per cent.), and Ireland, £1,504,000 (3.39 per cent). The sum of £419,000 was raised in England from duties on land values, £74,000 in Scotland and only £1,000 in Ireland. Of the total no less than £436,000 was raised from mineral rights duty. Receipts from miscellaneous sources amounted to £2,548,000, the mint contributed £1,115,000, the Bank of England £187,500 and small branches of the hereditary revenue, £18,000. The total yield from fee and patent stamp

was £1,040,000.

The total expenditure for the year 1911-12 was £178,545,000. Of this sum £103,071,500 was spent on general services £55,628,800 on English, £11,533,500 on Irish and £8,311,500 on Scottish. The general services included £27,864,000 expended on the army and £42,858,000 on the navy. National debt charges accounted for £24,500,000. Of the charges on consolidated fund the civil list amounted to £470,000; annuities and pensions, £317,500; courts of justice (salaries), £523,000, the total being £1,478,000. The total payments to local taxation accounts amounted to £9,636,000. Sums voted for the maintenance of various public buildings included: Royal palaces,



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#### STANDARD FORM OF POLICY.

The Commissioner of Insurance, State of Wisconsin, having received numerous requests for permission to use a dwelling-house form of policy containing descriptive forms printed in the blanks, submitted the matter to the Attorney-General, whose opinion is given as follows:—

"In your favor of July 13th, you requested my opinion as to whether your department is required to approve a form of fire insurance policy which contains in the blank shown in the form on file in your office 'a printed dwelling-house form; and whether you can require as a condition of approval that the form of policy contain blanks like those in the forms on file without any printing in such blanks. You also ask whether you are required to approve any form unless the sizes of the blanks on the policy correspond to the blanks on the forms filed in your office or unless the size of the policy as a whole corresponds to such forms; also whether a company can lawfully furnish its agents for issue in this state or deliver in this state policies in which the blanks do not correspond in size with the blanks in the forms so on file, or on which descriptive forms are printed in the blanks.

"The purpose of the Standard Policy Act (sections 1941-42 to 1941-65, Wis. Stats.) was to permit but one form of policy so that 'when a man contracts for insurance he knows that he is contracting for a standard policy and for nothing else, and he knows that he will get that and nothing else.' (Bourgeois v. Northwestern National Insurance Company, 86 Wis.

606, 610).

"The requirements of Section 1941-64 that all policies 'shall conform in all particulars as to blanks, size of type,' etc., with the printed form filed in your office, was evidently designed to more completely carry out the purpose above stated, and I find nothing in the statutes requiring you to approve forms of policies not containing blanks corresponding in size, etc., to those in the form on file in your office.

"Prior to its amendment by chapter 247, laws 1911, Section 1941-64 provided that the 'The policy may be printed on paper of a size different from that of the printed form of contract or policy filed in the office Rupert, returning east by the same route.

of the Commissioner of Insurance, which, however, shall not be less than nine inches in width.' This sentence was dropped by the 1911 amendment and seems to show a legislative intent that policies used should correspond in size of paper on which printed as well as in other particulars with the form prepared by you. While the statute does not specifically require the size to be the same, I am of the opinion that it is within the fair meaning of the law that policies used should be of substantially the same size as that on file in your office.

"Section 1941-64 provides that no company 'shall make, issue, use or deliver for use any fire insurance policy on property in this state other than such as shall conform' to the one on file in your office. I do not think that the mere furnishing by a company to its agents of blank policies not so corresponding is within this section. It seems to me to refer to completed policies rather than to mere blank forms and it obviously makes unlawful the making, issuing, using or delivering for use of policies not so corresponding, even though the failure is only as to the size of the blanks or the fact that a descriptive form is printed in a space where the form on file in your office shows a blank,"

It will be apparent from the foregoing that standard fire insurance policies issued in the state, which do not conform in every respect to the standard form adopted and on file in the department are issued in violation of law.

## WHEAT THE BACKBONE OF CANADIAN PROSPERITY.

Interviewed in New York, Mr. A. W. Smithers, chairman of the Grand Trunk, said:

"I look upon wheat as the backbone of Canadian prosperity. I do not mean the present high price, because Canada will do well if the price should drop twenty-five cents a bushel. There are no new develop rents since I left here six weeks ago in the Boston-Providence connection of the Grand Trunk. Those connections are being pushed forward as fast as possible.

"We have a great deal of work ahead at Winnipeg, where we are building hotels; also at Edmonton and Regina. The next hotel will be built at Prince Rupert.

"I think if the crop materializes all it promises now, it will give a new impetus to immigration. I think that all the railroad companies and all the governments should do all in their power to encourage immigration of agricultural laborers to this country. There are vast fields yet to be opened up, and the mainstay of continued prosperity is agricultural cultivation."

Mr. Smithers, accompanied by Mr. E. J. Chamberlin, Mr. Waldron Smithers, and Miss Smithers, have left Montreal for a tour of inspection over the company's lines. From Montreal the party will proceed to Winnipeg via Chicago, and from Winnipeg to the head of steel on the G. T. P. beyond Tete Jaume Cache. A return will then be made to Edmonton, from where the party will again turn westward to Vancouver via Calgary. Mr. Smithers will make the journey from Vancouver to Prince Rupert on one of the Grand Trunk Pacific's steamers, and will go as far east as the rail head near Hazelton from Prince Rupert, returning east by the same route.

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| Total Assets exceed                                  | 115,000,000<br>147,603,475 |
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| ment   | 1,269,327                  |

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J. McGREGOR,

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Manage

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|--|------------------------|
| Fire Premiums 1911, Net<br>Interest, Net | \$2,264,769<br>129,270 |
| Total Income                             | \$2,394,039            |
| Assets                                   | \$4,000,000            |
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#### THE CHINESE FOREIGN LOAN.

The special correspondent of the New York Even-

ing Post at Peking says:

"The President and his advisers have to all appearances done their utmost to establish some sort of government worthy of the name, with the exception of Tang Shao-Yi, who has left the Cabinet in disgrace and has yet to clear himself of serious charges of malversation; but their position is too insecure for them to incur the wrath of any important faction. They cannot please all three political parties; they cannot yield to the wishes of the large class that is bitterly opposed to the foreign loan and at the same time satisfy the incessant demands of the military commanders for money for their troops, or the clamors of enthusiasts for reforms that only money can bring about; they cannot find offices for all those that want them and reinstate the officials of the old régime. Even the adherents of the Manchu cause, discredited and officially unrecognized as they are, are allowed to hold what ground they have practically without dispute; the Government deems it dangerous or impolitic to move against them.

The most violent of the cretics of the Peking Government, and particularly of Hsiung Hsi-ling, the Minister of Finance, are those who are opposed to the foreign loan. Some view with disfavor the negotiation of such a loan on any terms and look to patriotic subscriptions for the solution of the financial problem; others are opposed merely to the clauses in the proposed contract that provide for a certain degree of foreign control over the expenditure of the proceeds of the loan; but for one or the other of these reasons practically all Chinese who are capable of forming any opinion whatever on the subject are enrolled in the ranks of the opposition and present a solid and threatening front to any effort at a settlement along the lines laid down by the foreign bankers. Hsiung Hsi-ling, after having held out as long as possible for more favorable terms than were at first offered, at last yielded to the inevitable, and a settlement seemed to be at hand; but a perfect storm of protest arose all over the country; the Powers were enslaving China, and Hsiung had sold his country to its enemies! Negotiations had to be broken off, and there the matter rests to-day.

The loan question overshadows all others for the time being. It recently nearly wrecked the administration, at the time of the disgrace of the Premier, Tang Shao-yi, and his fight from Paking, and is likely to bring about its ultimate downfall. A new administration would find itself in the presence of precisely the same difficulties as the one in power. The greater number of China's problems are involved with this question more or less, so that until it is

settled China must continue to drift.

### INDUSTRIAL LOANS IN SAXONY.

The Saxon Government is experimenting with a system of loans to stimulate industrial and agricultural enterprises. It has already loaned \$2,142,000, manufacturers receiving \$1,190,000 and farmers \$952,000. These loans are made through municipalities, which must investigate the requests of small manufacturers and farmers who wish to expand. No loans are made to manufacturers who are in a field which is already overcrowded or who have an annual

income from their plant of more than \$1,428, and applicants must have in use a thorough system of bookkeeping. Loans are not to exceed \$1,190, and must be used exclusively for extension under the supervision of the municipality or the Department of the Interior of the Saxon Government. Saxon manufacturers are to be given the preference when machinery is purchased with these loans.

The municipality is responsible for both loans and interest, which is 2 per cent. after the first year. Loans must be repaid at the end of 10 years. If the interest is not paid within 14 days after the end of the year, or if loans are used for purposes other than those for which granted, both loans and interest become due immediately. The municipality must give a bond securing both loans and interest and must supply the following information: Name and business of borrower, number of employes, annual income from the plant, power and cost of machines to be purchased and amount of proposed loan.—Consular Report.

#### POPULATION OF MONTREAL SHOWN BY LOVELL'S DIRECTORY.

A work of this kind to be valuable must be in all respects thoroughly reliable; and with a full appreciation of this fact every precaution is taken to secure the accuracy of the information. The Directory shows an increase of 110 pages over last year, and it has now attained to 2,110 pages, and to such a size as to render it necessary to give the information in as condensed a form as possible, at the same time not taking away from the usefulness of it. The Directory contains about 172,125 names, and these represent a population of 602,437 for the city and outskirts; or, deducting for the outskirts Westmount (17,000), Maisonneuve (30,000), Outremont (7,000), Verdun (18,000), a population for the city proper of 530.437. The returns for the city and suburbs give 4.339 houses, tenements and flats, 395 stores, 245 offices as being unoccupied, under repair, or new buildings not ready for occupation erected during the past year. In 100 office buildings, 2,658, offices are rented and 59 are not rented. In many of the large buildings all of the offices are rented. The Streets now number 1,142.

### A CURIOUS COMBINATION OF M'S.

A peculiar combination of a single letter of the alphabet was brought to light recently through the payment of a death claim by the Mutual Life Insurace Company of New York. The policy was issued on the life of a woman with four names, each beginning with an M. The name of the town and state in which she lived begin with M. The date of her birth as well as the date of her death begins with M. The month in which the proofs of death were received, also the date of payment, commences with M. For instance, Mary Motte M. Maxfield, of Mankato, Minn., was born in the month of May, she died in March, and proofs of her death were received at the home office early in May, 1912, and payment was made in the same month.

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#### POVERTY IN RURAL JAPAN.

The Tokio Asahi paints a dismal picture of the conditions pervailing among the agriculturists of Japan. It says: "Debt, hunger and destitution seem to prevail almost universally, and this is aggravated, it is declared, by the taxes imposed by an ambitious government. It is easy to understand why the Japanese emigrate to any shore where they can obtain a footing. The Japanese economists are seriously engaged in considering the farm problems of the country. Agriculture has hitherto been the staple industry of Japan, but farm labor has been so largely drained away by the growth of manufactures, not to speak of the demand for men for the army and navy, as seriously to cripple agricultural enterprise. The consequence is the decay of rural life, and many a "deserted village" is to be met with in the central sections of Nippon. The attractions of town life, constrasted with the hardships met with on many of the farms, make a condition of things which is rapidly breaking up rural society.

The Asahi gives a statement of the income of the tenant farmer, the backbone of agriculture in Japan, showing that in unfavorable seasons the paddy-fields

yield only a loss. To quote:

"When crops are bad the peasant obtains per halfacre only about five bushels of rice, worth about \$12, while the cost of production is \$18. Thus the loss is \$6. When the crop is good he loses only \$15 on the raising of his whole crop of grain. Sometimes in an exceptionally good year he may clear the small margin of 75 cents profit per half-acre. While it is hard to see how the farmer can continue to live on what appears to be a continual loss, it is probable that he makes it up by other manual work. We have tried to conduct personally our investigations among the farmers, and though obliged to restrict our enquiries to one district, we have consulted the customary reports of the government and found little difference between our and the government returns for the conclusions respecting one locality.'

Raising truck pays better than raising grain. The

article continues

"The various truck crops, such as beans, buckwheat, millet, potatoes, carrots, etc., are raised with an annual profit of about \$5.50 per acre. Thus the fact is revealed that rice and wheat, the staple crops, yield little or no profit, while the less important pay better."

But the man living in the country has, of course, other resources in a nation which weaves so much silk. Nevertheless the Japanese peasant farmer lives in a state of semi-destitution. The Asahi says—

"As Japan abounds in mulberry plantations, a good profit is made on these, the expenses being \$24 per acre, and the profit about \$36 pre acre. Yet as the average family of the tenant farmer amounts to seven persons-the man and his wife, four children, and one parent-in-law-his financial position must needs be desperate. Including the average profit from rice-field, his dry farm and the woodland where he obtains his fuel, the income from a year's hard labor amounts to only \$123.

"When compared with that of the rest of the people it shows the lowest return, being twenty per cent. lower than what the artisan receives. Farm life is the cheapest to maintain, and yet our readers will be amazed to see the farmer subsisting on such a pittance. Of course, he can not, in many instances, meet his expenses; be is consequently heavily laden

with debt, and in due course, unless he pays his debts, his mortgaged lands are confiscated. Handicapped by the physical disabilities produced by the harassing cares of insolvency, he flies to the town, and thus the class upon which the village depends for its prosperity is dying out.'

The farmers, declares the Asahi, suffered more severely than any other class from the Russo-Japanese War. Eighty-five per cent, are in debt, their liabilities ranging from \$100 to \$150 each. Other men of business, we are told, contract debts, but the money is used for productive purposes, while the farmer is compelled to borrow in order to live.

## THOUGHTS ON CONSOLS.

The London Economist says it is not at all surprising that the drop in gilt-edged securities in France, Germany, and Great Britain, as well as in Italy and Austria, should be arousing lively and anxious attention. We notice that Sir Felix Schuster, referring to the depreciation in the gilt-edged securities of the Union of London and Smiths Bank during the past half-year, which involved a loss of £100,000, ascribed half the loss to British Government stocks and half to Home Railway debenture stocks. Fluctuations in Consols this year have been unusually wide, for they have been above 79 and below 74. The fall between June 30, 1911, and June 30, 1912, amounted to 234 per cent., while German Government stocks fell 31/2 per cent., French 21/2 per cent., Belgian 7 per cent., Austrian 3 per cent., Russian 21/2 per cent., and Italian 6 per cent. in the same period. We may add that Swedish, Danish and Dutch 3 per cent. Government securities fell respectively 3, 8 and 4 points in the same twelve months. There is no necessity, therefore, for the Governor of the Bank of England or any other scientifically-minded person, whose posttion requires caution and impartiality, to discover any strange and awful portents which should account for the extraordinary fall in Consols. And the reason why there is no such necessity is, as Sir Felix Schuster points out, that there has been a similar fall in other countries. Of course, it is true that every country has its own special causes, which contribute to check or increase the force of the general movement. For example, Italian credit has suffered by the war, although the Government has borrowed in the form of Treasury bonds. Several of the small countries have suffered by heavy borrowing. Germany cannot make both ends meet; for it has been compelled all along to finance its naval programme by means of loans. A correspondent wrote from Berlin a day or two ago:

To the horror of the small investor in the Fatherland "Imperial Three per Cents" have now dropped below 80. Explanations of the fall, and suggestions for improvement are rife. To-day the Berliner Tageblatt, Germany's most widely read paper, even gives up its front page to a leading article on the subject. The most recent downward movement is ascribed to the present activity of trade. Fresh capital is needed everywhere, and money, which has been lying by quietly in Government bonds, is now taken out to be applied to more profitable uses. But although this may be noly a passing phenomenon, the Tageblatt feels that the fall will continue unless some definite step is taken. Nothing, it says, can be expected until the Government, instead of buying in on the open market, is willing to redeem at par, as is done for

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municipal loans. And, more than that, it sees little hope that the rate of interest can be kept as low as it is now if the Government wishes even to obtain large supplies in the future. Most of all, it adds, the market must have rest. Nothing more must be asked from it for a long time to come, and great care must always be taken that Imperial taxation be large enough to cover all expenditure. There is one other ground which the *Tageblatt* finds for this international depression. That is the present insecurity of the international situation. Suspicion between nations is bound to produce bad fruits of this kind, and until the international outlook is easier, and the consequent strain on the Great Powers is less, we can hope for no recovery. "Here," it ends, "is a task—to restore the confidence of nations in each other, which is worthy of the sweat of noble brows. Here is a wide field of useful work for the diplomacy of all nations." And the Tageblatt is convinced that were the feeling of confidence restored in Europe the price of Government stock would soon show a reco-

The French Government has raised a railway loan on a 4 per cent. basis, which contrasts with the yield of 3 9-16 on our own recent issue of Exchequer bonds. The French Finance Minister, as a stock broker reminds us, has been bombarded with the same questions and complaints as Mr. Lloyd George. The fall in Danish credit is no doubt mainly due to heavy borrowing. The chief causes operating against British Consols have been the addition of £160,000,-000 of debt caused by the Boer War, the annual issue of some 5 millions of a competing security in Irish Land stock, which has resulted from Mr. Wyndham's Land Act, and the widening of Trustee securities by Mr. Joseph Chamberlain. The increases of public expenditure and taxation, (as a result of the Boer War, the increase of armaments, and oldage pensions) have also played their part in diminishing the annual surplus savings of the country. Between 1898 and 1905 Consols fell about 24 points, or 21 points allowing for the change in the rate of interest. Since 1905 they have fallen 15 points, and the movement in Home Railway stocks has been on the whole very similar. It may be interesting here to compare the movements in British, German, French, Austrian, Dutch, and Danish securities since the beginning of 1906:-

| ginning or 1900.   |                          |                                 |                                  |                            |                                    |                                      |
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| Security   | Price<br>jan. 1,<br>1906 | Price<br>End of<br>June<br>1911 | Price<br>End of<br>June,<br>1912 | Price<br>July 24<br>1912   | Fail<br>Since<br>Ja<br>1906        | Fall<br>Since<br>End<br>June<br>1911 |
| 2½ p.c. Consols<br>French Rentes, 3 p.c<br>German 3 p.c. 1891-3. | 89%<br>99<br>88          | 79 1/4<br>95<br>83              | 761/5<br>931/2<br>79             | 73%<br>91½<br>79           | $15\frac{9}{4}$ $7\frac{1}{2}$ $9$ | 51/2<br>31/2<br>4                    |
| Austrian 4 p.c. Gold<br>Rentes                                   | 99<br>79                 | 99<br>701/2                     | $\frac{951}{681}$                | $\frac{96}{66\frac{1}{2}}$ | $^{3}_{12\frac{1}{2}}$             | 3<br>4                               |
| Danish 3 p.c. Gold Loan<br>1894.                                 | n<br>91                  | 84                              | 76                               | 76                         | 15                                 | 8                                    |

It is certainly disappointing that the great reduction in our debt at a time when almost all other European countries have been adding to theirs has done so little to stay the fall. But, on the other hand, it is highly satisfactory that when Consols are cheap, there should have been large surpluses for debt reduction, and we agree with Sir Felix Schuster that "the day cannot be far distant when a level will be reached that must prove attractive to the investor," always assuming that we are not dragged by the Jingo Press into the major disaster of a great war or the minor

disaster of a loan for armaments. We also agree with him that artificial remedies should be avoided. The Chairman of Barclays, it may be added, thinks with Sir Felix that the Irish Public Trustees list ought to be revised. It would be very awkward if a public trustee's clients lost their money, and this list certainly contains some rather doubtful ntems.

Turning from special to general causes, there is universal testimony to a quite unusual strain on the capital markets of the world. The first, and, perhaps, the principal, cause is the general growth of extravagance, both public and private. Governments indulge in the luxuries of war and armaments; municipalities indulge in municipal palaces, splendid parks, and the useful but costly paraphernalia of public health; and these things are usually obtained by the easy but eventually burdensome system of borrowing. As for private luxury, everyone is aware of its rapid extension, and of the tendency for the rewards of industry to accumulate in a comparatively small number of immense fortunes.

## INCREASE THE REVENUE AND PROTECT THE LANDSCAPE.

Here is a good hint for the Provincial Treasurer. A heavy stamp tax is about to be levied in France on all signboards that can be seen from any public path, road or railway. All such advertisements set up, except on the wall of a house or inclosure or within 328 feet of any group of houses or buildings, will be taxed as follows per square meter (10.764 square feet): Less than 6 square meters (64.583 square feet), \$9.65; over 6 square meters and less than 10 square meters (170.640 equare feet), \$19.30; over 10 square meters and less than 20 square meters (215.280 square feet), \$38.60; over 20 square meters, \$77.20. The tax will be doubled if there are two advertisements together; three times the tax will be collected when there are three advertisements, and quadrupled for four or more.

Motorists in particular have campaigned against the wayside signboard, and in some places here restrictive measures have already been taken by the local authorities within their jurisdiction. Many people would like to suppress the signboards in rural districts altogether, but it is considered an encroachment on the personal liberty of a landowner to prohibit him from allowing signboards to be erected on his own property. It is, however, possible, through legislative enactments, to impose a tax sufficiently high to diminish the quantity of signboards that are increasing in a disturbing manner in some of the most beautiful regions in France.

#### QUEBEC'S MINERALS.

The report of the mines branch of the Province of Quebec for 1911 just issued shows that last year the value of the production of the Quebec mines amounted to \$8,679,786. This is an increase of \$1,356,505 as compared with the preceding year. From about \$2,000,000 in 1899, the value of minerals has climbed up to over \$8,500,000, an increase of more than 300 per cent. In 1911 the mines of the province produced asbestos, copper ore, iron ores, mica, graphite, magnesia and all kinds of structural materials.



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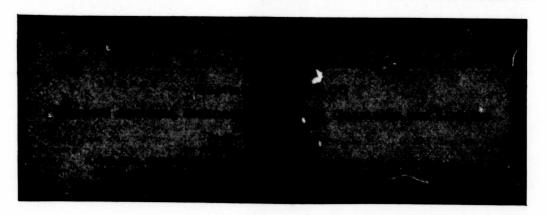
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| 1.588.522  | lent Savings             |           | - :       | 1,697,939 | 257,532           | 104.368   |         | 13,500          | 25,00      | 89,000    |              |           | 792,966    | 12,775,614                |
| 11,757,222 1,788,592 13,512 12,000 12,544 12,544 12,545 112,82 12,25 12,82 12,000 15,460 12,201 1,408,835 82,500 12,000 0,000  | Industrial               |           | =         |           |                   | 182.130   | 82,280  | 54,971          | 63.90      | 91,063    | -            | 57,000    | 125.157    |                           |
| 7,381,075 603-51-6<br>1,408,835 82,500 12,000 16,460 12,201 171,005 2 046,281 4,306,457 3 4888,080 473,715   | Life                     | _         | -         |           | 1                 | 104,544   | 12,649  | 21.225          | 12 82      | 71,000    |              |           |            |                           |
| 1,408,835  | lers                     | -         |           |           |                   | 12,201    | -00'    |                 |            | 000 000   |              | 3,129,980 | 38,812,683 | 212,652,562               |
|  | United States Life       | 1,408.    |           |           | 1 159 633         | 2,728,794 | 774,005 | 2,046,281       |            | 4 888,000 |              |           |            |                           |

(From the Preliminary Report of the Superintendent of Insurance.) \*CANADIAN LIFE COMPANIES ASSETS, 1911.

|   |                | (From t)          | the Preliminary Report | ry Report of                             | of the Supermeen         |               |                                 | Interest   | Outstanding                 | Caher        | Total Assets                                |
|---|----------------|-------------------|------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|--------------|---|
|   |                | Loans             | Loans                  | Cash Loans<br>and Premium<br>Obligations | Bonds                    | Stocks        | Cash on<br>hand and in<br>Banks | Rents Due  | and<br>Deferred<br>Premiums | Assets       |   |
| COMPANIES                               | Real<br>Estate | on<br>Real Estate | Collaterals            | on Policies<br>in force                  | Dependence               | 25            | s ets.                          | \$ cts.    | s cts.                      | \$ cts.      | \$ cts.<br>104,619.73                       |
|   | - Sto          | s ets.            | \$ cts                 | \$ cts.                                  | \$ cts.                  | 4             | 14,190.88                       | 2,216.56   | 13,124.16                   | 37 694       | 44,257,341,14<br>56,287,44                  |
| Columbia                                |                | 13,834.30         | 214,926.27             | 6,363,234.51                             | 14,434,907.47            | 4,553,491.26  | 52.78                           | 367.80     | 528,798.62                  | 3,100.00     | 16,337,908.43<br>1 292 211.69               |
| : : : :                                 | 2,672,290.74   | 14,136,136,14     | 81 898 18              | 2.147,951.49                             | 5.325,689.07             | 702,275.81    | 151.914.24                      | 8,385.17   | 53,566.12                   | 4,208.30     | 991,202.46                                  |
| : : : : : · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | 1,269,486.09   | 5,837,222.66      | 23,458.15              | 88,449.88                                | 293,080.65<br>193,845.07 | 2,910.00      | 88 293.95                       | 75,406.74  | 90,187.33                   | 164.37       | 2,530,405.55                                |
| Continental.                            | 48,567.70      | 420,408.44        | 8,000.00               | 137,101.88                               | 194,149.80               |               | 28.918.75                       | 84,320.65  | 203,289.00                  | 15,897.85    | 4,446,968.65                                |
| Crown                                   | 112 911 00     | 1,793,833.61      | 420.00                 | 192,629.75                               | 1,703,042.53             | 35,000.00     | 157,131,96                      | 287,351.05 | 500,358.16                  | 3,325.85     | 1,371,685.40                                |
| Excelsior                               | 320,000.00     | 1,194,516.29      | 191,420.84             | 1.061.391.59                             | 261,354.42               | 376,172,00    | 75,003.97                       | 30,257.16  | 30,513.51                   | 4,234.08     | 7 095,442.79                                |
| Federal                                 | 508,119.63     | 7,443,354.99      |                        | 178,484.87                               | 280.668.14               | 23,411.75     | 234 924.58                      | 179,975.45 | 88,956.99                   | 29,138.61    | 3,589,191,50                                |
| Great-West.                             | 161,618.81     | 4 723,711.01      | 89,200,39              | 663,198.66                               | 166.977.82               | 77,725.00     | 7,973,15                        | 363.761.47 | 412,180.46                  | 5.581.14     | 362,431.73                                  |
| Imperial                                | 25,000.00      | 2,908,480.31      | 1,783.89               | 1 846.807.92                             | 1,842,758.63             | 887,241.61    | 5 478.35                        | 12,806.62  | 58,130.92                   | 1,1          | 18,161,847.25                               |
| I.ondon.                                | 624,880.30     | 5,176,639.16      |                        | 3.842.11                                 | 54,515,55                |               | 188.823.18                      | 416,801.22 | 80,057.44                   | 13,590.44    | 1,740,701.33                                |
| Manufacturers                           | 1,350.00       | 0                 |                        | 2,276,483.55                             |                          | 157,534.80    | 24.997.26                       | 150,186.68 | 262,723.03                  | 5,589.15     | 1,622,101.91                                |
| Mutual Life of Canada                   | 160.000.00     |                   | 05 202 200             | -  | **                       | 1,776,558.60  | 69 226.19                       | 28,758,52  | 36,663.20                   | 4,421.89     | 315,755.82                                  |
| National Life of Canada                 | 107,326.10     | 3,718,624.48      |                        | -  | 92.0 819.80              |               | 23,628.94                       | 586.62     |                             | 3,631.09     | 863,946.19                                  |
| Northern                                |                | 119.780.00        |                        | 11.697.00                                |                          |               | 14,949.87                       | 11,368.99  | 16.021.01                   |              | 255.200.29                                  |
| Royal Guardians                         |                | 021115.01         |                        | 105,032.95                               | 263.519.84               |               | 7.078.50                        | 5,077,53   | ž                           | 97,333.33    | 119.484.23                                  |
| Security Sovereign A O F                |                | 2,000.00          | 1 001 550 00           | 8.584.00                                 | 22                       | 5.516.026.50  | 382,655.20                      | 1.485.39   | 7,576,74                    |              | -   |
| Subsidiary High Ct. of the Sun.         | 984 436.35     | 1,693,771.10      | -                      | 52,186.60                                | 51                       | 189,653.99    | 125.156.38                      | 0000001    |                             |              | 350,296.88 190,717,031.06                   |
| Travellers Life of Canada               | 177,745.63     | 3 145,447,33      |                        |  | - ce 177 565 27          | 14,328,471.38 | 2,492,960.70                    | 3,402,2    | 1,00,1                      |              | na boon assign                              |
| Union                                   |                | 0 69 565 820 17   | 7 2 389,178,63         |  | 22,960,040.4; 68,4;3,555 |               |                                 | S ul       | ome instance                | es the value | In some instances the value has been assign |

•Among the assets of certain of the above companies are included bonus stocks, acquired in connection with bond purchases. In some instances the value has been assigned by the companies to these stocks (such value being then included in the above figures); in the other instances the stocks are not yet deemed to be of appreciable or certain value. Particulars of all such stock holdings will appear in the full report.

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The National Life Assurance Company of Canada report a very successful seven months' business. The applications for new insurance from the first of January last to the 1st of August were four million dollars, an increase of a million and a half dollars over the same period last year. The volume of business in force on the 1st of August, 1912, was over \$16,400,000.00; gain in business in force since 1st January last, \$1,991,000.00; annual premium income thereon over \$600,000.00; surplus to policyholders over \$490,000.00; invested funds over \$2,050,000.00.

The National Life occupies a unique position in this respect, that from the day of its inception down to date, covering a period of about 14 years, not a single dollar of interest on any of its invested funds has been overdue or in arrears, and during the same period the company has never lost a single dollar through any of its investments. The National Life now has a splendid organization from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and in each province a substantial increase is shown this year, in comparison with the first seven months in any other year since the inception of the company.

Branch office for the City of Montreal is located in the Imperial Bank Chambers, A. Murray Hannah, manager.

## WINSTON CHURCHILL TO VISIT CANADA.

It is announced that the Right Hon. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, will visit Canada at the end of September. He will be convoyed by a naval squadron under command of Prince Louis of Battenberg. He will make a tour of Canada accompanied by Mr. Hamar Greenwood, M.P., and discuss the question of Imperial defence. At the request of the British Government Sir Wilfrid Laurier will be invited to attend the conference in Canada between the First Lord and the Canadian Ministers. This would tend, as is most desirable, to take the question out of politics. It is said that Australia is becoming popular with British investors owing to its naval contribution. It is strongly felt that Canada must show practical loyalty, remain a part of the Empire and keep the coondence of Great Britain financially

It is authoritatively stated that Mr. Borden has promised nothing definite in regard to the navy. It is only proposed now that there should be a Canadian minister in London for a part of the year for the exchange of confidential information on foreign policy.

### BANK CLEARINGS.

There are considerable gains in this week's bank clearings, Montreal gaining \$13.964,860. Toronto's showing was effected by the civic holiday of Monday last. Clearings for the week show the following comparisons with the same week in 1911 in four cities:

| parisons | "   | 1 | tl | 1  | t | h | e |   | 56 | 11 | n | e |   | W | C | C | r | • | • • | 825 518                     | \$43,860,658 |
|----------|-----|---|----|----|---|---|---|---|----|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|-----------------------------|--------------|
|          |     |   |    |    |   |   |   |   |    |    |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |     | <br>03/,023,3               | 38,003,400   |
| Toronto. |     |   | ٠  |    |   |   | ٠ | ٠ |    | ٠  | * | * |   |   | ٠ | ٠ |   |   |     | <br>39,117,524              | 22,132,464   |
| Winnipeg | ; . | ٠ |    | ٠  | , |   |   | ٠ | ٠  |    | ٠ |   | ٠ | * | ٠ | * |   |   |     | <br>24,602,076<br>4,032,772 | 3.341,282    |
| Ottawa   |     |   |    | ٠. |   | ٠ | ٠ |   | *  |    |   | ٠ | ٠ | * |   |   |   |   | *   | 4.032.772                   |              |

The Bank of Nova Scotia has opened branches at Lethbridge, Alta., Gagetown, N.B., and Ville St. Pierre, Hochelaga Co., Que.,

In honor of the centenary of the great Krupp works at Essen the company has donated \$3,500,000 to be distributed to the 65,000 workmen, as welfare funds for citizens of Essen and for the army and navy.

## BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA NEW STOCK ISSUE.

The Bank of Nova Scotia will issue \$1,000,000 new stock, the issue to be made to shareholders of record July 31, at a price of \$240 a share. The paid up capital of the bank is \$4,000,000, and the new issue will bring the subscribed capital up to the full authorized amount of \$5,000,000. At an issue price of \$240, shareholders at the present price of the stock will receive benefits at the rate of about \$9 a share.

The exceptionaly strong position of the bank has enabled it to make its issues at an unusually high premium. Thus the issue allotted in December, 1910, was made at 268. As far back as 1898 the Bank of Nova Scotia made a small issue at 210, and the price has ranged upwards from that level to the 268 price of the issue of \$500,000 in 1906, and \$1,000,000 in 1910. If the new issue is made at \$240 the shareholders are to be given the benefit of the bank's general prosperity. The premium of \$1,400,000 which such an issue would bring would raise the reserve fund up to \$8,900,000 as compared with an issue of \$5,000,000 capital.

## BROKERS PLANNING TO PROTECT PUBLIC.

In an address at the organization meeting of the Investments Bankers' Association of America at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, New York, yesterday, J. N. Sechrest, of the brokerage house of J. N. Sechrest & Co., of Buffalo, N.Y., advocated the creation of a national bureau of investigation for all promotion enterprises.

Such a bureau, he said, would save the public from imposition, and the brokers thousands of dollars that are spent each year in making duplicate examinations of worthless or fraudulent propositions.

"The plan is this: That the Investment Bankers Association of America create a bureau of investigation to be composed of two or three members, who are to be selected with the greatest care as to their fitness and ability, and it be the work of the bureau to investigate carefully all propositions that members of this organization shall refer to it. Then, after exhaustive study and careful examination, the bureau can decide whether to O. K. or disapprove the scheme. Next the member who sent in the name of the applicant can be notified and then in turn all members of the organization. Of course, the bureau would have to be given help and funds to conduct its work, but that could be provided for partly out of the membership dues and partly by the payment of a fee for each investigation made.

"Suppose then that a man with a scheme that has been disapproved as unworthy by the bureau of investigation upon the request of the firm of J. N. Sechrest & Co., in Buffalo, goes to another house in St. Louis or any other city. If that firm is a member of the association, all that will have to be done is to turn to the files and see whether so-and-so has been investigated by the bureau of the association. That would save a great deal of time, to say nothing of the money and sometimes business reputation.

"Further, the idea would be strongly reciprocal. We all know that a broker's capacity to sell an issue practically is limited by his clientele. He can sell about so much, and no more. Now let us suppose again that the bureau of investigation of the Investment Bankers' Association has passed favorably upon a proposition. We undertake to finance and sell the securities. We are successful in selling just so much,

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The Executive Offices are on the 8th floor.

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#### 15,000,000 NEED A DOCTOR.

Fifteen million American school children need a doctor's attention according to an estimate furnished the United States Bureau of Edmonton by Dr. Thomas D. Wood, professor of physical education in the Teachers' College of Columbia University.

"Of the 20,000,000 school children in the United States," says Dr. Wood, "not less than 75 per cent. need attention to-day for physical defects which are prejudicial to health and which are partially or com-

pletely remediable."

Some of the doctor's conclusions are as follows: Several million children have two or more handicapping defects; 400,000 have organic heart disease; at least 1,000,000 have or have had tuberculosis; about 1,000,000 have spinal curvature, flat foot or some other moderate deformity; over 1,000,000 have defective hearing; about 5,000,000 have defective vision; about 5,000,000 are suffering from mal-nutrition; over 6,000,000 have enlarged tonsils, adenoids or enlarged cervical glands; over 10,000,000 have defective teeth which are interfering with health;

about 100 cities have organizations for the care of health in the schools.

#### UNCLAIMED BALANCES IN CANADIAN BANKS.

According to a Government return there are unclaimed balances in Canadian banks totalling \$676,-147, unclaimed dividends of \$3,659 and drafts of bills

of exchange of \$49,851.

The increase in unclaimed balances during the last fiscal year amounted to \$38,000 and in unclaimed drafts to \$10,000. The largest amount unclaimed is in the Montreal City and District Bank, \$122,071; Bank of Montreal, \$119,000; Bank of British North America, \$93,000; Bank of Commerce, \$58,000; Bank of Hamilton, \$52,000; Union Bank, \$41,000. Many of the other banks have smaller amounts.

#### POPULATION OF ENGLAND AND WALES.

According to a report issued by the Registrar General, there is little foundation for the alarming rumours about the decline of the English birth rate. The revised figures show that at the date of the census the population of England and Wales numbered 36,070,492, which is 4,777 less than the total disclosed in the preliminary count. There were 8,005,290 schedules, of which 34.630, representing a population of 1,294,090 persons, related to institutions and large establishments. Hence the approximate number of private families was 7.970,660, comprising a population of 34, 776,402, and the average number of persons per family was 4.4.

On the revised figures the growth of population since the 1901 census amounted to 3.542,649, or a decennial rate of increase of 10.9 per cent. This rate is the lowest since the first enumeration in 1801, as is shown in the following table, giving the decennial percentages of increases in the intervening period:

| percen | nages | O. | <br>      |        |      |      | 19 91 |
|--------|-------|----|-----------|--------|------|------|-------|
| 1811   |       |    | 14.00     | 1871   | <br> | <br> | 13.21 |
| 1811   |       |    | <br>18 06 | 1881   | <br> | <br> | 14.36 |
| 1821   |       |    | <br>15.00 | 1991   |      | <br> | 11.00 |
| 1831   |       |    | <br>15.80 | 1901   |      | <br> | 12.14 |
| 1841   |       |    | <br>14.21 | 1911   | <br> | <br> | 10.89 |
| 1851   |       |    | <br>12.00 | 1.711. |      |      |       |
| 1861   |       |    | <br>11.90 |        |      |      | ·     |

The decline, however is not due to a falling off in the excess of births over deaths, but to an increase in the excess of emigrants over immigrants. The natural increase of population, which had fallen from 15.09 per cent. in 1871-81 to 12.39 in 1891-1901, rose during the past decennium to 12.43 per cent. This rise, is, however, so light that for practical purposes the rate of natural increase may be regarded as having remained stationary. Moreover, the Kegistrar-General adds that there is no present likelihood of prolonged continuance of this experience, since there is no indication of any check in the decline of the birth rate, while it is obvious that the death rate cannot continue to fall indefinitely.

In regard to emigration, the figures show that the loss of population due to the excess of departures over arrivals, which had amounted to over 164,000 in 1871-1881 and over 600,000 in 1881-1891, fell to 68,000 in 1891-1901, and rose to over 500,000 persons in the past intercensal period.

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But the Railroad is, generally speaking, able to place its loan when conditions are favorable and is, moreover, on account of the volume of its borrowings able to secure funds in that part of the world where money is, to some extent, a drug on the market, while the individual borrower on first mortgages on real estate requires comparatively small amounts and pays prevailing Vancouver bank rates.

We further pointed out that while money rates throughout the world have a tendency to increase, yet this tendency is greater in Vancouver than other places on account of the increasing demand for money to develop the natural resource of the Province.

The prevailing Bank or Mortgage rate in Vancouver a few years ago was about 6 per cent, while to-day it is 7 per cent, to 8 per cent.

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Bonds generally have long term maturities while first mortgages usually mature in 3 years.

Many shrewd financial men claim that the increase in the gold supply is due to improved methods of extraction of gold from ore.

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#### Stock Exchange Notes.

Thursday, August 8, 1912.

While there was only a normal business done in the general list this week, there was quite heavy trading in two or three special stocks. Canadian Pacific had a further advance to 277½ and, although this high level was not held, the stock closed strong at a gain. Dominion Canners was a decided feature and in anticipation of the meeting of directors at which it was thought that a dividend would likely be declared, it jumped to 74½ on a big business, but when nothing in the dividend direction was done at the meeting, it had an equally sharp reaction to 67½, from which point there was a small recovery only to be lost again. It is still considered a good buy for a hold at prevailing figures. Montreal Power was prominent and scored an advance of several points, and closed at about the highest of the week. Shawinigan was sympathe-

There was plenty of action in the unlisted department tically firm. and Montreal Tramways & Power, after selling at 54, reacted to 50, but improved again from the low level. National Brick Common declined from 58 to 541/2 on the announcement of the failure to agree between this Company and the minority shareholders of the Laprairie Brick. At the lower figure, good buying came in, and the loss was largely recovered, but the stock again declined and closed with 55½ bid. This is another stock popularly picked upon as a good speculative buy. Winnipeg Railway on a small turnover sold at lower figures, but Toronto Railway was strong. Richelieu & Ontario continues to fluctuate within a point or two. Despite its high dividend return, no enthusiasm seems to come into the buying. In the long run thusiasm seems to come into the buying, it seems reasonable to expect that it will reach a price more in keeping with the return paid. The stocks of more in keeping with the return paid. The stocks of Goodwins Limited have been listed, and will be called for the first time on Saturday. Attention seems to be focused on the Common stock of this Company, but there is little coming out at the present bid price, which is in the neighbourhood of 42. Detroit Railway remained in the background and there does not seem to be very much speculative interest in this stock at the present time. There are so many tired holders that any appreciable advance seems to bring out a good deal of stock. On the other hand, its earnings warrant a higher dividend, once the difficulties between the Company and the City are arranged, but there seems no immediate prospect of this being accomplished.

There was only a moderate business transacted in the Bank Stocks, but there was good scattered buying of the listed bonds with not much change in price. The whole undertone of the market is confident, and the money situation seems to warrant the belief that there will be no undue curtailment of supplies this autumn. Call rates locally remain unchanged, and the Bank of England rate is the

| same.                | B SALES A | ND QUOTA   | TIONS.   | Net   | 1              |
|----------------------|-----------|------------|----------|-------|----------------|
|                      | Sales Ang | 1, 1912 To | day. chi | nge   | ١.             |
| Security.            | 4,136     |            | 2751 +   |       | 2              |
| Canadian Pacific     | 1,761     |            | 151 -    |       | 1              |
| " Soo" Common        | 877       | 731        | 72 -     |       | ° 1            |
| Detroit United       |           |            |          |       | · I            |
| Halifax Tram         | 148       | 93         |          | - i   |                |
|                      | 167       | 28         | 25 -     | - 3   | . 1            |
|                      | 848       | 141        | 1441     |       | ! !            |
| m Railway            | 282       | 107        |          | +-    | 2              |
|                      | 420       |            |          |       | : 1            |
|                      | 1.031     | 1161       |          | + -   | 1              |
|                      | 171       | 86         | 0.0      |       | ٠: ا           |
|                      | 397       | 281        |          | +     | 1              |
|                      | 305       | 904 x D    |          | +     | 41414141414    |
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| Tuen Preterreu       |           | 631        | 631      | +     | ,              |
|                      | 30        | 1384       | 135      |       | 34             |
|                      |           | 92         | 901      | -     | $\frac{1}{2}$  |
|                      |           | 2324 x.D   | 235 x.D  | +     | $2\frac{1}{2}$ |
|                      |           | 921        | 93       | +     | 4              |
|                      |           | 127        | 1274     | +++   | ž              |
|                      |           | 157        | 1571     | +     | ŧ              |
|                      |           | 1461       | 1481     | +     | 1 1            |
| in I inhe and Power  |           | 151        | 151      | -     |                |
|                      |           |            |          | -     |                |
|                      |           | 60         | 62       | +     | 2              |
|                      |           | 271        | 28       | +     | ł              |
| ni 1 Ca of Can Lolli | •         | 44 x.D     |          | +     | 1              |
| a                    |           | 674        | 674      | _     |                |
| Tartile Com          |           | 1013       | 102      | +     | 4              |
| Tartile Preferred    |           | 3.25 x.1   |          |       |                |
| Crown Reserve        | . 3,455   | 3.20 X.1   | , 0.2041 |       |                |

#### Traffic Returns.

| ١         | CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY. |              |                    |                    |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------|---------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| ١         | CAT                       | NADIAN PAC   | IFIC RAILW         | 1912.              | ncrease     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ١.        | Year to date.             | 1910.        | 1911.              | 242 00 \$12        | 255,000     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1         | ear to date. \$43.9       | 36,000 \$47, | 087,000 \$50       | 1912.              | Increase    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ١.        | une 30 ding               | 1910.        | 1911.              | 2.571,000          | 475,000     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1         | Week ending               | 099 000 2    | .096,000           | 2,701,000          | 531,000     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1         | July 1                    | 9.8.000      |                    | 2 593,000          | 473,000     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ١         | # 91 l.                   | 958,000      |                    | 3,776,000          | 871,000     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ١         |                           | 759 000      |                    |                    |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ١         | 31                        | RAND TRU     | NK RAILWAY         | 1912               | Increase    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ١         | Year to date.             | 1910.        | 1911.<br>2,521,022 | 3,855,510          | 1,334,488   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1         | June 30\$21               |              | 1911.              | 1912.              | Increase    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ١         | Wook ending               |              | 943,095            | *******            | 43,063      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1         | July 7                    | 879,367      | 994,800            | 1.037,865          | 87,935      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ١         |                           | 921,045      | 960,016            | 1,047,951          | 204,531     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1         | * 21                      | 660,452      | 1 239 472          | 1,544,003          | 204,001     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| .         | " 31                      | 709,037      | THERN RAI          | LWAY.              | Increase    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ١         |                           | 1910.        | 1911.              | 1912.              | 2,051,300   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| t I       | Year to date.             | 6,031,800    | 7,152,6 0          | 9,203,900          | Increase    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|           | June advers               | 1910.        | 1911               | 1912.              | 45,400      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| i. I      | Week ending               | 294,800      | 346,500            | 391,900            | 72,000      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| e         | July 7                    | 291,900      | 364,700            | 436,700            | 89,100      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-        |                           | 277,500      | 387,000            | 426,100<br>575,000 | 147,300     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ζ.        | " 21                      |              | 427,700            | 575,000            |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| S         | " 31 Twin                 | CITY RAPI    | D TRANSIT          | 1912               | Increase    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| d         | Year to date.             | 1910.        |                    | 3,875,004          | 141,880     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| n         | June 30                   | 3,544,791    | 3,733,122          | 1019               | Increase    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11        | June so                   | 1910.        | 1911.              | 1912               | Dec. 16,893 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18        | Week ending.              | 163,317      | *183,360           | 152,560            | 1.040       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| in        | July 7                    | 146,526      | 153,600            | 158,985            | 5,862       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| n-        |                           | 159 739      | 151,223            |                    |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ın        | HALIF                     | Directo      | IC TRAMWAY         |                    |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ce        |                           | Railw        | My mecerpu         | 1912.              | Increase    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| of        | Week ending.              | 1910.        | 1911               | 5,803              | 112         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| or        | July 7                    | 4,883        | 5,696<br>5,270     | 5.687              | 417<br>366  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ed        | ** 14                     | 5,093        | 5,262              | 5,628              | 159         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| tle       | « 21 ··· ····             | 5,028        | 7,592              |                    | Dec. 152    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| h-        |                           | 7,172        | PAIL               | WAY Co.            | Increase    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ck-       | 1                         | AVANA ELI    | CTRIC RAIL         | 1912.              | 0 997       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ıla-      | Week ending               |              | 48.02              | 51,350             | 3,357       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| are       |                           |              | UNITED RAI         | LWAY.              | Increase    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ms        |                           | 1910.        | 1911.              |                    | 24.967      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| its       | Meek chai 9               | 200 00       | 210,601            | 235,568            | 29,178      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ere       |                           |              | 102 026            | 244                |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|           | 14                        | Servery Se   | PERIOR TRA         | CTION CO.          | Decrease    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| i.<br>the |                           | 1910         |                    |                    | 910         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| th        |                           | 01.62        | 5 25,8             | 98 24,989          | 1,021       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| hol       | July Title                | 00 90        | 5 23,04            | 6 22,023           | 582         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| tua       |                           | 00.00        | 1 25,10            |                    | 283         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| du        |                           |              |                    | 55,512             | lagive.     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| all       | e "31                     | debartion 2  | nd to 8th Ju       | ly, 1911, inc      | iusive.     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| th        | e Civic Ce                | neotrion 2   |                    | TE DATE            | 3.          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|           |                           |              | EXCHAN             | GE RATES           | 70          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| - AND  | EXCHA                        | NGE | RATES.                         |   |
|--|------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------|---|
| MONEY AND  Call money in Montreal  " in Toronto  " in New York  Bank of England rate  Consols  Demand Sterling  Sixty days' sight Sterling | To-day 5 % 5 % 21 % 21 % 74% |     | week. 5% 5% 21% 22.% 3% 741 91 | A Year Age 54% 54% 54% 21% 1% 3% 784 91 |
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|---------------------|--|-------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
|                     | Week ending  | Week ending | Week ending             | July 27, 1911             |
|                     | Aug. 8, 1912   |             | \$48,900,475            | \$45,382,638<br>6,773,410 |
| Montreal<br>Toronto | 39,111,000   | 38,003,460  | 35,739,929<br>5,358,242 |                           |
| Ottawa              | 4,032,772  | 0,000,1     | TATEME                  | NT                        |

BANK OF ENGLAND'S STATEMENT
Yesterday's weekly Bank of England Statement showed
a proportion of reserve to liability of 45.60 p.c. This compares with 48.66 p.c. last week.

### DOMINION CIRCULATION AND SPECIE.

| DOWINION CITTOR                        | 796 286                      |
|--|------------------------------|
| May 31, 1912\$113,114,914<br>April 30, | August 31 100,431,114        |
| garata hald by Receiver-               | General and his assistants:- |

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## List of Leading Stocks and Bonds

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CORRECTED TO THURSDAY, August 8th, 1912

| BANK STOCKS.  | Closing<br>prices or<br>Last sale,       | ARINA  | Return per cent. on investment at present prices.    | Rate of<br>Annual<br>Dividend    | Capital<br>subscribed  | Capital<br>paid up   | Rest<br>Fund   | Per cent'g<br>of Rest<br>to paid up<br>Capitai | When Dividend payable.   |
|---|--|--|--|----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| British North America<br>Canadian Bank of Commerce  | Asked. Bid.<br>160 150<br>224 223        | \$<br>243<br>50<br>100                             | Per Cent.<br>5 00<br>4 46                            | Per cent<br>8<br>10<br>12        | 4,866,867<br>15,000,000<br>4,975,700   | \$<br>4,866,667<br>15,000,000<br>4,901,593   | 2,774,000<br>12,500,000<br>5,901,593                           | \$<br>57.00<br>83.33<br>120.42                 | April, October. March, June, Sept., Dec. Jan., April, July, Octobe   |
| familton<br>fochelaga<br>Home Bank of Canada<br>unperial.<br>Internationale.  | 179 176<br>221                           |  | 5 02<br>5 42   | 11<br>9<br>7<br>12               | 2,973,900<br>2,991,100<br>1,370,000<br>6,700,000<br>10,000,000                                       | 2,971,200<br>2,902,910<br>1,286,050<br>6,000,000<br>1,322,918  | 3,401,800<br>2,650,000<br>450,000<br>6,000,000                 | 114.83<br>91.28<br>34.99<br>100.00             | March, June, Sept., Dec.<br>March, June, Sept., Dec.<br>March, June, Sept., Dec.<br>Feb., May, August, Nov.  |
| Merchants Bank of Ganada<br>Metropolitan Bank<br>Molsons.<br>Mintreal XD<br>Nationale.<br>New Brunswick.  | 195 194<br>209 207<br>251 250<br>140 136 | 100<br>100<br>100<br>100<br>100<br>100             | 5 12<br>5 26<br>4 31<br>5 66                         | 10<br>10<br>11<br>*10<br>7       | 6,710,400<br>1,000,000<br>4,000,000<br>16,000,000<br>2,000,000<br>1,000,000                          | 6,591,774<br>1,000,000<br>4,000,000<br>15,981,52<br>2,000,000<br>1,000,000   | 5,400,000<br>1,250,000<br>4,600,000<br>16,000,000<br>1,460,000 | 125.00<br>115.00<br>100,00<br>70.00            | March, June, Sept., Dec. Jan., April, July, October Jan., April, July, October March, June, Sept., Dec. Feb., May, August, Nov. Jan., April, July, October |
| Northern Crown Bank Nova Scotla Ottawa Provincial Bank of Canada Q 18080.   | 274 273                                  | 100<br>100<br>100<br>100                           | 5 10<br>5 63<br>5 10                                 | 6<br>14<br>12<br>6<br>7          | 2,207,500<br>4,000,000<br>3,500,000<br>1,000,000<br>2,500,000  | 2,207,500<br>4,000,000<br>3,500,000<br>1,000,000<br>3,500,000  | 250,000<br>7,500,00<br>4,000,00<br>500,000<br>1,250,000        | 11.32<br>187.50<br>114.28<br>50.00             | January, July, Jan., April, July, October<br>March, June, Sept., Dec.<br>Jan., April, July, October<br>March, June, Sept., Dec.                            |
| Royal XII<br>Standard XII<br>Sterling   |  | . 100  | 5 16   | 12<br>13<br>6                    | 8,027,500<br>2,000,000<br>1,062,400<br>5,000,000   | 7,799,550<br>2,000,000<br>991,428<br>4,958,015   | 8,759,500<br>2,600,000<br>300,000<br>5,958,010                 | 130.00<br>39.17                                | Jan., April, July, October<br>Feb., May, Aug. November<br>Feb., May, August, Nov.<br>March, June, Sept., Dec.  |
| Practers Union Bank of Canada Vancouver Weyburn Security  | 167                                      | 100  | 4 78<br>5 12<br><br>s bonus of                       | 8<br>8<br>5                      | 4,480,000<br>4,953,600<br>1,169,900<br>608,000   | 4,952,370<br>819,445   | 2,552,756<br>3,076,180<br>15,00                                | 62.12  | Jan., April, July, October<br>March, June, Sept., Dec.   |
| MISCELLANEOUS STOCES.  Bell Telephone  B. C. l'ackers Assn "A"   pref. de "B"   Com Canadian Pacific.   | 110 10                                   | 6 100<br>100<br>100<br>5 100                       | 5 45<br>3 62   | 1 p.c.<br>8<br>7<br>7<br>6<br>7+ | 12,500,000<br>835,000<br>822,500<br>1,511,400<br>3 180,000,000                                       | 635.000<br>522,500<br>1,511,400  | :::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::                        |  | do March, June, Sept., Dec.  |
| Canadian Car Com. do Pd Canadian General Electric Can, Cement Com. Do, Ptd XI Can. Con. Rubber Com. do Pref Canadian Converters XI Crown Reserve XI Destroit United Ry Dominion Coal Preferred. | 861 6<br>115 11                          | 9<br>6 100<br>11 100<br>12 100<br>25 100           | 6 08<br><br>7 65<br>4 45<br>6 93<br><br>6 89<br>7 11 | 7<br>4<br>7<br>4<br>60<br>5      | 3,500,000<br>5,000,000<br>5,640,000<br>13,500,000<br>2,802,440<br>1,972,86<br>1,733,500<br>1,999,989 | 3,500,000<br>5,000,060<br>5,392,736<br>5,392,736<br>11,500,000<br>2,802,446<br>1,732,600<br>1,732,600<br>7,1,999,957 |  |  | Jan., April, July, October<br>Jan., April, July, October<br>Jan., April, July, October<br>Jan., April, July, October<br>Wonthly.                           |
| Dominion Coal Preferred   | 105 1                                    | 76 100<br>671 100<br>02 100<br>06 160<br>681 100   | 7 35<br>6 73<br>6 63                                 | •                                | 3,000,00<br>5.000,00<br>1,859,03<br>5,000.00<br>34,598,60  | 5.000,000<br>0 1,859.030<br>0 5,000,000  | ::::::::::   |  | Jan., April, July, Octobe<br>Jan., April, July, Octobe   |
| Duluth Superior Traction  | i ::: i                                  | 51 100<br>51 100<br>100<br>93 100                  | 5 29   |                                  | 3.500,00<br>1,400,00<br>7,463.70<br>5,000,00<br>6,304,00   | 8,500,00<br>1,400,00<br>3 7,463.70<br>5,000,00   |  |  | Jan., April, July, Octobe<br>Jan., April, July, Octobe<br>Initial Div.<br>Jan., April, July, Octobe  |
| Kaministiquia Power X<br>Laurentide Com   | D<br>195j 1                              | 95 100<br>35 100<br>100                            | 8 07<br>5 71   | 2<br>6<br>8<br>7<br>5            | 2,000,00<br>2,705,60<br>2,100,00<br>1,500,00<br>41,380,4   | 2.000,00<br>2,705,60<br>2,100,00<br>1,500,00   |  |  | Feb., May, August, No<br>February, August.<br>Jan., April, July, Octobe<br>March, June, Sept., Dec.  |
| 40   Pfd  | 70<br><br>152                            | 69) 100<br>91) 100<br>151 100<br>156 10            | 5 71<br>4 37<br>4 60<br>4 37                         | 7 7                              | 50,800,0<br>13,585,0<br>2,400,0<br>20,832,0<br>10,416,0  | 50,000,00<br>13,585,00<br>2,400,00<br>16,800,00<br>8,400,00  | 0<br>0   | : :::::::                                      | May, November, April, October, April, October,   |
| Montreal Light, Ht. & Pwr. Co 2<br>Montreal Street Railway<br>Montreal Telegraph  | CD 2354                                  | 235) 10<br>235) 10<br>148 4                        | 3 81   | 9<br>10                          | 3,600,0<br>17,000 6<br>10,000,0<br>2,000,0   | 00 17,000.00<br>00 10,000.00<br>00 2,000,00  | io   | : ::::::::                                     | Feb., May, August, Nov.  |
| Northern Ohio Traction Co   | ·· 94<br>·· 125                          | 62 10<br>92½ 10<br>120 10<br>128 10                | 6 38<br>6 40<br>6 20                                 | 2<br>6<br>8<br>8                 | 9.000,0<br>6,000,0<br>1,030,0<br>2,500,0<br>2,000,0  | 00 6,000,0<br>00 1,030,0<br>00 2,580,0   |  |  | Jan., April, July, Octob<br>March, September   |
| Penman's Ltd. Com do Pref Quebec Ry. I., & t'. Richelieu & Ont. Nav. Co Rio de Janiero. Shawinighan Water & PowerCo   | XD 584<br>90<br>27                       | 56 10<br>872 10<br>25 1174 10<br>1494 10           | 6 6 86<br>6 6 66<br>6 6 80<br>0 6 80                 |                                  | 2,150,6<br>1,075,6<br>9,500,6<br>3,132,6<br>37,625,6   | 00 2,150,6<br>1,075,0<br>100 9,500,0<br>000 3,132,0<br>000 37,625.0  | 00<br>00<br>00   |  | March, June, Sept., Dec.   |
| Sao Paulo T.L. & P Toledo Rys & Light Co. Toronto Street Railway Tri-City Pfd. Twin City Rapid Transit Co. West India Electric Windsor Hotel Winnipeg Electric Railway Co.                      | 2586<br>1449<br>1071                     | 151] 10<br>257# 10<br>1441 10<br>107 10<br>1°6 225 | 3 87<br>0 5 52<br>0 567                              | 10<br>8<br>6<br>6<br>6           | 10,000,<br>13,875,<br>8,000,<br>2,826,<br>20,100,<br>800,<br>1,000                                   | 10,000,0<br>13,875,0<br>100 8,000,0<br>200 2,826,2<br>000 800,0<br>000 1,000,0                                       | 00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00                                     |  | Jan., April, July, Octob<br>Jan., April, July, Octob<br>Jan., April, July, Octob<br>Feb., May, August, Nov.<br>Jan., April, July, Octobe<br>May, November  |

#### The Canadian Fire Record.

LONDON, ONT .- Fire caused about \$300 damage in the pumping house of the London Hospital for the Insane.

South Vancouver.—About \$2,000 damage was done by fire in the hardware store of Howe Bros., entirely gutting the building.

There was \$1,000 insurance on the stock of the hardware store.

VANCOUVER,-Fire on the 2nd instant completely destroyed the Freed Furniture Company's premises, causing damage estimated at \$70,000.

MILVERTON.—Fire on the 4th instant destroyed the public school. The loss of building and contents will total \$9,000. There is about \$5,000 insurance.

Montreal.-On the 6th instant, a blaze in the warehouse of the Montreal Cotton & Wool Waste Company, corner of Duke and Wellington streets. The building, which is a four storey stone structure, was packed with bales of cotton waste.

The cause of the outbreak is supposed to have been spontaneous combustion.

GUELPH.—Fire in the second story of the Guelph Hardware Company's store did damage, principally by water, to the extent of about fifteen hundred dollars

#### DETROIT UNITED RAILWAY.

Earnings for the month of June:

| Increase.    |
|--------------|
| \$100,041.00 |
| 104,682.28   |
| 29,065.08    |
|              |
| 31.031.61    |
| 1,004.17     |
| 32,035.78    |
|              |

#### NORTHERN OHIO TRACTION AND LIGHT COMPANY.

Earnings for the month of June:

| Month of June.<br>Gross Earnings<br>Operating and Taxes<br>Net | \$<br>1912.   | 1911.<br>\$245,097.25<br>134,982.81<br>110,114.44 | 12 357.50<br>516.43 |
|--|---------------|---|---------------------|
| Interest   |               |   | 12.873.93           |
| Surplus  | <br>78,654.91 | 65,780.98   | 12,010.00           |

Molsons Bank Appointments.—The Molsons Bank has made the following changes in its staff, pertaining to some of the higher officers. Mr. W. H. Draper, formerly inspector, is now made superintendent of branches; Mr. E. W. Waud, who held the position of assistant inspector, is now given the inspectorship, while Mr. Thomas Carlisle is made an assistant inspector.

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| BONDS   | Quota        | sing<br>stions | per<br>an-  | Amount outstanding.      | When Interest due.  | Where Interest<br>payable                                      | Date of<br>Maturity                                   | REMARKS  |
|   | Askei        | Dia            | num         |                          |   |  |   |  |
| Bell Telephone Co<br>Can. Car & Fdy                                       | 101 <u>}</u> | 101            | 5 6         | \$3,649,000<br>3,500.000 | lst Oct. 1st Apl.<br>lst June 1st Dec.                            | Bk. of Montreal, Mtl.  | April 1st, 1925<br>Dec. 1st, 1939                     | Red at 110 aft. Nov.'19<br>or in pt.aft.Nov.'11  |
| Can. Converters<br>Can. Con. Rubber Co                                    | 88<br>961    | 96             | 63          | 474,000<br>2,579,600     | lst June 1st Dec.<br>1st Apl. 1st Oct.                            |  | Dec. 1st, 1926<br>Oct. 1st, 1946                      | Redeemable at 110<br>after Oct. 1st, 1911  |
| Can. Colored Cotton Co Can. Cement Co Dominion Coal Co                    | 100          | 988            | 6<br>6<br>5 | 5,000,000                | 2nd Apl. 2nd Oct<br>lst Apl. 1st Oct.<br>lst May lst Nov.         | 1  | April 2nd, 1912<br>Oct. 21st, 1929<br>April 1st, 1940 | Redeemable at 110<br>Redeemable at 105 and<br>Int.after May 1st,1910   |
| Dom. Iron & Steel Co<br>Dom. Tex. Sers, "A"                               | 96           | 95<br>98       | 51          |                          |   | D1 / M   | July 1st, 1929<br>March 1st, 192                      |  |
| " "В"   | 1            | 102            | 6           | 1,000,000                |   | j " "  | "   | Redeemable at par<br>after 5 years   |
| " "C"   |              | 98             | 6           | 1,000,000                |   |  | "   | Redeemable at 105 and<br>Interest  |
| " "D" Hayana Electric Railway Halifax Tram Keewatin Mill Co               | 101          | 98             | 5 5         |                          |   | 52 Broadway, N.Y.<br>Bk. of Montreal, Mci<br>Royal Trust, Mtl. | Feb. 1st, 1913<br>Jan. 1st, 1915<br>Sept. 1st, 1916   | Redeemable at 105<br>Redeemab'e at 110   |
| Lake of the Woods Mill Co<br>Laurentide Paper Co                          |              |                | 6           | 1,000,00                 | o lst. June 1st Dec   | Merchants Bank of<br>Canada, Montreal,<br>Bk. of Montreal, Mt  |   | 200  |
| Mexican Electric L. Co.<br>Mex. L't & Power Co.<br>Montreal L. & Pow. Co. | <u>ا</u> ::  | 1:             | 5 5         | 11 728 50                | o lst Jan. 1st July<br>o lst Feb. 1st Aug<br>o lst Jan. 1st. July |  | Eab 1st 193   | 5<br>3<br>2 Redeemable at 105 at<br>Int. after 1912  |
| Montreal Street Ry. Co.<br>Ogilvie Flour Mills Co.                        | . 100        |                | . 4         | 1,750,00                 | lst May 1st Nov<br>1st June 1st Dec                               | Bk. of Montreal, Mt  | May 1st, 193<br>l. July 1st, 193                      | 2 Redeemable at 105 an   |
| Penmans   |              | .              | . 5         | 2,000,00                 | 00 lst May 1st Nov  | Bk. of M., Mtl. & Li   | Nov. 1st, 192   | after Nov. 1,1911  |
| Price BrosQuebec Ry. L & P. Co.<br>Rio Janeiro                            | . 7          |                | 0 5         | 4,866,66<br>25,000,0     | 66 lst June 1st Dec<br>00 l Jan. l Jul                            | C. B. of C. London   | Jan. 1st, 19  | 35   |
| Sao Paulo<br>Toronto & York Radial  |              | .   .          | . 5         | 1,620,0                  | 00 I July 1st Jan   | Nat. Trust Co. To<br>B. of M., Tor. & N.<br>Bk. of Montreal, M | T June 1st, 19  | 27   |
| Winnipeg Electric West India Electric                                     | ::  j        | ; 9            | 2 2         | 600,0                    | 00 let Jan. 1st Ju  | ly   |   | 4  |

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Lachine:
From Post Office: 20 min, service from 5.40 a.m. to midnight.
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night.

#### Sault au Recollet and St. Vincent de Paul :

| From | St. | Deni | 8       |      |       |      |    |                 |
|------|-----|------|---------|------|-------|------|----|-----------------|
|      | 15  | min. | service | from | 5.15  | a.m. | to | 9.00 a.m.       |
|      | 20  | **   |         | **   | 9.00  | a.m. | to | 4.00 p.m.       |
|      | 15  | **   | **      | **   | 4.00  | p.m. | to | 7.00 p.m.       |
|      | 20  | **   | ••      | **   | 7.00  | p.m. | to | 10.00 p.m.      |
|      | 30  | **   | **      | **   | 10.00 | p.m. | to | 12.00 midnight. |
| From |     | Vinc | ent-    |      |       |      |    | 0.00            |
|      | 15  | min. | service | from | 5.45  | a.m. | to | 9.30 a.m.       |
|      | 20  | **   |         | **   | 9.30  | a.m. | to | 4.30 p.m.       |
|      | 15  | **   | ••      | ••   | 4.30  | p.m. | to | 7.30 p.m.       |
|      | 20  | **   | **      | **   | 7.30  | p.m. | to | 10.30 p.m.      |
|      | 30  |      | **      | **   | 10.30 | p.m. | to | 12.30 midnight. |
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