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f. s. CLOUSTON.

General Manager.
Montreal, 18th Oct., 1908.

The Bank of Toronto. DIVIDEND No. 98

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND OF
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Toronto, 24na October, 1908。; :General Manager
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The Tranger Booke will be closed from the 1 年
to 80th Nuvember, both days incluelve.
By order of the Board,
. TURNBULL
Hamilton, 24th October, 1008.

## THE QUEBEC BANK

DIVIDEND No. 163
Notice te hereby giten thet a Dividend of three per cent. upon tre paldup Capital stnck of thif year, and that the same will be payable at 1ts Banising House in this city, and at 1ts Branches
on and after Tuesday, the ist day of December next.
The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16 th
the 80 th of November (both days inclueive, By order of the Directir

THOMAS MEDOUGALL
Quebec, 2Jth October, 1908.

Eastern Townships Bank.
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16 th to the 30th of November, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
M. J. A. PRENDERGAST,

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-The by-law voted on at Wingham, Ont., to purchase the electric light plant from Mr. Walter Green fór $\$ 28,000$ was carried by a majority of 177.
-The Toronto Exhibition directors-will ask for the submission of a by-law to raise $\$ 200,000$ for building improvements. The financial statement shows \& balance of \$52,506.
- We learn that it is the intention of the Richelieu \& Ontario Navigation Company to reconstruct the steamor Montreel, using the old hull, and as the plans of the Bertram Company will be used the new vessel will be an exact counterpart of the magnificent vessel burned last winter.
- The Windsor House, Gravenhurst, Ont., was destroyed by fire on the 20th instant. The proprietor, D. B. Lafranier was almont suffocated by smoke. The lose is about $\$ 10,000$, said to be fully covered by insurance. Many of the guests had narrow eschpes, and maiy loot their effeets.
-It is estimated that by the olose of the season the Capada Atlantie Railway will carry close to $30,000,000$ buthek of wheat to Montreal. Of this amount about twenty million bushels come from American lake ports, and the balance from Oanadtan late ports. The trade into Depol Harbor is larger than during any season since the rond opened.

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-The Montreal Plate Glass and Mirror Company has been ineorporated, with a capital of $\$ 25,000$.
-The steamer "Gem," owned by S. A. Smith of Port Syd ney, Ont., was burnerd at Huntsville, on the 21st instant.
-The White Star Line steamer Baltic, the largest steamer in the world, was launched at Belfast on the 22nd instant.

The Winnipeg Elevator Company's elevator at Minette, was burned on the 17 th instant, with 3,000 bushels of W cat.

Washington, U.S., advices state that the National Bank of Elkhart, Indiana, is closed. On Sept. 9 the bank owed depositors $\$ 624,000$.

- Mr. E. Walker of Harriston, Ont., has sold his grocery and boot and shoe busines to a Mr. Harris, from Woodbridge, who has taken possession.
-A by-law to raise $\$ 50,000$ for the purchase oi the Belleville, Ont., gas works is to be submitted to the electors at the municipal elections in January.
-Our Norwood, Ont., correspondent writes:-J. J. Cum ming's woollen mills here totally destroyed by fire. Total value about $\$ 10,000$; insurance $\$ 2,000$.
-We learn from North Bay, Ont., that a party of twentytwo engineers and assistants outfitted there and left to complete the survery for the Grand Trunk Pacifle from North Bay
-McKenna's livery stable, Ottawa, was destroyed by fire early on Saturday morning. The damage is estimated at about $\$ 3,000$, and is partly covered by insurance. Twelve horses weré destroyed.
-At the first amnual banquet of the Calgary Board of Trade, held on the 19th instant, it was announced that in 1890 the total receipts from freight and passenger tramic in Calgary amounted to $\$ 437,892$, and in 1903 to $\$ 1,032,467$.
-We learn from Kingston that the Provident Company's mine at Ardoch is in the possession of the Sheriff. McKelvey \& Birch are the chief creditors in Kingston, their claim being $\$ 800$. The miners a'so have claims for wages. The company consists chiefly of Buffalo promotors.
-The number of homestead entries made at the various Dominion Lands offices throughout the west were not so numerous for October, 1903 , as for the corresponding month of 1902. The entries for October, 1903, were 1,931, and for October, 1902, 2,134.
-At a meeting of the creditors of the James Cooper Manufacturing Company, Limited, Montreal, some days ago, Mr Justice Robidoux appointed the fo'lowing board of inspectors to help the liquidator, Mr. G. A. Savage:-Messrs. E. C.

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For William, Ont., advices of recent date state that the U. S. steamer Princeton, has left Fort William with 248,000 burbels of whent for Buffelo. This is a record cargo by 7,440 tmus, and the boat could have carried more but for the low water on Lime Kiln Crossing, below Detroit. The steamer Tadousac, with 118.000 bushels of grain, for Depot Harbor, accompanied the Princeton.
-Poultry shippers at London, Ont., report a lively demand for turkeys and it looks at though prices are going to be ligh. Birds at all fit for shipment to the Old Country bring ninn to ten cents a pound, and eleven and twelve cents have licen paid for dressed turkeys. A local dealer expects 40,000 turkeys will be shipped from London to England during the next few weeks.

Mr. C. E. Macpherson, general passenger agent of the C. P. R. for lines west, reports the era of prosperity in that section of the Dominion to be still at flood tide. Broader acrages are being ploughed and dand values are constantly inceasing The Christmas excursion to the east, he said, wruld be larger than usual, owing to the fact that the farm${ }^{\text {rrs }}$ had this year mader a great deal of money.

- Winnipeg advices state that the lands which the city will cinse and the C. P. R. will be entitled to use under the snlway agreement that awaits signing, amount to some twelve and one-third acres in all. Of this over ten acres will be in streets, and a little over two acres in lots. Assessmont Commissioner J. W. Harris estimates that the value of the city property is about $\$ 200,000$. The C. P. R.'s equivalent for this is a subway, station, offices, shops and hotel.
- Mr. James M. Macoun, of the Geological Survey, who "as sent out to report on the agricultural and other resources. of the Peace River country last summer, advises that in view of the fact that no surveys have yet been made, and that there is neither market for produce no employment for those without means, no man should journey thither who has not means enough to maintain himseff until railway construction has begun in that region.


#### Abstract

-Assistant Commissioner of Fisheries Venning, was dispatched recently to the Bay of Fundy and Magdalen Islands, where he will act as one of a commission to enquire into the sardine and lobster fisheriea. Complaints have been receiv ed that the American fishermen are taking young herving and paoking them for sardines. They also take Canadian lobsters and pound them until the close season, when they are resold in Canada for very large prices.


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-The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the Ontario Agri- cultural and Experimental Union will be held at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guell Union will be held at the Ontario in agriculture and horticulture have this year been conducted on nearly 4,000 farms throughout Ontario. The results of the work will be summarized and presented at the amnual meeting, to which all interested in agriculture are invited. The programme includes addresses by Prof. C. C. James, Toronto; W. J. Spillman, Washington, D.C.; Dr. James Mills, Guelph


-Mr. James L. Haycock, Dominion Inspector of Binder Twine, reports that the seizure of the binder twine belonging to the M. J. Wilson Cordage Company of Chatham, Ont., was made on October 17th, and the bales are still held by the Department of Trade and Commerce. Mr. Wilsom has, it is stated, forwarded to the department a sworn statement that before being manufactured the twine was sold to a company in Boston to be made into rope. As the United States duty on this manufactured article is 45 per cent, the minimum penalties in this case would be heavy.
-At the quarterly meeting of the Commercial Travellers' Mutual Benefit Society, of western Ontario, held recently at London, the following officers were elected:- H resident, A. E. Barbour, London; first více-president, A. Anderson, London; second vice-president, Robert Tait, London; treasurer, F. H. Crabb, London; Directors, J. M. Ferguson, J. H. Glass, T. T. Mortimore, Bruce Wanless, B. S. Switzer, W. H. Mohan, A. Badenack, M. F. Irwin, J. M. Logan, J. T. Green, London; B. F. Honsinger, St. Thomas; John Lennox, Hamilton ${ }^{\text {P }}$ F. W. Heath and F. W. Drew. Toronto; W. Wilbee, Brantford; W. Storey, Sarnia; A. E. Merritt, Chatham; R. C. Riekers ton, Woodstock; James Dow, Stratford; Capt. R. Dillon, Oshawa; James F. Smyth, Windsor ; J. Ratz, New Hamburg; R. G. B. Moore, Aylmer; T. Harry Slater, F. Morton Morse sud N. J. Boyd, Winnipeg; A. Freneh, Vancouver,

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-The curators have prepared a statement of a first dividend in the matter of George Margolious, insolvent, and the same is mayable to creditors on or before Dec, \&. The statement shows receipts by cash from Bachrach and others to the amount of $\$ 6,500$. The privilege claims total up to $\$ 3,745$, and the ordinary liabilities to $\$ 23,308$. The latter, on a dividend of $111 / 2$ per cent., represents $\$ 2,680$, leaving a balance of 874.20 . The list of ordinary claims includes the following with the amount each will receive:--Suckling and Co., To ronto, $\$ 1,375, \$ 158.21$; A. E. Rae and Co., Toronto, $\$ 144$, \$18.56; Auburn Woollen Mills, Peterborough, \$129, \$14.90; Gough Bros., Toronto, $\$ 250, \$ 28.75$; A. Bradshaw and Son Toronto. $\$ 63, \$ 7.25$
-The large steel screw tug Emerson, built by the Colling. wood Shipbuilding Company for the Montreal Tramsportation Company, was successfully Taunehed at Collingwood recently The Emerson will be the finest and most powerful of her class on fresh waters. Her length over all is 118 feet, beam 23 feet, and depth of hold 13 feet 9 inches. She is fitted with triple expansion engines of 850 horsepower, and is supplied with steam from two Scotch boilers at a pressure of 180 pounds to the square inch. The tug is equipped with steam steering gear, is lighted throughout with electricity, and has all modern appliances. The engines and boilers were also built in the shops of the Shipbuilding Company.
-The season for trans-Atlantic passenger steamers sailing from Montreal is practically closed. From a standpoint of passenger traffic the season has been most successful, the

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number of passengers sailing from Montreal being far in exccess of any previous year. Allan Line figures show a total of 38,864 passengeas for the season, as compared with 29,033 for 1902, and 22,458 for 1901, an increase of 9,931 pasengers over 1902 and 16,406 over 1901. The large figures show a good increase in total traffic, for this year the competition has been between three lines, whereas for the last two years the ElderDempster Line was the only competitor. The increase in passenger traffic has been apparent on the local lines on the St. Lawrence as well as on ocean-going vessels.

The immediate effect of the adoption of the national transcontinental railway scheme, says an Ottawa letter, will be the pushing of branch lines into the Northern country. Under its agreement with the Government, and its charter of incorporation, the Grand Trunk Pacific has to construct the branch lines, and with this object in view, a party has been sent out to survey for a line running northerly from Lake Nepigon to the proposed point of junction with the transcontinental railway. The Ontario Government has decided to extend its line from New Liskeard northerly some 80 miles to the proposed junction with the national transcontinental road. The C.P.R., to get a share of the traffic and cartiage of supplies for the building of the new road, and of the reight when the line is built, has decided to push its Gatneau branch into the North country. Thirty additional miles of this road from Gracefield to Maniwaki have been constructed this year, and trains will be running into Maniwaki regularly within one month, this point being about 92 mileg north of Ottawa: The junction with the national railway will mean an extension of the road, probably one hundred miles further.
-The Department of Trade and Commerce received recently a report from Mr. D. A.? Ross, the newly-appointed commercial agent to West Australia. Mr, Ross gives some important imformation regarding this distant colony of the Empire. The following figures show the growth of the colony in ten years. The production of gold in 1902 amounted to $£ 7,947,663$.

|  | 1892. |  | 1903. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Population. | 62,000 |  | 221,000 |
| Revenue. . | 681,000 | $£$ | 3,350,000 |
| Imports. . | 1,494,000 |  | 7,218,000 |
| Exports. | 918,000 |  | 9,051,000 |
| Trade.. | 2,412,000 |  | 16,269,000 |

Mr. Ross visited Perth and Freemantle, and found a very friendly feeling towards Canada, but he says that if Cansdian firms desire to Bhare in the business of this colony they must adopt similar tactics to those practised by U. S. houses, who have selling agents on the ground.
-The Departinent of Trland Revenue has issuied a tabulat. ed statement giving the results of an examination of 99 samPles of honey. Of this number 81 are genuine, 5 doubtful, 2 adulterated, 6 adulterated with glucose syrup, and- 5 adal tomated with camo mugor. The analyet points out that nome


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of the adulterated samples contained fragments of comb It rating in the honey, which had to be separated previous to examination. This is, of course, a very differemt thing from loney in the comb. Most likely the general consumer might avoid adulterated honey by purchasing it in the comb and carrying out himself the process of extracting the honey.
-At Washington, on the 19th instant, representative Williams (Mississippi) introduced a resolution declaring "that the House of Representatives would view with pleasure and heartily endorse initiative steps taken by the President of the Inited States towards reconvening the Joint High Commission appointed by Great Britain, the Dominion of Canada and the United States for the purpose of considering and agreing upon freer and more amicable trade relations between the United States and the Dominion of Canada:"
-Woodstock, Ont., adviees state that the Leishman-Marndrell Company and Clarkson Bros. have amalgamated their interests. The new concern will be known as the Woodstock Lumber Company, and will be capitalized at from $\$ 75,000$ to $\$ 100,000$. A new factory will be built for the manufacture of lumber and building materials.-Tudhope Bros., retail grocers, Woodstock, are the principal stockholders in a wholesale grovery company about to commence business, with a capital of $\$ 30,000$.
-Three hundred tobacco growers, representing 11 oounties in Virginia and North Carolina, met at Danville, Va., rerently, and formed what will be known as the Tobacco Growers' Protective Association of Virginia and North Carolina. The object of the organization is to decrease future tobaceo acreage, to keep the present crop off the market for better prices and to iniduce the farmers to grow diversified crops. All of the counties in the belt will be organized.
-The Paris law obliging shopkeepers to supply a sufficient number of chairs for shop girls to sit on, voted three years ago, was benoming a dead letter, but the Tenth Correctional Chamber last week imposed seven fines of five francs (\$1) each on a shop owner for not having complied with the requirements of the law, seven shop girls having been found unprovided with chairs in his eetablishment.
-Messrs. Adam Beck, of London, Ont.; F. E. Meredith A. E. Woodworth, K. R. MacPherson, and C. S. Campbell, of Montreal, are incorporated as the Montreal Box Company, with capital of $\$ 100,000$, to take over the Adam Beck business in Montreal and to manufacture cigar and other boxes.
-We learn from Whitby that the Gold creditors met on the 23 r d and accepted a compromise offered by the estate of fifty cents in the dollar, the same to be paid within thirty days. Feeling ran high at one stage of the proceedings, but it was eventually agreed that half a loaf was better than none at all. All civil or criminal proceedings will be abandoned.
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There are signs of conditions arising in the United States which, if they continue to develop, will have an important influence upon banking in Canada. How the banks now stand demands closer study than usual. Whether it is wiser to restrain the expansion of business now going on, or to stimulate it by easier terms, or, to give distinct intimations that a change of policy may le mad at any time, so that borrowers and discounters may be prepared, are live questions in banking circles.
Much dissatisfaction is felt at the rate on call and short loans being kept so high by thie banks. Their policy in this respect is followed by other financial in-

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stitutions that lend on stocks and bonds. The situation is, however, very pectiliar. It is no secret that a very large mass of securities are held by some of the banks and loan companies of which they would be very glad to be relieved. These indigestible stocks and bonds prevent the appetite growing active for further supplies. The loans offered are in many cases first-class, so far as mere security goes, but if a bank is anxious to clear out a lot of its call loan securities it receives proposals for new loans with indifference, and is not disposed to encourage such business by low rates. The lowering of rates, therefore, on call and short loans, will probably

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The October bank statement in itself is not a very notable one, but. when compared with the corresponding cne of 1902 it presents some very remarkable features, such as differ widely from those in any previous year. The circulation went up from $\$ 63,741,2 \% 0$, an advance of $\$ 6,739,341$, which exceeds the increase in October, 1902 , by $\$ 895,969$. This is less than was anticipated, but is still a very large addition to be made ins the note issues in one month. The increase in the year was only $\$ 4,551,638$ as compared with $\$ 7,974,174$ by which sum the circulation increased between October, 1901, and October, 1902. The margin open for further note issues at the close of last month was about nine millions, while at the same date 1902 the margin was little over five millions, so the bankers have had, as it were, deep water under their vessels of late, instead of 1 wing near to the shoals as they were twelve months ago. The changed relation between the amount of paid-up capital and circulation since 1897 is one leading characteristic of the present day returns. In 1897 the circu'ation was 66 per cent. of the paid-up capital, whereas the proportion is now 90 per cent., although, since 1897, there have been 16 millions added to the paid-up capital. So much more rapidly has the demand for currency grown than the need for more capital ; indeed, the latter need would have been more felt had the expanse of circulation bren checked.

The reduction in call loans still continues; last month they were lessened to the extent of seven millions, and since October, 1902, these loans have been brought down from $\$ 98,658,200$ to $\$ \$ 1,313,800$, a reduction of $\$ 27,345,400$. The squeezing of unfortunate speculators which this reduction represents has put many through a disastrous experience. No wonder the ranks of stock operators show desertions when so many have suffered heavily, and no wonder seats are not appreciating on 'Change.

The discounts last month rose from $\$ 373,633,072$ up to $\$ 380,823,162$, an advance of $\$ 7,190,090$, which is a remarkably large increase in a month. The expansion in these mercantile loans in the last year went far above any precedent. The increase was from $\$ 314,300,58 \%$ to $\$ 380,823,162$, an addition of $\$ 66,522,575$ in one year to the current loans in Canada, Those outside Canada were reduced from $\$ 35,356,704$ to $\$ \cdot 3,939,637$, a decrease of $\$ 11,41 \%, 067$, the funds held abroad having been needed "for home consumption."

Deposits in October were not changed to any material extent; their turn comes later on, when the year's crops have been turned into cash
The following shows the principal changes in the position of the banks since 1897; the figures include both discounts and deposits outside Canada:


We append our usual comparative table; the complete statement will be found on a later page:
tie bank statements.

| Capital authorized .. .. .. .. $97,046,666$ | ept.. 1903. $97,046,666$ | Oct., 1902. 81,382,566 | Oct., 1898. $75,458,685$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Capital subscribed .. .. .. .. 79,208,783 | 79,098,656 | 71,937,566 | 63,170,654 |
| Capital paid-up .. .. .. .. .. 78,286,682 | 78,057,190 | 71,137,510 | 62,081,994 |
| Reserve Fund .. .. .. .. .. .. 49,980,361 | 48,897,498 | ,322,497 | 26,185,348 |
| LIABILITIES. |  |  |  |
| Notes in circulation .. .. .. 70,480,611 | 68,741,270 | 65,928,978 | . 36,908,941 |
| Due Dominion Government .. 4,381,593 | 4,198,123 | 2,823,253 | 2,285,837 |
| Due Provincial Govts. .. .. .. 2,614,888 | 2,688,173 | 3,373,546 | 2,659,315 |
| Deposits on demand .. .. ..118,070,088 | 116,701,497 | 113,176,962 | 62,524,569 |
| Deposits after notice .. .. ..275,989,608 | 275,081.027 | 248.512,677 | 103,557,733 |
| Deposits outside Canada ... .. 29,101,329 | 35,391.668 | 85,889,268 |  |
| Loans on bks. in Canada, sec.. 573,003 | 515,428 | 605,702 | 48,00n |
| Depts on demand in Can. bks. $5,061,977$ | 4,553,233 | 4,202,861 | ,801,981 |
| Due agencies in U.K. .. .. .. 3,334,191 | 3,863,586 | ,142,554 | 4,986,698 |
| Due agencies abroad .. .. .. 2,080,298 | 1,423,818 | 1,022,185 | 179,695 |
| Other liabilities .. .. .. .. .. 9,102,714 | 10,732,913 | 18,509,921 | 228,185 |
| Total liabilities .. .. .. ..520,740,325 | 518,800,806 | 492,877,507 | 210,267,601 |
| Assets. |  |  |  |
| Specie .. .. .. .. .. .. .. 14,219,299 | 1,717,111 | 3,804,801 | 7,279,202 |
| Doiminion Notes .. .. .. .. 29,980,289 | 30,830,480 | 23,788,411 | 13,300,643 |
| Deposits securing circulation .. 3,130,844 | 3,130,844 | 3,611,041 | 1,818,571 |
| Notes \& cheques on other bks. 19,102,359 | 18,069,250 | 17,884,316 | 7,281,951 |
| Toans to other bks in Can., sec. 578,006 | 15,428 | 49,125 | 20,885 |
| Depts on demand in Can. bks.. 6.548,608 | 5.727,632 | 4,893,976 | 8,584,880 |
| Due from bks, sc., in U.K. .. 11,354,474 | 5,936,832 | 5,879,914 | 8,918,869 |
| Due from foreign bks, etc. 13,498,649 | 18.240,336 | 18,075,900 | 14,839,870 |
| Dom. and Prov. Govt. secs. .. 11,135,706 | 11,142,682 | 9,187,511 | 3,188,572 |
| Can. municipal \& other pub.sec 14,787,48 | 14,704,363 | 15,028,482 | 9,460,472 |
| (Not Dominion.) |  |  |  |
| Railway and other secs. .. .. 381110,005 | 37,857,826 | 35,u88,098 | 5,976,681 |
| Call loans in Canada .. .. .. 40,728,320 | 41,850,056 | 51,247,417 | 1 $4,681,644$ |
| Call loane outside Oanada 30,585,526 | 6,588,040 | ,510,8 |  |

$\begin{array}{llrrr}\text { Current loans in Canada .. ..380,823,162 } & 373,833,072 & 314,300,587 & 204,854,797 \\ \text { Current }\end{array}$ Loans to Govt. of Canada
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Loans to directors \& their firms $11,347,489 \quad 11,578,494 \quad 10,701,524 \quad 7,784,934$ $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Average specie for month } & \text {.. } 14,541,628 & 14,449,361 & 12,727,314 & 7,274,012\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Av. Dominion notes for mo. } & \text {. } 29,803,311 & 20,264,103 & 23,876,795 & 12,960,948\end{array}$ (Gr'st circulation during mo. . $71,339,031 \quad 65,089,739 \quad 67,535,392 \quad 37,762,590$

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| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $1,965,904$ | $1,471,990$ | $4,136,550$ | $1,584,010$ |
| $2,140,013$ | $2,042,238$ | $1,883,975$ | $2,960,035$ |
| 775,645 | 787,154 | 876,026 | 888,010 |
| 716,339 | 717,054 | 772,829 | 654,250 |
| $8,748,055$ | $8,625,443$ | $7,366,484$ | $4,999,851$ |
| $7,666,665$ | $6,747,406$ | $10,202,288$ | $1,864,794$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| $660,520,201$ | $656,704,532$ | $616,325,970$ | $308,957,881$ |
| $11,347,489$ | $\mathbf{1 1 , 5 7 8 , 4 9 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 , 7 0 1 , 5 2 4}$ | $\mathbf{7 , 7 8 4 , 9 3 4}$ |
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| $71,330,031$ | $65,089,739$ | $67,535,392$ | $37,762,590$ |

## INTER-IMPERIAL FISCAL MATTERS.

It is much to be regretted that the many people in England who have taken an interest in the proposed fiscal reforms as between the United Kingdom and the colonies strong enough to lead them to express themselves in print have not gone to the trouble of studying the matter more thoroughly. There is no subject on which everyborly feels himself so cocksure, so well able to speak or to write, as the tariff, and it is rarely that half-a-dozen* men think alike thereon. This is well seen in the multitude of letters appearing in our British contemporaries of late, and they probably do not represent one in ten of all that are written. Those furnished by business men, mostly manufacturers, are in the main thoughtful or suggestive, as coming from people who have had some experience of the subject, onesided though it must necessarily be. Even so thorough a student as the writer of the able contributions that have been appearing in "Blackwood" does not seem to be able to avoid the influence of the fetishes that have so long warped the judgments of business men and politicians. For example, in a recent issue he speaks of "the Laurier party" as coming "into power on a freetrade platform," in ignorance of the fact that there never was a free-trade platform in Canada. The two political parties have differed merely in respect of the amount of the tariff or the particular imports which shall bear the burden-a tariff based largely on the methods pursued in all great manufacturing countries, especially in the neighbouring republic-a tariff imposed ostensibly for revenue purposes, but in a great degree to encourage certain home manufactures.
The assumption that Canada is nervously agitated over the subject of free-trade and protection, as one might infer from reading the utterances that appear in transatlantic newspapers and associated press-despatches, is of a piece with the belief that prevails throughout the Trited States-that a large proportion of Canadians are ready for annexation, a belief kept alive by articles in the press and by effusive post-prandial speeches. The first question put to a Canadian visiting the United States is usually as to the feeling in this country as regards annexation.
The notion broached by one Finglish writer that if any of the nations now dealing with Great Britain were provoked, they mightetaliate-the Americans in respect of grain, for example-by refusing to sell her what she requires for the food of her people, is almost too absurd for serious contradiction or even notice. The Ameri-
cans are not such fools; they are only too glad to find a market for their wheat and maize, and the loss of such a market as Great Britain would strike them too severely to be contemplated for a moment.
The following tables have been drawn up (from the British Board of Trade Returns) to show the sources of food imported to the United Kingdom and to distinguish the colonial from the foreign supplies. They will be useful to students of Mr. Chamberlain's tariff proposals :-

| Total Values | Wheat. |  | Barley. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| From Coloni: © . | 38,342,770 |  |  |
| From foreign countries | 95,947,475 | 40,389,070 | 35,654,960 |
| Germany | 395,610 | 37,185 |  |
| Russia.. | 10,734,530 |  | 12,820,460 |
| Roumania | 3,793,025 |  | 6,383,305 |
| Turkey. . | 522,685 |  | 6,145,330 |
| France. |  | 1,432,120 |  |
| Austria-Hungary |  | 1,966,450 |  |
| United States | 72,375,305 | 36,099,230 | 4,683,455 |
| Chile. | 424,995 | ...... | ....... |
| Argentina | 7,319,905 | ..... |  |
| Other Countries .. .. | 1,381,420 | 854,085 | 5,622,410 |

Total values
From Colonie

| From foreign countries | \$24,288,325 | 5,150,645 | 58,406,350 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Germany. . |  | 298,085 |  |
| Russia. . | 14,315,365 | 136,425 | 8,665,180 |
| Roumania. |  |  | 24,027,070 |
| Turkey |  | 901,175 |  |
| United States.. | 1,788,815 | ...... | 2,806,150 |
| Argentina |  | - | 17,748,645 |
| Morocco.. |  | 694,715 | ...... |
| Egypt . . . |  | 1,035,595 |  |
| Other countries | 8,184,145 | 2,084,650 | 5,158,305 |

Total values
Rice. Potatoes. Live Animals.

| From Colonies. | $7,369,825$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 7,947,665 \\ 2,405,670 \end{array}$ | $8,782,765$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| From foreign countries | 3,695,475 | 5,541,995 | 32,563,110 |
| Germany |  | 224,970 |  |
| France. |  | 3,131,355 |  |
| United States.. |  |  | 42,531,910 |
| Other countri | 3.695,47 | 2,185,670 | 31,20 |


| Total values | \$39,525,720 | \$84,574,555 | \$7,230,725 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| From Colonies | 2,665,575 | 18,811,450 |  |
| From foreign countries | 36,860,145 | 15,763,105 | 7,230,725 |
| United States. | 26,020,285 |  | 2,861,640 |
| Argentina. . | 8,638,660 | 11,365,135 |  |
| Holland. |  | 3,902,600 | 3,760,445 |
| Belgium. . |  |  | 418,610 |
| Other countries. | 2,221,200 | 455:370 | 190,030 |


|  | Rabbits. Bacon. Beef, salted. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total values | \$3,671,630 | \$67,134,835 | \$1,220,010 |
| From Colonies.. | 2,100,635 | 6,016,400 | ... |
| From foreign countries | 1.570,995 | 61,118 435 | 1,220,010 |
| United States.. |  | 41,197,610 | 1,136,415 |
| Belgium. | 1,131.500 |  |  |
| Denmark |  | 18,745,540 |  |
| Other countries.. | 439,495 | 1,175,285 | 83,595 |



Wine..
Spirits
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0.37 0.21

We make the following extract from Blackwood as showing the sentiments that animate influential writers over the sea:-"Might we ask Mr. Ritchie how it happens that Lord Strathcona, Lord Mount-Stephen, Sir William Van Horne, and the other strenuous Canadians who have opened up the great North-West and given the Empire new provinces there, all rally round Mr . Chamberlain? Is it not because they find in him a man after their own heart-an empire builder of their own breed? Is it strange that they should be more drawn to him than to "Little Englanders?" They do not talk with bated breath about the danger of "raising anything like resentment agrainst us" in the United States. Neither dees Sir Wilfricl Laturier, liberal and free-trader thongh he be. He has the courage of true stateswanship, and no man has done nore to make Canadians feel that they are a mation with a future of their own, which need le neither British nor American, unless they so choose." - We might add to the above list a good dozen Canadians who played no unimportant part in building up the great nation which so ably shows what can be accomplished under new and favorable conditions by descendants of the two foremost races of Europ?. They are known and appreciated in every quarter of Camada. Of the work of some of them it may be said as of Virtue-that it is its own reward.

THE ISLAND OF ANTICOSTI AND WHAT $\mathrm{r}^{\circ}$

## MAY COME TO.

We have sometimes to go far from home to hear newz about ourselves. The New York "Tribune" of last Sunday gives prominence to a communication purporting to come from Newfoundland, and which, while amusing cnough, has yet an element about over which one may ponder-in the extraordinary times in which we are living-when the new Republic of Panama has heen so rapidly formed and recognized by the United states-an element which may well give rise to serious thoughts as to what may reach us in the near future.
The pith of the long article concerns the Island of Anticosti, which was bought some time ago by the wellknown French manufacturer, Mr. Menier. It is known here that he purchased the territorial rights in the land and nothing more, but according to the "Tribune," he has assumed the actual powers of government, and, after driving out the former settlers, wril now allow none but people from his own country beyond the sea to settle there, and only the French language to be taught in the schools. It is also stated that he appointed his own governor of the island, who assumed to himself so much importance that on the death of Queen Victoria, he sent a telegram of condolence to the Governor-General of Canada, couched in such terms of equality and independence that the Viceroy declined to accept it, much less to transmit it to England-that, by the way, we may say, is something we had not heard before.

The lengthy article goes on to describe all that Mr. Menier has done, and is still doing in the way of exercising eminent domain, and a quasi indepertdent govern-
ment, which may eventually, under possible circumstances, jeopardise the navigation of the St. Lawrence route and "ruin the Canadian trade" over it !
This danger may, according to this authority, arise in two ways-first, in the event of war with France, the island would be handed over to her as a base of operations for the French navy, for mischief. It is pointed out that the French element in Canada has helped Mr. Menier along; and under the Right Hon. Mr. Laurier, the government of Canada would not dare offer opposition to such proceedings!
We need not say that any such apprehensions are the merest rubbish, although reasons are given that there is a danger in that direction.

The other danger is that since the United States have so successfully engineered the Panama affair, after having so recently succeeded in crowding Canada to a certain extent in Alaska, that country is now casting longing eyes in the direction of the North Atlantic coast with a similar object in view.
The French islands of St. Pierre et Miquelon would, it is pointed out, serve that purpose admirably, as they command, in a large measure, the entrance to the Gulf of St. Lawrence. A rumour has been going the rounds of the papers lately that the purchase of those islands from France by the United States would be desirable, and the rumour may have been thrown out as a feeler from headquarters. At all events it has apparently reached Newfoundland, and the "Tribune" gives currency to it.

The article goes on further to illustrate the dangers before us by showing that if so disposed, Mr. Menier's settlers in Anticosti may, some day soon, declare their independence of Canada, and if it is properly arranged for, a convenient force of United States war ships may possibly land marines to support them, as in Panama, and a new republic in the St. Lawrence about 20 times as big as that of Andorre, be promptly recognized by the self-constituted protector of any, or all, republics.
Such are the dangers and prospects for us that the New York "Tribune" is kind enough to spread before its readers and for our consideration. We do not suppose that the matter will cause much anxiety to Canadians, or disturb their slumbers at the same time the Government of Canada as guardians of one of the most important outposts of the British Empire, will do well to watch closely all that is going in these matters, and in these days of sharp practice in the formation of new

## MADE IN GERMANY

The cheapness with which goods are manufactured in Germany was recently shown in articles in these columns, the illustrations being drawn chiefly from hosiery of the middle and lower grades. The surtax, as we then pointed out, is having but little effect on these goods heyond exercising the ingenuity of the manufacturers in the Fatherland to lessen the cost of production in order to hold the market for them in Canada. It will be remembered, as shown at the same time, that the class of hosiery indicated is actually sold in England within gunshot of the manufactories of goods of similar mate-
> republics.
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rial. It is evident that the Germain manufacturer has a "pull" somewhere.
As an example from another class of goods we may select the article of clothes-brush manufacture, which retailers in search of new modes of advertising purchase to "give away" to customers, with the name of the sender cut in raised letters upon the back. A manufacturer in Canada informs us that he could not supply such a brush by the quantity at less than 20 to 25 cents ach. Those imported from Germany are supplied at 10 cents each, laid down-duty paid. Similar goods :ne made in the United States reformatories and tradehools where the labour costs but a few cents a day. Rut the German brushes hold the market for cheapness and appearance, in this respect looking as well as any 1.rushes retailed in Canada for $\$ 1$ to $\$ 2$ each. It is only the outside rim that is made of bristles, the greater palt being of good imitation fibre that differs from the ilussian pig-bristles but vary little in appearance. The workmanship is excellent; and no one can decry an arficle of the kind that sells as low as a whisk or switchinnoom. Our own manufacturers are naturally opposed to the introduction of such foreign goods into Canada, and think no duty too high for the purpose.
The following table shows the value of and duty on 1. wishes imported from the several countries of manufacture for the fiscal year ended 1902:

|  | Value. | Duty. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Great Britain | \$19,256 | 261/2 p.e. |
| Austria.. .. | 2.145 |  |
| Renlgium.. .- | 18 | 25 |
| China.. . | 206 | 25 |
| France | 64,109 | 25 * |
| (iermany | 32,378 | 25 |
| Japan | 6,957 | 25 |
| L mited States. | 93,351 | 25 |

Total
$\$ 218,475 \quad \$ 54,655.50$
Were the quantities given in the Government returns is in earlier years-before our series of articles entitled "C'urions Disclosures"-the information would be more interesting to our readers.
Those of our people who have travelled in Germany are familiar with the cheapness with which goods can ho hought at the retail shops in that country; the buyers for our departmental stores know how much cheaper they can be bought direct from the manufacturers. It allinot be altogether due to cheapness of labour, for fierman goods are to be found in Italy and other countri.s in Europe where labour is still cheaper. Italian wincs are brought to Germany, re-bottled and made attractive in their new covering, and re-exported to the country where they were originally produced.
-The Canadian Pacific announces the establishment of a new steamship line to be conducted by them during the wintir letween New Orleans and varions winter ports. Four of the Flder-Dempster steamers will be used, the Montrose, the Montreal, the Montezuma and the Milwaukee. It has been thecided that the winter business for the two open Canadian ports. St. John and Halifax, will not be enough to keep the whole of thirteen vessels in commission, so an effort will be made to capture some of the cotton-carrying trade of the southern ports. It is expected also that some prain that was unable to get away early in the season will be taken south for shipment by the ocean route.

## INSPEOTION OF WEIGHIS, MEASURES, EIO.

The annual report of the Inland Revenue Department covers the work done by officials $m$ inspecting veights and measures, gas and electric light. The inspection fees collected amounted to $\$ 64,32 \%$, and expenditure $\$ 8 \%, 50 \%$, so this work cost the country $\$ 13,180$ last year. It may reasonably be supposed that the emount saved to consumers was greatly in excess of this, for shortages caused by defective weights and measures must be a considerable sum.
The statement regarding weights and measures is as follows:

Percentage


Considering the temptation to go on using defective weights and measures, and the chances that some of these were so unknown to the users of them, we do not regard the number found wanting to be excessive. Doubtless the inspection system is a check upon those who otherwise would not hesitate to cheat their customers by short weight or short measure. One weak point in the inspection system is that a storekeeper may have weights and measures in daily use that are below the standard, and have a set on hand for exhibition purposes. The inspectors, however, are confident that their work will soon be brought to a higher state of efficiency. It would be a very effective way of preventing the use of defective weights were housekeepers to test the goods they purchase on scales at home. A few customers adopting this plan and at once notifying a storekeeper that his goods were light in weight would go far to keep him straight. We knew of a butcher in a western city who after weighing meat used to call off the weight to a clerk who systematically added onequarter of a pound to the weight of every joint. This was suspected, a few housekeepers conspired to test the matter, and the result was, such a collection of evidence against the man that he was compelled to retire from business at that stand.
In regard to the inspection of gas meters we fear the public is in a defenceless position. Gas driven through a meter may be is a very poor illuminant, yet it has to be paid for. All an inspector can do is to complain to a gas company that, when he made a test the quality of the gas was below the standard. He cannot prevent the gas company continuing to sell bad gas after his inspection is over. The gas in this city for a length of time has been most unsatisfactory, yet the report states that in 105 tests made the gas was not once below the standard. We find, however, that it went down to 16.49 candles, $16.92,16.48$, while in other places the lowest was about 20 candles. As a matter of fact the standard for gas is too low. In these days when we are all accustomed to electric lights, we need a clearer illumination than is given by gas at 16 to 17 candle power.

The electric-light meters are given a tolerably good character. Out of 16,085 presented only 124 were rejected, some being "too fast," others "too slow." As to gas meters, they are incorrigible and incurable; they work out of pure love of activity, and if there is not gas enough passing their way to keep them busy they keep up a show of industry by ree.) ding, not what has passed but what they were capabia of registering. A gas meter seems to us to be engaged in solving the problem of perpetual motion! But consumers who know the gentlemen who control the manufacture and the working of the supply machinery are confident that they are more regular in their habits than are the meters.

## HARBOUR MATTERS.

On Saturday last a very important meeting took place in the Harbour office, when the Hon. Mr. Sutherland, Minister of Public Works, and the Hon. Mr. Prefontaine, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, met the Harbour Commissioners and representatives of the varions commercial interests who have to do with the trade of the port of Montreal. The principal subject of discussion was that of the two-storey sheds and their bearing on the trade of the country generally. The meeting appears to have been of a private character, and no full report of it has appeared in the daily papers, as might have been expected from the public importance of the matter under consideration. The nature of the discussion is, however, pretty well known. With the exception of one or two of the shipping firms who are specially interested in connection with railway traffic, the concensus of opinion was decidedly opposed to the two-storey sheds and the ramps and overhead roadways meant to be devoted to the city trade-which is of such vast importance. It was contended that the arrangements as now proposed, according to the harbour plans, would grant a practical monopoly of all the surface of the wharves and piers in the future to the railways, and, when they do the shunting and general traffic at all hour:-as it must be in the near future-the impossibility of vehicular traffic on that level is evident enough.

The point was made in argument, and successfully, that those two distinct traffics should be conducted on different levels if the general advantage is to be considered; it was also contended that the railway traffic could the more easily and cheaply of the two, be done on elevated tracks. Both Ministers promised to give the matter due consideration, and that the decision of the Government would be given at an early date.
There the matter rests at present, and no one can tell what the issue may be. The singular phase of the question is that no steps have been taken by the Harbour Board-after so much discussion-to prepare a plan and estimate of the cost of a complete system of elevated tracks, so that a comparison may be made of the cost, as against that of the overhead roadways that are proposed and are so objectionable. The worthy chairman of the Board and some of the members appear to back up its officials in the statements that the presently proposed plans are the only ones worthy of a moment's thought. Such an idea is too utterly absurd to place before an intelligent public at this time of progress in such matters.

Elevated tracks are coming into vogue for such purposes all over the world, and why not here, where the advantage is self-evident?
If the Harbour Board cannot within itself originate such a plan and system of working, there are competent men in Montreal, and these not connected with any particular railway, who would be ready, if asked, to prepare such plans; and they might, perhaps, very properly be made competitive. Anyway, the best advice should be taken on a matter of such importance as this undoubtedly is, when on its satisfactory solution the future of the port of Montreal is so dependent.
In Quebec they manage such matters in a wholly different way. There they know what they want, and they go quietly about their business-and get it. How the political managers there must laugh in their sleeves at the march ahead they have obtained orer what they consider their rivals in Montreal! While Montreal has been struggling to work out improvements without any general plan to proceed upon, and patching a piece here and another there, without any homogenity, Quebec has quietly got the power and the means through the instrumentality of its celebrated bridge company, to carry out a scheme that-in fancy only-will be the undoing of Montreal's commercial prosperity.
When, at the end of the late session or Parliament, the Quebec Bridge Company were granted a Government guarantee of nearly seven millions on their bonds, wherewith to complete that bridge, peoplu could not understand properly what so large an amount could be required for, as it would not take more than a third of that sum to finish it according to the contract.
It has not taken long to develop what was covered up. Our friends, with their usual astuteness and management, knowing they were sure through political influence of getting the guarantee of the bonds, had all their plans ready prepared, and now the public is informed that contracts are already given out for connections on the south side and also for a double-track railway from the line of the coves of Quebec and Champlain streets to the Champlain market in Lower Town, the cost of which will be over $\$ 3,000,000$. That was almost as prompt work as was the recent Panama transaction!
Montreal cannot do such lively things as that, but it might be well and profitable to take a lesson therefrom. The bridge, where it strikes the north shore, is several hundred feet above the river, and the grade down will be pretty heavy. The tracks will therefore be above the level of the coves and streets for at least most of the way. The streets are unfortunately all narrow and not much space lies between the cliff and the water. It would be interesting to know if those tracks are to be elevated or placed on the surface. There is evidently some engineering talent employed to overcome the difficulties that must be in the way of that work, and it is quite possible that information might be obtained by our Board that would have a bearing on the track question in Montreal.

Montreal is safe for the future, with proper and wise guidance; nevertheless, it is only prudent to keep an eye on what is going on elsewhere towards carrying off the trade of the country, which should be done better and more cheaply here than elsewhere, if only it had the proper facilities for handling, which at present it certainly has not.

## PANAMA AND THE UNTTED STATES

To understand many political questions it is absolutely necessary to be quite familiar with the geographical features of the countries or districts affected by them, or to have a good map under inspection. The general remark applies forcibly to the existing situation in regard to Colombia, Panama, Mexico and the United States.

Without bringing a railing accusation against the Imerican authorities at Washington, we may safely say that, if they fomented and organized the rebellion which has caused Panama to separate from the Republic of Colombia and establish an independent state, the Americans have done what is obvionsly calculated to srve the interests of their country. The projected canal across the Isthmus of Panama is wholly an Amrican work: To carry it out the most perfect goodwill and co-operation of the State whose territory the canal traversed and literally cut in twain were essential. Colombia was not as agreeable in this matter as was Ilesirable, and the United States, by their effusive sympathy and help shown to the Panama rebels, have established a claim on the new Republic which will be of enormous service in prosecuting the canal scheme.
Practically, the Isthmus of Panama is now American territory, and the canal will be built just where, when and how the Washington authorities decide. The regulations as to entering this water-way, its protection, and all the local conditions of its service will be made by the United States in concert with the rulers of their new protege, the Republic of Panama.

We see nothing in this new phase of the canal to create alarm or mistrust in other nations. The scheme will be carried out and worked more pleasantly, so far as local conditions are concerned; but the canal itself will be, as was intended from the first, an American enterprise, "stock, lock and barrel."
There is a phase of this affair which has, however, very grave possibilities. With Cuba to the South, Portc Rico to the East, Panama to the West, and the continent to the north, the West Indies will be nearly surrounded by American influences. Is the Panama Republic the avant courier of the United States as the dominant power in that region? Considering how cavalierly the American Government treats national rights and the obligations of international amity, it would be no carnse for surprise were a perfect cordon of American stations and powers drawn round the West Indies, and Jamaica and other islands be enclosed in almost an American ring fence. It is this possibility which is the gravest aspect of the Panama revolution, and the establishment of a new Republic in control of the Isthmus.
The above remarks were crowded out of a previous issue.

Towns along the border in the vicinity of Ogdensburg, N.Y., it is reported, are being flooded with U. S. and Canadian $\$ 1$ bills, which have been deftly ratised to $\$ 10$, by adding a cipher. Secret Service men believe the bills come from either Montreal or Toronto.

## tere rubber tradr.

With the nearer approach of comfort, durability, rain ind weather proof qualities, being noticed each succeeding year in the manufacture of boots and shoes, it might appear as though the trade in rubbers would gradually diminish, but not so. Manufacturers of rubber shoes have shown a keenness of intellect in this regard not surpassed-if even equalled-by the makers of fine footwear for all seasons, and a glance at a catalogue of rubber shoes for the season of 1903-4 will be a revelation, even to some who take as much of the shopkeeper's time in selecting a pair of rubbers as though seeking to fit the foot covered only with dotted silk hose.

The heavy and cumbersome-looking lever-fasteningarctics which served almost exclusively in years gone by, are now pretty well relegated to the haunts of the lumber camp and stave factory; but in their-stead is shown the combination cloth and rubber fleece-lined "Areadia's" or heavy storm rubbers, made to such perfection and in such variety as to fit every shoe as snug. ly as though shaped and melted on its surface. These comfortable outer coverings lend neither bulk nor awkwardness to the feet, but, on the contrary, show rather the perfection of winter finish to the attire. For country wear and labourers' use the heavier rubber overshoes and long boots are equally improved, so that today a wider field is open for the trade in rubbers than was proportionately their allotted space in former decades; all of which goes to show that those at the helm of rubber affairs have not been waiting for trade to arrive.

The dry, open season, still with us, is quite against the sale of rubbers, but holders know full well that what is held back now will be encountered in the spring months, and consequently do not regard the rubber season as slipping away.

In price there is little difference from that of a year ago. Early last spring the list price to retailers was subject to discounts of 25,5 and 3 . As the season advanced the latter discount was disallowed, and, later again, terms were changed to 20 per cent. only. The present tendency is towards still firmer prices, another change being not unlikely about Feb. 1, in case conditions warrant.

Old rubbers do not cease as factors in the trade. The Oriental refuse man still smiles as he locates his worndown victims in pairs, for which, if on the inside of the gate, he willingly buys at the rate of from 3 c lb. to 2 c per pair., selling again at 7 to 8 c lb . for such as he cannot otherwise dispose of to second-hand dealers.

Rubber heels and soles will remain in the market; the latter, particularly, having fastened their good qualities pretty securely on the mind (and shoe) of the man who walks often and long, as well as the man who prefers to think, as he strolls, about other than a sudden, if not graceful, stop.
-Grand Trunk Railway System.-Earnings 8th to 14 th November, $1903, \$ 717,862 ; 1902, \$ 649,047$; increase, $\$ 88,815$.

## THE NEW ZEALAND PREFERENTIAL-TARIFF.

A Wellington, N.Z., cable of the 20th instant states that the Upper House, or Legislative Council, passed the Preferential Trade sill ndopted on Nov. 18 by the Honsen of Representatives, and the measure comes into force immediately. The bill places a duty of 20 per cent. on the following goods now free from duty when from countries outside the British Empire:-Bicycle parts, gas engines, oil engines, gum boots, iron and steet cordage, bolt and bar iron. printing paper, railroad and tramway rails, sailcloth, canvas, and duck, and surgical and dental instruments.
The bill doubles the present duty on cement and adds 50 per cent to the duties on the following goods, when from non-British territory:-Basketware, bicycles, boots, candles, norriages, chinaware, clocks, cordage, cream of tartar, eathenwure, stoneware, fancy goods, toys, frearms, potted fish, furniture, cabinetware, ironmongery, hops, naile, lampe pianos, paper hanginigs, paper, plated ware and pumps.
The duty on tea grown within British dominions is removed. Besides providing increased duties on the foreign goods stated the bill provides for reciprocity with foreign countries. making concessions to New Zealand products.
It is estimated that the increased dutics will yield $\$ 350,000$ It is estimated that the increased remission of tea duty, amounting to $\$ 200,000$. The opposition in Parliament is mainty on the ground of the rushing through important proposals during the last hours of the session.
Trade returns for the fiscal year 1903, shortly to be published in the Trade and Navigation report, will show that Cinada exported to New Zealand during the year goods to the value of $\$+50,567$, while Canada imported in return New Zealand protucts to the value only of $\$ 41,90$ s, all but $\$ 300$ worth of which are on the free list.
The principal exports to New Zealand in the flscal year 1902-3 were as follows:-

| Wall paper .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. . | \$ 7,672 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Other papers.. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 33,266 |
| Carriages. . .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 14,247 |
| Carts and waggons.. .. .. .. .. | 6,792 |
| Bicycles.. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 26,553 |
| Bicycle parts.. .. .. | 4,498 |
| Furniture.. . . | 9,268 |
| Manufactures of wood.. .. .. .. | 4,960 |
| Woollens. . . . | 4,082 |
| Other manufactured articles.. | 21,409 |
| Canned salmon.. .. .. .. | 19,041 |
| Wheat and flour.. | 19,261 |
| Clover seed.. | 26,887 |
| Other agricultural articles.. | 6,935 |
| Agricultural implements. . .. .. | 107.935 |
| Clothing. . .. .. . | 5,368 |
| Cotton fabrics. | 66,682 |
| India rubber goods. | 17,037 |
| Machinery.. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. . | 5.776 |
| Boots and shoes .. . . . . | 11,088 |
| Organs .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 8,510 |

Canada will, under the new tariff, enjoy a preference in New Zealand of 20 per cent, as against the United States and other foreign countries, in the items of bicycle parts, rubber boots, and printing paper. The duty on boots and shoes from Canada will be $221 /$ per cent and $33 \% / 4$ per cent from foreign Canada will be $221 /$, per cent and $33 \% / 4$ per cent from against 30 per cent: canned fish, 4 cents per pound, as against 6 cents; 30 per cent; canned fish, 4 cents per pound, as against 6 cents;
furniture, 25 per cent, as against $371 / 2$ per cent. On agricultural mhehinery and flour, which constitute ${ }^{-\pi}$ a considerable portion of our exports to New Zealand, Canada is not given any tariff preference. Canndian imports from New Zealand in 1903 consisted of undressed hemp to the value of $\$ 16,907$; manilla crass, $\$ 3,308$; binder twine, $\$ 236$; articles for the manilla grass, $\$ 3,306$; binder
manufacture of binder twine, $\$ 3.363$, and settlers' effects, $\$ 7.325$ all on the free list. In addition we imported $\$ 311$ worth of dutlable goods, mating a tatal importation of $\$ 41,903$.

## FOLLOWING THE FUR FASHIONS.

Because all fur is dear, any fur is fashionable. This proves a great chance for the classes who want to be seen in furs yet find it a, trifle inconvenient. The woman who cannot indulge in a new set of furs this winter should look thorough1y over any passe pieces of pelt that she may happen to have lefone despairing of a modish little cape or collar or bolero.

Owing to the various combinations of skins now fashionable, and the ways many and various in which they can be trimmed, it is no great task to "do them over" in a creditable fashion. Progressive women have already taken advantage of these means of disguise, and in many cases have turned out garments better in every way that the products of cheap shops.

The combinations possible? They are practically limitless. You can combine moleskin with ermine, ermine with white lamp, chinchilla with almost any one of the darker furs. Even monkey skin, which has been so long and so hopelessly "out," is again in evidence. It is employed in combination with other dark varieties. Then there are the many different eloths and trimmings to help out when the epelt itself is "skimped" in quantity.
A yard or two of fringe helps out wonderfully, and there is the thoroughly smart idea of touching up with scarlet cloth, which can work wonders of itself. Then there are the fancy buttons in all the ingenious and artistic shapes that they are taking this winter. These are seen widely and cleverly applied as a trimming.
If your fur cape has fallen a trifle behind the times, it can be brought to look like an article just out of the shop if good judgment is used in trimming and remodelling it. - One telling change is made when you have sewed a deep border of chenille fringe entirely around it. If a slight additional expense is not objected to, enough fur to form stole ends can be secured. Or there may be some ancient muff or boa or other piece to supply these addenda.

A cape of a former season will probably have a high standing collar. None of this year's models have such a neck dressing, and one's second move will be to rip it entirely away. The stylish coats and capes are collarless and flat around the neck. At most they have a tight-fitting collar of no great altitude One illustration to-day shows a French, and yet not difficult, way to apply the scarlet, which is so new and distinguishing just now.

There are also some practical suggestions as to the matching of various kinds of fur to be derived from the models shown. Two, or even three, passe muffs can be worked together to form one of this year's "granny" shapes. These large flat forms are infinitely easier to do than the cylindrical affair of past seasons, especially as so much scope is left for originality in trimmings.
But seemingly limitless as the choice in trimming is, there is one garniture we may not combine with our furs. No lace is used upon the skins of the present season , and there is little likelihood that it will be introduced.

## an eastern view

The patient people who inhabit the Maritime Provinces, once in a while find that silence may be misconstrued, so when they speak it is straight out. The following is from a recent issue of the Sydney Post: Some of the United States commercial organizations have begun an active campaign for reciprocity with Camada in order to offset the Chamber: for reciprocity with Cannain in ourd friends across the border lain idea. Our dear disinterested friends across the border
are some years too late. The only favor they will get in that line now is reciprocity of tariff. Among Canadians there is only one man who is looking to Washington in trade matters and that is poor lonesome John Charlton. Nations are like individuals. They must "take the current when it serves like individuals, They mus to American grab and greed or lose their fortunes," Thanks to American grab ind business, and there is no probability that our people will give up the substance of an inter-imperial preference to grasp at a Yankee shadow.

## INLAND REVENUN RTMORT.

The annual report of the Inland Revenue Department, isued some days ago, contains the details with regard to the inspection of weighte and measures and gas and electit light. The total revenue collected during the year for the inspection of weights and measures was $\$ 64,327$ as compared "ith $\$ 62,937$. The total expenditure was $\$ 87,507$, as against $\$ 76,418$. The total revenue from gas inspection during the year ending Jone 30,1903 , wees $\$ 35,159$, es compored with 2 2,221 . The expenditure totalled $\$ 25,568$, as compared with 204.056. The net revenue derived from the inspection of elec1 ric light was $\$ 13,484$. Since year 1897 the two services of gas and electric light inspection, which are conducted largely in the same staff of officers, have reached that point at which they have ceased to be a burden upon the general taxpayer Since that time there has been a constant increase of revenue ver expenses.
In 1898-1899 the revenue was $\$ 30,015$, compared with the expenditure of $\$ 23,436$, which was exclusive of the cost of standard instruments. In 1902-1903 the revenue was $\$ 49,054$, compared with an expenditure of $\$ 36,066$. The weights and measures inspection earns about three-fourths of its, annual cost, but the report states that the appointment of a chic inspector with many years of experience will soon bring this branch into a greater state of efficiency

## IN FASHION'S REALM

Collars are made of fibre silk in clever imitation of persian lambskin. They are in novel shapes, of different sizes, bor dered with a fancy fibre silk braid and trimmed with fringe, fortoms of bead chains or ornamental pendant oll of which are made of the same lustrous silk. Some of the collars are white and others black and white in combination. These last are finished off with small tail effects on the white ground in imitation of ermine
Persian fligree buttons, with white ivory backs, are llked, and the popular "new art" shapes come in metal, handbeaten.
Aluminum buttons are something new. They come inlaid with gold in various shapes and designs.
The sequin button is meeting with considerable success. These are rather small in size, generally flat and sewed on at the side in overlapping or overlaying groups of three, four, five, ete.
Washable fibre silk lace is a novelty of recent introduction. It is in no way different, so far as appearance is concerned, from the variety now fashionable, but it comes through the teat of the tub like Valenciennes.
The shaggy modes of the season have cropped out even among ribbons. The popular trimming is now seen in plush, panne and similar materials Some of the panne varieties are in two tones. The latest designs embrace dots and stripes $a=$ well as varge velvet or panne-shaded balts of color on white grounds. Ribbons with fur effects, ermine, chinchilla or sable, are all newcomers. Some of these have a satin ground with design in imitation of chinchilla. Others have hayadere stripes of plush brought to resemble fur.
Latest shirt waists of a prominent tailor have cuffs formed if bands of the material three inches wide, cut bias. The hias application is shown by the relative positions of the ctripes. It is a little smart touch which any woman muld reproduce successfully in her home-made blouse by a little extra time
"That which is becoming" seems to be "fashionable" as applicd to winter wear. Styles were never so many and so contrasted. Keeping in mind a fetw peneral rutes, we have only to select lines best suited to our individual needs. New ideas are being constantly introduced, and many of these are in direct contradiction to what were regarded as accepted facts of fashion a few weeks ago. We were told a little earlier in the fall, for instance that all morning strect suits would be in tweeds, cheviots and other rough eloths, severely tailored: that rich materials and trimmings were allowable for the afternoon costume alone. Yet, now on all sides are short-skirted walking suits of velvet and velveteens touched off with bright colors.

These are neither so appropriate nor so serviceable as the suits of the first material, it is true, but they are both pretty and becoming. It is the exceptional women who will hesitate in a matter of this kind when both costumes have been given the sanction of fashion. The business woman and the woman of moderate means will, of course, prefer the suit of cloth. Good velveteen comes high, and even the best qualities show wear much more quickly than a woollen goods. A poor grade is the worst possible investment
Black is the color most worn, but there are also blues and browns. Some novelties in mixed black and white are being introduced. Nearly all the coats are built on the straightfront Eton jacket lines so popular just now. But some people will always prefer the long garment, and for these coats are built reaching to the knees. For full-length costumes the coat may, of course, be even longer than this.
Flat shoulder capes appear on most of the suits. Many of them have the front of the jacket finished with a vest effect in broadeloth ornamented with braid. Broadeloth takes the phace of silk and satin almost entirely thits year as a tilim. ming for velvets and velveteens. The contrast of the two materials is an extremely rich and effective one, especially where white cloth is used upon a gown of black.
None of the suits are without trimming of some kind. The plainer styles are at least ornamented with silk braids and broided buttons. On the broadcloth vests braids of three kinds, and sometimes three colors, appear. On white eloth gold, pale blue and black braids may be combined. Pale blue is ornamented with gold, white and black. An idea often seen is the eombination of braid in three widths. A fancy design is placed between the rows of straight braid of different depths. Gi't buttons continue to be much used. Sleeves have the fulliness in an odd puff just around the elbow. Below it is caught into a wide cuff, which narrows down to the wrist. A new sleeve pattern is shaped without the cuff, the sleeve itself narrowing toward the bottom and fastening at the back of the wrist with a row of five or six buttons.

## BIRDS FOR MILLINERY TRIMMINGS.

The annual autumn sale of birds' plumage for millinery purposes began last week at the well-known salesrooms in Mincing Lane, says a London report. The feathers come from all quarters of the globe, the bulk apparently coming from the Malay Archipelago, Australia and South America. They are remarkable for beauty and rarity. No fewer than eight different kinds of birds of paradice were noticed, while humming-birds of many kinds were represented in thousands Ouckoos, kingfishers, parrots, owls and hawks were painfully numerous.
Some idea of the magnitude of these sales may be gather ed from the faot that they may extend over a week and occupy six hours daily. Whether women will ever be brought to realize and discourage this terrible persecution is open to grave doubt. Perhaps some good would result if they could be induced to exercise some discrimination and restraint in the choice of the feathers worn. Thus, in buying ostrich feathers they are encouraging a great industry. Again, the so-called "vulture" feathers are really the fenthers of the Fonth American ostrich. Though these birds breed in confinement in this country, the ygung are not easily reared, Int the establishment of farms in South America might meet with more success. For somel years past about 400,000 have been killed annually, an das a consequence the bird has been exterminated over enormous areas of country. If only a preference for the feather of domesticated birda were shown a great amount of good would result, since in addition to ontrich farms in Africe it would lead to the formation of feather farms at home

The Pere Marquette Railway has, it is stated, decided to bnild workshops at St. Thomas, Ont., at a cost of $\$ 125,000$, and to employ at least 100 havie provided the city हives them a bonus of $\$ 20,000$. The by-law will be voted on Jan. \&

## DEPREOLATION OF STOOKS CAUSES SUIT

A case which will admit of considerable persuation on either side is that of the London and Western Trusts Company, liquidators of the Elgin Loan Company, St. Thomas, Ont., against the National Trust Company, which came beforet Chancellor Boyd at the non-jury sittings in that city on the 20th instant. The action is to recover $\$ 18,750$. At the time of the suspension of the Elgin, says a St. Thomas report, the National Trust held for that company 375 shares of Dominion Coal and 200 shares of Dominion Steel, but when the liquidators of the Elgin Loan demanded the stook, in order that they might realize upon it, the National refused to hand it over on the ground that the Atlas Loan Company, then also in liquidation, was interested in it. The matter was brought before Chief Justice Meredith, who ordered that the stock be handed over to the liquidators. In the meantime the market valne of the stooks had depreciated thirty points, and the liquidutors of the Elgin now bring action to recover the loss caused through thon National holding the stock.

## IMPROVEMENTS IN WATCHES

When one recalls some unique specimens of watches shown far back in a former century, it seems a little surprising that as the world moves the watch has hardly "kept time." It would appear, however, that ingenuity has finally swung around to the pocket timepiece, and has "laid hands" on it with some show of approval.
Somle novel timepieces are being shown this season. One domestic novelty is a small watch which gives "railroad time." In place of the conventional dial there is a double-decked arrangement of figures. The top row gives the hour, the lower the minutes. At half often 10 one sees by this clock 10.30. A half hour later the figure reads 11 The right-hand figure changes every minute in the lower column, while the one on the left is shifted every ten minutes, and an hour is required for the changing of the number on top. Six dollars is the price asked for it.
An imported idea is an alarm clock contained in a watch case. 1 his is not the dollar wateh with clock works in a watch case, but a watch with a watch movement. There is an additional attachment whereby a third hand on the dial sets the alarm. This is operated by turning the rim containing the crystal. At the appointed hour the alarm is struck and runs as long as the spring will hold out.
The watch is not intended to replac the alarm clock, though it is useful for travellers who do not require a loud alarm. Its special utility is found on the businesss man's desk. Here it serves as a reminder of engagements of too great en importance to be trusted to the treacherous memory of the office boy. These watches cost from $\$ 4$ up One specimen from France costs from 20 francs, while there are German watches with twice the power for 35 marks. They have not yet been duplicated by local watchmakes, but their appearance on the market is merely a question of time.

## NEW INCORPORATIONS.

The Edmonton Investments, Limited, is the name of a new company incorporated with a capital of half a million dollars, ot carry on a general land and investment business. The company is also authorized to do a general mining and development business, and to operate tramways, telegraph and teleb phone lines in connection with any works in which they may be interested. The incorporators are R. Secord, merchant; E. D. Grierson, hotel proprietor; O. W. Bishopic, milling company's manager; J. A. Powell, implement companay's manager; C. S. Wallis, broker; J. B. Mercer, wholesale liquor deafer, and N. D. Beck, advocate, Edmonton. The hend office of the company will be in Toronto.

The following companies have received incorporation:Canada Bean Company, Limited, $\$ 50,000$, Ridgetowa; the Masonic Hall Company of Tilsonburg, Limited, $\$ 10,000$; the Clark, Wood Company, Limited, $\$ 50,000$, London, wholesale millinery and fancy goods.-Provincial licenses have been granted to the following: The Saskatchewan Land \& Homsstead Company Limited, John Dewhurst \& Sons, Limited, and the Coe Commission Company, Limited.-The Toronto Bedding Company, Limited, is authorized to increase its capital from $\$ 15,000$ to $\$ 50,000$, and the Standard Chemical Company of Toronto from $\$ 450,000$ to $\$ 1,000,000$.

A company has been incorporated to carry on the business of the Duplessis Shoe Machinery Company of St. Hyacinthe, under the title of "The Duplesis Iudependent Shoe Machinery Company." Capital stock $\$ 2,000,000$.

Messrs. Adam Beek of London, L. E. Meredith, A. E. Woodworth, K. R. MacPherson and C. S. Campbell have been incorporated by letters patent to parchase the business carried on by Adam Beck at Montreal for the sum of $\$ 50,000$. payable in shares of the company. Thev will manufacture and sell cigair and tobacco boxes and labels, and take over the business of other box factories in Canada. "The Montreal Box Company" is the name of the new concern, and the capital stock $\$ 100,000$.

Incorporation by letters patent has been granted to the "Tmperial Construction Company of Toronto," with a capital stock of $\$ 199,000$. C. A. Masten, bartister, is one of the incorporators.

## DAIRY PRODUCE

A private Tondon circular, date 13 th instant, treating of the dairy produce situation, says:-Butter-The weather has slipped back again into the dull, cloudy, but less rainy times of the past few months. The arrivals of new season's butter from both Australia and New Zealand has stimulated the colonial butter market, and there is considerably more business transacted than there was last week. Values remain unchanged at 106 to 108 s for choicest, and 102 to 104 s for finest. Lower qualities being 94 to 100s. The "Oroya" left Australia this week with about 770 tons of butter, which is 105 tons below last week's shipment. The demand for Canadian butter is well maintained, and prices continue steady at 102 to 104 s for choicest salt and 96 to 98 s for finest. The Danish committee has this week lowered the Copenhagen official quotation by three kroner, which brings it on a parity of last year at this date, viz., 111s 3d per ewt., while prices on the spot are about is per cwt. dearer than the corresponding week of 1902.

Oheese.-There is rather more enquiry this week for Canadian cheese, but prices remain at last week's figures. The Board of Trade returns for October give the total imports of cheese from all countries for the six months May to October inclusive, which is the flrst half of the cheese year, as 1,852 ," 000. cwts., against $1,599.288 \mathrm{cwts}$. lact year. The imports from Canada for the six months are $1.446,295$ cwts., against $1.237,876$ cwts. for the same period of 1902. According to the Board of Trade figures, therefore, the imports from Canada are 208.419 cwts. in excess of last year. These flgures, however, show a very serious discrepancy in comparison with the official figures of the shipments from Canada. which show, reokoning each cheese to average 80 lbs ., that the total shipments from 1st of May to 5th October this year were 293,307 owts. more than last year, which is a difference of 84.888 cwts., and this difference must be increased by about 10,000 cwts. as the arrivals for the last week in October, which must have been shinned since 5th October, were this amount in excess of last year. Tt looks therefore that the Canadian shipments show about 95.000 ewts. which are equal to 133.000 bozes, in excess of the receints in the Uniter Kingdom. Where have theso 05,000 cwts, gome. Quotations are: Choicest. [14 to 55 s: finest 51 to 52 s . Corresponding week, 1902, choicest was worth 59 to 60 s and finest 56 to 57 s .

## ONTARIO AGRICULTURE AND CROP REPORT.

The Ontario Bureau of Industries, in its October report, says: Correspondents are agreed as to the great scarcity of farm labor, but they are much divided as to how to meet the difficulty. The exodus to the north and Northwest stitl continues, which means the lose to the Province of many of its most stalwart and experienced young men, and their places here are being taken by old-country youths, who suffer in comparison, although some of them give satisfaction. Wages show no tendency to lower, and some correspondents insist that it is impossible to pay current rate and make a profit. Improved machinery, however, is coming to the help of the farmer, and more land is also being devoted to pasture. The carcity of rural labor is so greatly felt in some quarters that sveral correspondents seriously advocate the bringing into the county of Chim se and Japs to supply the defferency, Domestic servants on the farm are exceedingly hard to procure. A number of correspondents assert that it is casier to get a wife than it is to find a female servant for a farm house.
Spring Wheat Decreasing.-The fall wheat crop was one of the best in the history of the Province. New fall wheat has been sown on a greatly increased area. Spring wheat is steadily decreasing in favor in Ontario. In 1893, 913,954 acres of fall wheat and 356,721 of spring whent were sown. In 1903, the figures are 865,028 for fall and 248,518 for spring wheat. The rye crop is small. Peas give favorable results with less injury from the weevll than in previous years. The corn crop was mostly saved. Tobacco crop was fair to good. Beans are reported generally ws fair. Buckwheat acreage was small, with a good crop. Clover seed, speond crop, grew vigorously. The umidge was very prevalent, and many fields intended for seed were cut for hay. Reports were most discouraging. Potatoes have developed a rot. If it continues a famine will result. Otherwise potatoes will be large and of good quality. In turnips there is complaint of lice. Mangel wurzels promise a fair yield. Carrots have
turned out well. Sugar beets a turned out well. Sugar beets are fair to good, and growing in favor as food for live stock. Fall ploughing is general now, with an average acreage expected. Fruit-growers will remember the year as the plum year. The plum crop was good and abundant. Barrels were scarce and, as a result, only the best apples were exported. Pears yielded well, peaches were plentiful, though the San Jose scale did a lot of harm. "Chefries wene bountiful, grapes were only fair and small fruits abundant. Labor was scarce. Pastures have been good.
The season was most favorable for dairying. Cheese brought high prices and the year has been a splendid one for chesse. Poultry does not receive so much attention as other stock, but interest is growing. Honey is reported to be a grod yield from the west, but not from the east. Farm improvements have been in great evidence.
The following table shows the details of the acreage and yields

|  | Acres. | Total. Bushels. | Bushels pler acre. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fall wheat. | 865,028 | 17,242,763 | 25.9 |
| Spring wheat .... | 248,518 | 4,949,233 | 19.9 |
| Barley.. .. .. .. .. | 709,839 | 24,378,817 | 34.3 |
| Oats.. .. .. .. .. .. . | .2,645,965 | 110,228,103 | 41.7 |
| Rye.. .. .. | 179,277 | 2,970,768 | 21.9 |
| Peas.. .. .. | 47,133 | 8,024,650 | 21.9 |
| Buckwheat .. | 95,487 | 2,049,169 | 21.5 |
| Beans .. | 53,039 | 978,246 | 18.4 |
| Potatoes. . .. .. | 139,011 | 16,675,447 | 12.0 |
| Corn, for husking in the | 378,924 | 20,287,888 | 77.3 |
| Corn for fodder .. .. | 200,727 | 2,564,400 | 12.23 |
| Hay and clover |  | (wns) | (tons) |
|  | 2,783,565 | 4,336,562 | 15.6 |
| Apples. |  | (tons) |  |
|  |  |  | 645 |
|  |  | 2,428,031 |  |
|  |  | (pounds) |  |

When correspondents wrote for the August bulletin the
yield of potatoes promised to be one of the largest ever re-
ported in Ontario. Unfortunately rot developed at the time of digging in almost every section of the province, the westerin and central counties suffering-most.

## BOOTS, SHOES AND RUBBERS.

Manufacturers go, or send experts, every season or oftener to the great centres of the United States for "pointers," as they are called. This is more especially the case as regards boots and shoes, and everybody knows what improvemente have been made in the lighter class of goods of reoent years in Canada, goods suitable for the smooth stone, concrete or wooden sidewalks of our cities and towns, but whose wearang qualities woud not long stand the more gritty pavements of European cities: Those of our citivens in any degre⿻ femiliar with the metalled country roads of the British Is lende know how short-lived were boots and shoes of modern American make for such roads, and in such mulst weather as mone frequently prevail there than in Canada. Many of our people who affect hunting, fishing, golf and other country sports, have been accustomed to provide themselves with English boots of the kind worn by the more or less leisured elasses in the old lands. Country roads throughout Canade and the United States are as yet made of graded clay or gravel with a strip of pathway on either side for the limited number of pedestrians to be seen. Canadians, especially in the western Provinces, are usually in too great hurry to walk, in this respect resembling their U. S. cousins. Repairing is now done by machinery, and so well and at prices that threaten to drive the few remaining cobblers out of existence. Even worn rublers are not beyond recovery-any more than the Sicily pavement which is worked over again by the "early bird"' and made to live again a life of usefulness in our leading thoroughfares. Those beyond repair are sought by gatherers of refuse at 3 cents a pair, and sold to the rubber factories at 7 c , who make the material into soles.

## APPEAL OVER A PROMISSORY NOTE.

In the Supreme Court at Ottawa some days ago the case of Poole vs, the Ontario Bank was talsen up. The bank sued on a promissory note made by applicant in their favor for \$1,500. The defence was that there was no consideration for the note, and that it was given for a special purpose to the bank, which purpose had not been carried out.. The defendant was a shareholder in the Consolidated Pulp and Paper Co., and claims that he was in no way liable for its debts, and had given the note for the specific purpose communicated to the bank at the time of obtaining advances to the company, which advances were refused. The bank denied having notice of such purpose, and claim to have received the note in good faith, and for valuable consideration. The trial judge held that there was no consideration for the note, and dis: missed the action. The Court of Appeal reversed this dectsion and ordered judgment to be entered against the appelant for the amount of the note, with interest and costs. The trial judge had held that advances made by the bank were on other collaterals, and not on this note. The court of Appeals held the contrary. Judgment reserved.
-Messrs. Fred. and Frank Carney, heavy stookholders in the Witbeck Lumber Company, Menominee, Mich., have closed a deal for the purchase of two hundred million feet of plitio timber on Spanish River, Ont., from Messrs. Ferguson Bros., \& MoFadden. The consideration is a half a million dollars. The sawmill of the Witbeck Company, which is one of the oldest on the Menominee River, will be moved next fall to Nassey, Ont., where it will cut this timber. The purchase will keop the mill going for nearly twenty years.

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## A BOOM FOR COOPERS

The Dominion Milers' Association, at a recent meeting at Toronto, discussed the advisability of making quotations on flour to the Lower Provinces 25 cents less per barrel in bags than in whole barrels, and 25 eents more per barrel in halfbarrels than in whole barrels. The reason is, we are informed, that the cooperage rates have risen so high that barrels now cost 50 to 60 eents, where two months ago they cost only 28 to 35 cents. It is expected, however, that the close of the apple-shipping season will bring the price down considerably. It costs 12 to 15 cents to provide bags for a barrel of flour. Referring to the general shortage of barrels a leading Ohatham, Ont., firm reports:-
The shortage of four-barrel stock still continues, and prices are exceptionally high. This is caused principally by the immense expense in comnection with the manufacturing of stock at the present season of the year. The woods are still al most impassable, and mill men instead of han'ing loads from 800 to 1,000 feet can only bring out of the woods from $300^{\circ}$ to 400 feet with two teams instead of one. In addition to this there is a great scarcity of labor, wages are very high, as farmers are paying $\$ 2$ per day and board for men and mill have to pay accodingly. The small quantity of stock manufactured at the mill also necessitates the charging of high prices by manufacturers, as they could handle ten times the amount of stock they are producing, at the same fixed expense. Prices are really only nominal at the present time, as the coopers are willing to pay almost any price asked for stock for immediate delivery both for flour and apple barrels The average prices. however, at present, are as follows, f.o.b. cars Suspension Bridge, N.Y., inside prices:-
$\mathrm{Nn} 1281 / 2$-in. jointed elm staves.
\$10.00 per net M. No. $11 / 1 / \mathrm{s}$-in. kiln-dried basswood hending No, $151 / 2-\mathrm{ft}$. patent coiled elm hoops. No. 16 ft . patent coiled elm hoops. No, $124-\mathrm{in}$. elm staves.
No. $1131 / 2$-in, heading.
. $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ per se \$10.50 per net M. No. 15 -ft. patent coiled elm hoops 11.00
\$8.50
8e per set.
12 -in. headliners.
7.50

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tt is likely there will be a little slacking off in prices after the apple season is over, as at present there is such a tremendous demand for apple barrels that coopers are willing to use any kind of stock they can get for them, and paying fancy prices. Apples this year have been of an exceptionally good quality, the demand has been henvy, and consequently the flour-harrel stock has gone into apple barrels as well as the ordinary apple-barrel stock. We therefore expect that as soon as the demand for apple-barrel stock is over there will be a stight reduction in prices, atthough everything has been cleared up so closely that prices are not likely to drop to any extent.
The Buffalo market on flour-barrel stock, says the Roller kiin, is rather unsettleel. The demand has been such that thoroughly dry stock hae brought high prices. The demand for fruit barrels has been enormous and the price of barrels has been surh that a great deal of flour-barrel stock has gone
into fruit barrels, so that we fear there is going to be a scarcity of good dry stock all through the fall, winter and opring. Flour-berrel stock is selling f. o. b. cars Buffalo nt the following prices:

No, $1281 / 2$ - in. jointed elm staves. Mixed timber staves from
No. 1 basswood flour-bbl, heading No. 1 hardwood heading. No. 15 ft .6 in . pat nt coiled elm hoops No. 16 ft . patent coi'ed elm hoops. Half round hickory hoop.
$\$ 13$ to $\$ 14$ per net M. . $\$ 12$ to $\$ 13$
10 to 1 the per set . $01 / 2$ to $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ $\$ 10$ to $\$ 10.50$ per $M$. .$\$ 10.50$ to $\$ 11$ \$6.50 to \& $_{7}$

Minneapolis: This city is not exempt from the prevailing shortage in flour-barrel stock, especially staves and heading. Plenty of material has been contracted for, from the South as well as the Northwest, and will some day arrive, but at present it is mostly non est, and dealers consequently are most shy of quoting for prompt shipment. A falling-off in the local mill demand has relieved the situation somewhat, but indications point to larger requirements in that ditection throughout the winter. Quotations f. o. b. Minneapolis are as follows, those on staves and headings being mostly nommal:

Michigan staves
Basswood flour heading.
Gum flour heading, set.
Gum flour staves.
Gum 30 -inch staves.
Hickory hoops (nominal)
Patent hoops
Plain wire hoops.
$\$ 11.00$ to $\$ 11.50$ per M.
.08 to $.081 / 2$ per set
. . to $.073 / 4$
10.50 to 11.00 per M.
6.00 to 6.50
10.00 to 10.25
6.50 to

## hatband manufacturing in germany.

We believe that the hatbands used by the hatting trade in England are woven in Germany, but cannot fathom why German hatband manufacturers should have hoped "that trade with England would revive at the close of the Boer war." According to a report of the United States Consul at Solingen, however, says the Manchester Textile Mercury, such a hope was entertained-and it proved unfound d. But why? Among the flatsam of history can be found records of here and there a fanatic who swore that his hair shon'd never be shorn until some national sin had been repented of. or private wrong avenged; but our pro-Boers have adopted no self-denying ordinance in respect of wearing hats. Yet the war is over, long ago, and the German hatband makers are still lamenting. We think they ought rather to rejoice that they can do their splendid current business, in face of the fact, if fact it be, "that only an evenly twined and ciean cot ton yarn can be used for hatbands, of which the finer numbers (over No. $40^{\prime}$ s) can only be bought in England, and on

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which the duty is very high." All efforts to secure a refund of duty on this yarn, used in hatbands for export, are stated 0 have failed.
Italy now not only supplies her own needs in the line of hatbands, but, on account of cheaper labor, is becoming a the United Star of Germany for the trade of England and the United States, which two countries have hitherto been the largest purchasers from Germany. Also, once upon a lime, and that not so long ago, Germany manufactured large quantities of hair-felt hats, for which a good grade of hathand was used. Of late years, however, Austria and Italy have made these hats; as well as the hatbands, and it is feared that the export to Austria of silk aid half-silk hatainls will cease entirely unless a lower rate of duty can be mereed upon with Austria. The manufacture of bande for Alies' hats in which there is, of course, much variety and lange of fashion-is in better case than its sister (or, rather the silk trade of men's hatbands. Owing to the strike of the silk dyers in the United States and the demand there or light and wide ribbons, American importing houses placed large orders about the middle of last year, and as there were considerable orders from English and German dealers toward But the the year all wide-ribbon looms were kept running. sint there was a fly in this ointment, even; for the manuarturers complain that the staple hatbends, which were made for stock, were not disposed of, and that the high pricus of the raw materials necessary for making wide rib(1ins left but a narrow margin of profit. It is evidently an went nine trade-"as queer as Dick's hatband, which rent nine times round and didn't tie?"

## life insuranoe mign together.

The annual mecting of the Life Insurance Officers' Assopia tion, embracing the managers, actuaries and secretaries of practically all of the Canadian and British lifa asourane companies in Canada, was held recently in the rooms of the Insurance Institute, Toronto, Prominent insurance officials from Montreal, Hamilton, London and Waterloo were in at tendance, as well as officials of the Toronto institutions. The aggregate insurance of the companies in membership totals oggregate insurance of the companies in membership totals this umique branch of business. Several important matters affecting the interests of life assurance were coanidened. The members in attendance were:-
Messrs. David Dexter, president Federal Life; J. K. Mac donald, managing director Confederation Life; R. H. Mat son, managing director Natlonal Life; J. F. Junkin, manag ing directior Manufacturers' Life; F. G. Cox, managing director Imperial Life; George Wegenast, manager Mutuai life of Canada; T. H. Hilliard, managing director Dominion Life; F. Sanderson, actuary Canada Life; John Milne, managing director of Northern Life; D. MeGoun, manager for Canada Standerd Life; T. Bradehaw, actuary Imperial Life; David Burke, general manager Royal-Victoria Life; B. Hal Brown, manager for Canada London and Lancashire Life; J. G. Richter, manarger London Life; G. B. Wood, manager Continental Life; E.Marshall, secretary Excelsjor Life; Robert Junkin, assistant manager Manufacturers' Late.

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The chair was occupied by the president, Mr. David Dexter, ho, in his presidential address, referred to the many important works in legislation and life assurance practice which had been treated with by the association during the past year. The association has been in existence for about ten years, and has had a very beneficial effect upon the conduct of life assurance throughout Canada, especially in promoting uniformity of practice in matters of general administration, in guiding wise legislation, in the interests of policyholders and life insurance in general, and in affording opportunities for consultation and co-operation in many matters affecting the common interests of life assurance companies.
Mr. David Dexter was re-elected president for the ensuing ear: Messrs. T. Hilliard and David Burke, 1st and 2nd vicepresidents respectively: T. Bradshaw, secretary-treasurer; Messrs. E. W. Cox and J. F. Junkin, auditors, and Messrs. F. Sanderson and George Wegenast, in conjunction with the officers just named, the Executive Committee.
Letters were received from Mr. L. Goldman, managing director, North American Life, Toronto; Mr. J. H. Brock, managing director, Great West, Winńipeg; and from Mr. A. McDougald, Pelican \& British Empire, Montreal, regretting their inablility to be present on account of either personal or pressing business engagements.

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#### Abstract

The death of Mr. William Wallace Watson, secretary of the Canada Sugar Refinery, which occurred at the Montreal (ieneral Hospital on Saturady last, the direct result of a urgical operation, caused quite a shock in business and social iviles. There were few men more deservedly esteemed by all Who knew him socially or in business, than the deceased, combining as he did sterling business qualities with courteous and gentlemanly bearing. Mr. Watson on his arriving in Canal it in 1870 became connected with the respectable old firm of Gillespie, Moffatt \& Co.; three years later he joined the firm of John Redpath \& Son, the pioneer sugar refiners, and on the formation of the Canada Sugar Refining Co, in 1878, he became its secretary. Mr. Wetson wes atso a member of the Council of the Board of Trade. His almost sudden removal at the comparatively early age of 58 leaves a void that will not soon be forgotten. The funeral on Tuesday la-t was attended by a large coneourse of our leading citi\%M. He leaves a widow and two sons and two daughters. Nho have the sympathy of the entire community in their hire avement.


## MINERALS IN NEW ONTARIO.

It will be only with the movement of population into that vast northern region called New Ontario that its wealth of minerals will become really known. The returns already made by travelling prospectors tell sufficiently of that country's great resources. Prof. W. G. Miller, Ontario Geologist and inspector of mines, returned recently from Temiskaming. Whee he has been inveatigatting the region of the recent discoveries of silver, nickel, cobalt and arsenic. There is no doubt, he says, that a most valuable mineral area has been discovered in Temiskaming. The first discoveries were made by a blacksmith, working for the T. \& N. O. Railway. His discovery was almost on the right of way, where he say the
pink cobalt bloom, and was led to investigate. This is about 65 miles south of Halleybury, on the line of railway, and close to Long Lake. The ore contains smaltite, nickelite and native silver. The owner has done some work on the location, and applied for a mining claim. There are three other claims or places for which claims were applied before the Government withdraw the land from exploration. Any bona fide discovery made before the issue of the notice withdrawing the land from exploration will be protected. Two other prospectors have locations on the east side of Long Lake, about seventy feet above the surface of the lake, containing a smaltite vein, carrying nickel, cobalt and arsenic. Two lumbermen, have a location in the southern end of the lake, with an ore containing native silver and smaltite.
The Littlee Silver vein, belonging to two prospectors is the most interesting yet found. The ore is narrow, but rich. Its vein cuts at right angles to the face of a cliff 80 or 70 feet high. The vein is weathered into the face of the cliff about two feet. It is about eight inches wide, is rich in native silver, and carries cobalt. This association of minerals is veny similar to that in Saxony. The pink cobalt bloom, which carries with it silver ores, was also found in the Silver Islet mine on Lake Superior, where some $\$ 3,000,000$ worth was taken out.
About four or five years ago a deposit of mispickel was found on Net Lake, near Lakel Temagami, on a location known as the Big Dan claim, about thirty miles north of the present discoveries. Other discoveries are reported some distance south, so that the extent of the deposits is apparent ly large. The Wright sitver mine, on the vuebee side of Take Temiskaming, also carries considerable silver, and the are is of conglomerate slate, as in the present cases.
Prof. Miller traversed a district extending for five miles north and south and ten west from Long Take. Forther west the deposits disappeared. and the face of the country changed. The Dominion's geological map of the district sets down the rocks as being diabase and gabbro, which are igneonis rocks, whereas the rocks containing the deposits are slate and conglomerate of different origin from the diabaser and gabbro. Prof. Miller brought home a number of samples of the minerals. One large piece of drift silver, a nugget, weighs about

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ter pounds, and is about threequarters pure silver. This was found on the ground. Other samples show the various metals in many forms, one being a fine sample of native silver, containing nothing but the pure metal, and being about as large as one's hand The country is now covered with snow, and little can be done until the spring The timber on the land is on one of the Booth limits, and is being cleared this winter There have besm no trained prospectors as yet in the country, the discoveries having been made mostly by men working on the railway The T. \& N. O. Railway has its rails laid now for 50 miles north of North Bay, and the settlers in the country of the mineral deposits will be able to drive down to its head and come out by the railway.


#### Abstract

are Thorne Bros. furs; Dowling Brothers, dry goods; E. P. Charlton \& Co., departmental store, and A. M. Gray \& Co., stationery; fronting on Charlotte, but running back to meet the Charlton premises are the stores of E. G. Nelson \& Co.. books. Scammells, confectionery; M. Coady \& Co., boots and shoes, and E. A. Dykeman \& Co. E. P. Charlton \& Co,'s loss is total. The insurance is $\$ 9,000$, but the loss is estimated at twice that amount. Dowling Bros.' loss is very heavy. They have $\$ 14,000$ insuranice, but say their stook was worth twice that. Thorne Bros. suffered by smoke and water. In the other places the loss is by smoke. The building was insured for about $\$ 10000$, and the lower portion is damaged badly. The Victoria Hotel suffered only by the entrance of smoke. About $\$ 150.000$ insurance risks are involved in the burned building and the two adjoining.


FIRE LOSS AT ST. JOHN, N.B.

Fire which broke out in the cellar of E. B. Charlton \& Co.'s departmental store, St. John, N.B., on the night of the 25th instant, caused damage roughly estimated at from $\$ 40,000$ to $\$ 50,000$. Fully covered by insurance. The building, four storeys high, is owned by the J. W. Lawrence estate. The upper storey is used as a wing to the Victoria Hotel, which adjoins. Part of the second and third storeys are occupied by the Laiwrence family and Dowling Bros.' dry goods stock room, and Chas. Conlon, photographer; on the ground floor

## the late mr. rathbun

In the death of Mr. Edwar̈d W. Rathbun, which took place at his home in Deseronto, Ont., on the 24th instant, Canada loses a man of distinguished business qualities and broad public spirit. Mr. Rathbun may be said to have founded Deseronto, and to have supervis.d its business growth to the present, his name being prominently identified with almost overy public undertaking of note in that vicinity. Among

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## TRIPS FOR HEALTH OR BUSINESS.

Those of our citizens who can afford to indulge their fancice by taking a trip to the Atlantic coasts of the middle states at the approach of bleak November, inform us that the weather there-differs but little from thac of Montreal. Old inhabitants are of opinion that our winter climate is ameliorating considerably, and they point to the lesser quantity of fur garments worn of late winters as a proof of it. Even many of our older eitizens now doff their fur caps and
rur-lined or fur-trimmed coats and gauntlets for felt hats, heavy cloth overcoats and light leather gloves respectively, such as are the fashion in England at the same season. The dry atmosphene of our winters is much more agreeable than the moist weather of western Europe or North America. The dread of cold weather which is so common in Europe is something to which our people are total strangers. Many of our active wide-awake business men visit the large cities to the south at all seasons of the year to see what new ideas are being grafted upon modern business by our hustling and enterprising neighbours. Mr. Wm. C. McIntyre (McIntyre, Son \& Co.), for example, is now in New York on such a mission, and customers of this wholesale dry goods house may be assured that their needs are not neglected.
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## FINANCIAL.

Montreal, Thursday Evening, November 26, 1903.
The last ocean steamer in port is not exactly left "blooming alone," but has the harbour to itself, with a chance of considerable trouble in getting to the sea, as the buoys are nearly all removed and ice is forming rapidly under a templerature within 4 degrees of zero. Nothing venture-nothing have, was the owner's motto, but it is venturesome to be in this harbour after the middle or third week in November. On the whole the shippers have had a good average year, in come features better than ever before. The President of the Board is so impressed with the deficiency of transport facilities to this port from the West that ho favours a bonus being given to provide more and larger vessels. This the Govrnment will never do it; it never has realized its duty to the port of Montreal, and, under existing and developing conditions, this port is likely to be given the cold shoulder more emphatically, as another port is the "white-haired boy" of the strong men in the Cabinet. The steel trade is worked up uver the price of steel billets being reduced from $\$ 27$ to $\$ 23$ per ton, with prospects of a further decrease. The chief firms in the States have formed a billet pool, which will fix pricea for the future, if the members hold together. Such a combin ation is a distinct menace to the Canadian steel industry
which it might ruin were combined action taken by all the steel makers in the United States for that purpose. The move ment of money from the interior to the financial centres is being anticipated in New York, Chicago, Boston, etc. It is early for this return of currency to take place, but it is being relied upon to provide more funds. Here the movement may begin earlier, as November sees the end of the outflow for harvest and post-harvest purposes. The Christmas trade is expected to be larger than usual; we hope it may be, but if some hundreds of buyers were first to pay their long-standing store accounts they would help trade mone than spending cash that is due to retailers. An official statement by the Ontario Government gives the total value- of farm properties in Ontario as $\$ 1,044,894,332$. The sales of live stock in 1902 from that Province amounted to $\$ 53,083,396$. Agriculture after all is Canada's leading industry. To-day there is nothing doing on 'Change owing to Thanksgiving Day in the States. But the feeling is still weak, and transactions small. Pacific istands at $1181 / 4$; Dominion Iron 9, pfd. 26; Montreal Street 199; Toronte Street Ry., 95; Twin City $881 / 2$; Dom. Coal 75. Of bank stocks there have been no sales worth recording. Consols 88 3-16. Paris, exchange on London. $25 \mathrm{f} 171 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; Berlin 20 m 45 pf . Foreign exchange, 60's. 8 to $8 \mathrm{I}-32$; demand, 8 13-16. Local monev rates remain as for months, and call loans, 5 to $5 \frac{1}{2}$, which seem to be getting established as normal.

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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.
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The closing of St. Lawrence navigation this week serves to check the wonted summer activity as shown in that direction; but crisp cold weather has stirred local trade to a degree which largely offsets this change. Prices show the usual fluctuations. Sugars have declined. Checse is lower. Butter holds steady. Hardware unchanged. Leather quiet, asuisted by the prolonged strike at Quebec. Flour and feed active at steady prices. Dry goods under good distribution. Wool shows a decline at London auctions now progressing.

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BUTTER.-The market continues to show strmagth, but there is no further improvement to note in values. The demand, locally, is good but there is little doing for export. For finest Oct. creamery there is a good market with ready sale at $201 / 2$ to $203 / 4 \mathrm{c}$, with second grades selling at $191 / 2$ to 20 e . Some holders ask 2le for finest Oct., but price is difficult to get, and is not quoted. Dairy's are commanding attention, with several lots of finest quality selling at $171 / 2$ to 18 . Under grades 15 to $161 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Roll 17 to $171 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Butter shipments from port of Montreal: Total for season 1903, 338.277 packages; total for season 1902, 534,951 packages; decrease for season 1903, 196,674 packages.

CEMENTS.-No arrivals for week. There is an order on the local market for 6,000 brls. cement, but, at writing, it has not been closed. Season's shipments will be given in next issue.
OHEESE.-Somewhat mixed and unsatisfactory market, with large offerings and slow, disappointing demand. Finest Sept.'s held firmly a week ago at 11 to $111 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ are offering to-day at $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ without finding buyers. Late Oct. and Nov. make are quoted at $93 / 4$ to 10 c . Shipments are large but comprise the cheese sold early in the season on contract for last boats, besides a large quantity on consignment. Shipments of cheese from the port of Montreal for the season of navigation just closed were as follows:-Total for season 1903, 2,399,702 boxes; total for season 1902, 2,100,048 boxes; increase for season 1903, 290,654 boxes. There were also ship ped via Portland 58,297 boxes, or 1,349 more than in 1902.

DRESSED POULTRY.-Receipts show considerable increase, but the market holds steady. Demand good. There is no scarcity of geese, but rather an excess, consequently it is difficult to make over 8 el lb . for best. Turkeys in ready demand at $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $131 / 2 \mathrm{c} \mathrm{Ib}$.; ducks, $111 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ to 12 c ; chickene. 10 to 11 c ; and fowls 8 to $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. For export,-Department

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of Agriculture, Ottawa, has received the following communications from dealers:-"I am in Canada soliciting consigwizents of poultry to England. My mame has been before your department for several years as a large importer of poultry. lou have sant me consignments of chickens. I should be glad if you would name the Canadian poultry shippers and mention my name if possible, so that they may commence to ship early in December. Yours truly (Signed) James Blackburn." For four years the Department of Agriculture las exported chickens fatted at the illustration stations to Mr. Blackburn. The dealings have been perfectly satisfacthry. and the prices obtained for the chickene have been profitable. Mr. Blackhurn stated that he would like to handle $30 n 0$ cases of chickens per week. From Mr. William Roth"cll. Manchester. Mr. Rothwell says: "There seems to be a rery good prospects for all kinds of ponltry this Christmas. Ii you can give or have any consignments sent me, you can r"st assured of the utmost value being obtained. Cash and sales sent immediately goods are disposed of. The probable prices are as follows: Large male turkeys, plueked, 14 to 18 mounds, 9 d to 10 d per pound; plucked turkeys, 12 to 13 pounds $81 / 2$ to 9 d per pound: plucked turkeys, 9 to 11 pounds, $71 / 2^{d}$ to 8d per pound; plucked chickens, 8d per pound; plucked ducks, 7 d per pound; turkeys in weather, $61 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to 7 d per pound. I trust that I may have consignments from Canada."

EGGS.-There is an active firm market, with demand in xcess of receipts, which gives the advantage to sellers. Prices wo higher, strictly new laid (shipped) stock selling up to 27 c . Fall snlected is worth 23 c ; straight gathered, 20 to 21 c , and limed 18 to 190 .




FISH.-Steady, cool weather favors trade in frozen stock and dealers are kept pretty busy handling these. Prices hold rather steady, with a slight decline here and there, except for B.C.-salt herring, which are dear. The Advent trade is on, and has added much to a market already brisk. Quotations: Fresh Fish-B.C. salmon, frozen 10e; Gaspe chilled, 15 c ; halibut, frozen 10 c ; frozen pickerel or dore $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; fresh steak cod, $51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; haddlock $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; dressed bull-heads, 8 c ; frozen pike $51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ Whitefish $71 / \mathrm{ec}$ per lb .; fresh frozen herrings $\$ 2.25$ per 100 fish; fresh frozen smelts in boxes 10,15 and 25 lbs . each, 90 per lb.; frozen mackerel 12 c per lb.; frozen shad 8 c pel tb. Salt Fish-Loch Fyne herrings, $\$ 1.25 \mathrm{keg} ;$ No. 1 salt milckerel, in 20 lb . kits, $\$ 2$; No. 2, $\$ 1.50$; new salt herrings, Labrador, $\$ 5.50$; do. half barrels, $\$ 3$; green cod, No. $1 \$ 6$; do., No. $2, \$ 5.00$; salt pollock, $\$ 3.75$ per brl. of 200 lbs ; No, 1 salt hoddock, $\$ 3.75$ per brl.; New B. C. salmon, $\$ 14.00$ per brl.; and $\$ 7.50$ p.r half-brl; new C, B. salt hervings $\$ 6$ er brl.; ditto., $\$ 3.25$ per half-brl. Smoked Fish-Haddies 7 e ; kippered herrings $\$ 1$ per half box; smoked herrings in bundles of five boxes, 15 c a box; St. John bloaters, $\$ 1.00$ per box; Yarmanth bloaters, $\$ 1.00$ per box; kipperines, $\$ 3.50$ a case of 3 dozen cartons. Prepared Fish-Boneless cod in bricks, 6c lb.; boneless fish, in bricks, 5c ; boneless fish, loose, in 25 lb. boxes, 4c; dry cods, in cwts., $\$ 4.75$ per cwt.; skinless cod, in cases, $\$ 4.75$ per case. Oysters-Selects $\$ 1.60$ per gallon, mediums $\$ 1.50$, standards $\$ 1.40$ gall. No. 1 handpicked Malpeque cup oysters, $\$ 0.50$ to $\$ 7.00$. No. 1 handpicked Malpeques $\$ 5$ to $\$ 6.00$ per brl.; No. $2 \$ 3.75$ to $\$ 4$; and common $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 3$.

FLOUR AND FEED.-Prices hold steady on both, with a good demand. Flour may shortly advance, as grain is scoring a notch or two, and millers see profits narrowing. Winnipeg closing prices for Manitoba wheat are as follows: No. 1 northern, 79 c ; No. 2 do., $76 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{c}$; No. 3, 73 c rex store, Fort William, for delivery Novemher. Fair demand for baled hay for local consumption. We quote: No. $1, \$ 10$ to $\$ 10.50$; No 2. $\$ 8.50$ to $\$ 9.50$; clover. mixed, $\$ 7.50$ to $\$ 8$; and elover $\$ 7$ to $\$ 7.50$ per ton, f.o.b., in car lots.

GREEN FRÜITS, ETC--Lemons are aower. Almeria grape are lower, exeept for fancy stock, which is unchanged. Cranherries are slightly easier. Some varietios of nuts are lower We quote:-- Mmeria grapes, extra fancy long keeping heavy weight, $\$ 7$ per keg; fancy ditto., $\$ 6.00$; choine ditto. $\$ 5.25$; good medium weights, $\$ 4.50$. Oranges, Jamaicas in brls $\$ 4.50$; do.. boxes, $176,200 \mathrm{~s}, \$ 3$. Lemons, very fimest new Messinas, 300 size, $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.75$. Bananas, Port Limon extra, $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 2.50$. Pineapples, crates Havanas, 24 size, $\$ 8.00$ Swest potatoes, Jerseys, per brl., 83.75 ; onions, red onions in bags $150 \mathrm{lbs} ., 83 ; 75 \mathrm{lbs}$, , 81.55 ; Bpanish onions, large cases, about $150 \mathrm{lbs} ., \$ 2.25$. Cranberries, extra dark Cape Cod, $\$ 10.50 \mathrm{brl}$; do. Nova Seotias, $\$ 9$ to $\$ 9.50$. Apples, XXX winter, all varieties, $\$ 3.75$ per brl.; XX winters, all varieties,
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GREEN HIDES.-Trade fair. No change from last week's prices. See quotations on another page.
GROCERIES.-Sugars declined 5 c per 100 lbs , this morning, bringing prices down to the basis of $\$ 4$ for standard gramulated in bags. Molasses holds steady at 42 e in puncheons. Some varieties of nuts show a decline. Lemons are also lower. Other goods ane about steady under a good jobbing demand.

Leather.-Trade quiet, now that navigation has closed. The Quebee shoe strike is still unsettled and is paving the way for dull times there this winter.

OULS AND PAINTS.-The closing of navigation and adoption of winter freight rates are usually followed by a quiet period in these lines. Dealers are now preparing for stocktaking, and prices are nominally unchanged. Quotations in prices current on another page.
PROVISIONS.-The price of cured pork is a trifte lower following the decline in live hogs and fresh kitled, both abatfoir and country-dressed. Live have been selling in Toronto this week at $\$ 4.85$ per 100 lbs. for selects, with light and extra fat 20 c lower. Fresh killed are quoted here at $\$ 7.35$ to $\$ 7.50$ for abattoir dressed and at $\$ 6.70$ to $\$ 6.95$ for country killed. We quote for cured meats:-bbls. heavy Canada short cut mess pork, $\$ 18.50$; tierces, do., $\$ 27.50$; helf-brle., do, 89.50 ; brls selected heavy Canada short out mess porkn
oneles, special quality, $\$ 19.50$; brls. Canada short cut back pork (family pork), $\$ 18$; half-brls., do., $\$ 9.25$; brls. heavy Canada mess pork, long cut, $\$ 18.00$; brls. heavy Canada short cut clear pork, $\$ 18.00$; half-brls., do., $\$ 8.25$; brls. light Canada short cut clear pork, $\$ 17.50$; brls. heavy flank pork, $\$ 19,00$; finest kettle lard, in $20-\mathrm{lb}$. pails, $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; extra pure lard, in $20-\mathrm{lb}$. pails, $91 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 10 c ; choice refined compound lard, 8 c to $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; hams, $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 13 c , and bacon, 13 c to 14 c per lb.
WOOL.-Practically nothing doing in this market. Quota tions therefore, are out of order. The closing series of London wool auctions for the year began Tuesday and showed a declime of 5 to $121 / 2$ per cent., the decline grading as to coarseness. These coarse crossbred wools advanced fully 25 per cent at the last auctions, a figure quite out of proportion, and importers say that they will peed-to decline fully one-half that amount now to become normal. Wednesday's auction showed keen bidding at firmer prices for fine merinos, and it is thought these will close at about equal to close of last series. Toronto reports wool market quiet, with prices unchanged. Washed bring $161 / 2$-to $171 / 2 \mathrm{c}$, and unwashed, 9 to $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$, the latter for fime. Pulled supers sell at 18 to 19 c , and extras at 21 to 220 .
-Owing to the exceptionally dry wreather throughout the fall season, many Quebec mills, notably paper mills, are experiencing some difficulty in securing the regular amount of power. A half-day's delay in the issue of the Journal this week may be traced to the same source.

- A Liverpool firm has, it is reported, purchased the entire output of the Hull Lumber Company for the season of 1904. The deal embraces some $20,000,000$ feet.
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 player.british paper protedionists.
At a large and representative meeting of paper makers, belld in London, Eng., recently, a vote of 33 to 18 , passed a resolution declaring: "That in the opinion of this meeting it is desirable that a tariif duty be put on manufactures of all kinds, including paper, from protective coun tries." Sir John Evans presided and the resolution was offered by J. Dixon, of Peter Dixon \& Son, who opened the dis. cussion on it.
Mr. Dixon commended the resolution to their notice. He claimed that in their business they knew very well that a tariff duty would be for their own protection and the protection and welfare of their work people. The subject was one that should not be very lightly touched upon, because it was going to upset the whole business relations between themselves and other countries that had existed for sixty years. Before passing such a resolution as he proposed, ir before such action was taken as Mr. Chamberlain was advocnting s. ably frotn many platforms, they ought as business men to give the matter the very greatest consideration they were capable of. He proposed to touch the matter as it affected their business on the paper trade. Thanks to their association, some figures had been placed before them that to him very graphically showed the position as it affected thitm. The first page of the pamphlet showed the total weight and value of paper exported from the United Kinglom to foreign countries and British posses-
sions for three periods at intervals of ten might be somewhat cheaper. In many years- 1882,1892 and 1902. The growth mills they paid $\$ 7$ a cord, which was 28 s in weight had been from 29,248 tons in for a ton of wet pulp, before they manu1882, and 43,683 tons in 1892, to 50383 factured at all. The cost of utensils, tons in 1902.
During ten years-1892 to 1902-the value of exports of paper had gone up from $£ 1,431,204$ to $£ 1,478,686$, and he maintained the business had practically not increased at all. If that was the condition in which the British paper trade ought to exist, he contended it was in a very poor state. If they looked at the imports of foreign paper into this country, a very different picture was portrayed. The increase in value of the imports of foreign paper to this country during 20 years was 256 p.r cent.80 per cent. during the last ten years. In weight the imports had gone up 430 per cent. On the last page of the pamphlet. were some interesting figures on the home trade. They had increased their output only 28 per cent., and fifty-seven mills of average type produced an average output of 80 tons per week for each mill With regard to America and Canada, there was a well rooted belief, in the minds of manufacturers over there, that their respective governments were primarily e.ected-for the express purpose of enabling the people to canry on business orly in such a manner as to best shield them from attacks by competitors outside their borders. Surely they could unite and with one voice call out that their trade was being ruined by the competition of their rivals. The mills he visited in America were mostly new prills, and from. the experience he gained he did not think they knew everything in the world about paper. With regard to one mill he went into, if anyone asked him to devise a scheme for driving a paper machine on the crudest and weakest method and the on: most calculated to consume the greatest amount of fuel, he could not devise a better scheme than was working in that mill. He pointed this out to show that they had something to leame even in America: He was convinced that they had very little advantage over us in the manufacture of news paper. Perhaps the fibres
wages and the cost of living were all much higher than with us.
Some people were under the impression that power was so cheap in America that we could not possibly compete with them. That was absolutely contrary to fact. In the mills he went into they were paying more for diving power than it cost us. He did not think it was possible for them on make paper any cheaper than he did himself in this country. How was it they sent their paper over here and competsd with us? The International Paper Company and other large trust told him it paid them exceedingly well when ther could only dispose of 90 per cent of their maper in their own country, and sent the other 10 per cent over here for what they could get for it. But it tended to ruin us. They did not mind making so much ess on that 10 per cent. becauso the aid no stofe on the mill's wear and tear. But we suffered in this country in consequence. He asked what would be the probable effect of the imposition of a 10 per cent duty or tariff of any kind. Why, the employer would be the first affected, and that by a great ex mansion of his hucines. Practically they did not want to increase the price, but they wantel the protection of our markets. With regard to the employees, they would probably get as much henefit as anyone, becanse wages would be bound to increase. as there would be such a demand for labor. He had no hesitation in saying this, and he would even promise that as soon as a 10 per cent tariff was imposed he wou'd be delighted to raise all his wages 10 per cent. He had no doubt that every man in that room would have to raise his wages 10 per cent., and it wom'l be the finest thing they had ever donc. If the price of news was raised $21 / 2$ per cent., would that be a calamity to this country? It would be a great blessing 10 the people engaged in the manufactnres of the country. He hat been in a mond many mills in England and in some in

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America, and he thought it was the duty would do this for them instead of them of every man engaged in the paper mak- doing what these figures showed they ing business to go to America. The man were doing, making a sort of "mark who had not visited an American mill he time," a sort of retrograde "cake walk" considered did not know his business yet; of their business. (Laughter.) they were doing themselves an injustice H, W. T. Garnett, of P. Garnett \& if they did not go. Some of them were Son, at the request, he said, of the chairraring machines now that were made man of the Southern Committee, then aver thirty or forty years ago. They had addressed the meeting. He said he reno right to do that. They ought to have grated exceedingly that the country genscrapped them years ago. But they had erally should be divided upon the conno chance of doing so. In America he sideration of this trade question, and found an installation of ten or twelve of that it should have been made a party the finest machines in the world. They question. But as long as they governed had not had a chance of having these at themselves by the method they at prehome, because the home market was sent did, he was afraid the discussion of ruined by the system of dumping.  including, Mr. Dixon said he defiled sarily be formed into a party question. anyone to say that the adopton of such He took it the Paper Makers' Association a policy would do otherwise than enhance had no polities and that it knew no parthe position of the cmpthyer and the ty. He took it that it was the wish of comforts of his work people. And it that meeting to impartially and judicial- ly consider the evidence that should be put before it, and when in the possession of that evidence, without any selfish mofives they should give their decision upon the proposal which had been put before them by his friend M.r Dixon He had seen the president of the Cana dian Society in London, and had shown him a copy of Mr. Dixon's proposal. He said he did not take any exception to it; all he asked them to do was to give them a preference. How much it might be they did not care. All they asked them to do was, as they termed it in Canada. to give them "the sunny side of the street." It was in that sense that he seconded the resolution that Mr. Dixon had proposed to them. He asked them to consider carefully the facts and figures that had been put before them. Mr. Dixon, owing to his late return from abroad, had not been able to obtain


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the facts that had been published within people were well and profitably employed ple were not enjoying a living wage. he last few days, and he would ask his at home they could not import too much But he had learned only within the last pardon if in some of his figures he were of any article, and they could not import few days that the impression intended found to differ from him. He asked it at too low a price. But they had it to be conveyed by the general of the them first to look at the general aspect on the authority of Sir Henry Campbell Salvation Army was not that, but that of the fiscal problem. Their exports of Bannerman, and he derived his informa- they were living on every week's wages manufactured articles to the protective tion from General Booth, that there were in turn, so that one week's idleness would ountries of Europe and to the United $12,000,000$ inhabitants of these isles liv- bring them to a state of destitution. He states of America had fallen since the ing on the verge of starvation. He be did not say that made any difference in boom year of 1872 to the year 1892 from lieved that to be an exaggeration. He the distress of their workmen. His an$£ 166,000,000$ to $£ 74,000,000$, and during had gone to considerable trouble to in- swer to this matter of the $12,000,000$ the same period their imports had risen quire what was the meaning of living on unemployed was that we ourselves, by from $£ 63,000,000$ to $£ 149,000,000$. Now the verge of starvation. Probably most humanitarian restrictions upon labor, by he would at once admit that if our own of them would understand that such peo- the adoption of shorter hours, by the

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demand of higher wages, deliberately increased in this country the cost of production. It had been the flxed polley of thi- country to improve the condition of the workingman in every possible direction. They had made him to-day, as it were, the West End workman of the world, and he was not in a position to compete with the sweated labor of the East End. Their opponents told them that though individuals might suffer by the importation of large quantities of foreign goods at a lower price than those pronuced in this country, the community in peneral benefited. Whether this be tue or not, and he would endeavor to disprove it later on by facts and figures which would be absolutely known to them all. he wanted to point out to them that in this respect they stood alone in the world. No other manufacturing country in the world took the same view of these matters as they did,
They could perhaps remember an old drawing in Punch, representing a jury Which had been ealled on to deliver its verdict. Eleven had arrived at a decision. but the twelfth, an Irishman, was depicted, in Keene's admirable way shaking his fist as he cried: "Eleven more
obstinate men I never say in all my time was worked in many, machinery wa Hie." This appeared to him to be the stopped in others, and in some instance position in which this country found it- the mills were altogether closed for self at the present moment. They were short-period not exceeding three weeks saying to the rest of the world: "Eleven Others were more fortunately situated more obstinate men Inever say in all and continued to work and pur my life." The lawyers, financiers and quantities into stook, and put heavy scions of various noble houses would have quantities into stock which were later them believe that on this question they as he had been able to ascertain, the alone were right and all the rest of the price at which this paper was sold was world wrong. Looking at this question about 5 per cent. below that of the Brit from a trade point of view, he asked them ish made article. But assuming it to to consider whether at all times the im- have been $\& 1$ per ton, then for every portation of foreign paped had been sovereign which went into the pocket of advantageaus to the community. It the newspaper proprietor there was a would be within their recollection, and positive loss of wages to the workers especially in that of his friend on the in their mills of $\& 258$ per ton, to which left (Mr. Dixon), that some two or three of course, must be added the profits of years ago, in consequence of the over- the mill owner, of the carrier and all the production of American news, there was auxiliary trades. He had taken these a very heavy importation from thet figures from the statistics that were in country to this. Various of our ports the hands of every one of them, and he on the west coast and London contained believed them to be moderate. In his own large quantities of this paper, which case wages ran higher than that. Dishad been sent over and had to be sold missing altogether the comsideration of without delay. He had ascertained from the loss incurred by the mill owner, the a circular which he addressed to thirteen carrier and other traders. the point h news mills, excluding only those in the wished to drive home was this: That whil Tondon district, that the effect of this $£ 2$ 5s a ton came out of the pocket of upon their trade was as follows: Short the poorest class of the community, some

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15. or $£ 1$ a ton went into the pocket probably exceed 35,000 tons for the whole ports? The amount was not stated, but of the more or less wealthy newspaper year. That was six times as great as for the sake of argument let them take proprietor, while the balance of that our exports and more than six times as it at 10 per cent. He wanted to get at sum went, they might assume, into the large as they were in 1882. He thought, close quarters with the political econowocket of the foreign working man. whore as Mr. Dixon had said, here was a matter mist. He was bound to admit that in mills were kept employed while they for the very gravest consideration. of the main he must accept his deductions were working short time. In this case our exports, roughly speaking, about 70 without reserve. He must admit that they had an absolute loss to the com- per cent, went to our colonies and India, any resolution they passed there could munity in other wion thile effecting countries. While our shipments to the a saving of 15 s to 20 s. made a loss of £4 protective countries of Europe and Amto $£ 5$ a ton, of which nearly half was erica were practically non-existent, we paid by the poorest class. That was the were buying from them to the amount of point he wished to emphasize. He thought 350,000 tons a year. Was it wise that the most pronounced Free Trader would they should continue the advocacy of admit at least that this was a highly "duty free" with the disastrous results unsatisfactory result; but the facts and to their work people which he had enfimives could not be disputed, and every deavored to show?
one there could judge whether he had Was it not desirable that they should, exagyerated the costs. in the interests of all engaged in their There was no means of arriving at the industry, place a duty upon foreign im- 120 tons, and at 1 per ton their economic have no permanent effect if it violated the principles of political economy. But assuming an import duty of 10 per cent., it raised the home price of their entire production by $71 / 2$ per cent. He did not think it would do so, but assuming for the sake of argument that it did, if that leil to an increased production of 20 per cent at home, he maintained that the economic balance would remain absolutely undisturbed. For every 100 tons now produced they would then be producing exact quantities or any approximate estimate of the wages actually lost; but this diaplacement of British labor lasted several months and, as they would observe from the statistics, there was an average increase in the importation of unprinted paper in 1900 and 1901. as compared with 1899, of nearly 30,000 tons, and coincident with this there was a decreased consumption in 1901 over 1900 of wood pulp amcunting to 40,000 tons. and these were the figures supplied by the association. They would, he thought, probably be well within the mark if they asumed this quantity was not less than 20.000 tons, and that the lose in wages alone to their werk people amounted to $£ 45,000$ or \&50,000. The imports for 1903, up to the end of September, averaged 30,000 tons per month for the whole year. It would



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which their trade was corried on had which their trade was corried on had few years. He would call attention very briefly to the question of preferent:al treatment. Who were the men who were asking them to accord them preferential
treatment? They were far and away their best customers already, and must be by far their largest customers in the future. They were already offered a preferential trade in the case of Canada, and all they asked them to do was to give
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percentage of failunes among insurance have had the advantage of a lay
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knew that the statement was contrary to washer to Pharoah, having survived Mrs fact, and that it was a stern and cruel Potiphar's fury, which arose from unreenlity.
Were it not for these artistic and lit anty geniuses who tell us about dreams, musi ordiuary mortals would have a very da of their wonderful variety. These nearly resulted fatally, for his eey picture for us the beautifur. Ace, thinethe so jealous peaceful, beautific dreams that can come aripped han or colore and the a tranquil conscienor and stom are thrust him into a pit, and finally sold dreams of such delightful nature. For him to some travellers for twenty shethe majority of us spend our sleep in kels, standard weight and fineness. dodging creditors, or in fleeing from a As if this was not sufficient warning hideous ogre attended by a retinue of ten $t_{0}$ all future dreamers, the historian next thousand little devils, or in a compulsory describes the fate of Pharoah's chief butattendance upon the high carnival of the ler, who was obliged to have his head cut skeletons of a church-yard.
History does not say who it was that dromed that it was going to be. In Hing the spite of these terrible examples, showing affording a means of livelihood to poets the necessity of the greatest caution in and painters. The art, however, appears selecting our dreams before going to to have reached a high state of develop- sleep, the lesson is unheeded, and people ment in one Joseph, who lived a long, wake up in the morning completely exlong time ago, even before the New York hausted from struggles with the hideous mbuy was begun, and when the Albany monsters of dreamland. state Capitol was without form and void. In some unaccountable way, while the Joseph, it will be remembered, afterward dreams of the night are generally horrible became famous as chief cook and bottle- and adverse, day-dreams are always agree-
able and roseate. What a delicious thing it is to find some quiet spot and surrender ourselves to the fancies of the mind. What difficulties are overcome. What for tunes are made. What glories are won. The intensely practical and unimaginative man, who lives only in the realm of the actual, loses an immense amount of enjoyment. A little day dreaming does no harm. It lifts a man out of his troubles makes him forget his cares and gives him hope and strength when he returns to temporal and material things. But the mistake is made in indulging too freely in this luxury. Many people like to dream of the things that they are going to do, of the possessions that they are going to have, of that day which is coming when all their fond hopes will be realized. They are builders of air castles. Some times they dream of the time when they will be able to carry a large policy of insurance and can then feel that thei families are secure.
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gave an education to fatherless children. The man who is dreaming of taking an insurance policy in some remote day that he has idled away shock to discover that he has idled away his opportunity, and that ill health will turever prevent getting insurance.
tar, is the basic material from which al Let a man indulge in reveries of the bigg dyestuffs now in use are derived, writes policy he will carry some day "when he is Dr. Oskar Markfeldt, in the Farben Zeiable," but let him first take out as large tung.

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still contains the similar though less volatile compounds toluol and xylol, besides beveral other bolies in small proportions; further, it contains also acid constituents surch as the phenols or carbolic acid and its homologues) and bases. To remove these, the benzine is subjected to a washing process by agitating it with sodaIye to dissolve out the phenols, which uniting with the sodium of the lye form a salt and pass over into the aqueous caustic soda solution. Having absorbed the phenols, and thereby becoming of a greater specific gravity, the soda-lye settles to the bottom of the vessel while the benzine flonts. The two are now mechanically parted by drawing off the benrine, which is again washed with an inorganic acid in most cases, sulphuric acid of $1.3 \mathrm{sp} . \mathrm{gr}$. is used.
After strenuous stirring for about 15 minutes, the mixture is allowed to stand for an hour or two. The precipitates which are the acids containing the bases are now removed and subjected to the Myridine treatment.
There yet remains in the benzine certain so-called unsaturated compounds, such as hexene and its homoloques, which minst be dissolved out by the use of strongar sulnhuric acid solutions. After this operation, and in order to dispose of the excess of acid particles, the emulsion is washed several times with water, very weak soda-lye, and again with water and now for the third time the benzine is thrown into a retort with a steam jacket and redistilled.

Two grades of benzine are common to the trade; the so-called 90 per cent benxine which represents a product of which 90 per cent of its volume can be distilled over at a temperature of 1000 deg., C.; and a 50 per cent benzine, of which only half its volume ban driven over under the same conditions. The first of these grades, because it is the oftenest employed, claims our attention particularly, since only this grade is used in the manufacture of varnish, chiefly in the making of the cheap asphalt varnishe3. These cheap varnishes are extensively consumed in the iron industries and form a very serviceable substitute for the much dearer asphalt varnish, made from natural as phalt dissolved in oil of turpentine Though the manufacture of these cheap iroll varnishes is per se a very simple process yet there are moments in the pperation when considerable care must be exercised. It is no searet that the base of these cheap varnishes is the socalled artificial asphalt, that is, the pitch or residue obtained from the distillotion of coal tar, an the ment which sort of the pitch is best adapted for the purpose. The quality of the resi dual pitch depends primarily upon the quantity of the heavy oils still remainin $\underline{\text { in }}$ it after the distillation, so that the presence of a greater or less quantity of pitch: and the a softer or harder grade mish, as also its power of resisting meinc are directly traceable to the plas
ticity of the pitch. A soft pitch contains considerable volumes of oils that boil at himher emperatures and which, combining with the benzine retard the drying great'y. Very solid or hard pitch, on the other hand, contains large quantities of free carbon, which is not soluble in Lenzine. in this case more pitch is needed and a considerable residue results. A medium hard grade of pitch is therefore advisable.
Usually the making of the varnish it self is conducted in this wise: First melt the pitch in a kettle over an open or direct fre and add the desired weight of rosin or gum; when these are thoroughly melted and combined, draw the fire and allow the caldron to cool down a lit tle, after which carefully run in the benzine, stirring the while. Disregarding the darger of the fire that attends this opera tion, which shouta, of coutse, be entructed only to tried and careful workmen, it seems to me that my mothod which makes use of a steam jacketted kettle, produces a varnish of a superior quality. I proceed thus. In a kettle with a steam coll or a steam jackeet about it (this latter is better) placed high upon a work bench; I put 100 parts by weight of 90 per cent benzine and to this add 40 parts of coarsely powdered rosin (colophonium), which if continuously stirred dissolves very quickly. To this add 90 - parts of medium hard enal-tar pitch, also coarsely powder$e^{d}$. and with continual stirring warm the triass up to 50 deg. or 61 deg. C. After stirring from a half hour to an hour, and

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in order to prevent further distillation of the benzine, turn off the steam and run cold water through the jacket of the kettle until the heat of the varnish is reduced to the temperature of the day. It may now be allowed to stund for a time. Whien thoroughly settied, syphon off the clear varnish into a closed vessel somewhere lower down where it will further clarify itself. At some distance up from the bottom of the vessel, there should be a cock through which the clear varnish may be drawn off into barrels. Little or no use has as yet been discovened for the residue, except, perhaps, the mixing of it with coal dust, sawdust, or peat to make briquettes.
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A varnish made in this wise possesses uation of the country may be said to be good covering powers and a remarkable better than at any time during the last gloss, besides drying in a few minutes, a two years. The dearth of employment is quality which is a matter of much im- much less, and a number of industries, portance to the consumer; moneover it mone especially the bextile, the building, does not scale off smooth surfaces nor is and several branches of the iron and it easily affected by atmospheric challges steel industries, have given more emor conditions.

CONDITION OF GERMAN TRADE IN 1903.

The British consul-general in Berlin has prepared a report, which has just been published, on the condition of German trade during the first half of the present year. He remarks that the notable improvement in several branches of German commerce and industry apparent in the latter half of last year has been in the latter half of last year has been steel industries, have given more em-
ployment. Prices have, however, only improved slightly. Conspicuous among those industries which suffer from low prices are the electrical, the Portland cement, and several branches of the iron and steel trades, notably the machine, building and the meohanical fool industries. Harvest prospects being favorable over the greater part of the German Empire, the consuming power of the agricultural population may be expected to mprove still further. Foreign traide was much larger than last year, for both imports and exports. The imports of merf $£ 153$ reached $21,720,000$ tons, valued the value of $£ 141,000,000$ in $19,660,000$ tons ot , the distillate may be regained. six months of 1903, and the economic sit the value of $£ 141,960,000$ in 1902 and 20 ,

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770,000 tons, amounting to $£ 137,600,000$, in 1901. This shows an increase of 2 ,060,000 and 950,000 tons and $£ 11,440,000$ and $£ 15,800,000$ respectively. The principal advances took place in ores, cotton, cotton goods, corn, and wool and its wures. There was a considerable decline in the imports of jute, rice and salt. The exports in the first six months of the present year amounted to $£ 120,500,000$, against $£ 111,100,000$ and $£ 106,800,000$ in the corresponding periods of the two previous years, the chief increases being in coals, ores, iron and its wares, cottons. paper, copper goods, and chemicals, while there was a large decrease in the sugar exports.
Engine builders and manufacturers o mechanical tools complain of bad trade. The export trade is severely affected by the industrial orisis in Russia and high duties in Austria-Hungary. American competition made itself felt in a lesser degree, American works being fully ocoupied with home orders. The figures of the German foreign trade in iron and ironware show a decline in imports and an enormous increase in exports. The imports in the first half of the present year amounted to 133,400 tons against 233 , 700 in the first half of 1901, while the exports were $1,831,000$ tons this year. againse 994,000 in the first half of 1901. The electrical industry has been severely affected by the depression. No other industry expanded so much in the years or commercial prosperity until 1900, and ever since the tide turned and the demand shrunk it has been often impossible to
kep the large new plant employed, and the cutting of prices has not ceased yet. Since 1899 profits in the rextile industry have diminished considerably. In the first helf of 1903, however, business has, on the whole, been satisfactory, and at the end of June coatinued so active in most districts that the customary dead season was hardly perceptible. Weavers and most of the spinnors were working full time; dyers, printers and dressers were well provided with home and export orders, cloth manufacturers also being fairly employed, although prices were low. On the other hand, business is bad in the silk industry, as fashion does not favor silk this year, and the prices of raw silk were high

SUGGESTIONS FOR PREVENTING EMBBEZZLEMENTS.

An official of a prominent N. Y. guar antee company makes the following suggestions to managers of companies for the prevention of the misappropriation of funds by employes:-Experience shows. that three-fourths of the defaults by treasurers and cashiers are from embezzlement of remittances received and then concealing the theft by the "lapping system," e. g., the defaulter embezzles a cash payment by $A$, and defers entry of the payment on cash book until remittance is received from B, whose check he puts in cash drawer and into bank, and then enters $A$ 's payment in cash


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quent variances, he shoutd realize these as indivations of "lapping" and sure signs of default. Occasionally discrepancies may be legitimate, but frequent discrepancies should convince the auditor that all accounts should be verified. If carbon copies of deposit slips are not kept, the auditor should make the comparison by means of the original slips at the bank.
Since railroad auditors, under pressure from surety companies, have resorted to testing outsanding accounts at large freight stations defaults have been cut, 000 or $\$ 3,000$. Similar tests by auditors for insurance, manufacturing and commercial concerns will similarly curtail de faults.
Whether an auditor is employed or not, the writer suggests the following precautions:

1. Have posting from cash book to ledger done by some person other than the cashier. 2. Require the bookkeeper to make statements three or four times a and mail such statements to the persons indebted, with requests for confirmation thereof or correction if wrong, and direet reply to be made to a designated person or official under cover marked "personal," and see that these communications are answered and the answers are opened and handled only by the addressee. 3. Make occasional comparison of dual items on deposit slips, being sure to use either the original slip or a correct copy of it, with corresponding items on cash book for same dates and not material discrepancies, if any.
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A hearing on the protests of a number of Canadian pulp companies, says the New York Paper Trade Journal, of the 12th instant, against the so-called countervailing duty on pulp imported into the United States was held at the Appraisers' Stores yesterday (Wednesday) before Appraisers Somerville and Wischer. The additional duty objected to was imposed by the Treasury Department early last year. The Treasury ruling provides for the collection of 25 cents per ton on all pulp brought into the United States made from wood cut on Crown lands in those provinces of Canada which allow a re bate of 25 cents per cord on the Crown land wood when it is ground into pulp in Canada. Numerous protests were filed by hoth the Canadian pulp manufacturers and the paper manufacturers in this country. The protests taken up this week were those of the Riordon Paper Mills, Limitef,
of Merritton and Hawkesb $\because: y$, Ont.; the tigated and examined into by W. W. Bean, Laurentide Paper Company, of Grand a special expert of the Treasury departHere, Que.; the Belgo-Canadian Paper ment. The report of Mr. Bean in the and Pulp Company, of Shawenegan Falls, main substantiates the correctness of the Que.; the James MacLaren Company, Lim- figures and statements in the affidavits. ited, of Buckingham, Que.; the Bromptun Some discrepancies, however, were found Pulp and Paper Company, of Brompton by Mr. Bean in the affidavit byW. F. Rob Falls, Que., and the Jacques Cartier Pulp inson, of the Laurentide Paper Company, and Paper Company, of Point Rouge, Que. Mr. Bean examined both the boks of each The object of the hearing yesterday, on company and the ©fficial records givinr the part of the Government, was to Lseer** the cut of timber on the Crown lands in tain the percentage of wood cut on Crown the provinces levying a stumpage tax lands and on private lanas used by the The discrepancies found in the Laurentite protesting companes. Affidisits covering affidavit were corrected by a later afflthis point were filed by all the companies davit.
some time ago. The figures given in these The witness examined were W.W. Bean, aiflavits were the subject of the inquiry for the Government; W. F. Robineon, made by the Government. They gave the treasurer of the Laurentide Paper Comtotal consumption of wood of each of the pany; Hubert Bierman, of the Belgo-Canprotesting companies, the sources of that adiay Paper and Pulp Company; George wood and the percentage of that were C. Challes, of the Riordon Paper Mills. cut on Crown lands and that cut on pri- Limited; William N. Monroe, of the vate lands. The figures and statements Brompton Paper and Pulp Company; John contained in the affidavits have been inves R. Myers, of Rouse's Point, N. Y., and

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R. R. Martin, of Cockingham, Sherman \& Martin, attorneys, of Utica, N. Y. The protest of the Royal Paper Mills Company, Limited, will be heard on December 4. The next move will be the decision of the board, which will probably not be rendered for some time.

The question raised is precisely the same as was raised last March by a United States paper manufacturer and a Can adian pulp manufacturer. At the time the Board of Appraisers heard testimony, the gist of which was that the Province of Ontario did not levy an export duty on pulp exported from within her borders, while Quebec did so by means of a rebate given on pulp wood manufactured in her domain. The board thereupon decided as follows:
"First, that the aditional duty was properly imposed by the collector upon the wood pulp exported from Quebec and the action of the collector in this particular is affirmed.
"Second, the Province of Ontario levies no export duty upon pulp wood exported from its limits, and therefore the additional duty imposed by the collector upon the drom that province was improperly assessed and his decision on that point is reversed."
In view of this decision it is not likely that the Board of Appraisens will decide otherwise in the case now before them. Their position in effect is that pulp, manufactured from wood cut on Crown lands in Quebec, even though that wood be con-

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Canada，is subjeect to an additional duty， because of the action of Quebec in estab： lishing a rebate on logs made into pulp in her jurisdiction．The board＇s decision． however，will not be final，as the r＂se will undoubtedly be appealed，no matter who wins at present．

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Payment of the ssaid bounty may be made from time to time to the extent of 60 per cent upon smelter returns showing that the ore has been delivered for smelting at a smelter in Canada. The remaining 40 per cont may be paid at the close of the fiscal year upon evidence that all such ore las been smelted in Canada.
2. If at the close of any year it appears that during the year the quantity of lead produced, on which the bounty is authorized, exceeds 38,333 tons of 2,000 lbs., the rate of bounty shall be reduced to such sum as will bring the payments for the year within the limit mentioned in section 1.
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> it. The amount of balsam used depends entirely on the spruce supply near where the different mills are located. The smaller the amount of spruce available the greater is the amount of balsam used.

> The present method of making pulp ont of balsam is to grind it or treat it with chemicals along with spruce. The results are not satisfactory. Balsum mixed with spruce produces an inferior grade of oulp. Mr . Zon suggests that it would be much better if balsam were handled indenendently of spruce. The balsam fibres are
not nearly so tough and strong as those woods is hastened by the great superior of spruce, and the pressure of the grind- ity of balsam as a seed tree, for balsam ers, which are adjusted for spruce tfibres, bears seeds every year, while the spruce is too powerful for the fibres of balsam only once in seven years. These conditions and they are torn and weakened. make it apparent how very desirable it The silvicultural features of the bal- is that pulp manufaturers should use balsam are related by Mr. Zon, who has stu- sam wherever possible, for in doing so died the tree carefully throughout its they not only lessen the drain on the limrange, but partiularly in Maine and the ited amount of spruce left, but they give Adirondacks. Spruce has been cut for the tree a chance to grow, and reproduce many years, while balsam has scarcely itself. This point Mr. Zon brings out been cut at all; hence balsam hats taken forcibly. The results of Mr . Zon's work the place of and is crowding out the will appear this winter in the form of a spruce. This change in species in the north bulletin by the Bureau of Foreatry.


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"The car shortage question which has bean so much discussed during the past
six months has to some extent disappear- not so much a sh6rtage of cars that inand it may not be out of place to in- terfered with free transportation as a quire briefly into the cause of the com- shortage of motive power and of facilities. plaint Although no accurate figures are at hand concerning the amount of new It was manifestly impossible for anyone equipment which has been put into ser- to anticipate the enormous increase of vice during the past eighteen months, it tonnage that has been forced upon the is known that the additions of cars re- railroads during the past two years. The pesent a larger percentage than does the roads were prepared for a large growth of increase in tomnage compared with that traffic, but the volume which presented itwhich was moved during the correspond- self was so unprecedented as to make ing period, and a somewhat careful in- all previous calculations of little use. quiry compels the conclusion that it was When the sudden demand came the rail-
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roads set about meeting.it. Cars, locomofives, side tracks, double tracks and ter minal facilities were all perceived to be necessary, and provision was made for them. Although the same urgency att.clied to each need, that of the cars was most quickly supplied, as they were easier of construction and capable of more rapid delivery. Locomotives followed next in order, and afterward the side tracks, double tracks and terminals, the last named being the slowest of procurement.
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their utmost for more than two years To show how wide are the ramifications to provide adequate terminals, but even of such an increase of traffic, an experi-to-day some of the lines entering that ence of one of the western roads may be city are obliged to refuse business for cited. In common with other roads it want of space to handle it. Could all of contracted for its supply of coal, basing the expenditures of the railroads in their its estimate upon what was believed to be efforts to handle the traffic which has enough to meet the necessities. The coal efforts to handle the traffic which has enough to meet the necessities. The coal
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