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## COMMERCIAL SUMMARY

-The Cotton Print Co., will erect a plant this Spring at St. Timothee, P.Q.
-The Canadian Bank of Commerce will shortly open a branch at Kelowna, B.C.
-A refining plant for the treatment of gypsum will be erected at Spatsum, on the main line of the C.P.R. in British Columbia, George Hinton, of the Hinton Electric Co.. Vancouver, is orfanizing the company which will carry on the operations.
-Twenty-five thousand new homesteads have just been opened for settlers in the west by the Dominion Government. Of these 9,000 are in the Athabasca district, 6,000 are in the Jack Fish Lake district, directly north of North Battleford; 5,000 west of Saskatoon and east of Calgary; 2,000 in the Shelbrook district, and 3.000 in the Carrot River Valley.
-The ratepayers of Calgary will vote on by-laws covering the expenditure of $\$ 380,000$ on electric light extensions, and $\$ 60.000$ on conduits.
-The Ken Knitting Co. will receive a loan of $\$ 20,000$ from the municipality of Woodstock. The company undertake to build a $\$ 35,000$ factory.
-The final provisional census returns gives the total population of India as $315,000,000$. This is an increase of 20,500 . 000 as compared with 1901.
-The bid of Aemilius Jarvis and Co., of Toronto. for a quarter-million St. John, N.B., debentures, 4 per cent, 40 years, has been accepted. They tendered 98.04 .
-The City Council, of Sherbrooke, P.Q., will develop power for the city's uses at Rock Forest. The plant to be installed will require an expenditure of $\$ 100,000$.
-At the meeting of the bondholders of the Quebec, and Lake St. John Railway in London Friday last, the agreement with the Canadian Northern Railway was unanimously ratified.
-The St. John River Electrical Power Co., of which John E. Stewart, Andover, N.B., is promoter, are seeking a charter to develop power on the St. John river about 40 miles above Fredericton.
-Inalienable Life Annuities.-Legislation is being passed in New Zealand to provide for inalienable life annuities, the idea being that the annuitant shall not be able to acquire a large capital sum, possibly, to waste.

Twenty cities in Canada report that the buildings undertaken in the first two months of the year shows an increase of 40 per cent aver the same period in 1909. New York shows a falling off from $\$ 26,250.000$ to $\$ 24,000,000$.
-After May 1, artificially coloured green teas will not be admitted into the United States, under a regulation recently issued. Teas already shipped may be "re-processed" in the United States, to comply with the spirit of this ruling.
-The East C'anada Power and Pulp Co., of which Mr. Rodolphe Forget is President, intend building a large mill at Nairn Falls. Que. They have secured possession of the timber limits formerly owned by The Murray Bay Lumber and Pulp Co.

According to the statistics of the Department of Trade and Commerce, the principal exports from Canada to Italy for the last fiscal year were: Breadstuffs, $\$ 430,919$; fish and fish products, $\$ 249.622$; metal manufactures, chiefly agricultural implements, $\$ 87,875$; total exports. $\$ 829,508$.
-The Dominion government has placed an embargo on the importation of cattle and all live stock from British ports, save horses, owing to an outbreak of foot and mouth disease at Cobham, Surrey. This will keep out cattle intended for breeding purposes until the disease is stamped out.
-The White Star triple-screw steamship Titanic, of 45,000 tons, and sister ship to the Olympic, will be launched on May 31, at Belfast. The Olympic will leave Southampton on her maiden voyage to New York on June 14. Messrs. Harland and Wolff proposes to dry dock the Olympic in the new graving dock on the 30th inst. to receive final touches.
-Some time ago Commissioner H. R. Poussette reported to the Department from Durban that the Canadian imports into South Africa for the nine months ended September 30, 1910, amounted to $£ 472,870$, as compared with $£ 354,101$ for the same period in the previous year and $£ 478,000$ for the 12 months. His latest advice is to the effect that Canadian imports for the calendar year 1910 reached a total of $£ 647$,578.
-It is almost impossible to over-estimate the importance of a statement made in the British Parliament by Sir Edward Grey, the Foreign Secretary, that the Government would welcome a proposal from the United States along the lines of President Taft's plea for "a positive agreement with some other nation to abide by the adjudication of an international arbitral court on every question that could not be settled by negotiation, no matter what was involved."
-A return just issued by the Department of Trade and Customs, Melbourne, demonstrated that 1910 was easily a record year for the Commonwealth as both imports and exports showed great expansion in volume and value. The figures for last year are subject to revision but may be accepted as substantially correct. In 1910, the total oversea trade of the Commonwealth reached the huge total of $£ 133,953,865$ ( $\$ 6 \overline{5} 1,-$ 015,783 ) of which the imports were valued at $£ 59,456,238$ ( $\$ 288,957,316$ ) and the exports $£ 74,497,627$ ( $\$ 362,058,467$ ).
-In the Prince Edward Island Legislature, a resolution was introduced asking that the Dominion Government be requested not to apply to Prince Ed. Island until after the opening of the lobster season regulations passed last December requiring space in laths of lobster-traps and mesh in netting to be increased. Packers claim that 50 per cent of the lobsters on the north side and 80 per cent on the south now taken are under eight inches. The new regulations mean the escape of this size of lobster, and hence serious loss to the industry.
-The statistics which are just to hand in regard to the production and exports of oils from the United States, make interesting and enlightening reading. The total output from the different fields, as was anticipated, shows a substantial increase over the previous year- 204000,000 varrels, compared with $182,134,474$ barrels. This advance has been chicfly attributable to the energetic developments which have occurred in the California fields, where the oil-bearing areas have been extended in all directions, and the lower and richer sands have been tapped in many plots.
-The usual monthly compilation by the London Bankers' Magazine of the aggregate value of 387 securities dealt in on the London Stock Exchange shows an increase for February of $£ 12,006,000$, or 0.3 per cent following an increase of $£ 44$,096,000 , or 1.2 per cent, in January. The increase was quite general with the exception of Africans. which experienced a decline of $£ 3,246,000$, or 3.9 per cent. Americans participated in the increase to the extent of $£ 3.310 .000$, or 0.8 per cent; British and Indian funds $£ 2,483.000$, or 0.3 per cent; home rails, $£ 9923,000$, or 3.4 per cent and, foreign government stocks, $£ 2383,000$ or 0.3 per cent.
-The New York bank statement according to the calculaton of averages, shows a decrease of $\$ 3,254,100$ in reserves for the week ending March 18, and the surplus is now $\$ 31375,275$, as against $\$ 9,449425$ a year ago, $\$ 14,906,475$ two years ago, and $\$ 37.424,450$ three years ago. The proportion of cash held to deposits is 27.29 per cent. Loans increased $\$ 11,430$,800 during the week, deposits increased $\$ 10,236.000$, specie decreased $\$ 1,871,000$, legal tenders increased $\$ 1,175,900$, and circulation decreased $\$ 64,800$. The actual cash reserve increased $\$ 1.331,500$, loans increased $\$ 1,976,900$, deposits increased $\$ 3$,095,600 , specie increased $\$ 1.032,800$, and legal tenders increased \$1,072,600
-The financial returns of Nova Scotia were brought down in the House of Assembly Monday by Premier Murray. They show expenditures of $\$ 1,725,914$ and receipts of $\$ 1.608,175$, a deficit of $\$ 117.739$, while the chief items of revenue were $\$ 614,-$ 573 from coal royalties (which was $\$ 14,434$ less than the year before) ; Dominion Subsiay, $\$ 610,460$; succession duties, $\$ 53$,928; provincial secretary's department, $\$ 30,976$, and Crown lands, $\$ 20,332$. Some of the chief items of expenditure were: Education, $\$ 319,971$; interest, $\$ 406,914$; public charities, $\$ 216$,793 ; roads, $\$ 230,811$; technical education $\$ 39,783$; legislative expenses, $\$ 67,000$; agriculture, $\$ 71,949$; mines, $\$ 40.000$; steamboat and ferry subsides, $\$ 66.798$.
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-The possibilities of greater utilization of the river Seine for the transport of merchandise and of making Paris an ocean port, were considerably discussed in October last, at the time of the railway strikes which rendered, for a few days, communication between Great Britain and France practically impossible. It is, therefore, interesting to note that a steamer from a North of England port arrived at Gennevilliers, near Paris. on January 21st, and unloaded a cargo of coal. This new departure has been initiated by a firm of coal importers in Paris, who are running a line of six steamers of 1,000 tons carrying capacity on 2 m .80 draught, for the purpose of carrying coal direct from British ports to Paris.
-The total foreign trade of France, imports and exports, during 1910 amounted in value to $£ 510,623,400$ compared with $£ 478,566,760$ in 1909. The value of the imports was $£ 270$,369,000 , compared w.th $£ 249,844,000$ in 1909 , an increase of 8.22 per cent; the exports amounting to $£ 240.228,000$, compared with $£ 228,724,000$ in 1909, an increase of 5.03 per cent. La Depeche Coloniale remarks, in recording these figures, that the increase is largely due to an augmentation of the imports of articles of food, particularly cereals and wines, which is the result of deficient crops. On the otber hand, the growth of the imports of raw materials used in industries and of the exports of manufactured products shows the commercial and industrial activity which the country enjoyed in 1910.
-Some time ago the Treasury of the United States made a regulation imposing a surtax of 9 cents per gallon proof on Irish and Scoteh whiskies imported into that country. This measure is justified, said the American Treasury, by the fact that it is only lately that it learnt that the English government pays a bounty of 3d per gallon proof on these spirits when they are destined for exportation, and because the United States have not been able to obtain the abolition of this bounty, which threatens the prosperity of the exportation of American whiskey to importing markets. This allowance of 3d per gallon was made to the English distillers, according to Mr. Lloyd George who had been questioned on the subject, as an equivalent for the restrictions imposed on them by the law and regulations as to their method of fabrication.
-We learn that the United States Supreme Court has sustained the validity of the Federal Corporation Tax, and that law, and the features connected with it, will therefore have to be accepted as one of the conditions confronting the business world. This Tax Act, which was grafted on the Taruf Law of 1909 at the last moment, at the instance of President Taft, is really a corporation income tax, and that is why the belief widely existed that under legal attack the law would fail. The Court, however, takes precisely the same ground as the President when he urged the acceptance of the provision upon Congress, holding that it answers the definition of an Excise Tax, and hence comes within the powers conferred upon Congress. All the various other objections raised up against the legality of such a tax are also swept aside. It follows that it will never again be possible seriously to question such a tax from a legal standpoint.
-The French Minister of Finance is not very sanguine about the feasability of establishing penny postage with Great Britain. Replying to a deputation the other day, he said that penny postage with Great Britain would not involve a serious loss, possibly three million francs, but he feared that it would be more difficult for France to restrict such an arrangement to Great Britain than it would be for Great Britain to do so with France. From her geographical position, Great Britain might plead with some plausibility that she had special reasons for giving this tariff to her nearest continental neighbour, more especially in view of her friendship with France, but it would be more difficult for France to so restrict the arrangement. Therefore, he foresaw that a penny postal arrangemnet would entail a very large deficit upon French revenue. perhaps fifty million francs, and his expert postal adisers estimated that it would take fifteen years to recover this deficit.
-J. D. Marier, Trudell and Co., Geo. Plowle and O. Gagnon of Quebec city have been incorporated as "Marier and Trudel, Limited," manufacturers of leather and shoes, capital $\$ 48,000$. The "California Steamship Company, Ltd.," with a capital of $\$ 200,000$, and with headquarters at Vancouver, has been incorporated by the State Department. With a capitalization of ten million dollars the "Ames, Holden, McCready, Ltd.," of Montreal, has been incorporated to carry on the manufacture of leather, rubber and footwear goods generally, and to amalgamate with other concerns in the business. G. Cousins. O. B. MeCallum, P. F. Brown, W. R. Ford, and St. T. Main, of Montreal, have been incorporated as the "Standard Steel Works, Ltd.," with a capital of one million dollars. The "Columbia River (British Columbia) Lumber Company, Ltd.," with a capital of $\$ 5,000,000$, has been incorporated. The headquarters are in Toronto. and the names of the incorporators suggest that it is a Mackenzie and Mann enterprise.
-Dispatches to branch offices of R. G. Dun and Co. in leading trade centers of Canada state that trade generally continues to make further progress with the opening of spring. At some points, however, notably in the East, some complaint is heard that activity has not developed with the rapidity expected. Nevertheless. even at these cities, there is normal demand for staples, and but for the fact that comparison is being made with last year, which was about the most active on record, there would be little disappointment expressed regarding the volume of business. At Montreal wholesale traue is hardly up to expectations, though sales of dry goods are well maintained, and in metals hardware and structural materials transactions are large, while cotton and knitting mills are still very busy. Demand for footwear is rather light, as it is between seasons, and in consequence leather moves slowly and hides are dull. At Quebec, while trade has not shown any considerable improvement during the week some fairly large orders have been received and prospects for general activity are considered good. Building operations are commencing, and the demand for all kinds of staples, such as groceries, dry goods, leather, grain and provisions is of good proportions. Demand for general merchandise at Toronto increases as the season advances, the movement of dry goods, groceries, hardware, building materials, paints and agricultural implements making a favotrable comparison with that of a year ago. Little change is noted in leather, and hides are dull. London reports that preparations for spring are general, and wholesalers report business conditions satisfactory. Agricultural prospects are good, which stimulates the feeling of confidence in practically all lines. The general situation at Hamilton is very satisfactory, increasing activity appearing with the opening of spring. Shippers are preparing for the opening of navigation; manufacturers are busy; labour is well employed and business outlook is regarded with much confidence. In the Far West optimism continues to be the most notable feature ,business in all sections being stimulated by the large influx of new population and the mild and spring. like weather.

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As tine gives oppartunity for reflection, it becomes erident that not mearly enough attention has been pail to the important announcement of the "Decla ration of london." 'The protection of neut ral vessels in war time, is an moloubt edly grand thing to work for, and, as the scandalous action of liussia in the Russo-Japanehe war reminds as, a necessary thing also. But it might as well be noticed at the same time, that Great Britain benefits less than any other nation by this provision, inasmuch as the British mercantile navy is large enough to carry ly far the greatest part of the nation's merchandise, and is usually mainly concerned in that business. It would appear that the I nited Kingdom might well have held out for especial rights in respect of ressels capable of being converted into eruisers. Leaving that important matter to be abosed as it was in the Russian war, is, it is beginning to be thought, a serious mistake, for which maritime nations may again suffer in the next great war.

With every desire to support any action which would to any extent mitigate the horrors of naval warfare it
is impossible to close the cyes to the fart that the present British Government has not any very great consideration for the merchant marine, which has had most to do with keeping the supremacy of the world, for that kingdom's trade. As Lord Muskerry remarked the other day, at the annual meeting of the Imperial Merchant Service (iuild :-
"Since the year 1849, when the Navigation Act was repealed, with the exception of the loan at a low rate of interest to the Cunard line to enable them to build the Lusitania and the Mauretania, no Govermment has given the least aid or assistance to the shipowners of th is country; in fact, rather on the contrary, they seem to have encouraged the ships of foreign nations to come and compete with our own shipowners. (Hear, hear.) Now, not content with this passive attitude of doing nothing to assist, they assent to this declaration, they change from their passive attitude, to an active attitude, and deal one of the severest blows which one could possibly imagine against the interests of the country, of the shipowners and of the men of the merchant service in gencral. Who built up this great Empire? To whom is due the prosperity of this country, of this city of liverpool, and the many other thriving cities in this country? The shipowners of former times and your predecessors commanding or serving in merchant ships. It is they who have carried the Red Ensign into every part of the world, and in those days the statesmen in this country recognized the value of our maritime commerce. What is the
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case now? Governments are so deeply engaged in politics and in introducing measures for the purpose of catching votes that they have no time for matters of statesmanship, or of taking measures to protect the interest of our country.
The Red Ensign is still flying in every part of the world, but I am very sorry to say not nearly to the extent which it did some years ago. In many places it is being gradually replaced by the German flag. Take our trade in the East, take the Straits Settlements, Singapore; there the German is steadily making his way, and supplanting our countrymen, and he is doing the same in other parts of the world. (Hear, hear.) The Government must know that this is happening, and yet they remain supine, and when the German once gets a trade into his own hands he permits no one of another nationality to share in it. They do not display the same apathy or weakness which we do. You may remember when the Germans took possession of the Marshall Islands how they treated our ships trading to these Islands. There was, of course, remonstrance from our Foreign Office, but that was of little avail. What did make them reconsider their action and climb down was the threat of the Federal Premier of Australia to severely penalise German trade with that country."

This is almost the most serious news which could have come to us. Britain's trade is showing no decline. Indeed, the contrary is the case, for the business credit of the nation is on an unusually high level just now. That our great shipping lines should be unable (through anything Governments could do, or might undo), to compete as of yore with continental rivals, means a greater menace than a comparatively greater increase of Dreadnoughts, under fore:gn powers. We cannot but hope that the British authorities will lend further consideration to this important phase of the matter. And, meanwhile, the effect of the spirited action of the Premier of the Commonwealtle, should commend itself to the opinion of our own Canadian Government. There are occasions, evidently, when the younger and subordinate nations may perform a service to the Empire's trade, by sternly preserving the: r own special rights.
-The Dominion Bank of Canada has issued the Report of its last Annual Statement with lists of shareholders and branches in neat book form. A plain table displays the frots of growth in Capital of $\$ 970,250$ in 1875 to $\$ 4,000,000$ in 1210, in Reserve from $\$ 225,000$ in 1875 to $\$ 5,000,000$ and $\$ 3050 f ?$ in hand in 1910, and from 8 to 80 Branches in the same periot. The Total Assets have also grown since 1875 from $\$ 3,653,0 h^{7}$ to $\$ 62,677,820$, with no less than $\$ 22,041,300$ in liquit or izi mediately realizable form.

## U.S. CORPORATION TAX LAW

It is settled at last by a unanimous decision of the Supreme Court of the United States that the PayneAldrich taxation of corporations by the Federal Government is intra vires, and constitutional in every respect. The unanimity of the Judges ought not to go unnoticed, in the case of a country like the neighbouring Republic, where politics are intertwined among all the conditions of life. Of course, the now settled fact of its constitutionality does not remove it from the reach of criticism. In the light of the truth that nations are exceedingly imitative, it is imperative that it should be pointed out that there is much to criticize in it. A leading New York financial journal in making its own certain arguments, which have previously been made familiar to our readers, uses language, which for obvious reasons we prefer to our own:-
"The law does act unfairly as between a business conducted by a corporation and the same business conducted by an individual or a private partnership," salys our contemporary. "As a consequence, it may be expected that many small business-the shoe store, the corner grocery. or the bake-shop-now carried on in the corporate form, will return to the partnership basis. Another valid objection to the new Act is that through its publicity features there is more or less possibility of the disclosure of business secrets which the owners are anxious to guard from rivals and the general public. Danger from that source, forturately, has been reduced to a minimum through a modification of the administrative features of the law. When all has been said, however, that can be said in defence of the statute, it still remains true that there is something particularly objectionable to making the small private corporation, doing no inter-State business, and owing nothing to the General' Government, but deriving all its powers from the State, subject to the embrace of the Federal authorities."

There will be some difficulty probably about the matter in the case of States, which already umpose certain taxes by their own legislative authority.

One thing deserving of especial notice is the manner in which the decision disposes of the plea founded upon the clear and settled principle of uniformity, about which there can be no dispute, and which was invoked against the law on the oround that its provisions were not similar with respect to all classes of citizens. The court makes a distinction between corporations and iudividuals, and lays down the premise that State-created corporations cannot escape liability to tax, and thus cut off a source of income which may be essential, with the existente of the Govermment by forming corporations. These corporations are quite different from firms and individuals since they enjoy a continuity not disturbed by death, and the persons composing the corporation are exempt from liability from its debts, which is not the case with a firm. The privilege of doing business under these conditions is the ground that constitutes liability to tax.

Justice Day, in his remarks, also differentiates the present tax from that which was attempted to be imposed by the Income Tax Law, this latter being chargeable upon property simply of its ownership, while the
corporation tax is not payable unless there is a carrying on or doing of business in a designated capacity.

It is a novel feature that firms by their continuity uscape all inheritance, or mortuary taxation, though true and, of course, quite to the point in a legal argument. We doubt, however, whether it is not rather to the ingenuity of the legal men seeking to offset a tromblesome plea, than to anything in the mind of those who formulated this tax idea at the time, that we owe the novel argument.
The American Banker aptly draws attention to the fact that: "Bonds, which admittedly are not subject to taxation as such, are held to be liable under the Cor$p^{\text {oration }}$ Tax Law as part of the income bearing property of the corporation, and thus subject to the excise duty for the privilege of doing business." This eurious provision gives some idea of the radical nature of the new legislation.
()ur readers will perhaps not take it amiss, if we renark once more upon the imitative prodivities of nations, especially neighbouring ones, and also upon the era of large expenditure upon which the Dominon has evidently entered. New sources of Govermmental revenue will have to be sought for in Canada, before many yar have gone by.

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Trade and Xavigation Statements for the month of Jannary reached us from Ottawa, shortly after the ruport of British Trade for February came to hand. Comment upon the dilatoriness, which appears to be the rule in Ottaw, is prolably useless. It is lit tle short of scandalous that the pablic money should be simply spuandered as it now is, in issuing experisive blue bookst, after their usefulness has gone. Mani-
 its aflairs with an archamological value only. in these hoss. speredy times. We may notice that the trade of the Jominion is ine reasing aceording to this, as usual, Islated report. but that exports are dectining. For the fiscal year they show:-

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The Board of Trade returns dealing with British formign commerce for February show that imports last month expanded by $x_{2} 4,29 \cdot 2,240$, while exports were \$19,806, 250 hearier than for the corresponding month last year. The figures, therefore, indicate that the satisfactory expamsion which has been groing on for many months past still continnes at a highly encouraging rate. Of the increase in import.- $\$ 23,317,395$ comes under the head of raw materials. and cotton, as lusual, is very much to the front, the total imports of the raw staple being $\$ 2: 3.955 .590$ heavier. Grain and flour imports were nearly a million less. Manufactured imports increased by about threc-quarters of a million. As regards the expansion in exports $\$ 16$,

812,100 was in manufactured artieles, cotton again being first with an increase of $\$ 7,269,510$. The rest of the increase is well distributed. The imports into the United Kingdom during February and the two months were (in pounds sterling) :-

| 191 | February . |  |
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| 1911. | £ $56.069,390$ | £1 18,764,161 |
| 1910. | 51,150,942 | 107,060,626 |
| 1909 | 50,468,143 | 103,968,507 |

The exports during February and the two months were:-

| 19 | February £35653,120 | Two Months. £ 73383,951 |
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| 1910 | 31,691,870 | 66,494,985 |
| 1909. | 28,024,452 | 56827 |

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| 1911. | February <br> 9994,156 | Two Months € 18,635,628 |
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| 1910. | 10,184, | 18331,72 |
| 1919. | 8,473,634 | 15,161,185 |

The imports of gold into England during February were $£ 3,335,117$, against $£ 3,370,661$ for the corresponding month last year, and for the two months $£ 6,330$,664 , against $£ 6,050,3 \% 2$. The imports of silver were $£ 1,114,561$, a gainst $£^{7} 98,128$, and for the two months $£ 2,530,267$ : against $£ 2,413,874$. The exports of gold during February were $£ 1,884,396$, against $£ 4,738,649$, and for the two months $£ 6,089,922$, against $£ 7,791,401$. The exports of silver during February were $£ 1,579,813$, against $£ 1,043,306$, and for the two months $£ 3,890,038$, against $£ 1,959,490$.

The amazing vitality of British trade is a contirual surprise. As, we nced not remind readers of the "Journal of Commerce. these figures necessarily leave out of the question the greatest of Britain's trade items, that of money. Investments abroad are in-c-reasing at an amazing rate, and as bank returns show, a large proportion of their yield is left abroad, where it is earned, for re-investment in the several countries thus under tribute to our mother country. The withdrawal of these British funds, from all the corners of the earth, would cause not only intense commotion, but also dire calamity everywhere. It would appear to be increasingly every nation's hosiness to see that Britains: peace is not disturbed, nor her financial power crippled. As it is, nothing but sound financial policy to maintain, integrity of the comnection between Callada and the Motherland, to the utmost extent. no matter what temborary illus on may occur to hlind politicialls to its manifest advantages.

## BA NANAS.

Is it more than thirty years since bananas became important articles of the import trade? It has been said, that this succulent fruit affords the sole nourishment of more people than any one substance, excepting perhaps rice. Among Northern peoples it is even now not taken very serionsly and possibly, as we now have it, will never pass from being a luxury, into a regular article of diet. That it is deserving more than from its food value is undeniable. Its cultivation is being extended in the sub-tropical countries where
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it thrives best. An abundance of moisture, and long continued heat are requisites to its production, such cheap labour as is necessary being applied at planting and gathering time, chiefly. Its hab:tat is constantly being extended, and we notice that recently the Goverument of Venezuela has granted a concession to a Company, already engaged in banana culture in other parts of South America. The concession regards the cultivation of this fruit in the region of South of Lake Maracaibo, a fertile and wind-shedtered district, where immense returns may be expected.

The obstacle in the way of extending the market northwards is the cost of transportation. Bananas are bulky articles, and the heavy stalks and thick skins represent a good deal of waste weight. The desireability of increasing our food supplies and of obtaining $a=$ much variety as possible, makes it to be important that methods of shipping this fruit in a dried condition should be thoroughly tested. We are told that "bana nas dried whole and in slices have been sold in Germany for the last two years with growing success. So far the best dried bananas come from Jamaica, whence they are despatched in wooden boxes of 25 kilos. The average price is about 68 frs . per $100 \mathrm{kilos."}$

Considering the relatively short distance from Canada to the West Indies, it looks as though Germany has stolen a march on us in this matter, against which we ought to have been on our guard. A new cheap palatable fond of great nutricious value is perhaps of grater importance to the teeming under-paid peoples of the German Fmpire, than to Canada, but there is no reason why we should not have some choce in the matter. We are further informed by the International Institute of Agriculture that, "the unripe hanana, when dried, contains 80 per cent of stareh and only from 3 to 4 per cent of sugar. The dry ripe fruit, contains 80 per cent of sugar ( 40 per cent of which is saccharose and about 30 per cent inverted sugar) and only ? percent of starch. Sugar therefore is produced at the expense of starch, during ripening. Bananas forexportation are gathered before they are ripe. and ripen on the journey or after. These bananas have not the del icate perfome of fruit ripened on the plant. Considering that 40 per cent of this fruit consists of peel. the advantage of drying them for exportation when perfectly ripe and aromatic is obvious. Dried balla nas are known under different names. Thev are rapidly and completely digested, and are highly nutritive. Their cheapness renders them admirally adapted for popular consumption."

Is all thoughtful economists will agree. We may reasonably expect that the teeming exuberance of tropical regetation, has it in its power to contribute much more sulstantially to the food regimen of the world, than has yet been made apparent. Possibly dried, and otherwise prepared bananas, are yet to prove themselves indispensable to a cheap and complete dietary.

Mr. C. A. Ray, Assistant Accountant at Guelph of the Traders Bank, has been transferred to the Inspectors' Department in Toronto. Mr. M. Cockroft suceeeds Mr. Ray, and Mr. Martin of Tillsonburg succeeds the latter as teller.

## COLOURED TEAS.

The new United States legislation which forbids the entry at the Customs of coloured teas after May 1, will have rather far reaching effects. For one thing, it is certain to prove vexatious to Japan, all of whose teas, excepting the small quantity of "fancy" variety known as basket-fired, are coloured, or faced. No one will deny that the action is justified, for teas loaded with colouring and other matter to give them a certain tempting appearance cannot be deścribed as pure. The United States federal authority has been making quite commendable attempts to secure pure food for the people by law, and it is only fair that foreign as well as domestic foods should come the test of legislation. Both China and Japan have coloured their green teas for many years past, as is well known in the trade. It is not as thoroughly realized that the Chinese have a way of facing their black tea with plumbago. In fact, both on the ground of purity and artificially added weight, importers have good reason to complain of the tea sent them from the two Oriental Empires. The trade with both nations will suffer seriously and probably at once.

But India and Ceylon tea will be bencfitted. In their pur uncoloured condition, neither of the Chinese or Japanese varieties can stand competition with these. In fact, of late years, colouring and facing has had to be extravagant in order to maintain any footing at all in comparison. Some of the cheap Ceylon and Indian green`s have been artificially faced to keep up with those sent from the vellow peoples. But there never was real necessity for the colouring of these, and now that the fictitious advantage of this uncleanly fashion has been taken away, the superiority of the Indian tea will carry it on triumphantly.

It is not likely that what the United States will not use, will find its way into British communities. Indeed, the Indian and Ceylon teas are already greany -almost universally used in England. There may be some advance in prices at first. But with the market assured to them, and Russia also insisting on pure tea, and offering inducements through her customs to India, the Hindoos may be expected to increase their output largely. We may well hope that it will be so, for those fellow citizens in the great Indian Empire are, $n$ their growing prosperity, adding to the wealth and importance of our own great British Empire.

THE UNION LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY
The Ninth Annual Statement of the Union Life Assurance Company, of Toronto., which was incorporated under a Iominion charter in 1902 , will be found upon another page of this issue of the "Journal of Commeree." The authorized capital was a million dollars, of which $\$ 628,515$ has been paid-up, above the usial amount to be subscribed with insurance companies. This leaves a large sum in treasury stock, upon which no dividends have to be paid, and which represents a line of reserves in case of necessity.
That the Union Life has not been especially hampered by lack of either funds or business evergy, a glance at the remarkably candid comparitive state-
ments in the Report itself will prove. On the contrary the progress has been in giant strides from the modest beginning of $\$ 13,129$, received in premiums in 1902 to $\$ 530,418$, in 1910 . In 1909 the Net Premium Income was $\$ 439,583$, the gain during the year having been $\$ 90,835$. The gain in 1909 over 1908 had been $\$ 83,581$, so that it will be seen that there is no disposition on the part of the Company to rest contented with any past rate of progression. We draw attention to this, as a further proof of the contention often expressed in these columns, that Canada has only just been made aware of the trade value of the life insurance principle, and that the harvest of the results of education is in the future.

The Insurance in force at the end of the Company's year, last December, was $\$ 18,134,801$. At the end of 1909 , it was $\$ 15,36 \pi, 426$, and in $1908 * 13,295,4 i 8$, the rate of increase accelerating considerably as we have already point out. This represents a tremendous responsibility, though, of course, the organization increases "pari passu" with its insurances. For instance. last year, the payments to policyholders amounted altogether to $\$ 107,923$, which, though an increase upon the figures of the previous year, is an exceedingly small proportion, by the way. and probably gives evidence of unusual care in the selection of risks. This sum was more than met by the amounts received from interest, rents and other sources alone, $\$ 146,592$. The actual investments and other Assets amount in all to $\$ 1,339,661$, the present liabilities, which include $\$ 812,26 \pi$, a Re-Insurance Reserve, $\$ 846,483$. the surplus thus standing at $\$ 493,1 \% 8$, or more than four times the sum of the outlay annually required at last year's rate, to meet all claims of policyholders.

Or, to put it in another, possibly simpler, form, the Company began 1910 with net Ledger Assets of $\$ i 3 \%$,219. and concluded it with Net Ledger Assets of $\$ 1,-$ 289,223. When we have noted the fact that| capital stock was bought during the year to the extent of $\$ 528.510$, we have probably said all that is necessary to the understanding and appreciation of this report, to which we cordially direct our readers attention.

The President of the Union Life is Mr. H. Pollman Evans; Vice-President, Mr. G. E. Millichamp, ML.B.; Secretary and Actuary, Mr. (. P. Muckle: the other Directars being: Messrs. Harry symons, K.C.. Toronto; Lt.-Col. G. E. Allen Jones, Quebec; F. (i. Hughes, L.I).S., (ialt; ('harles J. Harvey. F.I.A.. New York, and W. II. Carrie, Toronto.

## THE BANK STATEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY.

We mentioned, a month ago, when commenting on the Bank Statements for January, that there was little that was not to be expected. This is emphasized in the February Statements, this being what may be called the neap-tide of Bank affairs, for the differences in totals are very small indeed, and present no features that can be attributed to any one particular Bank.

This is without doubt a favourable feature, for any large changes at this period would probably indicate some abnormal features of business, that might or might not point to conditions that possibly were not satisfactory. At the same time we have to bear in
mind that our Canadian Banks are now engaged in some large affairs that may at any time make a considerable change in their figures between one month and the next.

Turning to the actual figures, Paid-up Capital and Reserve Funds both show an increase, the aggregate of the latter item being now 85 per cent of the capital, a very satisfactory proportion for the depositing public to notice.

Circulation shows an increase of $\$ 2,816,000$. This, being generally distributed among the Banks, is an evidence of ordinary business requirements, and will prove to be self-adjusting in due course.

Both the Dominion and Provincial Governments have increased their Bank deposits, while ordinary public deposits, both on demand and subject to notice and abroad show only slight differences.

In the columns of assets, the decrease in balances due from agents in the United Kingdom is about equalized by the increase in amounts due from foreign agents.

Changes in investments do not call for comment.
Call Loans in Canada show an unimportant decrease of $\$ 1,068,000$. There does not seem to be any sign of tightness in the money market, while it would seem that the operators in stocks are doing their ordinary volume of transactions among themselves without hindrance. Call Loans elsewhere are higher by $\$ 1,624$,000.

The Current Loans in Canada show the largest change, being $\$ 6,728,000$ higher than in January. This, of course, represents ordinary business transactions, and the increase would be more satisfactory were we sure that it was all new business, but we are informed that in some lines payments are anything but satisfactory, which would point to some volume of renewals in addition to bills for new business. The small addition to the total of overdue debts points in the same direction.

So much for the figures, which include, as in last month, those of the new Weyburn Security Bank, which we hope to see taking its place among those doing a standard legitimate banking business. Before. long we may expect to see included the new bank, lathered by Mr. R. Forget, the name of which is not yet definitely agreed upon.

We have no allothoritative information as to the personel of the administration, nor what the policy of the executive will be, although Mr. Forget has stated for the press that it is the intention to do an ordinary commercial banking business. While there would appear, at the present time, to be quite sufficient banking capital in the country for all regular requirements, we must not lose sight of the fact that the rapid growth of the country may soon call for more than the existing Banks can supply.

At all events the new Bank will have its time of legitimate trial and no doubt have its ups and downs, without finding any assured road to success. The head of the exccutive will have an important post to fill.

It is satisfactory to note that the recent florid discussions on international affairs have not produced any unsatisfactory features as far as the Banks are concerned and therefore, as we may suppose, general busi-
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Owing to pressure upon our columns this week, the regular two-page detailed statement will have to be held over for our next issue.

THE BANK STATEMENT.


## LIABILITIES.

| Sutes in circulation .. .. .. 79,927,785 | 77,110,971 | 74,686,443 | 45,905,942 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Due Dominion Government - 5,086,793 | 3,635,876 | 8,524,657 | 2,861,435 |
| Due Prov. Govts.. .. .. .. 27,725,625 | 26,839,060 | 31,519,125 | 3,613,411 |
| Deposits on demand .. .. ..268,360,503 | 270,178,480 | 236,697,987 | 92,182,219 |
| Deposits after notice.. .. ..551,424,373 | 549,774,479 | 507,307,733 | 207,096,610 |
| Deposits outside Canada .... 68,296,858 | 66,106,224 | 73,944,685 | 20,974,155 |
| L'ns from bks. in Can., sec. 3,583,213 | 3,943,287 | 4,047,413 | 16,694,983 |
| Depts on demand in Can. bk. 5,367,450 | 5,162,438 | 4,845,755 | 2,453,557 |
| Due agencies in U.K. .. .. $2,50 \overline{7}, 091$ | 2,028, i25 | 3,190,054 | 3,055,735 |
| Due agencies abroad.. .. .. 4,140,664 | 4,530,448 | 4,583,341 | 786,832 |
| Other liabilities .. .. .. .. 7,394,383 | 6,out,716 | 9,851,943 | 6,027,727 |
| Total liabilities .. .. .. $1,024,214,8031$, | 5,674,786 | 959,197,201 | 386,752,685 | ASSETS.


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| Dominion notes .. .. .. .. 75,297, | 75,886,564 | $74,076,167$ | 20,628,391 |
| Weposits securing circulation 4,573,450 | 5,050,117 | 4,040,206 | 2,392,973 |
| Notes \& cheques on other bks. $41,584,289$ | 39,644,830 | 36,926,404 | 11,736,803 |
| L'ns to other bks. in Can., sec. 3,780,132 | 3,864,874 | 3,951,994 | 1,659,972 |
| 1)epts on demand in Can. bk. 7,503,994 | 7,260,757 | 7,417,547 | 3,722,577 |
| Due from banks in U.K. .. 14,016,422 | 16,198,626 | 9,473,183 | 5,475,825 |
| Due from foreign bks., etc. .. $26,422,8$ | 24,321,533 | 22,287,987 | 9,490,052 |
| Dom. \& Prov. Govt. Secs. .. 11,31 | 11,136,124 | 18,257,135 | 11,3:0,416 |
| (an. municip. \& other pub sec. <br> (not Dominion) $\qquad$ | 8 | 21,776,900 | 11,401,882 |
| Railway and other sees. . .. 59,232,964 | 58,991,330 | 53,989, 600 | 27,496,605 |
| (all loans in Canada.. .. .. $59,132,692$ | 60,200,781 | 61,855,519 | 33,389,719 |
| (all loans outside Canada .. 85,420,046 | 83,796,665 | 120,374,681 | 32,404,832 |
| Current loans in Canada ...689,234,781 | 682,506,695 | 602,454,539 | 275,226.993 |
| Current loans outside Canada 37,099,221 | 38,362,549 | 42,403,784 | 20,042,273 |
| Loans to. Prov. Govts. .. .. 2,040,768 | 1,606,761 | 2,765,082 | 2,551,445 |
| Overdue dehts .. .. .. .. .. $7,238,240$ | 7,146,350 | 6,018,912 | 2,242,934 |
| R. E .besides bk. premises. $1,382,586$ | 1,373,245 | 1,148.650 | 1,053,518 |
| Mortgages on real estate .. 993,257 | 980,309 | 671,162 | $614,957$ |
| Bank premises. .. .. .. .. 26,459,0 6 | 25,850,161 | 21,954,522 | 6,411,752 |
| Other assets. .. .. .. .. .. 9,466,612 | 9,173,037 | 8,889,190 | 6,313,958 |
| Total assets .. .. .. ..1,221,704,694 1, | 1,259,062 | 48,314,380 | 497,492,718 |
| I'ns to directors \& their firm 9,790,475 | 10,116,477 | 10,883,678 | 12,594,088 |
| Av. specie for month .. .. 33,451,850 | 33,170,639 | 26,938,486 | 11,518,309 |
| tv. Dom. notes for month. 75,904,871 | 75,245,042 | 73,857,165 | 20,236,577 |
| (irt'st circulation in month .. 81,577,448 | 86,301,933 | 75,782,449 | 47,200,121 |

## POLITICS OUT OF PLACE

Far too much attention is being paid to politics now a days. The future will see men making merry over the current pother and fuss about party names and party ties, which had their significance in the dead and buried past. That keen business men should allow purely traditional views to govern them in their commercial, as well as their social, affairs, may show a commendable respect for antiquity, but it does not reflect a great deal of ordinary sense. What in the
world it matters by what name political men dub their party, so long as there is no vital prineiple in the party, nor any single important ideal for which they stand, no sane, logically directed men can hope to perceive. A simple division between those who are in power, and those who want to be in power is easily understood, but this is not such an essential matter as that men will refuse to believe any good of anything their opponents do.

When a subject of real importance to the business interests of the community is up for discussion, the country has a right to expect that its elected representatives will consider it from the public standpoint. The imaginary line of self interest, between the "in's" and the "out's," or the political line between two traditional bodies, ought to disappear in such a case. "We are one, indissolubly one, welded together by the glow of ordinary patriotism, to promote the vital destinies of the country in the face of dire necessity," was good common sense, as well as good statesmanship. It ought to be as possible to come to the same point to-day, as when threatening war drove men to forget their comparatively puny differences, and for the moment at least the idealistic was realised and:-

## "None were for the party, But all were for the State."

It ought not to be necessary for men in the House of Commons at Ottawa to cross the floor of the house, or to seek the cross-benches. There ought to be independence of spirit enough, to enable a man to be loyal to his chosen leader, or the leader he was elected to support, and yet to say: "I am a Canadian before anything else, these party allegiances do not rob me of nationality. I must say what my duty to my country impels me to." At the present moment there is esnecial need for outspoken manliness at Ottawa. The grand decisive word has not yet been spoken by anyone. No man has yet received the universal acclaim, which shows that he has touched a chord common to the people at large. Perhaps Canadians cannot be brought to agree upon the subject of these trade proposals. But inasmuch as they are by some considered to be of supreme importance they should be considered apart from politics altogether. Every Member of Parliament should speak and act from principle, not as a mere party machine. Each might remember the advice of Polonius:-
"This above all, to thine own self be true, And it must follow, as the night the day,
Thou can'st not then be false to any man."
One word ought perhaps to be said about the intervention of some college students into the political discussion of this matter. It is unwise for the professors to lead these young men away from their legitimate business of studying, and send them on a course which at their undisciplined age is likely to lead to riot and disgrace. "What the devil have you to do with politics?" Carlyle asked when a collegiate body came to him for advice on a political subject. Boyish opinions are not worth a great deal in complex trade matters like the one now under discussion. The city and country has a right to expect that the students be kept out of these affairs altogether.

## WORLD'S FOREST RESOURCES

A bulletin of the United States Department of Agriculture recently issued contains the following information relative to the forest resources of the world.-A series of articles recent ly appeared in the Weekly Report dealing with forestry in various countries. The forests of Europe occupy an area of $750,000,000$ acres, about 31 per cent of the total land area of the continent. The most wooded country in Finland, followed by Bosnia and Herzegovina, and sweden; the least wooded countries are Portugal and (ireat Britain. The proportion of forest area decreases from the north and east of Europe towards the south and west. Russia. Finland. Sweden. and Norway together possess 583,000000 acres of forest, or 78 per cent of the total forest area in Europe. The following table shows the area under forest, the percentage of the total land area under forest, and the forest area per capital for most of the European countries:-

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| European Russia | 464,611,600 | 4.3 | 36.3 |
| Finland . . . . . | 52,500,000 | 18.75 | 54.4 |
| Total | 517,111,000 |  |  |
| Austria-Hungary - |  |  |  |
| Austria | 23.996,000 | . 92 | 26.5 |
| Hungary .. . | 18,692,000 | 1.17 | 25.7 |
| Croatia and Slavonia. | 3.769,000 | 1.64 | 35.95 |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina.. | $6.380,000$ | 3.99 | 50.5 |
| Total .. .. .. .. .. .. 52,837,000 |  |  |  |
| Sweden .. | 49,390.000 | 9.7 | 48.6 |
| Germany | 34,990,000 | . 62 | 25.89 |
| France | 24,021,000 | . 61 | 18.5 |
| Norway | 16,848,000 | 7.0 | 21.0 |
| Spain | ) 16.065,000 | 88 | 13.0 |
| Italy .... | 10.11.,000 | . 31 | 14.28 |
| Bulgaria | 7.603 .000 | 2.4 | 30.0 |
| Roumania | (6.367,0\% (\%) | 1.08 | 18.0 |
| British Isles | 3,030,000 | . 10 | 4.0 |
| Switzerland | 2.140 .000 | 67 | 20.6 |
| Relgium | 1,304090 | . 2 | 17.7 |
| Servia | 3,865,000 | 1.55 | 32.0 |
| Other countries | 4,427,000 |  |  |
| Grand total .. .. .. . | 750,113,000 |  |  |

Of the forests of non European countries, except in a few localities, little is known either as to the quantity or the quality of the timber. The following table shows the extent of the forest area in countries outside Europe. so far as is known :

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| :---: |
| Asiatic Russia |
| India |
| Ceylon |
| Japan |
| Philippine Islands |
| British Australasia |
| Cape Colony, NataI. Swaziland and Transvaal |
| Madagascar |
| Barbary States .. .. .. |

## of total

Proportion under forest

Forest area. Land area,

## Acres.

348.030.000
149.000.070
6.763 .000
57.718000

49,000000
126.720,000
19.8

641,000
25.000000

9,527.000

Central Africa
South America (tropical) West Indies .
Canada.
Mexico
Alaska
United States of America
Certain other countries*

## Total

*Malay States. Straits Settlements, Cyprus, Java, Hawaiian Islands and Mauritius.

The total forest area of the world. so far as shown in the above tables, is over $3,800,000000$ acres. To this should be added the area of the forests of China, Corea, extra-tropical South America and parts of Africa, for which there are no available data.
All figures for forest areas are more or less approximations. While the figures for the forests of Austria-Hungary, Germany. France, Sweden. Norway, Finland. Belgium. and Switzerland may be regarded as fairly accurate, those for the Russia, Canadian, and United States, forests are only quite approximate. The immense forest areas in Russia, the United States and Canada include a large proportion of land at present unproductive, such as swamps. burns. or lands which sooner or later will be taken up for agriculture, as well as forest land proper. As to the figures showing the percentage of forest land to the total. it must be borne in mind that the proportion of forests total land area varies greatly in different parts of the same country

## ASBESTOS.

A phamphlet prepared and issued from the United States Geological Survey, entitled "Production of Asbestos in 1909," states that asbestos of commerce is classed as amphibole and serpentine. The fibre of the first is brittle and of little value as compared with the serpentine, commonly known as chrysotile. Only a small part of chrysotile which, although light and pliable, has sufficient strength to permit its being spun into threads for textile purposes, is found in the United States. bit with exploitation it is hoped that better grades and in larger quantities will be discovered. All borlies of serpentine rock should be prospected for asbestos. as such rock contains the most valuable fibre. The fact that the great belt of of crystalline rock which contains the extensive deposits of asbestos mined in Canada stretches southwestward from the province of Quebec. with many variations, through New England, the Middle West, and the South Atlantic States, into Alabama, naturally leads to the expectation of finding similar deposits in the United States. As fire-proofing for certain classes of structures comes also asbestos-protected metal, rapidly gaining favour on account of lower insurance rates where it is used. Asbestos in fabries for antotyres and friction facing for auto brakes has rapidly increased and also the manufacture of insulating tapes, boards and similar goods for many special electrical purposes. The prejudice against asbestos in paint is decreasing. since it has been found that its moderate use strengthens and lengthens the life of the paint.
The United States leads all other countries in the manufacture of ashestos, but has to depend nearly altogether on Canada for the raw product. The ontlook for the production of asbestos in the United States, especially in Vermont and Georgia, is decidedly encouraging, the quantity produced in 1909 amounting to 3085 tons. valued at $\$ 82,603$ which was more than 200 per cent in excess of that of 1908; but even this increased production was only 4.6 per cent of that of Canada during the same year:
The principal uses of asbestos are as follows: For the manufacture of paper goods for building purposes and pipe coterings, and next to these for the manufacture of shingles, largely used in some European countries. Asbestos shongles, the manufacture of which was started in the United States about
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six years ago, being lighter, more uniform in colour and shape, and fireproof, are replacing slate for roofing. The production of asbestos and asbestic in Canada in 1909 was as follows: Asbestos, 63,349 tons, valued at $\$ 2,284,587$; asbestic, 23,951 tons, valued at $\$ 17,188$. The asbestos industry of Canada, recently consolidaţed into the Amalgamated Asbestos Corporation, Ltd., works 19 quarries and mills, and employs 3,000 persons in summer; one of its mills has a capacity of 8250 tons daily.
The prices of Canadian asbestos, f.o.b. at the mines, were as follows, per short ton, in 1908 and 1909:-


The production of asbestos in Russia increased from 10,802 tons in 1908 to $14,6 \tilde{5} 4$ tons in 1909, which equa's 23 per cent of the Canadian output. In South Africa the output was 1,605 tons in 1908, but the output in 1909 was expected to show a large increase. The most important asbestos deposits are in Cape Colony, but the Transvaal, South Rhodesia and Natal are beginning to contribute to the general output. It is said that the chrysolite deposits of Western Australia are large, and that 10 to 20 per cent of the mass is fibre. The formation is 90 miles from the coast, and the market value of the fibre has not yet been established. Small quantities of asbestos are mined in Japan. France, Italy. Corsica, Greece, Turkey and Ceylon.

## INSURANCE NOTES

-Fraternal Insurance has received a nasty blow by the selling out of the Keystone Guard of Athens, Pa., to New York speculators. "The directors of the Keystone Guard." remarks Best's L:fe Insurance News, "sold out the concern to some speculators by the simple expedient of resigninc in consideration of cash payments to them of $\$ 5,000$ apiece. Of course. they had nothing that they could sell decently and honourably They were elected trustees of the funds contributed by the nembers of this so-called 'fraternal order.' We have very little sympathy for them. for they were all engaged in a gamble, but the principle involved is vital, and no effort should be spared to put in jail, where they belone, people who are guilty of such breaches of trust."
-It might be a good thing to have a proper (oovernmental enquiry made into the fraternal insurance business in Canada. The expensive waste in various ways would cause surprise in many quarters.

At the annual convention of the Union Life of Toronto agents, which was attended by nearly 200 underwriters, it was announced that two additional branch offices are to be opened in Montreal, and one in Toronto. making three in each citr.
-We are informed that the Bill. introduced into the Minnesoto legislature, to permit insurance companies to invest in Canadian mortgages, has been indefinitely postponed.
-Mr. Maurice Ferrand, representative of the Union Fire Insurañce Company. of Paris. France, is visiting Canada. with a view to making the necessary arrangements for the transaction of fire business in the Canadian field by his Company, which was established in 1828.
-The Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation has been authorized by the Dominion Superintendent of Insurance to transact guarantee business. in addition, to accident, sickness and plate glass insurance, for which it is already licensed.
-Mr. Martial Chevalier, general manager of the Credit Fonc:er Franco-Canadien, has been appointed a director of the Manitoba Assurance Company. The other directors are Sir Edward S. Clouston, Bart, Mr. Geo. E. Drummond Mr. F. W. Thompson. Sir Alexandre Lacoste. Mr. J. Gardner Thompson and Mr. J. W. Binnie.
-Application is to be made to the Dominion Parliament for an Act to incorporate the Continental Fire Insurance Co., to
carry on the business of fire, cyclone or tornado, accident or casualty, inland transportation, marine, plate glass and rental insurance, with power to acquire the rights and properties of the Continental Fire Insurance Company, in corporated in Maritoba.
-The decisign of the U.S. Supreme Court upon the Federal Corporation Tax will probably cost the Insurance companies some $\$ 2,250,000$ a year in new taxes.
-The Insurance Press informs us that members of the Knights of Columbus who petition the Supreme Court of Connecticut to have a mortuary fund amounting to between $\$ 500,000$ and $\$ 600,000$ distributed among those who were members prior to 1902 have suffered a denial of their supplication.
-On March 13 the Prudential Insurance Company turned over to the city of Newark a check for $\$ 730,869.74$ for taxes for the years of 1909 and 1910 pursuant to a decision of the New Jersey Court of Errors and Appeals. The judgment was rendered in a suit over the assessment by the Newark tax board of the special reserve fund established by the company under the act of 1907 to protect the holders of deferred dividend participating policies. In consequence of the settlement William R. Tunison. a deputy collector of Newark, whose territory takes in the Prudential office, is the richer by an $\$ 8,379.11$ collection fee.
-Underwriters might do worse than give some study to the statement of the Sceptre Life Association of England, an insurance organization having an abstainers and non-abstainers section. The experience of the Sceptre for twenty-seven years is recorded as follows:-

General Section.

|  | Expected | Actual | Per-cent- |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Period. | Deaths: | Deaths. | age. |
| 5 yrs.-1884-1888.. | 466 | 368 | 79.00 |
| 5 yrs - 1889 -1893.. | 564 | 466 | 82.62 |
| 5 yrs -1894-1898. | 628 | 498 | 79.30 |
| 5 yrs --1899-1903.. | 712 | 548 | 76.97 |
| 5 yrs - 1904 -1908. | 709 | 573 | 80.82 |
| 2 yrs - 19009 -1910.. | 273 | 221 | 80.95 |
| Total-27 yrs. | 3,352 | 2,674 | 79.77 |

Temperance Section.

Period
5 yrs .-1884-1888.
5 yrs.-1889-1893.
5 yrs.-1894-1898
5 prs .-1899-1903.
5 yrs.-1904-1908.
2 yrs.-1909-1910.
Total-27 yrs.

| Expected | Per- <br> cent- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Deaths. | Deaths. <br> age. |  |
| 195 | 110 | 56.41 |
| 312 | 184 | 58.97 |
| 419 | 228 | 54.42 |
| 514 | 270 | 52.53 |
| 607 | 294 | 48.43 |
| 264 | 128 | 48.48 |
| 2, | 1,214 | 52.53 |

-The latest enterprise of the Lloyds underwriters is insurance against rain, thus enabling insurers to get indemnity for disappointment or loss caused by wet weather. About sixty shore resorts on the east and south coasts of England have taken out policies covering the period from May to September inclusive. There are four kinds of policies, with varying premiums, gaugeable on "Pluvius' Policy A." Under this a holiday-maker or other person may insure by payment of $\$ 3.75$ a week. This ensutes a compensation of $\$ 30$ each week wherein on more than two days the rainfall exceeds 20 of an inch. In other policies the rates and compensation yary from $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 120$ daily.
-About $13,000,000$ workpeople are insured under Germany's compulsory system.

## BRITISH INVESTMENTS IN CANADA

Mr. George Paish, one of the editors of The Statist, has road before the Royal Statistical Society two interesting ani instructive papers on the capital investments of Great Britain in other lands. The first paper giving the results of investig.tions up to the end of 1907 was published in the Socioty'z Journal for September, 1909, and the second dealing with British investments abroad during the past three years appeared in the same Journal for January, 1911. Mr. Paish estimates that the total of Great Britain's visible capital investments in other lands now reaches the enormous total of $£ 3,192,000$ rin ( $\$ 15,534.400,000$ ), geographically distributed as follows:--4merican countries $£ 1,700,000,000$ ( $\$ 8,273,333.000$ ), or 53 p pr cent; Asia $£, 50,000.000$ - ( $\$ 2.433 .333000)$, or 16 per cent: Africa, $£ 4.55,000,000(\$ 2,214.333000)$, or 14 per cent; Austrat lasia. $£ 387.000 .000(* 1.883400 .000)$ ) or 12 per cent; and Eu-

The total amount of British capital invested in Canada is given as $£ 373.000,000$ ( $\$ 1.815,267.000$ ). Of this sum no less than $£ 101.356 .180$ ( $\$ 493.266,742$ ) has been subscribed during the past three years. viz.. $£ 31.309558$ ( $\$ 1.52,373.182$ ) in 1908, £37.687.464 ( $\$ 183.412,325$ ) in 1909 and $£ 32.359,158$ ( $\$ 157.481$, 23.5) in 1910 the total for these three years being considerably larger than the sum invested during the same period in any other country. The total invested during these three years in all other countries is $£ 516.861 .083 \quad(\$ 2.515,390,603)$, so that the amount placed in Canada represents 19.6 per cent. or nearly one-fiftlo of the total.
The author states that, excluding the United States. Gre $t$ Britain has provided more capital to Camada than to any other country and the rate at which the British people are increasing their investments in Canala is so rapid as to be phenomenal. "Canada," he writes, "still needs a large sum of money for the completion of the railways now under construction, and inasmuch as the Wother Country is prond. of the great progress of her danghter and is willing to supply her with all the capital she needs to develop her resources. it is evident that our capital investment in Canada will reach a much greater total in a few years."

## U.S. STEEL REPORT

After all the reports of depression in the United States steel trade, the big U.S. Steel Trust shows in its annual statement for 1910 gross returns of over $\$ 700,000,000$ ! This in spite of the fact that the trade done represented only 80 per cent of capacity. The net earnings were $\$ 141,054.754$, wer $\$ 9,500,000$ more than 1909. After making provision for sink ing fund contributions and for depreciation and other funds, profits of no less than $\$ 87.407 .184$ remainest. The company is paying 7 per cent dividends on the preferred stock. calling for $\$ 25.219 .677$ per year, and $\overline{5}$ per cent on the common stock, calling for $\$ 2.415 .125$. The total dividend requirement was $\$ 50$, i34 802 , as against the $\$ 87,407.184$ of profits available. showing, therefore, an excess of profits in amount of $\$ 36 . i \pi 2$. 382. Out of this latter $\$ 15.000 .000$ was appropriated on ac count of expenditures for additional property. new plants. ete.. $\$ 10,000,000$ was specifically set aside for account of con struction expenditures at the new Gary plant and $\$ 1.000,000$ whi contributed to a reserve fund to cover advanced mining royaltics. Even after all these deductions there remainel a surplus on the operations of the twelve months in the sum of \$10.7: 2. 382 .
It is no wonder that most of the prominent copper men desire the formation of a similarly organized copper trust!

## TOMATO CATSUP AND CANNED TOMATOES

Canned tomatoes are already expensive enough without the increase in price with which the U.S. public appears to be threatened. It appears that in that country, as in Canada up to this year many catsup manufacturers used a pulp made from parts of tomatoes not available for packing. In the case of reputable manufacturers, this was cleansed and sterilized. and produced a tomato pulp which while not equal to
pulp made of fresh fruit, was still palatable and wholesome In the case of packers not so reputable, however, their pulp so made was not especially reliable. The U.S. Government has decided that the use of this grade of pulp is illegal under the Federal food law, and the catsup manufacturers are therefore in the market for raw tomatoes. From these they will make a pulp, naturally at much greater expense than before. Nevertheless. they are obliged to have it, and this need is leading them to offer more for tomatoes than the packer can afford to offer.
The change in the grade of pulp is also reasonably sure to advance the price of catsup. The lower the grade the greater the advance. For example, one manufacturer who up to this year sold 14 -ounce bottles at 75 cents pergen, is now offering eight-ounce bottles at that price

## FIRE RECORD

The factory of the Blaugas Mig. Co., St. Patrick, Cote St. Paul, was dagmaged by fire Friday

The dwelling of Jos. Lavasque, 590 Dorion Street, was badly damaged by fire Friday. Loss $\$ 2,000$; insurance $\$ 800$.
Fire in the office of S. H. Gyde, in the st. Nicholas building, on St. Nicholas Street did $\$ 1,500$ damage Friday.
-An explosion in the cellar of J. R. Hambly's hardware store, Barrie, Ont., March 16 was responsible for a $\$ 17$, ow fire. The loss to stock is estimated at $\$ 15,000$ on which there is $\$ 9.000$ insurance. The damage to the building, which is owned by Mrs. Jas. Plummer, Toronto, amounted to about $\$ 2,500$, and is fully covered by insurance.

The Red Deer Lumber Co.'s plant at Barrows, Sask., was destroyed by fire March 13. Loss $\$ 110.000$, covered by insurance.
A boarding house. corner Viger Avenue and St. Hubert Street, was gutted by fire March 17 . Loss $\$ 2,500$.
The plaster mill of the Albert Manufacturing Co..' Hillsboro, N.B., Mårch 16, was burned, throwing 125 men out of employment. The plant was valued at $\$ 100.000$
On March 1.5 the village of O'Leary. P.E.I., was visited by a fire, the value of property destroyed being about $\$ 16,000$. The buildings burned to the ground are:-Wm. Butler's grocery store. loss $\$ 1,000$. covered by insurance; a building owned by 1). Campbell, and occupied by Wm. Kennedy as a dry goods store. Loss $\$ 6.000$; dry goods store, owned and occupied by Robert Ellis. ir.. loss $\$ 9,000$, with some insurance. Almost all the contents of the stores were destroyed, the value of the goods saved being only a few dollars. There is about $\$ 7.000$ insurance
Fire March 1.5 destroyed the residence of Thos. Craig, at Craighurst. Ont. Loss covered by insurance
Fire Sunday did $\$ 1.500$ damage to the plant of the Standard Paint and Yarnish Co., Windsor. Ont
Fire broke out Saturday in the Gainsborough. summer hotel at Hubbards, thirty miles west of Halifax, N.S., and destroyol three rooms, with the contents. cansing a loss of about $\$ 1$, non. practically covered by insurance
Fire Sunday gutted the premises of the Ontario Engraving Co.. which occupied the third and part of the second floor of 16 Rebocea Street. Hamilton. Ont. The stocks of Griffin and Richmond C'o.. Ltd.. and A. H. Mars. printers and bookbinders, occupying part of the second and third floors were damaged. The Ontario Engraving Co. will be the heaviest sufferers. owing to the almost total destruction of $\$ 27,000$ worth of publicity literature for the city. The loss is not covered by insurance
The residence of F. G. Porter. Belleville. Ont.. was hadly damaged by fire Sunday. Loss covered by insurance.
Six horses. owned by Wm. Wilson, were burned in a tire which broke out at the livery stable in Kingsville. Ont March 18. Loss $\$ 1.400$, partly insured
Mr. Edwin Gould, who resides south of the G.T.P. atat:on at Colborne. Ont.. had a building in which a large quantity of honey garden and other tools were stored destroysl by fire March 19. There was no insurance
The carriage works of A. C. Lariviere Co., 71 St. Antoine Street. was badly damaged by fire Wednesday. Loss $\$ 20,000$.

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## BUSINESS DIFFICULIIES:

The list of commercial fanlures in the Dominion is exception ally light this week. Only one of these is of great import ance, that of a canning business out West, and the loss, if any, in thav case, falls upon a number of stockholders." Last week there were 30 failures and of these only 8 invol ved sums exceeding $\$ 5,000$. In the corresponding week in 1909 there were 28 failures, 10 of them for over $\$ 5,000$. It is good news that the insolvent St. Stephen's Bank has made arrange; ments to pay off its depositors and other ereditors without further delay
In Ontario the following have assigned:-E. G. Campeau, general store, Alexandria; $W$. Kemp, harness maker, Oil springs; S. Margolin, jeweller, Toronto; R. A. Fletcleer, wholesale tobacco, Toronto.
Alex. McElwain succeeded G. H. Erans in the implement business in Caledon East about 1905. In 1910 he added a stock of general merchandise, and was said to be doing a fairIf good trade. About this time he was thought to be worth about $\$ 5,000$. He has lately assigned, but no statement has been received as yet.
The Plantagenet Woollen Mills Co. (Ltd.), of Plantagenet Prescott Co., composed of Louis Charbonneau, president; Geo. Carson, vice president; T. A. Van Rridger, secretary; D. M. Viau, managing-director, and A. A. Fraser, superintendent, was incorporated March 19C8, with an authorized eapital of $\$ 20,000$, in shares of $\$ 10$ each. The company was formed to take over business previously operated by A. A. Fraser. The firm was thought to be fairly successful, most of the selling being done in Montreal. On March 15th. they assigned. No statement has been received as yet.
In Quebec, the following have assigned:-Ernest Fleurant, baker, Drummondville; J. Cohen and C 0 . , wholesale clothing. Montreal ; O. A. Leduc and Co., tobaceo, Montreal; New York Hat anu Cap Manufacturing Co., Montreal. A notice of judicial assignment has been served upon Joseph Michaud. manufacturer, St. Benoit-Labre-l'Amqui, and J. C. Berube, grocer, etc., St. Hubert. The Bellehumeur Co., Itd .. general store, Lorrainville, and the Plaza. Ltd.., restaurant, Montreal. have petitioned for a winding-up order.
Ernest Juneau, sen.; restaurant keeper, St. Felicien, has assigned voluntarily. J. P. E. Gagnon, Quebec, has been appointed provisional guardian. The statement shows assets to he $\$ 1.175$ and liabilities $\$ 1618$.
Joseph Norton, grocer, Caughnawaga, has definitely assigned with liabilities of $\$ 4,730$.
The Internation Supply Co. is composed of P. R. T. Bennet and Mortimer Waller, and was registered March 14th, 1910. They did only a small amount of business, and on March 16th, 1911. a demand of assignment was served on them and on March 21st P. R. T. Bennet conisented to assign. The other partner has not assigned as yet
Wilfrid Lacroix, hotel keeper Masouche, was formerly engaged in trade in Boston, Brooklyn, and other United States cities. In 1900 he became engaged in business in Montreal. as a brass finisher, but in 1905 disposed of his interests for a reputed consideration of $\$ 7,000$. Soon after he took up the saloon business in Montreal. In 1910 he disposed of saloon business on Notre Dame Street East. to J. D. Boyer, for $\$ 15,000$ accepting the latter's hotel at Mascouche as a payment of $\$ 8,000$ on account. the balance being payable at the rate of $\$ 100$ per month. He was not anceessful in Massouche, and on Feb. 16th a demand of assignment was served on, him. and he has finally assigned on the 16th of March. He have received no statement so far.
In Saskatchewan:-Arthur De Buisson. Gravelling, has assigned
In Manitoba:-The Central Canada Ment packing Co.. formerly Malcolm's Western Canneries, has applied for an official liquidator. Toronto men control most of the stock," though Montreal is also said to be interested.
In British Columbia, B.C., Bakeries, Vanconver. and T. West (London Cash Store) Vancouver, have assigned. In Nova Scotia: J. C. Mason, Country Harbor, has assigned.
Geo. Skinner has been engaged in the hardware business in Pictou, N.S., for several years. First in partnership with S.
H. Higginson. This partnership was very successful, but was dissolved in 1907, since when he has been doing business in his own name. In 1908 he claimed to be worth about $\$ 4,000$. But since then has not been so successful, and has assigned. No statement is on hand as yet.

## OAN.ADA'S TRADE.

For the first eleven months of the current fiscal year Canada's total trade has been $\$ 687,377,488$, an increase of $\$ 76$, 799,507, as compared with the corresponding period of last year, and within six millions of the record total for the whole of twelve months of 1909-10. For the full year ending with this month it is expected that the Dominion's trade will rum close to $\$ 780,000,000$, or more than double the total trade of nine years ago, and an increase of over two hundred millions in two years. Imports for the past eleven months have totalled $\$ 412,270,812$, and exports $\$ 275,106.679$, an increase of $\$ 79,679.100$ in imports, and a decrease of $\$ 3,079,633$ in exports. In exports there was a decrease of over seven millions in agricultural products and an increase of about four millions in manufactured products. February trade totalled $\$ 52,946,413$, an increase of $\$ 6,655,212$ over February of last year. Imports for the month totalled $\$ 35,589,-$ 249, an increase of a little over five millions. Exports of do ${ }^{-}$ mestic products totalled $\$ 15,045,014$, and exports of foreign products totalled $\$ 2312,150$. Customs revenue for the eleven months totalled $\$ 64,701,165$, an increase of $\$ 10,918,832$.
-The depositors and creditors of the Defunct St. Stephen Bank of St. Stephefis, N.B., will be paid in full. On Wed ${ }^{-}$ nesday, R. B. Kessen, the curator, gave out the following statement:-"The curator of the St. Stephen Bank, with the approval of the committee appointed by the shareholders has accepted the offer of certain parties, directors of the b:ank, to advance an amount that will be sufficient to pay infull the claims of the depositors and creditors of the bank A second dividend of $33 \quad 1.3$ per cent will be paid within ten days' time, and the balance on or before the first day of May $n \times x t$. Tue curator and committe of shareholders are of the opinion that the realization of the assets must take a considerible tims, and that an immediate call upon the double liability of the shareholders would have been unaroidable. The slareholderis parties making this advance, and the same is to be paid only will receive any surplus that may result from the realization of the assets of the bank. No interest is to be paid to the to the extent of, and as realized from, the assets. The present arrangement obviates the necessity of a call upon the shareholders for their liability, that otherwise must have been made immediately."
-Wre lave received a handsome booklet from the Royal Bank of Canada, containing the last Anmal Report of this thriving institution, reminding us that its Capital of $\$ 6.200$,000 is now more than offset by its Reserve Fund of $\$ 7,000,000$, and that last year its Vet Profits amounted to $\$ 951,337$, enabling dividends of 12 per cent to be paid, while the Total Assets have reached the very large sum of $\$ 254,59,244$. In addition to these and other statements regarding the Bank itself. the booklet is also useful vear book of Canadian facts, calculated to disseminate abroad true ideas of the increasing greatness of the country. There is also enclosed an exceedingly valuable map showing the clevator system of the Dominion in about every detail, as well as the co-ordination of transportation and storage systems in handling our great grain crops. The map is admirably adopted to its pirpose of showing the value of the crop, and of the organization for handling it.

## FIN ANCIAI, REVIEW

Montreal, Thursday Afternoon, March 23, 1911.
While there has been no tremendous burst of activity in any particular stock, the local market is fairly firm, and there is no sacrificing of prices. On the whole, investors and specu-
lators find no very choice openings, and even in the New York market, which is not quite so depressed as it has been, there is a holding up of the rates, which is not usually found, when money is going abegging, though quite in order under such circumstances. Gold is above import rates, owing to the excellence of European trade. There is a great deal of United States money on the other side, but speculation is rather daunted at the moment, and until the usual Spring danger of international trouble has been passed, this condition may continue. ('anadian flotations have, however, been well re ceived, and National and Provincial financing should not be difficult, when found necessary. as will be the case before long. Oriental financing is under way acain, and we may expect to hear from China again before very long. The low price of silver is curiously enough dependent upon the growing desire for gold in India and elsewhere. Evidently important currency changes are in the wind in these quarters. On st. Francois Xavier Street dealing has been fair. C. P. R. is coming int $t_{0}$ its own, according to our prophecy, and at $2201 / 4$ is slightly below the parity of the London trading, according to the reports. R. and 0 , has had a fine run to $116 \frac{1}{4}$, and is still a favourite. Steel is uncertainly higher, but is influenced by the Tariff talk. Nova Scotia has been strongly advancing. and its value recognized. Power has crept up again to $1521 / 8$, but was speculative at that figure. depending upon a dividend rumour
Other stocks moved from independent reasons, and it is clear that the political talk has no great decisive effect one way or the other. The market refuses to be stampeded. even the Industrials likely to be most nearly affected showing remarkable indifference to the outcome of present discussions. It may be a late Spring this year, and that fact may have a calming effect upon all our business.
Mr. J. Elmsly, of the Bank of British North America, be comes. in addition to his present important position in the Bankng world, Chairman of the Montreal Clearing House, and representative of the Bankers' Association on the Council of the Board of Trade, in succession to Mr. W. M. Botsford. who left for an important position in England this week
The new London Branch of the Royal Bank. which is to o enpy an important situation in a large banking building, the property of the Bank of England, is to be under the management of Mr. W. M. Botsford. well known in this eity, as 10 eral Mannger at the Head loffice of the Bank on St. Jame Strect. Mr. Botsford sailed by this week's steamer. $H^{\circ}$ is sulceceded temporarily in Montreal by Mr. Sherman, who has for some time occupied a prominent position in the Harana brancl of the Royal Bank
The total interest and dividend disbursements of United States corporations for April are estimuted at $\$ 158000$, 000
Bank of England Wednesday bought e.5,000 gold bars in open market. (iold to amount of e8o,000 was withdrawn from the bank for shipment to South America
Mr. G. H. Williams, for wome years connected with a west end branth of the Royal Bank in Montreal, and assistant at the Nassan office. has retired from the service, and entered with a walthy relative into the real estate business in Californ:a
The Thiited States has built up a heavy credit in Europe by new security issums, actual eash sent for investment fover $\$ \$ 0,000.000)$, and exports excess over imports ( $\$ 54,230,000$ ) in February alone. There are nocalls in New York for this money for incestment pirposes

Fiold exports for February to the States compared with imports resulted in a net inflow of \$5.381111. hringing the balaner of imports for the eight months of $1910-11$ upto $\$ 44$. 574161 . this untrasting with net exports of $\$ 49.000 .903$ in the Tike periol of $1909-10$ and $\$ 13.558 .627$ in 1908-09. The 1907.08 net gold movement was an import of $\$ 114249.296$

So far the Bank of France has made little headway in strengthening its gold reserve. Last week's return shows a gain of only 425000 , and the total on hand $(\$ 650,000000)$ is still below the amount helld at the close of last year

British investment returns from Brazil resilted in over five million dollars in gold coming to the Bank of England last ween

Cheap money in New York. owing to trade uncertainties may mean scrous difficulty before long.

The proportion of the Bank of England's reserve to liability this week is $\mathbf{4 6 . 6 9}$ per cent; last week 49.60 per cent
At Toronto, bank quotations: Commerce, 220; Dominion, 2351/2; Imperial, 227; Traders, 1431/2.
In New York: Money on call $21 / 4$ to $23 / 8$ per cent. Time loans very dull; 60 days $21 / 2$ to $23 / 4$ per cent; 90 days $23 / 4$ to 3 per cent; 6 months 3 to $31 / 4$ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 to $-41 / 2$ per cent. Sterling exchange 4.83 .20 for 60 day bills and at 4.86 .75 for demand. Commercial bills $4.833 / 4$. Bar silver $52 \%$. Mexican dollars 45 . U.S. Steel, com., $783 / 4$; pfd., $1191 / 8$; Amal. Copper $643 / 8$; N.Y.C. \& H.R.R., 108.In. London: Spanish 4's, 90 . Bar silver $241 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$ per ounce. Money $23 / 4$ to 3 per cent. Discount rates: Short bills $25 / 8$ per cent; 3 months bills $23 / 8$ to $2 ; 16$ per cent. Paris exchange on London ${ }^{23}$ francs 29 centimes. Berlin exe. 20 marks $441 / 2$ pennigs.
Consols 81 15-16 for money and 82 for account
The following is a comparative table of stock prices for the week ending March 23, 1911, as compiled by Messrs. C. Meredith and Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal:-

| Banks: | les. | High . est. | Jowert. | Last <br> Sale. | Year |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| tish North America | 28 | 53 | 153 | 153 |  |
| nmerce | 3 | 220 | 220 | 220 | 212 |
| Merchants | $8: 3$ | 191 | 188 | 191 | 1773/4 |
| s | 14 | 2081/2 | 2081/4 | 2081/4 | 205 |
| Montreal | 9 | 250 | 250 | 250 | 253 |
| va Scotia | 28 | 273 | 273 | 273 |  |
| Quebec | 229 | 142 | $1391 / 2$ | 1403/4 | 126 |
| Royal | 51 | 240 | 237 | 240 | 2301 |
| Union | 113 | 1501/4 | 150 | 150 | 143 |

Miscellaneous:

| Asbestos, com. Do. Pref. | $\begin{array}{r} 77.5 \\ 72 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.23 / 4 \\ & 46 \end{aligned}$ | 11 | $\begin{aligned} & 123 / 4 \\ & 46 \end{aligned}$ | 28 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bell Telep. Co. | 97 | $1461 / 2$ | 145 | 146 | 148 |
| Packers. com. . | 375 | 55 | $441 / 2$ | 55 |  |
| Black Lake Asbes. | 50 | $151 / 2$ | 15 | $151 / 2$ | 221/2 |
| Can. Car... | 50 | $711 / 2$ | $711 / 2$ | $711 / 2$ |  |
| Can. Car, pfd.. | 5 | 1081/2 | 1081/2 | 1081/2 | 1011/2 |
| Cement com. .. .. .. | $3551 / 2$ | $223 / 4$ | 22 | $221 / 2$ | $211 / 2$ |
| Do. Pref. ... | 701 | $871 / 4$ | $861 / 2$ | 87 | 87 |
| Can. Cotton, pref. | 75 | $7.53 / 4$ | 75 | 75 |  |
| Can. Convert. | 135 | 44 | 431/4 | 44 | $431 / 2$ |
| Can. Pacific. | 3529 | 2201/8 | 2161/4 | 2201/8 | 179 |
| Crown Res. .. | 3805 | 2.68 | 2.62 | 2.67 |  |
| Detroit | 460 | $701 / 2$ | $693 / 4$ | 70 |  |
| Dom. ('oal. pfd. | 30 | 110 | 108 | 110 | 115 |
| Dom. Iron \& Steel, pref. | 436 | $1051 / 4$ | 101 | 102 | 1073/4 |
| Dom. Park | 5 | 60 | 60 | 60 |  |
| E. Can. P. \& P | 65 | 47 | 45 | 45 |  |
| Textile | 930 | $731 / 2$ | 721/4 | 73112 | 723/4 |
| Do. Pref.. | 13 | 100 | 1037/8 | 105 | 1011/2 |
| Int. Coal \& C. | 1 | 55 | 55 | 55 |  |
| Lake of Woods. pfd. | 40 | 130 | 12.51/2 | 130 | 127 |
| La urentide Paper. | 5 | 212 | 212 | 212 |  |
| Mexican | 125 | 86 | $8{ }^{3}$ | 8551/2 |  |
| Mont. , Light. H. \& Power | 5407 | 1.121/4 | 1501/4 | $1501 / 4$ | 137 |
| Mont. Cotton | 250 | 1.543/4 | 151 | 151 | 132 |
| Mont. Loan \& M | 124 | 157 | 156 | 157 |  |
| Mont. St. Ry. | 356 | 2321/2 | 230 | 231 | 2501/2 |
| N.S. Steel \& Coal. | 3601 | 101 | $961 / 2$ | 101 | 88 |
| Do. Pref | 35 | 1251/2: | 12.5 | 1251/2 |  |
| Ogilvie | 60 | 128 | 124 | 124 | 140 |
| Do. Pref.. | 135 | 126 | 125 | 126 |  |
| Ot tawa L. \& P. | 2109 | 1373/4 | 130 | 137 | 110 |
| Penman's Ltd. | 50 | $613 / 4$ | $611 / 4$ | 613/4 | 62 |
| Do. Pref | 65 | 88 | 87 | 88 |  |
| Quebee Ry. | 1580 | $631 / 2$ | 60 | 601/2 | 37 |
| Rich. \& Ont. Nav. Co. | 12.246 | 1163/4 | 1091/2 | 114 | 86 |
| Sha winigan.. | 2292 | 114 | 1113/4 | 114 | 101 |
| Steel Corpn. | 3051 | $601 / 2$ | 571/2 | 59 |  |
| Soo, com. | 500 | 1473/4 | 147 | $1471 / 2$ |  |
| Soo Rights. | 368 | 7 | 7 | 7 |  |
| Toronto St. | 1640 | 129 | 1251/4 | 128\%/8 | 124 |
| Winnipeg Ry.. | 205 | 198 | $19.51 / 2$ | 196 | 1781/ |

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| Black Lake Asbestos. .. 2500 | 75 | $743 / 4$ | 75 |  |
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| Cement .. .. . . . . . . .. 20,200 | 1001/4 | 99 | 1001/4 |  |
| Can. Car Fdy . .. .. .. 52,500 | 105 | 1041/2 | 1041/2 |  |
| Can . Rubber . . . . . .. 2000 | 981/4 | 981/4 | $981 / 4$ | 100 |
| Dominion Coal. .. .. .. 7500 | 97 | 97 | 97 | 981/2 |
| Dom. Cotton . . . .. .. 1500 | 102 | 1013/4 | 1013/4 | 1033/4 |
| Dom. Iron \& Steel .. .. 3000 | 95 | 941/4 | 95 | $963 / 4$ |
| Halifax Elec. Ry. .. .. 4000 | 10011/4 | 1001/4 | 1001/4 |  |
| Keewatin . . . . . .. .. 3000 | 103 | 103 | 103 | 1043/4 |
| Power, 41/2 p.e. .. .. .. 2000 | 991/4 | 991/4 | $991 / 4$ |  |
| Quebec Ry. .. .. .. .. 21,700 | $8{ }^{11 / 4}$ | 8.5 | $8.51 / 8$ | $8: 33 / 4$ |
| Textile A. .. . . . .. .. 1500 | 971/4 | 97 | 97 | $961 / 8$ |
| Textile B. . . . . . . .. 1000 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Textile C. . . . .. .. .. 2000 | 97 | $961 / 2$ | 97 | 6 |
| Textile D. .. . . . .. .. 1000 | 94 | 94 | 94 |  |
| Winnipeg Elec. .. .. .. 8000 | 104 | 104 | 104 | $1041 / 2$ |

MONTREAL WHOLLSALE MARKETS.

## Montreal, Thursday, March 23. 1911.

Trade is flat and uninteresting this week, owing partly to the Spring break-up, and partly to the ordinary stocktaking dullness of the season. (Grain is moving slowly out of hiding, but is held too high for export, as a rule. Flour is in out slightly better position. Provisions are unchanged, but are not as firmly held as a short time ago. Hogs and pig meat appear to be likely to suffer delines, and may well do so, and yet yield profitable returns. Other meats are not strong. Fish is selling largely and though the weather has been heavy, cold storage has prevented supplies failing. Sugar is firm, and refiners expect a rise, whics may after all not be as temporary as we had expected. Dried fruits and canned goods are scarce, but the presence of unusually good stocks of new fruits and vegetables makes this less of a hardship than would have been the case not so long ago. Textiles are unchanged this week, though the web elastic weavers have offered a slight concession. Woollens are somewhat unsettled and slow. Boots and shoes are out of the wholesalers' hands, and the factories are doing comparatively little, a condition which of course, finds reflection in the leather and hides markets. Rubber goods are dear, though the raw material is rather unseftlel. In metals. copper and tin are rather interesting but weak, and it looks as though the former was going to make about 12 cents an abiding place. Iron and steel are uncertain owing greatly to the U.S. trade proposals, though the local demands have been, and are, very good. The wire and small ware advance barely touched our markets.

APPLES. -Wholesale men report that winter apples are finished. We quote as follows:-Winter stock No. 1, all varieties, per barnel, $\$ 6.50$; do. No. 2, all varieties, per brl.. $\$ 3.50$; Spies No. 1, per brl., $\$ 8.00$; da. No. 2, per brl, $\$ 7.00$ Baldwin's, Ben Davis, No. 1, $\$ 5.50$; Ben Davis No. 2. $\$ 4.75$; Russetts No. 1, $\$ 6.50$; do. No. 2, $\$ 5.00$.

BACON.-In London the market for Canadian bacon has weakened and prices are from 2s to $4 s$ lawer, but Canadian ham shows an advance of 18 with sales at from 60 s to 68 . In the local market the chief feature is the very large orders coming from all sources for the Easter trade. Prices are unchanged. We quote as follows: - Ex tra large sizes, 28 to 40 pounds.. 11c; large sizes, 20 to $28 \mathrm{lbs} ., 13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; medium sires, selected weights 15 to 19 lbs., 15e; extra small sizes. 12 to 14 lbs. 16e; hams. ' bone out, rolled, large, 16 to 2 lhs.. 15e; hams, bone out rolled, small 9 to $12 \mathrm{lbs} ., 161 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; break fast bacon. English boneless (sele ted. lye; brown brand English breakfast bacon (boneless. thick). $141 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; Windsor bacon skinned (backs), $171 / 2^{\mathrm{c}}$; spiced roll bacon. boneless short, 1 se ; pienic hams. 7 to 10 lbs , 14 c ; Wiltshire bacon ( 50 lb . side) 1 bc ; cottage rolls, 20 c.

BEANS.-The market is barely stead , but as yet prices are unchanged. In a jobbing way 3 pound pickers sold at $\$ 1.80$ to $\$ 1.85$ per bushel. New crop beans in car lots are offering to arrive at $\$ 1.70$ to $\$ 1.75$ per bushel extrack.

BRAN AND FEED GRAIN,-Demand for all lines continues very strong, and supplies very limited. Prices are nominally unchanged. Quotations are as follow:-Untario bran $\$ 22.00$ to $\$ 23.00$; do, middling $\$ 24.00$ to $\$ 25.00$; Manitoba bran $\$ 21$ to $\$ 23$; Manitoba shorts $\$ 23.00$ to $\$ 2.5 .00$; pure grain moullie $\$ 30.00$; mixed moullie $\$ 25.00$ to $\$ 28.00$.

BUTIER.-The local market is steady, with no change in prices to note. Choicest quoted at 26 c to 27 e . Finest held creamery at $25^{1} / 2^{\mathrm{c}}$ to 26 c .

CHEESE. - There is no change in the local market, trade is quiet, and prices firm.. Western quoted at 12 c to $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$, and easterns at $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{e}$ to 12 c .
-Receipts for the week were 428 boxes, as against 549 for the corresponding week last year.

COOKED MEATS.-Business in this market is quiet, as is usual at this season of the year. Prices are nominal. Our quotations are as follows-Boiled ham. skinned, boneless, per pound, 23c; boiled ham, large skin on rolled, 20c; New lingland pressed ham, pound, 14c; head cheese, per 16.10 e ; English brawn, per $1 \mathrm{~b} . .121 / 2^{\mathrm{c}}$; cooked pickled pigs feet, in vinegar, kits, $20 \mathrm{lbs} .$, per $1 \mathrm{lb} ., 9 \mathrm{c}$.

DRY GOODS - Our representative had the privilege of interviewing the Fnglish buyer of one of the largest wholesale houses in Canada, just as he arrived from the other side. He said that hravy woollen goods and tweeds are not selling at all just now. and there is no knowing what the season may decree. Everything is later than usual this year. In Paris the dress goods worn are light, in England smooth goods will probably be the vogue. Woollen looms stand partly idle in some instances waiting for worsted yarns, for which the export trade seemed to be good. Sales are slow. Velveteens have cut into the woollen trade badly, and sa have the fashions, which require little more than half the material formerly used for dresses. The situation is indefinite on the other side, in the textile trades, though prices will possibly be increased. Coronation blue is in great supply, but will likely be worn out as a colour before the season is over. Long coats are to be worn by ladies, so that light skirts will be wanted. Advices received by local houses from manufacturers, say that a lower five per cent rate is to be allowed on web elastic goods. Trade is dull, with nothing moving, and the country is learning what political intervention in trade means. New York reports that there has been a growing demand for several days for light weight soft finished cotton fabrics for foundation and general lining purposes, which all houses have not been able to meet. The trend of fashion is sharply toward very light weight, soft goods for all lining and underwear purposes. Prices of staples there are as for-lows:-Cotton. mid. uplands, spot. N.Y., 14.55c; print cloths,

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28 inch, $64 x 64 \mathrm{~s} 35 / 8 \mathrm{c}$; print cloths, 28 -inch, $64 \times 60 \mathrm{~s}, 31 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; gray goods, $381 / 2$-inch. standard. 5c to $51-16 \mathrm{c}$; brown sheetings South. stand. 8 e to $81 / 4$ e; brown sheetings, 4 yard, $56 x 60 \mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{c}$ to $61 / \mathrm{c}^{\mathrm{c}}$; denills, 9 ounces, 1 te to 17 c; tickings, 8 ounces, $131 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; standard prints, $\mathrm{j}^{1} / 2 \mathrm{~s}$; standard staple ginghams, 7 e; dress ginghams, $71 / 2^{\mathrm{c}}$ to $93 / 4 \mathrm{e}$; kid-finished cambrics 4 c to $41 / 4^{\mathrm{c}}$; brown drills, standard. $81 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.

- We learn from the Jew York Journal of Commerce that batistes, lawns. dimities, cape stripes in cotton and silk and printed foulards in printed effects are good selling fabrics for the moment. Come of the best grades of foulards, ranging in price at wholesale from $\left\lvert\,+\frac{1}{2}\right.$, to 22 e, are ha ving a very goor wale in homses where wash goods are featured. hw:ssm in white goods are in strady call. The figures wantellare simall and set far apart and both white and coloured dots are taken. Embroilered white grods of distinctly Imerican finish are in good call and embroidered borcters are "weerially good in some of the medium priced chothis.

Edict. An easy feeling prevails in the cag market owing to the very large receipts which continue to come forwarl. Demand is very strong, and prices are still on the decline. Newly laid are quoted at 23 c do $\%$ and salects at $2.2 c$ do No. 1 stock at 2 lor and No. 2 at 18
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The receipts for the week were di.1 8:3 casen. compared with 32.5 for the corresponding werk hat yan

Fisil. -The market is still will surphed with all kinds of frozn fish, but on acrount of the mild wather, demand for the satme is light. Canned and prepared tish are selling a lit the better fickled and silt fish are said to be wiry soarere at present. Messis. D). Natton and (o... kindly makit pos sible for the to report the following important changes: Fresth: Single haddock, cases, 300 pounds, per pound, $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ :
 dore. Sc; pike, headless and dressed 6 $6 \%$ to 7 e: pike, romms. $51 / 2$ to tie; fresh frozen steel hats salmon. per lb.. lice: reesh froz-


 per ll., ic ; extra smelts. per lb.. 8c; flounders. pr lb.. 5; Frozen herrings, new, choice. 50 lhs., $\$ 1$. $\mathbf{i} 0$; mackerel. medium


 1b. Pickled Lahrador salmon, \$16 to $\$ 17$ perbrl.. No. I B.C.
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 No. 1 white nape X.S.G...end, $\$ 9.00$; No. 2, do., $\$ \mathrm{si}$ : No. 1 green codfish. large, per hrl.. \$10; No. I do.. N.א.. Fr h.l of $200 \mathrm{lbs} ., \$ 9.50$; do. Gaspe. per brl. of 200 the.. 90.50 ; No 2 do.. $\$ 8.00$; No. 1 green hake, per brl. of $200 \mathrm{lhs} . . \$(5.10$ $\mathrm{N}_{0}$. 1 green pollock, per brl., $\$ 7.00$; No. 1 round eels. per 1h.. The: No. 1 green or salted haddock. per brl. of 200 lbs . \$7.00. Dried: Codfish in 100 lb . drums, $\$ 7.00$; do. bundles (large) \$8. On; mediums $\$ 6.00$ : do. dressed or skinless. per 100 1b. case. $\$ 6.25$. Prepared boneless cod fish in blocks $5 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{C}$ to 7 c per 11, Finnin haddies fie: Yarmouth bloaters $\$ 1.00$ to \$1.10; kippers $\$ 1.10$ to $\$ 1.20$. Shellish: Malpeque oysters. choice., C.C.I, \$12: do.. brl.. extra. \$10; do. ordinaries, brl. ©6.00; do. medium. H.P.. per brl.. \$9.00; milamichi, por bri. $\$ 6.00$ : caraquets. per brl.. $\$ 5.00$ : live lobsters. medium, per $\mathbf{1 b} . .22 \mathrm{c}$ : lobsters. boiled, per $\mathbf{1 b}$.. $25 \mathbf{c}$ : hulk oysters. standards. Imp. gall.. $\$ 1.40$ : selects $\$ 1.60$; extra $\$ 2.00$; solid meats. \$1.70: seallops in bulk. gal.. \$2.00.

Tive lohsters reached fine : pollud wholesale at Portland lait wrek. This is the hiehest known in the market for rears and probably is a reeord. The bad weather in Maille and Nova centia is the principal canse for the shortage.

FIOUR.-Whe tone of the local market is somewhat easier, and prices in somp lines have declined a little. Demand from European sources is rery strong. and a brisk trade with bids

3d per sack higher is passing. We quote as follows:-Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, $\$ 5.60$; do., seconds, $\$ 5.10$; winter wneat patents $\$ 4.50$; Manitoba strong bakers, $\$ 4.90$; straight rollers $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.25$; straight rollers, in bags, $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 1.8 .5$ : 1 xtras $\$ 1.60$ to $\$ 1.70$.

GREEN AND DRIED FRUITS.-A rery finm feeling prevails in the market for all kinds of green fruit, especially Valencia oranges, which have adranced $\$ 1.00$ per box. Prices for all other lines are firmly held. We quote prices as follows: - Oranges: California na ve's, (150, 176, 200. 216). box, $\$ 3.00$; do. ( 96,112 , 126) box \$3.00): Valencias (420s) (crates. \$is.00; Mexicans (150, 176. 20) - 216) box, 检.25. Bitter Oranges, for marma-
 n: eira glapes extra. fancy, long keepers, \$8.00.-Lemons: Extra Fancy: 300 size (something out of the ordinary) \$3. ©0; Fancy. 300 siz. $\$ 2.50$; do.. 360 size. large boxes, \$2.25.Grapefruit. 64-80. box. *3.50.-Bananas: damaicas, packed by express only. W2. 2- -Pineaples: 24 and 30 . $* 4.50$. - 'ramberries, per bri. . *1 1 - Dates: Sew Hallowi. per 1b., t1/2": new in packages. plog.. 9c. Dates: Fard. Th., 11e.-Figs: 3 crown, $1 \mathrm{~b} ., 8 \mathrm{c}: 4$ crown. Ib...9c:5 crown. Ib., $10 \mathrm{c} ; 6$ crown. per 1 b ., lle; 7 crown. per lb.. 12e; 8 crown, per 1b., 13 c ; g'ove boxes, 14 oz., box lle

GimiN. Wheal prices have dectined serionsly and at 1 e cheaper deale se ale hase the There is no doubt now that e amomit of wordes wheat had been serionsly widerestimated. There is a good foreign demand. howerer. (ash pricees at Wimipeg are: Wheat, No. 1 northern. !0 $1 / \mathbb{L}^{\prime}$ : No. 2 northern
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The word's amatable suply hat decrense I $708 .\left(00^{\prime}\right.$ bushds as contrasted whth an increase for the same time last year of $+5: 31.0 \% 0$ bushels. This. certanly shows quite a marked change. and has excited comment. Although it is 'true that the worlds s-pply still amount to upwards of 18000 ". 000
 yone. In the 'oner rum it is believed that prices must recede, luit for the present even those who hold bearish convictions are inclined to be more cautions.
GROCDRINS. - Sugar has been busy at $\$ 4.55$, and the heavy demands have deared the refineries of stocks, so that an increase ill price may be expected. There is little else to report of new :nterest in the trade. At this time of year, housek eqpers home made preserves being exhansted, there is a strong demand for fruit which, however. had been guarded against in adrance be retailers. who provided themselves with sto:ks some time back. The mase with whech fresh fruits and vegetables are now oltatined tells against the amned business. which is in por combition jrst now. owing to the low supplies. Canned fish is selling well, and salmon is especially in demand. Prunes are practically out of the wholesale market. thongh greatly looked after. As much as 11 cents is paid for inferior small stock, formerly worth $61 / 2$ cents. Evaporated apples and apricots are very scarce also, but peaches are in better supply. Rice remains unchanged. Boiling peas are in good demand, but choice varieties are scarce and dear, the cheaper sorts not being wanted. Until the valorization sales have been held there will be no change in coffee prices. distribe a good inquiry reported for molasses now coming fo are firm and there is talk of an advance because of light supe plies. Blackstrap talk of an advance becal ar ample. New York reports standard granulated sugar at $\$ 4.80$ less one per cent for 7 days. Centrifugal. 96 degrees test. \$3.86; muscovado, 80 degrees test. 3.36; molasses sugar, 89 degrees test. $\$ 3.11$.-In London. raw sugar. Centrifugal, 11 s 3 d ; muscovado, 10 s 3 d ; beet sugar, March, $10 \mathrm{~s} 63 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$.

HAY. -The hay market is quiet, demands being light, and prices unchanged. Quotations: $\$ 10$ to $\$ 10.50$ per ton for No. 1; $\$ 9.00$ to $\$ 9.50$ for No. 2 extra; $\$ 8.00$ to $\$ 8.50$ for No. $2 ; \$ 7$ to $\$ 7.50$ for clover mixed, and $\$ 6$ to $\$ 6.50$ for clover hay.

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W. FOWLER, Manager.

HONEY.-Business in honey is very dull at present, and prices are firm at the recent decline. We quote:-Clover, white honey, 11c to 12 c ; dark grades, 9 c to 10 c ; white extracted, 7 c to 8 c ; buck wheat, 6 c to 7 c .

HIDES.-Offerings are light, and generally poor. Calf skins are going forward to New England tanneries in rather less than the usual quantities. We quote as follows: 10 e per pound for uninspected; 10 c per pound for No. 3, and 12c per pound for No. 2, and 13 e for No. 1. and for calf skins No. 1, 15c; No. 2. 11c to $12 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{c}$. Sheep skins 70c to $\$ 1.30$ each. Lamb skins are 80 c and up to $\$ 1.35$ each. and horse hides $\$ 1.75$ for No. 2 and $\$ 2.50$ for No. 1. Tallow, $11 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 4 c for rough; and $63 / 4$ to ic for refined.

IRON AND HARDWARE.-Local prices are all without change, and the trade is dull and featureless. Though in the heavy metals there have been some good orders given, the tariff proposals hang as an incubus over business, and no one cares to say anything about prospects or prices. There is some stringing of aluminum electric transmission wires in certain localities, but no enough to influence the copper wire business. Copper itself is weak as ever, in fact sales below $121 / 4$ cents are suspected, but the demand for wire prevents any substantial difference being realized by buyers. Proposed mergers may avail to advance the price before very long, but not unless producing mines in large numbers come into combination. The Mexican troubles have had not the least effect upon prices, though if quiet does not come soon: the falling off in shipments from that country. must have a bull influence upon metal rates. London reports: Standard copper. highest, spot, £54 17*6d, 3 months £55 10s; lowest £54 $12 \mathrm{~s} 6 \mathrm{~d}, £ 555 \mathrm{~s}$; closing $£ 54 \mathrm{l} 2 \mathrm{~s}$ (6d, £55 5s. Tin has bee unsettled, anu declined $£ 3$ in London. but came back to half that extent. and with heavy shipments to this side to meet the demands of the tin plate mills will go higher soon. Prices current for this continent range at about as follows:-Iron, Fast. No. 2 founilry, at furnace. $\$ 14.75$ to $\$ 15$; Bessemer, furnace, valley, $\$ 14$ to $\$ 15$; basic valley. $\$ 13.75$ to $\$ 14$; foundry valley, $\$ 13.75$ to $\$ 14.25$; foundry. Buffalo, $\$ 13.75$ to $\$ 14.25$; malleable. Buffalo, $\$ 14$ to $\$ 14.25$; Cleveland warrants (British) $47 \mathrm{~s} 101 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$; steel billets, f.o.b. mill Pittsburg. Bes semer, $\$ 23$; copper. lake. spot and nearby, cash, $121 / \mathrm{c}^{\mathrm{c}}$ to $123 / \mathrm{s}^{\mathrm{c}}$; copper. elec.. spot and nearby, cash, 12.20 c to 12.25 c ; copper casting. nearby, 12.00 c to $121 / 8^{\mathrm{c}}$; tin, pig, spot, $391 / 2^{\mathrm{c}}$; lead, pig, spot. N.Y.. 4.40 c ; silver, official price, N.Y.. 523 s c c; antimony. ordinary brand, N.Y., $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $91 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; spelter. refined, N.Y., $5 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; nickel. New York, 40 c to 48 c ; aluminum, ingots, works, 2le to $211 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Quicksilver has been easier in Europe and steady here at $\$ 52$ in flasks of 55 lbs . in 100 flask lots and $\$ 52.20$ for jobbing lots. At London Rothschild's price is $£ 10$ and second hands $£ 910 \mathrm{~s}$.

T,FATHER.-Enquiries show that prices are unchanged. and a season of dullness in shoe factories is on us. Quotations are as follow:- No. 1, 25c; No. 2, 24c; jobbing leather, No. $1,27 \mathrm{c}$; No. 2. $25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. Oak. from 30 to 35 c , according to quality. Oak backs 23 c to 40 c .
LIVE STOCK.-The local cattle market is much stronger in tone and prices are $1 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ per lb . higher than they were last week, which is due to the unusually small supplies on hand. Demand was strong and a fair amount of trading was done. Choice steers sold at $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$, good at be to $61 / 4 \mathrm{c}$, fairly good at

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$51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 533 c , fair at 5 c to $51 / 4 \mathrm{c}$, and common at $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $43 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ per lb. In the log market also a stronger feeling prevails, and prices show an advance of $1 \overline{5} \mathrm{e}$ to 20 c per 100 lbs . Demand was good and sales of selected lots were made at $\$ 7.40$ to $\$ 7.50$ per 100 lbs . weighed off cars. Calves were in much larger supply than requirements necessitated, and traders found it hard to make sales even at the prevailing low price. As usual, some calves under the legal age were on hand, but owing to the strict inspection, none were sold. Some sales were made at from $\$ 2$ to $\$ 8$ each, as to size and quality. Business in sheep and lambs was dull and prices were unchanged from last week. Yearling lambs brought from $\$ 46.50$ to $\$ 6.65$ per 100 lbs . and sheep 5 c per lb .
-Chicago reports: Cattle market slow and weak: beeves, $\$ 5.75$ to $\$ 6.85$; Texas steers, $\$ 4.40$ to $\$ 5.60$; western steers, $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 5.85$; stockers and feeders. $\$ 4$ to $\$ 5.75$; cows and heifers, $\$ 2.60$ to $\$ 5.85$; calves, $\$ 6.25$ to $\$ 8.50$-Hogs: Market slow; ligut, $\$ 6.55$ to $\$ 6.95$; mixed, $\$ 6.45$ to $\$ 6.8 \overline{5}$; heavy, $\$ 6.35$ to $\$ 6.75$; rough, $\$ 6.35$ to $\$ 6.50$. -Sheep, market weak to 10 c lower; native, $\$ 3$ to $\$ 5.10$; western. $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 5.10$; yearlings, $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 5.65$; lambs, native, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 6.50$, western $\$ 5.25$ to $\$ 6.60$.
-Messrs. Price and Coughlan's cable from London reported the market for cattle stronger, with prices $1 / 4^{e}$ per Ib. higher than a week ago at $131 / \mathrm{c}$ e to 14 c for American stecers, and at 13 c to $131 / 4$ c for Canadians per lb . Their cable from Liverpool, on cattle was weaker and noted a decline in prices of $1 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ per lb. since this day week. with sales of American steers at 13 c to $131 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. and Canadians at $123 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to 13 e per H . The market for lambs was also weaker and prices are $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to le per lb . lower than a week ago at 17 c ; yearlings. $3 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to 1 c at 1 cc to $151 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. and wethers $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ at $131 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 14 e per lb .
-D. A. Campbell's cable from Liverpool reported the market for cattle unchanged from a week ago at $12 \frac{3}{4}$ c to $131 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ per lb. for Canadians.

MAPLE PRODUCT.-Spring still loiters, and the large sugar makers in the Fastern Townships report that though everything is ready they have not tapped yet. It is said that one or two groves with a warm exposure have given a trifle on one or two occasions, but no sales have heen made as

STOCKS, BONDS AND SECURITLES DEAJT IN ON THE MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.

| BONDS. | Interent annum. | Amount out'ding. | Interest due. | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Interest payable at: } & \begin{array}{c}\text { Date of } \\ \text { Redemption. }\end{array}\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \mathrm{Ma} \\ \text { Quot } \\ \text { Mc } \\ \text { Ask } \end{array}$ | rket <br> tions <br> 23 <br> Bid | REMARKS. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bell Telephone Co. Can. Con. Rubber Co. | $5$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 3,868,000 \\ \mathbf{2 , 6 0 0 , 0 0 0} \end{array}$ | 1st Oct.-1st Apl. 1st Apl.-1st Oct. | Bank of Montreal, Montreal.. April 1st, 1825 Bank of Montreal, Montreal.. Oct. 1, 1946 | $99$ | 98 | Redeemable at 110 after Oct 1, 1911. |
| Can. Cement Co. .. .. |  | 5,000,000 | 1st Apl.-1st Oct. | Bank of Montreal, Montreal.. Oct. 21st 1929 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Redeemable at 110. |
| Oan. Coloured Cotton Co. | 0 | 2,000,000 | 2nd Apl.-2nd Oct. | Bank of Montreal, Montreal.. April 2nd, 1912 |  |  |  |
| Dominion Coal Co.. .. | 5 | 6,176,000 | 1st May-lst Nov. | Bank of Montreal, Montreal.. April 1st, 1940 | 971 | 97 | Redeemable at 105 \& Int. after May 18t, 1010. |
| Dominion Iron \& Steel Co.. | 5 | 7,674,000 | 1st Jan.-1st July | Bank of Montreal, Montreal.. July 1st, 1929 | 95 | 943 |  |
| " 2nd Mortg. Bds. .... | ${ }^{6}$ | 1,968,000 | 1st Apl.-1st Oct. | Bank of Montreal, Montreal. |  |  | \$250,000 Redeemable. |
| Dom. Tex. Sers. "A." | 6 | 758,500 | 1st Mch.-1st Sep. | Royal Trust Co., Montreal .. March 1st, 1925 | 98 | 96 | Redeemable at 110 of lato |
| Do. "B." | 6 | 1,162,00 | 1st Mch.-1st Sep. | Royal Trust Co., Montreal .. March 1st, 1925 | 101 | 100 | Redeem. at par after 5 yma |
| Do. "C." .. | 6 | 1,000,000 | 1st Mch.-1st Sep. | Royal Trust Co., Montreal .. March 1st,1925 | $9:$ | 96 | Redeemable at 105 \& Int. |
| Do. "D." .. |  | 450,000 | 1st Mch.-1st Sep. | Royal Truat Co., Montreal .. March 1et, 1925 | $\ldots$ |  | Redeemable at 105 \& Int. |
| Halifax Tram .. | 5 | 000,000 | 1st Jan.-1st July | Bank of Montreal, Montreal. . Jan. 1st, 1910 | $\ldots$ | 100 |  |
| Havana Elec. Railway .. | 5 | 8,311,561 | 1st Feb.-1st Aug. | E8 Broedway, H.Y. .. .. .. Feb. 1st, 1952 | .... |  | Redeemable at 105. |
| Keewatin Mill Co. | 6 | 750,000 | 1st Mch.-1st Sep. | Royal Trust Co., Montreal .. Sept. 1et, 1916 | $\ldots$ | 103 | Redeemable at 110. |
| Lake of Woods Mill. Oo. .. | 6 | 1,000,000 | 1st June-1st Dec. | Merchants Bank of Can. Mt1. June 1st, 1923 | $\ldots$ |  |  |
| Laurentide Paper Co.... .. | c | 1,036,000 | 2nd Jan.-2nd July | Bank of Montreal, Moatreal. . Jan. 2nd, 1920 | 1101 | 110 |  |
| Magdalen Island .. .. | 6 | 267,000 | 30th June-30th De | - |  |  |  |
| Mexican Elec. L. Co. | 5 | 6,000,000 | 1st Jan.-1st July | Bank of Montreal, Montreal.. July, 1st, 1935 | 87 | 86 |  |
| Mex. L't \& Power Co. | 5 | 12,000,000 | 1st Feb.-1st Aug. | .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. Feb. 1st, 1933 | 89 | $\ldots$ |  |
| Montreal L. \& Power Co. . | 43/8 | 5,476,000 | 1st Jan.-1st July | Bank of Montreal, Montreal. . Jan. 1st, 1932 | $\ldots$ | 981 | Redeemable at 105 \& Int. after 1918. |
| Montreal St. Ry. Co. .. .- | 43/2 | 1,500,000 | 1st May-1st Nov. | .... May 18t, 1922 | 100 | $\ldots$ |  |
| N.S. Steel \& Coal Co. .... | c | 2,282,000 | 1st Jan.-1st July | U.B. of Halifax or B. of N.S. Montreal or Toronto.. .. July 1st, 1931 |  |  | Ris ceemable at 110 \& Int. |
| N.S. Steel Consolidated ... | 6 | 1,470,000 | 1st Jan.-1st July | do. do. July 1st, 1931 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Redeemable at 115 \& Int. after 1912. |
| Ogilvie Milling Co. .. .. .. | 6 | 1,000,000 | 1st June-1st Dec. | Bank of Montreal, Montreal.. July 1st, 1932 | 115 | $\ldots$ | Redeemable at 105 \& Int. |
| Price Bros. .. .. .. .. .. | 6 | 1,000,000 | 1st June-1st Dec. | .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. June 1st, 1925 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |  |
| Quebec Ry., L. \& P. Co.. | 5 | 4,945,000 | 1st .June-1st Dec. | .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. June 1st, 1929 | 854 | 851 |  |
| Rich. \& Ontario.. | 5 | 323,146 | 1st Mch.-1st Sep. |  |  |  |  |
| Rio Janeiro | 5 | 23,281,000 | 1st Jan.-1st July | .... ........................ Jan. 1st, 1935 | $\ldots$ | 971 |  |
| Sao Paulo .. .. | 5 | 6.000,000 | 1st June-1st Dec. | C.B. of C., London Nat. <br> Trust Co., Toronto .. .. June 1st, 1929 |  |  | . |
| Winnipeg Electric | 5 | 1,000,000 | 1st July-1st Jan. | Bank of Montreal, Montreal.. Jan. 1st, 1927 | 104 | 1031 |  |
| Winnipeg Electric .. .. .. | 5 | 3,000,00 ) 2 | 2nd July-2nd Jan. | Bank of Montreal, Montreal.. Jan. 1st, 1935 | 104 | 1034 |  |

yot Wir Inote prices as follows: syrup in wood be per It..


OHL AND NATAL STOREA, There is no new feat are to report this week. The market is stealy and priaes fiomly hold. Linsed, boiled, $\$ 1.13$ to $\$ 1.1 .5$; raw. $\$ 1.11$ to $\$ 1.13$; cond wil. car load lots, sole to soc. Toupentine $* 1.17$ per single

 10s. Petrolemm, American retined $51 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$ : do. spirits $63 / 41$. Turpentine spirits, iss 3d. Rosin. American stratined. Ass bid; do. fine 19 s : d --Liverpool: Tupentine spirits strong 73 m . Rosin. common, tirm. 18s 3d. Petrolomm, retined, steady. $61 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. Limsed oil. stady. Sis. Eavamah, (:a.. turputine firm, *1. 113 : sales. 122; reecepts. 16i2; shipments, 85; stock. 1.1s9. Rowin firm: sales. 26(3): recoipts. 411 : shipments 128: stocts.




Borlotors. Owing to the small supples which are being rewised at present, the market is stronger and prices are up, कo per lag. Car lots of (ireen Mountains sold at siec. Job


PROALDONS Owing to the alvalle in prowe for the honge. this market is atcadier in tome although prices are tirn at the ement dedine. 1 faitly adtere tade is being done in all lime. Mattoir fresh killod hogs in a jobbing

 Pork: lleavy lanada short cut mess pork. 35 to 45 peces. brls... $\$ 23.03$ : half barrels, (inada short cut mess pork, $\$ 11$.7.: Canada short cut back pork, t.5 to 5.5 pieces, brls. \$23. 50: brown brand heavy, boneless pork (all fat), brls.. 40 to 50 pieces. *23: heavy clear fat backs, brls.. to to 50 pieces, $\$ 2.50$. Beef: Extra Plate becf, half brls., $100 \mathrm{lbs} . . \$ 5 . i 5 ;$
bris., 200 lbs ., $\$ 17.00$; tierces, $300 \mathrm{lbs} . . \$ 25.00$--Lard, compound: Tierces, $375 \mathrm{lbs} . .101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; boxes, 50 lls . net (parchment lined), $105 / \mathrm{c}^{\mathrm{c}}$; tubs, 50 lbs ., net, grained (2 handles) $103 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ : pails, wood, 20 lbs ., net. 11e; tin pails, $20 \mathrm{l}!\mathrm{s}$. gross, $101 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; 10 !bs. tins colbs., in case, 11c; brick compound lard, 1 lb . packets. 60 llis ., in case, $113 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. - Extra pure: Tierces, 375 lbs., $113 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; boxts, .0 lbs. , net (parchment lined) $11 \% / \mathrm{s}^{\mathrm{c}}$; tubs, 50 lbs., net grained (2 handles), 12c; pails. wood, 20 pounds, net (parchment lined), $121 / 2 \mathrm{e}$; tin pails, 20 lbs ., gross, $11 \frac{1}{2}$ c; cases $10 \mathrm{lbs} .$. tins. $60 \mathrm{lbs} .$. in case $121 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; brick lard, 1 -lb. packets. 60 lbs . in case, $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.

Liverpool reports:-Beef. extra India mess. easy: 107s (id. Pork, prime mess. quiet. 82s. Hams. short cut. it to 16 !eunds. dull, 53 s . Bacon. (umberland cut, 26 to 30 pounds, steady. 5 Ss. Short ribs. 16 to 24 pounds steady, 61 s ; clear bellies. $1+$ to 16 pommls. quiet. 54 s. Long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 pounds dull. 58 s 6 . Long clear middles, heary, 35 to 10 pounds, steady. 57 s . Short clear backs. 16 to 20 pounds, quiet. 53 s . Shoulders, suare. 11 to 13 pounds, dull. 47 s 6 d . lard. prime western. in tierress, easy, 45s 6d: American refinnd. in pails, weak. 46 s.

WINTER VEGETABLEC--It is really surprising how large suply of winter vebetables is coming forward. This is especially true of tomatoes. cucumbers and celery. We quote: Celery: Cal. 7 to 4 do\% to case, per case \$5.2. Caulflower, about 12 to 14 to case, per case. $\$ 2.00$.-Sweet potatoes: Best kiln-dried stock, per barrel, \$3.75; do. per basket, \$2.25. Onions: Red onions, in bags, 100 lhs . per 1b., $23 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; Spanish in lagrge cases. $\$ 3.00$; Spanish. crates, apout $50 \mathrm{lbs} . . \$ 1.25$; Radishes retail be per bunch,-Lettuce retail 10e per large head. Cucumbers. per doz., $\$ 3.00$; tomatoes, Floridas, 6 basket. carriers, per pkg., $\$ 3.50$.

WOOL. - At the London wool sales now going on prices are variable. ranging from $43 / 4$ d to 1 s $41 / 4 d$ for greasy, and from lld to $1 s 81 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ for scoured.

## The Union Life Assurance Co. Ninth Annual Report

 Financial Statement for Year Ending December 31, 1910.REVENUE ACCOUNT

INCOME.
Net Ledger Assets, Dec. 31, 1909
Premiums, Interest, Rents and all other In
come
Received on Capital Account

ASSETS
Municipal Debentures, Stocks and Bonds
First Mortgage and Real Estate
Loans on Securities
Loans on Policies
Ledger Balances
Outstanding and Deferred
Premiums
Furniture and Fixtures
Interest and Rents Accrued
Cash on deposit and in hand

262,039.73
$262,039.73$
$340,129.65$
40,188. 35
$35,376.57$
25,296.00
15,990.95
4.794 .50
174.975.33
$\left.\begin{array}{r}\$ 737,219.18 \\ 677,009.27 \\ 528, \overline{5} 15.40 \\ \hline \$ 1.942 .743 .8 \overline{5}\end{array} \right\rvert\,$
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
\$ 204,522. 61 341,074.35 107,923.11 1,289,223.78
\$1,942,743.85

LIABILITIES

| Net Re-insurance Reserve .. | 812,267.00 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Premiums Paid in Advance | 3,690.42 |  |  |
| Death Claims awaiting Proof. | 3,500.00 |  |  |
| Special Reserve Account. . | 3,012.91 |  |  |
| Accounts Outstanding | 2,000.00 |  |  |
| Commissions Accrued | 19,466.66 |  |  |
| All Other | 2,546.03 |  |  |
|  |  | \$ | 846483.02 |
| Surplus to to Policyholders |  |  | 493.178.24 |

\$1.339,661. 26

CAPITAL, STOCK PAID UP * $6=28,515.40$.
I have duly audited the Books of the Union Life Assurance Company and have examined the vouchers for the various Receipts and Payments, for the year ending December 31st, 1910, and have found the same to be correct.

I have also examined the statement of Assets and Liabilities, together with the Securities, and find them correct.

Toronto. February 2lst. 1911
(Signed) WM. FAllEY. C.A., Auditor.
PROGRESS OF THE COMPANY.
sulstantial Evidence of the Growth in Strength and Resources of the Company may be seen from the figures below:


OFFICERS-PRESIDENT-H. Pollman Evans. VICE-PRESIDENT-Geo. E. Millichamp, M.B. ACTUARY AND SECRETARY-C. P. Muckle. CONSLITING ACTUARY-Charles J. Harvey, F.a.A. DIRECTORSH. Pollman Evans, Toronto; Harry Symons. K.C., Toronto; Geo. E. Millichamp, M.B., Toronto; Lt. Col. G. E. Allen Jones, Quebec; F. G. Hughes, L.D.S., Galt; Charles J. Harvey, F.I.A., New York; William H. Carrie, Toronto. ADVISORY BOARD FOR MARITIME PROVINCES-E. G. Smith, Halifax; M. A. Curry, M.B., Halifax; J. E. DeWolf. Halifax; Nathaniel Currie, Amherst; E. Donahoe, Halifax ; Prof. J. F. Tufts, Wolfville. BANKERS-The Traders Bank of Canada. AUDITOR-Wm. Fahey, C.A., Toronto.

STOCKS, !!N!S AXD SECCRITIES DEALT IN ON THE MONTREAL STOCK EACHANGE.

| MISCEL LANEOUS: | $\begin{gathered} \text { Capital } \\ \text { subscribed. } \\ \$ \end{gathered}$ | Capital paid-up $\$$ | Reserve Fund. © | Percentage of Rest to paid-up Capital | Par <br> Value per share | $\begin{gathered} \text { Market } \\ \text { value of } \\ \text { one share. } \\ \$ \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dividend } \\ & \text { last } \\ & 6 \text { mos. } \\ & \text { P.O. } \end{aligned}$ | Dates of Div'd. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Prices per } \\ \text { cent ou par } \\ \text { Mar. } 23,1911 \\ \text { Ask. Bid. } \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Amal Asbestos, com .. .. .. .. | 8,124,500 | 8,124,500 |  | ..... | 100 | 1275 | - | .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 13 | 127 |
| Amal. Asbestos, pid... .. .. .. .. | 1,875,00 | 1,875,000 |  |  | 100 |  | 1\%* | Jan. April July Oct. | 46 |  |
| Bell Telephone. .. .. | 12,500,00 | 12,500,000 | 2,150,000 | 17.20 | 100 | 1460 J | $2 *$ | Jan. April July Oct. | $\ldots$ | 146 |
| Black Lake Asb., com. .. | 2,999,400 | 2,999,400 |  | ..... | 100 |  | .. | .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Black Lake Asb., pfd. .. .. | 1,00,,(00 | 1,000,000 | ........ | ....0. | 100 | .... ... | 7 | .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| B.C. Packers Assm. "A," pfd.. | 685,000 | 635,000 | ........ | ..... | 100 | 9400 | 7 | Cum. | ... | 94 |
| B.C. Packers Assn. "B," pfd.. .. | 635,009 | 635,000 | ......... | . 0.0 | 100 |  | 7 | Cum. | .... | $\cdots$ |
| B.C. Packers Assn., com. .. | 1,511,40 | 1,511,400 | ........ | ..... | 100 |  | - | .. .. .. ... .. .. .. | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |
| Can. Cement, com. | 10,500,c0) | 10,500,000 | ........ | ..... | ... |  | - | .. .. .. .. .. ${ }^{\text {.. .. }}$ | 231 | 221 |
| Can. Cement, pfd... .. .. .. .. .. | 18,500,000 | 13,500,000 |  | ..... | ... | .... .. | - | .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 87 | 863 |
| Can. Col. Cotton Mills Co.. | 2,7000.0 | 2,700,000 | ......... | ..... | 100 | ... ... | $1 *$ | Mar. June Sept. Dec. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Can. Con. Rubber com... | 3,000,0), | 2,805,000 |  | ..... | 100 | 9600 | $1 *$ | Jan. April July Oct. | 98 | 96 |
| Can. Con. Rubher, pfd. . | 2,000,000 | 1,980,000 |  | ..... | 100 | ...... | 1\%** | Jan. April July Oct. | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |
| Canadian Converters.. | 1,733,0:0 | 1,733,000 |  | .... | 100 | 4387 | - | .. .. .. .. .. .. | 44 | 43 l |
| Can. Gen. Electric, com. .. .. | 4,700,0.0 | 4.700,000 | ......... | . | 100 | ... ... | 1\%* | Jan. April July Oct. | . $\cdot$.. | .... |
| Can. Gen. Electric, pfd. | 1,452,385 | 1,452,385 | ........ | ..... | 100 |  | 31/2 | April Oct. | $\cdots$ |  |
| Canadian Pacific Ry |  | 50,000,010 | ........ | ..... | 100 | 22025 | $3 . \times 14$ | April Oct. | 2206 | 2:04 |
| Crown Reserve .. .. | 1,999,957 | 1,999,957 | ........ | ..... | ... | 2.65 | .. | .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 2.69 | 2.65 |
| Detroit Electric St. .. .. .. .. | 12,500,000 | 12,500,000 | ........ | ..... | 100 | 6950 | - | .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 691 | 691 |
| Dominion Coal, pfd. .. .. .. .. | 8,000,000 | 3,000,000 | ........ | .....0 | 100 | .... ... | 31/2 | Feb. Aug. | 110」 | .... |
| Dominion Iron and Steel, pfd. | 5,000, 000 | 5,000,000 |  | ..... | 100 | 10150 | 7 | Cum. | 106 | 1023 |
| Dominion Steel Corpt. .. .. | 35,000,00) | 35,000,000 |  | ..... | 100 | $58 \times 7$ |  | Cumulative. | 59 | 581 |
| Dominion Textile Co., com. .. .. .. | 5,000,010 | 5,000,000 | ......... | ..... | 100 | 7325 | 11\%* | Jan. April July Oct. | 731 | 73 |
| Dominion Textile Co., pid. .. .. .. | 1,858,08s | 1,858,088 |  | .....0 | 100 | 10450 | 1\%* | Jan. April July Oct. | 106 | 1041 |
| Duluth S.S. and Atlantic .. .. .. | 12,000,00. | 12,000,000 | ........ | . 0. | 100 | . . . | .. | .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | .... | $\ldots$ |
| Duluth S.S. and Atlanilic, pid.. | 10,000,090 | 10,000,000 |  | ..... | 100 | ... ... | - | .. .. .. .. ... .. .. | $\ldots$ |  |
| Halifax Tramway Co. .. .. | 1,350 000 | 1,850,000 | ......... | ..... | 100 | .... ... | 11/2* | Jan. April July Oct. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Havana Flectric Ry., com... .. .. | 7,5:20,000 | 7,500,000 | ....... | .....0 | 100 | $\ldots .$. | 1 | Initial Div. | $\ldots$ | .. |
| Havana Electric Ry., pfd. .. .. | 5,000,00) | 5,000,000 | ........ | ..... | 100 |  | 11/2* | Jan. April July Oct. | $\ldots$ | .... |
| Illinois Trac., pld: .. .. .. .. | 5,003,0:0 | 4,575,000 |  | . | 100 | 9250 | 11/3* | Jan. April July Oct. | ${ }^{93}$ | 921 |
| Lake of the Woods Milling Co. com. | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 |  | ..... | 100 | 13750 | 3 | April Oct. | 140 | 1376 |
| Lake of the Woods Milling Co., pfd. | 1,500, 0 | 1,500,000 | . | ..... | 100 |  | $13 / 4$ 。 | Mar. June Sept. Dec. | $\cdots$ |  |
| Laurentide P'aper, com. .. .. .. | 1,600,0,iu | 1,600,000 | ........ | ..... | 100 | 21000 | $31 / 2$ | Feb. Aug. | 213 | 210 |
| Laurentide P'aper, pfd. .. | 1,200,(0) | 1,200,000 | ......... | ..... | 100 | ... ... | $13 / 4$ | Jan. April July Oct. | .... | $\cdots$ |
| Mackay Companies, com .. .. .. | $43,437, \cdots 0$ | 43,437,200 |  | ..... | 100 | 9150 | $1 *$ | Jan. April July Oct. | 931 | 91] |
| Mackay Companies. pfd... .. .. | 5C, 2000,0 , 10 | 50,000,000 |  | $\ldots$ | 100 | 7500 | $1{ }^{*}$ | Jan. April July Oct. | -6 | 75 |
| Mexican Light and Power Co.. | 13,585,000 | 13,585,000 | ........ | ..... | 100 | $\times 525$ | 1* | Jan. April July Oct. | 86 | 85.2 |
| Minn. St. Paul, and S.S.M., com. | 20,832, 00 | 18,800,000 |  | ..... | 100 | 147 00 | 3 | April Dct. | 147 | 147 |
| Minn St. Paul and S.s.M., pid. .. | 10,4i6,0 0 | 8,400,000 | ........ | ..... | 100 | ..... | $31 / 2$ | April Oct. |  |  |
| Montreal Cotton Co. .. .. | 8,000,000 | 3,000,000 |  | . | 100 | 15200 | 1 | Mar. June Sept. Dec. | 157 | 152 |
| Montreal Light, Heat \& Power Co. | 17,000,000 | 17,000,000 | ......... | ..... | 100 | 15150 | 2 | Feb. May Aug. Nov. | 1514 | 151 |
| Montreal Steel Works, com.. .. .. | 700,00 | 700,000 | ........ | ..... | 100 |  | 2 | Jan. July | $\ldots$ |  |
| Montreal Steel Works, pid... .. .. | 800,000 | 800,000 | ........ | ..... | 100 | .... ... | 1\%** | Jan. April July Oct: | $\cdots$ |  |
| Montreal Street Ry. .. .. .. | 9,(0), 000 | 9,000,000 |  | ..... | 100 | 23000 | $21 / 2$ * | Feb. May Aug. Nov. | 231 | 230 |
| Montreal Telegraph .. .. .. | 2,000,00) | 2,000,000 |  | . 0.0 | 40 | 147 \% 0 | $2 *$ | Jan. April July Oct. | $\ldots$. | 147 |
| Northern Ohio Track Oo. | 7,900,000 | 7,900,000 | ....... | . | 100 | 4360 | $1 / 2{ }^{\circ}$ | Mch. June Sept. Dec. | $\ldots$ | 43 |
| N. Scotia Steel \& Coal Co. com. .. | 5.00 ,000 | 4,987,600 | ........ | ..... | 100 | 10125 | .. | .... .. .. .. .. .. | 101 $\frac{1}{1}$ | $101 \frac{1}{4}$ |
| N. Scotia Steel \& Coal Co., pfd. .. | 2,00, 000 | 1,030,000 | ........ | ..... | 100 | ....... | $2 *$ | Jan. April July Oct. | 125 | .... |
| Ogilvie Flour Mills, com. .. .. .. | 2,500,000 | 2,500,000 | ........ | . $\cdot$. | 100 | 12350 | $31 / 2$ | Mch. Sept. | 125 | 123 |
| Ogilvie Flour Mills, pfd.. .. .. .. | 2,000,00) | 2,000,000 |  | ..... | 100 |  | 1\%* | Mar. June Sept. Dec. | $\ldots$ |  |
| Penman's, Ltd., com. .. .. .. | 2,150,60) | 2,150,600 | ......... | ..... | 100 | 6050 | $1 *$ | Feb. May Aug. Nov. | 61 | 603 |
| Penman's, Ltd., pfd... .. .. .. | 1,075,(0) | 1,075,000 | ........ | ..... | 100 | 850 | 11/2* | Feb. May Aug. Nov. | 85 | 85 |
| Quebec Ry. L. \& P. .. .. .. .. | 9,500,090 | 9,500,000 | ... | .... | $\ldots$ | 6262 | . | .. .. .. ... .. .. .. | 6.21 | 624 |
| Rich. \& Ont. Nav. Co. .. | 3,132,000 | 8,132,000 |  | ..... | 100 | 11400 | 11/4* | Mar. June Sept. Dec. | $114 \frac{1}{6}$ | 114 |
| Rio de Janiero.. .. | 25,250,0)0 | 25,000,000 | ........ | ..... | 100 | 10575 | .. | .. .-. .. .. .. .. .. | 106 | 1054 |
| Sao Paulo .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 9,700,000 | 9,700,000 | ......... | . | 100 | 15850 | 21/4* | Jan. April July Oct. | $\ldots$ | 158 |
| Shawinigan Water \& Power Co. .. | 6,500,000 | 6,500,000 | ........ | ..... | 100 | 11387 | $1 *$ | Jan. April July Oct. | 114 | 1136 |
| 8t. John Street Ry. .. .. .. .. | 800,000 | 800,000 |  | ..... | 100 | .... ... | 3 | June Dee. | .... |  |
| Toledo Street Ry... .. .. .. .. .. | 18,875,000 | 12,000,000 | ........ | ... | 100 | ...... | - | .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 81 | $\ldots$ |
| Toronto Street Ry. .. .. .. .. .. | 8,00),000 | 8,000,000 |  | -.... | 100 | 12387 | 1\%* | Jan. April July Oct. | 129 | 128\% |
| Tri. City Ry. Co., pid. .. .. .. .. | 2,600,000 | 2,600,000 |  | . 0 | 100 | ........ | 112* | Jan. April July Oct. | $\ldots$ |  |
| Trinidad Electric Ry... .. .. .. .. | 1,164,000 | 1,184,000 | ........ | . 0 | 4.80 | ....... | 13/4 | Jan. April July Oct. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Twin City Rapid Transit Co. .. | 20.100003 | 20,100,000 | ........ | . 0 | 100 | 10800 | 13/4. | Feb. May Aug. Nov. | 109 | 108 |
| Twin City Rapid Tranalt, pid... .. | $8,010,000$ | 3,000,000 |  | ..... | 100 |  | 1\%* | Jan. April July Oct. | .... | .... |
| West India Electric .. .. .. .. ., | 800,000 | 800,000 |  | . $\cdot$ | 100 |  | $11 / 4$ | Jan. April July Oct. | .... |  |
| Windsor Hotel .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | ........ | . $\cdot$ | 100 |  | 5 | May Nov. | 149 | - |
| Winnipeg Electric Ry. Co. .. .. | 6,00, 000 | 6,000,000 |  |  | 100 | 19325 | 21/8* | Jan. April July Oct. | $\ldots$ | 1934 |

-The North American Smelting (o. will erect a smelter at Kingston. (1) extract the lead from the ores found in Frontenac county
-The Confederation Life Association will erect an office Victoria, B.C., at a cost of $\$ 135,000$. W. R. Arnold is General Manager.
-The Dominion Trust Co. will-erect an office building in building on Main Street, Winnipeg.

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COFFEE.
A circular from Hy. Nordlinger and Co., of New York, says:-In our market report of the 15 th ultimo, we expressed the opinion, that the decline which had taken place previous to that date was too acute, and not warranted by known conditions. Fluctuations since then were quite frequent, but with a tendency toward a recovery of values. Several new features have to be reckoned with. Firstly, a syndicate was reported to have been formed in Santos, composed of the largest holders there, with the aim in view, to maintain a uniform and higher level of price than was ruling at the time and than is ruling now. Speculative markets were naturally influenced thereby. Exporters from Santos began to offer coffee a few days afterwards at gradually lower prices, without finding many buyers. Bear operators took adrantage of this situation, and quickiy brought about a corresponding decline in prices on our Exchange. Then came the announcement of the Valorization Committee, that it had decided to sell 600 , 100 bags in the different markets of Europe and in New York on April 1st at the best possible price; and that they w:ll sell a further 600,000 bags on the 2 nd of April, in the different markets. at a price not less than 75 francs on the basis of good average Havre types for spot coffee. The Committee stated that it fixed this price, as they hold a firm afer on this basis for any or all of the 600,000 bags remaining unsold at this price on the $22 n d$ of April. This an nouncement at first exercised a good effoct on the market. because a bid of 75 francs, good until the 22nd of April. for such a large block of coffee could only have been made by strong partics, and these parties must have a great deal of confidence in the stability of values. It stands to reason, that all the Government coffee to be sold during next month will bring at least equivalent to this price and probably nore.
The trade throughout the world has been reducing its stocks during the last two months, in the anticipation of replenishing same out of the Government sales. This accounts for the small with drawals from port stocks during that
time, and the poor visible supply state ment of the lst inst. The more inter ior holders allow their stocks to be reduced, the more pressing will become the necessity of replenishing same. Although not apparent on the surface, it seems to us, that the actual situation has improved considerably, and that we will soon enter a period of a healthy trade demand. Speculators have quiet ed down perceptibly from their previous activity. "Selling short" was quite the fashion for a time, and profitable too, but when strong opposition was encountered this fashion quickly dienl out. The bear campaign caused import. ers and jobbers to cut out hedges against their stock, which will have to be taken back when they make sates of their actual coffee.
This feature, in conjunction with the creation of a short interest, which here tofore was wanting to prevent a sharp break in values, improved the technical position of the market materially; so much so, that values can now be advanced both on the New York Exchange, as well as in the open market, without much effort. All indications point to a gradual improvement in values along the whole line. Nevertheless we do not believe that prices will recover sufficiently to reach the high level which was reached in January. We have repeatedly referred to the comparatively low prices at which mild coffees. especially washed central Americans, can be obtained in the New York market. We cannot refrain from referring to this condition again. because the present mild coffee crops are not sufficient for the world's requirements, and we can see no falling off in their consumption. We consider the purchase of washed central American coffee at the present level of price as absolutely safe

## THE BANK OF FRANCE

At the shareholders' meeting of the Bank of France the report contained the following:
"By contributing to maintain in France cheap money and abundant bank credit, the influence of the bank served not only to facilitate the importation of all raw material necessary for nat'onal industry and the food supply, but also
contributed incontestably to the exportation of our manufactures, the increased value of which tended to compensate for the rise in the materials of which they were composed. The total productive operations of the bank in 1910 am ounted to $\$ 4,919,369,878$, which was an increase of $\$ 442,179212$ on the year. The chapters in which there was a development were the discounts, $\$ 433,171,094$; loans on securities $\$ 131,206,755$; transfers $\$ 82,144.679$; b:1ls collected, $\$ 381$, 232 ; shares negotiated and dividends collected $\$ 4,909,128$. There was, on the other hand, a diminution of $\$ 18,553,514$ in the purchases. sales, and advances on bullion and foreign coins. The cash reserve, which amounted to $\$ 793,809,000$ on December 24, was $\$ 53,943,500$ Iower on the year, including both gold and silver. G. Id was parted with for the discount of london bills with the certainty that it would return later, ánd silver legal teñder coin was demanded by countries of the Latin Union to strengthen their cash reserves. The rates of discount and advances remained unchanged during the year. while they underwent nine variations in London, three at Berlin, four at Brussels and Amsterdam, and five in switzerland. In none of those countries was the discount below the invariable rate of 3 per cent of the Bank of France. The discounts at the bank amounted to $\$ 2.814,075,254$, an increase of $\$ 433,161074$ on the year. The note circulation moved between $\$ 1,067,397,057$ on January 4, 1910, and $\$ 950,033,467$ on August 24. The owerdue bills held by the bank declined on the year from $\$ 880.830$ to $\$ 834.241$. The gross prolits of the bank amounted to $\$ 10,361,085$, and the net to $\$ 6,048,664$. The royalty to the State on the productive circulation took $\$ 1,994,227$; the appropriation for risks of bills and the pension fund, $\$ 1,-$ $0.53,780$; gratuities to the staff and bene: fit associations, $\$ 237,390$; the rediscount and carry forward, $\$ 6.421,384$; leaving a balance of $\$ 2,868.130$, to which has to be added $\$ 2,063,018$ for the produce of the investments forming the private fortune of the bank, and making a total of $\$ 4,931.150$, of which $\$ 1,106540 \mathrm{accrue}$ to the State. The dividend to shateholders per share of $\$ 193$ was $\$ 27.02$ net."

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

| $\begin{gathered} \mathcal{E} \\ \mathbf{1} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dollars. } \\ & 4.86687 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \boldsymbol{£} \\ & \mathbf{3 6} \end{aligned}$ | Dollars. $175.2000$ | $\begin{array}{r} £ \\ 71 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dollad } \\ & 345.53 \end{aligned}$ | rs. <br> 333 | s.d | $4.0 \bigcirc 97.3$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & D 1 \mathrm{ls} . \\ & 194.7 \end{aligned}$ |  | D'ls. <br> 292.0 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { s.d. } \\ & \hline 10.0 \text { Is. } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |
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| 2 | 9.7333 | 37 | 180.06667 | 72 | 350.40 | 000 | 1 | 002.0 | 1 | 099.4 | 1 | 196.7 | 1 |  | 94.0 | 1 | 391.4 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 004.1 | 2 | 101.4 | 2 | 198.7 | 2 |  | 96.1 | 2 | 393.4 |
| 3 | 14.60000 | 38 | 184.93333 | 73 | 355.26 | 66 7 | 3 | 006.1 | 3 | 103.4 | 3 | 200.8 | 3 | 2 | 98.1 | 3 | 395.4 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4 | 008.1 | 4 | 105.4 | 4 | 202.8 | 4 |  | 00.1 | 4 | 397.4 |
| 4 | 19.46687 | 39 | 189.80000 | 74 | 360.13 | 333 | 5 | 010.1 | 5 | 107.5 | 5 | 204.8 | 5 | 3 | 02.1 | 5 | 389.5 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 6 | 012.2 | 6 | 109.5 | 6 | 206.8 | 6 | 3 | 04.2 | 6 | 401.5 |
| 5 | 24.33333 | 40 | 194.66667 | 75 | 365.00 | 000 | 7 | 014.2 | 7 | 111.5 | 7 | 208.9 | 7 | 3 | 06.2 | 7 | 403.5 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8 | 018.2 | 8 | 113.6 | 8 | 210.9 | 8 | 3 | 08.2 | 8 | 4 05.5 |
| 6 | 29.20000 | 41 | 199.53333 | 76 | 369.86 | 667 | 9 | 018.3 | 9 | 115.6 | 9 | 212.9 | 9 | 3 | 10.3 | 9 | 407.6 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10 | 020.3 | 10 | 117.6 | 10 | 214.9 | 10 | 3 | 12.3 | 10 | 409.6 |
| 7 | 34.06687 | 42 | 204.40000 | 77 | 374.73 |  | 11 | 022.3 | 11 | 119.6 | 11 | 217.0 | 11 | 3 | 14.2 | 11 | 411.6 |
| 8 | $38.83 \quad 33$ | 43 | 209.26667 | 78 | 379.60 | 000 | 1.0 | 024.3 | 5.0 | 121.7 | 9.0 | 219.0 | 13.0 |  | 16.3 | . 0 | 413.7 |
| 9 | 43.80000 | 44 | 214.13333 | 79 | 384.46 |  | 1 | 026.4 | 1 | 123.7 | 1 | 221.0 | 2 | 3 | 18.4 | 1 | 415.7 417 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 028.4 | 2 | 125.7 |  | 223.1 |  | 3 | 20.4 | 2 | 417.7 |
| 10 | 48.66687 | 45 | 219.00000 | 80 | 389.33 | 333 | 3 | 030.4 | 3 | 127.8 | 3 | 225.1 | 3 | 3 | 22.4 | 3 | 419.8 |
|  | 48.08 |  | 210.0000 |  |  |  | 4 | 032.4 | 4 | 129.8 | 4 | 227.1 | 4 | 3 | 24.4 | 4 | 421.5 |
|  | 63.53333 | 46 | 223.86667 | 81 | 394.20 | 000 | 5 | 034.5 | 5 | 131.8 | 5 | 229.1 | 5 | 3 | 26.5 | 5 | 423.8 |
| 11 | $63.53 \quad 33$ | 46 | 223.8606 | 81 |  |  | 6 | 036.5 | 6 | 133.8 | 6 | 231.2 | 6 | 3 | 28.5 | 6 | 425.8 |
| 12 | 58.40000 | 47 | 228.73333 | 82 | 399.06 | 667 | 7 | 038.5 | 7 | 135.9 | 7 | 233.2 | 7 | 3 | 30.5 | 7 | 427.9 |
| 12 | 58.4000 | 47 | 228.73 33 |  |  |  | 8 | 040.6 | 8 | 137.9 | 8 | 235.2 | 8 | 3 | 32.6 | 8 | 429.4 |
| 13 | 63.26687 | 48 | 233.6000 | 83 | 403.93 | 333 | 9 | 042.6 | 9 | 139.9 | 9 | 237.3 | 9 | 3 | 34.6 | 9 | 431.9 |
|  |  |  | 23.6000 |  |  |  | 10 | 044.6 | 10 | 141.9 | 10 | 239.3 | 10 | 3 | 38.6 | 10 | 433.2 |
| 14 | 68.1333 | 49 | 238.4666 | 84 | 408.80 | 000 | 11 | 046.6 | 11 | 144.0 | 11 | 241.3 | 11 | 3 | 38.6 | 11 | 436.0 |
| 15 | 73.00000 | 50 | 243.33333 | 85 | 413.66 | 667 | 2.0 | 048.7 | 6.0 | 146.0 |  | 243.3 | 14.0 | 3 | 40.7 |  | 438.0 |
|  | .00 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 050.7 | 1 | 148.0 | 1 | 245.4 | 1 | 3 | 42.7 | 1 | 440.0 |
| 16 | 77.86667 | 51 | 248.20000 | 86 | 418.53 | 333 | 2 | 052.7 | 2 | 150.1 | 2 | 247.4 | 2 | 3 | 44.7 | 2 | 442.1 |
| 17 | $82.73 \quad 333$ | 52 | 253.0666 | 87 | 423.40 | 000 | 3 | 054.8 | 3 | 152.1 | 3 | 249.4 | 3 | 3 | 46.8 | 3 | 444.1 |
| 18 | 87.60000 | 53 | 257.9333 | 88 | 428.26 | 667 | 4 | 056.8 | 4 | 154.1 | 4 | 251.4 | 4 | 3 | 48.8 | 4 | 446.1 |
| 19 | 92:46 667 | 54 | 262.8000 | 89 | 433.13 | 333 | 5 | 058.8 | 5 | 156.1 | 5 | 253.5 | 5 | 3 | 50.8 | 5 | 448.1 |
| 20 | 97.33333 | 55 | 267.66667 | 90 | 438.00 | 000 | 6 | 060.8 | 6 | 158.2 | 6 | 255.5 | 6 | 3 | 52.8 | 6 | 450.2 |
|  | . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  | , |  |  |  | 7 | 062.9 | 7 | 160.2 | 7 | 257.5 | 7 | 3 | 54.9 | 7 | 452.2 |
| 21 | 102.20000 | 56 | 272.5333 | 91 | 442.86 | 667 | 8 | 064.9 | 8 | 162.2 | 8 | 259.6 | 8 | 3 | 56.9 | 8 | 454.2 |
| 22 | 107.06667 | 57 | 277.4000 | 92 | 447.73 | 333 | 9 | 066.9 | 9 | 164.3 | 9 | 261.6 | 9 | 3 | 58.9 | 9 | 456.3 |
| 23 | 111.93333 | 58 | 282.2666 | 93 | 452.60 | 000 | 10 | 068.9 | 10 | 166.3 | 10 | 263.6 | 10 | 3 | 60.9 | 10 | 458.3 |
| 24 | 116.80000 | 59 | 287.1333 | 94 | 457.46 | 667 | 11 | 071.0 | 11 | 168.3 | 11 | 265.6 | 11 | 3 | 63.0 | 11 | 460.3 |
| 25 | 121.66667 | 60 | 292.0000 | 95 | 462.33 | 333 | 3.0 | 073.0 | 7.0 | 70.3 | 11.0 | 267.7 | 13.0 | 3 | 65.019 |  | 462.3 |
| 26 | 126.53333 | 61 | 296.8666 | 96 | 467.20 | 000 | 1 | 075.0 | 1 | 172.4 | 1 | 269.7 | 1 | 3 | 67.0 | 1 | 464.4 |
| 27 | 131.40000 | 62 | 301.7333 | 97 | 472.06 | 667 | 2 | 077.1 | 2 | 174.4 | 2 | 271.7 | 2 | 3 | 69.1 | 2 | 466.4 |
| 28 | 136.26667 | ${ }^{6} 3$ | 306.6000 | 98 | 476.93 | 333 | 3 | 079.1 | 3 | 176.4 | 3 | 273.8 | 3 | 3 | 71.1 | 3 | 468.4 |
| 29 | 141.13333 | 64 | 311.4666 | 99 | 481.80 | 000 | 4 | 081.1 | 4 | 178.4 | 4 | 275.8 | 4 | 3 | 73.1 | 4 | 470.4 |
| 30 | 146.00000 | 85 | 316.3333 | 100 | 486.66 | 667 | 5 | 083.1 | 5 | 180.5 | 5 | 277.8 | 5 | 3 | 75.1 | 5 | 472.5 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 6 | 085.2 | 6 | 182.5 | 6 | 279.8 | 6 | 3 | 77.2 | 6 | 474.5 |
| 31 | 150.86667 | 66 | 321.2000 | 200 | 973.33 | 333 | 7 | 087.2 | 7 | 184.5 | 7 | 281.9 | 7 | 3 | 79.2 | 7 | 476.5 |
| 32 | 155.73333 | ${ }^{87}$ | 326.0666 | 300 | 1460.00 | 000 | 8 | 089.2 | 8 | 186.6 | 8 | 283.9 | 8 | 3 | 81.2 | 8 | 478.6 |
| 33 | 160.60000 | 68 | 330.9333 | 400 | 1946.66 | 667 | 9 | 091.3 | 9 | 1.88 .6 | 9 | 285.9 | 9 | 3 | 83.3 | 9 | 480.6 |
| 34 | 165.46667 | 69 | 335.8000 | 500 | 2433 . 33 | 333 | 10 | 093.3 | 10 | 190.6 | 10 | 287.9 | 10 | 3 | 85.3 | 10 | 482.6 |
| 35 | 170.33333 | 70 | 340.6666 | 60 | 2920.00 | 000 | 11 | 095.3 | 11 | 192.6 | 11 | 290.0 | 11 | 3 | 87.3 | 11 | 484.6 |

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

RAILROAD EAR NINGS
Railrond wross earnmes for the first week of March make a somewhat indif ferent comparison with those of a year ago, the total for all United States roids reporting to date aggregating $\$ 6,-$ 174,820 , a loss of 2.1 per cent as com pared with the earnings of the same roads for the corresponding per'oll last year. Irregularity is still a leading feature. different systems in the same part of the country reporting both gains and ings of all United States roads reporting losses. Some decrease is reported by to date for the fist week of March. and Louisville and Nashville. Seaboard Air the increasis as compared with the earmLine and Chesapeake and Ohio in the ings of the same roads for the cor:er

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South; but this is offset by gains on Central of (ieorgia, Southern and $\mathrm{Mo}^{\text {º }}$, lis and Olio. While in the West and Sonthwest decrased earnings by Denler and Rio Grande. Colorado and Southern and others contrast with gains by Cincinllati, New Orleans and Texas Pacific, Missouri, Kansas and Texas, St. Louis Sonthves tern and International Great Northern. Simitar contrasts are presented in $t^{\prime}$ betoms by road is ther sections '
yonding period a year ago; also for the sia me period in the two preceding months, together with the percentages of gain or loss over last year:

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Speaking of the arrival of the first $t_{\text {wo }}$ steamers on the new rolite between Fastern Canadian ports and Australia and New Zealand, Mr. D. H. Ross, Canadian Trade Commisisoner to Australia, suys: "The increased interest takn by Australian importers in the cargo service from Eastern Canada ports, evidenced by the number of inquiries and correspondence received at this office, slould impress exporters of the ralue of this market, and the obvious necessity of de ${ }^{-}$ voting the energy and care of their com petitors in the development of the trade." The first steamer to sail car ried 625 tons of freight and the second

50tons. The inauguration of this sel vice was highiy suceessful and gives pro mise taken in conjunction with the feel ing in Australia, mentioned by Mr Ross, of a large development.

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New foundland customs returns for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1910, indicate a large increase of imports from Can. ada, namely $\$ 22,750$. Of this increase flour is responsible for $\$ 404,788$. Among items exhibiting an increase are:-belt ing, $\$ 1,905$; sails and tarpaulin, $\$ 10,100$ coal, $\$ 26,634$; cer dage $\$ 2304$; cotton fab ries $\$ 4,008$; dry goods $\$ 4,508$; hardware $\$ 13,377$; sole leather $\$ 1,000$; medicine $\$ 3$,

171; paints, glue and gum $\$ 8804$; paper ha nging $\$ 2,808$; musical instruments $\$ \mathbf{l}$, 000 ; ready 139; stationery $\$ 4,599$; agricultural ima plements $\$ 1,886$; articles for Anglo-Nfld. Development Co. $\$ 10,937$; machinery for local industries $\$ 5.659$; kerosene oil $\$ 7$, 081 ; lines and twines $\$ 5,435$; material for branch railways $\$ 76,616$; material for wire nail manufacturers $\$ 14,805$; salt $\$ 4$, 040 ; eattle feed, etc., $\$ 10,057$; round peas $\$ 3.859$. Several items exhibit adecrease, the chief being boots and shoes \$6.721; India rubber boots and shoes, gutta percha manufactures $\$ 8,505$; glass and glassware $\$ 1,074$ : eggs $\$ 4,272$; tea 86,187; regetables $\$ 2.638$.

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tancing all competitors in the upward climb. Compared with 1907, the returns for 1910 showed an increse in exports of from $£ 426,035,000$ to $£ 534,365,000$, equal to as much as 25 per cent. France improved from $£ 223,644,000$ to $£ 240,000$, 000 , equal to 7.9 per cent; and Germany from $£ 372,070,000$ to $£ 373,000,000$, equal to the insignificant rite of 0.3 per cent. America alone, allong the great export countries, showed dedine, the total shipments being only $£ 360,000,000$ against £ $376,170,000$ equal to a fall of 4.3 per cent. No wonder can be felt that United States Consuls in all parts of the world are seeking to discover the cause of their country's failure to hold oversea markets’ and are devising means whereby the tendency may be checked.
It is estimated that the foreign sale of United States foodstuffis alone has declined over 35 per cent in the last decade. Indeed, the present would be much lower in volume still if it were not for the great increase in the shipments of raw materials which has been taking place, the estimated advance in these being as much as 60 per cent during the last 10 years. Curious as it may som in connection with the UTnited States, the root trouble appears to be very largely the growing tendency to negle $t$ agriculture. The United states is now faced with the fact. says the British Export Gazette that other countries, notably Australia. the Argentine, and canada are abreast with, if not ahead of her in land cultivation, and it is becoming increasingly evident that unless the "back to the land" movement in the States leads to something practical in the direction of introducing more scientific and cheaper mothods of producing foodstuffs, the slipping trade in arvinhl. tural produce will shortly pease to exist.

## BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES.

The following were among the inquiries relating to canalian trade received at the Office of the High Commissioner for Canada, 17 V'ictoria Street. London. S.W., during the week ending March 3rd. 1911:-

A London firm manufacturing high power incandescent lamps and burners, and higlrelass gas and electric fittings, are desirous of entering the Canadian market, and wish to appoint agents.

A Birmingham firm make inquiry for the names of Canadian exporters of honey.
A firm of commission mercliants in London are desirous of se uring the agen. cy for Great Britain of Canadian exporters of preserved foods, and other articles for table use

An English correspondent who has for many years representid United States exporters of maple lumber. flads supplies failing, and would like to get in to touch with Canadian lumber merchants able to do busireuss

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Any even－numbered section of Domin ion Lands in Manitoba，Saskatchewan， and Alberta，excepting 8 and 26 ，not re－ surved，may be homesteaded by any per－ son who is the sole head of a family，or a ny male over 18 years of age，to the ex tent of one－quarter section of 160 acres

Application for entry must be made in person by the applicant at a Dominion Lands Agency or Sub－agency for the dis－ trict in which the land is situate．En try by proxy may，however be made at any Agency，on certain conditions by the father，mother，son，danghter．brother or sister of an intending homestender．
DUTIES：－（1）At least six months＇ residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three vears．
（2）A homesteader may．if he so de－ sires，perform the required residence du－ ties by living on farming land owned solely be him．not less than eighty（sn） acres in extent．in the vicinity of his homestead．He may also do so by liv－ ing with father or mother，on certain conditions．Toint ownership in land will not mect this renuirement
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