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#### TORONTO, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1869.

Railway News.

SUBSCRIPTION \$2 A YEAR.

#### Mercantile.

J. B. Boustead.

PROVISION and Commission Merchant. Hops bought and sold on Commission. 82 Front St., Toronto.

#### Buntin, Brother & Co.,

WHOLESALE STATIONERS, and Paper, Envelope, and Bank Book Manufacturers, Nos. 3 and 4 Com-mercial Buildings, Yonge Street, south of King Street, Toronto

Wm. Croft & Co., MANUFACTURERS of Needles, Fish Hooks, Tackle, &c., Importers of Cutlery, Thimbles, Pears and But-tons, Hooks and Eyes, Pins, Combs, and Small Wares in general. 37 Colborne Street, Toronto, Ont.

#### Childs & Hamilton.

MANUFACTUREERS and Wholesale Dealers in Boots and Shoes, No. 7 Wellington Street East, Toronto, Ontario. 28

#### L Coffee & Co.

PRODUCE and Commission Merchants, No. 2 Manning's Block, Front St., Toronto, Ont. Advances made on consignments of Produce.

#### Candee & Co.,

BANKERS AND BROKERS, dealers in Gold and Silver Coin, Government Securities, &c., Corner Main and Exchange Streets, Buffalo, Y. N. 21-1v

#### John Fisken & Co.

ROCK OIL and Commission Merchants, Wellington Street East, Toronto, Ont.

Gundry and Langléy, A RCHITECTS AND CIVIL ENGINEERS, Building Sur-veyors and Valuators. Office corner of King and Jordan Streets, Toronto. HENRY LANGLEY. THOMAS OUNDRY.

Lyman & McNab. WHOLESALE Hardware Merchants, Toronto, Ontario

#### W. D. Matthews & Co.

PRODUCE Commission Merchants, Old Corn Exchange, 16 Front St. East, Toronto Ont.

#### R. C. Hamilton & do.

PRODUCE Commission Merchants, 119 Lower Water St.y Halifax, Nova Scotia.

#### H. Nerlich & Co.,

LMPORTERS of French, German, English and American Fancy Goods, Cigars, and Leaf Tobaccos, No. 2 Adelaide Street, West, Toronto.

#### Parson Bros.,

PETROLEUM Refiners, and Wholesale dealers in Lamps, Chimneys, etc. Waterooms 51 Front St. Refinery cor. River and Don Sts., Toronto.

#### Reford & Dillon.

IMPORTERS of Groceries, Wellington Street, Toronto

#### C. P. Reid & Co.

I MPORTERS and Dealers in Wines, Liquors, Cigars and Leaf Tobacco, Wellington Street, Toronto. 28.

#### W. Rowland & Co.,

PRODUCE BROKERS and General Commission Mer-chants. Advances made on Consignments. Corner Church and Front Streets, Toronto.

#### Sessions, Turner & Cooper.

MANUFACTURERS, Importers and Wholesale Dealer in Boots and Shoes, Leather Findings, etc., SWel-lington St. West, Toronto, Ont

#### GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

#### Report of the Directors.

The following is the report of the Directors -of the Great Western Railway Company, presented at the meeting of the shareholders, held in London, on the 27th ult. :-

1. The receipts on capital account during the half year, amount to £258,050 16s. 6d.; and mainly arise from the first instalment of the issue of 5 per cent. Preference Stock. This includes the proportion of discount thereon, which has been charged against the remission of interest allowed by the Government on the final settlement of the loan.

The aggregate expenditure to the same date amounted to £5,392,593 5s. 2d., leaving a balance to the credit of the Capital Account of £126,284 19s.

In accordance with the resolution of the shareholders, at the special general meeting held on April 28th, the Directors have to announce that the whole of the 5 per cent. preferred stock, amounted to £1,018,000, has been issued at the agreed rate of 80 per cent., the first call of 25 per cent. was payable on the 27th May, 1869, and carries dividend from that date. The remaining instalments are payable, viz :--

£	16	on each	£100	stock on	lst	December,	1869
	16	**	46		1st	December,	1870
	16		**		'1st	December,	1871
	16	**	**		1st	December,	1872

An Act of the Canadian Parliament (32 Vic., cap. 62) has confirmed this issue of preference stock, with option of conversion into ordinary shares until the 1st of January, 1880.

2. The outlay on capital account during the half-year, after deducting sales of surplus lands, has been £4,400 fs. 9. as follows:—Cost of ex-tending sidings rendered necessary in consequence of the increased through tonnage and number of trains; additions to Detroit freight shed, Petroleum oil platform at London; proportion charge-able to capital for new windmill tank at Port Credit, and 20 new 8 wheel or platform cars.

3. The receipts and expenditure on Revenue Account, were as follows :---Gross Receipts......£385,067 16 9

Working expenses, including renews	uls		232,767	13	2
From which there has to be deducted	1		£152,300	3	7
Interest on Bonds, Loan, &c.£46,87		- 8			
Loss on conversion of Ameri- can Funds	1 15	0	t tra		
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Amount set aside for renewal of Ferry Steamers	0 0	0	103,507	.5	0
Manager and Association	1		£48,722	18	7
Add surplus from last year £2,577 Less special vote to deputa-	17	1			
tion of Board 1,575	5 0	. 0	1,002	17	
Proportion of half year's divi-			*,004	1	1
dend on Detroit and Milwau-			7,951	18	3
Profit on working Galt and Guelph Railway			40	10	5

The dividend to July 31st on the first instalment of 5 percent. preference stock amounts to £2, 608 2s. 8d., leaving a balance of £55,110 1s. 8d. From this balance the Directors recommend a dividend on the ordinary shares at the rate of 3 per cent, per annum, free of income tax, payable in London the 9th November, which will absorb £53,259 9s. 8d., and leave a surplus of £1,850 12s. to be carried to the credit of the next half year

The Renewal Fund for the Ferry Steamers now amounts, with interest, to £12,560 13s. 10d.

4. The loss on conversion of American currency for the half year amounts to £53,781 15s. as com-pared with £54,748 12s. 5d. for the corresponding period in 1868. The average rate of conversions period in 1868. The average rate of conversions during the half year was 1351, the average price of gold for the same period being 1374. The amount of assets in American funds in hand at 31st July, 1869, amounted to \$218,635 41, against \$215,435.72, at the commencement of the half year.

5. The total Traffic Receipts show an increase of £28,429 9s. 3d. as compared with the corresponding half year. Inc

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Total increase ......£28,429 9 3 6. The low tariff rates referred to in the last 6. The law tariff rates referred to in the last report, as arising from competition, has been continued throughout the half-year by rival American railroads, and the North Shore route (of which the Great Western forms 'the middle link) has been obliged to adopt the same rates. This has considerably affected the ratio of working expenses to earnings, which this half-year amounts to 60.45 per cent., against 58.45 per cent. in the to 60.45 per cent., against 58.45 per cent. in the corresponding half-year. The cost of ordinary working expenses per train mile for the last five corresponding half-

years is as follows :

31st July,	1865	01d.	sterling.
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	18674	21	44
	18684	80	
	18694	8	. 44

7. The opening of the Pacific Railroad will-bring to the Great Western line a considerable traffic between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, traine between the Atlantic and Facilic coasts, which was formerly conveyed by water by Pa-nama route. Passengers can now travel through in the same cars from New York to Chicago, where direct connections are made with the Pacific Railroad. The Great Western will partici-pate in the advantages of 2,000 miles of additional railway communication west of the Missouri river.

The development of this traffic will, doubtless, 

8. The unbroken gauge established between the East and West by the third rail over this line has developed a large grain business never before conveyéd by railway. From this traffic important results may be expected in the future. Millers in the New England States formerly obtained cargoes of grain during the period of navigation only; they now receive their supplies in car-loads all through the winter. The lumber trade has also been promoted by the same means. It is satis-factory to be able to state that on all the sections of country in the neighborhood of the line, the crops have been more abundant than for some years past.

A special freight line has been established in connection with the Detroit and Milwaukee road, by which freight is transported between Grand Haven and the Atlantic scaboard without transfer.

10. The last half-year's report referred to an agreement with the Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway Company to work the traffic (under cer-tain conditions) of the first section (16 miles) of that line as far as the town of Fergus, and which portion is now approaching completion. The same arrangement has since been made with regard to the entire main line of the Wellington, Grev and Bruce Railway, intended to be constructed from Guelph to some point on Lake Huron, making altogether about ninety miles, but not to any future branches on extensions. ( The agreement can be seen at the offices.

11. The Directors have to announce that the surplus revenue of the Detroit and Milwankee Railroad Company, on the 30th June, 1869, admits of a dividend at the rate of 7 per cent per annum to this Company on the 12,095,000 Preference Shares. One fourth of this sum of £10,602 11s has been applied in part liquidation of the Detroit and Milwaukee Old Interest Account, which now stands in the balance sheet at \$6,944 19s 3d. The gross earnings of the Detroit and Milwaukee Railroad for the half-year to 30th June, 1869, were.....£154,786 17 11 Working expenses, taxes and in-

Net revenue ..... £55,164 19 10 On behalf of the Board of Directors,

THOMAS DAKIN,

President. London, October 13th, 1869.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY .- Traffic for week ending October 29, 1869.

Passengers Freight Mails and Sundries	32,946 27 54,472723 2,026 70	N
Total Receipts for week Coresponding week, 1868	\$89,445 20 78,738 14	

Decrease ..... \$10,707 06

LIGHT RAILWAYS IN ENGLAND .- The remark able success of the Portmadoe and Festiniog Railway in Wales is attracting much attention among the railroad and scientific meh in Eng-land. The *Railway News* says of it: "This is a little line in North Wales, which was originally constructed-for the purpose of acting as a tramway for slate and store from the hills of Merionethshire to the seashore. It is now used as a goods and passenger line. The chief peculiarity in the construcsenger line. The chief pecularity in the construc-fion is that the gauge is only two feet broad. Hence, though the expenses of construction and working are so small that the traffic yields the enormous revenue of 30 per cent. The reason is simple enough It is because the proportion between the dead weight and paying weight is so much less than upon other railroads. The engine and tender Instead of a first-class carriage weighing seven \$18,200 per mile.

and a half tons, to carry thirty-two passengers, and representing nearly five hundred of dead weight for each passenger, the carriages on the Festiniog weigh only thirty cwt. for twelve pas-sengers, or two and a half cwt. for each person carried.

WELLINGTON GREY AND BRUCE RAILWAY .-The resources of this company are :--

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Bonds which the Company are entitled 591,000 to issue by act of Parliament ......

\$1,182,000

Messrs. Robertson and Reekie, the contractors, have expressed their readiness to undertake the construction of the road through Bruce on the basis of the bonus of \$250,000. The balance they are willing to take in the bonds the directors are entitled to issue, and the capital stock of the Company.

It is 95 miles from Guelph to Southampton by the route selected, By the agreement with the Great Western, 30 per cent of the gross earnings are to be applied to meet the interest on the bonds and a sinking fund is provided for, to consist of 20 per cent. of the gross traffic interchanged between the two lines, that is to say, every ton of freight which is sent from any point on the Wel-lington, Grey & Bruce road to any point on the Great Western road will contribute 20 per cent. of its freight charges from Guelph to its point of destination to this sinking fand, and similarly, every ton of freight sent from any point of the Great Western to any point on the Wellington, Grey & Bruce will contribute a like percentage of its freight charges from the point of embarkation to Guelph to the same fund.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY .- Private information by telegraph from London, England, is to the effect that at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Great Western Railway, just held, it has been determined to modify the constitution of the Board of Directors so as to admit of the introduction of some representatives of the American interest. Considering that a large portion of stock is held by United States men, and that the success of the railway depends so much upon American trade, such a provision seems not only natural but necessary. Several members of the Board in England and Canada will thus be dropped in order to make way for the new element .- London Free Press.

-The Cape Breton News states that the contract for the construction of the Railway between Sydney and Bridgeport, of the "International Coal and Railway Company," has been taken by Duncan Macdonald. The road is to be commenced at once, and completed by the 1st of October, 1870. Contractor has set men to work putting up shanties on the line of road.

-Notice is given of an application to the Legislature of Ontario, for a charter for a railway from Kingston to Madoc, with power to extend the same beyond the last named place Westward; and also for a Grant of Public Lands to aid the construction thereof.

-Section No. 10 of the Intercolonial railway upon other railroads. The engine and tender has been declined by Messrs. Andrew Elliott upon this line weighed about ten tons, rgunst & Co., and has been offered to Messrs. McBean & forty tons upon the wider gauge of other in es. Robertson, of Nova Scotia. Their tender was

RAILWAYS.		nd Port Stanley	e, Lindsay and Beaverton, erboro' Branch"	e and Ottawa 4,428 hee and Ottawa 5,659	nd Grenville *	Shefford, and Chambly	and North American 2,290	"xtension"		70.797
Mails and .ssirband	\$ 8,319 24,500	1,134	247	3 466 9 664			001 00			7 38,801
Freight.	\$ 145,631 353,576	9,758	23,776	17,387	10.11.11	590	4,364			609,021
Total 1869.	\$ \$27,6-22 635,896	.12,164	28,228	22,276		196	6,754			111.819
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Miles 1869.	3514	35	26	86			116-			1,2824
Miles 1868.	351	25	26	88	:		107		:1	2.973

#### Insurance.

FIRE RECORD. - Halifax, Oct. 30. - The property occupied by A. Stephen & Son, as a wholesale furniture wareroom, and containing stock to the amount of \$12,000, took fire, which was subdued before much damage was done to the building; the stock was considerably damaged by water. The stock was insured for \$6,000 in all ; \$3,000 in the Queen, and \$3,000 in the North British and Mercantile. The building is also insured in the Liverpool and London and Globe, but we have not heard for what amount.

have not heard for what amount. Bridgetown, N.S., Oct. 29.—A fire broke out in the grocery store of Abner Troop. The store, with all its contents, was destroyed. The fire extended to the dwelling house of Charles Hoyt, and the shoe-shop of Mr. Palfrey, both of which were destroyed. Mr. Hoyt saved his furniture; his dwelling was insured. Ayleford, N.S., Dodge's mills were destroyed by fire.

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London, Nov. 3 .- A fire broke out in McMillan's oil refinery, which was soon consumed. It was caused by an employee going too near the receiv-ing tank with a lighted lamp. Loss about \$6,000; no insurance.

Brantford, Ont., Nov. 4.—The woollen mills of Joseph Ellis & Co., about a mile and a half from this place, were destroyed by fire last night; cause of fire unknown. Loss about \$100,000; insurance about \$40,000.

Brantford, November 4. - A correspondent sends the following account of the recent fire :--- The large brick woollen factory of Joseph Ellis & Co., situated on the canal, near Brantford, was totally destroyed by fire on the morning of Thursday, 4th inst. The building was erected in 1864, and was doing a good business. The fire was discovered about one o'clock A.M., and commenced in the roof of the dye-house, 'a one story brick building attached to the factory. The Insurances are:-

Phænix, of England, machinery \$6,000; London Assurance Corporation, buildings \$4,000, machinery \$6,000; North British and Mercantile, buildings \$2,000, machinery \$6,000; Western, buildings \$3,000, machinery \$4,000; British America, stock \$5,000. The buildings and machinery cost over \$60,000, and the insurance being only \$81,-000, the firm will be very heavy losers. The loss on stock is estimated at about \$10,000; only half insured. Fortunately, the larger portion of the manufactured stock was in the frame warehouse, which escaped destruction. Much sympathy is felt for the owners,

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Peterboro, Nov. 9.—By telegraph to MONETARY TIMES : Judge's woollen mills, at Millbrook, were burned to day ; loss five to six thousand dollars; insured in Home of New Haven, for two thousand dollars.

Port Robinson, Nov. 9.- A destructive fire took place here last night, destroying Mr. Blake's mills and storehouse, and Mr. Coleman's hotel. Full extent of the loss not known, but Mr. Coleman's loss will be heavy as he is but sligetly insured.

Usborne Township, Nov .-- Barn and stables of P. Gardner, with contents, loss \$1,600, the building is said to have been insured.

Montreal, Nov. 9.- A disastrous fire occurred. this morning, in the oatmeal mills of Mr. Towns, Albert street. It burnt about two hours, destroy-Albert street. It burnt about two hours, destroy-ing about \$10,000 worth of grain.

MARINE RECORD. -Collingwood, Nov. 6. schooner Ariel, from Meaford, loaded with flour, went ashore a couple of miles from here, during a heavy wind. No lives were lost. The captain thinks that she can be got off without much damage being done her. Montreal, Nov. 9.—During the storm of Sunday

night two barges, the Saguenay and Oak Leaf, laden with 28,000 bushels of spring wheat from the Eastern States, were wrecked on Lake St. Francis.

Picton, Nov. 6.—The schooner Heather Bell, reported yesterday ashore at Wellington, is still on. Nothing has been done yet. A tug is expected to-night. It is supposed that the hull is not much damaged, though the cargo is all damaged. The hull was insured in the Western Insurance Go. for \$4,000, and the cargo for \$3,000; the Montreal had \$2,000 on hull and \$2,000 on cargo. The schooner Jesse McDonald sprang a leak and sank at the dock, in Consecon harbor, while loading peas. She had 3,000 bushels on board when she went down. Insured in the Montreal Company.

Port Colborne, Nov. 6. — The brig Castalia arrived with the loss of her sails, boat, and part of her deck load of lumber. The barque Arctic ran back with her jib-boom gone and some sails torn. The schooner Grace Whitney lost a boat. Wallace Rider, mate on the schooner Kearsage, was lost overboard yesterday coming down the lake in the gale. The schooner Agnes is ashore at Grand River, loaded with pail wood and bolts.

Dunville, Nov. 5 .- The schooner Agnes, from Port Rowan, bound for Cleveland with pail-wood, is ashore below Grand River pier. She is expected to be a total loss.

Oswego, Oct. 27.— The schooner Iona, with barley from Port Nelson, is ashore high and dry about three miles above the city. Insured in the Montreal Assurance Co. for \$3,000.

The schooner Princess Alexandra and scow Pandora, are reported ashore near Sackett's Harbour, N.Y., no particulars. A later despatch says the Princess Alexandria is all right.

Oswego, Oct. 26 .--- The schooner Australia, laden with barley, for Oswego, went ashore in a gale, on a bar a few miles west of this port. Hopes were at first entertained that the cargo would have been mostly saved in tolerable good condition, but after the landing of a few hundred bushels, gale so increased in violence that the vessel beat over the bar into a slough, in which she became Messrs. Ferguson & Co. are said to embedded almost to her decks. The remainder of open the trade in western Canada.

the cargo, was so damaged as to be unfit for its legitimate use, and was sold for the benefit of the underwriters and others concerned. Insured in British America, for \$3,000, on cargo. The vessel, more damaged than was at first supposed, has been raised, and is now in dry dock, at Oswego, await-ing repairs. Insured in the Montreal for \$2,500 on hull.

-The steamer Avon, which was ashore 40 miles below Mackinac, on Lake Hurop, was got off by wrecking steamer Magnet, and towed 20 miles towards Presque Isle, when it began to blow a heavy gale of wind from the northeast. The pump gave out and they had to beach her again. The Magnet returned to Detroit, where she arrived on Sunday. The Avon was loaded with general produce, and was bound from Chicago and Milwaukee to Montreal. She is owned by Messrs. Jaques, Tracy & Co., Montreal; The machinery of the Avon is entirely disabled, which was the cause of the disaster.

Hon. Jno. E. Sanford, Insuranc Commissioner for Massachuetts has resigned and Julius L. Clarke is appointed as his successor.

STEAMER HER MAJESTY .- The steamship Her Majesty, with a cargo of coal from Picton, struck on Whitehead, near Perce, on the 6th November, during a fog. No lives were lost. The vessel is in six fathoms water, and is a total loss. She was in charge of a duly licensed pilot, and was on her correct course, which lay between Bonaventure Island-which is some three miles further than the shoal on which the vessel struck-and the mainland; the Island is about two miles distant from the mainland, and the ship's course lay between the two. Her Majesty was built originally by Capt. Perry. L. Shickluna, of St. Catherines, constructed the hull; and Davidson & Doran, of Kingston, the engines ; total cost \$60,000. She was sold in 1865 to Geo. Chaffey, of Kingston, and T. C. Chisholm, of Toronto. On the failure of Mr. Chaffey last year, Mr. Chisholm became the sole owner; and during last winter put in entirely new machinery at a cost of \$20,000 or \$22,-000. She is 180 feet long and is 30 feet breadth of beam. She classed A I, and was valued by the underwriters at \$40,000. Insured in the Home of New Haven, and Ætna of Hartford, for \$24.-No insurance on the cargo, which was 000 valued at \$3,000.

MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT .- The proclamation of the Merchant Shipping Act of 1869, passed by the Imperial Parliament, is made in the Gazette. The following extract shows the powers the Dominion Parliament will have in relation to the coasting trade. After the commencement of this Act the Legislature of a British possession by any Act or Ordinance from time to time may regulate the coasting trade of that British possessior, subject in every case to the following conditions : The Act of Ordinance shall contain a suspendin The Act of Ordinance shall contain a suspending clause, providing that such Act of Ordinance shall not come into operation until Her Magesty's pleasure thereon has been publicly signified in the British possession in which it has been passed. The Act of Ordinance shall treat all British ships, including the ships of any British possession, in exactly the same manner as the ships of the British possessions in which it is made. Where, by treaty made before the passing of this Act, Her Majesty has agreed to grant to any ships of any foreign state any right or privileges in respect of the coasting trade of any British possessions, such rights and privileges shall be enjoyed by such ships for so long as Her Majesty has already agreed, or may hereafter agree to grant the same, anything in the Act of Ordinance to the countrary notwithstanding.

-A firm in London have shipped some 10,000 carcasses of mutton this year to the Liverpool and Glasgow markets. The meat is cut away clearly from the bones and packed neatly in boxes. Messrs. Ferguson & Co. are said to be the first to

#### financial.

#### TORONTO STOCK MARKET.

#### (Reported by Pellatt & Osler, Brokers.)

There has been a fair business done in stocks during the week, and in some cases a considerable advance. Bonds of all descriptions have been much sought after, and are very scarce.

Bauks. -- Montreal has advanced nearly two r cent. during the week, closing at 168 to 169. There are buyers of British North America at 106, There are buyers of British North America at 106, but none on markef. Large sales of Ontario at  $101\frac{1}{2}$  to 102, and there are now no sellers under 102 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Buyers of Toronto, but no sellers; 126 would readily be paid. Royal Canadian is in good demand, and at advancing rates; sales have been made from 61 up to 64. Bank of Commerce is scarce, and in demand at 110 to 1105; small sales have taken place at these rates. Nothing doing in Gore in this market; the stock is much enquired for. Merchants' sold at 1062 to 107; there are buyers at the latter rate, and sellers at 1074. No Quebec on market; buyers at 1024. There are buyers of Molson's at T014, and sellers at 1034. City has changed hands to a limited extent at 90, at which rate there are still buyers. Du Peuple sold at 106, at which rate it is still procurable. There are buyers of Nationale at 103, but no sel-Jacques Cartier stock asked for at 1081. lers. A small lot of mion on market at 107; buyers offer 1061.

offer 1064. Debentures.—Some Canada S xes are offering at 105; fives are in demand at 934; Dominion stock sold at 106 and 1064. Toronto have been dealt-in at rates to yield 64 p.c. interest. County have sold at par and 4 preurium. Sundrics.—City Gas is in demand, but none offering. There are buyers of British American Assurance at 70, but no stock offering. Large sales of Western Assurance at 844 and 85- it is

sales of Western Assurance at 841 and 85; it is still procurable at the latter rate. There were small sales of Camda Permanent Building Society small sales of Canada Permanent Building Society at 1251; the stock is in large domand, and buyers would advance. Western Canada Building Society sold at 1211 and 1212; none on market. Freehold Building Society sold at 1212, at which gate there are buyers. Huron and Erie Savings and Loan Soare buyers. Huron and Erie Savings and Loan So-ciety is much enquired for at 1134 and 114, but is-none on market. There are buyers of Montreal Telegraph and no sellers at 1364. Canada Landed Credit is in demand at 804 and 81; very small lots changing hands; mortgages are much sought after at 8 p. c. and difficult to obtain.

#### MONTREAL STOCK MARKET.

#### Reported by Robert Moat, Broker, NORTH BRITISH CHAMBERS, Montreal, Nov. 9, 1869.

There has been no movement of any conse-quence in Stocks during the past week. The demand for investment continues large, but there have been more offering, and prices remain without any material change. Money is very abun-dant both at the banks and on the street, and there is every prospect of an easy money market throughout the winter.

Banks .- The transactions have been to a fair extent ; and although there is no improvement in extent; and atmospheric is no indrovement in prices, all offering are readily taken. Bank of Montreal closes quiet, with small sales at 168. British is asked for at 1061 to 1062. Ontario continues fair, selling to day at 1014. Bank of continues fair, setting to-day at 1014. Bank of Toronto, Gore, and Bank of Commerce are all asked for; no sellers. Molson's is offering at 102 to 1024. City sold at 91, 914 and 92, closing firm and in demand at these prices. Du Peuple is firm, with large sales at 1064; and Jacques Cartier has advanced half per cent., with buyers at 109. Merchants' continues one of the most favorite investments, and notwithstanding the large amount of new stock put on the market, the price still continues to advance, closing very firm at

1074 to 1074. Royal Canadian is decide lly firmer, in view of the proposed amalgamation with the Dominion Bank.

Bonds .- The demand for Governments is as active as ever, while the advance in London tends to raise the views of holders, and prevents their coming into market. Sterling Fives are asked for at 94, and Sixes at 104. There are none now in market but Dominion Currency Sixes, at 1061 to 107.

Sundries .- There is a large demand for nearly all descriptions of what are generally known as fancy stock. Telegraph would bring 137 to 1374. Richilieu sold at 124, which would still be paid. Gas is asked for at 138. Canadian Navigation continues heavy, with sales at 100. City Pas-senger Railway sold largely at 1084, which would still be paid, sellers now holding for 109.

Exchange was very dull during the week, but closes much firmer, with sales at 81 to 9.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE. -- The following is a statement of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Dominion of Canada, for the month ended Head Office, Montreal -- No. 71 GREAT ST. JAMES STREET,

October, 1869.		ł
nue-Customs	\$881,477	1
Excise	316,259	ł
Post Office	49,653	1
Public Works, including		ł.
Railways	130,054	1
Bill Stamp Duty	4,021	1
Miscellaneous	4,718	1
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Total ......\$1,428,620 51

TORONTO CONSUMERS' GAS COMPANY .- At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Consumers' Gas Company, held on the 25th October, the following gentlemen were elected directors for the collowing gentlemen were elected directors for the ensuing year: Messrs. E. H. Rutherford, Jas. Austin, Hon. W. McMaster, Judge Duggan, W. Cawthria, I. C. Gilmor, J. T. Smith, L. W. Smith, James Henderson, J. H. Mead, A. Lepper, and J. Eastwood. At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors, E. H. Rutherford, Esq., was unanimously elected president, and James Austin, Face view constituent Esq., vice-president.

BANK OF ENGLAND. - The return from the Bank of England for the week ending the 13th of Oct., gives the following results when compared with the previous week .--

.....£3,074,201. Increase .... £7,273 Rest Public deposits. 4,488,728. Decrease. 482,341 Other deposits. 18,482,729. Decrease 1,159,396 On the other side of the account :

Gov. securities ... £15, 211, 953 ... No alteration Other securities... 15,082,133 ... Decrease 1,295,401 Notes unemployed...8,953,145 ... Decrease...407,945

The amount of notes in circulation is £24,210,-555. being a increase of £54,915; and the stock of bullion in both departments is £19,120,591, showing a decrease of £357,237 when compared with the preceding return.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET Nov. 5 .- Business, both in and out of Wall Street, continues to be slow and unsatisfactory, Failures continue, the latest of which are, Baldwin & Co., dress goods the latest of which are, partial & Co., driss goods jobbers, and White. Heath & Co., cloth jobbers. The N. Y. Gold Exchange Bank proposes to re-sume business with undiminished capital, provid-ed the gold board consents to clear its gold through that source. In case the board does not consent, it will remain out of business until December 7th, the time of the annual meeting for the choice of directors. Money on Call is easy at six per cent., with exceptional transactions at 5 and 7 per cent. Discounts continue difficult, and first-class names sell slowly at 10 to 12 per cent., while "No, 2" range from 14 to 20 per cent., with little doing. Wall Street Journal.

-Mr. Simpson, Inspector of the Bank of Toronto, has been appointed manager of the Bank of Commerce in London, in place of Mr. Strathy, who has become cashier of this Bank in Toronto.

#### THE CITIZENS' INSURANCE COMPANY (OF CANADA.)

Subscribed Capital..... 1,000,000

Especially empowered by Act of Parliament, and fully authorized by Government under the Insurance Bill.

HUGH ALLAN, - - -PRESIDENT.

#### Life Department.

THIS sound and reliable Canadian Company-formed by the association of nearly 100 of the wealthiest citi-zens of Montreal-issues policies on all the Modern Plans, Premiums (without notes), Income Producing System ; and

several new and valuable plans. A comparison of the very Low Rates, and of the liberal-and unrestrictive nature of this Company's Policies, with those of any other Company, British or American, is espe-

those of any other Company, British or American, is espe-cially invited. All Life Policies are absolutely Non-forfeitable. Persons intending to assure their lives are particularly requested to first examine the Prospectus, List of Share-holders, and Policies of this Company, which, together with all information concerning the constitution of the Company, the working of the varions plans, &c., may be obtained at the Head Office, Montreal --No. 71 GREAT ST. JAMES STREET,

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#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1869.

#### COST OF CANADIAN RAILWAYS.

We have entered upon a second era of railway construction in this country, which promises to be even more important in its results than the first. Should the lines now vigorously promoted or under construction be ultimately completed, the railway facilities of Cadada will have been nearly doubled. But there is no prospect of the railway agitation being satisfied with the lines now proposed. New schemes are being brought forward every now and then, each commanding a certain amount of public favor; and success with these would undoubtedly develop a whole crop of new projects which are now scarcely thought of.

We must not conceal from ourselves the fact that the future welfare of the country is intimately associated with this railway movement and that while on the one hand, all these of our most expensive roads. roads tend to develop our resources, they,

on the other, consume a vast amount of labor and lock up immense sums out of the floating capital of the country. Many of the municipalities are going deeply into debt for railway construction; all of which debt has to be paid off, or remain a burden upon the shoulders of the tax-payers, and upon the property which they represent. It is then of vital consequence to be certain, in giving aid to railway projects, that the money shall be placed in honest hands; that the projectors are competent men to undertake the responsibility they have assumed ; that the scheme is legitimate ; that everything will be done economically and substantially; and especially, that the trade of the district to be tapped is sufficient to sustain a railway. In all of these essential points, serious mistakes have been made in the construction of Canadian railways, and probably, even in spite of vigilance, they will occur again.

At the present stage, it will be of interest and of practical utility to have before us a few comprehensive statistics of railway building in Canada and other countries. We have in the Dominion about 2,800 miles of main track railway, nearly all constructed in the seven years between 1853 and 1860, at a cost of, in round numbers, \$160,000,000.

At the risk of too much encumbering space with details, we give the cost per mile of the leading roads, as shown in a return laid before the Dominion Parliament at the last session, viz :- Grand Trunk, \$74,683; Great Western, \$70,340; Northern, \$59,411; London and Port Stanley, \$43,035; Coburg and Peterboro,' \$32,143; Ottawa and Prescott, \$37,203 ; Port Hope and Lindsay, \$35,-284; Welland, \$64,913; Brockville and Ottawa, \$30,601; Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly, \$28,279; European and North American, \$44,092; New Brunswick and Canada, \$31,250 ; Halifax, Truro and Windsor, \$46,722; Truro and Pictou. \$38,097.

The average cost of all the railways in Ontario and Quebec is \$66,222 per mile; in New Brunswick, \$38,826 ; in Nova Scotia, \$43,629. The grand average of all the above Provinces is \$62,765 per mile. The average cost of railways in the New England States is \$40,500; in the Middle States, \$55,000; in the Southern States, \$30,000. In the whole United States there are 43,000 miles of road, costing \$1,870,000,000, or an average of say \$44,000 per mile. In Great Britain there are 14,500 miles, costing \$2,510,000,000, or \$173,000 per mile. There is an entire want of analogy between British railways and those on this continent in the matter of cost, the right of way alone, in many instances, costing more than the entire outlay of some

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dian Railways, hitherto, is owing to the fact that our lines cost the excessively high average, for a a country such as this, of \$62,765 per mile. That all this was not legitimate expenditure appears almost conclusive, in view of the fact that American lines have been built for an estimated average of \$44,000. This estimate of \$44,000, too, is based on their capital accounts, which must exceed the sum actually expended in construction, the stock and bonds of the companies, not having produced more than an average of about 75 cants on the dollar. Besides, the capital accounts have been largely increased in many cases where lines have been consolidated to equalize values or from dividends paid in stock or bonds to represent estimated profits or value over cost. From this comparison it becomes apparent that our railways have cost 33 to 40 per cent. too much ; and that on their cost, diminished by that per centage, they would pay a satisfactory return for the money invested in them.

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The leading idea of the present railway movement is such a reduction of first cost as shall bring the expenditure of the lines within the limit, where, judging by the experience of existing roads, they are pretty certain to prove a paying investment. With this object the narrow gauge experiment is to be tried. Should the grand desideratum-Canadian railways paying a handsome return to their proprietors - be thereby reached, the objections to a break of gauge must be set aside as of secondary importance. The true principle in the construction of any road is to adapt construction (and hence cost) to the probable traffic to be accommodated. We have in Canada the bush road intertwining itself with the trunks of the forest trees : then the turnpike, the plank or gravel road, the tramway; we are soon to have the next gradation, the wooden railway, then light railways, of broad or narrow gauge, culminating at last in a first-class railway with steel rails, the most durable kind of permanent way, and an ample equipment. All of these are right and -proper in their placethat is, when they suffice for the traffic, and when the traffic suffices for them. In the projection of roads, therefore, it is wrong to proceed upon any straight-laced theories; it should be ascertained, upon intelligent enquiry, what amount of probable traffic will be forthcoming, and adapt the cost of concircumstances of the case.

If this principle be practically applied to the lines now projected, and in process of construction, the result cannot be otherwise than satisfactory. We require a great increase of railway facilities; no means is so well adapted to open up the country and enhance opportunity of making enemies. Worried to time by the Trustees of the Bank do not

the value of the produce raised in the sections most remote from the frontier. While, therefore, every encouragement should be given to the present movement, promoters and contractors should be watched with a jealous eye; the greatest caution is requisite, in order to guard against the evils above hinted at, or there will assuredly come a reaction, the violence of which will be proportionate to the extent of the evils which shall have given rise to it.

#### THE DOMINION BANK.

The sum and substance of the prospectus issued by the provisional directors of the Dominion Bank is, that there is room for another banking institution in Ontario, and that they hope to secure its establishment. We agree with them in the conclusion that Toronto is the proper headquarters for an institution intended to give the business men of Ontario the use of additional banking capital, and that the present and future of this province furnish ample encouragement for investment in bank stock. Those whose names appear as promoters and co-operators in the scheme, are so well known and so highly esteemed as trustworthy, substantial and successful business men, that it is almost superfluous to say anything in the way of recommending to favorable attention what they have in hand.

The Dominion Bank was incorporated by an act of the Dominion Parliament.' Its capital is placed at \$1,000,000, in 20,000 shares of fifty dollars each. \$50,000 has been already subscribed, and as soon as \$400,000 is taken up, a beginning will be made under the charter. It is understood that an effort will be made to bring about an amalgamation between the Dominion and the Royal Canadian, as soon as the former is in a position legally to take advantage of the act passed last session in aid of the Royal. Such an arrangement would, if carried out on equitable terms; be of benefit to both institutions.

A meeting of the Provisional Board was held vesterday afternoon, when it was determined to place the stotk on the market at once, and to organize the Bank at the earliest possible date

#### LAKE SUPERIOR MINING REGION.

There are some matters in connection with struction and, if necessary, the gauge to the the administration of Crown Land affairs which need to have more careful attention paid to them than they have hitherto received. It is well known that the office of Commissioner is no šinecure, and that of all

by speculators, harrassed by well-meaning applicants for what they consider their rights, deceived by this man and played upon by that, knowing scarcely where to place confidence, or on what statements to rely, he stands at bay, and, if honest, sows in all directions dragons' teeth which are wonderfully fecund. While we sympathise with the Commissioner, we must, perforce, add our mite to his accumulated troubles. Explorers in the Lake Superior mining region have a vast number of difficulties thrown in their way by reason of the failure, on the part of companies or individuals to whom locations have been granted, to get such locations surveyed. . It is understood that they are bound to make surveys, so that one may know what extent of territory they own, where it begins and where it ends; but it is equally well understood that they do not fulfil their obligations in that respect. An explorer is scarcely ever sure whether he is not spending his time and money for some other one's benefit, and, very naturally, parties are de: terred by such uncertainty from entering the region at all. Of course this prevents the development of a district admittedly rich, whose progress would tell upon an out-ofthe-way place, which cannot afford, at present, to lose even a settler.

The taxation of unpatented lands and of absentee proprietors is another subject which it would be well for the Commissioner to take into serious consideration. The Lake Superior mining region languishes, with all its mineral wealth, and it should be ascertained why that is the case. The American side presents a striking contrast, and the effect of that contrast is seen in the departure of Canadian miners one after another for the United States. There should be a land office at Sault St. Marie, where it could be ascertained, without a journey to Toronto, what lands are taken up, and what are still open to the enterprise of the explorer.

It cannot be expected that a Commissioner, with his hands full of complicated cases arising in old settlements, can do justice to the claims of outlying districts, or in a short time remedy the abuses of years. But it is certain that the Lake Superior region suffers seriously from neglect. Perhaps a special commission of enquiry would result in useful suggestions as to the proper policy to be pursued in a region whose wants are peculiar, and only understood by those whose lot is cast within it.

### BANK OF UPPER CANADA.

A "Trustee for an English Stockholder" members of the Government, the Commis- 'has written to the Hamilton Times, complainsioner is the one who has the most frequent ing that the Statements put forth from time show the exact position of the Bank, but are so glossed over with face values as to confuse. This communication has drawn out some comments from the editor, which are too good to be lost. He says :

"It is an old adage that there is 'nothing like nursing a good estate,' and those who have been entrusted with the winding up of that sadly mismanaged and rotten institution, the defunct Bank of Upper Canada, seem to understand the adage well, and 'govern themselves accordingly.' The stockholders have not only been diddled out of their investments in the concern, but they are required to pay at the rate of \$14,000 a year to wind up the estate. This, we presume, will be continued as long as the fourteen thousand dollars can be realized out of the assets, at the expense of the most unfortunate stockholders, many of whom are widows and orphans.

The case of the Bank is peculiar. We know that there are bad and doubtful debts without number, a few of which, under hydraulic pressure, long continued, may yield something in squeezings; that there is a large real-estate asset which, by judicious handling, may produce a considerable sum ; and that there is a debt due to the Government which, by well-directed diplomacy, may possibly be shirked. We are aware that the Trustees are playing a seemingly mysterious game, which has all the appearance of profound wisdom, of wonderful astuteness. We know that they set much store upon their artfulness, and whisper "the government debt" into the ears of troublesome enquirers. Shrugs and winks are all very well ; injunctions to silence are doubtless serviceable at times. But how long is this shrugging and winking to continue ? When is all this pantomime to cease ? We have nothing to say against the Trustees personally, for they are worthy men, whom all respect. But their policy is open to question; and we cannot approve of a keeping-up-appearances policy, which has no limit in point of duration. It is too Micawberish. It is a little selfish too. for it evolves \$14,000 per annum, which finds its way into their pockets. We cannot forget that interest is accumulating, yearly taxes have to be paid, and that expenses of management have to be met.

Let us see what is the annual cost of the winding up, as at present conducted :

Interest at 4 per cent on \$25,000	\$1,000
" 6 " on 163,000	9,780
" 5 " on 100,000	5,000
6 " on 1,100,000	66,000
Rent, taxes, &c., say	600
Fuel, light, postages, &c	400
Allowance to Trustees	4,000
Solicitor	3;000
" Secretary, &c	3,000
Travelling expenses, say	2,000
Taxes on real estate	2,000

#### GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

The half year's report by the Directors of this Company shows their business is increasing, and prospects are improving on all sides. Although the expenses have been higher during the term, than in the corresponding half of last year, yet the increase has been occasioned in the maintenance and renewal of the way department. The financial operations of the company have been successful. The placing of the 5 per cent. preference stock at 80 was a good stroke. The development of a traffic between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts is feading to a consolidation of lines connecting Chicago with New York. As the Great Western will participate to a considerable extent in that traffic, it is not improbable that efforts will be made to bring about "a closer alliance" hetween it and either the New York Central or the Erie. There seems the greatest satisfaction at home and abroad with Mr. Swinyard's management, and so far as we can judge, he cannot be too highly commended for the energy and zeal he displays in promoting the interests of his company.

#### LOSS OF THE STEAMER HER MAJESTY.

The loss of this splendid steamer, the particulars of which we give elsewhere, is a serious blow, not only to the enterprising owner, T. C. Chisholm, but not less so to the entire western trade. Following immediately the destruction of Gooderham & Worts' extensive property, this event adds another real calamity to the city of Toronto. The one will be replaced shortly, but we fear the tardy support that Mr. Chisholm has received, will scarcely justify him in again venturing so much capital in the same kind of property. We need scarcely remind western merchants that this Propeller has done wonders in the way of diverting the flour trade of the Lower Provinces from Montreal to Toronto ; millers well know that in consequence of the competition she supplied, they have had their flour carried through to the Lower ports for 60 or 70c., when the Grand Trunk would have exacted \$1 to \$1.10, and even \$1.20. These low rates have enabled the millers of Ontario to get just about Montreal prices for their flour. On these and many other grounds the loss of this fine vessel is to be regretted. She was, up to the time of the accident, giving every satisfaction, and was on her return from the sizth trip from Toronto to Halifax this season. As the trade is shown to be directly profitable, by the experience of Her Majesty, it would be the height of folly for Toronto merchants to allow it to relapse into the hands of Montreal men, as it would assuredly do. 

ply the vacancy by one or two good vessels. and to put Mr. Chisholm in the way of recovering his loss and preserving the trade he has built up.

#### ONTARIO BANK-CHANGE IN THE HEAD OFFICE.

It is confidently asserted that the decision has been arrived at by the directors of the Ontario Bank to remove the Head Office of that institution to Montreal, under the powers obtained by an Act of the Dominion Parliament passed last session. While we credit the story, we do not wouch for its correctness. Manifest disadvantages arise almost every day from the present anomalous arrangement. In the interests both of the Bank and its customers, the head office should be located where the business is chiefly done. There cannot be a doubt about the wisdom of a change; but that the decision which seems to have been arrived at is in all respects a wise one. is a matter about which there will be some difference of opinion.

#### HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COM-PANY.

This is one of the most successful of the American fire insurance companies. According to Superintendent Barnes' last report, the assets (which are given with the minutest detail, and their nominal and market value stated in every case) were sufficient to pay all losses, to give a re-insurance fund of fifty per cent., and pay back the stockholders every cent of their money, with a surplus still remaining. The stock is quoted at 140 premium, as will be seen by our stock list. Aside from the soundness of the company, the Canadian policy holders are secured by a deposit with the government, under the Insurance Act of last session. A summary statement of the Hartford's position appears in another column.

FROM a paper read before a meeting of the Social Science Association, held recently in New York, we take the following statements. From 1775 to 1815, the emigration to the United States was not more than three or four thousand per annum. From 1845 to 1854, Ireland sent out 1,512,000 emigrants, and Germany, 1,226,392. In 1856, every emigrant was questioned as to the amount of money he had with him, and it was found the average of 142,342 was \$68.08. But this was much under the mark. It is estimated that the German emigrants alone brought into the States an average of about eleven millions of dollars. An emigrant is worth just as much to this country as it costs to produce a native born labourer of the same average

ability. It is calculated that an American skilled labourer costs \$1,500 for the first fifteen years of his life, and a female \$750. Between May, 1847, and January, 1859, the arrivals were 4,038,991, which number, 'if it represents a capital value of \$1,125, and a cash value of \$150, being \$1,275 in all, per head, the total increase to the national wealth was, \$5,149,713,525.

In other columns we report a number of rather serious marine losses. Underwriter are having a somewhat unpleasant experience. all things considered, this fall. The season began late, prices of produce are low, thereby giving much less premium on a cargo of a given bulk, and the close is fast approaching, so that the losses made to date are quite out of proportion to the business done.

-Mr. King, President of the Bank of Montreal is to leave for England in a few days, to open at agency of that Bank in London. Mr. Smithers formerly Inspector of the Bank, has accepted the Managership of the agencies in New York. The low rate of discount will cease after the 15th inst.

Mr. Frank Shanley has the contract of the first section of the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway.

-Sir Francis Hincks has been elected in Renfrew by a considerable majority.

Communications.

NEW YORK INS. CO.'S IN CANADA.

To the Editor of the Monetary Tin

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DEAR SIR, -I write to ask if you can afford an explanation of the position occupied, in Canada, by New York Insurance Companies.

I have it on very good authority, that the laws of that State prohibit all companies, organized there, from investing their funds in the stock on bonds of any foreign government. Also, that during the very last session of the New York Legislature, a bill was introduced, and strenuous efforts made by the companies to get it passed, to amend this law, so that they could invest in the bonds of any State, within the United States, and in montgages on property in any state, but that even in this very mild form the proposition was almost unanimously voted down.

This being the case, what permanent security do those companies offer to insurers in Canada How can they, in the face of such a state of their law, effect a compliance with the Canada deposit Our law requires them to invest \$100,000 law? of gold in Dominion Stock, on or before the 1st of August, 1871, and until that date, they may procure a license, to do business, by depositing either the whole or half the amount, in U. S. Currency. But while most, if not all, other American companies have put up the whole de-New York company has deposited more than \$70,-000 or \$80,000 in U. S. Currency.

If, as is shown, the laws of their State, and Canada, do not allow of their remaining in Canada more than two years, why should they be allowed to go on getting business here, only to leave their Canada policyholders in the lurch, as some have already done ? And if they mean to get their laws amended sors to allow them to remain, (in which effort,

however, there seems no probability of success why do they not make the full deposit without delay ? Surely it is the more necessary that those companies, about whose remaining there is both doubt and difficulty, should deposit in full, than that those should do so about whose permanent stay there is no doubt whatever.

Furthermore, I have the best possible authority for saying that some, if not all, of the N. Y. Companies operating in Canada, pay their Canada Agents, not in the ordinary permanent way, but by a flat brokerage; thus fully securing them against loss, should Canada be set adrift.

Putting all these things together, Mr. Editor, you will admit the case is one calling for explanation.

Very truly yours, Montreal, Nov. 5, 1869. INOUTRER.

#### THE MAGILL FIRE AT HAMILTON.

Editor Canadian Monetary Times.

DEAR SIR,-We notice in your Journal of 5th inst., a statement to the effect, that should the plaintiff succeed in the case of Mason vs. The Notthern Insurance Co'y., arising out of the "MeGill fire," at Hamilton, and to be tried at the St. Catharines assizes, that the name of the 'Imperial' appears among the other companies which will have to pay. We beg to state, that such is not the case, the 'Imperial,' through its agent, Mr. the case, Maitland Young, having settled the loss sustained through the above mentioned fire, immediately on its adjustment.

Your obed't serv'ts, RINTOUL BROS ,

Gen'l Agents.

Imperial Ins. Co. of London, Montreal, 9th Nov., 1869.

#### Real Estate.

SALE AT CHIPPAWA. - The Chippawa distillery ras sold by the Trustees of the Bank of Upper Canada to a Company composed of the following gentlemen, Messrs. J. F. Macklem, J. C. Kirkpatrick, J. Thomas and H. J. Morse, of Toronto. The purchase price was \$9,500, though, the property was at one time valued in the bank acco unts at \$40,000.

SALE AT ST. JOHN .- Twelve acres of the Stewart estate, at Rothesay, sold in three lots for \$1,250.

A brick store on Yonge Street, with lot 30 by 126 feet, was offered by auction at F. W. Coate & Co's. rooms, on the 9th Nov. The highest bid was \$1,400 above a mortgage of \$2,000 on the property, and it was consequently withdrawn.

Wellington Square, November 6 .- A portion of the Brant Farm was disposed of by auction; 174 acres were sold for 8,880 being over \$50 per acre.

-Iron laths now form another metallic appendage to a modern house. These are in addition to the iron roof, the iron front, the iron walls and ceiling, with brackets, window-heads, and slils, and joists. These laths are manufactured from number twenty iron wire, one and a half inch wide, with about the consistency of hoop iron, with a small ridge or head in the middle to give stiffness. The laths are said to give additional security against fire. They are cut into proper lengths, and their manufacture at Pittsburgh is becoming one of much importance.

The striking of a large producing well on the Independent track, West Pithole Creek has pro-duced a great deal of excitement in Titusville, Pa. Considerable sales of oil territory have resulted in consequence.

-The suit brought by the estate of E. & G. Magill, of Hamilton, against the insurance com-panies, has been put off till next assizes, the defendants paying costs.

### Commercial.

#### Terente Market.

PRODUCE .- The market has been very dull and prices still tend downward: Wheat has declined in Liverpool, from 3 to 5c. and flour 1s.; New York is also lower. Receipts by rail were 4,306 bush. last week. There is little demand and not much offering; some sales of fall have been made at about 90c. f.o.b., and a lot of 4,000 bush. spring brought the same price. Barley - Receipts by brought the same price. Barley. - Receipts by cars 27,000 bush., and 36,483 bush. last week. cars 27,000 bush., and 30,485 bush. last week, fair receipts on the street. The market is dull and drooping, prices range all the way from 40 to 68c.; lots offered freely at quotations without buyers; 11,000 bush. sold at 63c. f.o.b., and 7,000 No. 2 at 59c. Peas.—Receipts 2,130 bush. by cars; some cars sold at 63 to 65c. Ools.—Receipts light, nothing doing, in demand at 33 to 34e Rye. Little offered, it is down to 40c. FLOUR. — Receipts 2,270 bris. and 1,800 bris.

last week. In consequence of the rise in freights, and the fall in Liverpool, the market which opened active at \$4.25 to \$4.30, closed dull and nominal at a decline of 10 to 15c. Oatment.-is selling in car lots at \$4 to \$4.25.

PROVISIONS.—Butter is very quiet; no sales n stock accumulating. There is a good deal yet fw the country towns. Dressed Hogs.—Very feks Pork-Stocs; ing in ; selling at \$3,50 to \$9. of Mess are increasing ; it is worth \$27.50 to \$2ks and extra prime, \$21 to \$23. Bacon-No stoong of new yet; market nominal. Hams are selling steadily at 14c, to 15c. Lard is firm, and selli c. Hams are selling at 16c. to 17c. Choise is very firm at 134c. to 1 in small lots. Eggs are scarce and firm at 15c. Cheese is very firm at 133c. to 140 Beeves-There is a good demand for the 16c. the hest at \$6 to \$6.50.

GROCERIES .- There is no change in the market of consequence. Sugars are a little firmer, al-though New York is reported easier. Tobacco-The crop has been injured by frost, and the mar-ket is firm at quotations. Whiskey is steady at the advance.

FREIGHTS.-Rates to Oswego,, by vessels, are firm at 4c.; to Buffalo and Toledo 6c.; to Ogdensburgh, 54c., U. S. Cy. Flour to Montreal, per steamer, 35 to 40c.; grain 10c. Lumber to Oswego

\$2 per M, U. S. Cy. The winter tariff of the Grand Trunk came into force on the 8th inst. The rates to Halifax now stand at \$1.10 for flour and 55c. for grainr. and to St. John, at \$1.02 for flour and 51c. for grain. The rates to railway stations are: Flou, grain. The rates to railway stations are: Flou, to Kingston 35c., grain 18c.; flour to Prescott 43e; grain 22e.; flour to Montreal 50c., grain 25c.r flour to St. John, Quebec, 60c., grain 30c.; floud to Point Levis 80c., grain 40c.; flour to Portlank 85c., grain 43.; flour to Boston and New Yor 90c., grain 45c. gold. The Grand Trunk adopte on the sth Nor. the Colonian theorem on the 8th Nov., the following through rates from Toronto to England: To Liverpool or Glasgow, butter per gross ton, 90s.; bacon, do., 80s.; hams, do, 75s; lard, do, 80s; cheese, do, 97s 6d; becf, per tierce, 15s; pork per brl., 10s 6d.; flour to Liverpool, 7s.; to Glasgow, 5s. 6d.

#### Petroleum.

Exports of Petroleum form the United States from January 1 to November 2 :---

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-A New York paper states that Secretary Fish and the Canadian Government have, after a protracted deliberation, prepared a reciprocity treaty, which will be submitted to Congress at the approaching session.

#### Demorara Sugar Market.

The followir g is from Sandbach, Parker, & Cos'. circular, dated, Georgetown, Demerara, 8th Oct., 1869.

SUGARS .- The demand has not been as brisk a was expected, and although the offerings are much larger, holders will not sell under previous quota-We have no late dates from America and tions. purchasers prefer waiting the arrival of the Mail before operating to any extent; sales have been made on the basis of \$7 for good fair samples V. P., something more has been given for choice lots, and lower prices for in lifferent ones; Muscova loes are quite neglected.

MOLASSES. — About 500 puncheons have charged hands at 28c. for Vacuum Pan; good Muscovado's have realised as high at 32c.

RUM .- Very little offering for sale, the great advance in the English Market dausing holders to s'ip direct; strong proof is worth from 65e. to 70e.

#### The Fisheries.

The fisherics generally are in a flourishing con-dition. The Glouscester fleet, so far arrived from the Bay of St. Lawrence, have averaged a catch of two hundred and ninety barrels each. Besides the mackerel-men, there has been a large fleet of vas-s is employed at Cape North and the vicinity of the Bay of St. Lawrence in the cod and halibut fishery. Twenty-one vessels have returned from fishery. Twenty-one vessels have returned from trips of this kind, and some seven or eight remain The business has not been a profitable to arrive. one. The shore mackerel fleet is also meeting with meagre success. Good fares are the exception, and the mackerel are mostly small, but few number ones have been secured. Some eighty vessels have made fishing trips to the Eastern coast in pursuit of mackerel this season, but the number remaining in this branch of the fisheries will not proba-ely reach that number. A large number of ves-sels have remained in the bank fisheries throughout the serson, and the others have resumed it after making a trip or two after mackerel. About fifty vessels are employed in the George's fishery, and thirty-five or forty veasels remain in the Grand and Western Pank fishery, and are meeting with fair success. Up to the present time, during the present season, there have been landed by the several vessels composing the Salem fishing fleet 1,539,800 pounds codfish, and 499.600 halibut .-Biston Journal.

#### The Fur Trade.

At the Hudson Bay Company's sale of buffalo robes, which took place on 27th Oct, at Montreal, a great many buyers were present, and the com petition was very keen, the prices mounted rapidly up and the whole ultimately fell into but few hands the average price obtained was the highest ever known.

#### Albany Lumber Market.

Lumber comes in slowly from the break, but sufficient to keep up a good stock and assortment in market. Freights are so high that but little will be shipped in November.

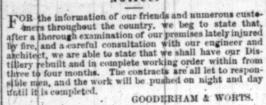
The sales are active, the approach of cold wea-ther cautioning buyers to get their lumber early. Prices are firm, at the figures in our schedule, and an advance on some kinds which are in small supply. The shipments are large, employing all the vessels and barges in port. Freights rale firm. The receipts at Albany by the Erie and Cham-

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\$50 to \$53 ; select, \$45 to \$48; good box, \$22 td \$28 ; common box, \$18 to \$21.

THOMAS DREWRY, Money Broker, Agent London and Lancashire Life Assurance Company, Church Street, n. ar King Street, Toronto.



Office, S and 10 Exchange Buildings, ) Toronto, November 2nd, 1569. 13-2t

### ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTEENTH SEMI-ANNU STATEMENT OF THE Hartford Fire Insurance Company.

#### JULY 1, 1869.

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#### CORNER KING AND TORONTO STREETS,

Agents for the above named Company, and dealer Ametican Money, Bonds, Sterling, Canadian Sccurities all kinds, and Gold and Silver. Onlers by mail or to graph promptly attended to. Toropto, Nov. 4, 1869.

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Toronto, Nov. 1st, 1839.

#### Bank of Montreal.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a dividend of SIX PER CENT. upon the Capital Stock of this Institu-tion has been declared for the current HALF YEAR, and that the same will be payable at its Banking House, in this etty, on and after WEDNESDAY, the FIRST day of DE-CEMBER next. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 30th November next, both days inclusive. By order of the Board, E. H. KING.

E. H. KING,

General Manager

Montreal, 26th October, 1869.

#### Robert II. Gray,

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Prospectuses, Annual Reports, Tables of Rates, &c., cán be obtained on application at the Head Office in Mon-treal, or at any of the Agencies throughout Canada, where every information will be given on the subject of Life Assurance.

Agent for Toronto,

HENRY PELLATT. KING STREET,

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#### Mercantile. TORONTO PRICES CUI John Boyd & Co., Wholesale Name of Article. Name o HAVE now in store, ex steamships "Peruvian," "North American," "Moravian," &c., their usual spring stock of Rates. \$ c. 1 85 Grocerie \$ c. 2 50 Mens Gunpowd 2 50 3 00 3 75 NEW SEASON TEAS, ... " Calf ... " Congress Gaiters... " Kip Cobourgs... Boys' Thick Boots.... Youths' " ..... Women's Eaits ..... 1 2 65 1 45 1 80 1 70 1 35 COMPRISING 1 65 1 25 Hyson YOUNG HYSONS, GUNPOWDERS Imperial Tobacco, M Can Leaf, 1 60 40 IMPERIALS 0 95 COLORED and UNCOLORED JAPANS, CONGOUS, SOUCHONGS, " Balmoral..." " Congress Gaiters... Balmoral..." " Balmoral.... Girls" Batts ...... Western 1 20 1 25 0 70 1 C0 1 73 1 65 \*\* TWANKEYS, and PEKOES. 1 50 1 30 0 90 1 05 1 10 1 00 Girls' Balts ..... " Balmoral ... " Congress Gaiters .. Children's C. T. Cacks .. 0 60 0 90 ALSO Hard 0 90 0 75 Tin (net ca Block, ₽ Ex "MORO CASTLE," "EAGLE," & "ELLA MARIA, Grain.... Copper: Pig..... Sheet.... Direct from Havana, 0 50 0 65 Gaiters ..... ..... 0 60 0 85 C BOXES BRIGHT CENTRIFUGAL SUGAR. Cut Nails Assorted P 100 f 61 AND 63 FRONT STREET Shingle al TORONTO. Lathe and Galvanized Assorted s Best No. Toronto, April 14th, 1869. 7-1y NEW CROP TEAS! Horse Nails 1,000 Half Chests Guest's assorte For W. as Madder 6 14 0 18 Galls 0 32 0 37 Opium 11 00 13 40 Oxalic Acid 0 26 0 32 Potash, Bi-tart 0 25 0 28 " Bichromate 0 15 0 20 Potass Iodide 3 90 4 50 Soda Ash 0 03 004 S da Bicarb 0 00 4 00 Tartaric Acid 0 40 0 45 Verdigris 0 35 0 50 Vitriol Elue 0 68 0 10 NEW CROPTEAS! Patent Ha Iron (at 4 m Pig-Gartsl Calder No. THE SUBSCRIBERS are now receiving a large and well selected Stock of NEW CROP TEAS, (to which they beg to call the attention of the Trade.) comprising,--No : Other bran YOUNG HYSONS AND HYSONS, Bar-Scote HYSON TWANKAYS, Refined ... Swedes ... Hoops -- Coo TWANKAYS, IMPERIALS, Ba GUNPOW DERS Boiler Pla Canada Pl Coffees: Java, \$ 1b...... 0 22:30 25 SOUCHONGS. CONCOUS, Union Ja Laguayra, ..... 0 17 0 18 Rio..... 0 14 0 16 Pontypoo COLOURED JAPANS, Swansea Lead (at 4 NATURAL LEAF JAPANS, Herrings, Lab. split .. 5 00 5 50 OOLONGS Bar, \$ 10 Sheet " REFORD & DILLON. Shot. Iron Wire ( No. 6, Ø " 9, " 12, 12 & 14 WELLINGTON STREET, TORONTO. 7-1y \*\* 16, EXPRESS Powder Blasting, Canadian Express Company, FF FFF GENERAL EXPRESS FORWARDERS. Blasting. FF SHIPPING AGENTS, AND CUSTOM HOUSE BROKERS, FFF Figs..... 0 11 0 12 Pressed Spik Regular si FORWARD Merchandise, Money and Packages, of every description; Extra Tin Plates (1 IC Coke IC Chareo COLLECT Bills with Goods, Notes, Drafts and Accounts, throughout the Canadas, United States and Europe, Rice : 3 30 3 75 Arracan ..... IX " Arrace Spices: Cassia, whole, ♥ D... 0 33 0 10 Natmegs 0 50 0 Ginger, ground 0 18 0 23 "Jamaica, root... 0 10 0 17 0 22 Pepper, black...... 0 10/9 0 10/9 0 10/9 0 10/9 0 10/9 0 10/9 0 10/9 0 08 0 09 R UNNING daily (Sundays e cepted) over the lines of the Grand Trank, and Port Hope and Peterborough Rail-ways; also, on the Montreal Ocean Steamship Co.'s Mail Steamers to and irom Liverpool, weekly, to all parts of DC ... ... Hides & S Green, No. Green, No. Europe. SHIPPING AGENTS Cured ..... Calfskins, g In Liverpool, Eng., Montreal, Quebec, and Portland, Me. Pinento. 0 05 0 05 Sugars: 0 91 0 92 Port Rico, Pib.... 0 91 0 92 Cuba 0 92 0 92 Canada Sugar Refine'y, yellow No. 2 0 0 0 92 92 Yellow, No. 2 60ds... 0 0 0 0 10 No. 3 0 10 0 10 102 Ground. 0 12 0 12 0 Dry Crushed 0 0 12 0 12 Ground. 0 0 0 13 12 0 13 Teas: 0 00 0 13 0 0 0 13 Calfskins, cr Calfskins, cr GOODS IN BOND Promptly attended to, and forwarded with despatch. Sheepskins, INVO:CES Hop Inferior, ¥ Are requisite for all Goods going to the United States (Lower Provinces during winter route by Portland) and Medium ... Europe. Leather, PRINCIPAL OFFICES: In lots o 50 sides lugher. Spanish Sole LIVERPOOI, ENG. DETROIT, Mich. KINGSTON, OTTAWA, PETERBOROUGH MONTREAL, heavy, wei Do. 1st qual i Do. No. 2, lig Slaughter he Do. light.... TORONTO, PERTH, PETERBOROUGH, Tens: Japan com'n to good... 0 45 0 50 " Fine to choicest... 0 55 0 60 70 Colored, com. to fine... 0 60 0 70 Congou & Souch ng... 0 42 0 75 Oolong, good to fine... 0 50 0 65 Y. Hyson, com to gd... 0 32 0 55 Medium to choice ..... 0 65 0 80 Extra choice ......... 0 85 0 55 QUEBEC. and at all Towns and Stations on the lines of above Railways. Time and Insurance saved. Harness, bes Consignments solicited. G. CHENEY Uppe: eavy MANAGER. 11-y

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