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We remain, dear sir, your obedient servants,

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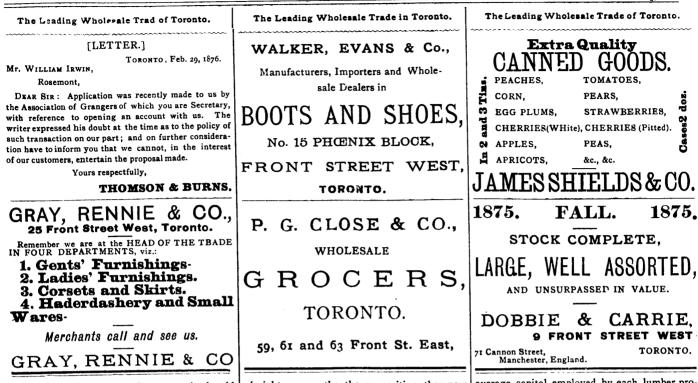


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posed of Mr. Wey, the senior partner in the old firm, James R. Baker, formerly associated with a leading Montreal house, and Mr. J. D. Allan, who has been engaged in trade in the Western part of Ontario on his own account.

A MONTREAL firm of Official Assignces in a report to the Parliamentary Committee upon the depression of trade shows that one hundred and thirty-five insolvent estates passed through their hands since 1st January, 1875, whose debts amounted to four million and a quarter of dollars; of this amount the creditors realized about thirty-seven and a half per cent. The report expresses the opinion, in which most thinking men will agree, that if fewer compromises were accepted, we would have less failures.

MR. W. E. TUNIS, News agent, died some days ago in Detroit. Fifteen or twenty years ago, there were few travellers in Ontario, scarcely any upon the Railways then existing who were not familiar with, at least, the name of the energetic publisher of Railway literature at Niagara Falls. He began upon our Railways the system of supplying reading matter through carriers upon the cars, which has since been carried on by the Messrs. Chisholms and others. His success does not seem, however, to have been such as was expected from his persistency and his shrewd knowledge of the field.

At a meeting of the creditors of Messrs. Lockhart & Haldane, wholesale dry goods merchants, in Toronto, a statement was submitted to the creditors showing liabilities amounting to \$166,797, and assets of \$143,000. An offer of forty-two cents was made by Mr. Lockhart. His partner, being more sanguine, outbid him two cents. Considering that it is only a few months since the firm were willing to pay in full, by getting an extension covering a period

of eighteen months, the proposition they now individually make, we think, was justly rejected. The stock will now be offered at auction.

A TEDIOUS examination which has occupied the Water Committee of the Montreal City Council, and has burdened the newspapers of that city for weeks, concerning certain charges made by one Mitchell against Mr. McDougall of the Caledonian Foundry, of using a false guage to test the strength of iron, and of stamping metals with a better brand than their quality justified, has resulted in the unanimous resolution of the committee that the charges are unfounded.

REPORTS most favourable to the illuminative power of gas made from crude Petroleum, have been made by Toronto and Montreal professors of chemistry; but Dundas has gone a step beyond the theories and tests of these gentlemen. Last month the town was lighted with that article with great satisfaction to all concerned. The gas is said to be pure, and capable of being produced more easily and cheaply than from coal.

THE following assignments have taken place within the past week: Toronto—David Hewit, hardware merchant; John McCarter, butcher. Hamilton—Mrs. Ozanne, milliner. Kemptville —H. Harris, wood dealer. Milton—W. D. Lyon. Montreal—W. H. Lulham, jeweller; Messrs. Houle & Co., contractors. Halifax— J. C. Russel, fish dealer. St. John—John F. Goodwin, produce merchant. Little Glace Bay —Messrs. E. D. Rigby & Co., commission merchants.

SEVERAL Ottawa lumber merchants gave evidence before the Industrial Depression Committee at Ottawa upon the condition and prospects of that trade. Mr. Booth stated that the

average capital employed by each lumber producing concern was from \$1,000,000 to \$1,800,-000, and the average hands employed about six hundred for each firm, or ten thousand men altogether.

Z. AUERBACH, a jew, who has been for some years in business in Montreal and who was arrested in January last at the instigation of one Radell. a clerk of his, on a charge of attempting to defraud his creditors, has succeeded in clearing himself of the accusation. In our previous reference to this case we expressed our doubt upon the truthfulness of Radell's evidence.

THERE are occasionally very odd applications to the House of Commons, but we have seldom seen anything so curious as the following: "Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Parliament of Canada, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate the 'General Expenditure Assurance Company of Canada,' for the purpose of assuring the return of all money expended from day to day, for the various necessaries of life, and for other purposes .-- W. H. Tuck, Solicitor for applicants. St. John, N.B., 14th January, 1876." A great many people would be glad to have the money expended from day to day for household purposes returned to them. And if this company can do it, without charging too much for the service, they will have plenty of customers.

POSTAL matters between Halifax and Toronto seem to be wretchedly conducted. A letter bag containing valuable enclosures was allowed to lie in the Halifax Office in an old valise from the 12th of January until the 20th of February when it turned up and was forwarded to its destination. Several registered letters were in the mail and its turning up was a great relief to the senders. Persons in Halifax say there have been so many miscarriages in the mails lately that they are



MCINNES BROS. & CO., HAMILTON, Will open on Wednesday, the 8th of March. Attention is directed to their CIRCULAR NOW OUT, FOR PARTICULARS OF DRIVES AND SPECIAL CHEAP LOTS. Which will now be offered. McInnes Bros. & Co. THE MONETARY TIMES. AND IRADE REVIEW. TORONTO, CAN., FRIDAY MAR. 10, 1876

THE FALL OF THE AMERICAN SEC-RETARY OF WAR.

It is seldom that we have to head any of the chapters of a purely monetary journal with an announcement such as this, which might seem more suited to the atmosphere of papers which chronicle and comment upon the political affairs of the time. But the fall of General Belknap is directly owing to malversation in the use of money, and it is one of a long series of events which have arisen out of the unreasonable and lavish wastefulness that had its origin in an adulteration of the national currency. When the solid basis of specie payments was departed from floods of lavish expenditure podred in, the baneful effects of which have been revealing themselves in scores of great mercantile bankruptcies and a frightful number of defalcations on the part of trusted officers during the last few years. The public men of the United States were formerly noted for simplicity and economy. and their quiet Republican dignity was often contrasted advantageously with the semi-barbaric gorgeousness of European Courts. But now the extravagance of Washington outshines, or aims to outshine, at any rate, the vulgar gorgeousness that sprang up in France under the evil regime of Louis Napoleon. This is the effect on one sex. On the other the effect has been to produce an inordinate greediness for accumulating fortunes, and an ambition to

rival the worried magnates who have come to the surface in these days of gigantic swindling-thinly disguised as speculation. The rapid development of material resources all over the world and the important part that Governments have had to play in it, have placed very great power in the hands of those who are in high executive positions. When the influence of officials can make or mar a man's fortunes, when contracts, loans, subsidies, or places, are to be disposed of, any one of which may be a source of enormous profit to some fortunate speculator, the temptation to an illegitimate use of power becomes very great. There is only too much reason to believe that scandalous practices --such as those for which General Belknap is to be impeached—have been eating their way into the very heart of the American political system. There is such a thing as a society becoming callous, even where such wrongs are being perpetrated beneath its very eye. That which shocks at first becomes so familiar by custom that we quietly acquiesce in it. It must have been known to many persons that gross frauds were being perpetrated in connection with the post-traderships. It seems incredible that the business of one of these forts, situated far away in the solitudes of the extreme West, and tenanted only by a few companies of soldiers, should be made to produce bribes of such enormous magnitude as thirty and forty thousand dollars a year. Yet we know that it was undoubtedly the case. And when we think of the frauds that must be perpetrated in selling goods beyond their value in order to produce such sums as these, remember that the persons defrauded are poor soldiers, frontier settlers and Indians, and then think that the fruit of such extortionate dealing has been squandered in extravagant Paris costumes, gorgeous parties, and all the paraphernalia of Washington finery, it makes one altogether sick of the parade of fashionable folly.

It is well known that the ordinary salaries of public officers are far from sufficient to enable them to keep up such expenditure. In nine cases out of ten they are kept up at the expense of honesty.

These things all point a moral for ourselves. There is some reason to fear that habits of extravagant expenditure are becoming established among us to an extent far beyond what can honestly be afforded. There is danger even in the goodnatured kindness of a popular Governor General, leading to endeavours after display which are totally unsuitable to our means and circumstances. The official income of a Governor-General is fixed on the English scale. It is enormously in excess of any- it is there are so many failures; others in

thing that can be enjoyed by Canadian officials. Yet expenditure is infectious. What we see with our eyes our hearts are apt to hanker after. And when once the tide of luxurious expenditure begins to flow, it is apt to increase in volume until it becomes irresistible. When that stage is reached such revelations as have been the disgrace of American public life may be feared among ourselves.

GRANGERS AND RETAILERS.

The Grangers are not yet dead. But there are evils in their system of co-operation unredeemed so far as we know by a single good effect, and likely at no distant day to prove fatal to the movement. The very nature of this social organization places it in a position of antagonism to a large portion of the community, and is creating discord between themselves and the mercantile classes. This country that is infested with senseless associations is now to be troubled by this one of latest growth, which seems to be sprung from unblushing selfishness and a love of aggrandizement. Self-interest takes the place of the general good in a combination of farmers for mutual protection. It is not for the purpose of mutual help, not for the improvement of all in a community that they take counsel together, but to sweep away a class of traders whose interests are almost identical with their own. They imagine themselves poor and down-trodden, when they are by far the most prosperous in the country. They think they are oppressed by the country merchants, and even go the length of accusing small dealers of living on their labours. In the purchasing of goods they are trying as much as possible to ignore the retailer except a year's credit is given, but will readily sell him for cash the farm products they cannot dispose of elsewhere. They are crafty and try to misuse their power. And it might probably be well if they could succeed in their exclusive way of dealing with merchants without injuring many they have to depend upon. It seems however, this cannot be done. And so far as we can see the union of farmers in Granges neither promotes thrift nor satisfactorily solves the problem of obtaining articles at a reduced cost.

We are not of those who believe in the advantage that is taken of the poor tarmer. On the contrary, it is evident farmers are the shrewdest, most calculating, and closefisted set of men we have in this country. They are industrious and consequently prosper, when men in business often fail. And they will actually wonder why

their estimation, should be like themselves. This is well. Yet it would be a pity to make some of their qualities objects of imitation. For what some are now doing is narrow, selfish, and mercenary. Whatever cloak is thrown over meanness it will show itself at times. And some instances of late show very clearly what farmers will do to gain a petty end of advantage to themselves. We may give a few.

A few days ago a representative of a Western Grange made some purchases in this city, and on the wholesale houses refusing to take dairy produce in payment, he remarked that he didn't care, as he could sell it for cash to the country storekeepers. A lady who was a member of another Grange wished to buy a set of furs, and after getting the firm to make a liberal reduction in the price, she asked the goods on six months' credit, stating it was customary to give Grangers that length of time at least. Another Granger in a town near this city, sold a country merchant the whole of his clover seed for cash; and a short time afterwards finding he had not enough for his own use, he went to the storekeeper and asked for one bushel at the price for which he had sold. It was granted, and he had the coolness to want it entered in the account he settled once a year. When buying an agricultural implement worth about fifty dollars from manufacturers in some of our Western towns, farmers belonging to the Grange movement are indignant and anything but complimentary in their language unless they obtain a discount of twenty per cent.

Such cases as these happen daily. And the grasping spirit they manifest should be fairly and firmly met. Farmers who pass by the retailer when purchases are to be made, but are glad to acknowledge him when the lighter kinds of farm produce have to be marketed, cannot be said to deal honourably with those who are really patrons of husbandry. The remedy for all this lies to a great extent with the wholesale trade, and partly with the country merchants themselves. By united effort they could easily crush out such extreme selfishness. We hardly think wholesale houses consult their best interests in selling goods to Grangers for the same prices paid by their regular customers. Certainly no respectable wholesale house will sell to them. Their success is bound up with the success of smaller houses. It should be their aim, then, to see that retailers are not wronged. And on the part of retailers we think their refusal to buy anything from a Granger, who by his actions assumes to be himself a retailer, and strives to use others for his subscribe dollar for dollar for all the money

own ends, would soon settle the difficulty. This would be more a spirit of honest dealing than retaliation. We must not be understood to say that a man has not the right to buy where he chooses, but rather that a fair exchange of commodities should take place through the established and necessary channels of trade. And farmers cannot do without retailers try what means they may. We are convinced, too, that Grangers make nothing by buying as they do. Once establish this, and the whole organization becomes a scheme for the acquisition of wealth at the expense of others. Certainly a man who is a great lover of himself wastes the public. A man should be so true to himself that he be not false to others. On this view the history of the Grange movement holds out no hope whatever of its success. Like other schemes, it will live a little while and die, for it rests on the folly of its members expecting special favours that cannot be granted. If they paid the retailers as promptly as they do jobbers from whom they purchase they would find it more profitable and save trouble to themselves and others. No body of men are able to be at once producers and merchants. And the best thing farmers can do is to abandon the selfish hope of being so, and stick to their land.

THE SNOWDON IRON MINE.

Mr. John Beverley Robinson, M.P., has written to the Mail on the subject of this mine and the bonus which is asked from the city to purchase it. He declares that he would by no means recommend the purchase to be made without examination: and, with a *naiveté* that is really refreshing in these days of "Emma Mines," and the like, proposes that before anything is done by the City Council towards the purchase a deputation, to be appointed by the said Council itself (so that there could be no mistake!) shall make a thorough examination of the mine. Certainly if the City Council appoint some persons to examine, there must be a sufficient guarantee. Some of their own number would no doubt form part of the deputation. Our worthy Mayor. who as a lawyer is supposed to know everything, would of course accompany it and see that the interests of the city were protected. And, in this country, everybody knows all about iron mines, and could see in a moment whether the property was worth the money asked for it. What then could be fairer?

Mr. Robinson declares that there are parties in the States who are willing to

that is voted by the city, and who only wait the action of the Council, to come over here and establish their works. And again he recommends that a deputation composed of the Mayor and representatives of the Council shall visit the furnaces of of these parties now in operation in a neighbouring State, so that they might have an idea of the industry itself, its local results, and the bona fide capabilities of the parties alluded to. Again, one might ask -what can be fairer than that? What more can the people want than that their own Mayor and members of their own Council, specially elected by the ratepayers to protect their interests, shall go over and examine for themselves and for the city they represent. They can surely find out all about iron works in an hour or two. even though they never saw a ton of iron smelted in their lives. It is a very simple business. They can go by one train and come back by the next. And the city will of course pay their expenses, a few baskets of champagne included. These necessary articles can never be forgotten.

Perhaps we must recal the last sentence, for, as we recollect, it is the seller who finds the champagne. The city will not be put to that expense at all.

If a deputation visits the States, we may perhaps whisper in their ears that there are a few places which they had better not go to see. If they did they might come back disheartened. They had better close their eyes when passing by some large works in Buffalo and the neighbourhood. and by all means let them keep away from Pittsburgh. There are rather too many blast furnaces closed there just now to make it a proper place to go to. It would do our worthy Mayor no good. It might even make a deputation low-spirited, in spite of the baskets just alluded to. The whole of the Pennsylvania iron country, in fact, had better be avoided. It would answer no practical purpose to see what a wretched prostration has overtaken the iron interest there, how many furnaces and foundries are closed, how many thousands of men are out of work or working halftime, and how capitalists are losing money by hundreds of thousands. The sight, we repeat, would be too melancholy. It would prevent the deputation making the proper kind of report. They had better, therefore. not go to Pittsburgh.

No. The proper thing is to go and see the gentleman who is so anxious to have the city of Toronto as a partner in his business, and who so generously offers to let the city have share and share alike with him. Many people just now are anxious to get monied partners, and one cannot but

admire the spirit of this American ironmaster who will take a whole city into his firm. No fear of his becoming bankrupt after that. On the strength of such a prospect he can afford to treat the deputation generously. Some Americans (and some Canadians too) live in sumptuous style in houses owned by their wives. The furniture is the wife's too. So are the conservatories and the grounds. If the deputation have to do with a gentleman of this sort, they may depend on plenty of champagne at any rate. They may even ride round the city in sumptuous carriages at their host's expense. And he will, no doubt, show them his bank book and his private ledger, and his last balance-sheet. When there is such a big fish as a whole corporation to be caught we may depend upon it, that the bait will be made very pleasant.

But seriously, this affair will not bear examination. If Americans want to enter on the manufacture of iron in Toronto, why do they not come over themselves? There are plenty of respectable Americans who have come and established themselves in business here without all this fuss of public meetings and letters to the papers. These mysterious hints about capitalists being ready to do this and that, are simple foolery. If business is meant, let the affair be entered upon in a business-like way. There are capitalists in our own midst who have both money and experience. If one individual amongst them can be found who is willing to risk a single five thousand dollars in the preliminary stages of the enterprise, it will do more to establish its bona fide character, than any amount of agitation on the part of men who have little or nothing to lose, and who, for that very reason, are so anxious to risk the money of the public for the money of the city to be risked.

TRADE WITH THE WEST INDIES

Whatever may result from the motion made in Parliament the other day for a full statement of what has been done to improve our trade with the West Indies, there can be no doubt the subject is a significant one. For these ten years the country has heard much upon this matter, and so far as we can see is likely to hear a great deal more without our commerce increasing with the tropics. Opinions are conflicting, and certainly something weighty may be said on both sides.

Those who favour the Government subsidizing a line of steamers between one of our Maritime ports and the West Indies.

able if the trial were only made. They say that the volume of trade would increase, instead of remaining almost stationary as it has done for years, if the proper means were only taken to attract tropical productions to this country. To do this it is proposed to reduce the duty on raw sugars or increase it on refined. In either case, we are told sugar refining would spring up and flourish among us. Besides, this country would find another market for flour, lumber, and other commodities, while raw sugar, rum, and spices would flow into us more cheaply in return. Our merchant marine, too, would enjoy the benefit arising from this trade. These are the chief grounds on which the Government is urged to change the tariff and grant a subsidy. On the other hand, some strong arguments are brought forward against attempting to force a trade that in the opinion of many would be attended by loss to the body of the people and gain to a few. To lower the duty on raw sugars would seriously affect the revenue: to raise it on refined would be taking money from the consumers. Thus whatever might be done, the people would suffer. And as Canada only consumes about one hundred million pounds a year. and one refinery in Montreal is able to produce more than two-thirds of that amount. to change the tariff would principally benefit one firm at the expense of a whole country. It would be the interest of this refiner to keep our market to himself, and being a gentleman of long experience and large capital, he could easily crush out any opposition that might be offered him. So, the benefit of placing Canadian sugar refining in a position to compete with foreign refiners would go in a great measure to one firm. And this firm, which is now idle, cannot go on again unless an alteration of one-quarter per cent. is made in the sugar tariff. This change, we are told, would annually cause a loss to the revenue of \$250,-000, and the Montreal refiner with all his skill and capital could not make out of the change of duty one-half that sum. Again, it is said the flour we manufacture would not stand the West Indian climate, and unless it went into active consumption Canadians could derive little profit from such an outlet without going to the cost of having the flour kiln dried to compete with Southern millers.

Such are the principal arguments in the vexed question of our Government establishing communication with the West Indies. What may ultimately come out of this difficulty is hard to foresee. Trade certainly will take its own course like a claim that the intercourse would be profit- controlled it is dangerous to force it. At this shameful piece of business will provoke

present the West Indian trade is principally with Britain. And we are told some of our importers can buy in the British markets articles from there at lower figures than in Iamaica or Cuba. There is much to be considered in the whole matter, but a partial trouble even in this is the want of sufficient information. Trade with this group of islands is desirable if it come in the right way, but it may be bought at too high a price.

MUNICIPAL BUNGLING.-The very important motion introduced by the newly fledged Ald. Stanley, was recently adopted by the Council of this city. This resolution called for a statement "of all monies borrowed for the purpose of carrying on the disbursements of the Corporation, and from whom borrowed; together with the amount of interest paid on such accommodation for the year ending 31st December, 1875." The statement produced showed that the city had borrowed \$317,000 on debentures, and that the corporation had paid nearly \$40,000 to two banking institutions for During the temporary accommodation. six months ending with October, when all the largest contracts were being carried on, the rates charged by one of the banks, which had a deposit from the city in the shape of a sinking fund of \$150,000 bearing five per cent. interest, were increased from seven to the modest rate of nine per cent. ! This rate was cheerfully paid by our City Fathers on amounts that averaged monthly the sum of \$205,600 The other institution had evidently thought the risk not so great, and was content with eight per cent. during the same period. We are almost of the opinion the old saying that"" corporations have no souls" is true. They certainly have little conscience. All the parties in this matter have furnished abundant evidence of this. The facts once known outside of the clique, it is needless to say that the present rate with both Banks for the current year will be at once reduced to seven per cent., The fortunate posses sor of the sinking fund has also consented to pay an increase of one per cent. on the amount of this deposit. This little item alone will increase the city funds over \$1,500. We would be glad to know the name of any member of the Finance Committee, or of last years' Councillors, that would allow his own business to be conducted in this fashion for a single week. If he did it would not require many months to find his name among the list of insolvents that appear in our columns. We do river, and while it can be to some extent not think, however, that our exposure of

anything more than a laugh from these gentlemen. One might as well try to tickle the sides of a rhinoceros as touch the callous consciences of some aldermen.

THE DOMINION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.-This Company, we believe, is now in very good working order, and is rendering important service in cheapening telegraphic communication and preventing the growth of a dangerous monopoly. The recent changes in its principal officials will probably still further conduce to efficient management. And it is displaying a commendable spirit of enterprise in opening new offices and largely extending its mileage. Its ability to enter on the important field of cable communication with Europe must also add very greatly to the service it can render to the mercantile community. We think, however, that a mistake has been made in declaring so large a dividend when such items as preliminary expenses have to be carried forward for so considerable an amount. These expenses figure as an asset to the amount of \$15,000. Certainly this ought to have been paid off altogether by this time, for the Company has been in operation about six years; and considering that such items as furniture \$32,000, stationery \$22,000, figure as tangible assets, and that the Company has no reserve to draw upon in case of unforeseen contingencies, we are thoroughly of opinion that the wiser course would have been to divide less until these items were wiped out from its books.

-The annual report of the Peoples Bank of Halifax, submitted to the shareholders a few weeks ago, shows that the business of the year had been a prosperous one. The net profits were \$60,740. This institution has accepted \$20,000 in payment of their claim against the defunct Bank of Acadia. The balance due from this bank, and also the amount lost by the failure of Messrs. Duncan, Sherman & Co., along with other bad and doubtful debts, have been written off. This sum exceeded \$58,000. The payment of these claims absorbed a portion of the Reserve Fund, which now is \$91 000.

-The work so far done by our Government in deepening and widening the channel of the Detroit River is warmly appreciated by merchants and ship-owners in the Lake Cities, more than one of whose boards of trade have passed resolutions thanking the Canadian Executive. It is now proposed by the Detroit board, that inasmuch as \$20,000 has been appropriated by the U. S. for removing rock, &c., at " the lime-kilns," but cannot be expended as that point is not in American waters, therefore the money be handed over to the Ottawa Government to be expended for that purpose.

-In the Public Accounts Committee on Monday explanations were asked of delays, prejudicial to commerce, which arose from the Allan steamer sometimes failing to connect with the only daily mail train at Moville Bay. The Finance Minister stated that at present the British Government would not, and that of Canada could not afford to put on a special train for Canadian mails from Moville, but he would enter into correspondence on the subject with a view to avoiding such delays hereafter.

-The Chebucto Marine Insurance Company, is the name of a new association organized in Halifax. The success of past marine underwriting in that city has induced several leading gentlemen to form this association, and on the directorate for the ensuing year we notice the names of Captain George Mackenzie, Messrs. Joseph Seeton, R. I. Hart, Robert Taylor, Michael Carney, John Pugh, and Edward Morrison. It is understood that it will commence business at once.

-We see by the Parliamentary reports that a member of the Senate has given notice of his intention to introduce a Bill for the amendment of the Insolvent Act of 1875. Already reference has been made to some clauses in this measure which have, and likely will prevent its satisfactory working until some change is made. We hope the amendments proposed will remove rather than create further difficulties. But to frame a clear and comprehensive Insolvent law is no easy matter.

-A bill to provide for the winding up of insolvent incorporated banks has been brought before the House of Commons by the Minister of Finance. It extends the provisions of the Insolvent Law of 1875 to these institutions subject to the modifications that measure contains respecting incorporated companies. A few other provisions are also contained in the bill.

-The Intercolonial Coal-mining Company held its annual meeting in Montreal last week, when Mr. Gilbert Scott was elected President; Mr. H. A. Budden, Vice-President, and Messrs-G. A. Drummond, Peter Redpath, D. L. Mac-Dougall, Robert Simms, John Hope, Robert Anderson and James Burnett, directors.

-The annual meeting of the V. Hudon Cotton Mills Company was held in Hochelaga, some ten days ago, when the following directors were elected; Mr. V. Hudon, President; Mr. A. F. Gault, Vice-President; Messrs. Jacques Grenier, George H. Nye, J. Nathan Hodgson, John L. Cassidy and Alexis Dubord.

-It is stated that the Oriental Marine Insurance Association of Sidney, Nova Scotia, has suffered a net loss of \$20,000 on late risks, and has in consequence determined to wind up its business.

-An injunction in Chancery has been issued against the Imperial Bank to restrain it from carrying out the purchase of the bonds from the Water Commissioners of this city, on the ground that it is not empowered by its charter to purchase the bonds. The case will come up for argument to-day.

-The annual meeting of La Banque du Peuple was held in Montreal on Monday. It was stated by the cashier that the whole of the Bank's losses would be covered by \$55,000. After paying the half-yearly dividend of three per cent., the balance to credit of reserve fund was \$267,196, or sixteen and one-half per cent. of the paid-up capital.

--The vacancy created in the Presidency of the Bank of Montreal by the death of Mr. David Torrance, has been filled by the Directors electing Mr. Gilbert Scott, of the firm of Dow & Co., brewers, in Montreal, to the position. The appointment is likely to meet with general satisfaction.

-In the paragraph of our last issue respecting the sale of water works debentures for "ninety" read, ninety-nine; and for "thirteen hundred" in the remark upon the Pickering Harbour bonus read, thirteen thousand.

-We understand that the English Lloyd's have appointed Mr. F. H. Heward as their agent for the Western portion of this Province.

-The Bank of Commerce has opened a branch in Paisley, Ont.

THE COLOUR IN HEMLOCK BARK LIQUORS.— The tendency of oak and hemlock liquors to change into gallic acid, and sawing instead of grinding bark for more perfect leaching, were among the most important topics touched upon at the Convention. Whether it is possible to remove the colouring matter from bark liquors, without impairing their tanning qualities, has long been a question which has attracted the closest observation of the best tanners. The most eminent chemists have conducted experiments to this end, and a great deal of money has been expended in such efforts, which, if they could be successful, would be of the greatest value to the tanning trade. Closely connected with this subject is the changing of tannic into gallic acid which extract makers have supposed they had hit upon the true principle of overcoming in that " something " which they put in their extract to prevent fermentation. This was at one time, we believe, carbolic acid, and, whatever it was, it seriously injured the sale of considerable extract, some years ago. This matter is now better accomplished by the extract men. Meanwhile, in all the discussions which this subject at once raises among intelligent tanners, it will be well to bear in mind that a German chemist demonstrated, some six years since, that it was possible to change gallic into tannic acid. This discovery was thought at the time to be one of great importance, and we hoped some good would come of it to tanners, but thus far nothing has been accomplished in this direction for the American leather trade.

STOCKS	IN	MONTREAL.
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4 oclock, March 8, 1876.							
Sтоскя.	Lowest Point in Week.	HIGHEST IN WEEK.	TOTAL TRANS.	Buyers.	Sellers.		
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City			8		
People's	93 3	94	82		
Molson's				110	1101
Bk. of Toronto		189	75	188	190
Jacques Cartier	27	311	69 I	31	32
Merchants'	96‡	97	339	96 <u>3</u>	97 ‡
Royal Can			10	951	<u>9</u> 6
Commerce	122	123	2556	123	1231
Metropolitan				62]	70
Maritime					
Exchange			5	95	98
Hamilton			••••	95 ¹ / ₂	100
Union				901	91
Mont. T'legraph	1601	1623	875	160	161
Dominion Tel		92 1	29		
Gas (<i>xd</i>)	1551	1571	584	1561	156 3
City Pass Ry	1781	1871		185	185 1
Stg. Ex.,	1091	109			1091-1
Gold	1141	1144	• • • • •		1143

Insurance.

FIRE RECORD .- Woodstock, N.B., March 5 .-Several building's were destroyed by fire, among which were John Cole's brick house, containing Moore's grocery and liquor store; Willis & Garrison's meat shop, and Coles' dwelling. A brick building adjoining, owned by the Brown estate, occupied by Mr. Mulholland, assignee, and Robert Smith, general trader, who were insured for \$1,000 each in the North British Mercantile and Stadacona, and R. H. Barker, jeweller. This building was insured for \$4,000 in the Queen's. The third building destroyed was occupied by John Macdonough, the owner, and Mr. Jommett, watchmaker. Hartford offices have some insurance.

Montreal, March 2 .- Three sheds belonging to Mr. Tansey, and P. Ryan's carpenter shop, were burned. Sheds insured for \$100 in British America, and Carpenter shop for \$700 in Royal Canadian.

Montreal, March 2.-J. Grothe's jewellery store was destroyed by fire. St. John, March 2nd.—Mr. Garnett's dwelling

at Pleasant Point was burned.

Petrolia, March'2 .-- Messrs Noble & Calianan's oil well was destroyed by fire; Loss \$300, no insurance.

Belleville, March 7.-Messrs Clarke & Co's drug store was damaged by fire to the extent of \$300. Insured in Stadacona.

Port Burwell, March 8.—The dwelling of Robert. Guest was destroyed by fire. Loss

 Kobert. Guess was constrained for the second Frederickton, N.B., March o. McGaussine buildings were totally destroyed by fire. The following stores and offices were in the building : total total building in the building Russell, liquors; John Mitchell, grocer; V. Hunt, grocer; and Sheriff Temple. Dr. Dow's, Dr. Ellis', John Richards', and J. A. and W. Vanwart's offices on the second story, and the Oddfellow's Hall on the third story were burn-ed. Little saved; loss about \$15,000. So far as can be ascertained, insurances are as follows :- McCausland, building, \$4,000, company not known. Dr. Dow, \$400 on office furniture, and Dr. Ellis, \$1,800 on office furniture and dental appliances in North British; Mitchell, grocer, \$400 in Stadacona; Russell, liquor dealer, \$1,500 on stock in Royal Canadian; the Oddfellows, \$400 their regalia and organ in Queen. Mr. Richards estimates his loss at \$2,000 on office furniture and papers; no insurance.

THE MORTALITY EXPERIENCE.

Of all the questions that can possible be put to a life insurance company, the most important is, "Whether the lives insured are such as ought to be insured?" Life insurance is based upon certain assumptions of mortality. If the actual mortality experienced rises above that assumed, the inevitable deficit must be made up from some other source, or the company thus unfortunate in its experience must ulti-mately become bankrupt. Hitherto, in the experience of our American companies, any deficit arising from such greater mortality has been more than compensated by the profits arising from forfeiture of policies, or from excess of loading and interest above the actual ex-penses and the actual per cent. at which money could be invested. Hereafter, little, if any, profit can be expected from the forfeiture of policies; and if the present rate of expenditure continues, the most liberal loading of the premiums will not be more than sufficient to provide for it. If, therefore, the mortality shall exceed that assumed, the excess of interest obtained is the only source from whence the deficit can be made up.

Will not the mortality experienced exceed that assumed ? Are the lives insured such as ought to be insured? These are the vital questions, and the affidavits of officers ought not to be taken as conclusive of them, any more than the company's valuation should be taken as conclusive of its liability for a reserve.

The percentage of policies becoming claims within the first year of insurance is increasing frightfully. The refinements of medical science are converting incipient pythisis into bronchial affection, and mitral irregularities into hysteria, or other nervous derangements with alarming facility. In the house of its friends, the zealous agent and the accommodating medical examiner, life insurance is being wounded severely. At the hands of courts of justice it can expect little consideration. The grave which covers the dead man's body, conceals or condones his misrepresentations, and is a city of refuge, into which the clumsy medical examiner cannot be profitably pursued. The only hope, therefore, is in the exercise of more discretion, and the adoption of a more rigorous standard at the parent office, where applications for life insurance are finally passed upon and accepted or rejected.

No life insurance company, whose record shows an undue proportion of deaths occurring within the first few years of insurance from hereditary diseases, or whose death rate is materially in excess of that predicted, is worthy of confidence. Upon this one thing, more than all others, depends the future stability of any life insurance company whose funds are pru-dently invested. And yet this is the very thing which the "trained observation" of our insurance departments leaves untouched. Official investigation give us a redundancy of useless information concerning the anatomy of the companies, but fail entirely to disclose their

true vitality. Who believes that it is absolutely, and with-out qualification, true of all our life insurance companies, that the annual mortality experienced has not exceeded the assumptions upon which the premiums are calculated? That it has, and that it does, is the experience of nearly every life insurance company in the land. That it will continue to do so, is the secret apprehension of every intelligent underwriter.

Of more substantial value, therefore, than intricate and ingenious tables of ratios or voluminous and inquisitive researches into the peculiar business economy of each company, would be an exhibit of the actual mortality experienced by each, in comparison with that as-sumed, and a competent analysis of the causes they have a pecuniary interest, it is

which have produced the greater mortality. If the researches of the Chamber of life insurance, now in progress, will but give us this, we can well afford to pardon that earthen vessel for all its frailties and noisomeness.-Chronicle.

JURY'S JUSTICE.

In the course of a recent legal trial involving the question of the shipowners' liability for al-leged negligence, Baron Coleridge commenced his summing up address by informing the jury that in justice to the plaintiffs (the merchants) he would state " that there was no underwriter at the back of the case."

The natural impression of the initiated would be that such a remark was irrevelant to the issue, and such a view was indorsed by his Lordship's own distinct ruling, nevertheless he thought it worth a passing observation, and that fact itself shows that the opinion universally held by marine insurers of the prejudice to their interests entertained by the class of gentlemen who compose our juries is shared by at least some of the legal profession.

Without considering the general unfitness of a promiscuously chosen company of men, engaged in the most diversified pursuits, for the resolution of questions of a technical character, we would observe that there are general con-siderations that impress themselves on the mind of most men, and which, if of an amiable character, often lead to great injustice, and are illustrated in the contentions arising from ma-rine insurance in an acute form. Should the eventual loss in dispute fall upon a body of underwriters, their individual loss is comparatively small, whilst in the event of a contrary result that to the merchant or shipowner is great, and in some cases involves to him the most serious results. Again, the assured has paid a premium, and in the shallow minds of some men this seems to determine the liability the assurer to an unlimited extent.

The view we have thus indicated, and which is so general, arises, doubtless, from a kind of compassion and pity in itself not discreditable, or a want of thought by no means unusual; in either case, however, fraught with the most uufortunate results; and thus as surely as indiscriminate charity leads to perpetuate mendicity, so a prejudice against a class for the simple reason that they are wealthy or numerous leads to great carelessness in the manner in which such an important business is transacted.

In the action to which we allude the merchant was uninsured, and therefore the contention was between that individual firm and a firm of shipowners; but in a previous case, involving the question of unseaworthiness, in which the merchant was insured, the underwriters were in fact the real plaintiffs, and this fact was specially dwelt upon in the pleadings, yet we sould think that by this time no principle was so well known as that insurance can only legally be an indemnity against actual loss occasioned by specified perils, and carries with it not only all the rights of the assured but a claim upon his services in the event of casuality. Nothing, therefore, can really be more unreasonable than the refusal of justice to those who have prudently protected themselves by insurance.

We cannot, however, disguise the fact that he jury themselves being interested in some shape or another as holders of policies to some extent influences them in giving verdicts that shall, so far as they go, tend to increase the stringency of the law in their interpretation. We do not say this with a view to discredit their general honesty or uprightness, but we think that if Judges, by a wholesome rule or custom,

open to presume that men who form even our special juries are not entirely unmindful of the manner in which their verdicts may influ-ence their personal or class interests. That, after all, this is a short-sighted policy may be readily demonstrated, inasmuch as the value of indemnity will increase with its stringency, and therefore, in the end and in the aggregate, interests are balanced; nevertheless, in the meantime, how many personal wrongs have been suffered ?-Review.

Commercial.

MONTREAL MARKET.

From our own Reporter.

Montreal, March 7th, 1876. For the last three days we have had fine mild spring like weather and under the influence of

a strong sunshine the snow and ice are melting very fast, the roads however are in a very bad state for travelling, and a few days more of such weather will make the ice bridge rather unsafe for crossing.

Business continues to be confined within very narrow limits, and has not recovered from the effects of disappointed expectations of an increase in duties. Travellers both in the Hard-ware and Dry Goods trades speak more hopefully of the prospects of business as they find stocks generally very light in the country, but there seems to be no disposition evinced to buy more than will suffice to meet immediate wants. A few buyers have been in town, but they are not expected to be so numerous as in former years, saving the expense of a trip to the City is just now a consideration, they prefer either ordering through travellers sending their orders forward by mail.

ASHES -About the same demand for Pots has existed this week as during the previous one, but the prices ruling have been lower, firsts having sold from \$4.50 to 4.60 and closing at \$4.50 to 4.55; Seconds and Thirds are nominal; *Pearls* are quite nominal, buyers and sellers being wide apart in their views, holders looking for extreme prices. The stocks at present in store are Pots 3211 brls.; Pearls 1198 brls.

BOOIS AND SHOES .--- Orders this week have been rather more numerous, but generally for small quantities, manufacturers in most cases are confining their operations to filling orders on hand. Our quotations are Men's kip boots \$2.50 to 3.00; do. French calf \$3.00 to 3.75; do. Buff Congress \$1.75 to 2.25; do. split Brogans goc to \$1.25; do.kip Brogans \$1.30 to 1.50; Boys split Brogans 75c to \$1.00; do. Buff and boys' split Brogans 75c to \$1.00; do. Buff and Pebbled Congress \$1.40 to \$1.50; Womens Buff and pebbled Balmorals \$1.1 5 to 1.80; do prunella Bals. 75c to \$1.75; do. do. Congress 75c to \$1.75; Misses Buff and Pebble Bal-morals goc to \$1.15; do prunella Balmorals and Congress 70c to \$1.25; Childrens do. do. 60c to \$1.00; do. Pebble and Buff Balmorals 75c to \$1.00.

CATTLE.-There was a large supply of cattle yesterday but there were few buyers. The North American Meat Company being the largest buyers, they bought 80 head of cattle at \$3.50 to 3.87 per 100 lbs. live weight, but butchers generally held off for lower prices than holders were asking, seeing that the market was overstocked, the prices obtained ranged from \$4.25 to 4.75. One very fine heifer brought \$5.00 per 100 lbs live weight. *Live Hogs* were in moderate supply but rather small ln size and all in the market found ready buyers at \$7.50 per 100 lbs. live weight. Dressed Hogs now in

of business as the stocks in the country have been well worked down. A number of buyers have been in the city, but not nearly so many as during former years, more of them seem disposed to buy anything more than they actually want for present requirements. Remittances although perhaps a turn better are still far from being satisfactory.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—There has been a slight improvement in this business, and a little better demand has been experienced for some articles than has been the case for sometime past but the sales have mostly been for small lots. Bi Carb is easier and freely offered in lots at \$3.75 but for a round lot less would be accepted. Sal Soda is firm and in good demand at \$1.45 to 1.60, as to size of lot, stocks of this article are now pretty low. Caustic Soda 31 to 3¹; Soda Ash steady at 2c; Alum 2c to 2¹/₂c; Bleaching Powder firm and scarce at 2¹/₂c; Epsom Salts 1³/₄ to 2c; Saltpetre \$8.00; Cream Tartar Crystals 27½ to 28½c; ditto ground 29½ to 31½c; Copperas 1½c; Blue Vitriol 7c to 7½c; Borax 121 to 141c; Brimstone in in small supply and firm at \$3.00.

FISH .- Business has been very brisk during the past week, and the stock of Labrador Herrings is now nearly exhausted, while stocks of other kinds of fish are very much reduced; prices are firm and still tend upward. We quote Dry Cod \$5.50; Green Cod No. 1. \$600; ditto No. 2, \$5.00; Labrador Herrings \$5.00 to 5.50 now in first hands; Salmon \$14 13.50 and 12.00 in bls. for No. 1, 2 and 3. Mackerel nominal, none in the market.

RAW FURS.—There is nothing doing of any consequence and our quotations may be consid-ered nominal. The London sales commence ered nominal. The London sales commence next Mondy, after which prices here will be fully established. We continue to quote Beaver \$1.75 to 2.00; Black Bear \$6.00 to 12.00; Fisher, \$5.00 tof 7.50; Silver Fox \$25.00 to 60; Cross Fox \$2.00 to 5.00; Red Fox \$1.25 to 1.60; Lynx \$1.50 to 1.75; Labrador Dark Martin \$7.00 to 8.00; The Martin \$1.25 to 1.50. Prime Dark Mink Pale Martin \$1.25 to 1.50; Prime Dark Mink \$2.50 to 3.00; Dark 2nd Mink, \$1.50 to 2.00; Fine Dark Otter \$8 to 10; Fall Muskrat 12 to 15c; Winter do. 20 to 23c; Spring do 27 to 30c; Racoon 25 to 60c, Skunk 20 to 50c.

FREIGHTS .- There is not much demand for freight room, most of the cargoes going by Steamers from Portland to Liverpool are on Western Account and shipped direct from there. The Montreal rates are, for heavy grain 8/6 to 9/; Flour 5/; Butter 65/; Cheese 60/; Potash 55/ and Pearl ash 67/6.

FLOUR.- The stocks in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 1st inst. were 63,661 brls., against 58,160 brls on the 15th ult., and 55,091 brls. on the 1st of March 1875. Receipts during the week have been 10,970 brls.; total receipts from 1st January to date 51,174 brls., being a decrease of 9,129 brls. on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1875. We have had another week with very little business to report, and that only for the immediate wants of the city trade; very little has been done in fine grades, coarse grades are chiefly asked for and price have ruled rather firmer. On change to-day the sales only a mounted to about 500 brls., chiefly extra and strong baker's flour. The ruling rates were Superior Extra \$5.10 to 5.20 Extra Superfine Superior Extra \$5.10 to 5.20 Extra Superine \$4.90 to 4.95; Fancy \$4.70 to 4.75; Spring Extra \$4.50 to 4.55; Superfine \$4.15 to4.25; Strong Baker's flour \$4.65 to 4.75; Fine \$3.95 to 4.00; Middlings \$3.25 to 3.35, nominal; Foll-ards \$2.50 to 2.60, nominal; Upper Canada Rag flour \$2.25 to \$2.271; Oatmeal \$4.65 to 4.70; Cornmeal \$3.00.

GRAIN.-Wheat.-Stocks in store and in the DRY GOODS.—Business in this line of trade is perhaps a turn better than last week and travellers write more hopefully of the prospects on the 15th ult., and 169,693 bush. on the 1st

of March 1875. Receipts during the past week 41,600 bush.; total receipts from 1st January to date 179,775 bush., being an increase of 142,074 bush. on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1875. There is nothing as yet doing in grain of any kind, and quotations in the absence of transactions are quite nominal.

GROCERIES .- Teas-The stock of teas held here at the present time is large. Heavy pur-chases have been made in the United States and brought on here in expectation of an increase of duty, in which importers have been disappointed, and they now find themselves with large stocks, no demand, and a rapidly falling market, besides being hampered with the large outlay to take goods out of bond. There are very few transactions even of job lots taking place, and to press sales it is questionable if even cost price could be obtained ; in the meantime prices are quite nominal. Latest mail advices from Japan, under date 25th Janu ary, state: "There has been rather more disposition to do business on the part of buyers, but the market was dull and prices irregular. Teamen being very firm when any disposition to do business is shown. The quotations at that date in Yokohama were, for good common \$22 to 23; medium \$25 to 26; good medium $\$_{28}$ to 30; fine $\$_{31}$ to 33; finest $\$_{35}$ to 36; choice $\$_{40}$ to 42; choicest $\$_{45}$ to 48; extra $\$_{50}$ to 55, per picul. Exports this season up to

date: To San Francisco.... 2,459,011 lbs. To Eastern States 14,476,358 "

Total16,935,869 lbs.

Coffee-A few small sales have been reported during the week, within our range of quotations. Stocks moderate. Maracaibo 221 to 24c; Java 29 to 32c; Ceylon and Singapore 22 to 27c. Sugar-There is an easier feeling in the market for Scotch refined, and we reduce our quotations this week to $7\frac{3}{5}$ to $7\frac{3}{4}c$; local refined sells at 73 to 8c, but the stock is about exhansted, and the factory has now ceased working. In raw sugar there is little movement, but prices generally rule firm; small sales from 67 to 71c. Molasses .- The demand is gradually improving while the stocks being light cause a firm feeling while the stocks being light cause a nrm teeing in this article. Barbadoes 42 to 43c; Trinidad is held at 374c; Porto Rico 38c; Sugar House 25 to 30c, according to package; Centrifugal 30 to 32c. Syrups—in moderate demand with declining prices: Golden 42 to 490; Amber 63 to 65c. *Rice.*—Small sales at \$3.70 to 3.85. *Spices.*—There has been a somewhat improved demand for Black Pepper at a slight advance on our late rates, the price now being 111 to 12c, at which sales are reported : there is no change in any other kind of spice. Fruit.—Only very limited transactions taking place within our range of quotations. Layer raisins \$2.20 to 2.35; Valencias 7³/₄ to 8c; Sultanas 13 to 14c; new Currents are scarce at 6¹/₄ to 7¹/₄c; Figs dull of sale, 9 to 10c; Prunes 4 to 5c; Walnuts 3¹/₂ to 7c, according to quality; Filberts 7 to 8c.

HIDES AND PELTS.—There is not much doing at the present time and the decline of \$1.00 per 100 lbs., noted last week, has been fully estab-lished. We quote as last week. No. 1 inspected hides \$6.00; No. 2 ditto \$5.00; No. 3 ditto \$4.00 per 100 lbs.; Sheepskins goc to \$1.30, according to quality; Calfskins 10c per lb.

HARDWARE. - Prices have undergone no change since our last report. Business continues to improve. The trade, however, are careful in selecting their customers, and are selling only to parties of good standing. Credits are likely to be shortened, which is much wanted, and will have a beneficial effect on trade. We Continue to quote: Pig Iron Eglinton and Clyde \$21.00 to 21.50; Carnbroe 21.50 to \$22. Hematite \$30.00 to 31.00. Bar, per 100 lbs., Scotch and Staffordshire, \$2.25 to 2.30; best do., \$2.50 to 2.60, Swedes and Norway \$5.00 to 5.50; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$6.50 to 7.00. Canada Plates per box, Glamorgan and Budd, \$4.25 to 4.50; Garth and Penn \$4.25 to 4.50; Arrow \$4.50 to 4.60; Hatton \$4.25 to 4.40. Tin Plates per box-Charcoal IC, \$8.25 to 8.50; ditto, IX, \$10.25 to 10.50; ditto DC, \$7.25 to 7.50; Coke IC, \$7.00 to 7.25; 14 x 20, 25c extra. Tinned sheets Charcoal best No. 26, 13c. Galvanized sheets best brands No. 28, 91 to 101c. Hoops and Bands per 100 bs., \$2.90 to 3.10; Sheets best brands, \$3.25 to 3.35; Boiler Plates ordinary brands \$3.25 to 3.50; Best brands \$3.50 to 3.75; Russian Sheet Iron 14 to 15C; Cut Nails, manufacturers list 3rd February, 2 D Lath, \$4.60; ditto, 2¹/₂d to 4d shingle \$3.80; do., 5d to 10d, \$3.30; do. 12d & larger\$3.; 100 keg lots 5 per cent. discount, specification to accompany order for immediate shipment. Cut nails patent Chisel pointed 25c extra. Pressed Spikes \$4.25 to 5.00; Shot Canadian \$7 to 7.25. Lead-Pig, per 100 lbs 6.50 to \$7.00; do sheets **6.50** to \$7.00; do Bar, 6.50 to \$7.00; do sheets **6.50** to \$7.00; do Bar, 6.50 to \$7.00; Steel cast, per lb. 12 to 14c; Spring per 100 lbs; **\$4.50** to 5.00; Sleigh Shoe \$3.75 to 4.00; Tire ditto, \$4.00 to 4.20. Ingot Tin 23 to 24c; Ingot Copper, 22; to 23c. Hore Shoes per too lbs. \$4.50 to 4.75; Proved Coil Chain, § in., \$6.00 to 6.25; Anchors 7 to 8c; Anvils 10 to 12c. Iron wire per bdl \$2.50 to 2.60. Glass, to 25 united inches \$2.10 to 2.20 ; do. 40 united inches \$2.30 to 2.40; do. 50 united inches \$2.50 to 2.60; to 60 united inches \$2.75 to 2.85.

LEATHER .- The demand from the Boot and Shoe trade continues moderately active, and sales are fully up to the expectations of the trade; Spanish and Slaughter sole are in excessive supply and prices consequently favour buyers. Waxed upper and Heavy splits are arriving more freely as the demand has improved, and prices are steadier than for sometime past. Harness has been sold at low figures for shipment to England, the demand here being trifling. Measured stock sells slowly and without impro-ment in prices We quote Hemlock Spanish sole No. I B. A. 22½ to 24c; do. No. 2, 20 to 21c; No. I Morocco 22 to 23c; No. 2 ditto 20 to ooc; Zambar Spanish sole No. I 21 to 22c; do. do No. 2 17 to 20c; Buffalo 'sole No. I, 20 to 21c; do. No. 2, 18 to 19c; Hemlock slaughter 23 to 25c; waxed upper light and medium 30 to 37c; ditto heavy 30 to 32c; grained upper 32 to 35c; splits large 24 to 28c; do. small 15 to 20c; calfskins 27 to 36 lbs, 55 to 75c; do 18 to 26 lbs 50 to 65c; sheepskin linings 22 to 30c; harness 22 to 28c; buffed cow 13 to 16c per ft.; enamelled cow 18 to 19c; patent cow 17 to 19c; pebbled cow 12c Measured stock sells slowly and without improv-19c; patent cow 17 to 19c; pebbled cow 12c to 16c.

LIQUORS .- The result of the Government policy in making no change in the Tariff has resulted in this line of business much in the same way as in Tea, there being now no demand after the excitement previous to the intention of the Government being known, prices have not declined as yet but it is understood that large lots of any liquor on our list could be bought at rather easier prices, with the exception of High Wines and Rye whiskey which maintain their value as quoted for car loads. Brandy \$2.20 to 2.80, according to brand wood, and \$7.50 to 9.50 in cases. Gin is steady at \$1.50 to 1.65 in wood; red cases \$7.50 to 8.00; green cases \$3.75 to 4.00. Rum, Jamaica, \$2.15 to 2.40 in wood nomi-nal. Rye Whiskey 34c in bond per car load equal to \$1.01² duty paid. High Wines 57c in bond per car load equal to \$1.92 duty paid.

OILS .- The market for oils continues quiet but firm in wholesale transactions reported.

57 to 58c; Petroleum market dull, very little doing in car loads at 28¹/₂c; some little doing in single barrels and small lots at 31 to 29¹/₂c. according to quantity.

PROVISIONS.—Butter—Receipts during the week 747 kegs; shipments 192 kegs; there is little change to report in this market since the date of our last; for fine butter there is a good demand at full prices, but inferior kinds of butter are very difficult to move even at quotations. Brockville, Morrisburg and E. Townships butter Western 16 to 17c, and Dairy Western 18 to 19c; Cheese is dull and neglected, only very small sales transpiring at $11\frac{1}{2}$ to 12c; Lard is in fair demand at 13 to 14c, according to package. Tallow unchanged, 8c per lb. Pork-Receipts 226 brls.; shipments 79 brls.; although this market is quiet prices are, on the whole, very firm and higher than last week. Inspected mess \$23.50 to 24.00; Thin mess \$22.00. SALT.—Nothing of any moment transpiring.

Any transactions taking place are of small lots at about last week's figures. Coarse 65 to 70c; fine 70 to 80c; factory filled \$1.10 to 1.25.

WOOL .- There has been a few small sales this week not worth reporting, and at present it would not be possible to place a large lot to meet the views of holders here, which continue for super 27 to 29c, and for black and unassorted 26 to 28c.

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Mr. S	5. B. Hewa	RD:			
From MES	SSRS. GILFI	llan, Wo	OD	& Co.	

Dated Singapore, 2nd March, 1876. Gambier, \$5.721 per picul. Shipments in Feb. to New York nil. Boston 150 tons. Un. Kingdom., 1600 " " ...

Black Pe	pper, \$8.5	o per picul.
Shipments	in Feb. to	New York nil.
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**	**	Un. Kingdom 1200 tons.
Tin, \$22	oo per pic	
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TORONTO MARKET.

Toronto, March 9, 1876.

Few instances of an active demand are noticeable, and the bulk of transactions is confined to a fair country movement with sales of a few trifling lots. Prices show little change in any of the branches of business. The following is the value of the imports entered at the Custom House in this city during the month of February, in comparison with the same month last year :

	1875.	1876.
Dutiable Goods		\$1,392,430
Free Goods	52,623	54,440

BOOTS AND SHOES .tinues quiet and modified. Manufacturers are engaged on Spring orders which will probably keep them engaged for a month to come when the sorting up will again become more active. There is a light movement in sorting up at present. Prices remain at late quotations.

present. Prices remain at late quotations. CATTLE.—*Beeves.*—Receipts for the week ending Monday were 395 head against 378 head on the preceding. There has been a good demand and all offering are wanted. First class are firm and sell readily at \$4.50 to 4.75. Sec-ond class are taken at \$3.75 to 4.25 and third class ranges from \$3.00 to 3.50. Sheep.—There were only $\Delta 6$ head in last week against 90 head but firm in wholes are transactions reported. One class are taken at 93.75 to 4.25 and thind Cod oil $62\frac{1}{2}$ to 55c; Seal Oil pale $62\frac{1}{2}c$; ditto Straw $57\frac{1}{2}c$; ditto Steam Refined 70c; Menhad, were only 46 head in last week against 99 head den oil 40 to 45c; Crude Whale oil 45; Olive oil 95 to \$1.00; Linseed Raw 54c to 55; do. boiled appear to have left the market bare as there is a

good deal of dressed coming forward. First class bring \$6.50 to 7.00 and second class \$5.00 to 5.75. Third class do not appear to be wanted. Lambs.—There is not enough offering to meet the demand, and first-class are taken quickly at \$5.25 to 5.75, and second class at \$3.75 to 4.25. Calves—Offerings are yet very light at \$8.50 to 11.00 for first-class, and \$5.50 to 7 for second. Hogs—A few fat hogs are coming in at \$6.50 per hundred pounds live weight.

DRY GOODS.—The following is the value of the undermentioned imports entered at the Toronto Custom House for the month of February in comparison with the same period last year:

Wollens	1875. \$256,250	1870. \$174,818
Cottous	350,316	457,357
Silks and Velvets Fancy Goods	123,208	87,351 123,124

D-UGS .- The demand from the country continues very steady and no change appears to have taken place in quotations since our last.

FLOUR AND MEAL.-Flour-Stocks in store on the 6th instant 19,872 brls., against 15,759 brls. on the same date last year. There has been little done throughout the week and prices remain much the same as they were. Superior extra is quiet at \$4,70 to 4.80, and extra at \$4.45 f.o.b. There is nothing doing in fancy. Spring extra is about five cents lower than this day week; latest sales were made at equal to \$4.05 to 4.10. Superfine is worth \$3.65 to 3.80, with sales of choice at the latter figure. Oatmeal--Car lots sell at \$3.90 to 4.00 on the track, and small lots bring \$4.25 to 4.75. Bran is probably worth \$11 on the track.

FREIGHTS.-The following are the rates from this city to way-stations by the Grand Trunk line. To Kingston, 30c for flour and 15c for grain; to Prescott and Brockville 35c for flour and 18c for grain; to Montreal, 4oc for flour and 20c for grain; to Point Levis, 65c for flour and 33c for grain; to Portland, 80c for flour and 40c for grain; to Boston, via steamer from Port land, 75c for flour and 37½c for grain; to St. John, N.B., 80c for flour and 43c for grain; to Halifax 85c for flour and 45c for grain. Through rates to England—Flour to Liverpool via Allan rates to England—Flour to Liverpool via Allau Line, \$1.30 per brl.; grain \$57c per hundred pounds, exclusive of bagging; butter and cheese 72c per hundred pounds; boxed meats, tallow, pork and lard 66c per hundred pounds. Rates to Glasgow by New York; flour \$1.36 per brl. and boxed meats 72c per hundred pounds. GRAIN.—Stocks in store on the 6th instant:

Fall wheat 294,173 bush.; spring wheat 492,017 bush.; oats 6,734 bush.; barley 206,669 bush.; peas 100,659 bush.; rye 1,216 bush.; corn 1,300 wheat 332,668 bush.; oats 14,829 bush.; spring 61,465 bush.; peas 93,818 bush.; rye 748 bush.; and corn 8,601 bush. on the corresponding date of last year. Wheat .- There is no change of any note to record in quotations, and the movement is considered light. No. 2 fall is selling at \$1.01, and No. 3 fall at 96 to 97c. No. I spring is in demand at 99c, but there is little inclination to sell. Oats.—Ofterings are appar-antly sufficient for all matched and an artificiant at ently sufficient for all wants and are selling at 33c. Barley - The market remains in a quiet state at last week's prices. No. I is nominal; No. 2 sells steadily at 65c f.o.b., and No. 3 at about 54c f.o b. Peas.—There is very little demand and prices are weak. Car lots are worth 68 to 70c f.o.c. Rye-On the street farmers

obtain foc, but nothing is doing in lots. GROCERIES.—Coffee—The market is quiet at GROCERIES.—Coffee—The market is quiet at late prices. Rio in lots can be had at 221 to 23c, and in small quantities at 24c. East Indian is quoted at 26c, and Mocha at 34c. Java is obtainable at 31 to 33c. Fish—Are moving very slowly at \$5.50 for whitefish \$3.25 for trout, and \$5.50 to 5.75 for cod. Her-rings bring \$5.75. Fruit—Trade is very light, and the demand small for all kinds. Layers

are moving very slowly at \$2.50 to 2.60. In Valencias ordinary lots brought 8gc, and smaller quantities sell at 8½c. Currants are quiet at $6\frac{7}{4}$ to $7\frac{1}{4}$, according to the quality. Prunes bring 6 to $6\frac{1}{4}$ c, Malaga figs in mats \$6 to 6.25, almonds 151c, walnuts 8c, and filberts 71c. Rice—The trade is very quiet at late quotations. Liquors—Appear to be without the slightest change in price or movement. Sugar — There is no particular change in the market. The demand is light and stocks in small compass. New York market is firmer. Granulated is worth 81 to 82c, and dry Crushed 9 to 9 \pm c.; Barbadoes sold at 7 \pm c; Eng-lish and Scotch refined range from 7 \pm to 8 \pm c. Some American refined brought 8c. Syrup-No movement of any note to record and prices unchanged. Tea-The demand is light for the reasons we gave last week-large purchases in consequence of an unexpected change in the tariff, probably enough to make sales light for more than a month to come. There have been a fair number of lines changing hands, but prices are weak and many now holding are anxious to sell. The following is the value of the undermentioned imports entered at the Toronto Custom House for the month of February, in comparison with the same month last year :

, ·	1875.	1876.
Tea (Green and Japan. lbs.	45,411	243,917
\$	16,563	72,108
Tea (Black)lbs.	17,030	24,999
5	5,963	8,272
Coffee (green)lbs.	1,376	46,647
×	336	8,248
Cigarslbs.	140	
5	25	•••••
Fruits		•••••
3	2,305	1,278
Tobaccolbs	• 4,353	4,342
5	1.033	1,733
Sugarlbs.	507621	1,125,108
\$	30,420	51,941

HARDWARE.-Business is unsteady; one week it will be fairly active and the next dull. Stocks are not heavy but sufficient for all wants; dealers prefer buying often to carrying a large stock the greater part of a year. There is no change in prices. Some houses in the trade have done a far larger business thus far this year than during the same period a year ago, and this too after lopping off a great many buy-

ers of doubtful standing. HIDES AND SKINS.—Hides—The market presents the same appearance as last week. Dealers are paying 6c for No. 1 steers of fiftyfive pounds and upwards, and 5c for No 2; $5\frac{1}{2}c$ for No. 1 cows and light steers, and $4\frac{1}{2}c$ for No. 2; and 31 to 4c for grubby hides, and those that do not come up to the above classification. There is some demand for cured steers at 6³/₄c., but in some cases 7c is asked. Cured cows are selling at 6 to 61c according to the selection. Sheepskins-Prices are firm and dealers take all the butchers have to offer at \$1.50 to 1.75. Calfskins-There are a few green coming in at 11c. T_{allow} remains firm at $4\frac{1}{2}c$ in the rough and $6\frac{1}{2}$ rendered.

LEATHER .- Business is pretty much the same as at last report. Prices have not changed any, and on the whole the state of matters is unaltered. Stocks remain full enough for all demands, which prevent any increase in values. Harness leather is rather dull. Upper quiet. Buff, Pebble, and Splits in demand a little. Foreign stocks are unchanged, and their prices keep up in spite of the downward tendency of native goods. 'I he bulk of operations so far in the year have gone into small hands, and trade is more with the country than large cutters. Tanner's material is high in price, and stocks a little short. Money coming in sairly.

would be paid. Box butter is worth 15 to 17C, would be paid. Loss butter is worth 15 to 17C, and inferior could be had at $13\frac{1}{2}$ to 14C. Ship-ping lots are not quoted. Cheese—The better qualities bring 12 to 121c, and other kinds 10c. Eggs—Prices are lower, and fresh can be had at 16 to 17c. Pork—There is a fair movement in car lots at \$21.00, and in smaller quanin car lots at $\sqrt{21.00}$, and in smaller quan-tities at $\sqrt{21.50}$ to 22.00. Bacon — Cumber-land is asked for at $9\frac{1}{2}c$, but it is held higher, and no sales have taken place. Small lots bring 10c; smoked sells at 12 to 121c; rolls at 13 to 13 c and shoulders at 9c. Hams are active; sugar cured change hands at 131 to 132c. according to the lot. Long cut bring 13c. Lard is active at firm figures. Small lots of tinnets are worth 14 to 14¹/₄c, and large lots 13¹/₂c. Hogs -Prices are lower and receipts smaller; the highest figures paid yesterday were \$8.60. Dried Apples are selling at $7\frac{3}{4}$ to 8c barrelled. Hops are nominal at 8 to 12c.

SALT.—There is no change in the market. Canadian brings \$1.10 to 1.15, and Liverpool \$1 to 1.10.

WOOL.-Several small lots of super brought 25 to 28c, probably three thousands pounds in all. Fleece is nominal at 33c.

THE VENDOR OF OIL RESPONSIBLE FOR ITS OUALITY .--- A decision has just been rendered by the Supreme Court of Virginia, which is of considerable interest to the buyers and sellers of different lamp oils. In the case in question a suit for damages was brought by a woman who had been severly burned by the explosion of some so-called unexplosive oil against the grocer who sold her the article. The grocer in his defence pleaded that he really believed the oil to be unexplosive, and that it had been carefully tested by chemical experts and declared to be absolutely free from all explosive properties whatever. Evidence to this effect was also given in court. Several experienced witnesses, on the hand, testified that a peculiar kind of gas was generated by the oil under certain conditions, which exploded when it came in contact with The court held that as the use of the oil flame. for lighting purposes was not at all times and under all conditions absolutely free from danger of explosion, the defendant was not exempt from responsibility in selling it, and ordered him to pay the plaintiff \$12.50 and costs. In a similar case in New Orleans the Supreme Court of Louisiana has awarded \$1,250 against the manufacturing company .- Monitor.

POWER TO DISTRAIN IN BANKRUPTCY .--- The 34th section of the Bankruptcy Act of 1869 empowers a landlord at any time, either before or after the commencement of the bankruptcy, to distrain for rent due to him from the bankrupt, subject to the limitation that if such distress for rent be levied after the commencement of the bankruptcy it shall be available only for one year's rent accrued due prior to the date of the order of adjudication. A question arose in a very recent case before the Chief Judge whether this clause applied to a case where rent was due under an agreement, whereby the rent was to be paid in advance. The Chief Judge considered that it was a clear case, and that the landlord was obviously entitled to distrain under the circumstances for one whole year's rent. -Review.

TANNIN LEFT IN BARK.—The time may come when hemlock and oak bark will become so scarce and dear as to necessitate other means than grinding and leaching for getting the strength from bark. It is now estimated that from 7 to 10 per cent is left in, and it has been doubtful whether any of our present methods will take out that small remainder profitably. PROVISIONS.—Butter—There is no demand The English tanner, who pays from \pounds_5 to \pounds_7 in the United States for anything except choice, for which 19 to 20c per ton for his bark, would pitch the leach over any year since 1871.

once or twice, releaching each time until the last particle of strength was out. The German tanner would use his bark on his lavaways for two or three months, and then take the last strength out by leaching. All these processes are so different from ours that we cannot avail ourselves of their tedious methods. The time may come when it will pay to crush the partially spent tan through metal rollers, thus breaking and crushing the unspent portions. So far as the power is concerned, this could be afforded now; but the labour of passing the tan out of the leach and through these rollers, and then again back into the leach, would cost more than the small percentage of strength gained would be worth.

THE ALTERATION OF THE DATE OF A CHEOUE BY THE HOLDER RENDERS IT INVALID .--- It is a fundamental rule of the law relating to cheques that any material alteration of a cheque by the holder invalidates it, unless made in correction of a mistake and in furtherance of the original intention of the parties. The Exchequer Division of the High Courts have just decided a case on the obvious principle that an alteration in the date is a material alteration. The case was "Vance v. Lowther," and the facts were these :- The defendant, on the 2nd of March, drew a cheque in favour of one Bagnall. The cheque was stolen by Bagnall's clerk, who absconded with it, altered the date to March 26th, and then passed it to the plaintiff for value. The plaintiff having sued the defendant upon it, the County Court judge of Manchester held that the plaintiff was entitled to recover, as there had been no negligence on his part, and that the alteration of the date was not, under the circumstances, material. On appeal, the Exchequer of the High Court reversed the decision, on the ground that the alteration was material and invalidated the cheque.-London Financier.

-There have been too many firms doing business not on their own capital, which was long since exhausted, but on borrowed money, or on consignments of merchandise unpaid for. Too many firms have had credit based on a fictitious capital which they never possessed, and they, too, have been living and doing business at the expense of their creditors. Too many firms must have known that they were insolvent a year ago, and that, in justice to their creditors, they ought to go into liquidation. But their credit was not exhausted, and they kept on getting more and more involved, and more reckless and regardless of what was due to their creditors or the claims of right and justice. If obtaining goods by false pretences constitutes swindling, there has been too much swindling by making pretence to the possession of ample capital and a successful and profitable business. But many of these shells have been cracked, and their emptiness or rottonness ex-posed. There have been victims to suffer, but the business world is better without the leeches which have been fattening upon it. Their com-petion with the honest dealer has been unfair and onesided, for the dealer who pays for his goods cannot sell so cheap as the one who does not, and does not intend to do so. The busi-ness atmosphere is already clearer, and there are now some probabilities of a rising barometer and fair weather.

-The production of pig iron in the United States last year presented a falling off of about 600,000 tons, as compared with the correspond. ing production in 1874. The stocks of pig on hand and unsold at the close of 1875, including stocks in the hands of agents. attained an aggregate of about 700,000 tons, against 800,000 tons a year since. The consumption of pig iron in the United States in 1875 was less than in

OIL MATTERS IN PETROLIA.

(From our own Correspondent.)

PETROLIA, March 7, 1876.

Oil matters continue dull and prices remain firm as at last quotations ;there are some two or three wells going down at present and one is finished ready to be tested, this is Mr. Englehart's No. 22, in the neighbourhood of the Mc-Millan Territory. At the last session of the Ontario House some members of the London Oil Refining Co. obtained a charter for laying a Pipe line from here to London, a distance of about fifty-four miles, and it is stated that the work will probably be begun this Summer. This will be a heavy undertaking, but with fair prospects of being a lucrative one. Shipments for last week were crude 5,104 brls., refined 224 brls.

MIDLAND RAILWAY OF CANADA.-Statement of traffic receipts for week ending 20th February, of traffic receipts for week ending 29th February, 1876, in comparison with same period last year. Passengers, \$1,995 66; Freight. \$4,695 27; Mails and Express, \$280 09; Total, \$6,971 02; Same week last year, \$,4972 07; Increase \$1,998 95; Total traffic to date, \$35,795 85; total traffic year previous, \$26,921 II; Increase, \$8,874 74.

-The directors of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada announce that they have decided to invite tenders for as much of the Perpetual 5 per cent. Debenture Stock as will provide £400,000 required for the wants of the company. Of that sum £43,000 will be applied to the payment of cars and stations, £87,000 to meet the sums due on sundry bonds either extinguished or to be extinguished, and the balance, liabilities for steel rails laid down, &c., it being impossible at present to realize the value of the old rails and material on hand. These old rails and materials and the new steel rails, fuel, &c., on hand at the present amount to $f_{580,000}$, and the capital thus locked up has had to be borrowed. As that locked-up capital is realized it will be applied to the completion of authorized works. The directors have decided to ask for tenders for the bonds, in order that any advantage likely to arise from the purchase may be reaped by the proprietors .- London Times, Feb. 17.

-The fourth annual meeting of the Mechanics Building and Savings Society was held at their office, Dundas, on Tuesday, the 8th of February. The Directors presented to the meeting the Financial Report, which showed that the depo-sits amounted to \$54,892, and that the loans were \$67,600. The Reserve Fund is now \$14,000. The surplus of assets over liabilities is stated at The following gentlemen were then \$87,172. Mercer, president; D. W. Hopkins, vice-president; John F. Wood, Sec'y & Treas.; B. B. Osler, Walter Bastable.

-The traffic returns of the Grand Trunk for the week ending Feb. 12th, were better than that of the corresponding week of 1875 by no that of the corresponding week of 1875 by no less than £15,400, the amounts being £40,300 and £24,900 respectively. The Great Western for the same week shows receipts of £15,637, against £13,773 in 1875; increase £1,864. The traffic receipts of the Toronto, Grey & Bruce during the month of January amounted to B_{12} acf against £27,605 for the corresponding \$34,306, against \$27,405 for the corresponding period in 1875; showing an increase of \$6,901.

-The following is a comparative statement of the earnings of the Midland Railway for the last week in the month of February for the



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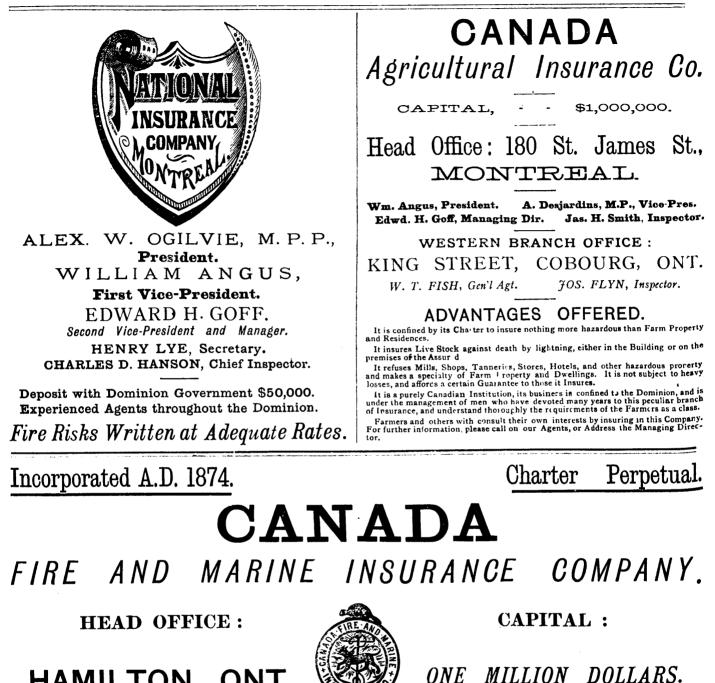
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