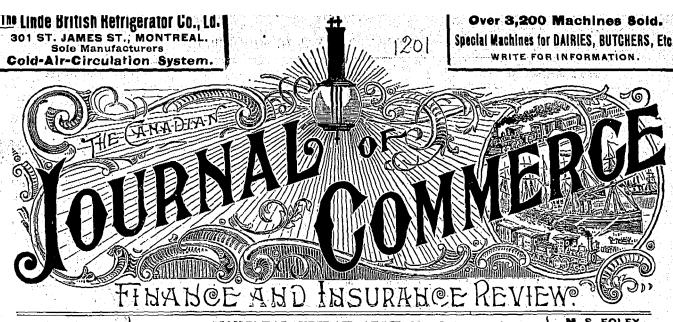
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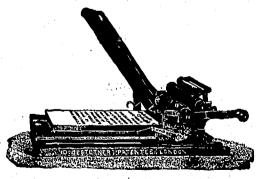
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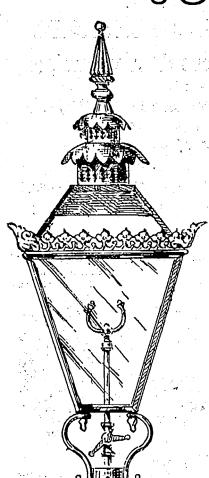
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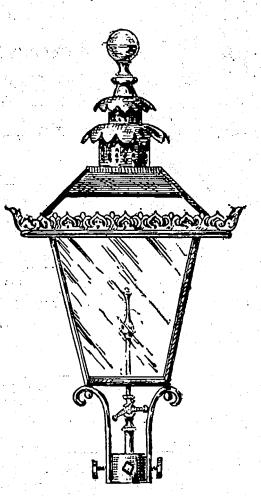
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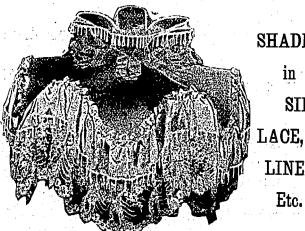
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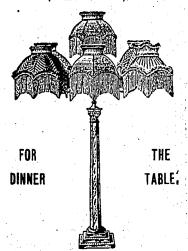
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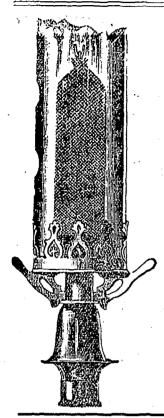
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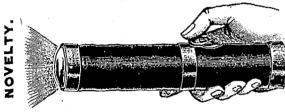
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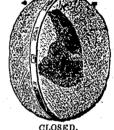
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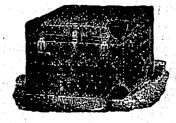
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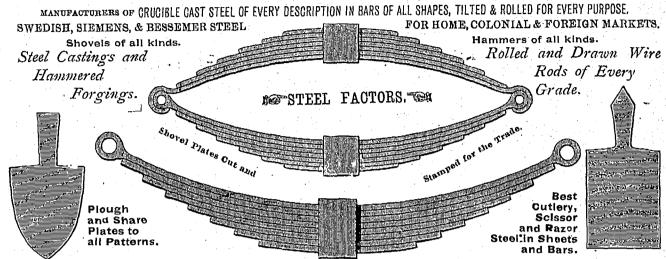
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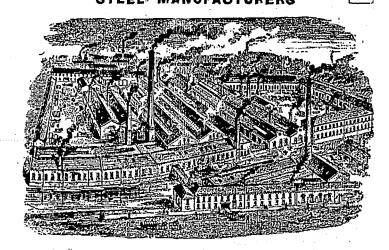
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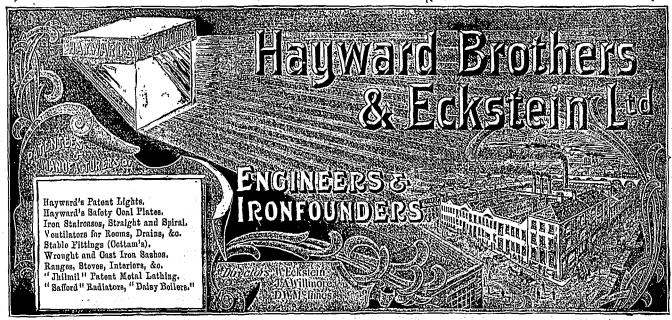


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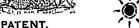
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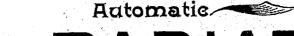
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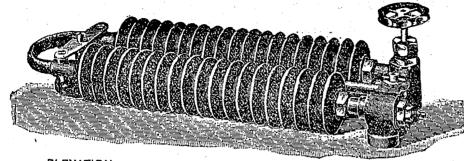
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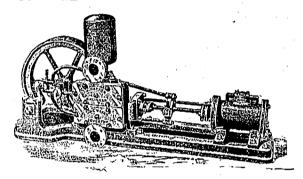
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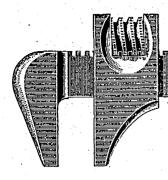
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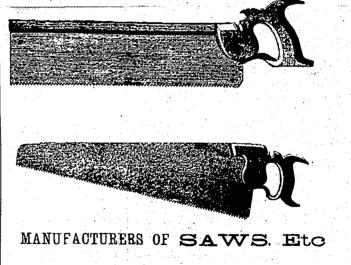


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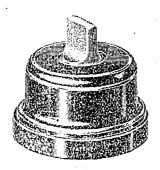
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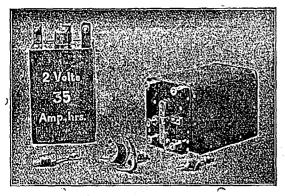


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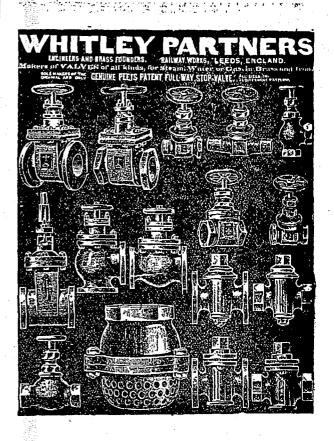
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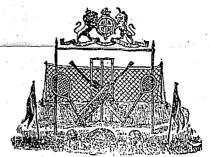
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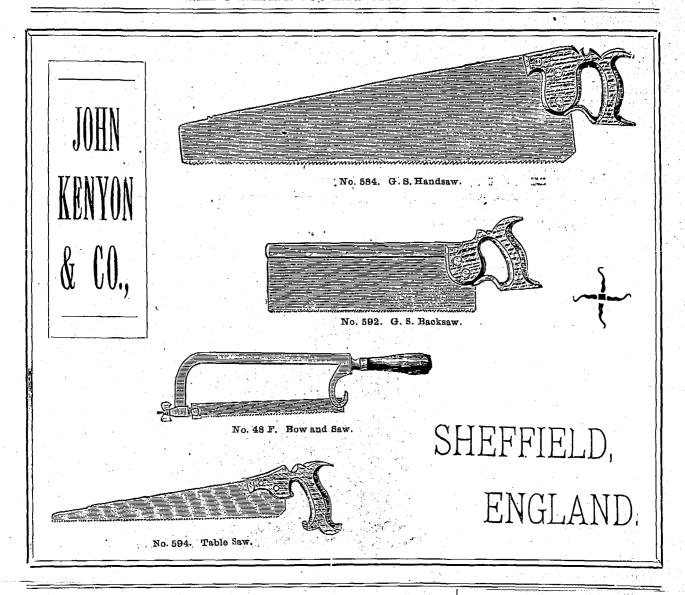
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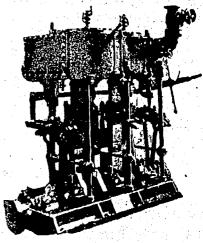
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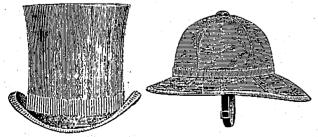
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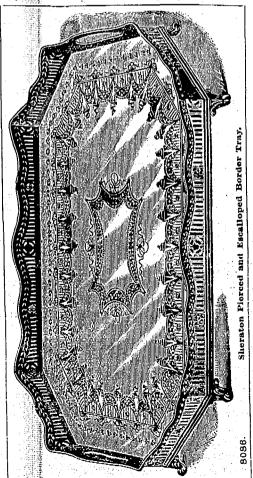
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—We have received a copy of the proposed "Act to consolidate and amend the law relating to the election of members of the House of Commons." The Act covers 50 pages of footscap, with a large number of references to other Acts. The new Act wholly repeals 11 other Acts and portions of 1 others. The penalties for irregular practices are heavy, but election managers will discover some way of evading them. Officers and men under the Militia Act in the permanent force are not to be allowed to vote at any Dominion election. It seems anomalous that a citizen who is engaged for the defence of his country will not be allowed to exercise the ordinary franchise of a freeman.

-A Paris dispatch announces that Prince Ouroussow, the ambassador of Russia, handed to the President of the Republic a present sent by the Czar in the shape of a map of France in precious stones. This map, which is unique, is about a metre square. It is entirely formed of rare gems, set in mosaic. Each department of France is reproduced in special stones, -jade, onyx, agate, cornelian, malachite, and others. The principal towns are indicated by brilliants. Paris is represented by a ruby, Marseillaise by an emerald, Lyons by a diamond, Bordeaux by an opal, Lille by a turquoise, and so on. The size of each stone is in proportion to the importance of the town. The value of the map is estimated at 4,000,000 francs. The emerald which represents Marseilles alone is valued at 18,-During the exposition this marvellous map 000 rubles. will be in the Russian pavilion, situated to the left of the Trocadero, the only one of the foreign paviliens which at present is completely finished.

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-A special from Toluca, Mex., says: "One of the largest mining deals ever made in Mexico has just been consummated here by the sale of a group of four exceedingly rich and productive gold mines located in the Zacualpam district near here, by their Mexican owners, to a London, Eng., syndicate for \$4,000,000 in gold. perties were originally examined in behalf of the purchasing syndicate by John Hays Hammond, the American engineer, who spent several weeks in the district about two months ago. The syndicate secured an option on the property for \$4,000,000 upon his recommendation, but before closing this option six other mining engineers were sent to Zacualpam to examine them thoroughly and report on the mines. Each of their reports agreed with the original, and the deal has been closed. Cecil Rhodes is said to be one of the principal stockholders.

—The Stadacona Gold Mining Co., capital \$1,000,000, has been incorporated for mining in Ontario. The head office is at Ottawa. The provisional directors are: Rufus II. Pope, Frederick W. B. Indon, Donald Loynachan, Robt. Rogers, Taylor McVeity and William W. Bailey.

—Some 800 settlers from Ontario arrived at Winnipeg last week, with effects valued at over \$150,000.

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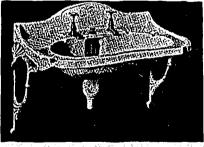
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—A Kingston, Ont., letter states that the steamer Columbian, owned by the R. & O. Co., has been chartered by the Lake Ontario Navigation Co., to ply between Charlotte, Port Hope and the Thousand Islands during the coming season. The owners will use the vessel between June 9 and Aug. 27 to run the Monday trip between Kingston-and-Montreal.

-It is reported at Rat Portage, Ont., that through the efforts of an Ottawa capitalist an English syndicate has been formed to build a pulp mill at the water power on the Winnipeg river, recently built by the Keewatin Power Co. at a cost of \$250,000. The syndicate, it is stated, will invest \$1,000,000 providing the Ontario Government give a guarantee that no pulp wood will be shipped from the district for a period of thirty years. This promise is stipulated for by the English syndicate to protect their investment. The syndicate will begin building this summer if the Government will grant them this privilege. The council will meet a committee of the Board of Trade to draw up a memorial to the Ontario Government praying that similar rights to those recently granted to the Spanish River Pulp Company be given to the English syndicate, so they may begin operations in that district.

-The Ontario Power Company is the name of a newlyorganized company, which proposes to wrest power from According to the outlines of Niagara's mighty waters. its charter, it will rival the large power company now operating at that immense source of supply. \$30,000 has been deposited with the Niagara Falls Park Commissioners with whom the company are dealing. The clauses in the agreement allow the company to take water from the Welland River near its junction with the The water is to be carried by an open canal to the bluff and the park, where the first developing point is to be situated, and where the company expects to manufacture 30,000° horse power. After the development the water will flow into the Niagara River. It is provided, however, that when a greater development is needed the company is to have the right to construct an open canal through the park, so that, instead of turning the water already used into the river, it can be carried through the park to a point opposite the Falls; that is, the same water which will have already developed 20,000 horse-power will re-develop 100,000 horse-power, this being the calculated capacity of the second developing station. It is stated that works to cost \$2,000,000 will be begun and 60,000 horse-power produced as soon as possible. Toronto is to be reached, possibly, by cable across the lake which would reduce the actual distance about 45 miles. It is said much of the power has already been contracted for.

—Grand Trunk Railway System—Earnings April 8th to 14th, 1900, \$463,335; 1899, \$401,318. Increase, \$62,017. Chicago and Grand Trunk earnings omitted.

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-A London, Eng., dispatch states that suspected cases eases of foot-and-mouth disease have been found among United States cattle at Deptford. It is expected the market will be closed to them after April 30. Should this report be substantiated it will be in order for Canadian officials to see that all efforts towards keeping the Dominion free from the contagion will be immediately applied.

-A serious shortage of coal is being felt in many Eu-Commenting on the coal famine in ropean countries. Germany Consul-General Gunther writes from Frankfort in part as follows: "There has never been a year in the history of Germany when greater demands had been made Although the output of 1899 upon the coal production. was over 100,000,000 tons, against 96,000,000 tons in 1898 and 91,000,000 in 1897, the supply has been entirely inadequate, and much embarrassment and annoyance have resulted. The selling price of coal increased during 1899 over 1898 from 30 to 35 per cent, and coke from 90 to 96 per cent. The Minister of Commerce has sent a letter to the coal mine owners of Upper Silesia, asking whether the production fould be essentially advanced by an increase in the number of shafts at the mines, at the same time assuring them of State aid in case of an affirmative The commission appointed by the Minister of Public Works to report concerning the repeal of the exceptional fariff on coal has agreed that there can be no question of making concessions for the importation of foreign coal generally, but that it is advisable to make exception in individual cases."

-The high price of lumber and the largely increased demand from all quarters have caused much additional interest to develop wherever saw mills were favorably located. A Windsor, Ont., letter states that the Michigan Land & Lumber Company, of West Bay City, will assume control of the plant and stock of the Blind River Lumber Company, whose mills are at the mouth of the Blind River in the Algoma district of New Ontario. plant, the Michigan Company paid \$28,000, and \$26,000 for the season's output. The Blind River Company was organized some years ago by residents of Essex County, Ont. The transfer of the property is the direct result of the order-in-council passed by the Ontario Government to prevent the export of saw logs taken from the Crown Heretofore, Michigan lumbermen ran their mills night and day with Ontario logs, now they are running Ontario mills overtime instead. In most cases they have closed down their Michigan mills and shipped their matchinery to the Ontario lumber district and will establish huge plants for the manufacture of lumber.

-In an action on a life insurance policy, where defendant claimed that insured's representation in his application that he drank beer, but not spirituous liquors, was false, an instruction that plaintiff could not recover if deceased, at the time he made his application, drank more than two or three glasses of beer, or if he drank beer or spirituous liquors "to excess," is error.—Malicki vs Chicago Guaranty Fund Soc., \$1 N.W. Rep. (Mich.) 1073.

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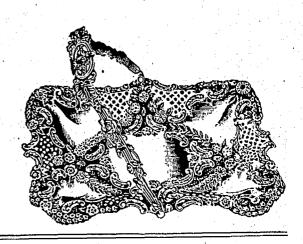
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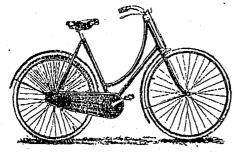
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-A dispatch from Burlington, Vt., dated 16th inst., states that the lull in bringing of suits against Knott & Closson, brokers, of that city, was broken Saturday by the serving of writs in four others, one of which is to recover \$46,000. The other suits are for Previous to those brought yesterday the amounts. writs already served against Knott & Closson aggregated something like \$100,000. The aggregate of the four served yesterday is \$55,800. These latter were all instituted by Brown & Macomber. They are as follows: Chares L. Owen, of Campbellford, Ontario, \$46,000; James Kendry of Peterboro, Ont., \$5,000; George A. White, of Trenton, Ont., \$3,000: Charles Smith of Campbellford, Ont., \$1,800. The bondsmen in each of the suits are U. A. Woodbury and John J. Flynn. All but the last are to recover money held in a fiduciary capacity. The suit of Charles Smith differs from the others and from any previously brought. In this it is claimed that the plaintiff sent to Knott & Closson just before their failure a cheque for \$1,400, with which to purchase cotton. It is claimed the cofton was not purchased, and the suit is brought to recover the amount of the The liabilities of the firm were \$480,000. this amount Ontario, Canada, had two-thirds, James Kendry of Peterboro, is an M.P., and C. L. Owen of Campbellford is manager of the large woollen mills there, owned by Gault Bros., of Montreal, and others. John Douglas, M.P.P., of Warkworth, brought a suit for \$25,000 some time ago, and Robert Hartstone of the same place a suit for \$20,000. The bucket shop law of Vermont makes all persons liable to a fine of \$200 to \$1,000 for dealing in any commodities on margin or for differences.

—A Spokane, W.T., dispatch states that the formation of the largest mining company operated in the entire West has been made public. The King Solomon Mining Company, headed by J. B. Townsend, of Lima, Ohio, has been capitalized at \$30,000,000, and has secured hundreds of claims for two and a half miles along Lake Kootenay, near Ainsworth, B.C.

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-Building permits in Toronto are much greater than for many seasons.

-Contracts have been given for a new militia stores building at Ottawa, to cost \$52,000.

—The new Allan steamer, Tunisian, arrived at Halifax, N.S., on the 14th inst.—The steamer Brazilian, same line, sailed from Glasgow on the 14th, for this port.—The Donaldson line steamer Aleides sailed from Glasgow for Montreal on the same date.

—The financial affairs of the Grimsby, Ont., Park Company have been adjusted. A Hamilton letter states that at a meeting of the stockholders of the Company in that city on the 13th inst., arrangements were made to have a new issue of preference-stock of \$30,000. A large amount of this was taken up at the meeting, and there appears to be no doubt that the financial affairs of the company will be placed on a sound basis. The season's programme will be issued in a few days, it being in print, and everything tooks promising for a successful summer at the park.

-The interests of Prescott, Ont., will be nided by the establishing there of extensive starch and glucose works, the result of some of the town's progressive business men's energy. A company composed of the principal wholesale grocers and some capitalists of Toronto has been organized under the name of the Imperial Starch Company, Limited, with Mr. Hugh Blain, of the wholesale firm of Eby, Blain & Co., of Toronto, as president, and have decided to locate extensive works there. Prescott has given the company a free site valued at \$8,000, and exemption from taxation for twenty years. It further agrees to furnish the company electric energy for one hundred lights and supply them with one hundred thousand gallons of water daily, free, for twenty years. return the company will grind 1,000 bushels of corn daily. and will employ about 125 hands. Building operations will begin in a few weeks.

-Bradstreet's statement of failures in Canada for the first quarter of the present year compared with the same period last year is very favorable.

1900.	Failures.		Assets.	Liabilities.
Ontario		161	\$445,656	\$1,259,409
Quebec		155	420,340	1,104,819
New Brunswick		4	4,700	16,000
Nova Scotia		14	25,800	45,300
P. E. Island		1	400	2,800
Manitoba		24	110,775	223,267
N. W. Territories		5	7,825	21,400
British Columbia		25	41,255	82,700
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—From Windsor, Ont., we learn that the fumigating plant, furnished by the Dominion Government has been completed. A Government official will be in charge of the plant until a superintendent is appointed. Henceforth all nursery stock that is imported from the United States into western Ontario will be fumigated in the Windsor building, for the purpose of killing the San Jose seae, with which the trees may be affected.

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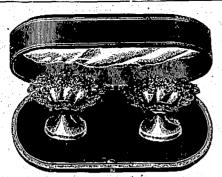
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—The coal miners of Illinois and adjacent States at length observe the financial affairs of their employers being arranged in the manner for which they struggled and went on strike in past decades. A Chicago dispatch states that mine operators representing over a dozen mines in Indiana and Illinois held a secret meeting resulting in an agreement to increase still further the price of soft coal, but how much was not stated. It was claimed that under the present wage scale to miners it is impossible to operate mines at a profit without raising prices.



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-The postage collected on Canadian newspapers for the two months ending Feb. 28 last, at half a cent per pound, amounted-to-\$17,982.39. For the three months ending March 31, '99, at a quarter cent per pound, the amount collected was \$10,332.39.



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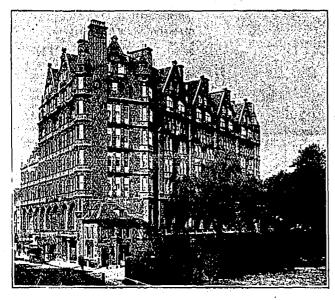
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-The four Toronto loan companies which recently amalgamated, finaly ratified the detais of the agreement at a meeting in that city on the 11th inst. The companies included are the Western Canada, the Canada Permanent, the Freehold Loan, and the London and Ontario. and have decided to locate extensive works there. Presdent, Mr. George Gooderham; Vice-President, Mr. J. Herbert Mason; General Manager, Mr. Walter Lee; Assistant General Manager, Mr. Hudson; Local Manager, Mr. Mas-The paid-up capital is \$6,000,000, and reserve, \$1,-500,000.

-As a result of the recent fire which destroyed the plant of the Columbus Bolt Works the superintendent of insurance has taken up the matter of the insurance placed on the plant by unauthorized companies. He has given out a statement of the unauthorized companies on the risk, and states that he will cause the arrest of any person who comes to Ohio representing these companies for the purpose of adjusting the loss. We hear of unauthorized companies doing business in Canada, but either the law is defective, or those entrusted with its enforcement are negligent as no arrests ever occur of the agents who represent these illegal operators.

-At a recent meeting of the Kingston, Ont., Board of Trade, President Pense stated that the Cataraqui Mining & Developing Co., composed of Canadian capitalists, had entered into preliminary arrangements with the representatives of the City Council and the Board of Trade to establish smelting works there costing \$300,000 and yielding 100 tons and over of iron daily, receiving as a bonus a cash gift of \$4,000 a year for fifteen years, a free site and partial relief from taxation. The negotiations were reported as satisfactory and if the company is formed it will assuredly locate there. The Board passed the following resolution regarding the locomotive works: "That the Board of Trade, feeling a deep interest in the continuance of the locomotive works, its members, individually and as a board, will feel it their duty to assist any company that will carry them on with their old-time vigor, and, in the opinion of this board, it is a matter for the early consideration of the City Council." Mr. McKelvey favored loaning the works \$75,000 without interest. Last year's officer's were elected for another term without opposition.

-Influential merchants of Toronto are still urging the Ontario Government in favor of allowing a grant of \$100,-000 per annum for five years on beet sugar bounties.

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GROCERY NOTES.

Stocks of currants in London warehouses on April 1st were 8,147 tons, against 7,552 tons on the same date in 1899 and 8,607 tons in 1898.

California prune growers are reported to have formed a combine. Prunes have been selling at a low figure lately, but if this is sustained prices will likely go up.

Peanut butter is coming to the front in the States as an article of common use. The bulk of the peanut crop comes from Tennessee, North Carolina and Virginia, a few being imported from Africa.

Reviewing the canned salmon situation the San Francisco Bulletin of recent date, says: "Fishing on the Columbia River commenced on the 10th inst., but it is not at all likely that much will be canned until the run of fish increases on that river. We are not advised as to the price that will be paid for fish, but it is believed that it will be somewhere around 7 cents for chinooks. It takes from sixty-five pounds to seventy-five pounds of raw fish to the case, according to the size of the fish. of cans, etc., will be higher this season. At this writing it looks as if the bulk of the pack on the Columbia will be halves, flats, and ovals. On Puget Sound the probable price for sockeyes the coming season is given at around 22 cents a fish. It takes from twelve to thirteen fish to the case. On the Columbia and in the Puget Sound waters about all canners have traps. Some have wheels on the former river. This will supply quite a proportion of the fish that will be required by them. While some of the Puget Sound canners talk \$1.40 per dozen for sockeyes, it looks as if the market will not take much over \$1.30 to \$1.35 per dozen, or at least this seems to be the views of buyers. It is said that more flats, halves, and ovals will be put up than in any former sea-The markets of the world are reported short of halves and flats."

A private London, Eng., circular of the 6th inst., treating of the dairy situation, says: Butter.-Towards the end of the present week the temperature has risen generally ovr all the butter producing countries of Europe, but excepting in Ireland there is no growth of grass, and the spring will certainly be later than usual. The improved demand for Australian and New Zealand butter continues, and there is a little advance in prices generally, in some cases 93s has been paid for really "Choicest" quality of well-known brands, because the quantity of this class gets into smaller compass every day. There will be no arrival of either Australian or New Zealand butter until the week after next, and consequently the market for "Choicest" butter should remain firm. Of inferior butter there is more than enough, especially at this season of the year. "Choicest" Australian realizes 90s to 92s; New Zealand, 92s to 94s; "Finest" of both kinds make 86s to 88s; Queensland, 84s to 88s. The Danish Committee, sitting in Copenhagen, has decided to leave the Official Quotation unchanged, notwithstanding another rise of 2s per cwt. this week on Danish butter in the United Kingdom. This determination is meeting with great favour among Danish agents in this country, as it enables them to make a splen-Cheese.—The demand for Canadian continues dull and prices for white are easier, holders being willing to accept is less rather than allow orders to go by them. Coloured remains firm as ever, 94s has been made for it this week. The Queensland cheese mentioned in last report made from 40s to 44s. Canadian cheese this date a year ago, was quoted at 53s to 54s for choicest and 49s to 51s for finest, with U.S. product 2s lower on choicest quality.

DRY GOODS NOTES.

A general scarcity of ladies' black cotton hosicry, in the cheaper lines, is reported. Manufacturers, in the effort to keep pace with demands, have been giving most attention to the better qualitis in which there is some little show for profit all round.

A Sydney, Australia, wool exporting firm state that custom house returns show that there has been a decrease of 112,612 bales in the quantity of wool exported from that colony during the first eight months of the statistical year. Berth freights are without any alteration by either steam or sail, and there is no indication of any change.

FRIDAY, APRIL 20TH, 1900.

LARGE MOVEMENT IN HARDWARE.

While instances of the large business now being done in heavy hardware are apparent at many points within the city's limits, the expansion of business at outside points is not as readily apparent. The following figures bear testimony to the fact that progress throughout the Dominion is general and that the more enterprising wholesale houses of Montreal have been taxed to an unusual degree of late in keeping up with demands for goods from far and near. From April 1st to 11th 95 carloads of general hardware were shipped from the warerooms of a leading Montreal shelf and heavy hardware firm. These included orders which had accumulated for April 1st shipment, while large numbers are yet in waiting for lake freight accommodation.

DOLLAR WHEAT.

From the heart of the flour-producing district of the continent, Minneapolis, Minn., comes a report that an international farmers' trust is being formed to control the price of wheat throughout the entire world. The object in view is to prevent any wheat being soid at less than a dollar a bushel. To achieve this the farmers of the world are to be asked to reduce the wheat output 20 per cent. Two men are in the deal: one in Minnesota and one in Switzerland. Joe Leiter of Chicago put wheat to \$1.85 per bushel a few years ago, but it only stayed for one day. To get the farmers of the world to reduce the output of wheat 20 per cent, a form of arithmetic would be required which no farmer in any part of the world has yet What of the young farmer raising his first crop? 20 per cent, of the past yield would be to him a small por-What of the calculating farmer who expected a yield of twenty bushels to the acre and only reaped ten? The promoters of this enterprise are to be commended. but before they have fully succeeded they will be deserving of pity.

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THE ICE SHOVE AND THE HARBOUR.

The annual break-up of the ice in the river is always an interesting event to the citizens of Montreal and the surrounding country. To many it is always an anxious time, as the possible danger from a flood is ever present to their minds until the river is clear of ice below the In this matter there can never be any certainty eity. as to what will happen. That depends upon conditions which vary each year, and the operations of nature being out of sight, the wisest can only surmise what is likely to occur. One prediction is as good as another until the event comes. You will find one man, whose interests the idea suits, looking seriously wise, and declaring that there will be no flood for certain reasons he gives. He will perhaps show that on a certain day the water was as high as it should reach this spring

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when, lo, and behold, within a few hours after, as a rebuke for the presumption for dictating the certainty of such a limitation, the water, under the influence of an ice jam, without any warning, jumps up, as it did a few days ago, some seven feet in the short space of forty-This phenomenal rise carried with it, in five minutes. its progress, the elements of danger with risk of a seririous disaster. Fortunately, the damage line was notreached, at least to any appreciable extent, before the movement ceased.

What happened, however, on the 12th inst. clearly established the contention of this Journal, that permanent sheds could not be erected on the new, so-called high level piers without risk of being carried away with the ice at the annual break-up. The public has been led to believe that permanent sheds can safely be placed on the piers built up to the level now established. The

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sudden rise of the water the other day has certainly dispelled that delusion. It is difficult to find any reason why that belief should have been encouraged, for it was contrary to reason, to experience, and the opinion of the harbour engineer, who, in 1888, when the question of the high level for the new piers was first mooted, made an elaborate report against the plan. He maintained, that unless the wharves were built up to the highest level of previous years, permanent sheds could not be a Subsequent years have established, in a measure, the correctness of that opinion, which has been maintained on various occasions by this Journal when discussing harbour improvements.

The recent sudden rise, however, gave a conclusive proof of it in a practical form. The water rose to within a few inches of the level of the revetment wall, there being between three and four feet of water over the new pier opposite Jacques Cartier square. time of the rise last week the river from Longueuil to the Victoria Bridge was covered with ice crunched up in irregular masses. When the shove commenced and was almost suddenly stopped downwards, those crunched up masses of ice in the channel were carried by the rising waters inside the guard pier forcing the body of smooth ice, that covered the basin, upwards, which, in its turn, carried all before it. The large harbour fleet of dredges, tugs, derricks, and other plant, massed together and moored in the harbour basin, were pushed forward some two or three hundred feet up against the locks of the Lachine canal. The force of that sudden and unexpected shove, when the men were all at work on the vessels, can be realised from the fact that the spuds, or anchors, as they are called, of one of dredges, measuring some 15 inches square, were broken like carrots when striking the walls of the canal.

Had sheds been on the new pier when the shove took place, although the water was not exceptionally high, it is easy to understand that they would have been cut away and carried onward in the same manner as was the harbour fleet. The wreekage would have included the new derrick that has been in course of construction on the partially built new pier opposite the Custom House and which was so unceremoniously launched by being shoved sideways off the stocks on that memorable occasion, which the startled workmen will long remember. The Harbour Board has acted prudently, so far, in not being absolutely committed to the policy of erecting permanent sheds on the new piers and this last experience will tend to confirm their hesitancy.

The warm weather of last three days caused a clearance of the ice for some distance below the harbour. The water has gone down so low that the City Surveyor has removed the ramps, and work on creeting the sheds will shortly commence, as it is expected that the wharves will be above water in a few days, and the ferry boats running.

U. S. LIFE INSURANCE, 1899.

The Insurance Commissioner of Connecticut has prepared a series of tables relating to life insurance in the United States last year which are exceptionally full of interesting details.

There are 31 companies comprised in the returns. The total premium receipts last year amounted to \$279,-118,981, and income from securities, rents, etc., \$71,-513,440, making a total income of \$350,632,421. The disbursements were, for death and endowment claims, \$106,728,671; surrendered policies, \$22,724,061; dividends to policy-holders, \$20,783,156; commissions, \$42,-305,554; taxes, \$6,119,269. The total outlay amounted to 239,352,878, which was \$111,279,543 less than income. The assets make a total of \$1,561,879,444. The larger portion of this, \$729,525,211, nearly one-half, consists of stocks and bonds, then come loans on bonds and mortgages, \$558,871,940, about 36 per cent.; real estate is down for \$149,050,606; and the balance is made up of cash on hand, and interest and premiums The unpaid and deferred premiums are given as \$27,597,057, which is 10 per cent. of the total. Equitable had, \$5,279,580 of unpaid premiums at close of 1899 out of a total of \$42,366,814, which is nearly 121 per cent .- a very high rafio.

The percentage of various investments of each company to its total assets is interesting as showing the policy severally adopted by them in investing money. When put together we find the life companies' assets to extent of 46.71 per cent, to be in stock and bonds; 35.78 in loans on securities; 9.54 in real estate; 4.21 in cash on hand; 2.61 in unpaid premiums, and 1.05 in interests and rents due. The largest companies evidently prefer to have a large proportion of their assets in stocks and bonds, as their percentages of these securities run from 10 to 12 per cent, higher than the general average, while the proportion of their assets consisting of loans on bonds and mortgages is much below the general average. We note also that the largest companies have a much lower percentage of unpaid and deferred premiums than their smaller rivals; which speaks favorably for the superior management and more effective service enjoyed by the leading companies.

The total premium reserve of the 31 life companies amounts to \$1,289,905,132, out of total liabilities of \$1,368,301,178. The resisted claims amount to one fourteenth of one per cent. of the total liabilities, and less than one per cent. of the death and endowment claims paid. The New York Life disbursed \$14,508,442 for death and endowment claims last year, and, at the close of 1899, had only \$28,000 of claims in dispute, which may have been one policy. To close a year with less than one-fifth of one per cent. of the total death and endowment claims in dispute speaks well for the care with which the business is selected, and the prompt and honorable settlements effected when claims become due.

The increase in total number and amount of policies issued in 1899, compared with those in 1898, viz., 3,-177,354 against 2,569,782, and \$463,515,506 against 3369,526,104, a gain of 607,572 in number and of \$93,989,397 in amount, shows how rapidly life insurance is developing.

The table giving details of the termination of policies in 1899 states those by death to have been 140,726, the claims therefrom being \$14,239,592, the percentage in number was 6.88, and in amount 14.83. Those expired by maturity were 6,743, for \$15,342,011, and by surrender, 96,419, for \$15,838,833. The average death claim was \$1,000; the average maturity claim, \$2,270; and the average surrender claim, \$2,400. The lapses, apart from "industrials," were 151,897 for a total of \$270,243,160, which is a very serious item, as is also the return of policies "not taken," which, in number, were 51,481, and in amount \$132,042,508. The management expenses of the whole of the 31 companies compared with premiums average 27.83, or, without the "industrial" companies, 23.62. One company shows that 80 per cent, and another 78.55 of the premium income was spent in management. There must, we hope, be a mistake in these returns, though, as one of them is a new company, the extraordinary cost of management may be partly explained by the heavy cost of establishing a new enterprise...

wThe average percentage of commission paid on new business was 54.90, and percentage on renewals 5.81. It is a question whether it would not be more profitable to pay less for new life business and more for renewals. To pay out \$54.90 out of each \$100 received for first year's premium and then to find the insured unwilling to renew is not a satisfactory class of business. But, the enormous amount of lapsed policies, shows that it constitutes far too large a proportion of each year's busi-There can be no doubt that such a heavy commission for the first year encourages relating as an agent can well afford to tempt an applicant by a reduction of 25 per cent. on his first premium. A person so secured has had his eves opened to a chance of getting life insurance cheap. He lets one policy drop, on which he has been allowed a rebate, and "switches" himself off to another company in order to secure an-By working this game he may get an other bargain. annual relate for a considerable sum, and saddle each one of a number of companies with a lapse. The number of policies in force at the close of 1899 of the 28 leading American life companies, not including "industrials," was 2,387,640, the total amount being \$5.-824,866,964, the value of which is given as, \$1,185,288,-Additions have been to the policies from profits amounting to \$47,955,446. The "industrials" have 9,-

584,733 policies for \$1,494,716,132. The average amount of each policy of the non-industrial companies is \$2.622.

A full analysis of the interest returns is given of each company for the ten years, 1890 to 1899. Out of 31 companies, 9 show their percentage revenue from investments last year to have been as follows: 4.50, 4.52, 4.67, 4.74, 4.78, 4.80, 4.95, 5.80. Ten others run from 4.25 to 4.46 per cent. Five show above 4 per cent. Four range from 3.69 to 3.93, and the other three are below 3.50 per cent....So that, out of 31 American life assurance companies, 9 realized an average of 4.80 per cent. on their investments in 1899, fifteen over 4 per cent., four nearer to 4 per cent. than 3.50. Only three companies realized under 3.50 per cent, and one of these was only recently established, while another of them is so defectively managed it has to pay 72.66 for commissions to get business. The average rate of interest realized by the 31 American life assurance companies for 1899 was 4.27 per cent.

WITH THE RETAILERS:

The remark that "trifles make the sum of human things," may be aptly applied to the retail trade, and the various elements of success or failure which continually encompass it. It cannot be claimed that one man succeeds in business and another fails in the same line under like conditions, simply because one began with more capital than the other. Against this superficial form of reasoning are brought daily proofs showing where a certain dealer, now building additions to his store, began with but a pedlar's supply, while another, who had been liberally assisted by his parent and possessed a credit through endorsement not enjoyed by many old-established firms, had gone to the If neither location, outside ventures or need of original capital stood in the way, it might be cause for conjecture as to what brought about lesses instead of gains in a business which should be expected to thrive. Every time an article is purchased over the counter, the customer is either pleased or dissatisfied with the transaction. In the great majority of cases the former is the result, otherwise the intending purchaser would have gone elsewhere. There are, however, many instances of purchases being made which were far from being satisfactory but were submitted to under pressure of time and convenience. These the buyer remembers sufficiently well to avoid repetition in case the person who sold the goods was considered

Much of the success of a store depends on those selling the goods. A dealer whose trade admits of many assistants is presumed to be a sufficient judge of merit to enable him to retain the most efficient help, and, once fairly established, have in his employ only that class of salespeople who can, in turn, judge quickly, and use such arts in furthering the success of the store as are best adapted to the various natures with which they are being constantly brought into contact. There are many who never think of practising this art, but consider they are accomplished once they have acquired the ordinary rudiments of weighing, measuring and wrapping correctly and speedily. But success in the

retail trade does not to-day depend on these latter acquirements, though they are in too many instances allowed play, not because they remain unneticed but be cause of the difficulty in procuring really desirable help. Trade returns to the stores where the most efficient service is rendered, where callers are made to feel they are really invited guests and where all the grades of goods in the lines they are seeking are freely shown and they are permitted, even requested, to select from their own judgment, aided always by the person selling but never coerced to the limit of endurance. The shrewd checker player looks many moves ahead in his efforts at success, and the shrewd salesman will not constantly annoy his customer,—his invited guest—by endeavoring to sell much beyond the customer's needs. There is a reasonable limit here, and lack of freedom in showing goods is as great a fault as too much persuasion in the endeavor to sell.

An instance of attempting to sell too well and losing thereby was told recently by a visitor from a Western This party wore no silk hat or gave other evidence of being one of the few lucky prospectors from the Klondyke, but his appearance indicated the ordinary man of business. He was requested on leaving home to select a temporary outfit for a caller, who, through a little circumstance, had become in need. He called at a representative furnishings store and asked for a small black bow. The salesman took down four boxes before opening any. Then he displayed the lot, and inquired which shape was preferred and whether of silk or satin. On being asked the wrice he said, "Fifty These are our regular selling goods and are cents. made specially for our house. Which kind do you preier?" The caller then asked, "What are white laundried shirts worth, something pretty good for about \$2.50, 1 suppose?" "Oh, yes," replied the salesman, "we can sell you a first-class shirt for that money. What size do you wish?" "Let me see," said the caller, "I've forgotten one thing in this little deal, the shirts are not for myself, and I must find the size wanted. the purchase stand until I'll find out." He called at another furnishings store and, on account of being in business himself, was now a little interested in what really concerned his own line, so decided to use the same form of request. He did so, and was shown a larger variety but in prices ranging from fifteen to thirty-five The latter were something extra, not shown on the original fifty cent goods. He asked the same price about shirts and was smilingly told that he could secure almost half a dozen for that amount, or he could buy the best they carried and equal to anything in the city for \$2. This salesman pleased him and his purchase amounted to \$7.25. It was not much, but it reminded him of the various methods employed in selling goods, and their results.

SCARCITY OF LABOUR AND THE RENTING SEASON.

One of the best evidences of improvement or depression in business is found in the labour market. The relation existing between the demand and supply of labour is an infallible test of the state of trade. Every form of industrial service is stimulated into greater activity by improved business, or slackened by depres-

sion. In this city, owing to climatic conditions, we have a large population whose livelihood is chiefly carned during the season when navigation is open. During the winter a considerable number leave the city to seek employment elsewhere, in the woods and at other ports, some indeed migrating as far south as Baltimore, and returning with the birds in spring. Owing to this there is usually a good supply here of unskilled manual labour each winter, for which it is difficult to find full employment. Last winter, however, there was either an unusual supply of work, or, those dependent on the navigation season went outside for employment to a greater extent than is customary, or, those in the city were not very anxious to be earning wages.

During the whole winter it was difficult to procure men for casual jobs of work, such as householders and others require to be done in the winter. We have the word of a number of our citizens, which accords with out own experience, that not a single application was made for work since the winter set in. Persons who sought for men at the institutions where the unemployed take shelter, were unable to obtain the help needed. At one place where men are given work in preparing kindling wood, where we have known their stocks to accumulate heavily in the winter, they were unable to execute the ordinary orders for this auxiliary class of fuel.

The same difficulty has been found in regard to skilled labour. + Orders for painting, plumbing, carpentering, bricklaying, masonry, electric fittings, etc., etc., have been delayed execution for a length of time owing to the Serious inconveniences, in some scarcity of artisans. cases loss, have been caused by delays in building works in progress in this city. The demand for services of these classes has no doubt been exceptionally heavy and urgent, very urgent indeed in building dwelling houses, as, owing to local custom, tenants have little opportunity for changing their place of residence after each 1st of May. Whether this custom is a wise one in a city like this, where new comers are settling all the year round, is a matter worth considering. It certainly imposes conditions on those who invest capital in enlarging the house accommodation of the city which are often It compels a rush to be made of exceedingly onerous. constructive and finishing work during a very limited period, and a consequent slackness of work in building trades immediately after the renting season is over.

It is a very serious matter to a capitalist who is erecting, say, a row of houses, to have them all unoccupied for nearly a whole year because they were not ready in time for tenants on the 1st May. Even their incompleteness for a week or so, after that date, will probably involve new residential property being unlet for a whole It is known to us that families intending to settle in this city in the summer or autumn have been compelled to remain where they proposed to remove from until the next 1st May. In cases of the death of the bread-winner, or his removal to another city, soon after the annual renting season is over, the family has been saddled with a year's rent, or rent for many months for a vacated dwelling. The local custom has some advantages no doubt, but it is a serious question whether it does not restrict the supply of labour by congesting the demand within the limited period when a rush must be made to complete buildings before tenants commence their annual exodus from one house to another.

THE WESTERN BANK OF CANADA.

The 18th annual meeting of the Western Bank of Canada was held at Oshawa, Ont., on 11th inst. The report, which will be found in this issue on a later page, is a satisfactory one. The net profits amounted to \$39.-025, which exceeded ten per cent, on the average paidup capital of the Bank. This sum provided for two half-yearly dividends of 31 per cent. each, amounting to \$27,176, and left a balance of \$11,849 to be carried forward to profit and loss. The amount already at credit of that account was \$14,976, so the additional \$11,849 raised the balance to \$26,825. From this sum \$10,000 was transferred to Rest Account, \$16,000 to credit of Past Due Bills, leaving \$825 to be carried forward. The Reserve Fund now stands at \$128,000, or one-third of the paid-up Capital. The Western enlarged its deposits last year by \$191,015, and the circulation by \$38,605, which increases are evidence of greater prosperity in the Oshawa district, as well as thorough confidence in the local Bank. The management of the Western is to be commended for maintaining so high a proportion of its assets in a readily convertible form. The statement gives the amount as \$1,242,484, which equals 48.43 per cent. of the total assets; 73 per cent. of the deposits; and over 61 per cent. of the deposits and circulation combined. This constitutes a very strong position. The discounts last year increased from \$1,037,009 to \$1,250,303, an advance of \$213,294. This exceeds the increase in deposits by \$22,279, which is indicative of expanding business of a profitable nature. the Western Bank report for 1899, is one which Mr. T. II. McMillan, the Cashier, and Mr. Cowan, President, submitted to the shareholders and to their connections with considerable satisfaction.

A NEW ALLAN LINER.

Shortly after navigation has opened a new ocean steamer will make her first visit to this port as the latest addition to the fleet of the Allan line. On the 1st inst. this vessel, to be known as the Tunisian, arrived at Liverpool, from Glasgow, where she was built. This steamer is a sister one to the Bavarian which has won such praise for her splendid sailing qualities and accommodation which were put to a severe test in carrying troops to South Africa. One of the most eminent naval experts has pronounced the Tunisian to be "about as perfect an example of the combined passenger and cargo vessel which the naval architect's science and the skill of the shipbuilder and engineer can produce." Both vessels aimed at being a combination of all the best qualities of each type of vessel that crosses the Atlantic. matter of speed in connection with the Canadian trade, which is regarded as a short distance one, they were designed to have such a speed as would make the passage to this country as short as possible. With speed so satisfactory they combined a carrying capacity which was not equalled by any vessels having the same speed. The passenger accommodation was also of the highest class. There are suites of apartments self-contained, including bed rooms, sitting rooms, bath and lavatory which afford a retirement and luxury hitherto unapproached in any vessel running between Great Britain and Canada. The dining, music, smoke, and drawing rooms and sleeping berths are all superbly fitted and the decorations are

pronounced exceptionally beautiful, while everything The second-class conducive to comfort is provided. accommodation is a decided advance on anything previously found on an ocean liner. The lighting and ventilation are perfect. The Tunisian is indeed a splendid At the inaugural hotel of the most modern type. luncheon on board, Mr. John Stephen said his firm as shipbuilders had done business with Messis. Allan for half a century. Then the firm was trading with vessels of 600 tons, now they had vessels of 10,000 to 11,000 In proposing the health of Mr. Henry Allan, he said. "May every blessing follow her, may the owners have a good return out of the main hatch and out of the cabins, and may everything that is good follow her through her career." Mr. Allan, in responding, said that while the Tunisian was building he was "generally grumbling" but now the vessel was finished the firm was highly gratified with their new acquisition. sian will be in command of Captain Vipond, who is so well and favorably known to passengers on the Parisian.

SPEECH OF THE G.T.R. PRESIDENT.

At the recent meeting of the Grand Trunk Railway, the President, Sir Charles Rivers Wilson, delivered an address on the results of the past half year and the prospects of the road. The gross revenue for half year to end of 1899 was \$12,110,000, being the largest on record for the same period. As compared with an earlier date the number of passengers carried was less owing to the rate war having ceased, which developed this traf-On the other hand, fic while rates were inadequate. there had been an accretion of revenue under the head of passengers of \$518,700. The freight and live stock traffic exhibited the large increase of 666,332 tons, the gross earnings under this head being \$860,000 more than in the corresponding period of the previous year. The average receipts per ton showed a slight diminution, and the average rate received per ton per mile was lower by about 9 per cent. The mails and express business produced \$28,000, and the miscellaneous reccipts \$3,845 extra. Including taxes the working expenses aggregated \$7,970,000, or \$830,000 in excess of the amount for the second half of 1893. The maintenance charges comprised, in both half-years, \$153,500 on account of renewal of bridges, on the basis approved some time ago, but an additional \$97,400 had been included in the past six months' working expenses and carried to the credit of the renewal of bridge suspense account, which now stood at \$233,000. As the company consumed 975,000 tons of coal in 1899, 940,000 tons for locomotives alone, the probable increase in price was a serious item.

It was proposed to pay 2 per cent. for the half-year on the guaranteed stock, making 4 per cent. for the whole of 1899; 4 per cent. on the first preference, which made up the total to 5 per cent. for the year; and 3½ per cent. on the second preference stock. This was the first time that the full dividend had been paid on the first preference stock since 1887, while the second preference had received no dividend at all since that year, and then only 6s 8d per cent. Referring to the table printed in the report exhibiting the revenues, etc., of the company for the past eight years, he remarked that, for the four years from 1892 to 1895 inclusive, the gross re-

ceipts amounted to \$76,800,000, and the working expenses to \$55,100,000, or at the rate of 72.14 per cent.; whereas for the four years, 1896 to 1899 inclusive, the gross receipts were \$81,160,000, and the working expenses \$54,500,000, or at the rate of 67.17 per cent., showing a saving, as compared with the previous four years, of 4.97 per cent., which, on the gross receipts of the period 1896 to 1899, represented \$4,025,000.

The President cautioned the shareholders against anticipating future improvements such as had been shown last year. Economies had their limit, while the competition to be met seemed to grow with every step made to meet it. Commercial disturbances, and bad harvests must also be expected. While the revenue was likely to improve there would be drawbacks from dearer materials and claims for higher wages. The unsatisfactory state of the rates question was blamed upon Congress. The Anti-Trust law prohibited railways from combining for self-protection, but all the world were free to combine against the railways.

The President's position is most reasonable, the railways ought to have legal power to co-operate in their mutual interests, which, in the long run, are in harmony with those of the public. A thoroughly efficient railway service for passengers and freight cannot be maintained unless the rates are remunerative. Railway plant must be kept up to a maximum in completeness and quality to give the public satisfaction. When trade becomes depressed as it was from 1893 to 1896-7, the railways cannot proportionately reduce the capital involved, or their running expenses, so that a series of lean years bring largely reduced earnings quite inadequate to yield even a moderate profit on the capital, much less provide for necessary improvements, and replacements of plant. The President closed his speech by remarks on the rearrangements of the capital of the Chicago and Grand Trunk Railway Company. The chief object of the scheme was, he said, to make the undertaking self-supporting, and to provide a large sum of money for improvements. He thought that the first and second mortgage bendholders would be acting wisely to give their assent to the scheme, and said that the board, on behalf of this company, who were the largest holders of the first mortgage bonds, had done so.

THE AUSTRALIAN AND IMPERIAL TARIFF: DIFFICULTY.

The London "Times" is right in saying, that nothing short of Imperial free trade will solve the Imperial tariff question. The prospect, however, of such a policy being adopted throughout the British Empire is too remote to be a practical question. An illustration of the gravity of the obstructions in the way of such an arrangement is just now afforded in Australia. The work of federating the Australian colonics is on the eve of being consummated. But the tariff difficulty may prove an insurmountable obstacle in the way of the present project, which aims at embracing all those colonics in a "Commonwealth," which would answer to our word "Dominion."

These colonies hitherto have each had a distinct tarisf, the duties imposed by which were charged on goods entering any one of them from their neighbours, equally as upon foreign importations. The arrangement of a

tariff common to each province of the new Commonwealth is a matter of extreme difficulty, as their local interests are diverse. Duties deemed desirable for the protection of one section are objectionable to others. The West and East are divided over the question, much as were the Maritime Provinces and Upper and Lower Canada, and, as to-day, they and the Western Provinces are, to some extent, divided from Ontario and Quebec. Another difficulty arises from the revenue question, as the principal ports, where the main body of the Customs revenue will be collected under federation, naturally look for corresponding predominance in the expenditures and political power. These difficulties will, it is expected, be overcome by a compromise being effeeted between the extreme claims of the two sections of Australia, but if they are not adjusted, the Commonwealth will not include all the Australian colonies. West-The posiern Australia is threatening to stay outside. tion would then be similar to that of this Dominion without New Brunswick being included.

The negotiations that have now been going on unsuccessfully for so prolonged a period show how difficult it would be to bring each section of the Empire into agreement upon a tariff, common to all sections of the Empire. Were even such a tariff to be established, as the outcome of enthusiasm for Imperial Federation, it would need periodic changes to meet and obviate diffities that would be developed in its practical working. Some central authority would have to be established for controlling the fiscal arrangements of each colony. Out of this would arise jealousies and friction that would endanger the continuance of the Imperial unity such a central authority would represent. Each colony would be deprived of a large amount of its self-governing power by its being deprived of the authority to regulate its own tarill. The pride of autonomy would be low-The different colonies would become involved in quarrels with each other that could hardly fail to result in a movement in each for entire independence. Thus, the snapping of the artificial bonds of the Imperial fiscal system would, in all probability, weaken those which now exist between each colony and the mother country.

Men who for years have been sworn friends, when each one was entirely independent of the other, have become sworn enemies after a few month's connection as business partners. The advocates of a common fiscal system throughout the Empire would do well to consider, not merely the advantages of such a scheme but its risks, and its contingent difficulties, which have been The strength of Imperial sentientirely overlooked. ment has been magnificently shown by the colonial troops in South Africa. That impressive display was an outburst of voluntary and spontaneous loyal enthusiasm, which would be chilled were a fiscal system es tablished that proved inimical to the local interests of any colony.

THE PARIS EXHIBITION OPENED.

The President of the French Republic formally opened the Paris Exhibition on 15th inst. The ceremony was almost entirely regarded as a State function, not a popular demonstraton, few spectators being present, except officials, exhibitors, and workmen. The condition of the exhibits recalled the saying at a previ-

ous exhibition, "Am I expected to open the boxes?" When the Queen and Prince Albert opened the Exhibition of 1851 Her Majesty might have put the same question, as there was much to be done to get the show into order.

The question of having the Exhibition open on Sundays has excited no little discussion, but the French Government has decided that it will be open on that day, as is the custom on the continent of Europe with all public places, as museums, picture galleries, theatres, Exhibitors, of course, will be under no compulsion to be in attendance on Sundays, but those who object to do so in person, will doubtless be represented, or will arrange for care being taken of their goods. Whether John Bull and his numerous family will visit the Paris show is being debated, as feeling is running high in the Old Country over the insults offered to the Queen by the canaille section of the French press. We doubt this being sufficient to keep back any material number of British visitors. As soon as cheap trips begin to be run they will be freely patronized, as the British people have sense enough to distinguish between the French as a nation and a few newspapers that pander to the gutter-snipes of Paris. Prior to and during the 1851 Exhibition even "Punch," who rarely sinks into vulgarity, had some scurrilous cartoons satirising the manners and customs of Germans and French, who, none the less, came over to see the show in vast crowds. During the early years of the present reign there were cartoons published in London, England, of the most obscene character reflecting upon the Queen and the Prince Consort. The publishers, however, soon discovered their mistake, as even the newspapers of the extremest radical type condemned such abominations. It-would be a wise move for the Queen to visit the Exhibition at Paris, and so heap coals of fire on the heads of the Anglo-phobes of the French capital, as she has done on the handful of half crazy disloyalists in Ireland. Some agitators and agitations get badly frosted by being ignored. In reply to an address, President Loubet said: "In asking the governments and peoples to make with us this synthesis of human labor, the French Republic wishes not only to institute competition in the visible marvels of the world and to renew on the banks of the Seine her ancient renown for elegance and hospitality; her ambition is lugher. France wishes to contribute strikingly to the advancement of harmony among nations. She has the consciousness of working for the good of the world at the end of a noble century, whose victory over error is, alas, incomplete, but which bequeaths a lovely faith in those institutions of social economy which here occupy the greatest space and give the essential character to the If the exposition be ephemeral, its lessons exposition. are of incalculable value, and I trust it is the augury of greater fraternity and less misery in the twentieth cen-We hope the Paris Exhibition will be a great success, and do eminent service by developing more cordial relations between the French, German and British people.

A WORD ON FIRE-PROOF BUILDINGS.

Some proprietors of fire-proof buildings seem to imagine that the fire-proofing extends to the contents. A stock of inflammable goods needs just as much care to

avoid risk of fire in a fire-proof structure as in one of a different class. Complaints are made that this is not sufficiently realized in some stores and warehouses, where, because the building itself is fire-proof, precautions against the stock catching, or spreading fire are A warning against this somewhat irrational carelessness was given at Pittsburg on the 8th inst. Two hours after the staff had left a large dry goods store late on Saturday night, a fire was discovered which involved a loss in stock of \$1,000,000. There was some bungling over sending a fire alarm or the loss would not have been so great. In the same building a fire took place in May, 1897, equally destructive. It was regarded as a fire-proof structure, and certainly it stood the two severe tests far better than any ordinary one. As the "Insurance Press" says: "It is needless to comment upon the steel skeleton structure if ficors and supports are properly sheathed with terra cotta or concrete cement. It will stand just as well as a kiln if further protected at window and door openings. An unlimited amount of ordinary inflammable goods can be burned within it, and the framework will remain comparatively intact." But if owners of large stocks in a fire-proof building leave their goods so exposed that fire will spread almost instantly throughout the premises, they subject the building to the severest possible strain. Kilns are built purposely to have bricks burnt inside them, or crockery "fired," as the term is. but a dry goods store is not designed for the calcination of stocks, even if it is fire-proofed. Occupants of stores where there are extensive open areas with wide openings from floor to floor by elevators, stairways, well for lighting, should endeavour to realize what would happen in case of a fire getting a good hold of the contents, by which the structure would become a dry goods kiln, or crema-Against such a disaster precautions ought to be taken without any reliance upon the supposed protection of a fire-proof building, which, in such an emergency, will have plenty to do to look after itself.

THE U.S. SENATE HAS A FIT OF VIRTUE.

Mr. Clark, who was elected to the U.S. Senate has been declared by that body to have secured his seat by bribery and therefore not entitled to the seat so obtained. For American senators to object to the company of a man because he secured his position by bribery is like a kettle objecting to stand on the same stove as a metal pot because of its being soiled by smoke. Mr. Clark paid \$145,000 to secure his senatorship. Was that sum paid merely to obtain the title, "Honorable" and a high position in the social sphere of the States? Mr. Clark put \$145,000 worth of seed Not likely. into the ground in the hope of reaping an abundant harvest. He would have recouped himself in a few months. It is a matter of common notoriety that no private Bill has the ghost of a chance of passing through the American Senate unless a majority has been purchased by the promoters. The bribery system is organized, two or three leading senators having the control of a certain number of votes for the use of which they demand an established tariff. Besides this regular source of income the senators, as was proved some time ago beyond all question, operate on the Stock Exchange, where they utilize their power to acquire secret and early information in order to scoop out those less

favorably placed. Mr. Clark is the victim of senatorial hypocrisy.

A BILL-POSTING COMBINE.

A joint-stock company has been organized in England to carry on the business of bill-posting, that is, of plastering fences, etc., with advertising placards. The enterprise sounds like a joke, or satire on the modern craze for joint stock enterprises. It is, however, no joke to endeavour to raise capital to extent of \$11,000,-000, which is being done in England with fair promise "Letters of allotment for 1,060,000 preferof success. ence shares and over 900,000 ordinary shares have been sent out to the original underwriters and to the billposters who agreed to take shares as part of the purchase consideration." So announces the "Economist," which, however, seems doubtful of this singular company ever being fully organized. The growth of this business in recent years has been marvellous. Everyday we may see numbers of men at work in this city covering every available space with enormous illuminated posters. On those alone of theatrical companies there must be many thousands of dollars spent every week, as the picture advertisements are in evidence in every city, town and village, a whole army of men being engaged all their time pasting up these sensational placards. If we may judge from them the character of the performances in our theatres we must conclude that the taste of the public who frequent these places is debased and vitiated to the last degree. Apart from those pictures which openly pander to a licentious taste, there are others depicting scenes in a play that are revoltingly vulgar. The attractive features are invariably some incident of coarse, witless depravity, or one of a tragic nature which no one but a Boer or a savage could witness without The bill-poster of the day is a potent instrument for degrading public taste, for offending the sensibilities of all decent and well-mannered persons, and blunting the morals of youths of both sexes.

A NEW ARMY PLAN SUGGESTED.

One of our patriotic citizens, a Scotch-Canadian, who, though "not a military man," might well be from his appearance and bearing, has published "Some suggestions with regard to the proposed reorganization of the Imperial army." We much fear that men in the "regulars" will say something about a cobbler sticking to his To this antique remark it might be retorted, the day is past when military wisdom is monopolized by The victories of Cromwell were professional soldiers. won over regulars by, practically, amateurs; the French regulars were beaten in the Franco-Prussian war by trained civilians; and our own brave Tommy Atkins has found a foeman worthy of his steel in Boer cattle breeders-and, we may say, has given them more "steel" by bayonets, than seems to have been appre-The suggestion is, when stated briefly, that a new corps of 75,000 to 100,000 men be culisted in Great Britain and her Colonies, to serve seven years. One year to be spent in the old land and the remaining time in the different colonies, so that each man would become familiar with life in the different parts of the Empire. This corps to be controlled by a new body entitled, "The Military Council of the United Army

Corps of Great Britain and her Colonies," with power to regulate its movements, take charge of disbursements and collect a revenue from Great Britain and her The corps to have special Colonies to pay expenses. barracks and provision made for the education of the members, which would furnish them men who desired to remain Soldiers of the Queen, with the requisite technical knowledge for appointments in the regular army. As the Hon. Mr. Tarte is not in robust health, we trust this pamphlet will be carefully kept out of his reach, as its perusal would throw him into convulsions. But, we should like a copy of it to be sent to the leading newspapers of the old land, and distributed at a Canadian stall in the Paris Exhibition as an exhibit of the spirit of Imperial patriotism animating this Dominon.

Meetings, Reports, &c.

THE WESTERN BANK OF CANADA.

The 17th annual meeting of the Shareholders of the Western Bauk of Canada was held at the head office, Oshawa, Ontario, Wednesday, April 11th, 1900 The following shareholders were present: John Cowan, Esq., W. F. Allen, Esq., Thomas Paterson, Esq., Dr. McIntosh, Thomas Conant, Esq., Thomas Miller, Esq., John McLaughlin, Esq., Richard Foster, Esq., R. H. Souch, Esq., C. W. Scott, Esq., W. F. Cowan, Esq., T. H. McMillan, Esq., Thomas Basset, Esq., Thomas Hoar, Esq., and T. H. Carswell, Esq.

The President, John Cowan, Esq., occupied the chair, and Mr. T. H. McMillan acted as Secretary to the meeting.

REPORT.

The Directors beg to submit the Eighteenth Annual Report for the year ending 28th February, 1900.

The carnings of the Bank have been satisfactory. The net profits of the year have amounted to \$39,025.30, or about 101/2 per cent, upon the average paid-up capital of the Bank, which, added to the balance carried forward from the previous year of \$14,976.53, amounts to \$54,001.83.

Out of this sum two half yearly dividends of 3½ per cent. each have been paid absorbing \$27,176.74, \$10,000 carried to the Rest Account, \$16,000 to credit of Past Due Bills, and the balance \$825.67, has been carried forward to the credit of Profit and Loss Account.

The Deposits of the Bank have increased \$191,015.36, and the circulation \$38,605, and the gross assets \$213,468.67 over the previous year. The losses of the year have been of an average nature.

The Agencies of the Bank, when last inspected, were found in a satisfactory condition.

JOHN COWAN, President.

Oshawa, 11th of April, 1900.

STATEMENT OF PROFITS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 28th February, 1900.

Balance at Credit of Profit and Loss Account on the 28th February, 1899	14,976	52
Net Profits of the year	39,025	
	\$54,001	83
To Dividend No. 34	13,588	37
To Dividend No. 35	13,588	37
Transferred to Rest Account	10,000	00
Transferred to Credit of Past Due Bills	16,000	00
Balance at Credit of Profit and Loss Account	825	09
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Capital Account	388,239	77
Rest Account	128,000	00
Notes in Circulation	339,750	00
Deposits with Interest	1,693,933	08
Due to other banks in Canada	,97	
Due to Dividend No. 35	13,588	37

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Legals			
Notes and Cheques of other Banks 18,55	34	78	
Due from other Banks in Canada 368,49	54	98	
Due from Banks in Foreign Countries 6,2	31	59	
Deposit with Dominion Government to secure			
circulation "with Interest" 19,6	15	71	
Due from Royal Bank of Scotland 30,2	19	03	
Dominion Government Stock 31,1			
Provincial Government Stock 129,1			
Municipal and other Debentures 587,8			
Assets Readily Convertible 1,242,4	84	82	
Bills Discounted Current 1,250,3			
Past Due Bills	02	06	í
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T. H. McMILLAN, Cashier. -

Moved by the President, and seconded by Mr. W. F. Cowan, that the report as read be adopted, printed and circulated among the Sharcholders.—Carried.

Mr. McLaughlin, seconded by Mr. Foster, moved, That the thanks of the Shareholders are due and are hereby tendered to the President, Vice-President and Directors of the Bank for the manner in which they have conducted the affairs of the Bank during the past year.—Carried.

Mr. Paterson, seconded by Mr. Conant, moved, That the thanks of the Shareholders be given to the Cashier and other officers of the Bank for their attention to the interests of the Bank.—Carried.

Mr. R. H. Souch, seconded by Mr. Miller, moved, That this meeting do now proceed to elect, by ballot, seven Directors, to fill the place of those retiring, and that Messrs. C. W. Scott and John McLaughlin be scrutineers for said election, and that the poll remain open for one hour to receive the votes of the Shareholders, but that should five minutes elapse at any time without a vote having been taken the poll shall be declared closed, and that the scrutineers be paid \$4 each for their services.—Carried.

The Scrutineers reported the following seven gentlemen as having received the unanimous vote of the Shareholders, viz.:—John Cowan, Esq., R. S. Hamlin, Esq., W. F. Cowan, Esq., Dr. McIntosh, W. F. Allen, Esq., T. Paterson, Esq. and J. A. Gibson, Esq., who were duly elected Directors for the ensuing year. A vote of thanks was then tendered to the Chairman for his able conduct in the chair, and the meeting then adjourned.

At a subsequent meeting of the new Board, John Cowan Esq., was unanimously elected President, and R. S. Hamlin, Esq., Vice-President.

NORTH-WEST DEVELOPMENT.

While attention is being freely given to the bringing of settlers from far distant lands for the more rapid development of the vast North-West Territories, it is plainly to be seen that no less exertions are being used nearer home. A Toledo, Ohio, letter states that four well-known Toledo men have been selected to go to Alberta, Canada, to select territory for the proposed settlement of western farmers. The movement is reported as an assured fact, and as soon as the delegates return and make their report the colonists will leave for their far Northwestern homes. In Toledo and vicinity, 132 heads of families have signified their intention of going, making in all about 600 people, who will emigrate from northwestern Ohio. The new colony will consist altogether of about 2,500 or 3,000 persons from castern Indiana, southern Michigan, western Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Tennessee, and from several differet parts of Ohio. Detroit representatives of the Canadian Government and C.P.R., are in charge of the movement. Associated with them is D. L. Caven, of Columbus,



who is also a representative of the Dominion Government, which, after all, is said to be the real instigator of the movement. The part of Alberta chosen by the delegates is Buffalo Lake district, situated about 400 miles north of the Montana state line and about 100 miles northeast of Calgary. The colony will receive from the Government in all 115,200 acres of fine wheat and stock-raising land.

Should such movements be successfully carried out, a population double the original number might be reckoned on, for fully as many more would be induced to follow through the request of those already on the ground. This class of settlers would make more rapid progress than those whose language and laws are foreign and whose pockets are unused to anything negotiable.

TYPICAL APPRECIATION.

Among the compensations for the unceasing labours and worries entailed by publishing a high-class journal, the appreciation expressed by subscribers is one of the most welcome. We have every reason to be fully satisfied with the share that falls to our lot of this form of encouragement and reward. The following one we publish as typical of those which we are continually receiving from subscribers in all parts of the country. We are much gratified to find that our effort to secure an early delivery of the "Journal of Commerce" in the Maritime Provinces has been successful and is appreciated. writer of the following is a prosperous and much-respected merchant in Halifax, who, no doubt, has learnt by practical experience to tell good sound cloth from shoddy, hence his pleasure in paying for the good value provided by this journal;

Halifax, N.S., April 17th, 1900.

Journal of Commerce, Montreal:

Dear Sirs,—I have much pleasure in handing you herewith amount of your bill, especially as I now receive my paper every Saturday, instead of heretofore not until Monday. An ordinary paper I would not mind being a day or two late. But I have so little time for reading, and yours contains so much practical information in so condensed a form, that I look forward to it, and am disappointed when it is not on time. As stated above, it gives me pleasure to pay for good value.—Yours respectfully.—

ROBERT STANFORD.

"BOBS" AND THE FLAG.

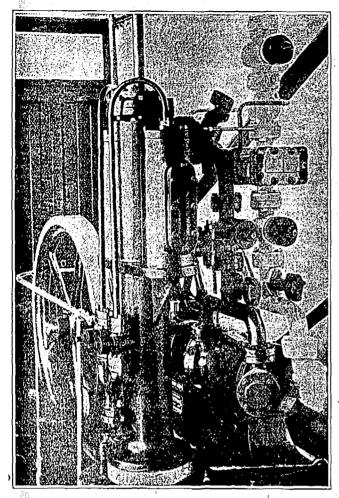
In reply to some inquiries for Pin-Buttons of Field Marshal Lord Roberts, and of the Flag, (Union Jack coloured) similarly mounted, we make the following offer, good till 1st May: Anyone sending us one new subscriber (prepaid) will be sent ten of Lord Roberts and five of the Flag. If preferred, other British generals in the present war can be furnished. For two or more subscribers a proportionate number will be sent.

-The Winnipeg Electric Company will reduce the price of gas to cash customers after May 1st.

—A Quebec plumber, Chas. Vezina, has assigned. Liabilities, ordinary, \$15,443; privileged, \$7,973. Assets, \$6,000, besides city property. Principal creditors are C. A. Parent, Quebec, \$2,359; Delisle, Dion & Cie.. \$1,052. Montreal—Thos. Robertson & Co., \$2,346; Gurney Manufacturing Company, \$2,144; John Foreman, \$989; Warden King & Son, \$792; Star Iron Company, \$637. Vezina recently passed a deed of obligation for \$4,500 in favor of Thos. Robertson & Co., Gurney Manufacturing Company, and Warden King & Co.

The Nickel Steel Company, Hamilton, is meeting with obstacle greater than pine stumps or boulders in getting the right of way clear for the running of its proposed plant. Some farmers are holding their land at \$4,000 an acre against the company's desire to purchase for a railway switch. The price certainly seems very low in comparison with the value of property in the vicinity of State and Madison streets, Chicago; but to assist a worthy neighbor along a few dollars an acre might be thrown off by the superficially shrewd farmers near Hamilton.

—Letters of incorporation have been issued to the following: The Montreal Casing Company; capital, \$20,000.—G. Sievert & Sons, manufacturing jewellers, etc., Quebec Capital, \$50,000.—Colin McArthur & Co., wall paper manufacturers, Montreal; capital, \$200,000.—The E. & Z. Shoe System Company, Montreal; capital, \$10,000.—The St. Lawrence Distilling Company, capital stock, \$250,000, to manufacture, import and deal in spirits and liquors. Incorporators: E. C. Walker, F. H. Walker, J. H. Walker, and William Robins, all of Walkerville, Ont., distillers, and W. R. Wonham, Montreal. — The Calcibide Gas Company, Montreal, capital, \$5,000.



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Recent shoe transactions in Quebec, now being brought to light, reveal much more serious workings with paper than putting it in the counters and inner soles of shoes. A letter of the 17th inst. says: "This afternoon the case of the Queen against W. H. Polley and John C. Scott, formerly boot and shoe manufacturers, for obtaining money under false pretences, was commenced, and the firm's book-keeper, Richard, was still under examination at the adjournment. This witness has also to undergo trial for uttering forged bills of lading, upon which he obtained a sum of money from the Banque Nationale. He admitted to-day having forged the paper upon instructions of Polley, one of the accused."

RECENT FIRES ..

Chatham, Ont., April 13th.—Millinery stock of John Northway & Co.'s store damaged.—Montreal, 13th.—House of Industry and Refuge damaged. Loss about \$800. — White River, Ont., 13th.—C.P.R. roundhouse burned. Five locomotives were also consumed.—Belleville, Ont., 14th.—Double tenement, owned by Mrs. P. Milne, burned. Two tenants lost their effects. House valued at \$1,500 and insured for \$600.—Brantford, Ont., 14th.—Residence of Wm. Fair, near Onondaga, destroyed. Loss (about \$2,000.

BUSINESS CHANGES.

Ontario—F. Leplante, gro., Ashburnham, sold out; G. Greenslade, confec., etc., Hensall, advertises business for sale; Edmonson & Co., shoes, Ottawa, commencing business; S. S. Hubbard, photos, Hamilton, business closed.

Onebec.—Roberge & Roberge, general store, Thetford Mines, co-partnership registered; C. Sheppard, infr. bricks, Montral, retired from business; L. Pelletier, gro., Levis, commencing business; Pelletier & Watts, bardware, Montreal, dissolved; Watts & Mailhot, hardwars, Montreal, co-partnership registered; W. Evans Seed Co., Montreal, J. Ward sole owner.

Manitoba & N.W.T.-G. Lawrence, implements, Killar-

ney, succeeded by G. and N. J. Rutledge; J. Watts & Co., tobacconists, Winnipeg, stock, etc., sold to M. Mackenzie; C. J. Holman, butcher, Winnipeg, succeeded by Holman Bros.

Nova Scotia.—Morton, Frehill & Co., feed, etc., Halifax, dissolved.

British Columbia.—F. E. Simpson, publisher, Crambrook, traving for Cape Nome.

LEGAL RECORD.

The following is a record of transactions and cases in our Canadian courts of law, comprising Writs Issued and Judgments Rendered for sums of \$300 and upwards (Montreal, from \$175 and upwards), and Chattel Mortgages and Bills of Sale (for sums of \$550 and upwards), as taken from the public records. It wil be understood that the actions or items do not necessarily affect the credit and soundness of the persons or concerns named, as they may have been paid or otherwise settled, and that good defence may exist in ease of writs, etc.:

WRITS ISSUED-ONTARIO.

April 12.

Camden—G. and Mary R. Grieve vs Martha A. and R. L. Fitzpatrick, \$700; W. Miller vs A. Rikeley, \$2,359; Hamilton—S. Rubinovitch vs J. Cull, \$300; Kingsville—Gowans, Kent & Co. vs Ontario Glass Co., Ltd., \$5,000; North Fredericksburg—J. W. Frink vs W. H. Crabbe and G. Brown, \$800; Petrolia—Ontario Bank vs J. Belasco, \$550; Toronto—J. R. Barber vs A. H. Badgerow, \$350; Camp Robin Hood No. 5693, A.O.F., vs H. Cooper, \$302; W. H. Harvey vs Hachborn & Sheridan, \$5,000; W. Ramsay vs J. M. Sinclair et al, \$1,798.

April 14.

Parton Tp.—J. Prentice vs G. W. Long, \$566; Brighton —W. N. Austin vs G. Abbott et al, \$420; Coldwater — J. Parks vs W. H. & M. Manning, \$790; N. Dorchester—Cath. Brady vs N. A. Brady, \$467; Stratford—R. Little vs J. O'Donoghue, \$5,100; Thornhill—Can. Per. L. and Sav. Co.

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vs H. C. and M. B. Houghton, \$1,242; Thorold—W. Upper vs G. E. St. Tracey, \$544; Toronto—H. D Sanders vs J. A. Gould, \$316; J Kerr vs Kniekerboeker Ice Co., \$5,000; Can. Sav. L. and B. Assn. vs Susan Keys, \$807; J. Dempster vs C. and F. Palmer, \$1,055; Nerlich & Co. vs T. F. Worts, \$829; York Tp.—H. D. Sanders vs W. Brimacombe et al exrs, \$331;—Alice Friend vs Dominion Steamship Co., Ltd., \$2,500;—W. M. McCaffrey vs The Ottawa Sand and Gravel Co., \$441; Anderson, Ind.—E. T. English vs Diamond Paper Co. et al. \$5,000; Detroit, Mich.—T. M. Bell et al vs N. Booth, \$400; New York—Mary R. Clark vs Mutual Reserve Fund Life Assn., \$2,000.

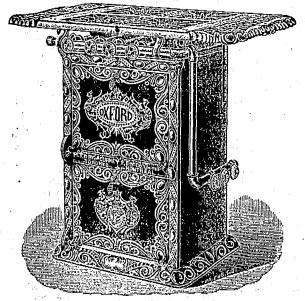
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Bagot Tp.-Mary Palmer vs Calibogie Iron Mining Co. &

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J. Amo, \$3,000; Beckwith Tp.—F. A. Hall vs R. McDonnell, \$308; Belleville—Sarah Johnson vs J. Fontain, \$1,000; Hamilton—Canada Life Assurance vs A. B. Abbott and J. L. Watkins et al, \$5,065; E. S. Brennan vs W. Paranan & Sons Mfg. Co., \$9,232; Amanda C. Book vs S. D. Brooke, et al, \$2,050; Edna Van Pater exrx vs J. S. Shafer, \$306; J. Billings vs F. W. Watkins, Marion Watkins and C. B. Armstrong, \$21,399; Murray Tp.—T. and Elizth. Grils vs W. A. Williams, \$1,000; St. Catharines—W. A. Hamilton vs J. Sanderson, \$4,936; Stratford—R. Little vs J. O'Donoghue, \$5,000; West Oxford—A. Edwards et al vs H. and Clara A. Sealey, \$300.

WRITS ISSUED - MANITOBA AND N.W.T.

April 12.

Innisfail—J. Smith, \$532; Winnipeg—Manitoba Produce & Commission Co., \$384.

April 17.

Deloraine—D. E. Traynor, \$312; Winnipeg—McKenzie, Mann. & Co., \$2,452.

WRITS ISSUED-BRITISH COLUMBIA.

April 14.

Kaslo-E. Cummings, \$493; Slocan-H. J. and A. Stewart, \$1,540; Victoria-J. & C. A. Haynes, \$962.

JUDGMENTS RENDERED-ONTARIO.

April 12.

Brudenell Tp.—W. Harvett agt W. Corrigan, \$395; Ottawa—T. McL. Clark agt C. J and Emma J. Amey, \$325; Toronto—J. S. Moffat agt D. Allen et al, \$3,456; W. Moore & Co., agt F. J. McBean et al, \$431; S. R. Graham agt Estella Wagner, Isabella Summers and Mary L. Harris, \$39,970;—J. MacDonald & Co. agt A. A. Black, \$928.

April 14.

Buffalo, N.Y.-J. and T. Charlton agt W. L. Lundy, \$602.

April 17.

Dinorwic—Bella Washburn agt J. Muirhead, \$3,007; Hamilton—T. L. Boyd agt W. A. Freeman, \$901; Peterborough—Georgina Ferguson agt Louisa Howell, \$563.

JUDGMENTS RENDERED—QUEBEC.

April 12

Bedford—J. A. Phelps agt J. B. Rivard, \$600; Longue Pointe—A. Comeau agt S. Comeau, \$402; Montreal — De. Agnes Ferguson agt J. Baxter, \$6,400; L. J. A. Richard agt De. Elizih. Bernard, \$196; Lord Strathcona agt J. N. Fulton, \$1,075; Eastern Townships Bank agt J. A. Laguerriere et al, \$198; De. Jane Taylor agt J. McConnill esql., \$1,151; Victoriaville—J. A. Rousseau agt D. Boulanger, \$1,000; Weedon—J. P. Gendron et al agt G. H. Allen, \$412.

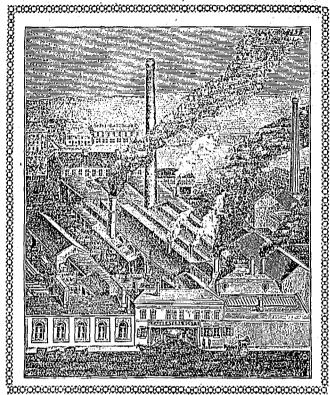
April 14.

Montreal—I. St. G. Dillon et agt Atlantic and Lake Superior Ry. Co., \$1,072; Gloucester, Mass.—Montreal Inv.

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& Freehold Co. agt N. Jacobs, \$414; De. Eliza Champeau agt J. Quinn, \$199; J. A. Drouin agt N. St. Penis, et al, \$1,000; Westmount—J. Rossbach agt E. F. Moseley, \$1,830.

April 17.

Berthier-J. Linton agt J. Loranger, \$331; Montreal-I. L. Lafleur agt F. Lapointe, \$960; N. Dufort agt P. E. Wiseman, \$180; W. C. Finley et al agt P. Simard, \$211.

JUDGMENTS RENDERED-MANITOBA & N.W.T.

April 12.

Calgary-J. Bannerman, \$1,141.

April 17.

Winnipeg-W. J. Smith & Co., \$842.

JUDGMENTS RENDERED-NOVA SCOTIA.

April 12.

Halifax-J. Pugh & Son, \$2,618.

April 17.

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JUDGMENTS RENDERED-BRITISH COLUMBIA.

April 14.

Fernie-G. Levassenr, \$600.

April 17.

Grand Forks-J. A. Potter, \$779; Vancouver-G. W. Fuller, \$377.

EXECUTIONS—QUEBEC.

April 12.

Cote St. Paul—M. B. Atkinson et al esql agt De. Ann Ryan, \$5,669; Montreal—F. Bernard agt L. Demers, \$193; A. Robertson et al esql agt Mme. J. N. Fulton, \$5,670; The Gov. & Co. of Adv. of Eng. trading into Hudson's Bay agt Hon. J. J. Guerin et al, \$1,905; N. F. Nash agt J. Stubbs et al, \$181; Pointe Claire—E. Belanger agt Ls. Leclaire, \$971; Sherbrooke—J. C. Simpson agt R. G. Plaw, \$1,701.

April 14.

Montreal—C. Gareau agt E. Bolduc, \$225; A. Charette agt P. J. Dumont, \$646; Pilkington Bros. agt J. Lafleur, \$209; Farmers' Loan and Sav. Co. agt G. A. McAllan, \$3,023; J. N. Archambault agt De. M. Quenviler, \$484; Le Seminaire de Quebec agt St. Germain Frs., \$5,154.

April 17.

Montreal—Rev. P. A. Campeau agt R. Goyer esql, \$2,679; Montreal Loan and Mtge. Co. agt M. Guerin, \$1,452; S. K. Parson agt Mrs. H. Millen et vir, \$4,972.

CHATTEL, MORTGAGES-ONTARIO.

April 12.

Ayr—C. H. Heinbach to Randall & Roos, \$1,500; Cornwall—Relyea & Co., to J. F. Kirkpatrick et al, \$3,000; London—A. P. Yeo to N. F. Yeo, \$6,555; Ottawa—Mary and J. Delorme to J. Kavanagh, \$678; Parham—D. Hecht to C. A. Milliner, \$1,250; Peterboro—Mrs. Irene Henry to T. Henry, \$1,400; Southampton—D. H. Foster to Randall & Roos, \$600; Teeswater—A. Butchart to J. Morgan, \$800; Thessalon—D. Gordon to A. A. Burk, \$1,500; Toledo—G. W. Lee to H. H. Arnold, \$2,413; Toronto—C. Cameron to L. Reinhardt, \$925; J. Heighington to J. Stark, \$1,300; Walkerton—P. Heffernan to J. R. Shaw, \$700.

April 14.

Aurora—E. Brauud to J. L. Ross, \$1,000; Hamilton—W. Hughes et ux to Grant Spring Brewing Co., \$827; Ottawa—Elizth. and J. C. Roger to L. C. Mitchell, \$1,000; Stratford—A. Maclennan to A. E. Pavey & Co., \$1,472; Tilbury W. Tp.—Pettit Bros. to J. S. and G. Ainslic, \$4,000; Toronto—Fenwick Bros. & Co. to J. W. Fenwick, \$800; H. H. Love to F. D. Brown, \$600; Elizth. McConnell to Supreme Court,



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april 17.

Almonte - M. Dixon et ux to Isabella rorgie, \$848; Baden-W. Witte to Theresa Kuntz, \$780; Biddulph Tp.-J. McGee to Agricultural L. and Sav. Co., \$1,998; Brantford-Brown Bros. to Mary Hebden, \$694; Florence and J. Petrie to F. H. Boulton, \$738; Dorchester S .- Martha J. Sherk to W. Warnock, \$671; London-J. E. Barnhart to J. C. Woods, 989; J. D. Fleming to Carling Brewing and Malting Co., \$2,144; Lucan-Doupe & Doupe to J. S. Gilfillan, \$1,150; Otawa-A. H. Todd and wife to A. L. Forbes, \$600; Preston-G. A. Skipton to J. G. Skipton, \$750; Stratford-A. Maclennan to A. E. Lavey & Co., \$1,472.

CHATTEL MORTGAGES-BRITISH COLUMBIA.

April 14.

Greenwood-W. Waterland, \$1,137; Nelson-G. S. Beer, \$1,300; Rossland-G. E. Green, \$1,400; Vancouver - J. Scuitto,, \$600.

April 17.

Fernie - G. Johnson, \$5,000 and \$1,137; G. Levasseur,

CHATTEL MORTGAGES-MANITOBA & N.W.T.

Carnduff-C. C. Smith, \$4,000; Douglas-R. Conn, \$6,000; Winkler-W. R. Wilton, \$1,300; Winnipeg-Great West Laundry, Ltd., .\$1,500...

April 17.

Edna-W. G. Ross, \$1,152; Neepawa-C. W. Herrell, \$2,-600; Winnipeg and Vancouver - Parson's Produce Co., \$101,000.

BILLS OF SALE-ONTARIO.

Finch Tp.-J. M. Hughes to J. D. Grady, \$5,950; Port Hope-Mary A. Trayes to W. S. Waisland, \$4,000; Seymour Tp.-W. J. and T. Stillman to D. W. Losie, \$700; Toronto-T. Milburn & Co. to T. Milburn Co., Ltd., \$150,000.

April 14:

Niagara Falls-T. King to J. Heredeen, \$3,818; Ottawa-R. McAllen to J. T. Blyth, \$5,400.

BILLS OF SALE-BRITISH COLUMBIA.

April 14.

Wellington—R. G. Jessup, \$3,000.

April 17.

Fernie-H. Bentley, \$3,125; G. Johnson, \$8,650; Vancouver-A. McRae, \$3,500.

-A. M. Payne, agent in Canada for Messrs. Faudel Phillips & Sons, London, England, returned to Halifax last week by the Corean, after a two months' stay at the headquarters of the firm.

-'The Montevideo Government has decreed the renewal of the temporary treaty of commerce with England, ar-The Government ranged in July last.

is anxious for the removal of the prohibition against the introduction of Uruguan cattle into England. There is, it is said, no disease among the eatle in the country.

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-Building operations are progressing in Quebec at a rate which adds much to the regular activity of that city in the spring months. A recent letter states that there is a regular lumber famine existing in the city. Some contractors are handicapped, owing to the searcity of lumber. The prices have been steadily increasing and in one instance alone the difference in the price of lumber amounts to probably \$20,000.

-Strikes are generally brought on at time when their effects will be felt the most. The present strike among he Montreal eigarmakers, however, appears to have been sufficiently provided or by the storing of large quantities of stock. The arrangements entered into by the manufacturers will doubtless, irolong the disagreement, should no arungements be concluded at an early late. It will also serve to remind prossective strikers that all points should be carefully considered before such stoppages are ordered.

FINANCIAL.

Thursday, 19th April, 1900. The drain of money for war purposes and to meet the war loan is being felt

The quarterly outgo for dividends and interest caused a slight reduction in the current rate of discount, but the decline was quickly checked as the prospects are far from bright for cheaper money. Some American papers, which have every appearance of being subsidized by the Transvaal Government, are raising a great outery against Great Britain for, as they allege, bulldozing Portugal into allowing British troops to cross Portuguese territory by way of Beira, which route would enable the Transvaal to be attacked from the north. The gushing sympathy shown by these pro-Boer American papers for Portugal is too thin to deceive any tolerably well informed person, but it is meant to inflame the masses against Great Britain whose animosity towards the British is a demonstration of extreme illiteracy. The effort to affect the money market by such hysterical nonsense is too ludicrous for comment. If, however, we may judge by the N.Y. "Financial News," Wall St. is a sphere where, "Unreason reigns supreme, facts lose their potency, as operators do their heads, railroad carnings, money conditions present and prospective carry no weight, the country's

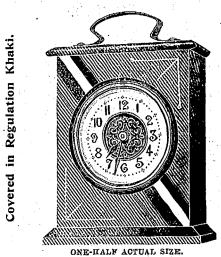
prosperity is swallowed up by an intangible fear and the securities eagerly sought and bought on merit, are as quickly sold without reason." recent slump in steel and wire stocks caused by pessimistic reports about the prospects of the iron and steel trade, is regarded as purely the result of speculation controlled by the bears. The directors of companies engaged in the trade are openly accused of issuing statements to break the market in order to take advantage of the dee.inc. Such an element in the stock market should be a caution to outsiders, many of whom, it is said in New York, have been scared into selling their stocks by these reports which are believed to have no business founda-The London Stock Exchange has refused to list the American Steel and Wire Company, the pessimistic utterances of whose chairman have caused such excitement, and produced a feeling of disquietude. Business on the local 'Change has been limited, outside of mining stocks. The morals at least of operators ought to show marked improvement, if their pockets do not, as a result of the demand for "Virtue." A few sales of Pacific have been made at 96% to 971/4; Electric from 202



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to 203; Toronto St., 971/4 to 98; Bell Telephone, 18014; Richelieu, 112 to 114; Gas, 1841/2; Bank of Commerce, 148. Grand Trunk earnings from 8th to 14th were \$62,017 in excess of same week last year. The speech of the President at recent annual meeting is referred to in another column. Sterling exchange sixties are quoted at 8 13-16 to 878, demand, 9 11-16 to 914. Local rates remain unchanged.

The following is a comparative table of stocks for week ending April 19th, supplied by Chas. Meredith & Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal:—

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Bink of Montreal	6	261	2601/2	250
werchants Bank.	1	162	162	180
Quebec Bank	. 20	1251/		
Can. Bk. of Com.	22	148	148	
Miscellaneous.				
Can. Pacific	525	9734	96%	88
Com. Cable Co	. 50	170	1601/	
Virtue Co	76100	1161/	1061/2	
win City	225	66	641/2	71%
Montreal Teleg	58	166	166	175
Rich. & Ont. x.n.s.	77	113.	1121/2	
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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Montreal, April 19th, 1900.

Since last report summer seems to have arrived in earnest, the ice has moved down the St. Lawrence and the ocean vessels are about to move up. In commercial circles changes are not important. Hardware shows a decline in from pipe with other goods steady. Gro-ceries are unchanged except showing higher prices for molasses at point of shipment. Turpentine has declined three cents and is likely to go lower. Seeding is about through in Manitoba and is well advanced further west. The fall wheat throughout Ontario shows well so far. Failures for the week are uneventful.

BUTTER.—The market during the past week has again shown the result of too much stock and prices have according-ly eased off at a rapid rate. Finest grade creamery has been selling at 18c to 19c, with fall makes down to 14c to 16c, as to grade. Fresh dairy of good quality is bringing 15c to 17c, with rolls in large supply and dragging out slowly at 14c to 15c. In another week ocean vessels are expected to be loading at this port for foreign markets, and this outlet will serve, in a large measure, to equalize prices.

CATTLE, A London, Eng., special cable of the 18th, states that by a new order all Argentine cattle must be slaughtered within 36 hours after being landed, and all cattle from North America within five days. For the present this applies only to Deptford. The Ottawa authorities have been discussing the existence of foot-and-mouth disease among American cattle, and precautions will be taken to prevent the introduction of the disease into

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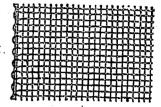
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In reality the disease in the States is reported as relating to but a few isolated cases entirely of a local character, and any restrictions on Canadian cattle are entirely premature.

CEMENTS, FIRE BRICKS, ETC. — There

are no transacions of any magnitude are no transacions of any magnitude recorded. The outlook at present would appear to be for a slack season, but later wants may change the situation. Prices are unchanged from last week's quotations.

CHEESE.-In this market there has Cheese.—In this market there has been no change from the conditions reported for some weeks past. New is arriving in light supply and is quoted at 11e to 11½e and old stock is worth 11½e to 12e. The prices are very favorable for the season, and if held at anywhere near present mark will prove very profitable for Canadian producers and farmers. The sumer-like weather of the past few days will hurry the dairy movement and cause the active season to open early. tive season to open early.

DRUGS, CHEMICALS, BARKS, ETC.— Camphor is in an unsettled condition owing to recent negotiations reported as having been entered into between as having been entered into between the Japanese Government and private parties for the output of Formosa. The terms are as yet not clearly under-stood and this is what causes the un-easiness. Manufacturers have ad-vanced cocaine 25c per oz. Glycerine makers are firm in their views and higher prices are looked for. Quinine is slightly lower, manufacturers having reduced prices. Strychnine is lower reduced prices. Strychnine is lower

owing to competition among manufac-Potash iodide is firm at the Ivance. Orange peel is very recent advance. firm.

DRY GOODS, DOMESTIC WOOLLENS,— Manufacturers have made no changes in domestic goods since our last report. Trade has been rather dull owmg to the cool weather, prior to Easter, importers are busy filling orders and report retailers as being more in harmony with the existing high prices. Asked as to the continuation of present high prices, one wholesale dealer said that so long as the demand kept up prices would keep up and he heard of a manufacturing concern this week wiring their travellers to close up their samples as they were full of orders.

Eggs.-The condition of the egg market within the past few days has followed that of butter by too heavy arrivals which have caused the situation to favor buyers and this has always the same result: lower bidding and holding off. Fresh eggs are selling at the to 11½e, and a good business is being done at these figures. City retailers are selling all the way from the to 20e down.

FLOUR, FEED MEAL. - The AND Flour, FEED and MEAL. — The flour market is firm at the recent advance. Considering the bad state of country roads during past weeks, there is a good trade doing, and buyers have been anxious for early delivery of orders. The opening of navigation, which has about commenced, will add much life to the trade. Feed is in good

demand and firm at the higher prices Rolled oats is dun, the now ruling. amount of package goods now being forced on the market appearing to interfere with the sale of bulk goods for terfere with the sale of bulk goods for a time, until the public become tired of paying their money for fancy labels and other people's labor. Quotations are: Flour—Winter wheat patents, \$380 to \$3.90; straight rollers, \$3.40 to \$3.50; in bags, \$1.60 to \$1.65. Manitoba patents, \$4; strong bakers, \$3.70. Manioba bran, bulk, \$16.50; shorts, 18.00; mouille, \$20 to \$24.00; per ton; oatmeal, \$3.30 to \$3.35, and \$1.60 to \$1.65 per bag; baled hay, No. 1, \$9.50 to \$10; No. 2, \$8.25 to \$9; clover and mixed, \$7 to \$7.25; best timothy hay in bulk is held at \$8 to \$8.50 per load, averaging 1,500 lbs.

Groceries.—The sugar market has turned its attention entirely to manufactured.

GROCERIES.—The sugar market has turned its attention entirely to manufacture and output within the past week and has given no sign indicative of higher or lower values. Probably out of deference to the transient visit of its neighbour from the maple woods it has neglected its preferred vocation for the time. While waiting the opening of navigation — now a matter of days—there are little features to note in the general grocery situation. Once the price of new canned goods became the price of new canned goods became known, there was no time lost by sellers in filling all prospective demands, and so great was this rush that in some instances it took on almost the nature of a social affair for in the en-deavor to get business prices were oc-

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casionally almost lost sight of. parbadoes molasses is 2e nigher at the pase of supplies this week, and to lay down here it is calculated to cost now 30%c. The cheaper grades of molasses from the West Indies and New Orleans, are fully 5c higher than a year ago. Other groceries are unchanged in quotations from previous reports.

HARDWARE AND METALS.-The market has shown some slight signs of weakness, although the only indications here are lower quotations on iron pipe, These have been lowered 5 to 7 per cent, on certain sizes, us given in prices current on another page. rrom l'ittsburg it is announced that at a recent meeting of the Bar Mill Association the prices of steel bars was cut from 2% cents a pound to 2 cents, equal to a reduction of \$5 a ton. For reasons to which there appears to be attached certain mystery, prices in the U.S. markets have been showing an inclination to lower, but this is believed connation to lower, but this is believed to be but temporary as conditions both in that country and England do not warrant such movement. In Eng-land the situation has not changed from that of past months, and the de-mand for manufactured metal is be-youd the possibility of immediate suryoud the possibility of immediate sup-ply. A Glasgow dispatch states thate the pig iron market dropped 1s 6d on the 18th, on cabled advices from New York, announcing a reduction in steel billets. London cables a firm market for pig tin with purchases at £139 to £140.

HIDES AND TALLOW .- Prices of green hides are remaining steady. The quantity of arrivals is very small considering Easter time and the quality is in proportion. Spring lambskins are arriving freely and are still quoted at 10c. Latest U.S. advices report a fairly firm market and a generally good demand, with holders showing no inclination to push sales.

LEATHER AND SHOES.—The market nows no change. Easter excursions shows no change. took almost all buyers down along the Atlantic coast and it is presumed many will remain long enough to become informed regarding trade conditions in the great shoe centres. Factories here are not yet finished spring goods and, consequently, are not yet cutting for fall stock. U.S. markets show a steady fall stock. U.S. markets show a steady demand with holders making no efforts at shoving business beyond actual calls, which tends to confirm faith in future values. Retailers are becoming busier now that warm weather has admitted of rubbers being put aside. The inclination to buy better goods is pleasing all round. goods is pleasing all round.

MAPLE PRODUCTS. - The market is firm and demand quite active. Syrup in wood is quoted at 7½c lb. In tins, wine gallons, 70c to 75c, and imperial measure, 85c to 90c. Sugar is sold at 8c to 10c lb., as to quality and size of cuke. of cake.

PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS. - There has been a decided drop in turpentine this week, quotations lowering from coc to c2c. It is expected an even figure will be reached by the close of the week. Linseed oils, on the contrary, are very scarce and consequently firm at 71c for raw and 74c for boiled. Castor oils are steady at the recent advances. Cod-liver oil maintains the arm attitude reported last week, and prices here are becoming higher, in accordance with continued advices of light stocks at primary sources. Quotations for Norwegian process Mild., are \$1 to \$1.10, and Norwegian oil at \$1.25 to \$1.35. Paints and glass are steady, with a good business doing in the former.

PROVISIONS. -- Prices of pork have considerably advanced during the week and at writing are firm at outside quoted prices. There has been a good quoted prices. There has been a good demand here of late, with but light arrivals of fresh killed and these features, coupled with sharp advances in Chicago, have brought about the present high prices. It is also known that much live stock is being picked up through this province and Ontario for shipment, west. Operations are shipment west. Quotations are: — Heavy Canadian short cut mess pork, Heavy Canadian short cut mess pork, \$18 to \$18.50; short cut back, \$17 to \$17.50; selected heavy short cut mess pork, boneless quality, \$19 to \$19.25; and heavy mess pork, long cut, \$17 to \$17.50; pure Canadian lard, 9½c to 10½c per lb.; and compound refined, 7c to 5c per lb. Hams, 12c to 14c, and bucon, 11½c to 13½c per lb.

WOOL TOMESTIC AND FORESTICE The

WOOL. DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN.—The home market is quiet. Many sales are being put through, but they are of a very small nature. Manufacturers are using up everything they can rather than pay 60c for finest stock, which they say they cannot afford. A leading Montreal importer, now in England, reports full confidence in the market which is likely to be verified at market which is likely to be verified at the next opening sales, which begin May 8th. The amount to be offered is 250,000 bales. Manufactureres on this side are much harder to deal with on sustained rates, since the last London sales which showed a decline. this they contend much lower prices should prevail here and some even speak of wool at the prices existing a year ago. Capes are worth 22c to 25c. TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE,

(Revised by Telegraph.)

Toronto, April 19, 1900.

Wholesale trade was fair this week. There is no special activity and as farmers are busy the country retail trade is quiet. Travellers speak hopefully of business prospects, and payments are satisfactory. The prices of staple goods continue firm, with cottons and woollens at the highest quotations of the Hardware and metals in good demand and groceries are selling well. Money unchanged at 6 to 61/2 per cent. tor prime discounts and at 51/2 per cent. for call loans. Stocks quiet and irregular. Latest sales: Imperial Bank regular. Latest sales: Imperial Bank 212, Dominion Bank 268, Nova Scotia 220½, Bank of Hamilton 186, C.P.K 97¼, Cable 170 Toronto Ry. 97¼, Toronto Electric 132¼, Gen. Electric 168¾, Luxfer Prism 113, Northwest Land pr.

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Butter, &c.—Offerings of butter are umple and prices easier. Choice dury tub and rolls job at 15c to 17c, and me-dium at 13c to 14c. Pound rolls, 16c Pound rolls, 16c to 17c. Creamery steady at 19c to 19½c for tub and at 21c to 22c for rolls. Eggs are lower at 11c to 11½c per doz., in case lots for fresh. Cheese in moderate demand at 121/2c to 13c, in a job-

bing, way.

Dressed Hogs.—The market is weaker this week, with a falling off in the demand. Small lots \$7.

Flour and Grain.—The flour market is quiet, with no special movement. Straight rollers are quoted in barrels at \$2.85, and choice grades at \$3.00 to \$3.10. Manitoba patents, \$4.00 to \$4.10, and strong bakers, \$3.65: Bran, firm, at \$16.50 to \$17, and shorts at \$17.50 to \$18 west. Oatmeal \$3.20 to \$3.30 in car lots. Wheat quiet with prices steady; white and red, 66c north and west, and spring at 67c east. Goose, 71c low freights. No. 1 Manitoa hard, 81c, grinding in transit, and at 80c North Bay. Barley quiet and unchanged, with No. 2 quoted at 42c west, and at 43c east. Oats firm, with white at 28c west and 29c east; mixed, 27c to 271/2c west. Peas are firm at 62c west. west, and 63c east. Rye unchanged at 52c west and at 53c east. Buckwheat, 51c west and 52c east. Corn, firm, at 47% c on track for American, and at 46c for Canadian.

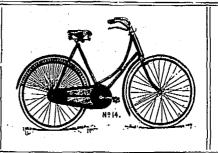
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Teather.—Business good, with prices unchanged.

Hides and Skins.—The hide market is unchanged. Cured steers self at f0c, and cows at 9c. Dealers pay \$\frac{87}{4}c for No. 1 green, and 7\frac{77}{4}c for No. 2. Calfskins, 10c for No. 1, and 8c for No. 2. Sheepskins firm at \$1.25 to \$1.40.

Live Stock.—Receipts of cattle are large and prices weaker. Choice export steers 4% to 4% to per lb., and medium at 4½ to 4% to 4% to per lb., for good to choice lots. Stockers, 3½ to 3¾ to 3¾ to 5% to 8½ to 66 per lb. for choice ewes. Lambs, 4½ to 66 per lb. flogs casier, the best bacon lots bringing 6½ to 5½ to 15½ to 15

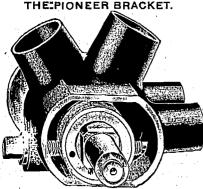
firm at 8½ to 5½c, according to package. Dried apples, 5½c to 6c. Potatoes, 37c to 40c per bag. Hops are dull at 14c to 15c. Beans, \$1.25 for common and \$1.70 to \$1.75 for hand-

Wool.—The wool market is dull, with wool.—The wool marker is daily with no new fleece offering as yet. The quotations are 18e to 20e and for unwashed 11e. Pulled wools, 19e to 20e for supers and 21e to 22½e for extras.



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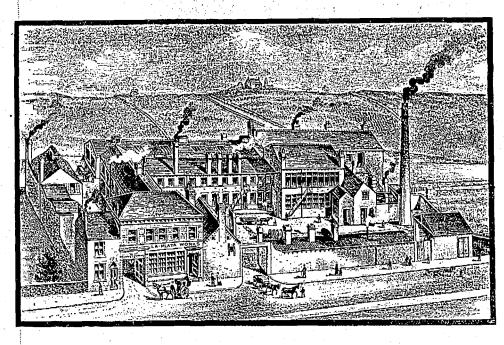
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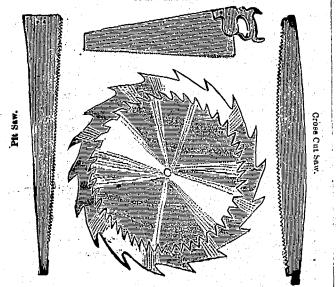
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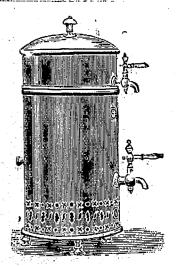
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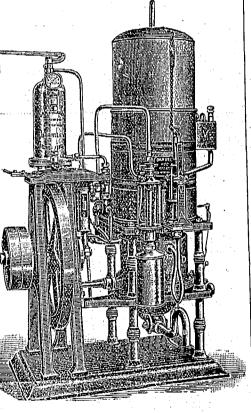
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contrivance as wonderful in its simplicity as in its efficiency. It syrups and fills the bottle with one motion, and can be operated by a boy or a girl at a speed of about 1,000 bottles per hour. It has already reached the enormous sale of over 7,000 machines. In leaving the machinery section, we may add that the Rylands Company also supply everything for the aerated water trade, down to even corks and paper bottle labels. They are also the sole agents, both for England and export, of the preparations of the Standard Essence Company. These embrace all the ingredients used in the making of aerated or mineral waters; and also a novel preparation named "Meloka," which produces an agreeable drink suitable alike for summer or winter.

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Firms that are great in one class of manufactures are just as likely to be great in another. The Rylands Company have led the van of progress in the mineral water bottle trade for many years. In the same way they are now the pioneers of machine-made wide-mouth bottles for jam, fruit, soups, and all the various preserved edibles. A few shapes of these wide-mouth glass vessels are here illustrated: vessels are here illustrated:







These jars or bottles are produced in competition with cheap foreign made glassware by patented machinery. The glassware produced by these machines glassware produced by these machines is really superior to hand-made glasses. There is an exactness and uniformity of shape not found in hand-made jars; and the bits of glass often found adand the bits of glass often found adhering to hand-made goods are quite absent in the machine-made article. The firm supply several kinds of vacuum bottles adapted for preserving whole fruit, and their machines appear to open up a wide field for all kinds of glass jars.

glass jars.
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—The Quebec bridge directors have succeeded in concluding arrangements for the early commencement of work. The steel contract has been awarded to the Phoenix Bridge Company. of Phoenixville, Pa., a portion of which has been ordered, and will be delivered in Quebec in November. The masonry work has been let to the Canadian firm of William Davis & Sons, of Cardinal, Ont. who will at once order their quarry work and begin to deliver material in June. The Quebec bridge directors have deliver material in June.

The proposed new industries at Hamilton are progressing favorably. A recent letter states that the new steel plant of the Hamilton Steel and Iron Company will shortly be in operation. The two open-hearth steel furnaces have been finished. The furnaces will be ready for well about the furnaces will have been tunshed. The furnaces will be ready for work about the first week in May. They are most complete in appointment, and will turn out 90 tons of steel per day. The big steel roll mill is also complete, and will be ready for operations as soon as the furnaces, begin work. begin work.

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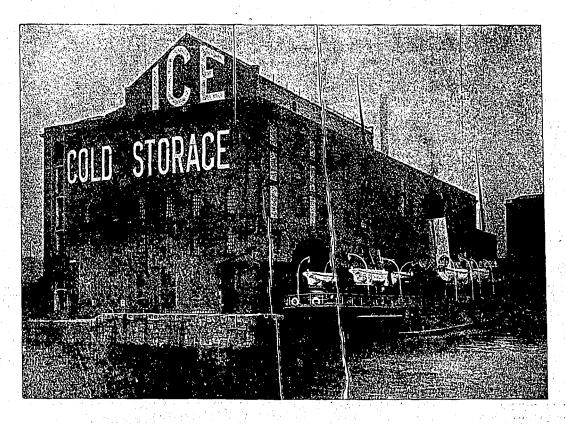
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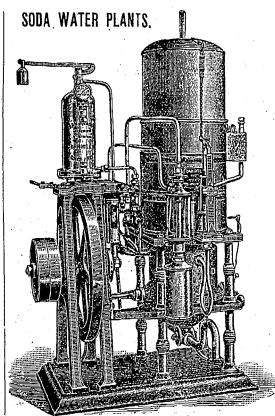
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1. Lots of land kown as sub-divisions lots Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23, of the official lot. No. 19 of the St. Lawrence Ward, in the city of Montreal, with the buildings thereon erected.

2. Official lots sub-division Nos. 85 and 86 of lot No. 80 of the official plan and book of reference of the village of Hochelaga.

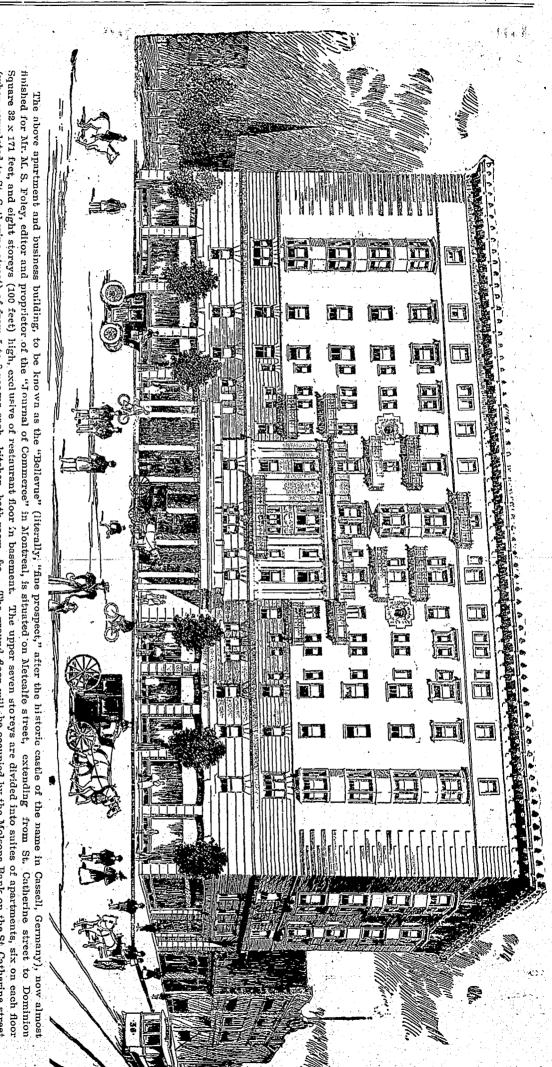
3. One undivided half interest in certain tract of land partly situated in St. Ann's Ward of the city of Montreal, and partly in that portion of the municipality of the parish of Montreal now known as St. Gabriel Ward of the city of Montreal, comprising lots Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 37, 38, 39, 10, 11, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 51, 52, 53, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 68, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, and also a portion of lots known and designated as Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 on the official plan and book of reference in the said St. Ann's Ward; also a triangular piece of land of lot No. 3169 of the official plan and book of reference of the municipality and parish of Montreal, likewise, a strip of land situate partly in said St. Ann's Ward of the city of Montreal, and partly in that portion of the municipality and parish of Montreal known as St. Gabriel Ward of the said city of Montreal of an irregular figure, comprising a portion of lots Nos. 1 and 2 official plan and book of reference of said St. Ann's Ward,

and a portion of lot No. 3169 of the official plan and book of reference of the parish of Montreal.

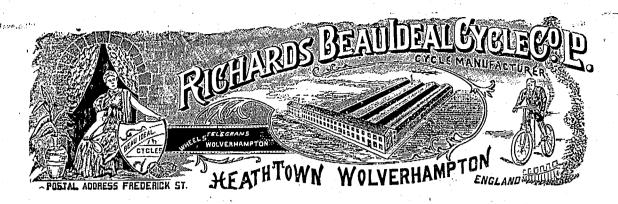
The names and addresses of his creditors, and the amounts and nature of their claims are as follows:

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6. The Gault Bros. Co., Ltd., Montreal, note	100.00
7. Campbell & Gilday, Montreal, note	179.00
S. F. M. A. Charest, Mile End, note	350.00
9. Star Iron Co., Montreal, note	200.00
10. Thos. Ligget, Montreal, note	41.00
11. Jas. Chamberland, Montreal, note	85.00
12. Warden King & Son, Montreal, note	150.00
13. John A. Tees & Co., Montreal, open account	71.00
14. A. Langevin, Montreal, open account	42.00
15. A. Grant, Montreal, open account	20 00
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21. Seminary of St. Sulpice, Montreal, notes	344.76
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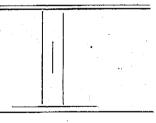


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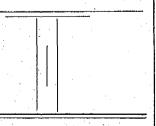
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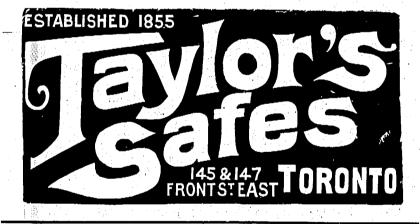
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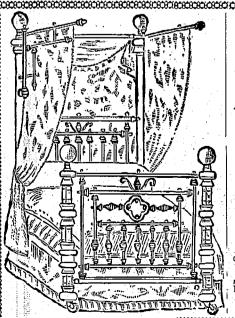
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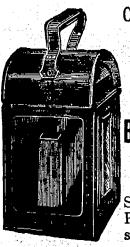
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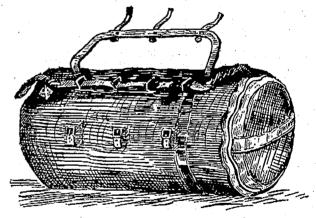
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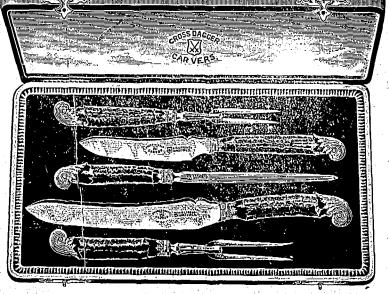
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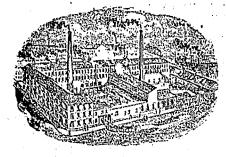
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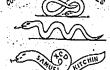


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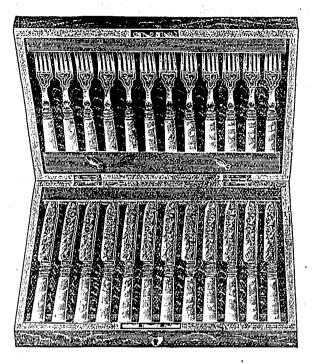
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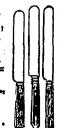
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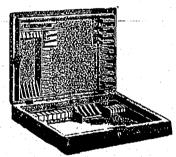
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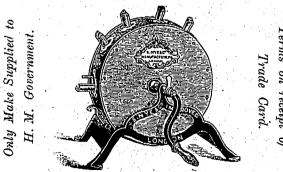
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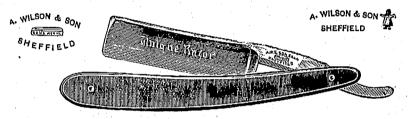
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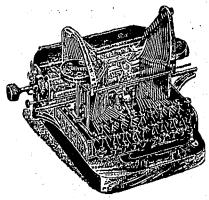
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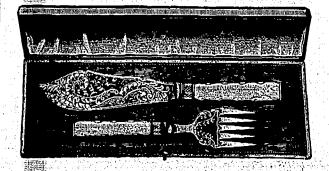


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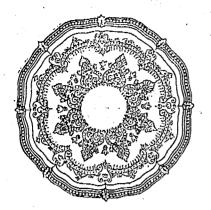
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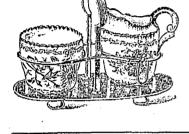
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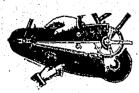
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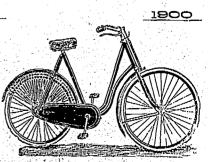
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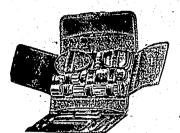
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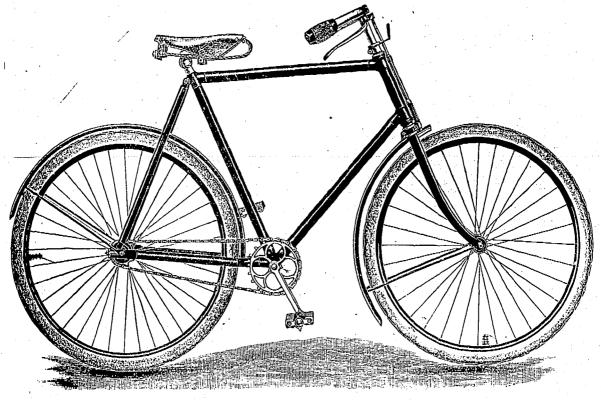
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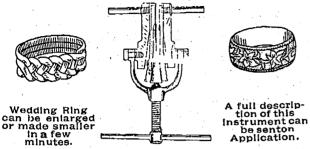
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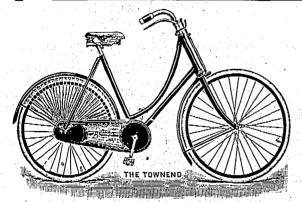
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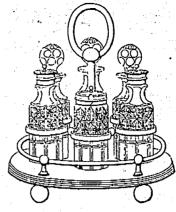


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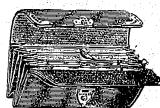
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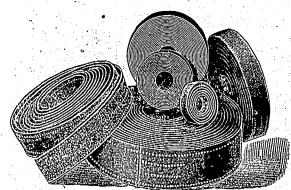
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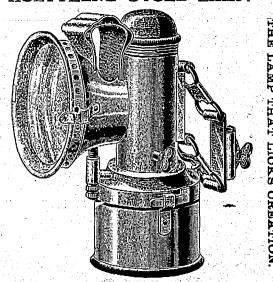
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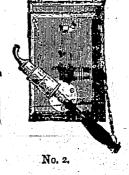
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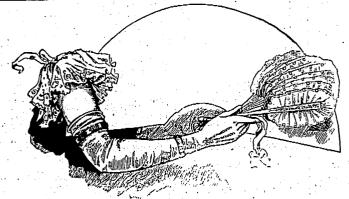
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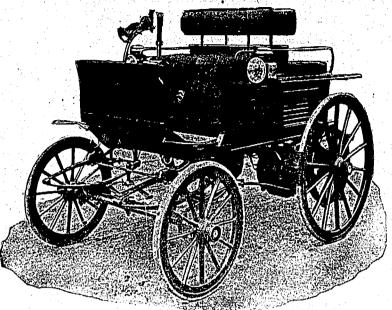
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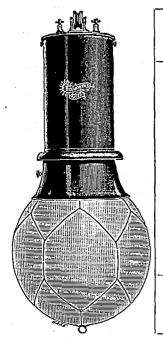
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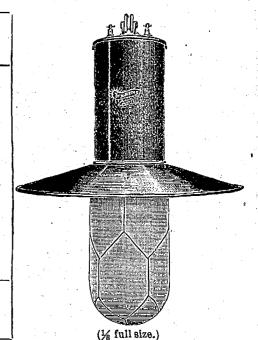
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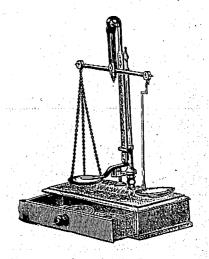
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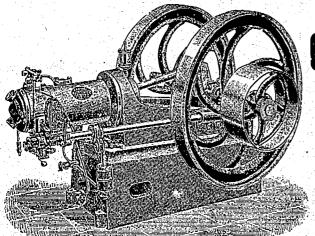
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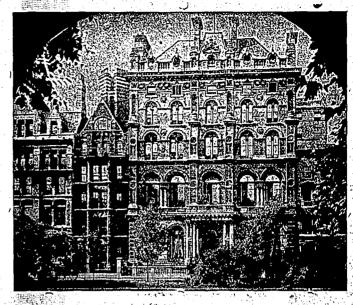
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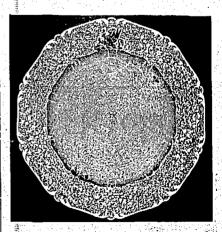
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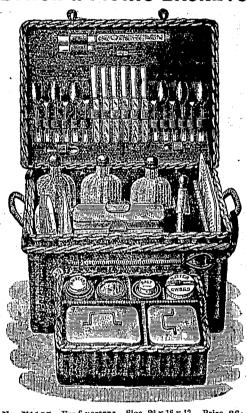
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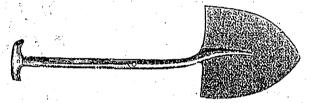
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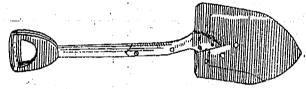
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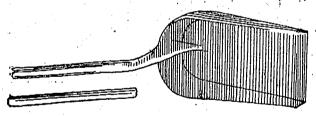
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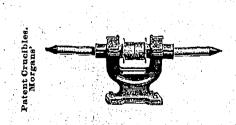
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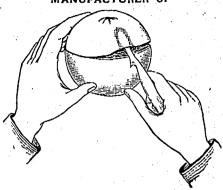
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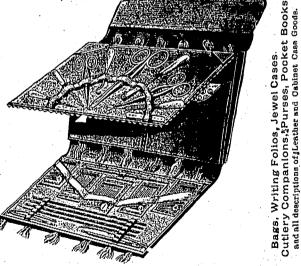


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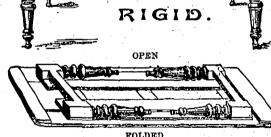
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