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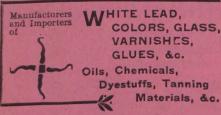
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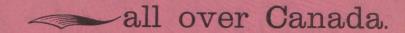
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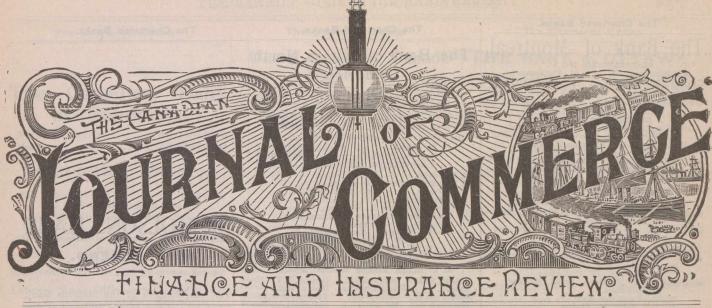
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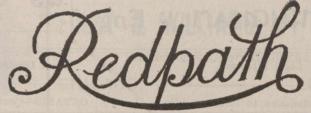
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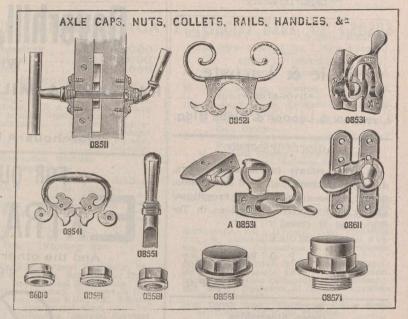
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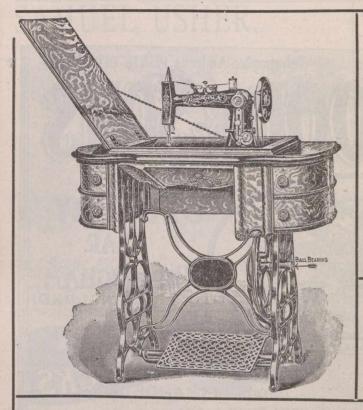
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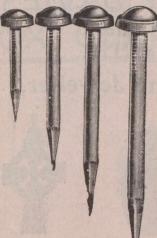
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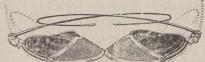
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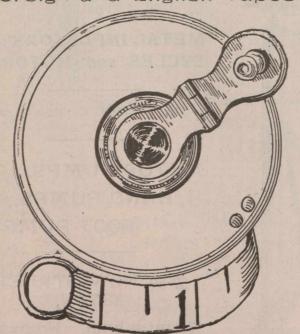


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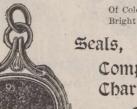


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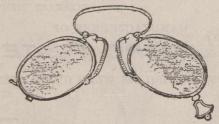
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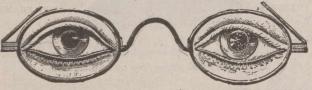
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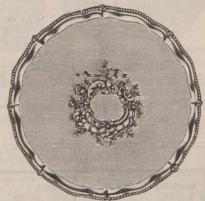
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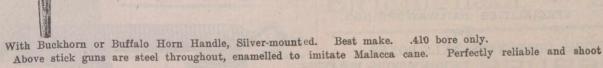
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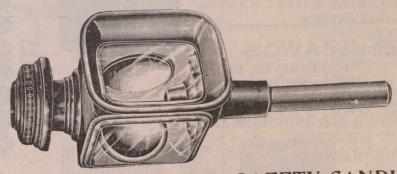


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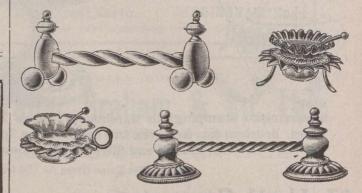
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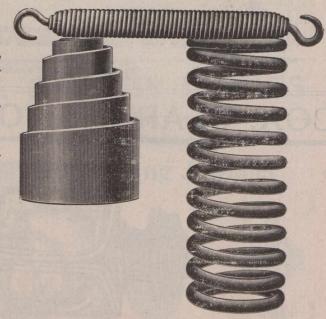
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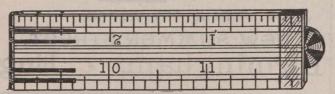


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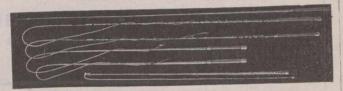
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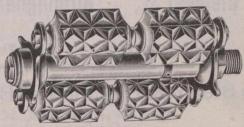
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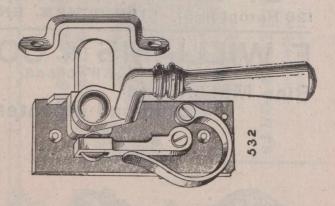
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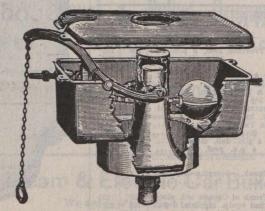
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-The Dominion Government have decided to make the canals free of tolls for another year.

Rumor has it that a large woodenware and paper industry on the Ottawa will shortly pass under control of a U. S. syndicate.

-As a result of a conference with the bankers of Tokio, Yokohama, Osaka, Nagoya and Kyoto, the Japanese Government has practically determined upon a fourth domestic loan of 100,000 000 yen (about \$50,000,000), to be issued at 96 per cent. and payable in seven years. The formal announcement of the loan is expected soon.

-The incorporation of the Monterey Electric and Gas Company has been formally gazetted at Ottawa, Ont. It has a capital of \$3,000,000, with head office in Toronto. The incorporators are William MacKenzie, William Laidlaw, Z. A. Lash, and A. W. MacKenzie of Toronto, and H. S. Holt of Montreal. It has power to do business in Canada and elsewhere. This is the Canadian charter by which the company will operate in Monterey. Mexico. The company recently purchased mule lines in that city, and will shortly change the motive power to electricity. New cars, heavier rails and other equipment will be ordered.

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—Grand Trunk Railway system.—Earnings from February 15th to 21st, 1905, \$452,239; 1904 \$398,860; increase, \$53,379.

—Despatches from Medicine Hat and Lethbridge, N. W. T., report fine spring weather and ploughing operations in progress.

—Mr. Percy Gomery, teller of the Eastern Townships Bank, in the St. James street office, this city, has been appointed accountant of the branch at Richmond, Que.

—The manufacture of automobiles will be commenced at Toronto Junction this month. A large addition has been built to the present works, the venture of making automobiles being considered a favorable one in Canada.

—Aa a meeting of creditors of Breck & Halliday, electric supplies, Kingston. Ont., Mr. John Geale was appointed assignee. It is estimated that the liabilities will be \$14,000, and the nominal assets \$13,000.

—The Canadian Bank of Commerce has purchased the southwest corner of Carlton and Parliament streets, Toronto, and will erect a branch on the site. The lot is 64 feet by 90 feet. and the price \$6,200.

—The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company has authorized the purchase of 175 consolidation freight locomotives. 35 passenger locomotives, 40 six-wheel switching locomotives, and

10000 freight cars. The contracts will soon be awarded, and the aggregate cost will range between \$12,000,000 and \$13,000,000.

—As a result of the additions made during the year 1904 the Canadian Pacific Railway has now 1,020 locomotives, 1977 passenger cars and 32,530 freight cars in service. Added to these there are 26 dining cars and 110 sleeping cars now in use. During the year there were 55 locomotives put in service, and 70 more are under order, most of which will be delivered during the present year. There were, during 1904, 1,500 freight cars put into service and 4,000 more are on order.

—The Edison Sault Electric Company will put up a big power plant on St. Mary's Rapids, Ont. near the locks. It will expend \$120,000 during the present summer. The first section is to have a capacity of nearly three thousand horse-power. Alexander Dow, of Detroit, with several Wall street capitalists, is behind the move. It is the intention to ultimately use all the power in the St. Mary's River.

—The Canada Steel & Tin Plate Co. have been granted the right to develop \$\(100 \) horse-power in the Williamsburg Canal, an dive town of Morrisburg, Ont., intends to take advantage of this by having the company establish a big electric plant. If the by-law carries it will authorize the council to borrow \$76,100, to be used for electric development purposes, and divided as follows:—\$30,000 to the Government for developing the water power, \$38,750 for electrical machinery, \$5,100 for transformers, and \$2,250 for land. The company's side of the agreement is to erect eight mills at a cost of \$300,000, to employ about 400 men, and to buy from the village the surplus electric power (estimated at from 400 to 500 horse-power) at \$12.50 per horse-power.

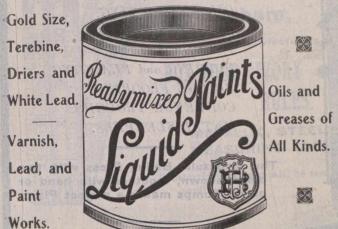
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—Three thousand seal hunters to man the steamers of the sealing fleet which are to sail two weeks hence, are, says a St. John's, Nfld. letter, unable to reach this place, owing to the railroads being blocked by a succession of blizzards and coast navigation being interrupted by ice floes. It will be necessary to send a special steamer to collect the men and bring them here.

—Fire, involving millions of dollars loss in property, swept the river front, at New Orleans, on the 26th ult. and wiped out the vast freight terminal of the Illinois Central, known as the Stuyvesant docks. Nearly a dozen squares of modern wharves and freight sheds, two great grain elevators, hundreds of loaded cars and vast quantities of freight, including 20,000 bales of cotton, were destroyed, together with a large number of small residences. The loss may reach \$5,000,000.

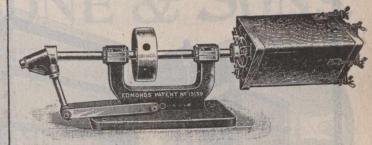
—A winding up order has been granted in the affairs of the National Woollen Mills Company, Limited, of Streetsville, Ont. Mr. E. R. C. Clarkson has been appointed liquidator. The company is capitalized at \$100,000, of which \$90,000 has been paid up. Recently the assets of the company were assigned to Mr. Peter Ryan, as security, that gentleman having large claims against the concern. Mr. James S. Heath, a shareholder for \$3,000, and a director of the company, who is liable on a bond for \$5,000, petitioned for the winding-up order.

—Stratford Ont., is losing an industry in the removal of the local branch of the Canada Furniture Manufacturers', Limited, to Seaforth. This is in line, says a Stratford letter. with the centralization policy of the company, who have three factories in Wingham and will have two in Seaforth. The local branch will close on April 1, when the factory and machinery will be sold under the hammer. An attempt was made to form a local company to operate the works, but this has apparently been dropped.

—Prussia intends spending about seventy-five million dollars in the construction of new waterways for commercial and strategical purposes. The entire system of canals, when completed, will greatly facilitate the conveyance of all kinds of agricultural and industrial products between Germany and Russia and between Germany and Austria. It will also greatly facilitate the conveyance of coal, iron and steel products, as when the projected canals are completed it will be possible to ship iron and steel manufactures by water from the Rhenish provinces to the great German shipbuilding centres.

-The discoveries of iron ore and aluminium in the Central

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Provinces of India, are officially confirmed, and it seems likely that they will revolutionize industrial India. A rush has commenced, says a Calcutta report, to take out aluminium claims, and a company, with a capital of over a million sterling, backed by the wealthy Parsee Tata connection, is being formed to erect blast furnaces and coking plant. Three million tons of the finest iron ore have already been proved to be in the new fields, with coal and limestone within reach, and also enough easily worked aluminium ore to supply the present needs of the world.

—The Dominion Coal Company, Sydney, N. S., is about to make a number of alterations and improvements, including the installation of denton hoists for the raising and lowering of the chutes by which coal is loaded on the ships. These were previously operated by ordinary winches and required the attention of two men for twenty minutes. The new hoist will lower the chute in less than a minute and is operated by one man. The coal company will also erect a large power house at the piers and supply its own power for lighting etc. The contract for the supplying of the new electric power house has been let.

—The Railways of Detroit have agreed upon the plans for the tunnel under the Detroit River and for a union passenger station. The Michigan Central was the prime mover in the priject, but the G. T. R. came in as did the Wabash and Pere Marquette, upon invitation. The Pere Marquette had already planned an extensive system of car ferries, with Canadian landing yards, etc., above Walkerville, upon which the road had secured an option. The Pere Marquette had expected to expend at least two million dollars for ferries, docks and yards, but this expenditure will now be unnecessary, and it is understood the sum or something like it will be that company's contribution towards the construction of the tunnel.

—A vote of \$30,000 in connection with the prevention of adulteration of food caused the Minister of Inland Revenue to observe at Ottawa the other day that cases had been brought to the Government's notice where "maple sugar and syrup" were being manufactured in the larger cities which had never seen a maple tree. The analysis of jams, jellies and spices had also shown that some of these goods were not at all what



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they purported to be. It had been found that glucose and all sorts of substitutes had been used to represent strawberries. However, the law was being enforced, and considerable improvement had resulted. The Government were determined to adopt an aggressive policy in this connection.

-The following bills were introduced at Ottawa some days ago, and read a first time in the Commons:-Respecting the Medicine Hat and Northern Alberta Railway Company, and respecting the Battleford and Lake Letore Railway Company-Mr. Parmelee.—Respecting the Red Deer Valley Railway and Coal Co., and respecting the Canadian agency and respecting the McLeod, Cardston, and Montana Railway Co-Mr. Campbell.—Respecting the Toronto. Hamilton, and Buffalo Railway Co.-Mr. Zimmerman.-To incorporate the Woodstock and Lake Huron Railway Co.-Mr. Clarke.-Respecting the Ottawa River Railway Co., to change its name to the Central Trunk Railway Company .- Mr. Piche.

petition was presented at Ottawa asking for ratification of an agreement between the Algoma Central & Hudson's Bay Railway Company and the Algoma Commercial Company. Under this agreement the Algoma Commercial Company undertook to construct and equip the line in return for the transfer and payment to it by the railway company of the entire capital stock, the land grants, and the cash subsidy from the Dominion to the extent of \$3,200 a mile. By agreement of January 2 1903, the transfer to the Commercial Company of the land grant was waived, and it was agreed that the railway company should take the necessary action for the issue of bonds to a maximum principal amount of \$6,-450,000 and \$30,000 per noile. In pursuance of the agreement first mortgage bonds to the amount of \$6.750,000 have been issued and transferred to the Commercial Company. A five years' extension of time for the commencement, completion and operation of the railway is sought.

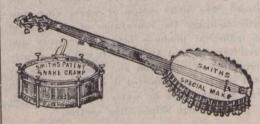
-St. John, N.B. advices state that Hon. L. J. Tweedie, Premier, in an interview told of a big project to develop the water-power of Grand Falls, N.B. The capitalists interested

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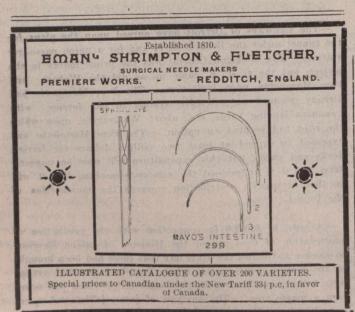
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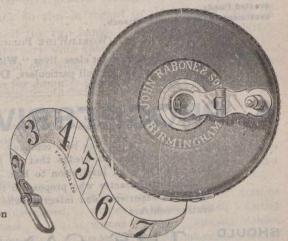
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are those comprising the Electro-Manganese Company, and include Barton E. Kingman of New York, and Fred. Sayles, of Providence, R.I. The project includes the manufacture of terro-manganese at the falls, and the operation of pulp, paper, and saw mills, the operation of the International Railroad by electricity, and the transmission of electric power down the St. John River Valley to be sold for use in lighting and manufacturing as far as St. John. The whole project, it is calculated, will involve from \$3,000,000 to \$4,000,000 outlay, and as a guarantee of good faith, the capitalists are depositing \$50,000 with the Receiver-General of the province. They propose to begin work of development this year. The New Brunswick Legislature will lease the Grand Falls power to them under an act passed last session of the Legislature.

-Messrs. H. and A. Allan, of Montreal, have signed a contract with the Dominion Government for a steamship service to France. The contract is for three years, four steamships are to be employed, and the minimum speed is to be not less than ten knots when loaded at sea. The steamships used will be the Laurentian, Pomerarian Sardinian and Buenos Ayrean. Montreal or Quebec will be the port of call during the season of navigation, and Halifax or St. John when the season is closed. The port of call in France will be either Cherbourg or Havre, at the contractor's option. The contractors may extend their trip or trips to British ports, but the steamers must call first and last at a French port. For eighteen round voyages the contractors will receive \$100,000, and for twenty-four voyages \$133,333. The ships are to be fitted with cold storage, and there is to be no discrimination in freight rates against Canadian merchants and shippers, who are always to have the preference .

The Royal Trust Company, incorporated by a special Act of the Province of Quebec, has been empowered to carry on business in Ontario.—The following companies have been granted incorporation:—Ontario Live Stock Corporation, Limited, head office Toronto; share capital, \$40,000; Blind River Ligat, Heat and Fower Company. Limited, share capital, \$40,000; Thompson and Livock, Limited, Ottawa, share capital, \$40,000; Sahlstrom Ozonizers, Limited, Ottawa, share capital, \$160,000; Thomas Lawson and Sons. Limited, Ottawa, share capital, \$50,000; the Thompson Stationery Company, Limited, Toronto, share capital, \$40,000; John Hillick and Company, Limited, Toronto, share capital, \$40,000; the Close Brick Company, Limited, Stratford, share capital, \$25,000; the Canadian Dental Supply Company, Limited, Toronto, share capital, \$100,000; Keystone Engineering Company, Limited, Toronto, share capital, \$40,000; the Wolthausen Hat Corpora-

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tion, Limited, Brockville, share capital, \$50,000.—The following companies have been licensed to carry on business in Ontario:—Dain Manufacturing Company, of Iowa, agricultural implements; the East Templeton Lumber Company, Limited; the Lumen Bearing Company, of New York; the Campbell Milling Company, Limited. The corporate name of the Ayton Cordage Company, Limited, has been changed to Ayton Cordage and Power Company, Limited.

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THE BANK STATEMENT FOR JANUARY.

As we often had to remark, as indeed is too familiarly known in this city, January is a month when business acts something like the bears who "retire, the world shut out" while the air is too cold for promenading. We of this generation who have railways and telegraphs at our service cannot realize the stagnation that prevailed in winters before the railway age. Perhaps if we could have a few weeks of old-time conditions we should more gratefully appreciate the services of railways by which the stagnation of winter is now materially relieved.

In January last there were some exceptionally large signs of this being the dead season. The decline of the circulation from \$64,507,394 to \$58,021,075, a decrease

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of \$6,486,319 is unprecedented in January, though in some years the falling off has been very large, as is shown by the following figures:

	Decrease
Year. Jan. 31st.	in Jan.
1905	\$6,486,000
1904	5 566 000
1903 55,040,000	5,533,000
1902	5,786,000
1901 45.025,000	5,732,000
1900	4,679,000
1889 36,916,000	3,341,000

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New Insurance Paid for in 1903,	\$12,527,2~8 \$17,862,853
Gain in New Insurance Paid for,	\$5,335,065
Gain in Full Legal Reserve Business in Force (Paid for Basis) in 1904, Gain in Legal Reserve Membership in 1904, Gain in Premims on New Business in 1904. Decrease in Outstanding Death Claims, 1904, Total Payments to Members and their Beueficiaries,	\$6,797,601 \$5,883 \$128,000 \$119,296 \$61,000,000

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As the afflux of note issues enlarges during harvest seasons the influx of them at a later period will be equally enlarged, as, however great may be the demand for currency in September and October, it is only for a temporary purpose, which is served before the end of the year, when the tide begins to flow back as rapidly as it rushed forward.

The deposits on demand were reduced from \$134,-280,104 to \$128,962,627, a decline of \$5,317,477, as compared with the decrease in January, 1903, of \$8,-123,456, and in January, 1904, of \$13,195,770.

The deposits payable after notice went up from \$319,-132,078 to \$322,370,620, an increase of \$3,138,542, the increases in January, 1904 and 1903 being severally \$7,-The gross amount of de-021,126 and \$4,709,318. posits in Canada last month was \$451,233,247, which exceeds their total in January last year by \$56,661,087, and is \$90,000,000, more than double what they amounted to 10 years ago. This fact is hardly in harmony with Lord Spencer's assertion that the fiscal system of Canada impoverishes the great body of the

The current loans and discounts in Canada went down from \$413,779,520 to \$412,901,073, a decrease of \$878,-447, which was counterbalanced by an increase of \$989, Call loans here 427 in current loans outside Canada. and elsewhere were reduced by \$3,300,000

The state of the state of the state of	Current loans in Canada	
	Jan. 31st.	Decrease.
Year. 1905	. \$412,901,000	\$ 878 400
		334,700
1904	222 707 000	281,100
1300		1,426,000
1902		1,548,000
1901		

Considering the large expenditures being made over new bank buildings it is surprising to find that bank premises account was only increased by \$91,488.

The amalgamation question is little spoken of just

now, but some who "speak with authority," justifiably or not, assert that negotiations are in progress looking to the two banks being united, which have been freely spoken of in this connection for some time past. the question of a general manager different ideas prevail, as they do also in regard to the relative value of In regard to the latter the shares of the two banks. opinions are very wide apart.

We append our usual comparative statement and the full return for January appears on a later page.

full return for Sandary appears		1	
Jan., 1905. Dec	., 1904. Jan	., 1904. Jan	., 1895.
			,458,685
Capital			,510,552
Capital subscribed			,685,329
Captan Paris		0,653,096 25	7,545,341
Reserve fund	THE REAL PROPERTY.		
LIABILITIES.	1 507 204 5	6,973,273 2	8,917,276
Notes in circulation	The state of the state of	.,	4,927,247
Title Domitmon devertiment.			3,575,681
Due Flov. doves		***************************************	6,601,119
Deposits on demand.			4,269,862
Deposits after hottee			
Deposits outside Canada.	811,954	692,111	69,103
Loans on bks. in Canada, sec. 1,104,292	5,684,483	3,983,608	3,384,740
Depts. on demand in Can. bks. 5,003,241	2,452,651	3,085,734	3,627,031
Due agencies in U. K 2,716,272	1,224,203	1,496,014	153,708
Due agencies abroad 1,511,299		10,043,262	268,431
Other liabilities 7,738,654	8,595,022	10,040,202	
	587,918,063 5	516,134,538 2	25,945,606
Total liabilities	181,910,000	,10,101,000	
ASSETS.		ar oot 000	8,466,410
Specie 17,796,556	17,617,529	15,821,603	15,579,051
Dominion notes 37,804,229	38,436,983	31,277,656 3,130,844	1,810,736
Deposits securing circulation 3,328,771	3,328,771	14,280,768	6,935,631
Notes & cheques on other bks. 21,067,517	23,784,768	668,091	69,103
Loans to other bks. in Can., sec 1,085,854	811,954	5,412,080	3,653,529
Depts. on demand in Can. bks 6,016,708	8,183,400	8,861,544	3,452,532
Due from banks in U. K 9,472,707	9,041,191	13,457,473	23,949,166
Due from foreign bks., etc 20,173,572	20,849,499	10,697,910	3,096,674
Dom. & Provincial Govt. secs. 9,374,840	9,561,422	14,309,065	9,629,580
Can. municip. & other pub. sec 17,173,395	17,241,673	14,000,000	
(Not Dominion.)	00 711 695	38,031,549	8,608,427
Railway and other secs 39,389,212	38,744,635 38,950,978	38,149,737	18,086,905
Call loans in Canada 38,214,280	48,782,441	36,433,662	
Call loans outside Canada 46,184,911	413,779,520	384,754,452	193,754,865
Current loans in Canada412,901,073	17,334,724	18,084,983	
Current loans outside Canada 18,324,151	11,004,124		
Leans to Govt. of Canada	2,934,306	2,174,400	1,100,140
Loans to Prov. Govts 1,948,922	2,149,162	2,071,724	3,406,348
Overdue debts	691,582	832,000	927,269
R. E. besides bk premises 667,370	805,101	758,772	575,028
Mortgages on real estate 768,024	10,165,341	8,972,713	5,486,265
Bank premises	6,710,804	6,400,777	2,058,462
Other assets 6,797,205	0,110,001	Part of the	The state of the s
- Hop oto 500	729,915,962	654,545,980	310,742,757
Total assets		10,909,406	7,734,021
Loans to directors & their firms 9,933,389			8,358,817
Av. specie for month 17,512,748			15,102,715
Av. Dom. notes for month 37,135,737		050	32,146,473
Grt'st circulation during mo. 64,031,382	10,20		

CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

The life assurance companies made considerable progress in Canada last year. They have "a hard row to hoe" in competing with several American companies, whose enormous assets impress the imagination and sway the judgment of those contemplating taking out a life The impression is based entirely assurance policy. upon a misconception of what constitutes the real, permanent stability of a life company, a misconception which ought to be persistently attacked, exposed, and, as far as possible, destroyed and replaced by a more rational idea.

A life company is not strong in proportion to the amount of its assets any more than a merchant is financially strong in proportion to the extent of his stock of goods. There is a form of size which is rather the sign of weakness than of strength. Huge men are seldom as constitutionally sound, as full of vitality as those of less bulk, whose proportions are nearer to the normal standard. A big tree is often hollow.

The tests of absolute strength in a life company are the proportion which its liabilities bear to its assets, the nature of those assets, and the system of conducting its business. If a company's position is such as to stand such tests is may far exceed in actual strength another company twenty or more times the size, which could not pass through the ordeal of such tests as triumphantly as the smaller one.

The Canada Life is not a huge institution, but it is as strong in all the vital elements of strength as some of its competitors of greater bulk. In the last 20 years this pioneer of life business in Canada has more than trebled its business. It has now over \$100,000,000 of assurance in force. While the policy liabilities have increased three fold in 20 years, the assets have increased fourfold, which is conclusive evidence of cautious, skillful and highly conservative management.

This excess of the increase of as ets over the increase in liabilities has resulted in placing the company on a stronger reserve basis than any other old established life company on this continent.

The policy reserves now are over 3 millions of dollars more than the requirements of the Dominion Government. These reserves make the security to policy holders impregnable, and constitute a fund which earns interest that will go on enlarging the policy holders' surplus.

The total assets of the Canada Life amount to \$29,-074,599, the bulk of which is invested in high class securities, not in speculative stocks, etc., as is the case with more than one of its competitors. The liabilities, including the reserve fund of \$26,408,650, calculated on the Company's Standard, Hm. 3 per cent. and 3½ per cent., amount to \$26,698,173, which, being deducted from the assets, leaves \$2,376,426, as the total Surplus on policy holders' account.

In 1904 the policies paid for amounted to \$11,211,721, as compared with \$10,122,139, the increase last year having been \$1,089,582.

This record makes 1904 the banner year in the company's history, and gives promise of this, the oldest and largest and strongest Canadian life company, still continuing as in the past to "grow up with the country" and do honour to Canadian enterprise.

The 58th annual statement is published on a later page in this issue.

—F. W. Bird & Son's Co., paper manufacturers, of East Walpole, Mass., have decided to locate in Hamilton, and have obtained nine acres of land for factory purposes. The company has promised to erect a \$20,000 factory. Roofing paper will be made at first and about 200 hands will be employed.

SUGAR.

A paper in the "Contemporary Review" for February, from the pen of Mr. Thomas Lough, member of Parliament for Nottingham, England, is one of the strongest arguments we have yet seen on the side of the so-called Free Traders in Great Britain. The writer takes for his title the rather ironical caption "The Success of the Sugar Convention," meaning that held in Brussels upwards of three years ago. He congratulates Mr. Chamberlain on having accomplished through his influence and that of his colleagues what had been found impossible for over forty years in the motherland.

The object of the agreement arrived at by the Brussels Sugar Convention was avowedly the removal of the bounties, direct and indirect, on the production and exportation of sugar, in order to equalize what make for competition between the cane and beet sugar from the various countries. The writer points out that the United Kingdom should have no interest in the object of the convention, as it is not a producer of sugar, and that many home industries in which sugar is employed, such as confectionery, preserves, mineral waters, etc., must suffer from the increase in price which he says result from the agreement. He claims that the few West India planters who must benefit by the plan, scarcely justify the measure.

The treaty was signed by the Powers in March, 1902, and was to go into operation in September, 1903. The writer shows by a table the gradual percentage advance from month to month, beginning with July, 1902, that for the first month, being 1.9 per cent., gradually increasing to 301 per cent. in December. The following year started with an advance of 26.8 per cent., steadily increasing to 39 per cent. at the sing month of the year. The year 1904 started with an advance of 37.9 per cent. for January, and each month showed a steady increase, until in November the price averaged somewhat over double that in July, 1902, being 103.1 per cent. over the average figure for that month. ber, 1904, showed a percentage rise in price on that for July, 1902, of 119.7 per cent. January, 1905. jumped to 133.9 per cent. February records about 160 The figures are for granulated, F.O.B. It is necessary to guard against errors here by bearing in mind that to these wholesale prices must be added freight and dealers' profits.

Mr. Lough estimates that the advance in price means an additional cost to the eighty millions of people in the United Kingdom of equal to seventy or eighty millions of dollars a year. The writer does not consider that the forty millions are better able today to pay equal to 5c a pound for their sugar than they were to pay 2c to 21c formerly, and that the masses of the people are no longer satisfied to consume brown sugars as their parents did, but must have white granulated, and plenty of that. We may recall here the fluctuations in the price of granulated sugar since our refineries were enabled to resume operations by the legislation of about a quarter of a century ago, the want of which had kept them idle and sent out of the country large amounts of money to furnish employment to armies of The following table shows the workmen abroad. wholesale price of standard granulated sugar at intervals of five years, in January of each year, since the establishment of the Journal of Commerce in 1875:

1875....1880....1885....1890....1895.....1900....1905 $8\frac{1}{2}$ c....10e....6 $\frac{1}{4}$ c....7e.....3 $\frac{3}{4}$ c....4.35c....5.45c

As each person, according to Mr. Lough, consumes on an average about 90 lbs. of sugar per annum—a rather high estimate apparently—one can readily calculate the saving of our population as compared with the prices That the low prices of the 90's were prior to 1890. not profitable was shown by the condition to which the West India cane-sugar planters had been reduced, extending over many years.

We avail ourselves of the following interesting table, giving the world's crop of both cane and beet sugars, for which Mr. Lough gives credit to the "Produce Markets' Review' of London:

- ment		such I M. S.
Cane	Beet,	
Tons.	Tons.	
2 200,000	1,783,000	
	3,402,000	
4,149,632	5,756,720	
4 686,000	5,141,000	(Estimate)
	Cane Tons.	Tons. Tons. 2 200,000 1,783,000 2,898,000 3,402,000 4,149,632 5,756,720

These figures do not agree with the totals given in the Encyclopaedia Britannica, those for 1882-3 being therein given as 2,056,000 tons of cane sugar, and 2,-147,031 tons of beet. The weight of sugar extracted from a ton of cane is less than from a ton of beet, but the tonnage of canes grown on an acre is fully double The old wasteful "pan system" of that of beets. manufacture still obtains in the West Indies, but the example being set in Cuba, where, as Sir William Van Horne says, some \$400,000,000 is now invested in this great industry, is likely to bring about some reform in Our people do not fully appreciate the near future. the superior quality and saccharine strength of the products of our own leading refineries. The adulterated foreign sugars of the 70's are still in the recollection of people all over the Dominion.

THE UNION MUTUAL LIFE.

Every Canadian who holds a policy in this substantial and progressive American institution is pleased to hear that those who guide it on its way are not allowing the grass to grow under their feet. That they are keeping steadily at the good work is shown by a few figures called from its records.

In 1893 the premium income was \$964,201.08; in 1904 it was \$2,154,450.51. The total income for those years was respectively \$1,261,930.51, and \$2,580,-Between the same periods the amount of insurance increased from \$35,914,417, to \$60,598,837. Compared with 1903, last year shows a gain of \$864,-513.15, in the assets of the company, while the surplus is increased by \$69,383.89. The disbursements for 1904 are made up of death claims, \$690,548.50; endowment, \$250,841.57; surrenders, \$146,339.37; dividends, annuities, taxes and all other expenses, \$940,-712.57; in all \$1,882,102.64.

As is generally known, the company's reserve is cal-

culated upon a basis of 4 per cent. on business accepted prior to January 1, 1901; at that date the company resolved to adopt even a more conservative basis than is required by the laws of any of the United States, fixing The reserve required it at 3 per cent. for the future. to insure all outstanding policies is \$10,290,467.00, which, with all other liabilities of \$145,824.70, leaves a surplus of \$632,948.70. There figures are worth studying, and we have put them briefly so that even he who runs may read. The principal officers were duly re-elected for the current year. They are Messrs. F. E. Richards, president; A. L. Bates, vice-president; and J. F. Lang, secretary. These gentlemen, with MessTs. Bonney, Robee, Cleaves and Drummond, form the finance committee, who, with Messrs. Noyes, Allen, General Connor, Hamilton and Winsor, constitute the board of directors of the company. Among the claims paid during the months of November, December and January last, amounting to \$178,375.77, is one for \$5,000, in Montreal, through a policy issued to a citizen, lately deceased, whose heirs and beneficiaries may have to submit to a few inquiries before all parties concerned are satisfied. Some of the companies, like the Union Mutual, of Portland, Maine, had already paid up before action was resolved upon by any.—Mr. Walter I. Joseph is the company's active representative in Montreal.

THE HOME SAVINGS AND LOAN COMPANY.

Nhen our last review of the report of the Home Savings & Dan Company was published it was expected to be the last issued under that title, as preparations were being made to convert the institution into a chartered bank to be styled, Owing to vacancies having "The Home Bank of Canada." occurred during the year arising from death and other causes, and there being no provision in the bank act for such vacancies being filled before incorporation, it was necessary to secure a special Act of Parliament to complete the number of directors. The Bank Act in this particular is defective, and should be amended by a short act, which might be passed this Session.

The statement of the Home Savings & Loan Company gives great promise of the new bank being a success from the day of opening, and being indeed in a position of exceptional strength. The company has \$2,976,945 advanced on collaterals of stocks bonds and debentures, \$423,070 on real estate mortgages and other securities, it owns \$203,085 worth of debentures and bonds, \$209,961 of cash in bank or on hand. These assets could be turned into eash in the course of a day or two; they amount to \$3,826,163. The amount due to the public is only \$3,350,356, so that the company is in a position to pay off all its deposit credits in a shorter time than their several accounts could be made up. In fact, this institution may be said to have a strictly cash basis, which will enable it to go before the public with a prestige and with financial resources of quite an exceptional extent. The mortgages will have to be disposed of as a bank is not allowed to have loans of this class. The reserve fund and contingent account will be amply sufficient to provide for any shrinkage in value which may occur in converting the mortgages into cash.

The special act necessary for complying with the Bank Act. as regards the number of directors, has been passed and there is every prospect of "The Home Bank of Canada" soon taking an honoured place on the list of chartered banks in Canada.

We take the opportunity of congratulating the company upon having one of its directors, the Honorable James J. Foy, Q.C., a member of the Government of Ontario, and Lt.-Col. Mason, upon his early entrance upon the dignity and duties of the general manager of a bank.

THE OUTLOOK IN SYDNEY.

Our special correspondent at Sydney, N.S., writes: It is over five years since the first sod was turned in the construction of the iron and steel plant in what is now the city of Sydney. The business outlook is good. The Dominion Iron & Steel Company is flourishing as never before and is now under the careful, cautious management which it lacked in its early years, enlarging its plant and increasing its output so that with the opening of spring the number of men employed, not including those on construction, will be half as large again as at any previous time. To this must be added the fact that both the blast and open hearth furnaces and the rod mill, machine shop, foundry, and in fact the whole plant under the new management has been doing better work and turning out better material than at any previous time and at greatly reduced cost.

Nor is this Sydney's only industry. About two years ago the Dominion Tar and Chemical Company commenced operations and is now employing a large number of men and conducting a good business with large returns to its English shareholders. Another local company, backed by English capital, is now commencing the construction of its buildings. This is the Sydney Cement Company, Limited. The purpose of this company is to manufacture cement from the slag of the D. I. & S. Co. This has heretofore been thrown in the waste heap, but recent analysis has shown that its composition is in the highest degree suitable for the manufacture of cement, hence the formation of the present company. initial cost of the plant and building will be over a quarter of a million dollars, and the company will have cement ready for sale early in July. A third English company is now engaging in opening coal mines on an extensive scale in the vicinity of Sydney, the Cape Breton Coal Iron and Railway Company, Limited. This company has numerous coal deposits and bids fair to rival the Dominion Coal Company.

Other local industries, while not yet actively engaged in construction, are now forming, and will soon be under way. Sydney is peculiarly well situated for the manufacture of steel cars and for a nail factory.

A company has also been formed recently for the purpose of constructing a dry dock and ship building plant, and it may be that the project will be successfully launched. The establishment of the local industries above mentioned were confidently predicted when the Dominion Company commenced operation, but the time has only now come for fufillment. Sydney is bound to make rapid progress with such activity in its midst.

Our business men on the whole have held out well during the period of depression. Several of the smaller dealers have gone under but there have been no failures of any consequence in the business portion of the city. With the boom and its reaction over, the business men of Sydney may now look forward to the establishment of successful business careers on sound footing.

BAY OF QUINTE NOTES.

The supply of ice being gathered in Deseronto this season is of splendid quality, being 18 to 24 inches thick and as clear as crystal.—Deseronto has been somewhat incommoded by snow, but Picton has been in a worse plight. The mails there arrive spasmodically and communication with the country is about shut off.

The Davis Company, of Kingston, have a contract to build

a triple-expansion engine for the steamer Varuna, and when the new engine is installed it is expected that it will be able to keep ahead of any other of the boats on the bay.

H. C. Kennedy. Wiarton, has secured an option on the famous Lake of the Mountain, Mr. Kennedy said in an interview: "This remarkable lake, on which I have purchased an option, is 200 feet higher than the Bay of Quinte. It is situated at Glenora, about five miles from Picton, and its altitude and great depth of water should make it a very valuable water power. A learned professor, in testing the lake, advises that the water 100 feet depth is colder than Lake Superior at 300 feet. It has been found impossible to locate any bottom to the lake at some points, and it seems to be fed from below. Only a tunnel of about 1,200 feet needs to be made to secure a fall of 200 feet, and this should enable us to supply electric light and ower to the nearby cities and towns. Our company will be capitalized at \$500,000."

One man asked 35 cents a pound for butter on Deseronto market Tuesday and got it.—There is a great scarcity of butter in Deseronto at present. But little is being offered on the market, and the grocers are unable to obtain nearly enough to satisfy their customers. The heavy snowfall and the impassable condition of the country roads are responsible for the famine.

BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES.

The drygoods firm of Morrell & Sutherland, St. John, N. B., has gone under after an existence of some 5 or 6 years. The proprietors were previously clerks, but expectations ran high among their business acquaintances and they began with good backing. They now owe between \$17,000 and \$18000, with assets nominally the same. A Montreal firm are interested to the extent of some \$10.000. It was understood the firm had a lien on the stock, but on action being taken a local judge-set aside the injunction, and an assignment to another firm resulted. The business will likely be wound up.

It is understood that when J. P. Boisseau started in the drug business at Quebec, a couple or three years ago, he got assistance from his father to the extent of \$2,000. He fell behind, however, and following recent writs he assigned. Assets, \$3.150; liabilities, 2278. Principal creditors, W. Brunet & Co., \$900; Evans & Sons, \$326; Lyman, Knox \$188; their bankers, Quebec, \$185. Meeting of creditors is called for 7th-instant.

The Merchants Mantle Mfg. Co., Ltd., Toronto, have given possession to the assignee. The concern was incorporated in 1839 and in 1904 claimed a capital, paid-up, of \$22,000. Bad debts played a part and in December last, a statement presented showed assets \$44,987, and liabilities, \$39,482.

—Our correspondent at Watford, Ont. writes.—Messrs. Swift Bros., drygoods merchants here, recently dissolved partnership. The firm has been composed of E. D. Swift and T. L. Swift. The latter is retiring and the business is now being continued by Mr. E. D. Swift, but is still under the old name. Mr. Arthur Brown, another drygoods merchant here, who has two stores and deals likewise in boots and shoes has handed over his business to his two sons, A. G. and E. A. Brown. who have been managing the business for the last year or two, owing to the illness of their father. Business is now being carried on in the name of A. Brown & Co. Mr. F. J. Hughes and Arthur Cook commenced business recently in partnership as harness makers, etc.

—The Bank of Montreal building at Regina N. W. T., was destroyed by fire on the 26th ult. Everything was lost. The building and contents were valued at \$50,000; insured.—The model and public school building in Athens, Ont., was totally destroyed by fire on the 25th ult. The loss is estimated at \$9,000, with insurance of \$4,000. The building was of stone, and was constructed in 1857.

POSTAL RATES WITH GREAT BRITAIN.

According to promise last week we subjoin the address delivered in the Senate last week by Hon. Sir George A. Drummond. The arguments call for no comment on our part: they speak for themselves.

The Senate, on motion of Sir George Drummond put itself on record in favor of the following resolution:

"That the attention of the Government be directed to the local, foreign and Imperial postal charges, with the view of remedying certain inequalities therein, and the Senate affirms the principle that the conveyance of letters, newspapers, books, periodicals etc., should be at a lower scale of charges within the Empire than at the time ruling with any foreign country."

Sir George began by drawing attention to the very wide and serious discrepancies in the postal rates on matter destinea for Great Britain and other countries. Take, for example, he said, the rates on letters. Two cents an ounce is the current rate for the conveyance of letters all over, both in this country and in the United States, while in England and the Empire two cents cover only half an ounce. other words, the rate to England is double that charged on letters to the United States. Then he went on: solution calls for an expression of the opinion of the House that the rates within the Empire should be lower than those at the time ruling with any foreign country. I have mentioned the discrepancy in reference to letters. The same discrepancy exists with regard to postcards. In Canada and the United S,tates they are conveyed for one cent each while to England and the Empire generally the rate is two cents, again double. But the most serious discrepancy occurs in the postage rate for newspapers, magazines and periodicals, which Canada conveys to England at the rate of one-half cent per pound, while the rate from England to Canada is no less than eight cents per pound, and the rate from the United States to Canada is one cent per pound. It is difficult to magine on what principle the Imperial Government goes in charging the rate of eight cents per pound. It is in itself a monstrous rate. It is equivalent to \$175 per ton. In these days of cheap conveyance such a rate is absolutely unjustifiable. It is quite true that mails from the Unted Kingdom have to cross the ocean, but it is equally true that the cost of conveyance across the ocean is much less than land conveyance and if you take the extent of the United States and of Canada itself if a rate of one cent per pound covers the cost of the land carriage, there is certainly something seriously wrong in charging eight cents per pound for the mails across the ocean only. So much is it the fact that ocean conveyance is cheaper than land conveyance that I have seen it stated, and I fully believe it, that in the province of Ulster, Ireland, they find the cheapest way to send the produce of the North of Ireland to London is to ship it to New York and back again. The charge of eight cents per pound is totally unjustifiable, and it is to the credit of our Post Office that it has countered such a charge by a rate of half a cent per pound in return. I could undertake to do the conveyance from Great Britain to this country for one-tenth of the current rate and make a handsome profit on it. But I shall proceed to show that this rate, which the Postmaster-General of England imagines is a source of revenue is evaded in substance and in fact."

Sir George then quoted from the British Postmaster-General's report for 1903, the following clause: "In deference to representations from the Canadian post office, I have agreed to accept newspapers and other periodicals from Canada for delivery in the United Kingdom, prepaid only at the Canadian domestic rates of postage. I regret that I have been unable to recommend to your lordships the adoption of these very low rates in the reverse direction. I am of opinion that any rate of postage adopted for Canada must be eventually applied to all other parts of the British Empire, and I do not see any present justification for so wide and costly an extension of this unremunerative post."

Sir George then proceeded to show that the rate which the British Postmaster-General held to be remunerative was so exaggerated that, as in all such cases, it was sure to be evaded

and evaded it was. He said: "An institution called the American News Company imports all this literature by express at \$2 per hundred pounds, to New York, that is two cents a pound, and then posting it by the United States postal, one cent a pound delivers it in Canada for three cents a pound, so that the Postmaster-General is to this extent entirely out as he expects a revenue and does not get it. He probably, if he reduced the rate to three cents, would command the business and make a handsome profit, but he charges eight cents a pound and kills the goose that lays the golden egg."

The effect on Canadian booksellers and distributors of the state of affairs above outlined was next considered.

Sir George said: "The Canadian bookseller has this before him; if he accepts an order for a subscription for an English magazine or illustrated paper, he is in the first place charged eight cents a pound, and then he has to pay to the Canadian post office one cent a pound in addition for the purpose of having his wares distributed unless, indeed, he and his customer happen to be in the same city, when he can do it by hand without the intervention of the post office. So he has to compete with an institution which can do the business for three cents a pound, while, if he employs the legitimate post office facilities, the postage on his wares amounts to nine cents a pound. Now, that is a very serious thing I may say, that the addition of the one cent rate is of comparatively recent date. Prior to the adoption of it the wares were carried free by the Canadian Government. The addition of this one cent on the subscription for one year, to the Graphic is equivalent to 75 cents, which of itself is an important item and would at once throw the business into the hands of the American News Company. You ask, probably, as it occurred to me, cannot the Canadian bookseller evade the English point the same way the United States bookseller does. But he is met by the express company which is, so far as I know, a United States institution; while they carry such wares to New York for \$2 per hundred pounds, the charge is \$4.01 to Montreal, and a proportionately higher rate to other parts of the Dominion. Altogether, this rate is destructive to the business of the Canadian bookseller. It affects other classes also. I call every member of this House to witness, if he does not observe for himself that the supply of reading matter of a light character is almost entirely monopolized by United States publishers, and any English papers and magazines which come into this country are probably re-prints coming from the United States, and filled with United States advertisements. A Canadian magazine is almost an impossibility. Canada is flooded with United States literature, and Canadian manutacturers are met with the free distribution of the advertisements of the United States wares. This outrageous condition of things is full of dilemma. The United States magazine comes in filled with advertisements of United States wares fllustrated freely and distributed gratis because out of the one cent a pound charged for the conveyance by post, the Canadian post office gets nothing. The charge of one cent a pound goes entirely to the United States Government. If a magazine published in this country, with a limited circulation, struggling with the opposition so improperly created by the flooding of the country with United States literature, has to import materials of any kind, type, plates, prints or process plates which are now so common, duty is charged on them; but if a book is made up and printed on United States paper, it comes in free. An arrangement made with the United States for the conveyance of this literature seems fair. It is to say to this country, if you will exchange with the United States, we will carry all your magazines that you may send to us, and you will carry all we can supply to you; but in working it out, look at the discrepancy which results. The number of publications, including newspapers magazines and periodicals of all kinds, published in the United States according to the census of 1900 was 22 072; of magazines, monthly and quarterly, the number was 3,181. The total number of publications in Canada is 1,227, and of magazines 169, so in entering into an agreement of that kind, we have to consider this difference. If you take the 3,181 magazines on one side of the border which have the right to come across here without any contribution to our revenue and in return you get a similar right to distribute Canadian magazines in the United States to the number of 169, it surely does not require much argument to prove that the bargain is lopsided. have looked at the facts with regard to some of the magazines which circulate in this country. One magazine weighs 14 ounces, and is carried for seven-eighths of one cent to all parts of Canada. It contains 159 pages of reading matter and 106 pages of advertisements, on which there are 303 advertisements. Another magazine weighs 19 ounces, is carried for a little over one and three-sixteenths cents. It contains 112 pages of reading matter and 183 pages of advertisements, on which are published 457 separative advertisements. more popular of the English magazines are now printed in the United States and while they do not have anything like the number of advertisements to which I have alluded, they still have a fair proportion of the United States advertisements. As against that we have nothing, no quid pro quo, and I must say, that it appears to me the manufacturers and producers in this country have a reasonable cause for complaint when they see rival wares to their own distributed at the expense of our Government gratis, while if they on their side attempt to distribute advertisements or catalogues, they have to pay to their own Government two cents per ounce. strong representation made to England backed by the weight of this Senate might probably fortify the hands of our Government in dealing with this question, and do infinite good. I have no cognizance of the representations which have been made by our Government to the British Post Office on the subject, but the inference is plain that if we are willing to carry our magazines and literature of that kind to England for half a cent per pound, as against the eight cents per pound charged by the Imperial Government, our Government is not to blame. I have in my resolution made th's statement that "the Senate affirms the principal that the conveyance of letters, newspapers, books periodicals, etc., should be at a lower scale of charges within the Empire, than at the time ruling with any foreign country." Does that require any long argument? To my mind it does not. This country has already shown by its preferential tariff. which, while I have always maintained it was rather a crude method of settling the difficulty, at least showed what the feeling of this country was, and I know that the country was behind the Government when it established that preference. shows that the doctrine of a preference within the bounds of the Empire was the practically unanimous sense of this country, not only so, but we lead the way in the policy of reprisals administered to a powerful European Government, a policy which was, in 1867 inaugurated by Bismarck himself, when the German Government had to deal with other countries. He put in the most specific shape that the principle of reprisals, as he termed it, was the only way of dealing with foreign countries which discriminated against the exports of Germany. I am not going to deal with the general Imperial question, but this I will say, that Imperial sentiment, which is the deliberate policy of this country, as affirmed is the strongest and most effective bond of union in the Empire, and that in dealing with it in the miserable, haggling way the British Post Office does, they are trifling with an important factor in the spread of Imperial feeling and sympathy. I do not care to exaggerate sentiment as a factor, but you may be eertain that it is the most potent factor in all political movements in the world."

The facts above stated appear to me to make a case for a speedy review of the present postal rates by the Imperial and our own Governments.

They prove that the present rates are in their operations unjust, partial and prejudicial to the interests of several classes of our fellow citizens.

lst. To the booksellers and distributors of literature who are sacrificed in favor of American organizations having the same business ends.

2nd. To our manufacturers and producers who find the wares of their rivals in the United States advertised broadcast

and distributed at the expense of the Government of Canada.

3rd. To the English publishers who have to meet the competition in this market of literature artificially cheapened at the expense of the American and Canadian Governments.

4th. To the literary men and publishers of our own country, who have to maintain an unequal struggle against a flood of foreign productions.

Finally, in regard to the motion I have placed on record and hope to obtain the acceptance of by that honorable House, the Imperial note with which is included is, I think, in strict accord with the present policy and practice of this country.

Every one of my hearers knows that our relations with the Mother Land and other portions of the Empire are largely governed by sentiment. The debates now going on in England are almost entirely taken up with this subject and the collateral one of retaliation.

Now in this country we are in both subjects in advance of the parent state; we are in the fore-front in the practical adoption of a preferential tariff. We have shown the way to a policy of reprisal in our tariff relations with a great European power, and I cannot conceive that any reasonable objection can exist to the terms of my motion.

The party debates now running their course in Great Britain centre on the proposal to give a fiscal preference within the bounds of the Empire. Both sides recognize the value of the Imperial sentiment evinced by the colonies, or affect to do so, but while one party advocates a tariff preference as a means of tostering this bond of union, by the consolidating influence of mutual interest, the other scouts any such step as a needless sacrince, preferring to leave things to their own course, indeed the leader airily waves aside all such proposals as "squalid bonds."

Needless to say the latter view is not the view held in this country, but having made our preference and maintained it for years, having shown the practical value of the principle even at some considerable sacrifices, we wait the answer of the Mother Country without excitement or haste. But I may urge that as both sides are so far agreed, in regarding the loyal sentiment of the colonies as of importance they must be blind indeed if they can regard with indifference the practical monopoly of the reading matter supplies of this country, now held by a foreign literature, it is no exaggeration to say that the book-stalls of this country are monopolized by American literature and periodicals and that the appearance of an English or Canadian example is a rare exception.

Now, I have nothing to say about the quality of the supply we receive; there are good, bad and indifferent examples. with, I am prepared to say, a preponderance of the best, but it is not Canadian, nor is it English in tone, temper or tendency, occasionally very much the reverse and generally and quite naturally, exhibiting a spirit of propaganda of American ideas and influences.

The extent to which this supply has monopolized our markets is largely due to the absurd, even monstrous exactions, of the English Post Office. I thank God that the good sense of our people has hitherto resisted and kept them immune to influences of this kind, but I cannot believe that any statesman can regard with indifference the continuance of this condition of things. "Continual dropping wears the stone" is a very old and a very true saying.

I have, as the evidence appears to point, more or less assumed that our Government are not to blame for the present absurd not to say dangerous state of things, but I shall be gratified to have an assurance that this is the case, and I trust that by the adoption of the motion, this honorable House may strengthen its hands to accomplish a change, which, in my opinion, without cost to either of the contracting parties, will go far to remedy a crying evil.

You will observe that I do not advocate any exclusion of American reading matter, but I do most earnestly protest against the practical exclusion so far as price can do so, of the literature and news of our own country by postal regulations and imposts, which are not justifiable, and which benefit the revenues of neither our own nor the mother country.

-The Canadian Bank of Commerce have purchased a corner lot in the centre of the business district of Brantford, Ont.

The duties collected at the Toronto customs house during February totalled \$850,725, an increase of \$143,307 over the corresponding month last year.

-The Dominion customs revenue for the eight months ending February 28, shows an increase of \$618,000 oer the same period of last year. For the month of February only the increase was \$37 544.

-The contributories to the stock of the historical Citizens Insurance Co. have been notified that they are required to pay a further call, amounting to one per cent. of the remaining unpaid capital, in order to quiet the manes of the defunct institution.

—In these days of ama'gamation it is not surprising that what are called "well founded rumours" are abroad to the effect that the Bank of Yarmouth is about to throw in its tortunes with the Union Bank of Halifax. The capital of the Yarmouth Bank is \$300,000, in shares of a par value of The Union Bank has 31 branches in Nova Scotia.

-Applications for a winding-up order of the Atlantic Soap & Oil Co., Ltd., Toronto, were granted some days ago. company is capitalized at \$40,000, and the directors Messrs, J. E. Hoare F. M. Vanzant are George Dixon. petitioners are Wilson, Paterson & Company, creditors for \$1,400. They say that the assets are \$19,000, liabilities \$24,-000 and that the officers of the company appear to be creditors for about \$4,000, a circumstance that the petitioners ask to have investigated.

BRAZILIAN EXCHANGE.

For week ending Feb. 28, 1905:13 29-32d Feb. 23..

Meetings, Reports, &c

THE HOME SAVINGS & LOAN COMPANY LIMITED.

Twenty-sixth Annual Report and Statement.

The directors beg to submit the twenty-sixth annual report with accompanying financial statement duly audited showing the result of the company's business for the year ended 31st December, 1904, and its position on that day.

The business of the year was very satisfactory.

After paying and providing for two half-yearly dividends at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, and paying all expenses, including salaries, printing, advertising, auditors' fees, Government tax, and providing for directors' compensation, there remained a balance of \$19,837.54, which, added, to \$1,701.86. balance profit and loss account last year, made \$21,539.40. Of this amount, \$3,811.57 was written off office premises. office furniture, and other accounts, and the remainder, \$17,-727.83, is at credit of profit and loss account

The reserve fund stands at \$200,000.00 and the contingent account at \$55,000.00.

Loans on collaterals in-Deposits increased \$591,741.64. creased \$633,361.85 and mortgage loans decreased \$99,485.95. These latter loans are being called in in preparation for the change to a bank.

For some time past it was felt that, in order to accom-

modate many of the depositors of the company residing in the west end of the city and also to have a better share of the large deposit business of that section, a branch should be opened m it, and accordingly in March last suitable premises were secured at No. 522 Queen street, west, and a branch opened. The result has proved the wisdom of the step, as a business quite up to expectations is now being done.

In consequence of some vacancies having occurred during the year among the provisional directors of the Home Bank of Canada arising from death and other causes, and there being no provision in the Bank Act for the filling of these vacancies, it was found necessary to apply to the Dominion Parliament for a Special Act to complete the number of directors. The application was granted, and an act passed in accordance with the wishes of the provisional board. This was responsible for the delay in opening the stock subscription book of the bank. The book is now open and the stock is being taken up. The subscriptions are coming in satistactorily, and when a sufficient number of shares have been subscribed, the shareholders will be called together and the bank opened for business.

The directors have to regret the loss during the year of one of their number-Mr. John Foy, vice-president-who died in December last. Mr. Foy was a director of the company continuously from its organization, and always took a deep interest in its affairs.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

EUGENE O'KEEFE,

Toronto, February 1st, 1905.

Statement of assets and liabilities, 31st December, 1904.

ASSETS.

Loans on collaterals of stocks, bonds and deben tures	. \$2,976,945.88
Real estate mortgages and securities	423,070.34
Debentures and bonds	203,085.16
Real estate (including office premises)	
Cash in bank	
Cash on hand	3
Cash on hant.	_ 209,961.44
Other assets	. 1,971.73
Office furniture	. 1,950.00
	\$3,830,084.63

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock, authorized, \$2,500,000.00, subscribed, \$2,000,000.00, upon which has been paid ten	
per cent., amounting to	\$ 200,000.00
Due depositors, principal and interest	3 350,356.80
Dividend payable 3rd January, 1905	7.000.00
Reserve fund	200,000.00
Contingent account	55,000.00
Balance profit and loss account	17,727.83
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PROFIT AND LOSS.	
Dr.	
Interest paid and credited depositors Expenses of management, including Government	\$ 95,949.78
tax, auditors' fees, etc	31,183.19
Directors' compensation.	2,500.00
Dividend paid 2nd July. 1904	
Dividend payable 3rd Sandary, 1868	14,000.00
Balance	17,727.83
	\$162,360.80
Cr.	
Earnings for the year	\$160,658.94 1,701.86

\$162,360.80

\$3,830,084.63

JAMES MASON, Managing Director.

We hereby certify that we carefully examined the books, receipts and vouchers of the Home Savings and Loan Company, Limited, for the year ending 31st December, 1904, also the securities and cash on hand, and found the same correct and in accordance with the above statement.

J. M. SULLIVAN.

J. G. HALL,

Toronto, February, 1st, 1905.

Auditors.

The twenty-sixth annual general meeting of the shareholders was held at the head office of the company, No. 78 Church street, Toronto, on Thursday. February 16th, 1905, at 12

The president, Mr. Eugene O'Keefe, occupied the chair; and the managing director, Lt. Colonel James Mason, acted as secretary.

The minutes of the last annual general meeting, held 18th rebruary, 1904, were, upon motion to that effect, taken as read, and were confirmed.

The annual report and statement was then presented, and upon motion of the president, seconded by Mr. Thomas Flynn, was adopted.

The president spoke as follows:

"This is the twenty-sixth and the last annual report of the Home Savings and Loan Company."

"The business of the year was very good, for, although rather low rates of interest prevailed, the pronts of the company were seventeen per cent. on its paid-up capital that is, it paid a dividend of seven per cent., eight per cent. placed to the credit of profit and loss account, and the remainder written off."

"The increase in deposits for the year was remarkable, amounting to nearly \$600,000, an increase of over twenty per cent. of the amount on hand a year ago. This speaks well for the future of the institution and its popularity. Loans on mortgages on real estate are being gradually disposed of. As banks are not allowed to lend on the security of real estate, the loans of the company are practically confined to loans on collaterals,' and these increased \$633,000 during the year."

"It will be observed from the report that a branch office of the company was opened last March on Queen street west, and the reasons for doing so are stated in the report. For many years past the depositors and friends of the company living in the west end of the city have been asking that a branch be opened, and in some cases felt compelled to change their accounts, the distance being too great to come down here. The result has been successful and quite up to expectations both in number of depositors and amount of deposits."

"The accounts now open in the head office and branch reach the large number of 9,000, and the deposits at the present moment exceed \$3,400,000."

"Much disappointment was felt at the delay in starting the Home Bank of Canada, but this was caused by reasons over which the directors had no control."

"As stated in the report the bank act, under the authority of which the bank is incorporated, makes no provisions for the filling of vacancies in the provisional board of directors, and as several vacancies had arisen, it was thought undesirable to go to the public for subscriptions for stock with four directors instead of seven, the full number. There was no difficulty in getting the Act put through, but it occasioned a long delay, as the Act had to be passed by the Dominion Parliament."

"The stock subscription book is now open, and subscriptions are coming in very fairly, and it is hoped and expected that in the course of two or three months the bank will begin business."

"There will be no distribution among the company shareholders of the money at credit of the contingent account and profit and loss account, until all the assets of the company are realized on, that is, converted into cash, or taken over by

the bank. It may be that when it comes to realizing on or converting into cash such of the assets of the company that the bank cannot legally take over, it will be found that shrinkage in value will occur, and the contingent account and the profit and loss account will be used to make such shrinkages good. When all are settled the surplus will be divided among those who were the shareholders of the company at its final stage."

Moved by Mr. Thomas R. Wood. Seconded by Mr. H. T. Kelly.

"That the thanks of the shareholders be and are hereby tendered to the president and directors for their careful attention to the affairs of the company during the past year."—

Moved by Mr. M. O'Connor,

Seconded by Mr. Edward Stock,

"That the thanks of the shareholders are due and are hereby given to the managing director and other officers of the company for the efficient manner in which they performed their respective duties during the past year."—Carried.

Messrs. J. M. Sullivan and John G. Hall were re-appointed auditors of the company.

A poll was opened for the election of directors, and the tollowing were declared duly elected: Messrs. Eugene O'Keefe, Edward Stock Thomas Flynn, Lt.-Colonel James Mason and the Hon. James J. Foy, K.C.

On motion the chair was taken by Mr. Thos. R. Wood, and a vote of thanks was tendered the president for his conduct in the chair.

The meeting then adjourned.

At a meeting of the new board, held immediately after the close of the above, Mr. Eugene O'Keefe was re-elected president, and Mr. Thos. Flynn elected vice-president of the company.

FINANCIAL.

Montreal, Thursday, March 2nd, 1905.

The political market at Ottawa is just now a rival of the money market for public attention. The situation is very pecunar, and has a decidedly financial aspect. The new provinces are to have no proprietary rights in and over their public lands, which are to be vested in the Ottawa Government. In lieu and in compensation for being deprived of these local rights the new Provinces are to be subsidized by the central Government at Ottawa. The scheme is not complimentary to the settlers in the new Provinces. who are likely to resent being treated as minors in not being allowed to control their own properties. The people in the Northwest will give trouble if they are treated as unfit to manage the The resignation of public lands of their several Provinces. the Hon. Mr. Sifton is very significant. He could not have done otherwise, but, if all the members who are committed to his position by pre-election speeches, etc., were to vote as they are on record the Government would have to change its policy respecting the new Provinces, or suffer defeat. The talk over bank amalgamation will not "down." Surely where there is so much smoke of reports there must be the fire of facts burnthe somewhere. The city authorities need to take precautions against a flow which would cause heavy financial losses, the outlook is threatening for such a disaster.

A movement is afoot at Albany to make it an indictable offence for a bank director to accept a gratuity for placing a loan, or allowing a customer to overdraw his account. The men who use their position on the board of a bank to do such work as calls for a bribe, certainly ought to be in a penitentiary. That special legislation is needed in the United States to prevent this is a great scandal to American banking. A number of cases, however, are cited to show this legislation to be needed. A director of a New York bank is said to have been paid \$25,000 for placing a loan and it is stated that other banks have an "inner committee" which has to be bribed by borrowers. The whole affair is revolting. There is a little spurt on in the stock market. Nova Scotia Steel has been

selling like hot cakes at 63½ to 65. Dominion Iron, com., has reached 20¼, and preferred, 70; which are very sanguine prices, C. P. R. is ranging around 137½ to 138, Montreal Street, 215½ to 216; Dominion Coal, 67%; and preferred, 116; with no dividend in sight; Montreal Power, 83 to 83½; Twin City, 106½ to 107½; Toronto Street, 105¼; Ogilvie, pfd., 132½. Banks, etc., Commerce, 163½; Merchants, 170½; Molsons, 224; Montreal 257; Hochelaga, 134; Hamilton, 220; Toronto, 237; Imperial, 239; Canada Permanent, 124; Western Assurance 93; Bell Telephone, 161½. Sterling exchange, 60's, 9 1-16; demand, 9½. Consols, 91 5-16. Paris exchange on London, 25f 21c. Berlin, 20m 49¼pf. Local money rates, call loans, 4 to 4½ per cent. and mercantile paper, 5 to 6.

The following comparative table of stocks for week ending March 2nd, 1905, is published by Chas. Meredith & Co., Stock Brokers:—

brokers:—				Last
	Sales.	High.	Low.	Year.
Stocks		San India		
Hanks Montreel	. 30	257	2551/2	249
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		1701/2	170	152
THE CITY OF THE PROPERTY OF TH	7.0	142	142	
Union	. 25	130	130	
Quebec		165	163	
Commerce	25	134	134	
Hochelaga				
Viscettaneous	.9143	1411/4	137	1103/4
Canadian Pacific	.1372	2161/2	2151/2	2023/4
Withtreal Street Harris	. 33	215	2141/2	
Do. new	429	106	1043/4	961/2
Toronto Street Ly	2616	108	1053/4	883/8
Twin City Electric 113.	1156	791/2	773/4	611/2
Deftoit Flectife Hi.	330	253/4	25	18
Toledo Electric my	500	85	85	
Trinidad	1597	1391/4	136	
Pacific new	135	140	1391/4	150
		631/2	621/2	793/4
Bich & Out Nav Co	4104	835/8	813/4	70
The Power				
Mackay common		751/2	743/4	
Do preferred			623/4	721/2
Nova Scotia Steel & Coal	32	1165%	106	60
Soo common	2010	205%	183/4	8
Dom. Iron & Steel, common.	UTUI	72	681/2	
Do preferred	775		671/4	
Dominion Coal, common	110		115	
Do preferred	101	1161/4	1173/4	
Man Paulo	13		161	158
Montreal Telegraph Co	24		1603/4	
Re Telephone Co	72			117
Ocilvia Milling Co., pfd Xd	607	7		The state of the s
Laurentide Pulp Co	2			
Do. ptd	102	0.00		10000
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Do. pfd	2		110	
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	. 14.00			
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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Thursday Evening, March 2, 1905.

BUTTER.—There has been a large trade passing during the week, orders coming in freely from Western points and also the Provinces, with sales of finest creamery at 28 to 29c, second grade going at 1 to 2c lb under. Within the last day or two receipts have shown quite an increase and as receivers are anxious to keep clear of stocks, prices have lowered,

and finest creamery was offered today at 26 to 27c. The tendency of the market is downward and as new milk goods are showing up prices must decline, and will lower almost daily. Fresh rolls are coming in more freely and sold early in the week at 25 to 26c, but today they are not worth over 23 to 23½c, and a 22c market is looked for by Saturday.

CHEESE.—Market very quiet, business passing being reported light. In fact, no sales of consequence are reported for export, so prices remain as last quoted. The feeling is some better and the outlook favors higher prices ruling shortly. Some holders refuse to offer stock, feeling that the market is in their favor. Stocks are largely controlled by a few dealers, so that a buyer would have difficulty in getting a quantity unless by going according to the views of holders, which are ½ to ½c higher than last week. Liverpool cables quote choicest colored at 51c.

EGGS.—Receipts of new laid are showing a large increase, quantities offering being more than sufficient for requirements, the result being an unsettled market and a wide range of values. Sales today are reported at all the way, from 25 to 28c. Cold storage and limed eggs are now neglected, being very little called for, and are offered at 19c, but buyers insist on having lower prices.

FISH.—The Lenten demand is now on, a brisk trade being shown for all kinds. In view of the scarcity of salt herring In fact some dealers and green cod prices have advanced. are all out, but the firm of Leonard Bros., report stocks on hand for early calls. Prices have a tendency to advance all 'round. Tom cods and frozen haddock, however, are easier owing to being in plentiful supply. Frozen herring are still quoted in the market, but some dealers have sold out their supplies. The present quotations are: Fresh frozen British Columbia salmon. 81/2c to 9c; lake trout, 71/2c to 8c; halibut, 81/2c to 9c per lb.; fresh frozen haddock, 31/2c to 4c lb.; fresh steak cod, 5½c lb.; frozen Gaspe salmon, 15c lb; new tom cods, \$1.20 to \$1.25 per barrel; small white fish, 6 to $6\frac{1}{2}$ c; pickerel, or dore. 7 to $7\frac{1}{2}$ c; pike. 5c to $5\frac{1}{2}$ c; round sea trout, $6\frac{1}{2}$ c to 7c; Qualla salmon, 7c to 71/2e; frozen pink salmon (hump back) 71/2c to 8c lb; fresh herring, small, \$1.00 per one hundred Medium frozen herring, \$1.40 to \$1.50; large Halifax frozen do, \$2.10 to \$2.20. No. 2 smelts, 6c; No. 1, do., 10c lb.—Salt—Loch Fyne herrings, \$1.00 per keg; No. 1 salt mackerel, in 20 lb. kits. \$2: salt herrings. Labrador, bbls., \$5.25; do., half brls., \$2.90; pails of 20 lbs. 80c each; green cod, No. 1. \$7.50; No. 2, \$6.00 per 200 lbs.; pickled sea trout, \$9.50; 1/2 brls., \$5.50; B.C. salmon, brls.. \$14: pollock, salt eels, 7c lb.; pickled lake trout, \$4.75 to \$5 keg. Lab. salmon, brls., \$16.00; tierces, \$24.00; ½ brls., \$9.50. Smoked Haddies. 6 to 61/2c lb; smoked herrings, in bundles, 5 boxes, 11 per box; bloaters. \$1 to \$1.10. Prepared—Boneless cod, in

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Stocks, Bonds and Securities dealt in on the Montreal Stock Exchange.

Miscellaneous.	Capital subscribed.	Capital paid-up.	Reserve Fund.	Perc'ntage of Rest to paid-up Capital	Par value per share.	of one	ividend. last. 6 mos.	Dates of Div'd.	cent. Ma	es per on par r. 2
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Bell Telephone	6,000,000	5,395,370 2,700,000	953,361	25.58	100 100 100	160,00 169.37±	2* 1* 5	Jan. Apl. July, Oct. Jan. Apl. July, Oct. Jan. July.	162	160
Canadian General Electric		1,475,000 84,500,000 13,333,300	265,000 3,947,232		100	139.62	1%*&1	April Oct.	139#	139
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do pfd	. 1,600,000	1,600,000			100	82.50	i"	Feb. Mar.	85	821
Merchants Cot. Co	750,000	1,500,000 750,000 2,500,000			100 100 100	37.00 99.00	21/4*	Mar.Jun. Sep.Dec.	100	. 37
Montreal Cot. Co	. 17,000,000	17,000,000 6,000,000	798,927	13.31	100	$83.37\frac{1}{2} \\ 108.00$	1* 2½*	Feb. May Aug. Nov. Feb. May Aug. Nov.	83 4 216±	83 ³ / ₈ 216
Montreal Telegraph North-West Land, common	. 1,467,681	2,000,000 1,467,681			40 25 50	64.40 3.80 39.00	2*	Jan. Apl. July, Oct. Jan. Apl. July, Oct.	162	161
N. Scotia Steel & Coal Co., com do pfd	3,090,000	5,642,925 3,090,000 1,030,000			100	63.25 108.00	3 2*	April Oct. Jan. Apl. July, Oct.	115	63½. 110
Ogilvie Flour Mills Co	2,000,000	1,250,000 2,000,000	131,550	5.22	100 100 100	200.00 128.00 63.25	81/4	Mar Jun. Sep. Dec. Mar Jun. Sept. Dec. May Nov.	200 133 63‡	200 128 63 ¹
Richelieu & Ont. Nav. Co	. 500,000	2,505,600 500,000 12,000,000	39,642		100	111.00 25.25	8	Mar.Jun. Sep.Dec.	113.	111 25 ¹ / ₄
Foronto Street Ry	15,010,000	6,000,000 15,010,000	1,086,287 2,163,507		100 100 100	$105.25 \\ 107.62\frac{1}{2}$	1¼* 1¼* 1¾*	Jan. Apl. July, Oct. Feb. May, Aug. Nov. Dec. Mar. Jun. Sep.	1053 1073	$105\frac{1}{4} \\ 107\frac{5}{8}$
Windsor Hotel	600,000	3,000,000 600,000 992,300			100 100 100	135.00	8 11/2"	May Nov. Apl.July,Oct.Jan.	150	135
* Quarterly. t Bonus of 1 per	cest. \$	Annual								

bricks, 6c per lb.: boneless fish in bricks, 5½c; fish, loose. m 25 lb. boxes, 4½c; skinless cod, in cases, new pack, \$5.25 per case.—Lobsters 16c lb.—Oysters—Standards, \$1.40; selects, \$1.50

FLOUR AND FEED.—The heavy break in May wheat at Chicago had no disturbing influence on the flour market here, which holds steady at last week's quotations. Feed, also, is unchanged under a good demand. Baled hay, steady, at \$9 to \$9.50 per ton for No. 1; \$8,25 to \$8.75 for No. 2; \$7 to \$7.50 for clover, mixed, and \$6.50 to \$6.75 for pure clover.—Winnipeg closing prices of Manitoba wheat in that market

on Wednesday were: No. 1 northern, 97c; No. 2 do., 94c; No. 3 do., 88c; No. 4 do., 78c; No. 5 do., 67½c; and feed, 58c, per bushel, ex store, Fort William, March delivery. Wheat is being reshipped from Fort William, a better price being obtainable there, owing to the heavy milling demand.

GROCERIES.—A week of quiet trading and undisturbed values. Molasses holds firm at 33c in puncheons, with usual advances for smaller lots. Canned tomatoes in small supply at \$1.27½ to \$1.30, as to kind. Sugars hold unchanged on basis of \$5.65 for standard granulated in brls. We refer at length to the sugar question on another page.

Stocks, Bonds and Securities dealt in on the Montreal Stock Exchange.

BONDS.		nount Interest due.	Interest payable at:	Date of Redemption.	Market Quotations, March 2, Ask- Bid	REMARKS.
Commercial Cable Coupon Commercial Cable Registered Can. Col. Cotton Canada Paper Bell Telephone	6 2,0	,000,000 1 Jan. 1 Apl. 1 July 1 Oct. 000,000 2 Apl. 2 Oct. 200,000 1 May 1 Nov. 200,000 1 Apl. 1 Oct.	New York or London	2 Apl., 1902 1 May, 1917		
Dominion Coal	41/2 £ 8 5 \$ 7,8	308,200 1 Jan. 1 July 876,000 1 Jan. 1 July		1 Jan., 1916 1 July, 1929	110 85 84½	Redeemable at 110. Redeemable at 110. Redeemable at 110. & accrued interest. Redeemable at 106.
Intercolonial Coal	5 1,2 5 1,0	200,000 000,000 880,074 1 Jan. 1 July	Montreal Bank of Montreal, London	1 July, 1921 1 Mar., 1908	106 104	
Montreal Street Ry Montreal Street Ry Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Ogilvie Flour Mill Co	4½ 1,5 6 2,5	681,833 1 Feb. 1 Aug. 500,000 1 May 1 Nov. 500,000 1 Jan. 1 July 000,000 1 Jun. 1 Dec.	Bank of Montreal, London. Bank of Montreal, Montreal Union Bk., Halifax, or Bank of N.S., Montreal or Toronto Bank of Montreal, Monteal	1 May, 1922 1 July, 1931	$ \begin{array}{ccc} 104\frac{1}{2} & 103 \\ 108 & 106 \\ 115 & 115 \end{array} $	Redeemable at 110.
Richelieu & Ont. Nav. Co Royal Electric Co	4½ £ 1 5 \$ 6	130,900 1 Apl. 1 Oct.	Montreal and London	Oct., 1914 1 May, 1925		Redeemable at 110. Redeemable at 110. 5 p.c. redeemable yearly after 1905.
Toronto St. Railway Windsor Hotel Winnipeg Elec. Street Ry	41/2 8	840.000 1 Jan. 1 July	Bank of Scotland, London Windsor Hotel, Montreal	2 July, 1912	107 1061	no institute of the

CANADA LIFE

Assurance Company.

58th ANNUAL STATEMENT.

ASSETS.	LIABILITIES.
Government, municipal and other bonds, stocks, and debentures	Death claims in course of settlement, and instalment fund
RECEIPTS. Premium and annuity income \$3,093,644.22 Less re-assurance premiums 50,466.07 Interest etc 1,204,851.5 Profits on sale of securities 52,361.6	addition paid with death claims and with
\$4,300,391.2	\$4,300,391.28
Net surplus over all liabilities (company's standard) Net surplus over all liabilities (Government standard)	\$1,376,000 4,326,000
Number of applications received. Amount of assurances applied for. Policies issued. Policies paid for. Total business in force.	

LIABILITIES. Bank Statem't to Govt Month ending January 31, 1905.	Capital Authorized	Capital Subscribed.	Capital Paid up.	Reserve Fund.	Dividend Rate p. c. p. annum.	Notes in Circulation	Bai. due to Dom. Gov. aft'r ded'ct adv'nce for credits, &c.	Balance due to Provincial Govts.	payable on demand	Dep. by public pay after notice or on fix'd day in Can.	Deposits elsewher than in Canada
1 Bank of Montreal 2 New Brunswick 3 Quebec Bank 4 Bank of Nova Scotia 5 St. Stephen's Bank	500,000 3,000,000 2,500,000	\$14,000,000 500,000 2,500,000 2,084,200 200,000	\$14,000,000 500,000 2,500,000 2,035,700 200,000	\$10,000,000 800,000 1,000,000 3,257,120 45,000	10 12 7 10 5	\$ 8,318,360 440,662 1,431,605 1,892,396 117,300	\$1,446,717 38,556 14,795 229,421 15,939	\$ 853,755 156,059 46,379	\$21,904,200 810,793 3,660,882 7,729,391 157,464	\$54,899,620 2,600,095 3,798,032 10,526,464 180,217	\$21,186,110
6 Bank Br. N. America. 7 Bank of Toronto 8 Molsons Bank 9 Eastern Township Bk 10 Union Bank, Halifax.	4,000,000 5.000,000 3,000,000	4,866,666 3,000,000 3,000,000 2,500,000 1,336,150	4,866,666 3,000,000 3,000,000 2,499,190 1,336,150	1,946,666 3,300,000 3,000,000 1,500,000 970,000	6 10 9 8 7	2,564,206 2,328,253 2,352,409 1,677,230 1,209,113	11,915 24,655 36,251 20,594 21,305	45,457 243,428 36,135 3,666 102,631	5,038,508 6,703,189 4,985,596 2,099,563 901,849	10,246,133 11,261,842 13,878,383 7,8*8,895 5,157,632	1,973,00
11 Ontario Bank 12 Banque Nationale 13 Merch't Bank, Canada 14 Banq. Provinciale, Car 15 People's Bank, Halifax	2,000,000 6,000,000 1,000,000	1,500,000 1,500,000 6,000,000 846,537 1,000,000	1,500,000 1,500,000 6,000,000 823,309 1,000.000	600,000 450,000 3,200,000 Nil. 440,000	6 6 7 3 6	1,246,488 1,281,215 3,900,307 663,964 873,146	17,780 13,086 255,064 14,545 13,886	399,059 66,293 179,695 157,844 145,916	2,508,703 1,369,211 6,356,582 387,819 736,161	8,734,570 5,080,491 19,812,196 2,422,870 2,685,484	52,20
16 People's Bk, N. Bruns 17 Bank of Yarmouth 18 Union Bank, of Canada 19 Canadian B, of Com'ree 20 Royal Bank, Canada	300,000 4,000,000 10,000,000	180,000 300,000 2,500,000 9,065,500 3,000,000	180,000 300,000 2,500,000 8,767,590 3,000,000	175,000 35,000 1,000,000 3,527,036 3,000,000	8 5 7 7 8	126,260 52,989 2,128,106 6,394,130 2,277,326	7,972 7,934 5,461 278,851 122,072	1,618,263 1,132,761 308,147	178,486 34,293 4,249,607 18,514,070 4,246,182	258,669 239,153 9,731,320 40,280,790 10,742,807	7,025,90 5,971,08
Dominion Bank Merchant Bank, P.E.I Bank of Hamilton Standard B, Canada Banque de St. Jean	500,000 2,500,000 2,000,000	3,000,000 344,073 2,287,400 1,000,000 500,200	3,000,000 344,073 2,235,380 1,000,000 274,920	3,500,000 296,000 2,100,085 1,000,000 10,000	10 8 10 10 6	2,572,987 257,013 1,970,181 836,441 135,668	29,890 25,617 21,498	129,903 703,158 113,982 29,469	8,298,519 332,140 4,543,941 3,169,230 15,578	20,994,163 750,312 13,944,944 9,307,197 266,168	
6 Banque d'Hochelaga 7 Banque St. Hyacinthe. 8 Bank of Ottawa 9 Imperial Bank, Canada 0 Western Bank, Canada	1,000,000 3,000,000 4,000,000	2,000,000 504,600 2,500,000 3,000,000 500,000	2,000,000 329;515 2,500,000 3,000,000 500,000	1,200,000 75,000 2,500,000 3,000,000 217,500	7 6 9 10 7	1,552,639 275,250 2,077,728 2,528,686 431,945	22,049 43,962 33,663	54,747 22,057 391,342 585,888	2.241,224 63,178 2,759,894 7,547,985 535,026	6,742,757 611,924 12,075,126 15,468,861 3,227,751	
Traders Bank, Canada, 22 Sovereign Bk, Canada. 33 Metropolitan Bk, Can. 44 Crown Bank of Canada	2,000,000	2,746,600 1,300,000 1,000,000 761,100	2,724,011 1,300,000 1,000,000 661,916	700,000 350,000 1,000,000 Nil.	7 5 	2,034,390 1,059,280 803,422 209,980		280,414	3,490,005 2,604,498 562,531 226,329	11,575,581 5,205,437 1,113,382 561.904	
Total	100,546,666	81;273,026	80,378,420	54,194,407		58,021,075	2,773,478	8,264,605	128,962,627	322,270,620	39,470,65
LIABILITIES. Bank Statem't to Govt. Month ending January 31, 19 6	Loans from Banks in Can, secu'd	Balances	Bks. or agts	Balance Due Bk. or agts not in Can or U.K	Other Liabilities	Total Liabilities.	ASSETS Specie	Dominion Notes	Deposits with Dom Govt. for sec'ty of	Notes & Cheq. on other bks.	Loans to oth'r bks in Can.
	S. D. Shann					200,000			note cir,	i busi Yes	secured
1 Bank of Montreal		198,940 407,194 422,923		419,211 5,829	1,155 22,567 95,460 394	\$109,631,140 4,090,203 9,558,322 24,330,149 477,145	\$4,203,871 120,838 306,629 1,623,199 22,889	\$4,391,457 193,764 702,892 1,747,163 18,000	\$ 460,000 25,000 90,045 96,614 11,000	\$ 2,704,786 62,599 50 ,755 1,306,882 10,269	245,48 134,12
2 New Brunswick		198,940 407,194 433,233 31,570 408,669 208,554	67,185	419,211	1,155 22,567 95,460	4,090,203 9,558,322 24,330,149	120,838 306,629 1,623,199	193,764 702,892 1,747,163	\$ 460,000 25,000 90,045 96,614	62,599 50-,755 1,306,382	245,48 134,12
2 New Brunswick 3 Quebec Bank 4 Bank of Nova Scotia 5 St. Stephen Bank 6 Bank Bt. N. America. 7 Bank of Toronto 8 Molsons Bank 9 Eastern Township Bk.	951,729	198,940 407,194 433,233 31,570 408,669 208,554 72,385 19,557 1,294,898	67,185 105,371 3,514	419,211 5,829 215,808 10,835 96,793	1,155 22,567 95,460 394 7,048,244 1,675 54,188	4,090,203 9,558,322 24,330,149 477,145 27,174,843; 21,087,913 21,597,637 11,689,951	120,838 306,629 1,623,199 22,889 912,955 640,470 507,622 149,250	193,764 702,892 1,747,163 18,000 1,426,388 1,544,999 1,376,850 772,048	\$ 460,000 25,000 90,045 96,614 11,000 159,655 134,000 135,000 100,000	62,599 50,755 1,306,382 10,269 521,652 849,373 1,134,954 338,082	245,48 184,12 706,28
2 New Brunswick 3 Quebec Bank 4 Bank of Nova Scotia. 5 St. Stephen Bank 6 Bank Bt. N. America 7 Bank of Toronto. 8 Molsons Bank 9 Eastern Township Bk. 0 Union Bank Halifax 1 Ontario Bank 2 Banque Nationale. 3 Merch't Bank Canada. 4 Bang, Provinciale Can	951,729 34,126	198,940 407,194 483,283 31,570 408,689 208,554 72,385 19,557 1,094,898 244,715 3,190	105,371 3,514 225,513 55,456 71,845 78,855 149,978	419,211 5,829 215,808 10,835 96,793	1,155 22,567 95,460 394 7,048,244 1,675 54,188 3,024 100,044 30,248	4,090,203 9,558,322 24,330,149 477,145 27,174,843 21,087,913 21,597,637 11,689,951 8,048,776 12,962,057 7,901,704 91,932,831 4,608,347	120,888 306,629 1,623,199 22,889 912,955 640,470 507,622 149,250 257,507 127,260 114,248 525,336 28,175	193,764 702,892 1,747,163 18,000 1,426,388 1,544,909 1,376,850 772,048 635,066 498,924 372,160 2,245,720 29,810	\$ 460,000 25,000 90,045 96,614 11,000 155,655 134,000 120,000 69,137 72,102 75,000 240,000 39,816	62,599 50,755 1,306,382 10,269 521,652 849,373 1,134,954 338,082 357,590 529,461 355,696 1,641,469 60,107 212,729 7,634 8,312 639,518 2,626,152 1,711,573	245,42 134,12 706,25
2 New Brunswick 3 Quebec Bank 4 Bank of Nova Scotia 5 St. Stephen Bank 6 Bank Bt. N. America 7 Bank of Toronto 8 Molsons Bank 9 Eastern Township Bk. 0 Union Bank Halifax 1 Ontario Bank 2 Banque Nationale 3 Merch't Bank Canada 4 Banq Provinciale Can 5 People's Bank Halifax 6 People Bk. N. B. 7 Bank of Yarmouth 8 Union Bank of Canada 9 Canadian B, of Com'ree 0 Royal Bank of Canada 11 Dominion Bank 12 Merchant Bank P.E.I. 13 Bank of Hamilton 14 Standard B. of Canada 15 Banque de St. Jean	951,729 34,126	198,940 407,194 483,283 31,570 408,689 208,554 72,385 19,557 1,094,898 244,715 3,190 126,063 62,076 957	105,371 3,514 225,513 55,456 71,845 78,855 149,978 15,997	419,211 5,829 215,808 10,835 96,793 395,877 334,630	1,155 22,567 25,460 394 7,048,244 1,675 54,188 3,024 100,044 30,248 2,534 120,052 9,181 134,387 1,158	4.090,203 9,558,322 24,330,149 477,145 27,174,843 21,687,637 11,689,951 8,048,776 12,962,057 7,901,704 31,932,837 4,698,317 4,879,538 574,578 384,494 77,45,807 74,171,672	120,888 306,629 1,623,199 22,889 912,955 640,470 507,622 149,250 257,507 127,260 114,248 525,336 28,175 107,819 10,222 11,614 876,359 2,450,989	193,764 702,892 1,747,163 18,000 1,426,388 1,544,909 1,376,850 772,048 635,066 498,924 372,160 2,245,720 29,810 388,102 46,680 8,381 1,568,376 4,668,769	\$ 460,000 25,000 90,045 96,614 11,000 150,655 131,000 135,000 100,000 69,137 72,102 240,000 39,816 47,000 9,000 4,445 125,000 400,000	62,599 50,755 1,306,382 10,269 521,652 849,373 1,134,954 338,082 357,590 529,461 355,696 1,641,469 60,107 212,729 7,634 8,312 689,518 2,626,152 1,711,573 1,177,415 17,235 523,114	245,48 134,12 706,28
2 New Brunswick 3 Quebec Bank 4 Bank of Nova Scotia 5 St. Stephen Bank 6 Bank Bt. N. America 7 Bank of Toronto 8 Molsons Bank 1 Ontario Bank 2 Banque Nationale 3 Merch't Bank Canada 4 Banq. Provinciale Can 7 Bank of Yarmouth 8 Union Bank Halifax 6 People Bk. N. B. 7 Bank of Yarmouth 8 Union Bank of Canada 9 Canadian B, of Com'ree 9 Royal Bank of Canada 1 Dominion Bank 2 Merchant Bank P.E.I. 3 Bank of Hamilton 4 Standard B. of Canada 5 Banque de St. Jean 6 Banque de St. Jean 6 Banque St. Hyacinthe 8 Bank of Ottawa. 9 Imperial Bk. Canada	951,729 34,126 18,437	198,940 407,194 483,283 31,570 408,669 208,554 72,385 19,557 1,094,898 244,715 3,190 126,063 62,076 957	105,371 3,514 225,513 55,456 71,845 78,855 149,978 15,997	419,211 5,829 215,808 10,835 96,793 395,877 334,630	1,155 22,567 95,460 394 7,048,244 1,675 54,188 3,024 100,044 30,248 2,534 120,052 9,181 134,387 1,158 106,692 6,850	4.090,203 9,558,322 24,330,149 477,145 27,174,843 21,087,913 21,597,637 11,689,951 12,962,057 7,901,709 31,932,831 4,879,538 574,578 384,494 17,745,807 74,171,672 24,248,367 32,025,464 1,348,646 22,088,307 13,588,694	120,888 306,629 1,623,199 22,889 912,955 640,470 507,622 149,250 114,248 525,336 28,175 107,819 10,222 11,614 876,359 2,430,989 1,428,573 1,099,668 26,985 431,781 243,927	193.764 702.892 1,747.163 18.000 1.426.388 1.544.909 1.376.850 772.048 635.066 498.924 372.160 2.245.720 29.810 338.102 46.680 8.881 1.568.376 4.668.769 1.119.219 2.718.083 87.382 1.992.181	\$ 460,000 25,000 90,045 96,614 11,000 159,655 131,000 135,000 69,137 72,102 75,000 39,816 47,000 9,000 4,445 125,000 400,000 120,000 150,000 14,500 110,000 50,000	62,599 50,755 1,306,382 10,269 521,652 849,373 1,134,954 335,590 529,461 355,696 1,641,469 60,107 212,729 7,634 8,312 639,518 2,626,152 1,711,573 1,177,415 17,235 523,114 379,412 11,217 747,959 17,924	245,45 134, 11 706,21
2 New Brunswick 3 Quebec Bank 4 Bank of Nova Scotia 5 St. Stephen Bank 6 Bank Bt. N. America 7 Bank of Toronto 8 Molsons Bank 9 Eastern Township Bk. 0 Union Bank Halifax 1 Ontario Bank 2 Banque Nationale 3 Merch't Bank Canada 4 Banq Provinciale Can 5 People's Bank Halifax 6 People Bk. N. B. 7 Bank of Yarmouth 8 Union Bank of Canada	951,729 34,126	198,940 407,194 433,283 31,570 408,669 208,554 72,385 19,557 1,294,898 244,715 3,190 126,063 62,076 957	67,185 105,371 3,514 225,513 55,456 71,845 78,855 149,978 15,997 837,402 48,000 68,781 368,276 560,221	419,211 5,829 215,808 10,835 96,793 395,877 334,630 984	1,155 22,567 29,460 394 7,048,244 1,675 54,188 3,024 100,044 30,248 2,534 120,052 9,181 134,387 1,158 106,692 6,850 801	4.090,203 9.558,322 24,330,149 477,145 27,174,843 21,087,913 21,087,913 21,597,637 11,689,951 12,962,057 7,901,704 31,932,831 4,879,538 574,578 384,494 17,745,807 74,171,672 24,248,367 32,025,464 12,348,646 22,088,307 13,583,694 448,043 10,799,442 997,698 448,043 10,799,442 997,698 448,043 10,788,055 9,573,955 9,573,955 9,573,955	120,888 306,629 1,623,199 22,889 912,955 640,470 507,622 149,250 257,507 127,260 114,248 525,336 28,175 107,819 10,222 11,614 376,359 2,450,989 1,428,573 1,099,668 26,985 431,781 243,927 4,165 255,255 10,794 522,988 793,545	193.764 702.892 1,747.163 18.000 1.426.388 1.544.909 1.376.850 772.048 635,066 498.994 372.160 2.245.720 29,810 338.102 46,680 8.381 1.588,376 4.663,769 1.119.219 2.713,083 87,382 1.992.181 1.056.889 8.458 719.736 14.818 1,445,166	\$ 460,000 25,000 90,045 96,614 11,000 150,655 131,000 100,000 69,137 72,102 240,000 39,816 47,000 4,445 125,000 120,000 14,500 10,000 14,500 110,000 8,053 93,000 16,748 125,000 16,748 125,000	62,599 50,755 1,306,382 10,269 521,652 849,373 1,134,954 338,082 357,590 529,461 355,696 1,641,469 60,107 212,729 7,634 8,312 4,626,152 1,711,573 1,177,415 523,114 379,412 11,217 747,959 17,924 504,573 1,089,213	245,42 134,12 706,25

Return of Canadia: Bank of Commerce. Amount under heading "Other assets not included under forgoing heads," includes gold bullion.

Return of Bank of British North America. Amount under heading "Other assets not included under foregoing heads," includes bullion. The figures for the Dawson City Branch are taken from the last returns received, viz: 14th January, 1905. Beturn of Bank of Nova Scotia, the figures for St. John's and Harbor Grace, Newfound and, branches are taken from lasts return received, viz: 23rd January, 1905.

DRESSED POULTRY.—Supplies are coming in sparingly, resulting in a scarcity of fresh chickens, at 12c lb. Fresh killed fowl. 10c; turkeys, 15c; ducks, 12c lb., and geese, 11 to 12c lb. Frozen stock can only be sold when offered at lower prices, as retailers do not now care to handle but fresh killed.

GREEN FRUITS, ETC.—The continuance of winter weather serves to limit buying and also to keep values rather steady here. In the New York market oranges and bananas

are higher. The present quotations are: Lemons—Extra fancy, 300 size, Maiori cases, \$3.00; ½ boxes, 150s, \$1.50; Messinas, \$2.25; 360s \$2.00. Bananas—Jamaica's, \$1.50 to \$2. Apples—Extra fancy Spies \$4.25. Finest Spies Baldwins, Greenings. Russets, Ben Davis, etc., \$3.25 to \$3.50; XX. same, \$2.75. Sweet potatoes.—Jersey, double heads \$5.50, Oranges—Cal. navels. 96 to 250 size, \$2.75. Jamaica's, 126 to 176 size, \$2.50; Sorrento oranges, 300 size; Valencia style, \$2.75; Sorrento oranges, 300 size, ordinary boxes, \$2.40; Sor-

BANKS. Assets.—Continued	Dept. m'de with & bal due from other bks. in Can.		Bal due from bks. not in Can. or U. K.	Dom and Prov. Gov. Securit'es	Can. Mun, Sec. & other Pub. Sec. not Can	Railway & other bds. deb& stocks	Call Loans on Bonds and Stocks in Can.	Call and short Ins. not in Canada	Current Loans in Canada	Current Loans elsewh're than Can.	Loans Go of Cana
Montreal New Brunswick Quebec Nova Scotia St. Stephen's	124,318 4,912 175	\$ 2,746,123 7,751 174,862	\$ 4,855,724 435,580 136,005 1,001,356 29,704	\$ 432,244 176,863 150,633 293,340	\$ 350,944 126,799 127,655 1,200,612	\$ 7,295,641 260,207 683,658 2,792,190	8	\$26,335,894 98,500 2,472,017	\$69,763,809 2,864,304 7,784,318 10,310,564 495,588		
British North America Toronto Molsons Eastern Townships Union, Halifax	52,273 257,766 357,551	112,533 60,414 18,544	732,865 1,188,365 705,610 749,724 312,790	1,025,122 235,435 399,434 167,073 634,937	1,362,076 24,514 1,138,208 282,000 265,047	278,075 2,469,029 1,568,874 134,366 169,550	2,123,616 2,361,214 2,471,725 586,169 257,272	3,191,950 500,000	16,202,015 17,384,323 17,454,746 11,584,699 6,303,607	2,807,785	
Ontario	48,041 2,948 328,557	11,835	211,598 111,409 50,563 77,756 37,730	50,000	143,424 	1,055,117 5,901,765 372,835 109,693	485,525 401,899 2,875,452 1,416,858 163,372	3,618,292	11,595,173 8,169,659 20,632,234 2,191,884 5,037,762	237,433	
People's N. Brunswick Yarmouth Union. Canada Commerce Royal, Canada	3,821 105,436 26,698	3,412 109,362 5,818,348 23,485	22,310 8,263 429,537 1,480,656 1,568,236	36,307 19,400 1,066,093 385,000	5,000 51,154 320,697 2,457,551	9,717 14,250 15,000 3,696,801 3,007,610	823,123 3,326,098 1,598,517	8.930,965 1,037,293	769,207 623,436 16,095,503 48,922,771 13,653,368	2,106,557 1,795,672	
Dominion	449,030 54,784 292,851 261,514	86,654 21,333 83,437	2,274,392 12,956 641,696 166,808 318	91,857 128,724 579,197	671,382 2,374,315 1,338,330	3,087,085 993,005 687,522	3,139,596 2,133,069 275,508			57,293	
D'Hochelaga St. Hyacinthe. Ottawa Imperial, Canada Western, Canada	77,235 31,671 224,916 735,315	48,200 10,721 135,693	338,751 13,738 509,993 1,284,115 22,691	852,151 545,089 561,061 127,900	285,445 959,411 1,251,492 471,451	303,000 474,964 1,374,225 216,624	716;202 1,112,923 2,686,762		1,221,070 15,545,753	4,201	
Traders Canada Sovereign, Canada Metropolitan Crown Bank of Canada	298,084 78,787			651,469 513	302,100 941 4,500 12,887	1,165,154 644,293 514,702 94,260	1,977,965 951,594 1,115,238 324,897		2,513,713		
Total	6,016,708	9,472,707	20,173,572	9,374,840	17,173,395	39,389,212	38,214,280	46,184,911	412,901,073	18,324,151	
BANKS Assets.—Continued	Loans Prov Govts.	Overdue Debts.	R, E. besides Bk. premises,	Mortg's on R, E, sold by Bank,	Bank Premises.	Other Assets	Total Assets.	Loans to Directors & their firms-	specie	Average of Dom. Notes dur. month	Greates amt Not in circu dur'g m
Montreal	25,115	\$ 251,848 7,331 20,148	\$ 8,583	\$ 15,700 36,928	\$ 600,000 35,280 227,789	\$ 2,106,893 4,972 99,179	\$135,053,331 5,390,203 13,260,011	\$ 1,121,000 250,696 352,593	\$ 3,738,136 119,556 304,996	\$ 4,854,463 224,760 556,756	\$ 9,021,2 466,1 1,847,1 1,936,3 131,0
ot, otephen s	129,412	15,968 15,641	54,048		263,132 20,000	11,860	29,772,290 732,718	305,308 38,764	1,659,689 21,750	1,810,046 17,530	101,0
Toronto	388,114	15,641 324,183 13,116 130,918 92,018	54,048 5,129 204,883 45,318 4,083				29,772,290 732,718 35,688,045 27,762,628 27,954,315 15,862,788 10,371,437	305,308	1,659,689	1,810,046	2,990,0 2,599,8 2,612,9 1,943,9
Toronto Molsons Eastern Townships Union, Halifax Ontario Nationale Merchants Provincial	388,114	15,641 324,183 13,116 130,918 92,018 4,022 8,060 49,530 233,080 15,320	5,129 204,883 45,318	19,569 56,179 66,032	20,000 910,960 365,500 300,000 393,250	3,178,035 51,125 26,660	35,688,045 27,762,628 27,954,315 15,862,788	305,308 38,764 Nil. 1,074,922 441,496 159,138	1,659,689 21,750 933,375 639,636 499,677 147,433	1,810,046 17,530 1,401,406 1,661,780 1,408,136 804,927	2,990,(2,599,; 2,612,9 1,943,9 1,238,0 1,340,; 1,401,8 4,299,0 739,0
British North America Toronto Molsons Eastern Townships Union, Halifax Ontario Nationale Merchants Provincial People's, Halifax People's N. Brunswick Yarmouth Union, Canada Commerce	388,114	15,641 324,183 13,116 130,918 92,018 4,022 8,060 49,530 233,080 15,320 -22,189	5,129 204,883 45,318 4,083 25,000 46,179 1,450 21,057	19,569 56,179 66,032 2,000 4,000 7,000 34,465 6,631	20,000 910,960 365,500 300,000 393,250 112,158 125,000 217,854 882,433 130,000	3,178,035 51,125 26,660 13,570 4,516 132,114 52,011 158,548	35,688,045 27,762,628 27,954,315 15,862,788 10,371,437 15,255,052 10,100,793 41,394,300 5,610,515	305,308 38,764 Nil. 1,074,922 441,496 159,138 477,355 20,000 733,003 309,749 Nil.	1,659,689 21,750 933,375 639,635 499,677 147,433 248,358 129,541 113,300 513,801 26,923	1,810,046 17,530 1,401,406 1,661,780 1,408,136 804,927 614,738 501,500 386,800 2,349,000 36,097	2,990,6 2,599,5 2,612,9 1,943,8 1,238,6 1,340,5 1,401,8 4,299,6 948,5 140,6 57,2 2,288,8 7,379,6
Toronto Molsons	388,114 388,114 127,059	15,641 324,183 13,116 130,918 92,018 4,022 8,060 49,530 233,080 15,320 22,189 51,980 302,755 14,579 9,129 22,025 59,337	5,129 204,883 45,318 4,083 25,000 46,179 1,450 21,057	19,569 56,179 66,032 2,000 4,000 7,000 34,465 6,631 51,844	20,000 910,960 365,500 300,000 393,250 112,158 125,000 217,854 882,433 130,000 65,000 1,028,105 1,000,000	11,860 3,178,085 51,125 26,660 13,570 4,516 182,114 52,011 158,548 1,121 26 19,696 358,969	35,688,045 27,762,628 27,954,315 15,862,788 10,371,437 15,255,052 10,100,793 41,394,300 5,610,515 6,394,619 967,863 732,678 21,518,461 86,749,664	305,308 38,764 Nil. 1,074,922 441,496 159,138 477,355 20,000 733,003 309,749 Nil. 187,866 156,040 29,818 687,000 1,233,508	1,659,689 21,750 933,375 639,636 499,677 147,433 248,358 129,541 113,300 513,801 26,923 98,139 9,991 11,379 372,775 2,683,000	1,810,046 17,530 1,401,406 1,661,780 1,408,136 804,927 614,738 501,500 386,800 2,349,000 36,097 205,481 46,447 7,817 1,571,690 4,782,000	2,990,0 2,599,3 2,612,5 1,943,3 1,238,0 1,401,3 4,299,9 948,3 140,6 57.; 2,288,5 7,379,0 2,488,6 2,745,6 287,5 1,980,0 888,2
Toronto Molsons Eastern Townships Union, Halifax Ontario Nationale Merchants Provincial People's, Halifax People's, Halifax People's N. Brunswick Yarmouth Union, Canada Commerce Royal, Canada Dominion Merchant P. E. I. Hamilton Standard, Canada St. Jean D'Hochelaga St. Hyacinthe	127,059 18,087	15,641 324,183 13,116 130,918 92,018 4,022 8,060 49,530 233,080 15,320 22,189 51,980 302,755 14,579 9,129 22,025 59,337	5,129 204,883 45,318 4,083 25,000 46,179 1,450 21,057 3,543 38,690 60,505 36,683 335 11,355	19,569 56,179 66,032 2,000 4,000 7,000 34,465 6,631 51,844 41,617 190,832 6,000 35,264 8,678	20,000 910,960 365,500 300,000 393,250 112,158 125,000 217,854 882,433 130,000 65,000 13,500 1,028,105 1,000,000 431,819 446,000 21,132 622,449 110,870	11,860 3,178,035 51,125 26,660 13,570 4,516 132,114 52,011 158,548 1,121 26 19,696 358,969 10,000 8,428 24,842 140,208 122,064	35,688,045 27,762,628 27,954,315 15,862,788 10,371,437 15,255,052 10,100,793 41,394,300 5,610,515 6,394,619 967,863 732,678 21,518,461 86,749,664 30,600,250 38,840,557 2,006,780 26,596,346 15,763,842	305,308 38,764 Nil. 1,074,922 441,496 159,138 477,355 20,000 733,003 309,749 Nil. 187,866 156,040 29,818 687,000 1,233,508 234,444 435,000 176,826 98,990 16,250	1,659,689 21,750 933,375 639,636 499,677 147,433 248,358 129,541 113,300 513,801 26,923 98,139 9,991 11,379 372,775 2,683,000 1,438,778 1,091,000 25,806 423,000 241,340	1,810,046 17,530 1,401,406 1,661,780 1,408,136 804,927 614,738 501,500 386,800 2,349,000 36,097 205,481 46,447 7,817 1,571,690 4,782,000 1,147,180 2,755,000 84,751 1,238,000 997,230	2,990,0 2,599,1 2,612,5 1,943,8 1,238,6 1,340,7 1,401,8 4,299,0 739,0 2,288,6 7,379,0 2,488,6 2,745,0 287,5 1,980,0 888,2 146,1 1,738,2 300,4 2,295,0 2,788,6
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rento oranges, 200 size, ordinary boxes \$2.50; Sorrento oranges, 150 size, 34 boxes, \$1.50; Sorrento oranges, 180 size, 37 boxes, \$1.40. Grape fruit.—64 size, \$5.50; 80 size, \$4.75; 96 size, \$4.50. Pineapples—24s. per case, \$4.50. Tangerines ½ boxes, \$3.50. Onions—Cases, 150 lbs., Spanish, \$4; red. bags, 75 to 80 lbs, 3c lb. Cranberries—Finest, \$11; choice, \$10; 25 qt. box, \$2.65; 32 quart box, \$3.00. Dates — Fancy golden, 4c. Cal. apricots, 25 lb. boxes, 12c; do. pears, 25 lb. do., 12½c; do. peaches, 25 lb. boxes, 11c; do. prunes, 40|50, 25 lb. boxes, 7½c; do. prunes, 50|60, 25 lb. boxes, 6¾c. Nuts—Grenoble walnuts, 13c; Tarragona almonds, 12c; Sicily filberts, 11s; shelled walnuts, 17c; new Brazils, 16c; Jumbo pecans, 16c; large

pecans, 12c; shelled almonds, 24c. Peanuts—Roasted, 7½e to 11½c; Spanish shelled, 12c; Virginian brand, shelled, 11e. New chestnuts. 10c per 1b. New Figs—Six Crown, extra fancy, 40 lbs. boxes. 13c; Five Crown, fancy, 10 lbs. boxes, 10c; Four Crown, fancy, 10 lbs. boxes, 9c; Glove boxes, fine quality, per box, 10c; Fancy Washed Figs, in baskets, per basket. 20e; stuffed in baskets. 28c. Cal. celery, 5 to 7 doz. case, \$5.00. Grapes—Tinted, long keepers, per keg, \$7.50; fancy, long keepers, per keg \$6.50. Cocoanuts, 100 to bag, \$3.75.

GREEN HIDES.—Trade quiet with no change in quotations. Prices on another page.

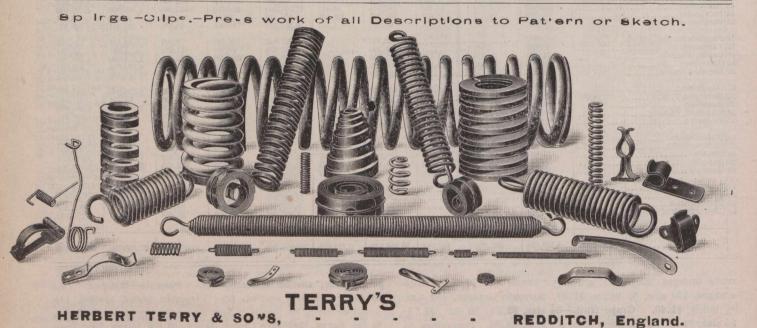
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BANKS.	Capital subscribed.	Capital paid-up.	Reserve Fund.	Perc'ntage of Rest to paid-up Capital.	Par value per share.	Market value of one share.	Dividend last 6 mos.	Dates of Div	r'd.	Prices cent. or Mar	n par
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Western	 500,000 300,000	500,000 300,000	217,500 50,000	43.50 16.66	100 75	******	3½ 2½	June Feb.	Dec. Aug.		

OILS AND PAINTS.—No change in prices of either linseed oils or turpentine. Trade slow, owing to recent interference with freight traffic. Paints steady.

PROVISIONS.—Dressed hogs sold early in the week at \$8 to \$8.50 but with milder weather and larger receipts of live stock the market has weakened on dressed, and it is now difficult to make over 8c; in fact this seems to be the extreme price at time of writing. Other quotations are: Heavy Canada short cut mess, tierces. \$25 to \$26: do. barrels, \$16.50 to \$17.50: Canada short cut back, \$16.50 to \$17; heavy Canada long cut mess, \$15.50 to \$16;

heavy Canada short cut clear pork, brls., \$16.00 to \$16.50; heavy flank, \$15 to \$15.50.—Compound lard—Tierces, 375 lbs., 5½c to 5½c; tubs, 50 lbs., 5½ to 5¾; boxes, 50 lbs., parchment lined, 5½c to 5½c; wood pails, parchement lined, 20 lbs. 5¾c to 6c. Pure lard—Tierces, 375 lbs., 7½c to 7¾c; tubs, 50 lbs., 7¾c to 8c; boxes, 50 lbs., parchment lined, 7½ to 7¾c; wood pails, 20 lbs., 8 to 8½c; cases, 8¼ to 8½c.—Kettle lard—Tic's, 375 lbs., 8½ to 8¾c; tubs. 50. 8¾ to 9c; pails, 20, 5 to 9¼c; cases, 9¼ to 9½c.—Smoked meats—Hams, 6 to 35 lbs., 9½c to 11¾c; boneless rolled, 12c; English boneless breakfast bacon, 13c; Wiltshire bacon, 50 lbs., sides, 12½c; Windsor bacon, backs, 12½c.



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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

MONTREAL, MARCH 2, 1	
Name of Article.	Wholesale.
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Acid Carbolic Cryst. medi. Aloes, Cape Alum Borax, xtls Brom. Potass Camphor, Ref. Rings Camphor, Ref. oz. ck Citric Acid Citrate Magnesia lb. Cocaine Hyd. oz. Copperas, per 100 lbs. Cream Tartar Epsom Salts Glycerine Gum Arabic per lb. Gum Arabic per lb. Insect Powder lb. Insect Powder lb. Insect Powder per keg, lb. Morphia Oil Peppermint lb. Oil Lemon Opium Phosporus Oxalic Acid Potash Bichromate Potash Iodide Quinine Strychnine Tartaric Acid Licorice.—	\$ c. \$ c, 0 30 0 35 0 160 0 18 1 40 1 75 0 04 0 06 0 50 0 60 0 90 1 00 1 10 0 17 5 0 86 0 25 0 45 1 75 0 16 0 18 5 0 4 50 1 65 1 65 1 65 1 65 1 65 1 65 1 65 1
Stick, 4, 6, 8, 12 & 16 to lb., 5 lb. boxes Acme Licorice Pellets, cans. Licorice Lozenges, 1 & 5 lb. cans	2 00 2 00 1 50
Bleaching Powder Blue Vitriol Brimstone Caustic Soda Soda Ash Soda Bicarb Sal. Soda Sal. Soda Concentrated.	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
DYESTUFFS— Archil. con	0 27 0 31
Cutch Ex. Logwood Chip Logwood Indigo (Bengal) Indigo Madras Gambier Madder Sumac Tin Crystals	0 08 1 75 2 50 1 50 1 75 0 70 1 00 0 06 0 07 0 09 0 12 45 00 50 00 0 25 0 30
Bloaters, per box. Labrador Herrings half brls. Mackerel, No. 2, brls. Mackerel, No. 2, one-half barrel Green Cod, No. 1 Green Cod, large No. 2 Large dry Gaspe per qntl. Salmon, brls. Lab. No. 1 Salmon, brls. Lab. No. 1 Salmon, British Columbia, brls. Salmon, British Columbia, half brls. Boneless Fish Boneless Cod	5 00
Skinless Cod, case Loch Fyne Herrings, keg FLOUR— Ogilvie's Royal Household Ogilvie's Glenora Patents Manitoba Patents Strong Bakers Winter Wheat Patents Straight Roller Straight bags Superfine Rolled Oats Cornmeal, bag Bran, in bags Shorts, in bags Mouillie	5 80 5 50 5 50 5 50 5 50 5 40 5 50 2 45 2 60 4 20 4 30 4 90 5 10 1 40 1 65 17 00 18 00
FARM PRODUCTS— Butter—	0.00 0.97
Under Grades, Creamery Townships Dairy Western Dairy Good to Choice Fresh Rolls	0 00 0 00 0 00 0 00 0 00 0 00 0 00 0 00
Cheese— Finest Western, white Finest Western, colored Finest Eastern	
Eggs— Gest Selected Straight Gathered Limed Cold Storage We. 2	0 19 0 00

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT. MONTREAL, MARCH 2, 1906.

MONTREAL, MARCH 2, 1	1906.	HA S
Name of Article.	Wholess	de
FARM PRODUCTS.—CON.—	\$ c.	\$ c.
Sundries—		
Potatoes, per bag of 90 lbs Honey, White Clover, comb Honey, extracted	0 70 0 13 0 06‡	0 80 0 131 0 071
Beans—		
Prime Best hand-picked	0 00 1 75	0 00 1 80
GROCERIES-		
Sugars—		E OF
Standard Granulated, barrels Bags, 100 lbs		5 65 · 5 60 · 6 05 ·
Ex. Ground, in barrels Ex Ground, in boxes Powdered, in barrels		6 25 5 85
Powdered, in barrels Powdered, in boxes Paris Lumps, in barrels Paris Lumps, in half barrels		6 05 6 20 6 30
Branded Yellows	5 16	5 60
Branded Yellows Molasses (Barbadoes) new Molasses (Barbadoes) old Molasses, in barrels Molasses in half barrels Evaporated Apples	0	0 354
Molasses in half barrels Evaporated Apples	0 00	0 364
Raisins—		
Sultanas Loose Musc.,	0 071	0 10 0 074
Luvava London	1 75 2 50	2 00
Con. Cluster Extra Dessert Royal Buckingham		2 50 2 25 0 07
Valencia Valencia, Selected Valencia, Layers Currants, Provincials Filiatras	0 00	0 07
Currants, Provincials		0 044
Patras Vostizzas Prunes California	0 00	0 064
Patras Vostizzas Prunes, California Prunes, French Figs, in bags Figs, new layers	0.04	0 00
Figs, new layers	0.09	0 12
Rice—		0.00
C. C. Standard B Patna, per 100 lbs. Burmah, per 100 lbs. Crystal Japan, per 100 lbs. Carolina, Lava	2 95 3.05 3 80	3.05 3.15 4.50
Burmah, per 100 lbs	3 50	3 75
Det Deelen bee 00 1be		5 75 2 25 0 034
Tapioca, Pearl per lb. Tapioca, Flake, per lb.	0.03	0 031
Corn, 2 lb. tins	1.00	1 20 0 85 1 75
Pot Barley, bag 98 lbs. Pearl Barley, per lb. Tapioca, Pearl per lb. Tapioca, Flake, per lb. Corn, 2 lb. tins. Peas, 2 lb. tins. Salmon, 4 dozen case Tomatoes, per dozen String Beans	1 27	1 30 9 85
HARDWARE—	0 08	0 10
Tin: Block, L. & F. per lb		0 32
Antimony Tin: Block, L. & F. per lb. Tin, Block, Straits, per lb. Tin, Strip, per lb. Copper: Ingot, per lb.		0 00.
Cut Nail Schedule —		
Base price, per keg, Extras—Over and above 30d, 40d, 50d, 60d and 70d Nails		2 26
40d, 50d, 60d and 70d Nails	0.00	0 094
Coil Chain—No. 6 No. 5 No. 4 No. 3 ½ inch 5.18 inch	0.00	0 08 0 07
No. 3	0.00	0.061 0.051 3.80
3/ inch		2 65
7-16 inch Coil Chain—No. ½ 9-16	0.00	3 25 3 20
Coil Chain—No. ½ 9-16 5% 34 76 and 1 inch.	0.00	3 10 2 95
	0.00	2, 30
Galvanized Staples— 100 lb. box, 1½ to 1¾ Bright, 1½ to 1¾		2 02
Galvanized Iron— Queen's Head, or equal, gauge 28	4 00	4 06
Queen's Head, or equal, gauge 28 Comet , do., 28 gauge	3 75	4 00
Iron Horse Shoes—	- 40	yin.
No. 2 and larger		3 65
Car lors		3 90 1 80 1 75 2 55 2 55
Am. Sheet Steel, 6 ft. x 2½ ft., 18 Am. Sheet Steel, 6 ft. x 2½ ft., 20 Am. Sheet Steel, 6 ft. x 2½ ft., 22 Am. Sheet Steel, 6 ft. x 2½ ft., 22		2 55 2 60

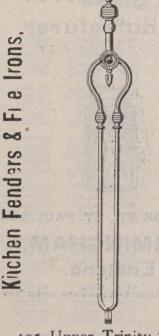
Am. Sheet Steel, 6 ft. x 21/2 ft., 24...

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

MONTREAL, MARCH 2,	1905.
Name of Article.	Wholesale
HARDWARE.—CON.—	a state of
Am. Sheet Steel, 6 ft. x 2½ ft., 26 Am. Sheet Steel, 6 ft. x 2½ ft., 28 Boiler plates, iron, ½ inch Boiler plates, iron, 3-16 inch Hoop Iron, base for 2 in. and larger. Band Canadian, 1 to 6 in., 30c; over base of ordinary iron, smaller size. Extras.	\$ c \$ c 275 290 210 210 240
Canada Plates—	
Full Polish Ordinary, 52 sheets Ordinary 60 sheets Ordinary 75 sheets Black Iron Pipe, ½ inch ½ inch ½ inch 1 inch 1½ inch 1½ inch 1½ inch Per 100 feet nett.	2 07 2 34 2 90 4 15 5 63 6 76
Per 100 feet nett. 2 inch	9 00 0 07 1
Steel, cast per lb., Black Diamond Steel, Spring, 100 lbs. Steel, Tire, 100 lbs. Steel, Sleigh shoe, 100 lbs. Steel, Toe Calk Steel, Machinery Steel, Harrow Tooth	2 00
In Places IC Coke, 14 x 20 IC Charcoal, 14 x 20 IX Charcoal Tarina Plate IC 20 x 28	3 75 4 00
IX Charcoal Terne Plate IC, 20 x 28 Russian Sheet Iron Lion & Crown, tinned sheets	4 75 6 50 0 10
Lion & Crown, tinned sheets 22 and 24 gauge case lots	7 00 7 50
	3 50 0 04½ 6 50 7 00 less 30 p.c.
Spelter, per 100 lbs	7 00
Sheet zinc	0 07 0 07
8 to 16 gauge 18 to 20 gauge 22 to 24 gauge 26 gauge 28 gauge	2 15 2 05 2 10 2 20 2 25
Plain galvanized, No. 5	3 55
Plain galvanized, No. 5 do do No. 6, 7, 8 do do No. 9 do do No. 10 de do No. 11 do do No. 12 do do No. 13 do do No. 14 do do No. 14 do do No. 16 Barbed Wire Spring Wire, per 100, 1.25 Net extra.	2 35 3 05
do do No. 12	2 50 2 60
do do No. 14	3 60 4 25 4 50
Spring Wire, per 100, 1.25 Net extra.	$2 62\frac{1}{8}$ f.o.b. Montreal.
fron and Steel Wire, plain, 8 to 9 ROPE—	2 15 base.
do 7-16 and up	U 10½ 0 11
do 8-16 Manilla, 7-16 and larger	0 11½ 0 14½ 0 15
Sisal, base do 7-16 and up do % do 8-16 Manilla, 7-16 and larger do 8-16 do % Lath yarn	0 15 0 15 0 10
WIRE NAILS— Base Price 3d extra 3d f extra 3d extra 4d and 5d extra 6d and 7d extra 8d and 9d extra 19d and 12d extra 19d and 20d extra 6d and 20d extra	2 25 1 00 1 00
8d extra	0 65 0 40
8d and 9d extra	0 30 0 15 0 10
	0 05 Base
BUILDING PAPER—	
Dry Sheeting, roll Tarred Sheeting, roll HIDES—	0 50
Montreal Green Hides	0.00
Montreal, No. 1 Montreal, No. 2 Montreal, No. 2 Montreal, No. 3 Tanners pay \$1 extra for sorted cured and inspected. Sheepskins Clips Spring Lambskins, each Calfskins, No. 1	0 00 0 09½ 0 00 0 08½ 0 00 0 07½
Sheepskins Clips Spring Lambskins, each Calfskins, No. 1 Calfskins, No. 2 Morae hides	1 10 1 20 0 00 0 00 0 00 0 11 0 13 0 09 0 11 1 50 2 00

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Name of Article.	Wholesale
LEATHER—	The state of the s
	\$ c. \$ c. 0 27 0 23
No. 2, B. A. Sole	0 25 0 26
No. 1, B. A. Sole	0 24 0 25 0 28 0 29 0 28 0 29 0 26 0 27 0 27 0 32 0 34 0 36 0 35 0 37 0 34 0 35
light medium and heavy No. 2	0 28 0 29 0 26 0 27
Hamaga	0.27 0 32
Upper, heavy	0 35 0 37
Grained Upper	0 34 0 35 0 35 0 38
Kip Skins, French English	0 60 0 65
Canada Kip	0 45 0 55 0 50 0 60 0 70 0 70
Canada Kip Hemlock Calf Hemlock Light French Calf Splits, light and medium Splits, heavy	0 70 0 70 0 50 0 60
French Calf	0 85 1 10 0 22 0 25
Splits, light and medium	0 17 0 20
Splits, heavy Splits, small Leather Board, Canada Enameled Cow, per ft. Pebble Grain Glove Grain	0 18 0 20 0 06 0 10
Enameled Cow, per ft.	0 16 0 18 0 12 0 14
B. Calf Brush (Cow) Kid	0 15 0 20 0 11 0 12
	0 13 0 16 0 35 0 40
Russetts, light Russetts, heavy Russetts, No. 2 Russetts, Saddlers', dozen Imt. French Calf. English Oak, lb. Dongola, extra	0 25 0 30
Russetts, No. 2	0 35 0 40 7 50 8 00
Imt. French Calf.	0 65 0 35
Dongola, extra	0 38 0 42
Dongola, extra Dongola, No. 1 Dongola, ordinary Colored Pebbles Colored Calf	0 20 0 22 0 14 0 16
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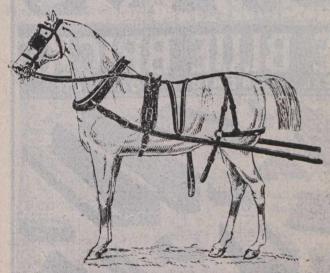
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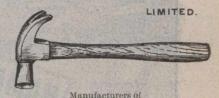
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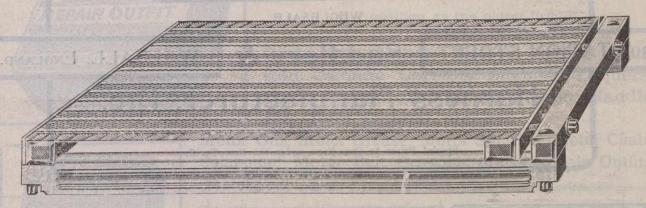
Established in 1810, this firm are the largest manufacturers of surgical needles in the world and hold the unique distinction of being the only firm who make these needles exclusively. This firm have, we are informed, the privilege of supply-

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Where an insurance company had notice of a mortgage on the land on which the insured property was situated, the accumulation of interest on the mortgage does not work a forfeiture of the policy under the clause against incumbrances, or

change of title without the consent of the company. Fitzgibbons v. Merchants' & Bankers' Mut. Fire Ins. Co.

Where an inventory of insured goods was destroyed with the goods, parol evidence of its contents was admissible. S. E. Hanna & Co. v. Orient Ins. Co.

Under Rev. St. 1899, Sec. 7979, providing that property shall not be insured for more than three-fourths of its value, and that the value shall not be questioned in any proceeding, a company issuing a policy on property already insured in another company cannot; in an action on the policy, deny that the value of the property bears at least the proportion of four to three to the total insurance. S. E. Hanna & Co. v. Orient Ins. Co.

Where a policy on a stock of goods and materials was issued on an oral application, and no information was requested or given by insured as to a chattel mortgage, and insured did not know that the policy to be issued contained a clause rendering the insurance void if the property was covered by a chattel mortgage until after the policy had been delivered, and he had paid the premium, such facts constituted a waiver of the mortgage clause by the insurer. Allesina v. London & L. & G. Ins. Co.

Where a policy of insurance contained the condition that it would be void if the building insured thereby be or became vacant or unoccupied, and so remained for a period of ten days unless otherwise provided by agreement indorsed thereon, and such policy was issued by an agent having authority to issue the policies of insurance and consumate the contract, and such agent at the time of the issuing of the policy had knowledge that the building was then vacant and unoccupied, and thereafter and within ten days, upon request of the assured agreed to indorse a vacancy permit on the policy, but failed to do so, and the assured relied upon the acts and agreement of the agent. Held, the insurance company waived the condition of the policy, and was liable for a loss by fire occurring while the building continued vacant and unoccupied Queen Ins. Co. of American v. Straughan.

A clause in a policy of fire insurance which requires that the insured shall "keep a set of books, which shall c'early and plainly present a complete record of business transacted including a'l purchases, sales, and shipments, both for cash and credit," is not complied with where it appears that the only record of cash sales kept is a cashbook, in which no de-

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Where one engaged in the business of repairing vehicles took out a fire policy on his stock and on property held in trust or for repairs, was destroped by fire, together with the stock, and she gave notice to insured and insurer, claiming indemnity, she was entitled to indemnity in such proportion as the value of her property bore to the whole amount paid though it was not sufficient to pay ins r d's damages, except that insured had the right to indemnify himself in full to the extent of his interest or lien on plaintiff's vehicle. Johnston v. Charles Abrecht Co.

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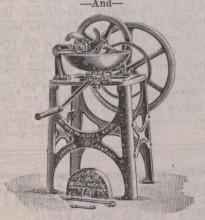
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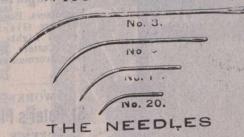
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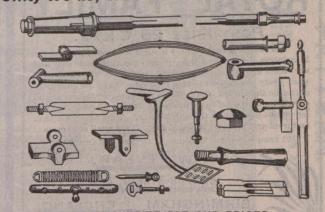
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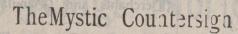
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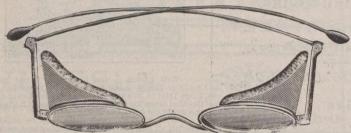
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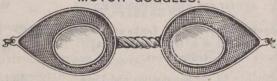
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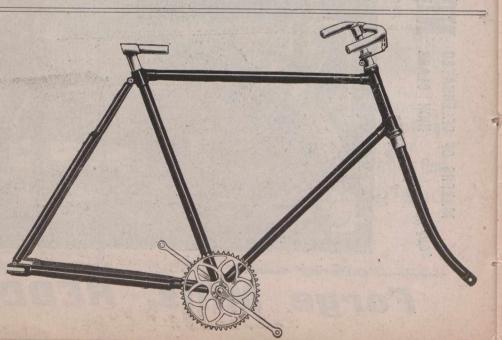
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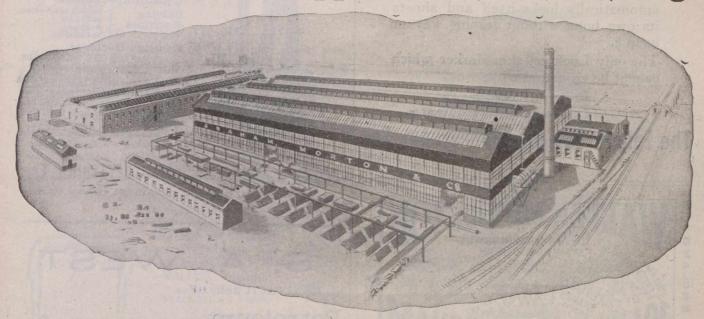
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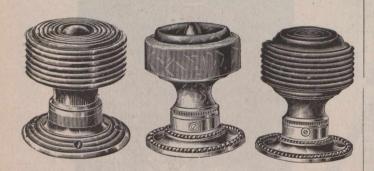


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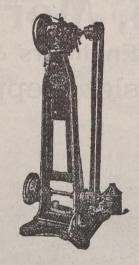


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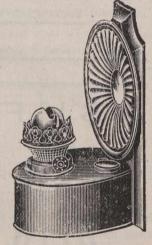
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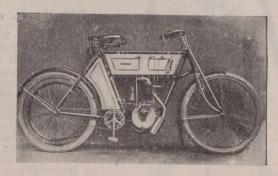
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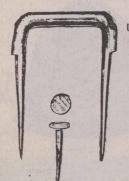
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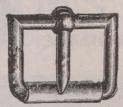
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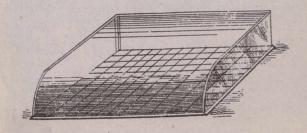
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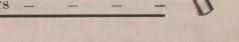




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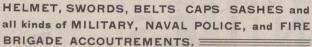
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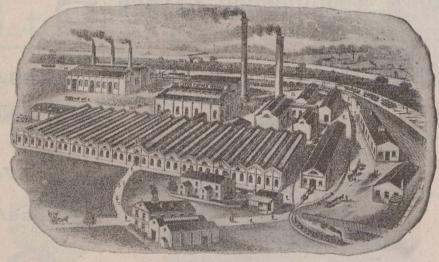


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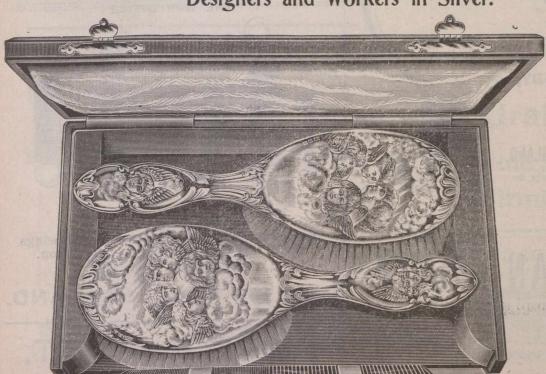
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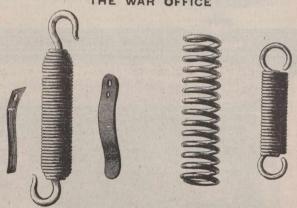


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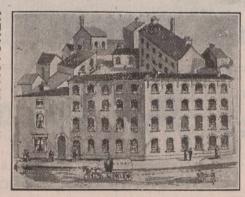


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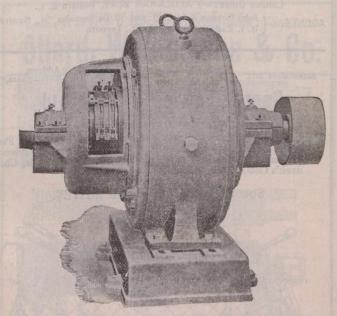
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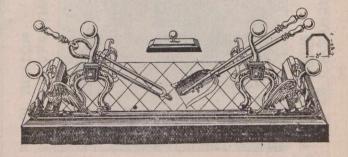
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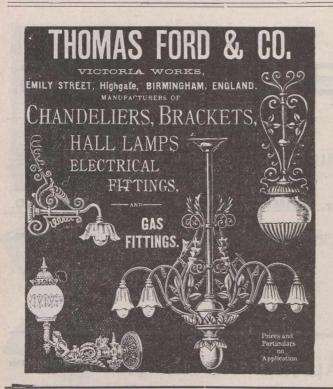
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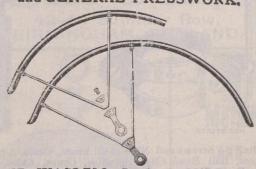
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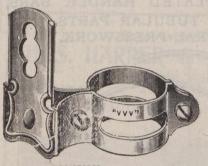
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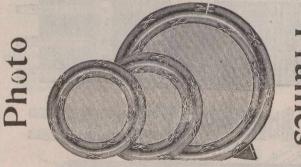
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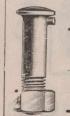


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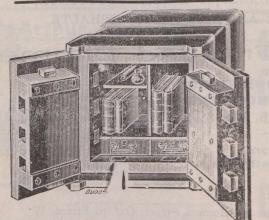
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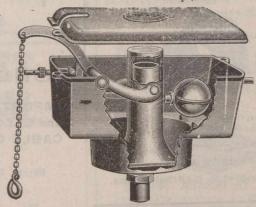
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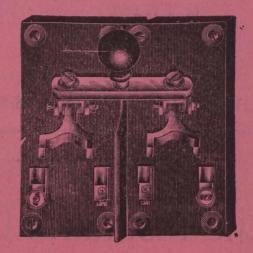
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