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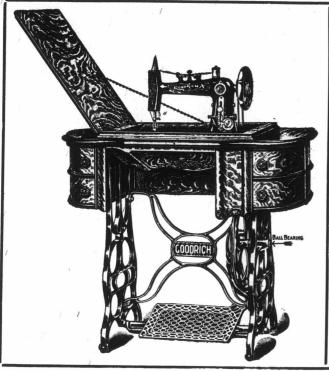
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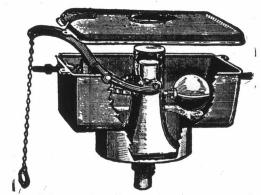
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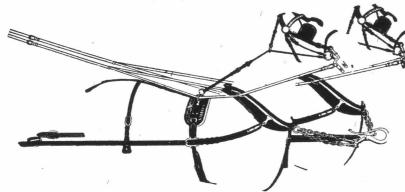
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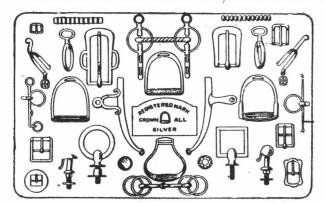
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-New York will spend \$162,000,000 on its water works.

-U. S. railmakers offer a perfect rail for \$33 a ton. Wreck-causing rails cost \$28.

-The Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway will be completed by the end of the present season to the two hundredmile post.

-Ottawa clearing house total for week ending June 27, 1907 \$2.607,824 corresponding week last year \$2,126,856. London clearing house total for week ending June 27, 1907 \$1,131,514.

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—The customs revenue of the Dominion for the month of June shows an increase of \$1,229,032 over June, 1906. The total revenue for the month was \$5,321,444. For the three months of the current fiscal year the revenue was \$15,123,092, an increase of \$2.964,391 over the corresponding period/of last year.

—The Canada Life Assurance Co. has opened a handsome office at 76 Montgomery street, Jersey City. The company having recently added the state of New Jersey to its territory, J. A. Bucknell, who has long been identified with the company, takes charge of that important field in addition to his other duties.

The Transvaal gold output in June was 500,000 nunces fine, a reduction of 25,000 nunces from May. Value of June output, roughly, is \$10,625,000, compared with \$11,139,190 in May. Not since last July has as small an outturn as 500,000 nunces been reported for the Transvaal. December's total of 550,167 nunces is the high record.

—During the nine months ended March 31st the Department of Trade and Commerce paid out in bounty on petroleum the sum of \$266,555, as compared with \$291,157 disbursed during the twelve months of the fiscal year 1906. This would indicate a production of 19,410.408 gallons in 1906, against a production of 23,693,608 gallons for the full year of 1907, or an increase of 4,282.128 gallens.

-Mr. Stephen Edgell, for many years local manager of the Eastern Townships Bank, Sherbrooke, has resigned his position. Mr. Edgell does not leave the service of the bank, but goes to the head office. He has been succeeded in the local managership by Mr. E. L. Stuart-Patterson who has for some time been acting as assistant manager. Mr. Patterson was formerly assistant manager in the St. James street office, Montreal.

The finally revised report of the assessment of the city of Ottawa for 1907 has been published. It shows a total assessment of \$60.408,450, of which \$19.090,300 is exempt. The total taxable assessment is made up of land values. \$15.287,200; buildings and improvements. \$20.092,250; income, \$1,957,950, and business assessment, \$3.980,750. Each of these amounts is an increase over 1906, except the business assessment, which was \$1,200 less. The total net increase was \$3,344,970.

—A report from London says:—A great combination of iron and steel manufacturers is being formed in Great Britain to combat American and German competition, control the British trade and dominate the steel industry of the world. Nine big companies headed by Vickers Sons and Maxim have absorbed 36 independent concerns, giving them control of 90 per cent. of steel produced in Great Britain. The combined capital of the firms is over \$130,000,000.

-The date fixed for the coming into force of the act passed at the last session of Parliament, providing for the inspection

of meats, fish, and canned goods, has been postponed from August 1 to September 3 next. Much preliminary work in connection with the drafting of regulations for inspection, the appointment and training of the officials, etc., has to be done before the Government are ready to adequately enforce the act, and it has consequently been found advisable to wait for another month before bringing the act into force by proclamation of the Governor-General in Council.

—Montreal clearings for the half-year of 1907 show a very small increase over the figures for the corresponding period of a year ago. The months of January, February and June made losses, when contrasted with the same months last year. February was particularly conspicuous in that respect, with a decline of about 13 per cent. The clearings for six months are the greatest on record for that period, the figures being \$737.122.623, compared with \$732.489.873, in 1906 an increase of \$4,632.750. The clearings for June were only \$123.589,767, a decrease of \$3,438.011 on the figures for June, 1906.

The problem of producing alcohol so cheaply as to ensure its use as a fuel in place of naptha or gasoline is said to have been worked out by an English scientist. The discovery that alcohol can be manufactured from peat was announced recently in the press, and the Department of Trade and Commerce has received from its agent in Manchester, Mr. P. B. MacNamara, corroboration of the reported achievement. Mr. MacNamara writes that the peat alcohol can be produced for six cents a gallon: that it is reported to be more efficient in every way than petrol; that it is safer to handle and less liable to heat the engine.

-The American Bankers' Association Friday last complained to the Interstate Commerce Commission that the express companies of the United States, acting as common carriers, are usurping the prerogatives of banking associations, and at the same time are employing the capital of the banks of the country in the conduct of their business. It is alleged that these operations of the express companies are seriously detrimental to the interests of the banks, and that the use of the interstate facilities and the relations which the express companies have with the railroads enable the companies seriously to discriminate against regular commercial operations of banking institutions.

—The Royal Bank has opened a branch at Port Moody, B. C.—The Sterling Bank is opening at Kinmount, in Victoria County, Ont.—The Northern Bank is erecting a new bank building at Macoun, Sask.—The Bank of Nova Scotia has opened a branch at Loggieville, Miramichi, with Mr. S. S. Stearns, late of Toronto, as manager.—At Portage la Prairie, Man., the Bank of Montreal have spent \$11,000 in completing a dwelling for their branch manager. They let contracts for a new banking office to cost \$25,000.—The Bank of New Brunswick will open an office at Halifax.—The Eastern Townships Bank will erect a new building at Stanstead.—The Royal Bank will erect a \$200.000 building on King St., Toronto.

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—The census and statistics department issued a bulletin recently on the capital employed in manufacturing establishments in Canada. In 1905 the amount of capital in manufacturing industries was \$843.931,178, as compared with \$446.916.487 in 1900. This shows an increase for the five years of \$397,000,000, or about 90 per cent., while production increased by \$234.000,000, or about 50 per cent. This disparity in the ratios of increase is said to be due to the inability of recently established works to produce to their full capacity. In car and car works, for example, the ratio of production to capital in 1900 was 151, and in 1905 it was 101; on Portland cement works it was 86 and 65; in smelting works it was 67 and 32, and on electric light works it was 17 and 9 for each year, respectively. The five years have been a growing period in industrial investment, and the full results are not yet realized.

—A bulletin dealing with the condition of crops, live stock, etc., in Manitoba was issued lately by the local Department of Agriculture and Immigration. Reports of correspondents indicate promising conditions in every section of the province. A falling off is reported in the acreage of wheat, but a substantial increase in the acreage of oats and barley. The wheat acreage reported in last year's June bulletin was 3,141.537 acres, against 2,789,553 acres this year. Last year there were 1,155,961 acres of oats, this year 1,213.596 acres. The barley acreage last year was 649,570 acres. As to live stock, the figures show the cattle fattened during the Winter numbered 28,142 and milch cows 114,642. The employment and farm labor problem is shown thus:— Farm hands employed 18,501, Farm hands required 24,583. Female servants employed 4,619, Female servants required 5 162.

Reports to the Labor Department show that the number of trade disputes during May was 49, an increase of twelve over the corresponding month of 1906. The loss in working days was approximately 88.325 as compared with 45,675 in May of last year. The increase is largely due to the strike of coal miners in the west, and of longshoremen in Montreal. There were about 411 firms and 11,697 employees affected by the various disputes. There was a marked upward tendency in wages in nearly all lines of industry during the month. The number of new agreements with respect to wages reported to the department was considerably in excess of that during the corresponding period in any previous year since 1903. Nearly all the new agreements were on the basis of higher wage schedules. In the majority of cases the increases were obtained

as a result of amicable negotiations and without friction between employers and employees. During May there were 287 work people injured in industrial accidents. Of these 91 were fatal and 196 resulted in serious injuries. Railway accidents were responsible for twenty fatalities and thirty by them were injured.

-The Railway Commission's assistant traffic officer, Mr. F. Dillinger, has reached Ottawa from the west, where he was sent to make a report upon the position of the railways to handle the crop of this season and the general increase of traffic. Mr. Dillinger was accompanied on the trip by Mr. J. Ogilvic, inspector of railway equipment. The railways of the west were carefully inspected, and the conclusion come to is that they will be in fairly good shape this autumn to handle the crop and the general traffic. The inspectors are convinced that the roads are making every possible effort to obtain locomotives and cars and expand their sidings, engine houses and other portions of their system to handle the increased business. The inspectors did not take the word of the railways for the orders they had placed for rolling stock, but made independent in quiries as to the extent of these orders and the date of delivery. The officials have not yet concluded the inspection of the roads. It is the intention of the Railway Commission to arrange for regular reports for the railway companies on traffic equipment and orders for new equipment, so that it may be possible to ascertain at any time how any road is meeting the requirements of business and preparing for increase.

The new U.S. immigration laws placing numerous restrictions upon the incoming of undesirable foreigners, went into effect July 2. The most important change brought about by these acts which Congress passed in February is the increase of the head tax from \$2 to \$4 with the provision that all over \$2,000.000 of the revenue so derived will revert to the United States Treasury instead of being entirely devoted to the uses of the immigration Bureau . Inasmuch as the immigration for the past two years has been over a million annually, the income to the Government from this source will be a considerable item. Another change makes the steamship companies subject to a fine of \$100 for transporting physically or mentally defective immigrants or those afflicted with loathsome or contagious diseases. This is done to save the "inadmissables" the useless expense of the voyage to America. The law further provides for exportation of women found to be leading immoral lives within three years after their arrival. The immigration officials are also empowered to arrest those who harbor women of this character, and fixes a fine of \$5.000 and imprisonment for five years in event of conviction for such offenses.

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AN AGE OF EXTRAVAGANCE.

THE CANADIAN JOURNAL OF COMMERCE.

MONTREAL, JULY 5, 1907.

From various parts of the country, on both sides of the boundary line-wherever multitudes of counsellors assemble-come notes of warning more or less clear to the people to take heed to the pace they are making in their daily pursuit of business of luxury or pleasure. This note of caution was sounded more than once within the last, year at the annual meetings of our principal banks by men of foresight and experience, and there is fortunately some evidence that the words were not uttered in vain. The increase in bank deposits is a hopeful sign—an indication that there is some thought for the possible rainy day; and perhaps there is less disposition to engage in more or less speculative ventures, so sedulously offered to the people. The enormous withdrawal of deposits during the early weeks of the year spread some feeling of uneasiness, owing to the direction which they took. Prairie lands are so extensive that many years must elapse before they can be retailed at a profit; besides that such purchases stand in the way of early settlement and interfere with the growth and prosperity of the country. The rules and regulations adopted by the Government stand to serve a good purpose in this respect. Urban examples may be found in every town and city where drones acquire early possession of properties which they do not intend to improve, but wait until the adjoining owners build all around and add to their value. Roads,

streets and fences must be had, but they are chiefly built at the expense of the industrious and enterprising of the population.

Gatherings of bankers and their friends during their summer outings are often availed of over the border to obtain secular sermons from men who may quote:-

"Tis the sunset of life gives me mystical lore, And coming events cast their shadows before.

Among them is E. C. McDougael, president of a New York association, who, though pronouncing nothing of a novel character, contributed considerably to the general stock of wisdom, and every word of his address applies with equal force to Canada. The industrial, the agricultural and the commercial situation exhibit a degree of prosperity, a volume of business quite unprecedented. We see busy and highly paid employes everywhere; a maximum of business with a minimum of losses through bad debts. The general run of business men, with few exceptions, have confidence that no severe shock is in sight. Men who have been appealed to by their bankers cannot be convinced that it is time to curtail. Each says that the outlook in his particular field was for increased rather than for diminished business. Until very recently not one admitted that his judgment dictated any policy of retrenchment. Mr. McDougael believes we cannot hold the present pace. We should

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not hold it, even if we could. "If our depositors do not realize this, our unpleasant, but perfectly plain duty is to curtail their accommodation and force retrenchment. We are in an era of extravagance, both corporate and individual, of extravagance in enterprise and of extravagance in expenditure; extravagance as much beyond/ precedent as is our feverish business activity. No matter what the country's book profits are, it cannot accumulate capital without thrift, and to-day thrift appears to be forgotten." At least a moderate amount of, what is popularly known as "hard times" would seem to be the only cure.

Employers of labour, skilled and unskilled, say that wages are from 20 to 30 per cent higher than they were a few years ago, and that the product of a day's work is considerably less. In one case specified the employer estimates that he gets very little more than half as much work for a dollar as formerly. There are trades in which the daily wages have nearly or quite doubled in ten years, while the daily product has decreased. Many men do not work every day. Some earn enough in three or four days to supply needs for a week. Those in our large cities who seek servants at charity organizations are informed that their inmates earn enough in three or four days to support themselves, and will not hire out for any longer time as long as this is the case. Here is a two-fold economic waste. A workman does not do a full day's work for a full day's pay. He does not work full time. No doubt many, perhaps most, men work full time but very few do a full day's work for a full day's pay-such a day's work as could easily be done, as in all honesty and fair dealing should be done.

This waste produces inflation of values analogous to that produced by watering stock and bond issues of This inflation must inevitably be rec-When the day of reckoning comes the koned with. values of all properties will shrink to their true cost basis. This adjustment of values cannot occur without accompanying disturbances of credit and consequent business troubles. Every good business man knows that the end of constantly rising prices must some time be reached, and that when that time comes prices will not remain stationary at the high level, but will start on the long expected decline.

The powers given what is known as the Public Utilities Commission by Governor Hughes at Albany will have some interest in connection with the subject noted above-that is in compliance with the demand for stricter and more detailed supervision of corporations. The commissions are to have free control, and will be required to enforce the regulations provided for in the measure for the conduct of public service plants, except telephone and telegraph.

/ All corporations are to give safe and adequate service at just and reasonable rates; to prevent all rebates and discriminations in rates between different classes of shippers or passengers or kinds of traffic; to compel all common carriers to have sufficient cars and motive power to meet all requirements for the transportation of passengers and property which may be reasonably anticipated, and to see that common carriers are held liable for loss or damage due to delay in transit occasioned by negligence. The bill prohibits free passes, except in a few cases.

It is provided that no franchise shall be capitalized in excess of the amount actually paid to the State as consideration for granting the franchise; that the capital stock of a corporation formed by the merger or consolidation of two or more corporations shall not exceed the sum of the capital stock of the corporations so consolidated at their par value, or such sums and any additional sums actually paid in cash; that no contract for consolidation or lease shall be capitalized in the stock of any corporation whatever, and that no corporation shall hereafter issue any bonds against or as a lien upon any contract for consolidation or merger, and that no corporation shall purchase or hold stock in another such corporation or common carrier unless authorized by the commissioners.

Surely the sovereignty of the masses is being established. The voter knows his power and will likely use it as to himself seems best.

PROGRESS OF THE NORTH-WEST PROVINCES 1870-1906.

The subjoined information is furnished us by the Government Department of the Interior for the benefit of our readers. Our rulers are considerate in choosing midsummer for the issue of this information to editors who are longing for some "let-up" on the cry for "copy" and other unending wants.

Although the Northwestern Territory was admitted into and became part of the Dominion of Canada from 15th July, 1870, and that provision was made for admitting the Province of Manitoba on the same date, the first regular census of these parts of the Dominion was not taken until 1881. A special census of Manitoba taken in 1870 showed it to have in that year a population of 12.228, exclusive of Indians.

In 1881 Manitoba and the Territories had a population of 105,681, inclusive of 22,783 Indians. The census of the same year showed an area of 56,971 acres in wheat, and production of 1,153,328 bushels wheat, 302,-049 bushels barley and 1,330,220 bushels oats,-being for the harvest of 1880.

In 1891 the total population was 219,305, the area in wheat was 1,010,430 acres, of barley 64,972 acres and of oats 317,848 acres, and the production of wheat was 17,884,629 bushels, of barley 1,667,893 bushels and of oats 9,998,556 bushels,—being for the harvest of 1890. These figures are for areas of territory practically the same as the areas of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta,-the two last named having attained the statusof provinces on the first day of September, 1905.

Beginning the twentieth century, the territory of the three Provinces, as now constituted, had a population (1st April, 1901) of 419,512; and on 24th June, 1906, it had 808,863, being an increase in five years of 389,351 as compared with the increase of 200,207 in the ten years 1891-1901 and of 113,624 in the ten years 1881-1891.

The grain crops of the harvest of 1900, which were recorded in the census of 1901, were a comparative failure owing to a period of unusual drouth during the growing season. But as evidence of the agricultural growth of the three Provinces, it can be stated that the area in wheat was 2,495,466 acres, in barley 162,557 acres and in oats 833,390 acres. The aggregate yield of the three kinds of grain in that year was 43,000,000 bushels.

The census of 24th June, 1906, took area and production for the field crops of 1905, and area only for the crops of 1906. The production for 1906 has been since then computed from the reports of 2,000 farmers who gave actual average yield for their own farms and estimated average for the township in which they reside. The figures for each year are shown in the following table for each province:

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Provinces	acres	bush.	acres	bush.
Manitoba-				
Wheat	2,422,345	47,526,586	2,722,386	54,637,120
Barley	253,942	7,544,150	343,412	12,254,030
Oats	779,279	31,458,692	931,373	44,742,301
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Wheat	1,381,921	31,799,198	2,117,486	50,329,432
	40,732	1,196,419	77,576	2,828,447
Oats	606,346	25,623,849	901,646	41,885,285
Alberta—				
Wheat	147,921	3,035,843	223,930	5,871,397
Barley	80,90	tar - Oliver a suella variant	8 108,175	3,878,683
Oats		11,728,314	489,627	24,032,423
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Wheat	3,952,187	82,461,627	5,063,802	110,837,949
Barley	375,574	10,972,447	529,163	18,961,160
Oats	1,697,429		2,322,646	$110,\!659,\!959$

The whole area in wheat, barley and oats increased from 3,491,413 acres in 1900 to 6,025,190 acres in 1905, and to 7,915,611 acres in 1906; and the yield of the three crops increased from 43,252,664 bushels in 1900 (which was a bad harvest year) to 152,244,929 bushels in 1905, and to 240,459,068 bushels in 1906. The number of farms increased from 31,815 in 1891 to 54,625 in 1901, and to 120,439 in 1906.

OVERHEAD WIRES AS FIRE RISKS.

After long and patient endurance and experiencing "What hell it is in suing long to bide."

the Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association of Montreal have girded up their loins determined to wage battle against the enormous mass, net-work and sheaves of electric wires (which encumber our business streets), with the object of compelling the proprietory companies to have them placed underground without further delay. It is well for us that we have so influential a body of men as those at and near the head of our fire insurance companies to remind us of our remissness in

this respect, for however important and necessary to modern business affairs are the wires, poles and other supports of the telegraph, the lighting and motor power and the trolley systems, all operated by electric force, there is no excuse for thus endangering at the same time life and property when the remedy—the means of prevention—is within easy reach—and examples easily accessible in other cities.

The lines of attack laid down for the invasion may be studied in an unpretending little pamphlet of 20 pages, 7 x 10 inches each, of which 5/pages are devoted to the letter-press and 15 to a series of photogravures, the latter strikingly illustrative of the overhead mass of wires to be seen at/27 different parts of the city. The underwriters feeling, doubtless, the futility of words only, have resolved to place before each of the City Fathers, whatever his mother tongue, what he could take in at a glance, what he could not ignore, or repudiate in kind. For the information of the many citizens to whom the pamphlet may be a stranger, we reproduce the reply of three able and reputable electric experts, Mr. R. A. Ross, of this city; the Abbe Choquette, of St. Hyacinthe, Prof. Sc.; and Mr. J. F. Cole, Chief Electrician of Boston, to the request of the Underwriters' Association for their opinion on the subject:

"In compliance with your instructions, we have examined and beg to report upon the existing condition of the street wiring in the City of Montreal, under the following heads:—

1st.—The fire hazard due to the existing street wiring and apparatus.

2nd.—The obstruction to the Fire Department during

the progress of a fire.

3rd.—The life risk to firemen on active duty during

the progress of a fire.

4th.—The life risk to private citizens from electrical

causes due to present construction.

5th.—The life risk to employees of the Power, Street
Railway, Telephone and Telegraph Companies while

working upon the street construction.
6th.—If the hazards be excessive, by what means can they be diminished.

In view of the above questions, we have made a careful survey of the lines and apparatus in the streets for carrying electrical currents of all classes, whether normally dangerous, or ordinarily safe, and find that the overhead construction in Montreal is not carried out in the best way, and where the multiplicity of wires is so exceptionally great as in this City, the hazards of the usual system of overhead wiring are multiplied to an unusual degree.

The wires occupying the streets may, for the purpose of this report, be divided into three classes, arranged in the order of their hazard:—

1st.—Wires for the distribution of lighting and power, carrying primary voltages varying from 10,000 to 2,200 volts, but chiefly the latter. These consist of the wires of the several companies operating under the name of the Montreal Light, Heat & Power Co.

2nd.—Wires carrying a voltage of about 550 volts to feeders and trolley of the Montreal Street Railway Co. 3rd.—The telegraph, telephone, signal service wires, and the low voltage lighting and power secondary wires to buildings.

The first class, in which the construction is practically all above ground, constitutes the greatest risk, as it includes the bulk of the wiring: is operated at high voltage, and may by contact with any of the other classes of wiring render them equally dangerous as a

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fire and life hazard, and by reason of its complexity and inherent danger offers the greatest obstacle to the firemen on active duty during a fire.

The second class, while constituting a much diminished fire and life hazard, becomes a serious obstruction during the progress of a fire and forms the most objectionable, class from an aesthetic point of view, owing to the mass of large feeder cable employed. These cables may be placed under-ground, but the trolley wires must of necessity remain in the street.

The third class consisting of telephone, telegraph and signal wires, and low voltage lighting and power services, while not primarily a life and fire hazard, may become so through accidental contact with either of the other classes, and by reason of their weaker insulation and widespread distribution in buildings, may / under uch conditions constitute even more of a hazard than the other classes which do not enter insured premises.

Some of the telegraph and telephone lines have already been placed safely underground and many of the rest have been cabled, (but still left overhead) especially in the central districts of the City, but a large number still remain above ground in the streets.

As a result of our survey of the existing conditions in the streets, and keeping in mind the above consideration, we are of the opinion that in no other City does there exist such hazard to property and life through construction for electrical purposes as in the City of Montreal, for the following reasons:-

1st.-Montreal is the City which uses the greatest amount of power transmitted from a distance.

2nd.—The power demands are met from three water power developments operating voltages from 5,000 to 45,000, connected to a number of sub-stations and to several auxiliary steam stations, involving complicated wiring connections.

3rd.—The transmission of power at 10,000 volts on six wires through the heart of the City, viz., McGill Street, Victoria Square, Beaver Hall Hill, St. Catherine Street and Park Avenue.

4th.—The unnecessary duplication of poles and wires by reason of the fact that the Power Company is made up of six subsidiary Companies, whose lines are to a great extent still in existence, involving great complexities of wiring and street constructions, and which might largely be dispensed with.

5th.—The large number of Street Railway feeder cables necessitated by the density of traffic in the central districts, and the heavy grades between the lower

and upper City levels. -The large number of telephone, telegraph and signal wires which are still in existence overhead, which may become a menace at any time through contact with high voltage wires.

7th.—The narrowness of streets and heights of buildings in the business district, which considered in conjunction with the existing wiring complications, cannot as a fire hazard and as an obstruction to firemen when on duty be matched elsewhere.

In support of the above, we attach a series of photographs of the street construction in existence in the central district, which will bear eloquent testimony to our conclusions

We have in our possession similar photographs taken in the City of Boston, in 1894, which City as regards narrow streets and high buillings, approaches nearest to Montreal, of any American City. A comparison of such photographs with those submitted with this report shows conditions in Montreal, to be worse than those existing in 1894 in the first mentioned City, and yet that City compelled all companies to place their wires underground in the central portion before 1900, and are extending the underground district from year to year. It is a fact that miles of underground duct have been

installed outside the prescribed underground district

voluntarily by the Companies interested.

As regards the remedy for the above conditions of things here, no middle course can be pursued.

In the interests of property and life, the wires of all Companies should be placed underground in the central districts at once and consecutively thereafter in the less congested districts.

Our recommendations are therefore as follows:-1st.—To at once place all wires underground within the central district, bounded approximately by the River, Windsor Street, St. Catherine Street and St. Denis Street, except the trolley wires of the Montreal Street kailway Company.

2nd .- To extend the underground district as rapidly

as practicable thereafter.

3rd.—It is suggested, in view of the serious condition at present existing, and the immediate necessity of action, that the Civic authorities be urged to appoint a Superintendent of Wires, who shall be empowered to deal with all matters relating to electrical construction, whether overhead or underground."

The citizens, each and all will wish ultimate success to the Underwriters' Association in their endeavours to influence the city authorities in the direction aimed at. The Bell Telephone Company have already (some months ago) signified their approval and tendered their co-operation in promoting the transfer of the wires underground. Much has been done by means of cabling overhead, but the danger from the more powerful systems is scarcely lessened owing to the increase of other wiring. There is much resistance in the way of telegraphing and lighting wires still to be overcome, but with such municipal privileges, as they enjoy, and insurance rates so heavy they have the weight of argument on their side-and everything comes to him who perseveres

It is not, perhaps, generally known that the great majority of citizens are ignorant of the manner in which fire-alarms should be given. During a recent serious fire on Peel Street the person who rushed to the signal-box, within eighty yards of the spot, neglected to move the lever, and, with others present remained surprised for some time that there was no response to his act. The typical "small boy" could have given him a/lesson.

AN ERRING ASSURANCE AGENT.

Education is a fruitful parent of many crimes. Time was when it was held as an article of common faith, that vice fled before the face of the schoolmaster. Costly experience makes it clear, that change as we may the skies which surmount our mental horizon, the natural heart itself still remains as a well informed ancient authority declared, "deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked."

Breach of trust is essentially a crime of the educated. Widespread as education itself, it is the great dread of the business world to-day. That it should be openly charged against political leaders, is possibly an evidence of a common appreciation of its universality. Managers of institutions which are dependent upon numbers of subordinates, live in perpetual fear of it. For in spite of inventions, checks, and systems, the human agent must remain a necessary factor in all branches of commerce. With this essential untrustworthy, with breaches of trust on the increase, such companies as depend en-

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practick, as it at high other us as a tirely upon the confidence of the public, must languish, comparatively as the world becomes aware of the facts. Let no one imagine that educational, and mental ability, are main requisites in present day affairs; we must postulate righteousness also in the man who is an absolute necessity to the great financial, and other undertakings of our world. The business man has more than an outsider's interest in the struggle for the retaining of religion which makes for righteousness, in the curriculum of the schools. Education without the balance-wheel of a strict morality, is the development of ability only, and may—often does—develope new capabilities for crime.

Life Insurance is a business singularly dependent upon subordinates. Intensely sensitive to the veering of the popular air, it is but just recovering from the charge of malversation, which has been more or less properly directed against the management of some of the largest of the Societies. By the conviction of one Costin, chief of the French Canadian agents of the Mutual Life Company of Canada, to which attention was directed in our last issue, a little corner was lifted of a weil, which we are informed, conceals great scandals, and grave breaches of trust. Forgery of the names of insured persons, bogus certificates of their/death, the theft of the amounts of their policies, are points in the indictment recorded against the unfortunately misguided agent, to which he has pleaded guilty. The simplicity of the methods to men unfhindered by morality ,and the possible contagion of evil example, make the matter most serious to the insurance world. It is probably only proper that there should be no further public disclosures just now. Doubtless swift investigation will recall to guilty minds the Horatian truism,

> "Raro autecedentem scelestum Descruit pede poena claudo."

But the crude wickedness of the crimes, with all their pathetic possibilities, should cause some searchings of heart in the world of affairs. One thing that is made evident, is the necessity for the fruits of religion in common life. Another, is the fact that the business world has fair ground of complaint against the educationalists who are not sending out their products furnished with what is really essential. Again, the educated man of ability, who is destitute of moral principle, is a certain menace, if not a distinct curse to the community.

Nothing more truthful has ever been written than the old aphorism, "Keep innocency, and take head unto the thing that is right, for that shall bring a man peace at the last."

Costin was a fieldman with the Mutual for the last five years in this city. In March, 1905, he presented an application on the life of one Feauteau for \$3,000. The policy was issued, and two premiums were paid. Some months ago Costin announced the death of Feauteau and presented the claim papers including doctors and burial certificates, etc., all of which Costin has since confessed to Mr. Allen, in presence of witnesses, to have been forged. A cheque for the amount of policy payable to Feauteau's brother, was in due course forwarded by the Head office to the Montreal branch, which was handed to Costin at his own request to be delivered

by him to the payee. According to Costin's confession, however, he forged Feauteau's signature, and deposited cheque in bank to his own credit. Suspicion was first aroused when Costin presented a second claim on the life of A. Hetu, insured for \$5,000. This claim was lately presented in regular form. The similarity in the handwriting led to an investigation, and Costin was arrested.

DIRECTORS' FEES.

There is some disaffection being felt among cotton manufacturers in Oldham (Eng.) and elsewhere over Directors' fees. In many companies the allowance now varies from \$250 to \$500. Opposition has been manifested, says the Textile Mercury, against the raising of the fees in connection with a mill in Oldham district, from \$375 to \$500 a year; and the directors themselves have since abandoned the proposed increase. In times of a dull market high fees would handicap the financial position of the company; the advances may have been feasible of late, but it would have been better to have rewarded deserving directors with bonuses rather than with increased yearly allowances, which may be more than a mill can bear permanently . Not only are some of the new mills burdened with rather high directors' fees, but also with commissions payable to those who raised the capital. These taxes may prove too severe if margins of profit become narrower.

A history of the former perquisites in connection with the cotton manufacturing industry in Canada would not be very edifying. Every change in organization furnished opportunities which seemed to be too much for able personalities to withstand.

NEWSPAPER POSTAGE TO CANADA.

Exchanges from the United Kingdom continue to reach Canada bearing postage stamps of the value requisite before the new postal regulations come into force—on or about the 1st day of May, 1907. The great majority of British periodicals may now reach us for a halfpenny or about one cent each. Those to hand dated June 22d are still weighted with stamps of the value of $1\frac{1}{2}$ d (3 cents) to $2\frac{1}{2}$ d (5c) each. Brethren, wake up! "A penny saved is a penny gained."

A PRIVATE BANKER PASSED AWAY.

On the 26th June ultimo, in his 67th year, there passed away Mr. David Wheelihan, for many years identified with the industries of the Township of Nassagaweya as a merchant miller, latterly as a private banker. Natives of Mount Uniacke, Cork, Ireland, his parents came with a large family of sons and daughters to Canada-ere Campbellville and many other now flourishing places in Halton were yet known by name. native talent, unassuming kindly disposition and untiring industry, he gradually climbed the ladder of success until his name, far and near, became synonymous with all that was honourable and trustworthy. The deceased remained a bachelor throughout his long years. Besides other interests, Mr. Wheelihan was a shareholder in the Canadian Bank of Commerree, and reckoned among his many esteemed friends and long time acquaintances some of those largely interested in that institution.-Mr. Wheelihan was for upwards of a quarter of a century a subscriber to the "Journal of Commerce."

—Mr. James G. Taylor, Manager of the St. John, N. B. branch of the Bank of Commerce, will, about the beginning or middle of August, retire from his position and assume the position of General Agent of the Annuity Co. of Canada, for the Province of Quebec, with headquarters in Montreal.

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ADULTURATING JUTE GOODS.

From India, Burmah and Siam come complaints as to the quality of samples of jute goods sent out from North Britain. One sample was cut from a grass seed sack, and to all appearance it is an 11 porter 13 shot hessian. These sacks, full of seed, burst when being hoisted up by the crane. This led to an examination, when it was found that the warp of the cloth was not made of jute at all, but simply of paper yarn well twisted and of the exact colour and size of jute yarn. The people, who sent out the sample, are under the impression the cloth was made in Calcutta; but the Calcutta and Raugoon people think it looks much more a "Made in Germany" production .If this hessian is made in Calcutta, are the paper yarus also made locally or are they imported? A writer says he had no idea the Indian paper-pulp industry had got so far!

Some of these paper-warp bags were found mixed in the bundles along with the real all-jute article, and it was only the fact of their bursting under ordinary treatment that led to the discovery of their real nature. People are likely to hear more of this paper yarn now that the discovery has been made; and it ought not to be difficult to trace the bags back to the source of their manufacture. It would be interesting also to know the cost of these paper yarns as compared with the cost of the jute article, and to know the point in the price of jute that enables the paper substitute to come into competition with the fibre. There is no harm in making paperwarp hessians if they are sold as such; but it is sheer fraud to sell them as all-jute fabrics. In appearance they would deceive the very elect.— Thus sayeth the Textile Mercury of Manchester.

NOTHING TO GIVE IN RETURN

In the English Parliament on the 3rd ultimo, a member pointed out that the only benefits Great Britain does not receive from the United States under the most-favoured-nation treatment are those specified in Section III, of the Dingley Act. On this, the State Department at Washington explains : -"An Anglo-American Agreement under Section 111, of the Dingley Act was discussed months ago, since when it has not been taken up. The difficulty in reaching an agreement lay in the fact that under the express terms of the Dingley Law the President must be satisfied that Great Britain has something to offer to the United States, constituting true reciprocity." The United States, like other countries, enjoys the practical free entry of nearly all products into Great Britain, so the latter has no inducements to offer. Whiskey (no wonder!) and other spirits, cigars, tobacco, teas, coffee, chocolate, and fire arms are obliged to pay duty entering Great Britain and Ireland. If, however, that obstacle can be overcome, the State Department will immediately enter into an agreement with Great Britain on the basis of the German arrangement. The obstacle, says the M. P., can only be overcome by the return to a sane fiscal system. "By throwing our markets open to all comers without tax or toll, we have deprived ourselves of all bargaining power, and this very fact prevents us from enjoying the full benefit of the most favoured nation treatment." The duties in the United Kingdom are levied on a few articles; in Canada they are broadly distributed. How would Canada like an income tax?

BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES.

In Ontario the assets of the Canadian Lock Nut Co. Ltd. are advertised for sale this week at Toronto. The McLachlan Joy Electric Co. Ltd. has made an assignment to J. P. Langley.

Messrs. Kelly and Co., general storekeepers of Hagersville have assigned to C. S. Scott.

A. Oldfield and Co., architects of Winnipeg, have assigned.

In Nova Scotia, J. E. Pennington, general storekeeper and fish merchant has assigned.

In this Province, With liabilities amounting to about \$4,000, Samuel Moses, who carries on business in the city under the style of the American Cloak Company, has assigned, at the request of Julius Moses, tailor, whose claim amounts to \$350.

According to the statement filed in the Insolvency Department of the Superior Court, the assets are estimated at \$3,300, as follows: — Stock, \$800; fixtures, machinery and electric motor, \$500; book debts, \$2,000. The principal creditors are: —Lapin Bros., \$236; Yorkshire Importing Company, \$508; M. L. Norris, \$181; Alphonse Racine, \$258; Gault Bros., \$272; Metropolitan Waist Company, St. John, N.B., \$163; Hermann H. Wolff & Co., \$173; J. Boyaner, \$800; Miss Noel, \$300; L. Moses, \$250; and Julius Moses, \$350. The meeting of creditors was fixed for 5th inst.

J. D. Brodeur, fancy goods. Montreal. assigned.

The Century Press, high-class printing, etc., has dissolved. N. Ahearn, general storekeeper, Sault au Mouton, has effected a compromise with his creditors at 30c in the dollar.

A demand of assignment has been made upon H. B. Niemson, clothiers, etc., of this city, absentee. The assets of J.B. Ethier, grocer, of Montreal, are to be sold on 28th inst.

The firm of Brunet, Lamarche and Co., brickmakers, Ville Marie, has been dissolved.

-Customs collections for Montreal during June shows a very material increase of \$\\$413,440 over June 1906. The figures this year being \$1.546,573 against \$1.133,133 for the corresponding period last year.

-Mr. A. St. L. Trigge, of the head office staff of the Bank of Commerce, has been appointed secretary of that bank, in place of Mr. Jemmett, who is now general manager of the Sovereign Bank.

—A meeting of the shareholders of the Monarch Bank has been called for July 18th, to elect directors, to consider by-laws and other matters relating to organization.

-The total duty collected at the port of Toronto for the month of June was \$910,156; an increase of \$176.666 over the same month of last year.

-Building permits in Winnipeg this year to date amount to \$4.250,000, compared with \$6.800,000 in 1906.

FINANCIAL REVIEW.

Montreal, Thursday, July 4th, 1907.

There has been some flutter of anxiety during the week over the more or less inspired rumours concerning the Cape Breton iron and coal industries. There be those who reason that behind the scenes there is less strife than might be imagined from all the gratuitous advertising given the concerns.

As already hazarded, when war was declared last winter, the neutrals or friends of both sides were confident that long before the clever Statement recently published, the remarkably able men who stand beside the throne would have drafted

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some mutually acceptable treaty. The notably much larger sales of Dominion Steel and Iron (common) which take place when the quotations approach 25 cents in the dollar compared with the minimum of transfers when it falls below 20, cannot have escaped the attention of long-time holders and individuals some of whom have been hanging on since they bought it at prices not far from what the Preferred (cumulative) is quoted at to-day. It is notable also that the quotations of the U.S. Steel Corporation have been keeping pace with the little spurt recently in our Canadian enterprise.

There is a disposition in certain quarters to question the right of appeal to the Nova Scotia Legislature for authority to adjourn the date of the annual meeting "sine die," and to inquire into the complexion of what may be "in the fence" meantime.

The local money market is firm at 6 per cent. for call loans. Closing exchange rates were: — Sterling sixties, 87% to 8 29:32; sight, 9 19:325 cables, 9 23 32; francs. 5.16½, less 1-64; marks, 95 5-16, less 1-64; New York funds, 1-32 to 3-64.

Consols 84 3-16 for money and 84% for account.

The following is a comparative table of stock prices for the week ending July 4, 1907, as compiled by Messrs. Meredith & Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal:—

Sales. Highest. Lowest. Sale.

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Montreal 17	249	246	246	255
Commerce 48	$170\frac{1}{2}$	170	170	
Eastern Township 25	161	161	161	
Merchants 30	161	160	160	$169\frac{7}{8}$
Hochelaga 28	147	147	147	
Nova Scotia 10	283	283	283	273
Miscellaneous:				
Can. Pacific 100	1735/8	1735%	$173\frac{5}{8}$	159
Mont. Street Ry 271	210	205	210	2791/4
Do. New 37	2021/2	202	$202\frac{1}{2}$	
Torento Street 454	1043/8	101	1043/8	1116
Rich. & Ont. Nav. Co 70	$661/_{2}$	651/4	$66\frac{1}{2}$	
Mont. Light, H. & Powerl.446	$92\frac{1}{4}$	891/2	921/4	971/2
N. S. Steel & Coal 101	67	661/2	67	
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Do. Pref 20	537/8	52	52	74
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Dom. Coal, pfd 2	107	107	107	

Bell Telph. Co 84	132	$131\frac{1}{2}$	132	152
Laurentide Paper 25	88	88	88	
Laurentide, pfd // : 50	106	106	106	
Ogilvie, pfd 44	116	115	115	
Can. Co. Cotton 50	531/4	52	$53\frac{1}{4}$	
Textile, pfd 5	881/6	881/2	7K	
Lake of Woods 90	733/4	731/3	731/2	
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Bonds:				
Can. Col. Cotton	95	95	95	
Dominion Coal 3,000	98	98	98/	
Dom, Iron & Steel 2 000	741/2	7.4	74	
Ogilvie 1,000	117	117	117	
Lake of Woods	1001/2	1001/3	1001/2	
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Power	97	97	97	
Bell Telephone	106	106	106	
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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Montreal, Thursday, July 4, 1907.

All accounts agree in praise of the condition of trade. Rains have fallen in the North West, and the anxiety respecting the grain output has been greatly relieved. Throughout Ontario, grass and grain crops are favorably reported upon and in this Province, pastures are in prime condition and the important hay crop has developed wonderfully. In the Eastern Provinces the late Spring has been followed by forcing weather and vegetation is as far advanced as is usual at this season. Merchants report collections prompt, though this week's returns will better prove conditions in this respect. Orders are coming in fairly well, though it is evident that the backward season has caused a wise carefulness, of which the effect may be realized later on. The grain export trade has been vigorously prosecuted as a glance at comparative figures will prove. In spite of the strike which crippled the trade for the first two weeks, the export of wheat this year has reached the figures 4,637,176 bushels, as against 4,594,630 bushels up to the end of June last year . The English leather market is curiously quiet, which accounts for a dullness in exports. Cheese is in good demand and exports have been large but it is reported that the quality is poor. There are some complaints of the shipment of immature goods from the country factories, which means heavy cutting especially during the hot season. There are some fears for the cotton crop, which is from two to three weeks late this year. The dry goods trade also reports mill deliveries as slow especially in woolens. The general prosperity of the country, is showing itself in increasing building operations, which is benefiting the lumber trade, and also some branches of hardware. The log drivers have about completed their picturesque duties, and the mills are in the midst of sawing operations. The output of saw logs was quiet up to the average on most rivers, but prices, especially for dry material, promise to increase considerably. The export-trade in deals is slightly on the increase, but there is strangely enough only a fair trade in hardwoods.

BUTTER.—Prices are unchanged, and a fair local trade has been done. The export trade is only fair, as the margin between British and local prices, is very small. Quotations are Ontario 20c. Quebec $20 \frac{1}{2}$ c. Eastern Townships $20 \frac{3}{1}$ c to $21 \frac{1}{8}$ c.

CHEESE.—There is a slightly firmer feeling in this market and receipts continue heavy. Pastures are promising, but factory men still persist in selling too soon. The shipments last week amounted to 90.000 boxes. Receipts were 103,000, which left a small stock to be carried over this week. Prices: Quebecs, 11½c; Townships, 11½c, and Ontarios, 11½c to 11½c.

DRY GOODS.—All accounts agree in gloomy predictions for the cotton crop in the South. This is not altogether unusual at this time of year, and the wonderfully recuperative effect of favorable weather in former years, prevents the prices for futures from soaring. There is some possibility of a crop/of 10,000.000 bales instead of 11.500,000, but in New York, holders got \$13 25 to \$13.50 this week . At Liverpool spot prices ranged from 6.12d good ordinary to 8.26d good American middling. The local trade is healthy and promising, remittances are coming in well from all points and the 4th which is a heavy settling day is contemplated without anxiety. Some American firms have pushed up the prices in embroidered goods from 5 to 10 per cent. The factories are firm in their sales of woolen goods. Their stocks are not heavy and prices will probably be maintained.

EGGS.—Receipts are liberal. A fair business was done at 16½ to 17c for No. 1, and at 14c to 16c for No. 2. Selects keep up at 20c to 21c.

FISH.—Supplies of salmon and salmon trout continue fair. A good trade is being done at about former prices Haddock, express, 4c to 5c; market cod, express, 4c to 5c; steak cod, heads off, 6c; halibut, express, 8c to 9c; new mackerel, 8c; grass pike, 8c; lake trout, 9c; whitefish, 9c; dore or pickerel, 12c; flounders, 10c; brook trout, 22c; Gaspe Salmon, 13c Smoked and Prepared Fish.—New haddies, 15 and 30 lb. boxes, per lb., 8c to 9c; Yarmouth bloaters, 60 in box, per box, \$1.10; kippers, per half box, \$1; smoked herring, new, in small boxes, 10c; boneless cod, 1

and 2 lb. bricks, assorted "Favorite" brand, 20 lb. boxes, per lb., 6c; boneless fish, 20 lb. boxes, 2 lb. bricks, 5½c; boneless fish, 25 lb. boxes, loose, 4½c; shredded cod, 2 dozen cartons, ½ lb. each in box, per box, \$1.80; skinless cod, 100 lb. cases, \$5.50. Oysters—Standards, bulk, per galion, \$1.50; standards, lmp. qt. tins, sealed, 40c. Pickled Fish—No. 1 Labrador herriag, in brls., \$5; half brls., \$2.75; No. 1 N.S. herring, half brls., \$2.50; No. 1 mackerel, in pails, \$1.75; No. 1 sea trout, in 100 lb. kegs, \$5.75; No. 1 sea trout, in 200 lb. brls., \$10.50; Labrador salmon, in brls., \$12.50; Labrador salmon, half brls., \$6.50; No. 1 green cod, per 200 lbs., \$6.50; small green cod, per 200 lbs., \$4.50; large green cod, per 200 lbs., \$8; No. 1 green haddock, per 200 lbs., \$6.

FLOUR.—There is a steady demand from Europe for spring wheat grades and a good local and country trade. Choice spring wheat patents. \$5.10 to \$5.20; seconds. \$4.50 to \$4.60; winter wheat patents, \$4.85; straight rollers, \$4.10 to \$4.25; do., in bags, \$1.90 to \$2; extras, \$1.60.

GRAIN.—Unfavorable reports from European, Australian and Argentine wheat growers have been exploited by the trade, but these have been somewhat overbalanced by favorable weather reports from the North West, and portions of the United States Spring wheat belt. The Kansas Board of Agriculture has now come out with the plain statement that no one knows what the yield of winter wheat will be. Reports claim that the Alberta crop is the best on record, with an increased acreage of 40 per cent. Harvesting has begun in Oklahama and the South, under fair conditions. Large exports were a feature in the bullish market at Chicago, when Sept. delivery ran up 1%c. The quotations were : Wheat, July, 951/2c; September 99% to 991/2c. Cash quotations were as follows:--Flour, firm; No. 2, spring wheat, \$1 to \$1.03; No. 3, 94c to \$1.01; No. 2 red, 94c to 95\%c. Here cables for spring wheat have been slightly affected by the strength developed in American markets, but the slight advances are reported to leave a margin on the wrong side for the exporter. Liverpool spot wheat, steady; No. 1 northern Manitoba spring wheat, 7s 31/d to 7s 4d; No. 2 northern, 7s 11/d to 7s 2d; No. 2 western winter wheat, 7s ld to 7s 21/d; corn, spot, quiet; mixed American new, 5s 01/4d; old 5s 21/2d; wheat futures: steady; July. 7s 1%d; September, 7s 3%d; corn, quiet; September, 4s 111/4d. There has been a fair demand for oats at steady prices. Manitoba No. 2 white were made at 49c to 491/2c; Ontario No. 2 at 481/2c to 49c; No. 3 at 471/2c to 48c, and No. 4 at 461/2c to 47c per bushel, ex-store. Corn is held at a triffing advance, in a strong market.

GREEN FRUITS.-California fruit is very scarce and prospects poor for large supply. We quote : ORANGES -California navels, Pyramid brand, standard of quality \$3.50 ; 126 size, \$3.75 96 and 112 size, size, \$4; 176 size, \$4.25; 200, 216 and 250 sizes, \$4.50. Messina ovals, finest quality, 200 size, \$4.25; do. 160 size, \$4.25; Valencias, extra quality, $3\!\!/_{\!\!4}$ cases, 300 size, fancy packed, \$3.50; do., 420 size, ordinary, \$4.75; do., 420 size, large, \$5.75. Sorrento oranges, finest stock, 200 size boxes, \$2.90; do., 300, Valencia style, \$2.75; do., 160, \$2.75. LEMONS.—Extra fancy Russian lemons, extra large, 330 size, per box, \$4.50; do., 300 size, Messinas, \$4.25 ; fancy, 300 size, \$3.75 ; do., 360 size, \$3.50. BANANAS are easier under large receipts and prices are lower by about 10c, all grades. STRAWBERRIES are coming in well, prices range between 10c and 12c. PINEAPPLES are almost out of the markets, the few cases on hand being held at high

CROCERIES.— Trade fair, at former prices in most lines. Canned fruits are very scarce and firmly held. Japan Tea is very firm. Canned vegetables are ruling high. No further change in sugars. Price is looking up as supplies are short and no stock is reported in the Louisiana and Texas districts where prospects are fair for new crop. New York.—Molasses, steady. New Orleans, open Kettle, good to choice. 3°c to 40c. Sugar—Raw, quiet; fair refining, 3.37½c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3.37½c; molasses sugar. 3.12½c. Refined, steady; No. 6, \$4.60; No. 7, \$4.55; No. 8: \$4.50; No. 9, \$4.45; No. 10. \$4.35; No. 11, \$4.30; No. 12, \$4.25; No. 13, \$4.20; No. 14, \$4.15; confectioner's "A," \$4.80; mould "A," \$5.35; cut loaf, \$5.70; crush-

ed. \$5.50; powdered. \$5.10; granulated, \$5.00; cubes, \$5.25. London -Raw sugar, centrifugal, 11s; museovado, 10s; beet sugar, July, 9s 8%d. The coffee market is dull, prices practically unchanged. In Hamburg there has been a slight stir which raised the price 1/4 pfg. The New York price is 61/4c for Rio Reports of receipts at Santos and Rio, favorable 3,-000,000 bags being amount of stocks at those ports. Total visible supply is set at 16,500.000 bags.

HAY. Canadian baled hay is weak, supplies heavy. Prices here are \$15.50 to \$16.50 for No. 1 timothy; \$14.50 to \$15.50 for No. 2, and \$13 to \$14 for clover mixed; pure clover, \$12 to \$13 per ton, in car lots.

HIDES AND TALLOW.—Business moderate. Quotations for fresh city stock: No. 1 hides, 11e; No. 2 hides, 101/2c; No. 8 hales, 91/2c; No. 1 callskins, per lb., 14c; No. 2 callskins, per lb., 10c; lambskins, 95c; No. 1 horsenides, each \$2; No. 2 horsehides, each \$1.50; tallow, rendered, per lb., 3c to 5c; tallow, rough, per lb., 11/2e to 3c.

HONEY. The market is still quiet at former prices. White clover, ccmb, 12c to 15c; buckwheat, 91/2c to 10c; and extracted, 81/2c to 9c. Extracted white clover comb, 111/2c to 12c per Jb.

TRON and HARDWARE. The local trade reports a good business for the dull season, prices remaining about the same. remutances very good and encouraging outlook. Builders sup plies are in increased demand. Foundry iron has a downward tendency here, as in European and United States markets. In some quarters it is claimed that there has been an average de eline of 25c to 75c per ton during the month. This has been mainly in low grades. There is less activity in both sheets and tin plate, but an advance of \$2 per ton on galvanized sheets is anticipated. The Carnegie Steel Co. has notified customers that sheet and tin plate bars for delivery during the third quarter of the year will be advanced \$1 per ton over the second quarter, although there has been a more ample supply of crude steel in the open market during the last few resulting in lower prices for billets. weeks. New York, pig iron certificates have been dull For standard foundry, cash, June, July and smail change. August, \$22.50/bid : October. November and were offered at \$24.50. BAR IRON has been dull and easy in tone. For car lots for early delivery sales are made on the basis of 1.05 a 1.70c base Pittsburg, or 1.81 a 1.86c tidewater. base half extras. The jobbing trade is fair at 2c base full extras from store. Following the lead of London, Eng. Prices of tin on this side have been firm with an advance of 5/8c asked for spot or immediate delivery. During June the Straits exported over 500 tons more than during the same period last year and there is a feeling that stocks are large enough to account for a decline soon, which probably accounts for the small dealing in futures. The London market is a puzzle just now. Cables quote tin, spot £192.10s, Three months £182. 10s. Lead has been easy at former rates, \$5.75 to \$5.80 in New York. The London market has been irregular and closed 12s 6d higher than a week ago. Soft Spanish closed at £20 10s against £19 12s 6d on the preceding Friday, and against £16 12s 6d on the corresponding day a year ago. Refined Spelter has been quiet and little changed, with spot held at 6.45c and June at 6.35c in carload lots. Antimony has been dull, a few sales of special brands being noted at 11c for London shipment; ordinary brands sell in New York for 10e-11e spot. Coffee remains dull, and the demand is small at present. Sales of refined range from about 22.10c to 22.15c spot. Aluminium in ingots is irregular, producers quoting 43c to 45c No. 1 and 42e to 44e for No. 2. 80 p.c. pure in ton lots.

LIVE STOCK.—Probably the hot weather has been responsible for the slight decline in the demand for beef, which has left a decrease of 1/4c, on the local market. For export steers sold at 51/2c to 57/8c, a few bulls bringing 43/4c. English cables shew a slight falling off in the demand for Canadian cattle, is however not likely to be permanent. Canadians brought in Liverpool 121/2c to 13c, best Americans 131/4c. The local price is from 43/4c to 6c, for best, and from 31/2c to 41/2c for inferior grades. During the past month 15,249 cattle, 1,464 sheep and 31 horses were exported from this point. The ship-

ments of cattle and sheep so far this year fall short of last year's by 7,900 cattle and 1,800 sheep. The price of sheep has weakened 1/2c per lb. Lambs are still quoted at \$4 to \$5 and calves are in good demand at last weeks prices. Hogs have been in good demand, though foreign cables report a fall of 2s per cwt for Canadian bacon. Supplies are small and are looked after by local packers. Prices range from \$6.75 to \$7.25 per 100 lbs. at the car side.

MAPLE PRODUCTS.-Market steady. Syrup, 51/2c per lb. in wood, 61/2c in tins; maple sugar, 71/2c to 8c per lb. \$19.50 to \$20; shorts, \$22 to \$22.50; milled mouillie, \$24 to \$28

MEAL.—Rolled oats quiet at \$2,25 to \$2.271/2 per bag. Cornmeal, \$1.45 to \$1.50.

MILL FEED.—Prices firm. Manitoba bran, bags, \$21.00; shorts, \$22.00 per ton; Ontario bran, in bags, \$19.50 to \$20.00; shorts, \$22.00 to \$22.50; milled mouillie, \$24.00 to \$28.00 per ton: and straight grain, \$30.00 to \$32.00.

NAVAL STORES.—Prices keep firm and the demand is good. Pine pitch, \$3.75 brl.; pine tar, \$4.50 brl.; oakum, 4c to 7c per lb.; coal tar, \$4 brl.; roofing pitch, \$1 per 100 lbs.; cotton waste, coloured. 5c to 7c per lb.; white, 8c to 11c. Rope: -Sisal 7-16 and upwards, 101/2c; 3/8, 11c; 3-16. 111/2c. Manilla, 7-16 and larger, 15c; 3-8, 151/2c; 1/4 and 5-16, 16c. Lath yarn, 10c to 101/00.

OILS and TURPENTINE .- Trade is dull at this time of year. prices varying very little. Raw Linseed 65c to 67c. Boiled 68c to 70c. Turpentine is quoted at 85c to 95c. Savannah. Ga., turpentine, firm at 57 1/4c. Rosin is firm at former prices. Seal Oil has increased in value. Pale Seal being quoted at 55c to 60c. Stran Seal remains firm at 45c. In London-Calcutta linseed, July and August, 44s 1½d. Linseed oil, 26s. Sperm oil, Petroleum, American refined. 65%d; do, spirits, 71/2d. Turpentine spirits, 42s. Rosin, American strained, 10s 10½d. do., fine, 15s 3d.

POTATOES. - Market fair, with good demand and only small supplies. Quebec white potatoes are selling at \$1.10 to \$1.20 per 90 lbs. on track, and at \$1.20 to \$1.25 in a jobbing while red stock, in car lots, brings \$1 to \$1.05 on track, and \$1.15 to \$1.20 in a jobbing way.

PROVISIONS.—Prices kept steady and business rather dull. Abattoir fresh-killed hogs at \$10.25. Heavy Canada short-cut mess pork in tierces, \$32 to \$32.50; brls \$22 to \$23.50. Compound lard in tierces, 375 lbs., 10c to 101/4c; tubs, 50 lbs., parchment lined. 101/4c to 101/2c; kettle lard, tierces, 13c; pure lard, tierces, 11% to 121/2c. Hams, extra large sizes, 25 lbs. and upward, 131/2c to 14c; large sizes, 18 to 25 lbs., 14c to 15c; medium sizes, selected weights, 12 to 18 lbs., 141/2c to 151/2c; extra small sizes, 8 to 12 lbs., 15c to 151/2; English boneless breakfast bacon, 15c; Wiltshire bacon, backs, 15c; Wilshire bacon, 50-lb. sides, 141/2c to 15c.

WOOL.-There is a slow business at former rates. Dealers quote following prices for wool, Montreal:—Canada fleece, tub washed. 20c to 28c; Canada ficece, in the grease, 18c to 20c; Canada pulled, brushed, 20c; Canada, pulled, unbrushed, 27c to 29c; pulled lambs brushed 30c to 32c; pulled lambs unbrushed 30c; N. W. merinos 18c to 20c. London advices show that after the mills had filled their orders, there was available for the fourth series sales 175,974 bales from foreign sources. It is not considered likely that changes in prices will be material, though there are symptoms of a downward tendency.

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The popular and delightful spot known as the Ottawa House at Cushing's Island in Portland Harbor, Maine, was refurnished and reconstructed in all departments last year. The management this year are catering to the many Canadians who annually go to the seaside for their summer trip, and a more delightful spot than Cushing's Island could not be chosen. Sea bathing, golf, deep sea fishing rarefied air and cool and pleasant evenings are some of the attractions.

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Borax, xtls. ... Citric Acid . Citrate Magne Cocaine Hyd. Morphia ... Oil Peppermint Oil Lemon Opium Phosphorus Oxalic Acid Potash Bichro Potash Iodide Quinine Strychnine .. . Tartaric Acid .

Stick, 4, 6, 8, Acme Licorice Licorice Lozen

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Stick, 4, 6, 8, 12, & 16 to lb., 5 lb boxes	2 00 2 00 1 50
Bleaching Powder	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
DYESTUFFS— Archil, con Cutch Ex. Logwood Chip Logwood Indigo (Bengal) Indigo Madras Gambier Madder Sumae Tin Crystals	0 27 0 31 0 08 1 75 2 50 1 50 1 75 0 70 1 00 0 06 0 07 0 09 0 12 42 50 47 50 0 28 0 30
Bloaters, per box Labracor Herrings Labrador Herrings, half bris. Mackerel, No. 2, bris. Mackerel, No. 2, one-half barrel Green Cod, No. 1 Green Cod, No. 1 Green Cod, large No. 2 Large Dry Gaspe per 200 lbs. Salmon, bris. Lab. No. 1 Salmon, laif bris. Salmon, lriish Coumbia, bris. Salmon, British Columbia, half bris Boneless Fish Boneless Cod Skinless Cod, case Loch Fyne Herrings, keg	2 75 0 00 4 00 0 00 5 00 0 00 0 00 0 00 13 00 7 00 12 50 7 00 0 05 3 054 0 055 0 066 0 00 5 5 0
Seconds Winter Wheat Patents Straight Roller Straight bags Extras Rolled Oats Cornmeal, bag Bran, in bags Shorts, in bags Mouillie	
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WHOLESALE PRICES COLL	
Name of Article.	Wholesale,
FARM PRODUCTS.—Con.—	
Cheese -	\$ c. \$ o.
Finest Western white	0 11 0 12# 0 11 0 11# 0 00 0 11#
Eggs—	/
New Laid No. 1	0 16 0 17 0 15 0 16 0 00 0 00 0 00 0 00
No. 1 Candled	
Sundries—	
Potatoes per bag, of 90 lbs	1 00 1 20 0 12 0 15 0 08 0 11
Beans—	0.00.000
Prime Best hand-picked	0 00 0 00 1 30 1 35
GROCERIES—	
Sugars— Standard Granulated, barrels	4 50
Bags, 100 lbs. Ex. Ground, in barrels Ex Ground, in boxes ownered, in barrels Powdered in boxes caris Lumps, in barrels	4 50 4 45 4 90 5 10 4 70 4 80 5 10
Molasses (Barbadoes) new Molasses (Barbadoes) oid	3 95 4 25 0 36
Molasses in half barrels Evaporated Apples	0 321 0 331 0 09 0 11
Raisins—	
Sultanas / Loose Musc. / Loose Musc	0 14 0 18 0 09 0 12 0 00
Valencia, Selected	0 00 0 00 0 00
Latras	
Prunes, California Prunes, French Figs, in bags	0 074 0 08
Rice—	
Standard B	3 25 3 35 4 35 4 45
Standard B	0.00.0.05
Tapioca, Pearl per lb	. 0071/2 0 08
Tapioca, Flake, per lb	0 92
Salmon, 4 dozen case	
Salt—	10
Windsor 1 lb. bags, gross	3 50
Coarse delivered Montreal 1 bag	0 60 0 574
Butter Salt, bags, 200 lbs brls. 280 lbs Cheese Salt, bags, 200 lbs brls. 280 lbs	2 10 1 55 2 10
Coffees—	
Seal brand, 2 lb. cans	0 32 0 38 0 31
Seal brand, 2 lb. cans	0 178
Pure Rio	0 15

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

Name of Article.	Wholesale.	
GROCERIES.—Continued—		
Teas-	8	c \$ c
Young Hysons, common Young Hysons, best grade Japans Congou Ceylon Indian	0 0 0 0	17 0 35 17 0 35
HARDWARE—		1
Antimony Tin: Block, L. & F. per lb. Tin, Block, Straits, per lb. Tin, Strips, per lb. Copper: Ingot, per lb.	0 0	046½
Cut Nail Schedule— Base price, per keg		2 30
Base price, per keg	0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 094
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Galvanized Staples— 100 lb. box, 1½ to 1¾	2 8 ^t 2 F (
Galvanized Iron-		
Queen's Head, or equal gauge 28 Comet, do., 28 gauge	4 70 4 55	4 95 4 80
Iron Horse Shoes— No. 2 and larger	2 65 2 70 2 70 2 60 2 85 3 00	2 90 2 95
Canada Plates— Full Polish Ordinary, 52 sheets Ordinary, 60 sheets Ordinary, 75 sheets Black Iron Pipe, ½ inch ½ inch ¼ inch 11 inch 1½ inch 1½ inch 1½ inch		3. 85 2. 75 2. 80 2. 90 2. 20 2. 20 2. 65 3. 36 4. 83 6. 58 7. 90
Per 100 feet nett.		,
2 inch Steel, cast per lb., Black Diamond Steel, Spring, 100 lbs. Steel Tire 100 lbs. Steel, Sleigh snoe, 100 lbs. Steel, Sleigh snoe, 100 lbs. Steel, Machinery, / Steel, Machinery, / Steel, Harrow Tooth		10 08 0 07\$ 2 60 2 40 2 25 3 05 2 85 2 55
Shot. 100 lbs. less 15 per cent Lead Pipe, per 100 lbs	5 50 c pe less	4 20 4 50 7 15 0 10 8 90 8 50 5 75 6 50 7 00 er lb. 5 p.c.
Zinc— Spelter, per 100 lbs	7 75	7 00 8 0 0

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BRITISH COTTON GROWING

The "Guardian" in reporting a meeting of the British Cotton-growing Association, says: A number of photographs were shown of a shipment of 721 bales of cotton recently received from Lagos, and the compact manner in which the bales had been made up was generally commended. It was pointed out that these bales measured 80^{f} feet to the ton, whereas American cotton, which is often wretchedly packed, measures 113 feet to the ton. As to British Central Africa, a report received from the Government states that, owing to unfavorable weather, the exports of cotton are not expected to exceed those of the previous year, but cotton will again head the list of exports, and is at the moment the most valuable crop produced there. The exports of cotton are : Year ending March 31, 1902, experimental parcels; 1903, 692 lbs; 1904, 56,577 lbs; 1905, 285,-181 lbs; 1906, 776,621 lbs; 1906-7, to end of February, 508,869 lbs. There is a large

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

Name of Article.	W	olesale.
HARDWARE.—CON.~		
Black Sheet Iron, per 100 lbs	8	c. 8 c.
8 to 16 gauge	2 5 2 4 2 4 2 4 2 4 2 5	0 2 50 0 2 55 5 2 65
Wire—		
Plain galvanized, No. 5	4 30 4 30 2 95	5 3 35 0 2 85 0 3 40 6 8 45 6 3 00 6 3 10 6 3 95 0 4 15 0 4 40 6 f.o.b.
ROPE—		
do 7-16 and up do % do 8-16 Manilla, 7-16 and larger do 3-8. do 1-4 to 5-16 Lath yarn	0 10	0 10½ 0 11 0 11½ 0 15 0 15½ 0 16 010½
WIRE NAILS		3 05
2d extra 2d f extra 3d extra 4d and 5d extra 6d and 7d extra 8d and 9d extra 10d and 12d extra 16d and 20d extra 20d to 60d extra		2 45 2 35 2 20 2 15 2 10 2 05
BUILDING PAPER—	/	2 40
Tarred Sheeting, roll		£0
HIDES—		
Montreal Green Hides-		
Montreal, No. 1 Montreal, No. 2 Montreal, No. 3 Fanniers pay \$1 extra for sorted cured and inspected. Sheepskins Clips Dring Lambeling and	0 00 0 00 0 00	0 11 0 10; 0 9; 1 (0
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LEATHER—		
Blaughter, No. 1 Ilght medium and heavy No. 2 Iarness Upper, heavy Upper, light Brained Upper Cectch Grain Ilip Skins, French Inglish Janada Kip Jemlock Calf Jemlock Light Trench Calf Jester Board, Canada Jeanmelled Cow, per ft. Jebble Grain Jester Board, Canada Jester Bo	0 50 0 70 0 0 70 0 00 0 95 0 18 0 18 0 16 0 13 0 18 0 00 18 0 00 0 30 8 00 8 00 9 5 0 23 0 18 0 18 0 18 0 19 0 10 0 10 0 10 0 10 0 10 0 10 0 10	0 28 0 26 0 30 0 30 0 30 0 30 0 38 0 38 0 38 0 70 0 0 38 0 70 0 0 0 0 20 0 10 1 25 0 16 0 15 0 15 0 26 0 17 0 42 0 20 0 17 0 45 0 16 0 16 0 17 0 45 0 16 0 16 0 16 0 16 0 17 0 18 0 18 0 18 0 18 0 18 0 18 0 18 0 18

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Cod Oil ...
S. R. Pale is Straw Seal ...
Cod Liver O Cod Liver O Castor Oil ...
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Linseed, raw Linseed, raw Linseed, pure ... Olive, pure .
Olive. extra,
Turpentine,
Wood Alcoho

PETROL

Acme Prime Acme Water Astral, per Benzine, per Gasoline, per

GLASS-

First break, Second Break First Break, Second Break

PAINTS.

Lead, pure, 5
Do. No. 1
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Pure Mixed,
White lead,
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Venetian Red
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United States
Fire Bricks, 1
Fire Clay, 20
Rosin, per 10

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Name of Article. Wholesale. OILS-\$ c. \$ c. OILS— Cod Oil ... S. R. Pale Seal ... Straw Seal ... Cod Liver Oil, Norway Process Cod Liver Oil, Norwegian ... Castor Oil ... Castor Oil ... Lard Oil, extra ... Lard Oil, ... Linseed, raw, ... Linseed, raw, ... Colive, pure ... Olive, extra, qt., per case ... Turpentine, nett ... Wood Alcohol, per gallon ... PETROLEUM-Acme Prime White, per gal. Acme Water White, per gal. Astral, per gal. Benzine, per gal. Gasoline, per gal.

GLASS-			
First break, 50 feet	••		1 70 1 80 3 25 3 45 3 95 4 20
PAINTS, &c			
Lead, pure, 50 to 100 lbs. kegs Do. No. 1 Do. No. 2 Do. No. 2 Do. No. 3 Pure Mixed, gal. + White lead, dry Red lead, Venetian Red, English Yellow Ochre, French Whiting, ordinary Whiting, Gilders' English Cement, cask Belgian Cement German Cement United States Cement Fire Bricks, per 1,000 Fire Clay, 200 lb. pkgs. Rosin, per 100 lbs.		0 00 2 00 17 00 0 75	0 6 65 5 6 40 0 6 95 0 1 50 0 7 50 0 6 50 0 2 25 0 0 50 0 70 1 00

GLASS-

Rosin, per 100 fbs	••	2 00	0 00
Glue—			
Domestic Broken Sheet		0 08	0 084
French Casks		0 09	0 10
			0 14
French, barrels		0 16	0 18
American White, barrels		0 19	0 20
Coopers' Glue		0 04	0 10
Brunswick Green		0 12	0 16
French Imperial Green		0 85	
No. 1 Furniture Varnish, per gallon		0 75	0 80
a Furniture Varnish, per gallon		0 85	0 90
Brown Japan			
Black Japan		0 80	0 85
Orange 'Shellac, No. 1		2 25	2 35
Orange Shellac, pure		2 45	
White Shellac		2 90	2 95
Putty, bulk, 100 lb. barrel		1 40	1 42
Putty, in bladders		1 65	1 67
Parish Green in drum, 1 lb. pkg		0 24	0 25
Kalsomine 5 lb. pkgs			0 11
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WOOL—			
Canadian Washed Fleece	0	26	0 28
North-West	0	18	0 20
Buenos Ayres	0	35	0 42
Natal, greasy	0	00	0 00
Cape, greasy	0	19	0 28
Australian, greasy		-	1 00

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increase in the quantity of cotton planted this season. The plantations are looking well, and the future of the cotton growing industry to the country is assured. From British East Africa satisfactory accounts have been received, and the ginning factory for Malindi has just been shipped. In West Africa the cotton purchases during May were equal to 1,112 bales, and 954 bales were ginned. The cotton purchased since the beginning of the year is equal to 5,530 bales, as compared with 2,778 bales for the first five months of last year and 1.162 bales for the same period of 1905. The arrangements for ginning next year's crop are complete, machinery having been sent out sufficient to deal with 30 000 bales. It was decided that, providing sufficient additional capital be obtained two large additional plants, each capable of ginning 12,000 bales per annum, should be sent. out. at a cost of about \$150,000, in good time for the 1909 season. As to the Northern Nigerian Railway, it is almost certain that the Government will take this matter in hand shortly. The line will run through a large track of country which is splendidly adapted for cotton growing, but which cannot yet be brought under cultivation owing to the entire absence of transport facilities. It is hoped that arrangements may be made for a representative party of planters to visit the West Indies shortly. Sir Alfred Jones has offered to carry them free from Jamaica. An allotment was made of 716 shares which had been applied for during the month. Messrs. J. R. and A. Smith, of Preston, having paid the last call on

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

Name of Article.	Wholesale.
WINES, LIQUORS, ETC.	
A!e-	\$ c. \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
English, qts	2/40 2 50 1 60 1 65 0 85 1 50
Dublin Stout, qts	2 40 2 50 1 60 1 65 1 60 1 65 25 1 40 0 80 1 40
Spirits Canadian-per gal.	
Alcohol 65. O.P. Spirits, 50. O.P. Spirits, 25 U.P. Cub Rye, U.P. Kye Whiskey, ord., gal.	
Ports—	
Tarragona	1 80 2 00 2 00 5 08
Sherries—	
'montillado (Lion)	3 50 4 08 0 85 5 00
Clarets—	
Medoc	2 25 2 75 4 00 5 00
Champagnes—	/ 4
a Tour, secs	11 00 12 00
Brandies—	
Hennessy, gal. slartel, case Atard, gals. Richard 20 years flute 12 qts. in case slichard Fleur de Cognac do. Slichard V.S.O.P. 12 qts.	5 25 10 25 12 75 17 00 4 00 0 00 17 50 15 50 12 25 9 00
Scotch Whiskeys-	
Bullock Lade, E.E.S.G.L. Kilmarnock Usher's O.V.G. Dewars extra spec. Mitchells Glenogle 12 qts. do Special Reserve 12 qts. do Extra Special, 12 qts. do Finest Old Scotch, 12 qts.	10 25 10 50 9 50 10 00 9 00 9 50 9 25 9 50 8 00 9 90 9 50 12 50
Irísh Whiskey-	
Power's, qts. Jameson's, qts. Bushmill's Burke's Angostura Bitters, per 2 doz.	10 25 10 50 9 50 11 00 9 50 10 50 8 00 11 50 14 00 15 00
Gin—	
Canadian green cases London Dry Plymouth Ginger Ale, Belfast, dos. Soda water, imports, dos. Apollinaris, 50 qts.	5 50 5 80 7 25 8 00 9 00 9 50 1 30 1 40 7 00 7 50

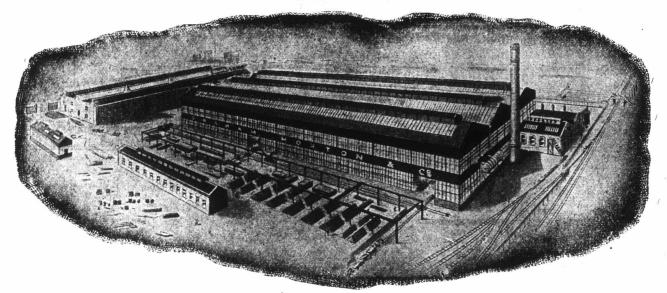
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the 500 shares originally applied for, have now applied for an additional amount of 500 shares, making their total holding into \$5.000. It was suggested that other shareholders might be willing to subscribe for additional shares when they had discharged the liability on their existing holding. The total number of shares subscribed for to date amounts to \$1.283,-840. Attention was called to the speech made by Sir William Holland, M. P., at annual meeting of the Fine Cotton Spinners' and Doublers' Association, when he mentioned the splendid results achieved by the association in the West Indies. Ilad it not been for the fine Sea Island cotton which had been grown in these islands during the last few years, in all probability a good good many of the mills using the finer grades of cotton would have been obliged to work short time, owing to the searcity of the raw material.

RAILWAY ACCIDENTS.

While no legislation can cure a certain reckless disregard for life, which is a distinctively western characteristic, it is reasonable to conclude that definite restrictions with regard to the use of dangerous appliances and equipment have a material influence in lessening the number of accidents . The safety appliance ifying proof of practical results . It such casualties, there were 310 killed and

provides that all railways must use car couplers which can be both coupled and uncoupled without the necessity of men going between the ends of the cars, and which are maintained at a certain uniform height, must have locomotives driving equipped with power brakes and appliances for operating the train brake system, must have secure grabirons on the sides and ends of cars. and must have a certa'n minimum percentage of the cars in every train equipped with power brakes in an operative condition, so that the engineer of the locomotive harding such train can control its speed with ut requiring brakemen to use the common hand-brake for that purpose. Failure to observe any one of these requirements subjects a railway to a penalty of one hundred dollars, and if an employee is injured or killed through the use of equipment in violation of law the company an ot avail itself of the common law defence of "assumed risk" to avoid financial responsibility. This law came fully into effect in August, 1900, and has had the effect of greatly lessening the record of accidents among railway employees. In 1893, with 873.602 persons on the pay rolls of the railroads of the United States, 433 employees were killed and 11277 injured in coupling and uncoupling cars. In 1905, with 1,382,196 persons employed, 230 were killed and 3,543 injured in coupling and uncoupling cars. Taking the class law of the United States affords a grat- of trainmen who are peculiarly liable to

8,753 injured in coupling accidents in 1893, out of 179,636 employed, while in 1905, out of 265,175 employed, 217 were killed and 3.316 injured in coupling accidents. If the casualties due to coupling and uncoupling cars had increased in the same ratio as the number of trainmen employed since 1893 there would have been 458 men killed and 12 931 injured in 1905. The ratio of casualties to trainmen from coupling and uncoupling cars to the total accidents to trainmen in /1893 was 44.33 per cent., while in 1905 it was but 11.10 per cent.. a decrease of 33.23 per cent. In reviewing these statistics in The Railway World, the Secretary of the U.S. Interstate Commerce Commission says that if the saving of human life is the high st purpose of law this is entitled to rank with the most beneficent acts of national legislation. The fact that the legal restraints have saved many lives must not be regarded as intimating that railway corporations or officials are intentionally reckless of human life. No railway manager would ever deliberately encourage or permit a pelicy or method of operation which he believed to be fraught with danger to the travelling public or to railroad employees. Yet it is true that managers are held primarily respensible for the financial results of operation, and to make a satisfactory showing it is often thought necessary to introduce measures of economy that would not be adopted if circumstances were such that the safety of travellers

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and employees could be made the first paring methods, and, as a rule, their proconsideration. The reduction of main-tection can only be assured when it is clearly recognized as an operating problem. Protection to the employee lies in increasing the financial responsibility of the railroads for his injury or death. nothing except the financial results, respire to produce conditions that are in- forms must be effected by giving them a imical to safety. Employees are the direct bearing on the balance between greatest sufferers from these cheese-recepts and expenditures.

COATING FOR BRICK WALLS.

The following coating for brick walls is: used by the United States Government for painting lighthouses, and it effectually prevents moisture from str.king through: Take a fresh Rosendale cement, 3 parts, While directorates know little or and of clean, fine sand, 1 part; mix with fresh water thoroughly. This gives a gray or granite color, dark or light, according to the color of the cement. If brick color is d sired add enough Vene-

time may be used with the cement and ingredients well mixed together. In applying the wash, the wall must be wet with clean fresh water: then follow immediately with the cement wash. This prevents the bricks from absorbing the water from the wash too rapidly, and gives times for the cement to set. The wash must be well stirred during the application. The mixture is to be made as thick as can be applied conveniently with a whitewash brush. It is admirably suited for brick work, fences, etc., but it cannot be used to advantage when it is applied over paint or whitewash.

WHITING AND PLASTER OF PARIS.

Whiting, often called Paris White, is one of the many forms of carbonate of lime which are found in various parts of the world. It is closely allied to chalk, limestone, and a number of other carbonates, and is a valuable agent for reducing the temperature at which a glaze melts. It must not be confused with Plaster of Paris, which acts in a similar manner, says the Brick and Pottery Trade. When heated alone to a high temperature whiting loses carbon dioxide, and is converted into quicklime, which is quite infusible, but in the presence of siliceous materials combination takes place, and a more or less vitrified mass (according to the relative proportions of the whiting and other substances) is produced. Whiting is, in fact,

one of the cheapest fluxes known. Whiting may easily be distinguished from most of the other ingredients of glazes and bodies by the effervescence produced when a little hydrochloric or sulphuric acid is poured upon it. To obtain a maximum fluxing action from whiting it is necessary to heat it to an exceedingly high temperature, or to add some more easily fusible substance to the material—felspar is commonly employed for this purpose - but the action once started, goes on with ease and rapidity. producing ideal glazes under comparatively wide variations of temperature. When properly prepared it is extremely fine, and when mixed with a little water gives a smooth, milky paste, very pleasant to the touch, and quite different from ffint, which it somewhat resembles in appearance. Plaster of Paris, or gypsum, is another compound of lime, but is possessed of very different properties to/ whiting. It is chiefly noted for its "setting" properties, which enable it to be used in the construction of moulds, casts, etc. In years gone by it was thought that some plaster of Paris must of necessity be added to a glaze to make it adhere to the goods, but this idea has long been discarded, and as plaster has many disadvantages accompanying its use, the number of glazers who employ it is becoming rapidly less. Weight for weight, it is less active than whiting, and this 314.

tian red to the mixture to produce the fact may explain its value in certain color. If a very light color is desired, cases where whiting gives too much comtraction; it would, however, be cheaper sand. Care must be taken to have all the and better to use less whiting rather than to employ plaster in such a glaze The large proportion of sulphuric acid which plaster contains—in the best samples it is never less than 45 per cent.-tends to make glazes containing plaster somewhat dim, or filled with whitish, specks of semi-crystalized matter, which can only be avoided by particular attention-during the earlier stages of the firing, and when once formed can never be entirely removed. This defect is char acteristic of sulphur compounds in glazes, and on this account it is wise never to allow the proportion of sulphates to exceed/5 per cent. of the weight of the (dry) glaze, and, whereever possible, to avoid their use altogether. On this account plaster of Paris should in most cases be replaced by two-thirds of its weight (or less) of whiting in glazes and bodies.

- IMMIGRATION.

The total immigration into Canada for the month of April, 1907, was 44.051 as compared with 35,313 for April of last year, an increase of 25 per cent. For the ten months. July 1, 1906, to April 30, 1907, the immigration was 168,718, as compared with 124,031 for the corresponding months of the fiscal period 1905-06, an increase of 44,687 or 36 per cent. The complete returns of naturalization in Canada for 1906 have been tabulated by the Secretary of State's Department, and show that a very large proportion of Canada's new citizens from foreign countries are taking the oath of allegiance. During the year the naturalizations totalled 10.242, as compared with 6.632 for the previous year, an increase of 3,610. The naturalization requires three years' residence in the Dominion before papers of citizenship can be taken out. Taking into consideration the fact that only the heads of families and young men over 21 years of age and of foreign birth will need to take the oath of allegiance, the total of 10,242 for last year probably represents a foreign immigration of thirty to forty thousand. And since three years' residence is required it will be seen that almost the whole foreign immigration of 1903 has now become naturalized by law. The total naturalizations of immigrants from the U. S. were 3.888, which, compared with the immigration figures of 1902-03 show that nearly all the American male settlers west are taking the oath of allegiance to the British Crown. Other nationalities show the following totals:— Austrians 680; Belgians 78; Chinese 229 ; Danes 66: French 116: Galicians 582; Germans 219; Hungarians 148; Icelanders 139; Italians 430; Japanese 146; Norwegians 151; Prussians 58; Roumanians 407; Russians 1.027 and Swedes

LUMBER SUBSTITUTES.

The Iron Trade Review says that "the cause of the profligate waste of the American forests is found in the cupidity of private lumbering interests with eyes only for the present profits, and none for the future welfare ,but this is of little concern except as suggesting action for the preservation of the timber still standing. The more important fact is that the maximum yield of forest prosducts has been reached, that the output is hereafter to decrease, and that consumers of wood will shortly be driven by reason of its scarcity and increasing cost to find and adopt satisfactory sub-There is a growing sentiment for intelligent forestry, fostered particularly by certain leading universities, which will doubtless serve to prolong the approach of famine conditions, and extensive tree-planting by railway interests will lessen the perplexities of the crosstie situation for a time, but none of these efforts is extensive enough to promise any adequate measure of relief. In the building operations of the future concrete will play its important part in all the more extensive undertakings in connection with the strength-giving steel bar. Tile and other clay products are to find more general use. The steel cross-tie, despite occasional setbacks, is well on its way to widespread adoption, and the wooden railway car will soon be a relic of an experimental past. Steel is already in wide favor for walls, as metal lath and ceilings. Substitutes for wood are being found on every hand, for the most part in some form of steel which is commended by the increasing case and cheapness by which it can be turned into any finished form desired."

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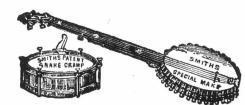
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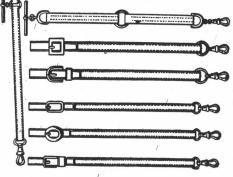
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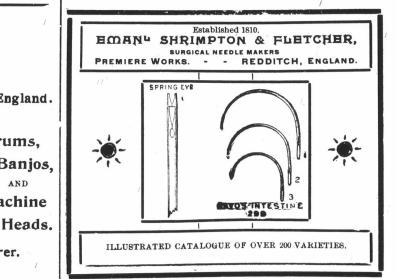
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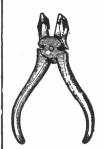
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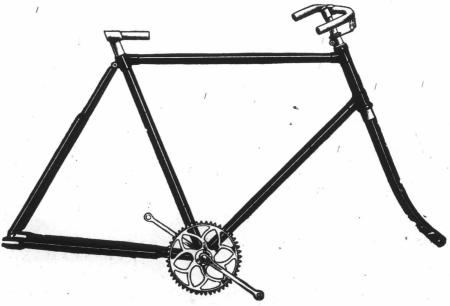
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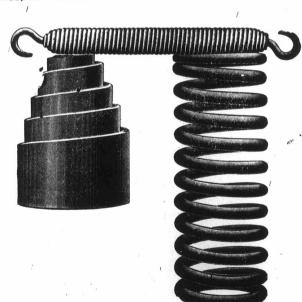
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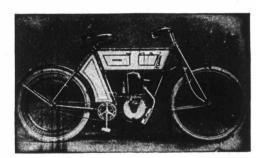
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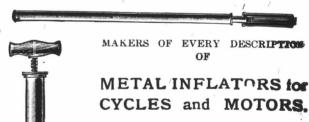
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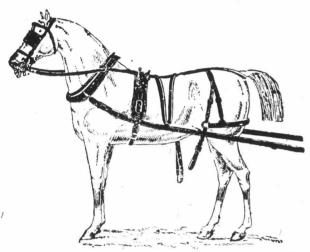
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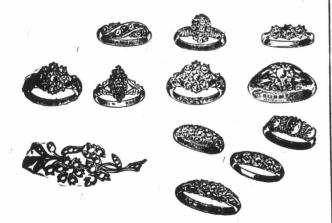


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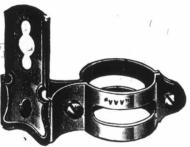
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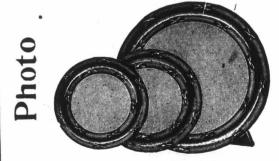
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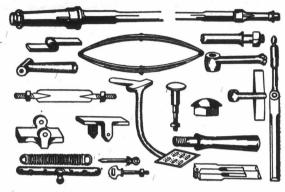
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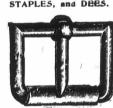
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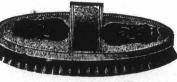


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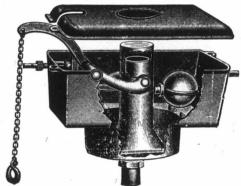
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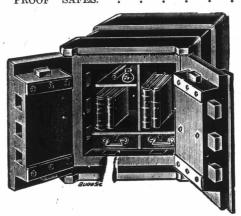
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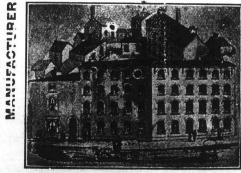
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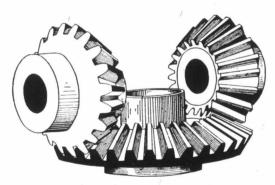
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